

ANDREW CARNEGIE IS PREVENTED FROM TESTIFYING

At Cleveland in the Chadwick Case Because of Lumbago. Dr. McLaughlin Says:

HE CAN GET HIM THERE IN 24 HOURS

During the week the newspapers reported that Andrew Carnegie excused himself from obeying the subpoena to testify before the Grand Jury at Cleveland regarding the alleged forgeries of his signature to notes negotiated by Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick, on the ground that he was suffering from lumbago and could not safely travel. So, because of the illness of this most important witness the wheels of justice have been clogged. I make the assertion, without any reservation, that if Mr. Carnegie will follow my advice he will be able to proceed to Cleveland within 24 hours after he commences to use my method of cure. And I am willing to forfeit \$5,000 if my method fails to cure him of his lumbago and leave him a better and stronger man than he was before he began to use it.

To make it plain to Mr. Carnegie and my readers why he can be made fit to go before the grand jury and testify in the Chadwick case, I will here show what lumbago is and how my method cures when drugs, liniments and plasters fail. Lumbago exists always in the lower end of the spine between the joints of the hips. It causes intense annoyance because it makes the effort of rising, sitting down or ascending or descending stairs painful, and sometimes a torture. It is caused either by cold, exposure to dampness or working in a stooping position, either of which will produce congestion in the lumbar region. The action of the blood is interrupted, the tissues are congested, there is pressure on the nerves and veins and pain results. Congestion is the principle trouble. Now, my method of cure, which has cured thousands of men and women who have suffered from lumbago, Backache, Rheumatism and other affections of the nerves and muscles, is to dissolve the congestion and stimulate the circulation of the blood in the affected parts. This I do by sending into the parts a negative current of galvanic electricity. The current enters and diffuses itself over the entire mass of tissue, saturating every nerve and muscle with its heating, vitalizing life. It actually boils out the stagnant blood, quickens the circulation and cleanses the entire lumbar region of the wasted tissue. In one night relief follows the first application and the patient feels able to resume the duties of life. A few days' continued use takes out all the stiffness and soreness, brings freedom from pain and the back becomes as strong and limber as it ever was.

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Second—I offer the testimonials of the cured, of which I have thousands on file. Here are a few to give an idea of their character; others can be had by writing for them:

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THE CHURCHES

WHAT TO OFFER IN PLACE OF GOD?

BISHOP I. W. JOYCE DISCUSSES LYMAN ABBOTT'S POSITION.

He Says He Is Not Surprised, as Dr. Abbott's Theology Has Long Tended in the Direction of His Latest Announcement—Expects Little Effect from It.

Bishop I. W. Joyce of the Methodist Episcopal church in reply to a request for his opinion of Dr. Lyman Abbott's recently announced position, said: "It is not wise in my judgment to form an opinion or judgment of a man's utterances when all the knowledge which you can have of them is what is represented in the public prints. It is a very difficult thing to have accuracy of statement always after the same has passed thru so many channels, after the reported utterances. I can only say that I am not greatly surprised, because, giving attention from time to time to statements of belief made by him, it has been clearly evident that he was tending in the direction of a denial of the existence of God as the directing intelligence of the affairs of the world, as the divine, self-existent, loving father, caring for his children, superintending the universe and directing its affairs in the interest of humanity. Since he has ruled God out of human life and out of all human affairs, it is perfectly natural that he should take the next step, which is to rule the Bible out as the one book containing revelations from God to man and as containing the only source of wise and judicious principles for the education, training and development of the race. And since he rules God and the Bible out of the world and out of human affairs, it is but natural that he should not recognize Jesus Christ as the Savior of men and as the only Savior of the human family, as the only one capable of morally saving men from their sin and cheating the downward tendency when they follow their natural bent or inclinations. Then, also, very naturally follows denial of the existence and person of the Holy Spirit of God as the world's intellectual leader, and also as the one who deals with the human conscience and warns men of the evil of wrongdoing and supplies them with intellectual energy and spiritual enlightenment and purity.

"You ask me what I think will be the effect upon people generally of Dr. Abbott's reported utterances. My opinion is that they will have no permanent effect. Much that he is reported to have said is simply a rehash of things that were uttered long before he was born. There is no new discussion for a little while and then the thing will pass over. Mr. Abbott is not the first man who has undertaken the serious job of ruling Almighty God out of the universe and fitted for his place that something which he calls a force, and what he means by that he has not yet made plain enough for us to understand, and he cannot, for that thing which he labels a force is an utterly unsatisfactory attempt to expel God or to rule him out of the heart and life and love and moral security of the human race and the consciousness of mankind will utterly repudiate. The common consciousness of the human race and the consciousness of mankind will never accept or be led by the whims and wild vagaries of any man or any group of men whose extreme and only effort and object seems to be to get rid of God and Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit and the Bible as a revelation from the eternal God.

"This old world will jog along and will continue to believe these great foundation facts and truths that are imbedded in the doctrine of the Holy Trinity and taught us in the holy scriptures. The church of Jesus Christ will steadily go forward building her great institutions and teaching her great doctrines and comforting the hearts of afflicted and sorrowing humanity and spreading a knowledge of the gospel of Jesus Christ to the ends of the earth, giving all men a chance to know and learn and live and obey God, the father of us all, who is always and every part of his universe and with the whole human family whom he has created in his own image."

Eastern Comment.

It is rather curious, in view of the fact that the close students of theology and current affairs agree that there is nothing new in Dr. Lyman Abbott's religious views as expressed at Harvard last Sunday, and that he has held and expressed practically all of these views for years, that their expression should have created such a stir as they undoubtedly have. The first report of Dr. Abbott's address was given as a basis for discussion and interviews in papers all over the country.

On the whole, fewer clergymen are inclined to brand Dr. Abbott as a heretic than his statement would indicate that he expected. Among the comments are these: "That is simply going back to Hinduism," "Dr. Abbott is the most illogical man I know," "Dr. P. S. Henson of Tremont Temple, in Boston, said: 'Lyman Abbott is the most extraordinary instance of retrogressive evolution I have ever known. He has turned himself inside out and is still turning. When the last turn is completed I doubt if anything will be found inside.'"

"I am not surprised at anything Lyman Abbott may say," said Rev. Charles A. Crane, pastor of the Boston People's Temple. "He has been a human paradox for years. His theology is entirely inconsistent, and he fits from one theory to another with the greatest agility. His is a very old theory that has been discarded as many times as it has been brought up."

In a supplementary statement made by Dr. Abbott he said that his utterance was nothing more than what he has preached and written for fifteen years. As to his qualifications and explains what he said, it does not differ in practical effect from what very many people of the present time believe. Dr. Abbott said: "The old idea was that God was over the world and related to it as a mechanic is related to his machine. Today we have come to a more spiritual view of God as an indwelling spirit who is in and of the entire universe. The new scientific doctrine of mediation, it brings them each soul as near to God as any soul has ever been or will ever be."

In regard to the Bible, Dr. Abbott said: "It will remain as it always has been, the record of man's greatest aspirations and achievements in the religious life. The old idea of special revelation has passed away. No one believes it today. The Bible is the greatest revelation we have, but it is no truer a revelation than spiritual souls have today." Of the place of Christ in the religious world, Dr. Abbott said: "Christ is a history what the Bible is in literature, the noblest expression of the divine idea. As such he remains ever distinguished from all other men, and must always remain our ideal of the divine expressed in human conduct."

Dr. Bushnell's Idea.

Dr. J. E. Bushnell of Westminster church found it difficult to attempt an

argument on the basis of Dr. Abbott's thoughts, on account of their lack of logic and coherence. His chief concern over the questions raised was with the thought of young men getting their conception of God from such statements. Dr. Bushnell said: "My God is a God of love, not a force. Such views can end only in nihilism and there is nothing quite so cold. The reason Christians look to the Bible as an ultimate authority in religion is because they find in it the revelation of the heart of God and of his love, the idea of the personal father. For myself I prefer 'an ever-present help in time of trouble' to an all-pervading energy. I suspect that the world will cling to its warm personal religion instead of adopting Dr. Abbott's 'cold storage,' soulless, headless, view of God."

WEEK OF PRAYER

Special Observance at Forest Heights Methodist Church.

Forest Heights Methodist church, Rev. Dr. L. T. Guild, pastor, has planned a unique observance of the week of prayer, which will be the first full week in the New Year. It will be observed as "convention week," New Year's Day will be "rally day," and will open with a 7 o'clock communion service and attendance of the entire membership on the regular church service; special music.

Every evening during the week a convention will be held at which short papers will be read, addresses made and special music given. The discussion will concern the conditions of church work in North Minneapolis; methods in the various departments, etc., and will be participated in by the workers of that church and of others.

Every night some organization of the church will be responsible for the conduct of the meeting, music and affairs. On Wednesday evening, which will be devoted to women's work, the women will serve light refreshments after the convention, and a social hour will be enjoyed.

WILL DEDICATE CHURCH

Hobart Memorial Building, Partly Finished, to Be Opened Jan. 1.

Hobart Memorial church will celebrate New Year's Day with the dedication of as much of the building as is completed. The basement has been finished and fitted for church and Sunday-school services at a cost of \$3,000. This will be used until the society is able to finish the building. The cost thus far has been raised within about \$800.

Hobart church is the outgrowth of the old Franklin Avenue Methodist church and stands at Forty-sixth street and Blaisdell avenue, near the Washburn Park car line. About twenty-five families are numbered in the congregation and the Sunday school has nearly one hundred pupils.

Rev. Dr. William Fielder, presiding elder, will have charge of the dedicatory services and the matter of finances. Bishop I. W. Joyce will be one of the speakers. The pastor, Rev. A. F. Thompson, will assist as well as other Methodist pastors of the city.

Mr. Thompson has charge of the Richfield church also. The Hobart Sunday school will meet in the morning and preaching service will be held in the evening. The pastor will preach at night on "God's Gift to Us."

CHRISTMAS AT THE Y. M. C. A.

Special Music and Addresses Sunday Afternoon.

The Y. M. C. A. has arranged an attractive and interesting program for Christmas afternoon in its auditorium. Beginning at 3:15 o'clock, Kenny's orchestra will give a specially prepared sacred concert in the parlors, to be followed by a song service in the auditorium, during which vocal solos will

be sung by George Greaves and Miss Charlotte Spencer. At 4 o'clock "Jim" Burwick, a railroad conductor of national reputation, will address the meeting for half an hour on "Beer and Hot Sausage." "Jim," as he is familiarly known, is one of those men who has risen from the ranks as a speaker of great ability and power. He knows men, knows the message that suits their needs, and delivers it in a way that is most telling and convincing. Thousands of men through the United States have listened to his message and have been inspired to nobler living.

CHURCH NOTES.

The Young People's Christian Union of the Church of the Redeemer will meet at 8:30 p. m. The topic, "The Happiness that Comes from Giving," the meeting will be led by Will H. Tanner of Ryder Directory school, Lombard college. The union will be entertained Thursday evening, Dec. 23, at the home of Miss Edith Baird, 2734 Emerson avenue S.

The Sunday school of the church of the Redeemer has prepared a beautiful and expressive service for Christmas. The program will be given at 12 o'clock Christmas day in the lecture room of the church. All are invited to attend.

The choir will have charge of the meeting at the Volunteers' hall, 240 Hennepin avenue, Sunday at 8 p. m. This being a special holiday service, clerks and hotel transcripts are cordially invited. Mr. Merrill is being chaplain of the Actors' Church alliance, Minneapolis chapter, will give special attention to those of the theatrical profession present.

Mr. Merrill will give an illustrated sermon to the People's church, Unique theater, Sunday morning. Pictures will illustrate the land of the living. The meeting will be led by Will H. Tanner of Ryder Directory school, Lombard college. The union will be entertained Thursday evening, Dec. 23, at the home of Miss Edith Baird, 2734 Emerson avenue S.

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Both morning and evening at Westminster church special and appropriate musical services will be held. A chorus of twenty trained voices will assist the choir in the rendition of Handel's "Messiah" at the morning service and with "The Righteous Branch" at the evening service. In the evening there will be a cantata by West, "The Story of Bethlehem."

The Christmas entertainment of the Plymouth Sunday school will be given Wednesday, Dec. 28, at 7 o'clock, consisting of a short cantata by the children, entitled "The Joy of Christmas Morn." A charming entertainment is promised.

Christmas will be celebrated at Forest Heights church, Twentieth and James avenues N. by a Christmas sermon in the morning with special music by a male quartet. The Sunday school will hold its Christmas service Monday evening, giving a cantata, "Waiting for Santa Claus." Dr. Guild will preach the sermon.

Dr. H. Gratian Guinness of London, England, will preach at the First Baptist church Christmas morning a sermon appropriate to the occasion. In the evening Rev. W. B. Riley will speak on "Christmas at Home." A special program of music will be given morning and evening by the quartet and chorus, under the direction of Professor S. Clay Gilbert.

A children's Christmas service will be held in the Central Baptist church Sunday morning. The exercises will include a procession in which all members of the school will join. The evening service will consist of special music and appropriate addresses.

Swedish Lutheran Bethlehem church, Lyndale and Fourteenth avenues N. will celebrate Christmas Sunday at 6 a. m. Regular service at 10:30 a. m. Regular service Monday, 10:30 a. m. The Sunday school will have its Christmas festival Monday at 7 p. m.

At the First Presbyterian church tomorrow morning the choir will sing "The Angel Gabriel Came from God," "Lensing," "Hark, the Glad Sound," Foster, and "Sing, O Heavens," Touré. A Sunday school song service entitled "Hail the King" will be held at 7 p. m.

Rev. Dr. Thompson of Hennepin Avenue Methodist church is to deliver Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings a series of four "Word Messages," gathered about the following key words: "Forget," "Remember," "Repeat," "Dedicate." Saturday evening there will be a watchnight service concluding with the holy communion at midnight.

At the Simpson Methodist Episcopal church, Twenty-eighth street and First avenue S. Rev. John H. Miller, pastor, a watchnight service will be held the last day of the old year, beginning at 9 p. m. The program will consist of "A prayer and praise service," "an acquaintance meeting," "select gems from best writers," "testimonies and addresses." The invitation to be present is general.

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