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Partly Religious. General Corbin, who has just returned from the Orient, after spending some time on the other side of the world, does not believe that the anti-American feeling in China will make any resort to hostilities necessary, and we are and have been thoroughly of his opinion.

One interesting point in General Corbin's statement as to conditions in China is his declaration that the attempt to subvert the religion of the people is responsible for a great deal of bitterness. Said he: "I was assured by a very prominent Chinese that the Chinese people are not at all friendly to the presence of foreign missionaries. They resent the efforts of the missionaries to force a lot of new creeds on their people. The Chinese have, perhaps, a more firmly fixed religious belief than any other people in the world, and they look upon the religions of the Western World with scant favor."

Admitting the earnest sincerity of the missionaries and the ennobling influence of the religion they herald, we need not blind ourselves to the realization that the proselyting process must be very irritating to the ancient and proud race of Chinese. We have only to put ourselves in their places, or reverse the missionary situation, and we shall be able to understand how they feel. It is no wonder that many good Americans often ask themselves if the effort to convert China is worth while.

Wild Talk by Debs. Frank Steunenberg was governor of Idaho in 1897 and 1898, during the Coeur d'Alene mining war. For his part in this tragedy, with its bullets and bloodshed, he has ever since been held by the miners of Idaho and adjoining States as a Torquemada or Alva. Some three months since he was assassinated. The deed is now charged to Charles Moyer, William D. Haywood, and others, leaders in the Western Federation of Miners, on the alleged confession of one Orchard; and these men have been arrested in Colorado and confined in the penitentiary at Idaho at Boise City pending trial.

Intense excitement has been aroused in Western labor circles by the arrests. Friends of the miners charge that Orchard's is the fourth confession thus far made to implicate Colorado miners in the crimes connected with the labor war, and that all the other three have been abandoned as fakes; that the real criminals are the mine owners; that the accused are victims of a plot of the mine owners backed by the Standard Oil Company. Some of the miners claim to be in possession of facts which would send mining magnates to the penitentiary; that the accused were kidnaped in one State and illegally spirited away to another with the threat that they "should never come back to Idaho alive," and that they were incarcerated in dungeons from which they were to be "railroaded to their deaths" with the double object of shielding rich criminals and destroying the federation. And so on.

As though this were not sensational enough, Eugene V. Debs is out with a letter declaring that "murder has been plotted and is about to be executed in the name and under the forms of law;" making free use of such phrases as "a foul plot," "a damnable conspiracy," and worse; declaring that he "will stake his own life on the honor and integrity" of the accused, and saying that if these men are not to leave Idaho alive "the governors of Idaho and Colorado and their masters from Wall Street, New York, to the Rocky mountains had better prepare to follow them." He defies "the plutocracy" to proceed, and warns its members that if they do "there will be a revolution" and he "will do all in his power to precipitate it," adding, "If they attempt to murder Moyer, Haywood, and their brothers, a million revolutionists, at least, will meet them with guns." Getting down to business, he advises "a special revolutionary convention of the proletariat at Chicago, or some other central point," suggesting that, "if extreme measures are required a general strike could be ordered, and industry paralyzed as a preliminary to a general uprising."

This is pretty wild talk, even if it does come from a man who once received 400,000 votes for President and is known among his fellows as one who keeps his word. Standing alone it would not be worth the space it has taken to reprint it here. Unfortunately, it does not stand alone. The Western Federation of

Miners has pledged its funds for the defense of these men. The United Mine Workers of Illinois have voted \$5,000 more. A labor indignation meeting has been called in New York city. The Socialist's national organization and the Industrial Workers of the World are taking steps to back the miners, and mass meetings are being proposed in many places.

But it is inconceivable that the miners of Illinois or the Western Federation, or the Socialists, or any other body of self-respecting American laboring men will follow Debs in a revolution. The thing is too certain to fail, if there were no other objection to it. These men Moyer, Haywood, and the others are entitled to a fair trial. In our judgment, they are more than likely to get it. If they do not, there is abundant recourse in the superior courts. In the meantime about the most idiotic thing organized labor can do is to give approval, or any sign of approval, to mouthings like those of Debs.

Old Age Pensions. Another step toward that day when faithful service shall find that its old age will not be left unwarded has just been taken by the great New York Central with its plan to pension all its employees of ten years' standing or more, who shall reach seventy years.

This means that 50,000 men will all have the very satisfactory privilege of knowing that when the "pruning knife of time cuts them down," they will still be nurtured by about a quarter of their former pay. In all, about \$350,000 will be needed every year to put this plan into effect.

PERSONAL SERVICE IS CHARITY'S GREAT NEED Secretary Weller Emphasizes Necessity of Individual Work in Order to Get Results.

In an interesting discussion on the workings of practical charity before the Federal League yesterday afternoon, C. F. Weller, secretary of the Associated Charities, maintained that in order to make charity work effective each individual case should receive individual treatment. He told of a sad case where the husband was an artisan, capable of earning a good wage, but was a drunkard and allowed his family to starve in a loathsome alley. This case was brought to the attention of the Associated Charities, but supplying temporary needs of the family did no permanent good. What was needed and what was done, said Mr. Weller, was the application of personal influence on the husband, and this was done. A faithful worker, he said, succeeded in the five years the case was under the care of the Associated Charities, in putting the family on its feet.

TOBACCO TRUST LOSES BEFORE SUPREME COURT Books and Documents Must Now Be Produced Before Federal Grand Jury.

The Supreme Court of the United States today, in the appeal of Ed. F. Hale, on behalf of the American Tobacco Company, against U. S. Marshal Henkel, for the Southern district of New York, to evade an order to produce books and documents of the American Tobacco Company and subsidiary interests before the Federal grand jury, decided against the Tobacco trust.

MRS. LOGAN DOING WELL AFTER HER ACCIDENT Mrs. John A. Logan may be confined to her house for five or six weeks as the result of the accident in Westchester, Pa., on Thursday evening, when she broke her arm. Mrs. Logan was resting well today, and her attending physicians said she was just as well as could be expected under the circumstances. Her fine constitution is enabling her to bear up well under the pain, and every hope is entertained that she will soon be entirely well.

IN THE CIRCLE OF SOCIETY

SEVERAL DINNERS ON THE CALENDAR Brazilian Ambassador and Wife Hosts Tonight.

MRS. HOBART TO ENTERTAIN Teas Given This Afternoon by Mrs. Fassett and Mrs. Sibley—The Mi-Careme Ball Plans.

The week starts off propitiously for the sacrificial days of Lent, though, of course, if compared with the unusually gay rush of the season it seems quiet. The Brazilian Ambassador and Mme. Nabuco, two delightful entertainers, will give a dinner tonight at which the German Ambassador and Baroness von Sternburg will be guests.

Mrs. Garret A. Hobart will entertain a dinner party at the New Willard tonight in honor of the Vice President and Mrs. Fairbanks.

Mrs. Sibley, wife of Representative Sibley, gave a tea this afternoon.

Mrs. Roosevelt will leave Washington Wednesday for New York, and Thursday will attend the "Hansel and Gretel" benefit to help the Legal Aid Society, in which she is much interested.

Plans for the Mi-Careme ball, to be given at the Arlington March 22, under the auspices of the Woman's League of the National Junior Republic, daily gain some new interest.

Col. and Mrs. Reeves Russell, who spent the winter in Thomaston, will spend the spring in Washington.

A dance will be given at the Normandie on Friday evening, for the guests at the hotel and their friends.

A large banquet will be given at the New Willard on Wednesday by the president, trustees, and alumni of the George Washington University.

Mrs. Richard Savage and her granddaughter, Miss Carver of New York, are stopping at the Arlington.

ST. DAVID'S DAY. March 1 is observed by Welshmen as "St. David's Day," in honor of David, bishop of St. David's, Pembrokeshire, who flourished in the fifth and sixth centuries, and is said to have lived to the age of 110 years.—Detroit News.



MRS. COLIN CAMPBELL. Formerly Miss Nancy Leiter, Who, With Her Husband, Lieutenant Colonel Campbell, Is Now the Guest of Her Mother on Dupont Circle.

MRS. SHAW DEPARTS ON VISIT TO SISTER After Short Sojourn in Iowa She Will Join Daughters in Paris—Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs. Campbell Arrive in City.

Mrs. Shaw, wife of the Secretary of the Treasury, who was to have left Washington this morning for a three week visit to her sister in Iowa, changed her plans and left last evening, in order to meet an engagement made for her in the West. Mrs. Shaw will sail for Europe April 14, and will join her daughters in Paris and remain with them during the summer.

Mrs. Hope Slater, Miss Mary Gwynne, and Miss Laura Jackson, with her brother, Huntington Jackson, are among those at Palm Beach. They will probably return this week. Mr. and Mrs. Edson Bradley are at St. Augustine, also Mr. and Mrs. George L. Bradley, who have just left to join Mrs. George L. Miles, Mr. and Mrs. William C. Eustis who are stopping with Mr. and Mrs. George Vanderbilt, while Mrs. Don Cameron and Miss Martha Cameron have opened their house in South Carolina and will have a succession of small house parties.

Mrs. C. King, of 1711 Eighteenth street, gave her usual large family dinner at her home last evening in honor of her birthday. The house was beautifully decorated with palms and flowers, and the table decorations were in pink. All of Mrs. King's sons and daughters were present, except Mr. and Mrs. Samuel King, of New York.

Mrs. Elliot Strouse, who has been spending a few days here with her mother, Mrs. Marx Kaufman, has returned to her home in Baltimore.

Mrs. Segfried Fantl, of Savannah, Ga., is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Cohen, of 115 N. street.

Mr. and Mrs. David J. Kaufman are on a trip to New York city.

A meeting under the auspices of the Council of Jewish Women will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock in the vestry rooms of the Temple, on Eighth street, at which Miss Frances Heller will give a talk on "A New Method of Household Research," referring especially to the servant problem.

THE BURGLAR'S PLEA. The burglar in writing his story Acknowledged his ways had been queer. Owned right up to it, but begged to submit. He wasn't a high financier. —Chicago News.

WIFE OUT DEBTS RELIEF SOCIETY'S BIG PURIM BALL

Bishop Satterlee Ambitious for Parishes. MUST RAISE \$300,000

Episcopalians Hope to Accomplish it for Tenth Anniversary Celebration.

It is hoped to celebrate the tenth anniversary of the creation of the diocese of Washington and of the consecration of the Rt. Rev. Henry Yates Satterlee as the first bishop of Washington, which falls on the Feast of the Transfiguration, March 25, by the clearing up of parochial debts and debts of other church institutions within the diocese. This monumental task offering, if accomplished, will leave the Washington diocese in a most flourishing and unique position. There are few dioceses existing whose parochial churches are free from debt, but such is the ambition of the bishop and other members of the Bishop of Washington Fund for this diocese.

The project was inspired by Bishop Satterlee, who has always been signally successful in putting the church and institutions under his charge on a firm financial standing. As rector of Calvary Church, New York, he was unusually successful. The National Cathedral of St. Peter and Paul has, under his direction and that of his board of trustees, made remarkable progress, and at present is in unexampled possession of nearly one million dollars' worth of property.

The Bishop of Washington Fund was recently incorporated under the District laws. Its objects are threefold. First, the extinction of existing church debts in the diocese of Washington; second, after all debts are paid to extend the scope of the diocese; and third, to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the diocese of Washington and the consecration of its first bishop, by the extinction, as far as possible, of debts. The members of the fund are all members of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the diocese of Washington. A board of trustees is empowered to transact the business of the organization and disburse the funds. This board consists of clerical and lay members, divided into three classes each. The Bishop of Washington, president, ex officio, twelve presbyters canonically resident in the diocese of Washington, and twelve laymen, who are communicant members, in good standing, of the parishes, separate congregations or mission stations in the diocese.

They are as follows: The Right Rev. Henry Yates Satterlee, Bishop of Washington, president, ex officio. Clerical members, first class: The Rev. Messrs. Herbert F. Dudley, Willard G. Pavenport, George F. Smith, Alfred Harding, Geo. F. Smith, second class: The Rev. Messrs. James H. W. Blake, George C. F. Bratfield, C. Ernest Smith, third class: Hon. Charles C. Frederick B. Howden, Jas. W. Clark, Charles E. Buck, Clement Brown.

Lay members, first class: Charles C. Glover, Charles J. Bell, Samuel L. Phillips, Brig. Gen. John A. Johnston; second class: Hon. Melville W. Fuller, John M. Chew, Rear Admiral Thomas O. Selfridge, U. S. N.; third class: Mordecai R. T. Englehardt, Wm. Z. Carver, R. J. Earnshaw, Hon. Henry M. Hoyt.

Churches With Debts. The anniversary thank offering has aroused great interest throughout the diocese. Reports coming in show that a large amount of the \$300,000 needed will be raised in time for the anniversary. Among the parishes that are striving to entirely clear their properties are Trinity Church, \$10,000 on parish hall and rectory; St. Thomas', \$30,000; St. Andrew's, \$55,000; St. Margaret's, \$35,000; Pro-Cathedral Church of the Ascension, \$35,000; St. Mark's, \$7,000 on parish property, rectory and parish hall; St. Stephen's, \$16,000; Christ Church, Georgetown, \$2,500; Church of the Good Shepherd, \$12,000; Christ Church, Navy Yard, \$2,000.

Baltimore Congregation Now Without Home of Its Own Will Use Synagogue Next Sunday.

METHODISTS TO MEET IN HEBREW TEMPLE

NATURE SUPPLYING MAN WITH A NEW SKULL PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 12.—Nature in its peculiar way is slowly but surely supplying James H. Elliot with a new skull to take the place of the part of his head which was torn off in an accident at the postoffice last June. A hard substance that in time is expected to fill in the three holes in his skull through which the pulsations of his brain are plainly discernible is forming.

Event Takes Place Tonight at Masonic Temple. PRIZES FOR THE MASKERS

Another Dance to Be Given on the 20th Instant at National Rifles Hall.

The annual Purim ball by members of the Orthodox Hebrew congregation will be given at 7 o'clock tonight in Masonic Temple under the auspices of the Hebrew Relief Society. This year's ball will be a masquerade and five prizes have been donated. There will be given the five most attractive and original masquers in the room. The first prize is six St. Louis World's Fair plates; the second, a lady's umbrella, the third, a silver card plate, the fourth, a silver soup ladle, and the fifth, a pair of opera glasses.

It is expected that between 700 and 800 guests will attend the ball. Dancing will begin at 7 o'clock and will continue until 2 o'clock tomorrow morning. The proceeds of the ball will go to the treasury of the society and will be used to further its charitable aims. Officers of the society who have the ball in charge are: President, M. Kagan; vice president, M. Korman; secretary, vice president, J. Kandel; secretary, P. Harnel, and treasurer, S. Atlas.

Children's Party. The children will have their party in the early part of the evening, and will dance until 10 o'clock, when the grown people will have the floor. Young and old alike will be masked, and prizes will be awarded to the winning costumes. The ball will be under the auspices of the newly organized Ladies' Auxiliary of the Temple, which last night gave the children a stertopion exhibition. The auxiliary is composed of women of the congregation, who are working earnestly for the success of the entertainment.

Stereopticon Stories. In celebration of "Purim," Rabbi Altvam Simon gave a series of colored stereopticon views last evening in the Eighth Street Temple. In an interesting manner he told the story of each. The first pictures were a series telling the story of Esther, then the story of Daniel, and after that some fine American scenes were given, the signing of the Declaration of Independence heading the list.

HOMESTEAD RIGHT NOW ESTABLISHED

Army and Navy Men Will Be Given Protection.

By a decision of the General Land Office, a homesteader's claim to his land will not be forfeited when he has been unable to live on it as required by law, owing to his being in the army or navy of the United States. This decision establishing an interesting precedent is based on questions asked the officials of the General Land Office by Lieut. Ivan C. Wettengel, of Army recruiting station at Minneapolis. The matter arose over the case of Philip Engel, of Grand Rapids, Minn., who, in 1897, made a homestead entry on a piece of land in northern Minnesota. He at once established a residence, began to develop the property and lived on it for a year.

DISTRICT BILL AGAINST GAMBLING AND BETTING Gallinger Refers Measure to Board of Commissioners—Provides for Fine and Imprisonment.

Chairman Gallinger, of the Senate District Committee, today referred to the District Commissioners for their report on Senate bills 450 and 496, the former to amend the code of the District relative to betting, gambling, bookmaking, and pool selling, and the latter for the prevention of tuberculosis.

ON GOSSIP. If folks would tell only what they know, the world would soon be populated with mutes.—Walter Hurt, in the Cultivator.