

BRIGGS' TRIAL IS ON.

The First Day Only the Charges Against the Professor Are Read.

A TEST VOTE IS AGAINST HIM.

Adjournment Until After Thanksgiving Is Agreed to, When

THE PROFESSOR'S REPLY IS TO COME

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.) NEW YORK, Nov. 9.—The trial of Prof. Charles A. Briggs for heresy began at 2 o'clock this afternoon in the auditorium of the old Scotch Church in West Fourteenth street, with all the formality and pomp which the Presbyterian Church demands in judicial proceedings. Rev. John Birk, D. D., the Moderator of the New York Presbytery, sat in the pulpit, with the clerks, Revs. S. D. Alexander and J. H. Hoadley, on either side. Directly under the Moderator sat the defendant, Prof. Briggs, and on the other side of the aisle were the members of the Committee of Prosecution, Revs. G. W. F. Birch, J. F. Laugel, R. F. Sample and Elders J. J. McCook and J. J. Stevenson.

In the first few just behind Dr. Briggs sat his warm friend, Prof. Francis Brown, of Union Theological Seminary, who is as thoroughly posted on the intricacies of the famous theological case as Prof. Briggs himself. The body of the church was filled with the ministers and elders who constitute the Presbytery, and who are to decide the question of Prof. Briggs' orthodoxy. Some of the ministers present were Henry Van der Kerk, J. H. McIlwaine, Robert R. Booth, Thomas S. Hamilton, Francis H. Marling, Henry M. Field, C. H. Parkhurst, Edward L. Clark, Howard Duffield, Henry M. McCracken, John R. Paxton, George L. Prentiss, Charles L. Thompson, George L. Spaulding, Marvin R. Vincent and David G. Wylie.

Many Women Among the Audience. Around the edge of the galleries was a fringe of spectators, mostly women, watching the proceedings narrowly. In the front row sat a middle-aged woman and two young women who had a keen interest in the case, and were going on below than any of the other spectators. They were Mrs. Briggs and the two daughters of the professor.

As soon as the roll had been called the Moderator read the charges against Prof. Briggs, and then the committee to present their charges. Prof. Briggs was on his feet first. "I do not want to delay proceedings," he said, "but the charges against me are so serious that I must make my position clear to the Committee of Prosecution to act as an original party."

The accused professor said he put in these objections in order to perfect appeal, and make in the future. The ground of his objections and the answer which was made by Colonel McCook for the committee were the old arguments already advanced by both sides.

Rev. Dr. R. E. Booth arose to a point of order, maintaining that discussion was not in place, as the Presbytery must proceed to trial in compliance with the General Assembly's order.

The Moderator Easily Sustained. Dr. Briggs asserted that he had a right to speak again in order to perfect appeal, but the Moderator denied McCook's objections, but the Moderator denied McCook's objections, but the Moderator denied McCook's objections.

Chairman Birch stepped to the open space under the pulpit and said the committee had prepared amended charges and was ready to offer them at 10 o'clock when he began to read them to the Presbytery. Eight specific charges are made in the amended paper, instead of the two made in the original report of the Committee of Prosecution. The old charges were of a very general nature, and the amended ones contain many extracts from Prof. Briggs' inaugural and writings, and from the scriptures and the Westminster standards, which are alleged to contradict Prof. Briggs' statements.

The Charges as they Now Read. Prof. Briggs now stands charged by the Presbytery Church in the United States of America with the following charges:

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Marlborough, of American Matrimonial Fame, Found a Corpse by

A SERVANT IN BLENHEIM PALACE.

The Duchess Leaves the Mansion on Which She Spent a Fortune.

NO CLEW TO THE PARIS DYNAMITERS

THE LIFE OF PASTEUR.

LONDON, Nov. 9.—The Duke of Marlborough was found dead in bed at Blenheim Palace this morning. On Saturday the Duke was in London and then appeared to be enjoying good health. The Duke recently seemed to have been in better health than usual.

The Duke retired last evening, as usual, and when a servant went to his apartment this morning to assist in his toilet, the Duke was dead. A physician was promptly summoned, and an examination showed that the Duke had been dead for several hours. The cause of death has not yet been ascertained.

All summer he was working hard over a telephone scheme and other ventures in the city. He was the head of a new telephone company which was to revolutionize the existing system, but this company joined the Telephone Pool a few months ago.

When the Duchess, formerly Mrs. Hamersley, of New York, returned to England after her marriage, she found Blenheim Palace in a most dilapidated condition. Even the locks on the doors and windows had to be replaced. All the expenses of repairing the place were met by the Duchess, who spent enormous sums in this way.

It is probable that when the new Duke takes up his residence in Blenheim Palace he will be accompanied by his mother with whom he has lived since her divorce. In this event it will be seen the Duchess will have not even the satisfaction of living at the palace she has gone to so much expense to improve. It is believed that the city residence of the Duke will also pass to his heir.

George Charles Spencer Churchill, Duke of Marlborough, Marquis of Blandford, Earl of Sunderland, was born in London, England, on Nov. 12, 1871. He was married to Lily Warren Hamersley, widow of Louis Hamersley, and daughter of George Charles Hamersley, in the United States Navy. Mrs. Hamersley was left a considerable fortune by her former husband, a portion of which was used to aid the Duke in refitting Blenheim Palace, and in restoring to him somewhat impaired condition.

The motto borne by the Duke in his coat of arms is, "Fiel Pero Desdichado," which translated means, "Faithful though unfortunate."

NO CLUE TO THE ANARCHISTS

Who Missed Blowing Up the Carmaux Offices, but Who Played Havoc at a Paris Police Station—A Woman With a Suspicious Package.

PARIS, Nov. 9.—Notwithstanding the denial of the Carmaux miners that they had anything to do with the infernal machine which blew up the Carmaux offices, the police are still hunting for the culprits. The more the affair is looked into the stronger grows the belief among unprejudiced people that the explosion was not the work of any of the miners themselves, but was due to some anarchist sympathizer.

Notwithstanding the extraordinary efforts of the police to discover a clue to the perpetrator of the outrage they have not as yet found the slightest bit of evidence.

It was first thought the wrecked police station would have to be torn down, and that course may be followed after experts pass an opinion upon the structure. Among the crowds of onlookers was a man who declared that the anarchists were right in blowing up the Carmaux offices.

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RIVER STRIKE IN THE BALANCE.

A Few Miners Working, but Most of the Men Stand Firm—A Rise in the Water Considered Favorable to the Men—Some Plans Contemplated.

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