

OF THOUGHT.

ORGANIZATION OF DR. MARTIN'S CONGREGATION COMPLETED.

Members Selected for the New Society Will Be Without Sect and Without Religious Creed—The Third Society of Its Kind.

A number of the members of Rev. Albert H. Martin's congregation met at the Commercial Club yesterday afternoon to complete the organization of a society of free religious thought.

The constitution and by-laws of the society, as presented at a previous meeting and before published in the Post-Intelligencer, were adopted without material change.

A committee, consisting of E. O. Graves, John Anderson and Griffith Davies, was appointed to select a board of twelve trustees to govern the society for the ensuing year.

This came the question as to what name should be adopted by the society. A dozen or more names were suggested, but none of them was suitable, and it was finally decided to leave the selection of a name to the members of the society.

Mr. Martin, with the understanding that he will consult with the trustees regarding the matter before making a final report, has a decided objection to the use of the words church or religion in the name.

Chairman Graves, who is also the treasurer of the new society, reported a small balance on hand, but with enough debts to keep it. There is, however, no concern as to the necessary money being forthcoming to carry on the lectures indefinitely, almost the necessary amount having been pledged by business men interested in Dr. Martin's work.

In relation to the new society Dr. Martin said yesterday: "We have organized a thoroughly non-sectarian basis, free from the sect principle and the sectarian spirit. In other words, we are not bound by any dogma, but we are free to promote freedom of thought, freedom from dogmatism and from the spirit of exclusiveness in religion. Our policy will be essentially constructive, not destructive. Our aim will be to build up, not pull down, and to discontinue any systems of faith or doctrine other than systems of faith."

"The pulpit of this society will be marked by the spirit of breadth, tolerance and appreciation of all that is helpful and permanent in all forms of religion. "Universal religion recognizes a new ideal in the religious world. This society is the third of its kind ever organized. The other two societies are at Tacoma and Portland, Ill., respectively. But the idea is being spread both eastward and westward. I look for a great growth of our principles, especially in the West, during the next few years.

"The movement must spread because it is a public relation in religion, and towards a social democracy in the world steadily moves as the ideal political and religious form of organization."

The schedule of lectures as published last week will be followed through the present month, and after that time in a further working order additional meetings may be announced.

VON DIEHRICH TO BE REMOVED.

Will Be Succeeded in Command by Admiral von Diederichs.

BERLIN, March 6.—An official of the German navy department has informed the Associated Press of the appointment of Admiral von Diederichs as commander of the East Asiatic squadron, had been considered for months past and was finally decided today.

The Emperor, desiring to show the American people that he is thoroughly friendly to them, knowing Henry is popular in the United States.

When the official referred to was asked whether the appointment was equivalent to the disgrace of Admiral von Diederichs he said: "Not exactly. If Diederichs had shown more tact as a commander before Manila, it would undoubtedly have been productive of good results all around. Our government unfortunately was advised late of a number of occurrences before Manila, none of which were really important, but which showed grave defects in tact upon the part."

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TRANSATLANTIC RATE WAR.

Holland-American Line Joins in Cutting Rates.

NEW YORK, March 6.—According to instructions received today from its home office, the Holland-American lines announced a cut in first and second-class passenger rates. The first-class minimum rate was cut from \$65 to \$50, and second-class from \$45 to \$35. The new rates are to be effective at once.

The cut has extended to the North German Lloyd and to-night that company's rates announced that the following minimum rates have been made: First cabin in the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse and the Prinsess Margareta, \$40; second cabin \$25; and a third cabin \$15.

NEW ORLEANS, March 6.—Weather, fair, calm, clear, with a light breeze from the north. Six furlongs, selling—Debris, won, John Boone second, Tom Fehr third. Time, 1:24. Seven furlongs, selling—Dave S. won, Gen. Macco second, Laureate third. Time, 1:30. Mile and a quarter, selling—Donation won, Atlanta second, Gomez third. Time, 2:11. Mile and an eighth, handicap—Baratara won, Col. Frank Waters second, Judas Steadman third. Time, 2:36. Seven furlongs, selling—John Baker won, Pontiac second, Prince Zelo third. Time, 1:26. Six furlongs, selling—River Fox won, Col. Eads second, Brown Vail third. Time, 1:26.

INSIDE RACES.

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John Lillie, manager of the Townsend Gas & Electric Company, was here from Port Townsend, yesterday.

In Montreal on August 7 to 12, and the L. A. W. championships in Boston August 14 to 15.

JAY GOULD'S MEMORY CLEARED.

His Alleged Widow Found Conclusively to Be a Fraud.

ALBANY, N. Y., March 6.—The most significant testimony adduced against the Court trial today was that of David N. Carvohio, a handwriting expert, who, by a chemical test in the presence of the jury, showed that the record in the book of the Court-ville church had been erased and changed and that the name Mary Brown, the supposed wife of Jay Gould, had been written on a blank space the word "illegitimate" changed to "legitimate," and in the place where the name of the mother of the illegitimate child had originally been written, interpolated the name "Jay Gould."

This proof, in connection with the strong testimony of Mrs. Hoyie, of Rouse's Point, that she had never seen the Court-ville church, and that the present Mrs. Ann Brown was dead and that the present Mrs. Angeli (the supposed pretender to the name of the family of Gould), was only a niece of the woman who is mentioned in the already disputed birth notice, put the case of the Goulds in a nearly hopeless condition.

It is interesting to note that the case, having been buoyed up and encouraged by two lawyers, William McMurtrie Speer and Amasa J. Parker, Jr., who assured her that they were already in possession of facts similar to those which she thought she had.

ADAM RICHMOND BEATEN AGAIN.

Failed to Prove That She Was the Widow of John Stetson.

BOSTON, March 6.—Adam Richmond, the actress, who previously has been a contestant of the will of John Stetson, of this city, calling herself Adah Richmond Stetson, today entered suit for \$300,000 in the superior court against John Stetson, sr., to recover over rights in the estate left by John Stetson, jr., to which she claims the father's will established in a former contest. At this trial the plaintiff in the present suit alleged that John Stetson, jr., married her in Rhode Island, and that they have together until his cruelty drove her away. Justice Morton, however, said she had not proved her case.

PRAIRIE FIRES RAGING.

Burned in a Dozen Places Along the Texas-Mexican Road.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 6.—Special to the Republic from San Antonio, Texas, says: A dispatch from San Diego says that prairie fires are raging in Nueces, Starr and Duval counties. It has not rained in this section for more than six months, and the prairie is very dry. The fires were started by sparks from locomotives. Near Aguilares Wm. Oliver, a ranch foreman, and two laborers were surrounded by the flames and all three perished.

California Has More Hot Weather.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 6.—California is in the throes of another warm spell and this March day was more like a day in June than any other. The thermometer in many places went past the 100-degree mark and in one or two places almost touched 100. Should this warm weather be very extended, crops will suffer considerably.

Receiver for Grocery Company.

NEW YORK, March 6.—Walter L. McDermott, son of State Senator McDermott, was today appointed receiver of the American Grocery Company, of this city, formerly H. B. Thurber & Co. The application for a receiver was made by the United States court. The par value of the stock is \$1,000,000.

Locomotive Boiler Explodes.

WINNEPEG, Man., March 6.—A boiler of a locomotive of a passenger train on the Manitoba & Northwestern railroad exploded today as the train was nearing Millwood station. The train was driven from the track and Engineer F. Hill and Fireman P. Donlon were killed.

Hamburg-American Line Cuts Rates.

HAMBURG, March 6.—In consequence of the cut in rates for the trans-Atlantic passenger, the Hamburg-American line has reduced the fare for first-class cabin passengers to 418.

SMITH WINS ON A FOUL.

ABRUPT ENDING OF HIS FIGHT WITH Tommy McCarthy.

BUFFALO, N. Y., March 6.—The twenty-round fight between Tommy McCarthy of Rochester, and C. C. (Thunderbolt) Smith of Buffalo, scheduled for tonight at the Empire Athletic Club, came to an abrupt end in the third round. Smith being given the decision on a foul. The fight was a fierce one while it lasted. Smith landed some terrific punches in the stomach that weakened McCarthy perceptibly. In the third round McCarthy repeatedly fouled Smith, and continued to do so after the referee had warned him. The fight was stopped and the decision given to the colored heavyweight.

WILL TRY THE X-RAY.

Fitzsimmons Has a Glass Arm and Cannot Fight Now.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer. NEW YORK, March 6.—It is likely that the fight between Fitzsimmons and Jeffries will have to be declared off for the time being. Fitzsimmons' right arm is gone wrong, and after an examination under an X-ray his physicians say it must have absolute rest for two months at least.

Jack Bennett Beats Plante.

PITTSBURG, March 6.—Jack Bennett and George Plante, both of this city, met tonight in a twenty-round contest in a large tent just outside of the city limits. Bennett won the decision after a hard contest lasting the limit.

New Orleans Races.

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THE COUNTRY WILL REMAIN PASSIVE.

Of the larger parts remaining there are only Swatow, Foochow and Ningpo, which are really in control of the Chinese government.

There is a large and desirable area in the Gulf of Pechili, on the northern coast, in which recent Asiatic dispatches intimate that the United States may have an interest if the dismemberment of China is ultimately effected. This is very laudable, however, and its narrow entrance is wholly commanded by Fort Arthur on one side and by Wehau on the other. The authorized disclaimer given today, however, of any purpose on the part of the United States to acquire any territory in that or any other portion of China makes this consideration of little moment.

Rejection Was Contemptuous.

LONDON, March 7.—The Peking correspondent of the Times says: "The stung li yamen's rejection of Italy's demands was couched in studiously contemptuous and minatory terms. I find that the French minister a fortnight ago warned the young li yamen that Italy was about to present a demand and counseled its rejection. Signor Martinos used the very words, 'the sphere of influence,' which, owing to difficulty in translation, were rendered 'protectorate' in Chinese."

Marines Will Be Withdrawn.

PEKING, March 6.—The American marines who have been guarding the United States legation are under orders to leave. The Russian and French embassies have also notified the government of their intention of soon withdrawing their guards from their respective legations.

CUBANS ACCOMPLISHED GRAPERS.

The Demand for Rations Is Constantly on the Increase.

HAVANA, March 6.—For the month of March the various provinces of the province of Santiago, have made requisitions for 2,000,000 rations. Thus, instead of the regular 1,000,000 rations, the province since that of January 1. This is due partly to the fact that the Cubans use every possible opportunity of getting rations under false pretenses, and partly to the fact that the American distributors are unable to discriminate properly between impostors and the really needy.

The supply ship Comal, with 1,000,000 rations, will proceed to Matanzas and Nuevas to unload them. The Cuban military assembly held a third secret session this afternoon, a guard being received around the assembly building. The session was held, and the public being rigorously excluded from the precincts. The assumption is that the mysterious \$12,000,000 proposal, fathered by Senator Ferrer, is still under discussion.

Senatorial Deadlocks.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., March 6.—The seventy-second ballot for United States Senator was taken at noon. It showed no change in the senatorial deadlock. The vote was as follows: Barnes 22 Scott 5 Eusebio 1 Rosenfeld (D.) 5 Burns 23 White (D.) 2 Grant 22 Phelan (D.) 4 DELAWARE, March 6.—Today's ballot: Biggs 15 Necessary 4 Adickes 15 Necessary 4 Hill 11 HARRISBURG, Penn., March 6.—Today's ballot: Allen (Pop.) 52 Webster 11 Jenks 8 No quorum. SALT LAKE, Utah, March 6.—No change. LINCOLN, Neb., March 6.—Today's ballot: Allen (Pop.) 52 Webster 11 Hayward (R.) 32 Scattering 18

Satanita Wins Golet-Bennett Cup.

CANNES, France, March 6.—In today's programme of the Cannes international regatta, the race for the Golet-Bennett cup was won by Mr. Maurice Fitzgerald of Satanita.

Gold From the Pacific Coast.

NEW YORK, March 6.—Gold to the amount of \$1,250,000 was received in this city today from the Pacific coast.

CHAUCEY DEPEW'S NIECE.

Girl Who Will Preside Over the Senator's Washington Home.

Since the death of Mrs. Depew something over three years ago, Miss Anne Depew Paulding, the senator's niece, has been the light of the distinguished New Yorker's home. This young lady will be the presiding genius of his home at the national capital. She is the daughter of Senator Depew's "baby sister," Anne Mitchell Depew, who married William H. Paulding and who still lives at Peekskill, N. Y. Washington, Mrs. Paulding is a most interesting woman—tall, graceful, well-formed, brown-haired, gray-eyed.

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Porto Rican Commission Arrives.

SAN JUAN DE PORTO RICO, March 6.—The United States transport, McFerson, formerly the Ogdan, arrived today, with Gen. Robert F. Kennedy, Maj. Charles White and Congressman Henry D. Carter, as well as the constitution of the Porto Rican commission on education, taxation and the cognate interests of the island.

Downey and Delaney Draw.

NEW YORK, March 6.—At the Pelican Athletic Club, Brooklyn, tonight, Jack Downey and Delaney drew a twenty-five-round draw at 125 pounds.

ANOTHER IMPORTANT STEP

INTERURBAN RAILWAY COMPANY HAS BEEN INCORPORATED.

Projectors of the Seattle & Tacoma Electric Railroad File Articles Showing Prominent Citizens to Be on the Board of Trustees.

An important step in the progress of the operations of the Seattle & Tacoma Electric Railroad Company was taken yesterday when the articles of incorporation of that organization were formally filed. The incorporators and trustees are John Collins, Charles W. Slater, J. F. Eschelman, George A. Burch and Anthony Corran, of Seattle, and Henry Bussey and H. E. Stratford, of Tacoma. The capital stock is \$1,000,000, divided into shares of \$100 each. Seattle is named as the principal place of business.

All the formal preliminaries in the Tacoma city council have been settled, and the proposed franchise will be presented for final passage at the first meeting of that body, which will be some day this week. City Engineer Thomson is working out the details for the entrance of the line into Seattle, and as soon as he is ready, which will be within a few days, the council here will take final action. The next day after the franchise is secured the work of grading will be commenced. Similar articles of incorporation were filed at Olympia.

MADAME BIANCHINI ON TRIAL. Accused of Attempting to Poison Her Husband, Who Defends Her.

PARIS, March 6.—Madame Charles Bianchini, the famous French artist, and her wife, who was arrested last November on the charge of attempting to poison him, was today brought to trial at the Assizes. The prisoner, who was elegantly attired, conducted herself in the most nonchalant fashion and flatly denied the accusation.

When the parties were trying to arrange a divorce, M. Bianchini used to be found in the arms of the young li yamen, a terribly dilapidated, his face black blotches on his chest and his limbs quivering. He generally recovered toward evening.

AFTER ARMY APPOINTMENTS.

Secretary Alger Besieged by Congressional Callers Urging Friends.

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From taking it occasionally to make up for loss of sleep in calling on the sick, she then confessed to him her own falling. She lived well and spent all the money the doctor earned. Finally he gave her two checks to take to the bank, as he often did, one for \$5 and the other for \$12. She raised the amounts to \$100 and \$175, respectively. Their credit was good, and the checks were paid without question. The man was arrested in Pueblo

for forgery and when arraigned pleaded guilty to the charge to shield his wife. In her remorse she made every effort to secure her husband's release from the penitentiary, but without avail. She begged Cromwell to write to the Colorado state penitentiary at Canon City to ask about her husband. She learned that Dr. Hann had been released November 4, having received the advantage of the good behavior rule. The letter added that while imprisoned Dr. Hann had been cured of the morphine habit and that he had been given a railway ticket to Pueblo. Cromwell wrote to Pueblo, but the letter was returned undelivered.

Mrs. Hann left Cromwell's house two weeks ago and he did not see her afterward. Last night she appeared at the negro restaurant, and said she believed she was going crazy, that she had taken the cocaine instead of morphine. Suddenly she fell to the floor in convulsions, and was dead when Dr. J. L. B. Eager, the police surgeon, arrived. He gave it as his opinion that the woman had died from slow morphine poisoning, caused by long-continued use of the drug.

The Child Afraid of the Dark.

Jane Adams in The Atlantic. A timid child cries when he is put to bed, because he is afraid of the dark. The "soft-hearted" parent stays with him simply because he is sorry for him and wants to comfort him. The scientifically trained parent stays with him because he realizes that the child is passing through a phase of race development, in which his imagination has the best of him. It is impossible to reason him out of demagoguery, because his logical faculties are not developed. After all, these two parents, wide apart in point of view, act much the same, and very differently from the pseudo-scientific parent, who acts from dogmatic conviction and is sure he is right. He talks of developing his child's self-respect and good sense, and even him to cry himself to sleep, demanding powers of self-control and development which the child does not possess.

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