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TO-NIGHT'S BATTLE.

Harry Fischer and Dick Moore to Settle a Dispute as to Their Abilities at the Metropolitan, and a Bang-up Article of the Sport Assured.

To-night at the Metropolitan club house, in Fulton, local patrons of the boxing game will have the opportunity of seeing one of the best fistic battles ever put on in this arena. This is a broad statement in view of the Goulette-Bolen and Matthews-Bennett bouts, which wore of the high order, but to-night's has the advantage in that the contestants are both big fellows and each will weigh in at not less than 160 pounds, and local sports like to see the big uns hammer the body and swing on the jaw.

Both men are fast boxers, with national records, and their meeting to-night is more important than most people have an idea of. They are classed in the middle weight division although neither ever matches below 160 pounds. Fischer became a favorite here after his contest in Bridgeport with Jack Colyer, and since that time he suffered only one defeat, which was at the hands of Joe Walcott, "the Barbadoes wonder," in eleven rounds. Moore has defeated Jack Bonner and a host of big lads away up the fistic ladder. He has met Kid McCoy and in fact, the only prominent middleweight he hasn't is his opponent of to-night.

Taking Dick O'Brien's place on a day's notice, and after arriving here from New York but a few hours before, besides not having trained, resulted in Moore being in poor shape to clash with a man of Fischer's calibre, yet for the five rounds they traveled, Moore gave as good as he received. But he was in no shape to continue and his many appeal for time to train, coupled with the statement that he would continue if the spectators insisted, made him many friends.

Reports from the training quarters of both men say they will be in ideal trim to-night, and well prepared to go a rattling pace. The talent doesn't look for the limit, expecting a knockout ere the twentieth round is rung. Lovers of boxing should pack the house, for the club has furnished rare sport under the new management, and judged by the slim receipts in the last three entertainments its efforts are not appreciated. There will be no preliminary, just because the club has to curtail expenses in view of the poor patronage received, but the main bout will surely satisfy every man in the building. It will be started not later than 9:30 p. m. and will be refereed by Oscar Gardner.

TWO NEW INSTRUCTORS

Secured for Linsly Institute, Professors Hill and Churchill.

Prof. William H. Hill, of this city, and Prof. Jesse B. Churchill, of Chelsea, Mass., have been secured as additional teachers at the Linsly Institute. Both gentlemen are teachers of considerable experience, have had college and normal school training, and possess recommendations from college professors, as well as from school directors, which speak in the most flattering terms of pronounced success in their respective lines.

Prof. Hill is a brother of Mr. R. F. Hill, of Fifteenth street. He was graduated an A. B. from Munkingum college, and during his course in that institution made a specialty of Latin and Greek. Merited praise was bestowed upon him at graduation, for excellence in the line. He will have charge of the Latin and Greek department at the Linsly.

Professor Churchill is a graduate of the Lawrence scientific school, and has received the degree of B. S. from Harvard University. His work in the natural sciences will especially adapt him

for the instructing of physics and chemistry, and these are the branches which he will teach at the Linsly.

The Linsly is to be congratulated upon being able to secure the services of such men, and no effort will be spared to maintain the high standard of this institution, whose reputation is not confined within the limits of our own city.

WOMAN'S MITE SOCIETY

Concludes Its Sessions—Officers Elected Saturday.

The closing sessions yesterday of the third annual meeting of the Woman's Mite Missionary Society of the A. M. E. church, Pittsburgh conference, were very largely attended, morning, afternoon and evening. The business proper before the body was disposed of Saturday when officers were elected and next year's meeting place chosen, but Sunday was taken advantage of to hold inspiring missionary meetings. The sessions have all been held at the Wayman chapel, on Market street, north of Tenth, but last evening Simpson M. E. church was included to the extent that one of the lady evangelists attending the convention, Mrs. Solomon of Pittsburgh, occupied the pulpit on invitation of the pastor. At the convention church, Mrs. Aldredge, of Pittsburgh, spoke to one of the largest congregations ever in the church. Both women delivered effective missionary pleas.

Presiding Elder McGee, of the Pittsburgh conference, preached yesterday morning and last night administered the Lord's supper. In the afternoon the Woman's Mite Society held an interesting meeting, in the course of which there were many addresses. This was a praise service. Bishop Lea, who was expected to be here for Sunday, was unable to come.

The society will meet in Allegheny on Saturday, this place having been selected on Saturday. The election of officers resulted as follows:

- President, Mrs. J. W. Batch, Elizabeth, Pa.
First vice president, Mrs. W. H. Brown, New Brighton, Pa.
Second vice president, Mrs. R. H. Bumry, Wheeling, W. Va.
Third vice president, Miss Lizzie West, Uniontown, Pa.
Recording secretary, Mrs. M. L. Carter, Monongahela, Pa.
Assistant secretary, Miss Jennie Wheeler, Canonsburg, Pa.
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ROBERTS' CLAIM

That Polygamy has the Divine Approval Controverted.

DR. BIGGER'S "QUESTION BOX"

Productive of its First Answer at Last Evening's Service of the Third Presbyterian Church—Monogamy the Biblical Law of Marriage—The Question Entered Into at Length and the Answer Conclusive.

For the benefit of his congregation the Rev. R. R. Bigger, Ph.D., pastor of the Third Presbyterian church, devotes a part of his evening services to the answering of questions. It not unfrequently occurs that church-goers are desirous of being enlightened on certain difficult portions of Scripture, or on questions relating to public and private morals, or on ecclesiastical questions relating to the church laws, and discipline and church history. Or it may be that certain questions with reference to good citizenship and sociology in general are not clear to them. To meet these wants Mr. Bigger has provided the "Pastor's Question Box," which has been placed at the entrance of the church auditorium. In this box all questions are to be placed, and no attention will be paid to questions otherwise asked. The person asking the question is requested NOT to sign his name for two reasons, First, the pastor can more freely discuss the question if he does not know who asked it; and secondly, as the pastor has reserved the right to pass over any question which he may think unwise to discuss publicly, it would be more pleasant not to know who asked it. At least one week will be taken to study the question and consult the proper authorities, and when the answer is given that ends it. If the answer is not satisfactory, the questioner must seek elsewhere for what he considers better information. In no case will any debate be entered into.

Question I. "How do you answer Congressman-elect Roberts' claim that polygamy is upheld by the Bible?"

Answer—I lay down the proposition that the Bible does not uphold polygamy, on the contrary it teaches that monogamy is the God-ordained law of marriage. In proof of this statement the Bible itself is my authority. And in the first place let us remember that the Bible in part is history; giving a true record of the customs and practices, both good and bad, of the ancient Hebrews, God's chosen people, to whom he revealed his revelation. This history tells of their sins as well as of their virtues; of their violations of God's law as well as of their obedience to it. The Bible tell of Cain's murdering Able, of Noah's getting drunk, of David's adultery, and of Abraham's and Solomon's polygamy in plain, unvarnished language. But in speaking of the existence of these sins it by no means sanctions or upholds them. Noah, Abraham, David and Solomon were among the best moral men of their times, but their times were vastly different from what ours is. Good as these men were they were not perfect, and for that very reason they fell into grievous sins; and forthwith God Almighty exposed their wicked ways to the world as a warning to men of all time. But the history of their sinful practices in no way argues that the Divine historian sanctioned or upheld their practices. If so then every newspaper, both religious and secular upholds murder, robbery and rape, for they relate the occurrence of these crimes every week. But how absurd to maintain this idea. God's word does mention the fact frequently that some men had more than one wife, and even men who were accounted good men, but does that teach or uphold polygamy? If so then the mention of drunkenness and adultery upholds them! But how absurd this position.

In the second place, through mercy and compassion, rather than to destroy his people for their sin of polygamy, God "suffered it to be so for many generations," but all that time he legislated against it and finally destroyed it entirely from among the Jews over 700 years before Christ. In Deut. 17-17, kings were forbidden to "multiply wives to themselves," but in spite of this prohibition many of the kings violated the explicit command. Moses legislated for the restriction and regulation of the evil; and while his laws on this question were not such as might be considered the best for every condition; they were such as were best suited for their condition. It was only through the mercy of God that a polygamous people were permitted to remain in existence. When our Lord was asked about the violations of God's marriage laws, he answered "Moses because of the hardness of your hearts suffered you, but from the beginning it was not so." (Matt. 19:9) Therefore the laws of Moses were but a temporary regulation as a political measure with reference to polygamy and not an upholding of polygamy by God as a moral ruler. All the evils of that early age could not be remedied in a moment. And until the people of that age could be brought into such a state that they could feel and understand the force of law, it was necessary for their rulers meanwhile to devise prudential regulations for the purpose of checking their lawlessness. But that the evil of polygamy was eradicated under God's dealings with the Hebrews 700 years B. C. is proof enough to any candid in-

quirer. And Michaels asserts that polygamy ceased entirely after the return from the captivity. (Laws of Moses, III, 5 95.) God was against it.

But in the third place, from the very beginning the Bible teaches that one man should have one wife. The law of marriage was laid down in the second chapter of Genesis. "Therefore shall a man leave his father and mother and cleave unto his wife." Notice it says a man is to have one wife "and they shall be one flesh" (Gen. 2:24). Had God sanctioned a plurality of wives the word here would have been in the plural number—wives, instead of wife. And then Jesus Christ in speaking of the marriage relation says "They twain shall be one flesh; they are no more twain but one flesh. What, therefore, God has joined together let not man put asunder." (Math. 19:6). Notice he says "they twain," only two of them, not a half dozen of them, Mr. Roberts. The one man and the one wife, this is what "God joins together" in marriage. And it is not hard to conjecture who joins the half a dozen or more together.

It is also a significant indication of the Divine will that God at first created only one man and one woman. Had God intended polygamy for the species, he surely would have begun with it; especially as by giving Adam more wives than one the multiplication of the human race would have proceeded with quicker progress. As to other portions of Scripture I have already spoken of the forbidding of a plurality of wives recorded in Deut. 17:17. And in Pa. 120:3 we read "Thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine." Also in Prov. 5:18, "Rejoice with the wife of thy youth." Again in Eccl. 9:9, "Live joyfully with the wife whom thou lovest." In all these cases and in many more which might be mentioned, one wife is spoken of. Coming to the New Testament the authority of Christ has already been quoted. And we most emphatically claim that the Apostle Paul never even for the briefest period tolerated polygamy, and that it never existed in the Christian church at all. No language can be plainer than that of I Cor., chapter 7. "Let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband." Again Paul's comparison of marriage to the union of Christ and his church reveals his belief in monogamy. "The husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church." (Eph. 5:23). Ah, no, the Bible does not uphold polygamy, nor even sanction it. On the contrary it so plainly taught that a man should have but one wife that there is no instance of a baptized polygamist for 1500 years after Christ. There is but one exception on record, that of Luther, who in an evil hour by mistake, gave permission to the land grave of Hesse to marry a second wife during the life time of the first. But this counts for nothing since Luther himself condemns polygamy.

Therefore, when Mr. Roberts is so bold as to claim that the Bible justifies or sanctions his shameful polygamous life, he either exposes his ignorance or he grossly misrepresents God's truth on this subject.

Dr. Spring says experience has abundantly and painfully shown that polygamy debases and brutalizes both the body and the mind. Where has it reared a virtuous and heaven taught progeny? Where has it not been distinguished for the most fearful degeneracy of mankind? Only in the degraded eastern nations does it exist. In the western Christian nations it is universally prohibited. The only exception in the west to monogamous practice is the Mormons from whom Mr. Roberts comes. And this nation has made it a crime for even a Mormon to have more than one wife. Shall this nation leave this self-confessed criminal to sit in our national Congress? God forbid it.

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