time of resistance. That raises a question as to the efficiency of others. "Olibrarians" of the world. After all, it is as has been said, the men behind the guns that count in modern warfare, no less than in the ancient battles when men fought one another with bow and arrow, sword and be-onet.

ARE THERE ANY MORE?

We hope we will not be accused of the awful crime of teaching or defending polygamy, by publishing the following letter from a reliable member of the Church, seeing that it offers no argument on the right or wrong of the subject, but merely adds one more bit of evidence in refutation of the bald denials of certain "Reorganizers." If there are any more living witnesses of the occurrence related in this letter, we hope they will promptly report what they heard on the occasion mentioned by our correspondent:

Riverton, Utah, March 12, 1894.
Editor Desert News, Salt Lake City.

Dear Sir: I saw in just Monday's paper of a "Josephite" paper, denying that Joseph Smith, Jr., received revelation on polygamy.

I, N. T. Silcock, was at a meeting in Nauvoo, in July, 1843—the congregation numbered three or four hundred—where the Prophet delivered a discourse on polygamy.

This was the only systematical polygamous sermon I have ever heard.

I also know positively that he had more wives than one; I was personally acquainted with two besides Emma.

Please find out through your columns how many of this congregation are living.

Yours truly,

N. T. SILCOCK.

THE SAME OLD SENTIMENT.

The Boston Herald is, of course, a refined newspaper. No doubt, it is also a "Christian" one. It gives editorial space to "The Book of Books," and "Advice to Missionaries." It, at the same time, folds its hands, strikes an attitude, and gives expression to the
STAKE CONFERENCES.

APPOINTMENTS FROM APRIL 1, 1904, TO OCT. 1, 1904.

Utah and Beaver... Apr. 9 and 10; Saturday and Sunday; July 10 and 11.
Emery... Apr. 12 and 13; Saturday and Sunday; July 17 and 19.
Blackfoot... Apr. 13 and 15; Saturday and Sunday; July 18 and 19.
Weber and Box Elder... Apr. 17 and 18; Saturday and Sunday; July 24 and 25.
Liberty... Apr. 20 and 22; Saturday and Sunday; July 25 and 26
Juneau, Alpine, and Fremont... Apr. 27 and 28; Saturday and Sunday; July 26 and 27.
Cache... May 1 and 2; Saturday and Sunday; July 30 and Aug. 1.
Pioneeer... May 1: 1904: July 31.
Wasatch, Canvas, and Union, South Sanpete, and Brigham... May 7 and 8; Saturday and Sunday; Aug. 8 and 9.
Jordan, Woodruff and Summit... May 14 and 15; Saturday and Sunday; Aug. 15 and 16.
Wayne, Ono and Bence... May 21 and 22; Saturday and Sunday; Aug. 22 and 23.
Snow Lake, Bear Lake Valley and Nebo... May 29 and 30; Saturday and Sunday; Aug. 29 and 30.
Tooele and Taylor... May 29 and 30; Saturday and Sunday; Aug. 29 and 30.
St. Johns and Grant... May 29 and 30; Saturday and Sunday; Aug. 29 and 30.
Dixie, Uintah, Millard, Alberta... June 1 and 2; Saturday and Sunday; Sept. 1 and 2.
Union, Bear Lake, Panguitch, Tooele... June 1 and 2; Saturday and Sunday; Sept. 1 and 2.
St. Joseph and Sevier... June 11 and 12; Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 10 and 11.
Panguitch... June 11 and 12; Saturday and Sunday; Sept. 10 and 11.
St. George, Ramon and Juarez... June 12 and 13; Saturday and Sunday; Sept. 13 and 14.
Salt Lake... June 19 and 20; Saturday and Sunday; Sept. 17 and 18.
Harriman... June 26; Sunday.
Ezra... June 26; Sunday.
Haid, Davis, Parowan and Hyrum... June 26 and 27; Sunday and Monday; Sept. 15 and 16.

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they are Mohammedans they practice many ancient Jewish rites. The American missionaries, it is said, who have visited churches among them are continually running up against customs and traditions which conflict with the Moslem teachings. They have considerable literature—poetry, history, biography, philosophy and ecclesiastical works, and some of their present have large libraries of native books, which the missionaries say are full of suggestions of the Old Testament.

AN ORIENTAL IDEA.

A superficial observer of conditions in Oriental lands naturally concludes that the people there are far behind the western nations in civilization. But the Orientals often consider themselves that phrase was born long after the fall of Granada.

COMMANDER BOOTH-TUCKER of the Salvation Army is to speak in the Theater on Sunday night. This will prove a great attraction for the local army organization. The gentleman is a fine and vigorous speaker and proved one of the most brilliant orators at the Irrigation Congress in Ogden. He has a practical mind, an easy, but forcible delivery and a magnetic manner, and varies his remarks with telling anecdotes. He will no doubt draw a full house on Sunday evening.