

RED CROSS CHIEF DEFENDS ACTIONS

Paid Relief Expenses Out of Private Purse.

SCORES HER "DEFAMERS"

Miss Barton Asserts That Charges Are Not Made in Good Faith.

Miss Barton and her associates in control of the American National Red Cross have filed their reply to the charges made against the administration of the organization by the minority, composed of Rear Admiral Van Keppen, Gen. John M. Wilson, Maj. T. Boardman, J. Ellen Foster, Anna Roosevelt Cowles, and other prominent Washingtonians.

The reply, which consists of fifty-three printed pages, was placed in the hands of Senator Redfield Proctor, chairman of the committee named to make an investigation of Red Cross methods. It declares the charges made against the organization are groundless and expresses ignorance on the part of Miss Barton and her associates as to what information the insurgents want. It is said that all demands and requests of the insurgents have been met, but still they are not satisfied.

From Her Own Purse.

Specific charges made against the methods employed in handling funds in times of calamity, are answered in a general way by the Red Cross officers, but detailed financial statements are not made. In discussing the Mississippi and Ohio River flood sufferers' fund, the report says it was impossible, on account of the need for immediate relief, to have the money pass through the hands of the treasurer.

It is stated that Miss Barton personally bore the main part of helping Texas drought sufferers in 1887. She is also said to have paid from her own purse the money expended by the Red Cross in relieving the Mount Vernon, Ill., cyclone sufferers in 1888. Of the funds raised for relieving the Florida yellow fever sufferers in 1893, it is stated that several hundred dollars remained after the relief work was completed.

Johnstown Flood Reports.

Concerning the Johnstown flood funds, which have been the cause of much criticism, the reply states that no report of the work in the field was ever published by Miss Barton, but full reports are said to have been made by local committees.

At the close of the Russian famine, in 1891, a small unexpended balance is said to have remained in the hands of the society. This balance was banked, and the report states, on the advice of C. C. Clever, banker and adviser to the organization, that the money should be spent in relieving suffering in other parts of the world.

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GALLAUDET STUDENTS SHIVER IN THE WOODS

Students of Gallaudet College, in accordance with an old custom at the school, yesterday forenoon the dormitories and class rooms to camp out in the woods over the Easter holidays. They pitched the tents near Great Falls, Md., and spent their first night out of doors last night, protected from the driving rain by only a few yards of canvas.

About sixty students left Kendall Green for camp yesterday, and ten more followed today. On the first night the young women students of the school will be invited to visit them at camp.

Penna. R. R. Atlantic City Special

Leaves Washington at 2:15, Non-March 31, April 1 and 2. Solid vestibule train, parlor cars, coaches and diner, through without change, returns Monday, April 4, at 10:30 a. m., for Eastern travel.

LENTEN PERIOD NEARING ITS END

Holy Thursday Celebrated in the Churches.

A DAY OF PILGRIMAGE

Despite Heavy Rain Many Persons Visit the Catholic Churches.

Holy Thursday, the beginning of the most solemn period in the Lenten season, is being celebrated in the churches today. In many of the Catholic churches the day was preceded by the chanting of the office of the Tenebrae last night and sermons dealing with the passion of Christ.

This morning a special mass was sung, at which the first part was with the accompaniment of the organ. For the first time during Lent the "Gloria in Excelsis" was sung, but after this number the organ was hushed and the remainder of the service was given without accompaniment.

Chant "Pange Lingua."

At the conclusion of the mass the clergy, acolytes, and children of the parish marched around the church, accompanying the blessed sacrament and chanting the "Pange Lingua." The host was then placed in the repository erected at one of the side altars, and then the main altar was divested of every ornament, and the tabernacle door left open, and the altar was left bare. The concluding service of the morning was the chanting of the Passion, accompanied by various ceremonies prescribed by the Catholic ritual.

In all of the Washington churches, as well as those all over the world, this service was celebrated today. Tonight and tomorrow night the "Tenebrae" will be chanted again and appropriate sermons delivered.

Day of Pilgrimage.

Holy Thursday is a day of pilgrimage, and throughout the morning and afternoon, despite the heavy rain, hundreds of persons visited the various Catholic churches.

Much care was displayed by the ladies in charge at each church in decorating the altars with flowers. In addition to other white flowers were used in profusion, while hundreds of candles lighted up the picturesque little corners. In the vestibules of the churches stood two Little Sisters of the Poor, who were always in attendance on Holy Thursday to receive contributions for the support of the aged poor under their care. Many persons went by black-robed figures without dropping a mite into the baskets.

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Cleveland Reiterates Denial of Candidacy

Final "No" Given in Letter to Richard Watson Gilder, Editor of "Century"—Nothing Can Change His Mind.

PALM BEACH, Fla., March 31.—Richard Watson Gilder, editor of the "Century," is in receipt of a letter from Grover Cleveland which, after showing much interest in Mr. Gilder's conversation, mentions the talk of nominating him for President.

Mr. Gilder is confined to his cottage in West Palm Beach, and Mrs. Gilder declined to quote directly from the text of the letter. She made no denial that Mr. Cleveland made plain his positive desire not to be the nominee of the Democrats for a third term, and that he reiterated unequivocally that no combination of circumstances could bring him before the voters of the country again.

"The letter closes," said Mrs. Gilder, "with a number of humorous remarks, and, considering that it is confidential, I can't see that his allusions to his political opinions on national affairs should be given to the newspapers."

Broken Down Horseman Finds Bread on Waters

Returns After Many Days in Shape of \$1,000 From English Actress Whom He Had Once Befriended.

OMAHA, Neb., March 31.—William H. Hunt, formerly a well-known horseman, but who "went broke" on the Turf fifteen years ago, and is now penniless, has received a gift of \$1,000 and a diamond ring from an English actress whom he had befriended in his palmy days. Hunt came to London and married her. They were engaged twenty years ago.

The letter is from Jennie Duboit, twenty years ago Hunt met the girl in San Francisco and became infatuated with her. Her health failed and she lost her place. Hunt paid her way home. Shortly afterward Hunt lost his money and left San Francisco. For many years Hunt has lived a hand to mouth existence in Omaha.

Miss Duboit's letter says she has searched for him everywhere, and has just succeeded in finding him. He will leave for London in a few days.

BOVINE CATAPULT.

BURNSIDE, Ky., March 31.—As a fast express train on the Queen and Crescent railway was rounding a curve near Tatesville it struck a cow, knocking the animal against Norton Morgan and his fourteen-year-old son Oscar, and killed both of them.

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SECOND SESSION OF CONFERENCE

Proceedings of Methodist Annual Meeting.

Reports on Church Extension and Other Boards of Denomination Heard and Accepted.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., March 31.—The 12th session of the Baltimore conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, began its second day in the Southern Methodist Church here at 9 o'clock this morning, Bishop A. W. Wilson presiding.

The first half hour of the session was occupied with devotional exercises. After some preliminary business the call of ministers of each Baltimore district was resumed, and the following names being called, the ministers passed and were continued as members of the conference:

J. R. Jacobs, H. W. Barruss, I. Ryder, H. R. Strickler, L. Hammond, W. D. King, G. R. Mays, W. E. Henry, H. M. Reed, H. M. Myerly, C. W. Moore, Thomas Cooper, O. K. Millican, C. W. Richardson, H. P. Baker, A. Weller, C. W. Mark, J. H. Schooley, T. G. Nevitt, R. K. Nevitt, and J. B. Hugman.

Washington District.

The call of the Washington district for reports of ministers was then heard, and F. G. Frettyman, of Mount Vernon Place Church, Washington; D. L. Blakener, W. L. Dolly, of Epworth and Marvin stations in Washington, and J. H. Wilhite, of Georgetown, made their report.

After the Times' report closed yesterday, the Rev. H. C. Feby was appointed postmaster of the conference. The report of church extension and other boards was received and presiding elders Harper, Bond, Duffey, Hamill, Bush, Armstrong, Tyler, and Williams made reports. The Rev. J. S. Peters, of the Richmond and Baltimore "Christian Advocate" was heard. F. L. Day was given a location at his own request, and the call of members of the conference for a report of their work was begun with the Baltimore district and continued with the East Baltimore district when the conference was closed for the day.

THE TIMES' World's Fair Contests

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