

WITH BUT LITTLE OR NO DEBATING

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ADOPT RADICAL IDEAS IN THEIR CREED.

MAKING CHANGES IN CONFESSION OF FAITH

Dr. Minton Spoke for the Revision Committee But Did Not Argue the Merits of the Whole Question and Confined Himself to the Especial Considerations Which Influenced Committee.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] New York, May 23.—The general assembly of the Presbyterian church yesterday adopted the report of the committee on creed, revision, making changes in the confession of faith.

The prospect of an interesting debate on creed revision attracted a crowd which filled the church. On motion of the Rev. Dr. David J. Wylie speeches on the report were limited to 10 minutes, except that of the committee chairman, Rev. Dr. James D. Moffat moved the adoption of the 11 overtures to be sent to the presbyteries.

The Rev. Dr. H. C. Minton, chairman of the revision committee, spoke for the revision. He would not, he said, argue the merits of the whole report, but of the especial considerations which influenced the committee. They were guided in the first place by the work of the committee of 1892.

The presumption, of course, always was in favor of the explicit orders of last year's assembly.

There were two elements on the committee, he explained, those who had preferred to make all amendments by verbal modifications, and those who wished to make the changes by the separation of the declaratory statements.

Obviously there had to be some yielding, and it was not all on one side.

"The misapprehensions as to the conclusion," continued Dr. Minton, "have come from two causes: First, the unguarded statements in the confession itself; and, second, unwarranted inferences from the confession.

In the first case verbal changes would be the remedy; in the second place, declaratory statements were necessary."

Dr. Minton then took up the various points on which the committee had been asked to pass.

"Regarding the pope of Rome," he said, "the confession distinctly says the pope is the anti-Christ, and the son of perdition. Now, if that were true, and we want to say it—let it stand. If not true, or if true, and we do not wish to say it, take it out.

"I may believe that the pope is anti-Christ on general principles. I am willing to declare in the face of the Vatican, or the whole world, for that matter, that the pope is anti-Christ, and is a perdition. The committee followed the only proper course by broadening the statement.

"The critics and enemies of the Presbyterian church have rolled it under their tongues as a sweet morsel that we believe in infant damnation. We resent the accusation that this chapter contemplates any such interpretation."

Dr. Moffat urged the assembly in a brief address to decide the question quickly by a vote to accept.

The Rev. Dr. Russell Booth of this city, who has been known as a strong anti-revisionist, asked the assembly to adopt unanimously and at once the report.

As he closed his short remarks, there came loud cries of "question, question," from all over the assembly.

Grand Jury Findings.

[SPECIAL TO INTER MOUNTAIN.] Helena, May 23.—The federal grand jury presented its report to the court yesterday afternoon, having been in session four days.

Besides H. H. Matteson Richard Vadnais, a foreigner, is charged on two indictments with selling 35 pounds of butter on the Blackfoot reservation without a trader's license and without a passport; also with smuggling the butter from Canada into the United States. Harry Goldman is charged with forging the signature of R. V. Kirkham to a postoffice money order for \$3, which was payable to Kirkham at Deer Lodge. He gave \$500 bail.

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—Minneapolis Journal.

COLORED RACE REVOLT AGAINST LYNCH LAW

Negroes of South Feel That They Are Outlaws and May Be Compelled to Use Force.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] Chicago, May 23.—Speaking as a representative man of the colored race in Chicago, Ferdinand Barrett, one of the assistant state's attorneys, stated that the time was not far distant when the negroes would forcibly revolt against the "lynch law."

He said there will be no other course for them. Lynch law in the South has gradually made the negro feel that he is an outlaw.

In the last 15 years, 2,500 negro men, women and children have been shot, hanged or burned at the stake, without trial.

The negro has consequently come to know that the law affords him no protection.

Mr. Barnett uttered these words at an indignation meeting of colored people held at the Bethlehem colored church to protest against the wrongs done the colored people.

LABOR DISTURBANCES OCCURRING AT MOSCOW

Greatest Shipment Ever Made From the Pacific Coast on the Big Three Master Spike.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] St. Petersburg, May 23.—Reports have reached here of fresh serious labor disturbances at Moscow.

No details are obtainable, but it is known that Grand Duke Sergius, governor general of Moscow, who had come to the Tsarskoe-Selo to be present at the reception at President Loubet, left hurriedly for Moscow without waiting to participate in the military review.

The imperial family has abandoned its intention of visiting Moscow.

Officials here have taken the most elaborate precautions against public disturbances during the stay of the French sailors in Russia, trouble being feared at several points.

PRESIDENT SCHWAB HELPS

Steel Magnate Makes Large Contributions to Churches.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] New York, May 23.—Rev. George Street, pastor of the First Baptist church, has received a check from Charles M. Schwab, president of the United States Steel corporation, for \$5,000, to be added to the building fund of the new church which is being erected by the congregation at a cost of \$20,000, says a Braddock, Pa., special.

The congregation is composed principally of employees of the mills and furnaces of the Carnegie Steel company, who expect to dedicate their church early in June.

Mr. Schwab's last contribution makes a total of \$150,000 he has given Braddock churches.

MAY FILL UP THE CANAL

Chesapeake and Ohio Water Way May Be Turned Into a Railroad.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] New York, May 23.—It is stated that the interests which recently purchased the Western Maryland are still contemplating the acquisition of the Chesapeake & Ohio canal, says a Hagerstown, Md., dispatch.

By turning the entire route of the canal into a railroad bed, the company would have a short line from the coal fields of Maryland and West Virginia to Georgetown, at the terminus of the canal.

The Baltimore & Ohio road is said to hold a large interest in the canal.

WASHINGTON.—The condition of Lord Fauncefote was reported to be but slightly improved and he continues weak.

TAKEN ONLY FOR LOVE OF MISCHIEF

PHOTOGRAPH COLLECTION PRESENTED TO HARVARD BY EMPEROR WILLIAM STOLEN.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] New York, May 23.—A collection of photos, illustrative of German art, presented by Emperor William of Germany, through Prince Henry to Harvard university and recently reported as having been stolen from the Fogg Art Museum in Cambridge, is reported to have been returned.

The portfolio was restored to its proper place as mysteriously as it had been removed.

None of the photos are missing. The mystery with which the whole affair was attended and the apparent lack of other motive than merely mischief, in withdrawing the imperial gift for 72 hours, tends to confirm the theory that some society among the students spirited away the photos.

The authorities in charge of the museum had an unpleasant time for three days and are much relieved at the happy issue, though none the less indignant over the invasion of the university decorum.

PLAYWRIGHTS OF FRANCE

They Are Filled With Astonishment by Decision of American Courts.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] Paris, May 23.—The decision of the United States district court of Chicago granting Samuel Eberly Gross, author of "The Merchant Prince of Cornville" an injunction against further performances of "Cyrano," on the ground that M. Rostand's play contains plagiarisms, has filled the playwrights of France with astonishment.

M. Rostand is at present far removed from the Boulevards, having sought retirement in the Pyrenean chateau.

His friends still deride the statements of plagiarisms on the part of the French dramatist.

ROMANCE OF TWO LIVES

Old Sweethearts Meet and Marry After Fifty Years' Separation.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] New York, May 23.—Thomas J. Crouch, 73 years of age, of Topeka, Kan., and Miss Mary Jane Lane, 63, of Buel, N. Y., have just been married.

Fifty years ago Crouch and Miss Lane were residents of Buel. They were engaged to be married, but quarreled and the engagement was broken.

Shortly afterward Crouch moved to Topeka. Miss Lane never married, and recently her sweetheart of half a century ago returned to seek her hand.

Killed by a Train.

New York, May 23.—Dr. Cowie, a naval officer who served under Admiral Farragut during the civil war, and was chief engineer of the battleship Indiana during the Spanish war, was killed at Rahway, N. J., by an express train. He was standing on the track waiting for a train to clear the crossing, when the express coming from the opposite direction ran him down.

Coining is Resumed.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] New York, May 23.—Coinage has been resumed at the mint after an idleness of 18 days, says a Philadelphia dispatch. The suspension was caused by the refusal of Dr. Norris, chief clerk, to accept the position of chief coiner, because he did not wish to bear the responsibilities of the office.

KING ALFONSO IS BECOMING POPULAR

His Subjects Greet Him With Applause When He Appears on the Street—It Is a Good Omen.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] London, May 23.—The Madrid correspondent of the Times says the attitude of the population toward King Alfonso is the happiest omen for the reign. Everywhere the appearance of the king caused a pleasant surprise, says the correspondent, and the acclamation grew in intensity.

One incident was especially noticeable. While his majesty was returning from the review, mounted members of the civil guard rode their horses ruthlessly into a crowd to clear a passage for the king. Women shrieked and men cursed. The rage of the crowd for a moment was great and suggested a revival of the vision prophesied alone, smiling his acknowledgments who fell victims to the mob on the same spot.

Happily the people fell back. There was a momentary hush and then their anger suddenly calmed, the crowd broke into great ovations as the king ap- peared, and the acclamation grew in intensity.

LARGE CARGO OF WHEAT GOING FROM PORTLAND

No Details Obtainable But the Imperial Family Decide Not to Visit That City.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] Portland, Ore., May 23.—The largest cargo of wheat that has ever left the Pacific coast for South Africa will be shipped from Portland early in June on the big ship Spike.

The vessel, which is said to be the largest three-masted ship afloat, was chartered yesterday to load a full cargo at this port for the "dark continent."

This leaves the Columbia river again without a disengaged grain ship ready for business, the repairs on the Asia not being complete and there being nothing else available.

INSTANTLY KILLS HIS WIFE

Frederick Eberhart Murders His Companion for Not Having His Supper Ready.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] Chicago, May 23.—Angered because sufficient haste was not made with his evening meal, Frederick Eberhart, last night shot his wife, Mary, four times at their home, killing her instantly.

Before committing the crime, Eberhart had locked all the doors of the house and his wife fell dead, apparently while trying to escape by the front door.

The police broke in the door and covered Eberhart, who attempted to use his revolver on them.

Eberhart is a waiter, 35 years old. Mrs. Eberhart was four years his junior.

COUNTERFEITERS ARRESTED

Son of a Prominent Virginian Caught With Spurious Coins.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] Chicago, May 23.—Eustis A. Batchelder has been arrested charged with being the leader of a gang of counterfeiters. When the detectives broke into his room at No. 287 West Randolph street, they found about \$300 of spurious coins, composed mostly of \$10 and \$5 gold pieces.

SORROW EXPRESSED BY CUBAN HOUSE

PICKPOCKETS ARE REAPING A HARVEST IN HAVANA—CROOKS ARE DOING A BIG BUSINESS.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] Havana, May 23.—The house has adopted a resolution declaring May 29 Decoration day, and a motion expressing sympathy for American soldiers killed in Cuba.

Representative Lnaz withdrew from the chamber and vowed that he will never return because his motion regarding honoring the name of Narciso Lopez was tabled. Lopez was a Venezuelan filibuster, who was shot by the Spaniards in Havana in 1851.

Pickpockets are reaping a harvest on the Prado, the principal promenade, and crooks of various kinds are doing a rushing business.

A policeman who attempted to arrest a crook was killed. Fifty-nine Nanaigos alleged to be a secret order of assassins, have been captured by the police when new members were being admitted.

The new members were signing their names in blood when arrested. The Nanaigos are greatly feared by the Cubans.

SAXONY OIL DEALERS.

They Complain of an Injustice Which Doesn't Exist.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] Berlin, May 23.—Eight oil dealers of Madgeburg, Saxony, have complained to the municipal council of the city that they have been ruined by the German branch of the Standard Oil company, underselling them at retail.

The oil dealers in question petitioned the municipal council to quash the alleged agreement between the city and Standard Oil company, which permits the latter to sell oil in small quantities.

The mayor replied that no such agreement existed. Herr von Henley, privy councillor of the imperial chancellor, has submitted an argument to the tariff committee of the reichstag upon the impracticability of the government's promoting the petroleum refinery industry, because the Standard Oil company controls the supply of crude oil in the United States and, according to von Henley, probably has a private understanding with the great oil producers in the Caucasian and Rumanian districts.

The privy councillor cited the failure of France's efforts to establish independent home oil industry and said the Standard Oil company was keeping up the price of crude and lowering that of refined oil, thereby compelling the refiners to come to terms.

JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN PRESIDES AT DINNER

Purpose of Feast Is to Entertain Prominent Representatives of Dominions Across the Sea.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] London, May 23.—Colonial Secretary Joseph Chamberlain has consented to preside at the coronation dinner which is being organized by the leading colonial institutions in London.

Its purpose will be to entertain the prominent representatives of the dominions across the sea, who will be congregated here for the coronation festivities.

The dinner will be held in Guild hall, July 11, and it is fully expected that the colonial secretary will take this occasion for the delivery of a speech on England's relations with the colonies.

Another interesting dinner fixed for July will be given by the American chamber of commerce in Liverpool in celebration of its centenary.

NEWS STORIES BRIEFLY TOLD

TAKIO.—A dwarf has been arrested for attempting to present a petition to the crown prince, while the latter was riding to the railroad station at Takasaka.

NEW YORK.—Jacob Clute, a veteran of the Mexican war and a well-known horseman, is dead in Brooklyn. Mr. Clute lived practically in retirement for the last 10 years.

LONDON.—While the government departments are discreetly silent, it is generally settled that the council is directly connected with the South African peace negotiations.

LAREDO, Tex.—John Rodriguez is dead, aged 104 years. He was a veteran in Hidalgo's revolution, 1823, which overthrew Spanish rule in Mexico and established the republic.

TALADEGA, Ala.—Charley and Gene Woods, negroes, father and son, were hanged here yesterday for the murder of Jack Reuben Boyd, white, near Childersburg, Ala., on last Christmas day.

OMAHA.—Rev. Father Griffith Taylor has resigned the rectorship of the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd because of a lack of belief on the part of the congregation in the real presence of Christ in the holy communion.

NEW YORK.—Henry Bros. & Co., stock brokers whose suspension followed the decline in what was known as Webb-Meyer stocks, were today reinstated to membership on the stock exchange, having met all their obligations.

AUGUSTA, Ga.—The King Cotton mill which was closed several weeks ago when its employees struck for an increase in wages, started in part today, 160 hands out of 500 reporting for work. It is claimed that this showing practically breaks the backbone of the strike in which 10,000 people were involved.

Stand in the Rain.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] New York, May 23.—King Edward has not inherited his mother's luck in the matter of weather, says the London correspondent of the Tribune. Rain fell heavily when he drove to Islington to open the annual military tournament, yet crowds of people were content to stand outside the agricultural hall and get wet through rather than to miss the opportunity of demonstrating their loyalty.

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