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CLOSE OF DIOCESAN CONVENTION PROPER.

Delegates Selected for San Francisco Meeting—Officers Were Elected.

The Diocesan Convention proper closed its work yesterday with the election of delegates to the general convention, which meets at San Francisco in October next. The balloting for these began in the forenoon session and was continued until the close of the convention, the business of the day being sandwiched in between the retirement and report of the tellers.

When all the lay delegates and all but one of the clerical were elected, the rival candidates were the Reverend William Short, the Reverend W. A. Hatch and the Reverend Mr. Potter. The result was as follows: Clerical—The Reverend C. M. Davis, dean of the Christ Church Cathedral; the Reverend Doctor James R. Winchester, rector of the Church of the Ascension; the Reverend E. P. Little, rector of Trinity Church, Hannibal, and the Reverend W. A. Hatch of Monroe, Mo. Lay delegates—J. P. Triplett, D. F. Leavitt, F. J. McMaster and B. G. Chapman.

The following diocesan officers were elected: Treasurer, I. Shreve Carter; trustees of the permanent episcopate fund, C. S. Freeborn, I. S. Carter and F. N. Judson; trustees of the theological educational fund, Doctor J. P. T. Ingraham, John R. Triplett and E. J. Thomas; trustees of the aged and infirm clergy fund, the Reverend E. Duckworth, W. R. Donaldson and W. P. Nelson.

Relative to the two-hundredth anniversary of the Society of Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, which will be celebrated in London, England, June 16, the Reverend E. Duckworth was appointed to convey the greetings of the convention, and the clergy of the diocese were directed to preach a special sermon commemorative of the anniversary. Mr. Duckworth will sail next Tuesday for this purpose and for a visit to his aged mother in England.

Walker Hill, William Bagnell and T. K. Skinker were appointed a committee to collect funds for the benefit of the Bishop Robertson Hall, located in the southern part of the city, and for the purpose of lifting the $30,000 debt now resting upon that institution. Mr. Bagnell stated that if $25,000 was raised for this purpose in small contributions, he would pay the remaining $5,000.

The Missionary Board elected for the year is as follows: Clergymen—Doctor J. P. T. Ingraham and the Reverend E. Duckworth, the Reverend R. B. Lee Craig, the Reverend E. P. Little, the Reverend J. K. Brennan and the Reverend P. W. Fauntleroy. Laymen—F. J. McMaster, D. F. Leavitt, Charles Sparks, E. H. Lycett, F. Ewing White, William Bagnell, W. C. Stith, C. C. Curtice and G. M. Cadogan.

At the afternoon session part of the debt of the St. George's Parish to the treasury of the diocese was refunded. Some years ago this parish became indebted to the diocese to the amount of $1,000, and on account of the failing health of its rector, the Reverend Doctor R. A. Holland, it has not been able to pay the amount. The convention therefore, at the request of Mr. Walker Hill, voted unanimously to cancel one-half the amount, provided the remaining $500 was paid within ninety days.

The Committee on Expenses of Deputies to the General Convention requested that an additional $25 be allowed each clerical delegate, which was unanimously granted.

H. H. Dennison of Christ Church Cathedral was appointed a committee for the selection of a place for the next diocesan convention.

To-day the Woman's Auxiliary of the diocese will hold its annual meeting at the Cathedral, and holy communion will be administered at 9:30 a. m. A business session will follow in the Schuyler Memorial House. On Sunday, there will be the annual celebration of the "Missionary Host" at the Exposition Hall.

SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

Sixth District Christian Endeavor Union Holds Session To-Night.

The Sixth District Christian Endeavor Union will begin its seventh annual convention to-night at the Lucas Avenue Cumberland Presbyterian Church, corner of Lucas and Channing avenues. The counties embraced in this district are Crawford, Dade, Dent, Franklin, Gasconade, Warren, Jefferson, Lincoln, Montgomery, St. Charles, Phelps, St. Louis and the city.

Present indications are that there will be a large enrollment of delegates outside the city, one county (Lincoln) sending twenty-five. Every preparation has been made to entertain the delegates from a distance, and an opportunity will be given them to engage in practical downtown evangelistic work, under the leadership of the veteran worker, C. J. Franklin.

The programme this evening will open with a special praise service, under the leadership of R. O. Bolt, and the Reverend Harry Blunt, pastor of the Old Orchard Congregational Church, will lead in the devotional services. The Reverend Hay Bell of Wellsville, Mo., will speak on "Present Needs of the Church," and Professor Carl I. Ingerson will speak on "Present Needs of Sunday School and Missions." The special address of the occasion will be delivered by the Reverend Doctor R. V. Hunter of Indianapolis, Ind., president of the State Christian Endeavor Union, on "Christian Endeavor's Contribution to the New Century." The convention will last through Saturday and Sunday.

NEWS OF THE CITY CHURCHES.

The Reverend Mr. Lee Resigns as Delegate to Conference.

The Reverend Doctor W. B. Palmore, editor of the St. Louis Christian Advocate, has arranged to travel extensively during the summer months. He will attend the International Epworth League Conferencec at San Francisco, and, will deliver an address on "The Church and the Saloon" July 18. In August he will attend the Pan-American Exposition and Chatauqua, and August 14 he will sail on the Majestic for a short trip in Europe, and will represent the Southwest Missouri Conference at the Methodist Ecumenical Conference, in London, September 12 he will sail from Liverpool on the Cymric.

The Reverend Doctor J. W. Lee has resigned his appointment as delegate from the St. Louis Conference to the Ecumenical Conference in London, and also his position on the programme for an address on "The Status of Methodism in the Western Section." His successor is the Reverend Doctor J. H. Young, pastor of the Centenary M. E. Church, South.

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—P. Dunn of Beaumont, Tex., is at the Lindell.

—R. R. Rice of Varner, Ark., is at the Lindell.

—S. B. Miller of Oswego, Kas., is at the Planters.

—N. D. Barry of Dallas, Tex., is at the Southern.

—D. G. Thompson of Galconda, Ill., is at the Lindell.

—W. B. Johnson of Ardmore, I. T., is at the Planters.

—Virgil Conkling of Carrollton, Mo., is at the Planters.

—Sidney Fischer of Petersburg, Va., is at the Southern.

—W. H. Maxwell of Greenwood, Ind., is at the Lindell.

—Major J. H. Finks of Glasgow, Mo., is at the Laclede.

—Hosea Townsend of Ardmore, I. T., is at the Southern.

—J. A. Cunningham of Caruthersville, Mo., is at the Southern.

—Major Harvey W. Salmon of Clinton, Mo., is at the Planters.

—State Senator J. H. Watson of Woodlawn, Ill., is at the Laclede.

—Carlos F. Escarar and R. y Carledo of Guaymas are at the Planters.

—Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Winchell of Kansas City, Mo., are at the Southern.

—Mr. and Mrs. Irl Sandridge of Fort Worth, Tex., are at the St. Nicholas.

—John L. Bogy, Jr., and Vallee C. Bogy of St. Genevieve, Mo., are at the Laclede.

—Peter H. Huck, member of the Missouri Legislature, of St. Genevieve, Mo., is at the Laclede.

—Joe Tall, chief clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives, of Kahoka, Mo., is at the Laclede.

—C. J. Meltan, G. M. Holm and A. P. Garr, railroad men of Cincinnati, O., are at the St. Nicholas.

—Colonel John B. Jeffery, special agent to establish routes for free rural delivery for the Post Office Department, is at the St. Nicholas.

LOOK AT THE SCHEDULE.
Big Four Route Trains.

Lv. St. Louis 8:30 a. m., 12:00 noon, 8:06 p. m.
Ar. Cincinnati 6:00 p. m., 9:05 p. m., 7:30 a. m.
Ar. Buffalo 2:55 a. m., 6:18 a. m., 7:30 p. m.
Ar. New York 2:55 p. m., 6:00 p. m., 8:00 a. m.

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CITY ITEMS.

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Before Retiring—Prevents Headache. Dr. Siegert's Genuine Imported Angostura Bitters.

SUBURBAN MANAGERS RECEIVE PROMOTIONS.

Colonel James A. McCabe Made General Superintendent, and J. P. Driscoll Promoted.

DONOVAN SUCCEEDS DRISCOLL.

McCabe Will Act as Assistant to General Manager Jenkins—Advancements the Reward of Faithful Service.

Colonel James A. McCabe, formerly superintendent of the main division of the St. Louis and Suburban Electric Railway Company, has been appointed general superintendent, and J. P. Driscoll, formerly in charge of the Meramec division, will succeed Colonel McCabe on the main division. D. A. Donovan, an inspector, will take charge of the Meramec division.

Colonel McCabe will act as assistant to General Manager Thomas M. Jenkins.

The new general superintendent is an experienced railroad man, having been sixteen years in the business. He was a division superintendent under Mr. Jenkins when the latter had charge of the Covington and Cincinnati Street Railway Company, and came to St. Louis two years ago, when Mr. Jenkins assumed control of the Suburban system.

Superintendent Driscoll is also a man of ability. He has been fourteen years in the street-railway business, twelve of which he served under Mr. Jenkins. He held a responsible position on the Covington and Cincinnati road, as did also Mr. Donovan. Superintendent Driscoll has been in charge of the Meramec division for over a year.

He is familiar with all the details of street-railroad work. Superintendent Donovan's promotion is a reward for long and faithful service under Mr. Jenkins.

RECOVERED HIS POCKETBOOK.

J. N. Gray Had Dropped It Into a Park Drain Pipe.

J. N. Gray of Bonne Terre, Mo., went to Tower Grove Park yesterday and shortly before noon he accidentally dropped his pocketbook into a drain pipe. The purse, besides several valuable papers, contained a $100 draft and $40. Mr. Gray immediately made inquiry for the park officials, but could find none. He was told that his purse might be recovered, and, with this hope, remained in the park until 5:30 o'clock.

At that hour Park Superintendent James Gurney came to his aid. The sewer pipes were flushed, and as the water came down with a rush Superintendent Gurney, through an aperture in the pipe twelve feet from where the pocketbook was dropped in, caught the lost wallet as it came floating down stream. Its contents, though water soaked, were little the worse for their five-hour bath. Mr. Gray thanked the superintendent and rewarded Philip Giebel, Herman Helm and Hugo Schaff, park employes, who assisted in the recovery.

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FATHER SEARCHING FOR SON.

Confederate Veteran Fails to Locate Boy in St. Louis.

George H. Ellis, 71 years old, a veteran of Company B of the Second Louisiana Infantry, C. S. A., known as the "Red River Rebels," is in St. Louis searching for his son, George H. Ellis, Jr. According to the last letter which the old man received, his son lived at No. 1626 North Ninth street, but he moved from there several weeks ago and the father has been unable to locate him.

George Ellis, Jr., is a railroad man. Several weeks ago wounds received in the Civil War began to pain the father and he was unable to work. Collecting all the money he could, he came to St. Louis, intending to make his home with his son.

Are You Thinking of Going to Texas?

If you are, send six cents in stamps and secure copy, "Proceedings Texas Farmers' Congress," containing 250 pages valuable agricultural information. S. F. B. Morse, P. T., Mgr., Houston & Texas Central Railroad, Houston, Tex.

HORSE WAS IN THEIR CUSTODY.

Police Searched for Stolen Animal Which They Had Found.

After searching for three days for a horse which had been stolen from George Robertson, formerly a member of the House of Delegates, the police found it at the Sixth District Police Substation. The horse was driven away from Taylor and Easton avenues Saturday night. About 2:30 o'clock Sunday morning a policeman found the animal at Fair avenue and Natural Bridge road.

It was taken to the substation, to be held for its owner. It was not until the third day that the police discovered the stolen horse was in their own custody.

Attend the auction sale to-day of fine Clocks from the Merrick, Walsh & Phelps collection at Sixth and Olive sts.

BOERS AGAIN ACTIVE.

Kritzinger's Forces Causing British Troops Much Anxiety.

Queenstown, Cape Colony, Wednesday, May 29.—The Boers are massing under Commander Kritzinger to the northward of Bailey. There is much local apprehension, and the town guard remains all night in the trenches. Passenger traffic to the north is suspended and freight is proceeding under an armed escort. The banks close at noon.

Tickets to New York and Boston

Via Big Four give ten days stop-over at Buffalo Pan-American Exposition.

Bingham—Fabyan.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Washington, May 30.—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Baxter Fabyan of Carthage, Mo., have issued cards of invitation to the marriage of their sister, Miss Florence Fabyan, to Richmond Fletcher Bingham of this city. The marriage will take place at Grace Episcopal Church, Carthage, at 8 o'clock p. m. Wednesday, June 12, and the young people will reside at 1213 B street Southeast, this city, where they will be at home to friends the first and second Saturdays in October.

When Nature

Needs assistance it may be best to render it promptly, but one should remember to use even the most perfect remedies only when needed. The best and most simple and gentle remedy is the Syrup of Figs, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co.

Illinois Newspaper Men to Meet.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Metropolis, Ill., May 30.—The Southern Illinois Press Association will meet here June 21 and 22. Edgar A. Davie is Acting President this year and R. B. Thompson of The Metropolis Herald, secretary.

To Cure Headache in 10 Minutes

Take Parker's Headache Powders. They are safe and sure. All druggists. Price 10c.

Mrs. Frank Keyser Dies.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Mount Sterling, Ill., May 30.—Mrs. Frank Keyser, an old resident of this place, died yesterday of consumption. Mrs. Keyser was 60 years old and prominent in church and benevolent work.

TO UNVEIL MONUMENT—Company E, First Regiment N. G. M., will unveil the monument of Sergeant Charles J. Williams in Bellefontaine Cemetery Sunday afternoon. Sergeant Williams was born July 24, 1874, and died November 12, 1898, from fever contracted while with his regiment at Chickamauga.

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OLIVE AND SIXTH STS.

To-Morrow Special Sale of Housekeepers' Wares.

DISCUSSING VARIOUS TOPICS.

Delegates to District M. E. Church Conference Talk Freely.

At yesterday's session of the St. Louis District Conference at the Immanuel M. E. Church, South, the Reverend Doctor C. E. Pattillo, pastor of the Lafayette Park Church, spoke on "The Necessity for Deeper Spiritual Life." He called attention to the fact that the church in its spiritual life was not keeping pace with its expansion in other matters. He said that the church, confronted as it was with the great problems of indifference, doubt, poverty, labor and moral reform, had greater need than ever for deepening the spiritual life. He said also that there was danger of overemphasizing men, money, methods and machinery to the neglect of individual spiritual life in the church.

The Reverend Mr. Stephan, pastor of Mount Auburn Church, spoke on "How to Improve Attendance Upon the Social Meetings of the Church." He urged that these meetings be made more attractive.

The Reverend Doctor T. E. Sharpe, pastor of Wagoner Place Church, answered the question, "How to secure and maintain a good attendance at the evening service." He suggested a genuine pastoral work, special pulpit effort along evangelistic lines and the co-operation of the entire membership.

The Reverend Doctor Lee, Presiding Elder, spoke on the missions of the district, such as Carondelet, Bridgeton, Marvin, Oak Hill and Clayton, and urged the co-operation of all the stronger churches for placing these on a self-sustaining basis. The Reverend Doctor J. H. Young, pastor of Centenary Church, followed with an address on "Local Church Extension Work," outlining the plans of the St. Louis Church Extension Society. The closing address was given by Mrs. Steele on "Condition and Work of the W. H. M. S."

Speaking of the past year Mrs. Steele said it had been an encouraging one, three new auxiliaries having been added, making the number seventeen and the membership 454. The total receipts for the year, in cash and work, were $2,697.15. In closing, a special appeal was made to the pastors of the district for co-operation in increasing the number of societies and their membership.

The Reverend Doctor Halleburton, Presiding Elder of the Washington District; Professor N. B. Henry, president of the Marvin Collegiate Institute, and the Reverend J. N. Beall, pastor of the McCausland Avenue Presbyterian Church, were introduced to the conference.

Reports were received from Carondelet, Marvin, Centenary and Wagoner Place churches. Marvin Church was commended for its work at Watt's Chapel in the downtown district of the city.

The report of the special committee on the Cabanne Church matter will be given at 10 a. m. to-day. Addresses will be delivered by the Reverend J. R. A. Vaughan, James L. Carlisle, A. E. Whittaker, W. S. Baker, the Reverend A. H. Robbins, the Reverend A. S. Croker and the Reverend W. H. LaPrade. This afternoon addresses will be given by the Reverend M. T. Haw and the Reverend Doctor J. H. Early.

It pays to attend the $500,000.00 jewelry action at Olive and Sixth, if you only buy for speculation.

FIFTEEN SWINGS FOR PARKS.

United Turner Societies Provide for Children's Pleasure.

The installation of fifteen large swings for children in Benton Park next week by the United Turner societies will be the first step in carrying out their plans of providing entertainment for children in the downtown parks. Later thirty more swings will be established by the societies in other parks of the city.

The swings, which were made in Maine, are strongly constructed and will hold four children. Hyde Park is to have ten of the new swings, Carr Park six, Lyon Park six, Laclede Park four and Jackson Place four.

The Turner societies have borne the entire expense of the swings, but will try to secure the co-operation of others in making the later improvements which have been proposed. These are the addition of a set of simple gymnastic appliances in each park, with an instructor to give the children systematic training.

FIGHTING IN PHILIPPINES.

Segovia's Band Defeated—Doniol Is Again Attacked.

Manila, May 30.—Thirty-three men of Company A, Twentieth Regiment, United States Infantry, recently encountered Segovia's band near Paracale, North Camarine Province. Surgeon St. John was killed. The insurgents lost five men killed and had two wounded.

Doniol has again been attacked, and reenforcements have been sent from Marinduque.

As a result of the investigation of the shooting affair at Camp Stotsenburg May 21, Lieutenant James Howell of the Sixth Artillery will be tried by court-martial. Second Lieutenant Charles R. Lloyd, Jr., also of the Sixth Artillery, and Doctor Overton, who dressed the wounds received by Lloyd at the hands of Howell, have been released from arrest.

Memorial Day was observed here as a holiday.

Unsuitable Spectacles

Injure the eyes. Delays are sometimes dangerous. Dr. Bond, expert optician, at Mermod-Jaccard's, Broadway and Locust, will examine your eyes free of charge and guarantee a proper adjustment. Steel frames from $1 up; gold, $5 and up.

NEW COPPER COMPANY FORMED

Incorporates at Pierre, S. D., With $80,000,000 Capital.

Pierre, S. D., May 30.—Articles of incorporation have been filed here for the Copper Company of Montana, with a capital of $80,000,000, one-half preferred and one-half common stock. The incorporators are Arthur P. Heinze, Stanley Gifford, Franklin Nien, Frederick Eckstein, Carl Swenson and Oscar Nelson.

Three Through Trains

Leave Union Station every day in the week via the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway. The Fast Train, the "Katy Flyer," at 8:32 p. m., with Pullman Buffet Sleeping Cars; one for the City of Mexico, via San Antonio, the other for Houston, Galveston and other important cities in Texas. The New Train, 11:45 p. m., with Sleeping Cars for the Southwest. The Mail and Local Express, at 9:15 a. m. For tickets, berths and other information, call at No. 103 North Broadway.

N. B.—Tourist Sleeper every Tuesday on the "Katy Flyer" for Texas, New Mexico, Arizona and California points.

WILL DISCUSS THE OUTLOOK.

William J. Bryan Accepts Invitation to Speak in Kansas City.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Kansas City, Mo., May 30.—Secretary Marshal of the Jackson County Democratic Club this morning received from William J. Bryan an acceptance of the club's invitation to deliver an address, and appointing as the time for its delivery June 5.

Mr. Bryan said he would take for his subject "The Outlook," and discuss the South Carolina Tillman-McLaurin fight.

$1.25 Round Trip

Springfield, Ill., and return, Sunday, June 2, via Illinois Central Railroad.

Death of Hiram Price.

Washington, May 30.—Hiram Price, who served many years in congress as a Republican representative from Iowa and who was Commissioner of Indian affairs from 1881 to the beginning of the first Cleveland administration, died here to-day of heart trouble. Mr. Price, who was 87 years of age, was president of the State Bank of Iowa for many years.

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Patent Leather Southern Button, flexible sole, 2½ to 8, AA to D.. **$1.50**

Black and Tan Hand Turn sole, neat new toe, 2½ to 8, AA to E. **$2.00**

Patent Leather Vici Kid, hand turn sole, Louis XIV heel, neat toe, 2½ to 7, AA to D....... **$4.00**

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FRANCIS A. LANE VERY ILL.

Life of Well-Known Capitalist Is Despaired Of.

Francis A. Lane of No. 3640 West Pine boulevard, for more than fifty years a resident of St. Louis and a well-known local capitalist, is now lying critically ill at his residence from a general breaking down of his system. His illness is of several weeks' standing.

Members of his family are constantly by his bedside and relatives in New York, including Doctor and Mrs. Carr Lane, well-known here, have been telegraphed for. Mr. Lane was reported yesterday to be barely holding his own and his family is in great suspense.

Mr. Lane was born January 4, 1830, in Palmyra and came to St. Louis in 1848. He entered a mercantile house here, later having a connection with the Simmons Hardware Company. A few years later he retired from business and devoted himself to managing his estate. He owns considerable property in the city, including several tracts along Olive street.

He is known in local military circles on account of his connection with the old National Guard, of which body he was a member when it accompanied General D. M. Frost on the Southwestern Expedition. He was married upon his return from the expedition to Miss Emma H. Price, and she and seven children are living. The children are Doctor Presley Carr Lane, Price, Almira, Emma, Belle, Josephine and John Beach Lane.

PEACHES ON LOCAL MARKET.

Large Shipments of Home-Grown Strawberries to the North.

The first receipts of peaches of the season arrived at St. Louis yesterday from Texas, and sold at 50@60c a peck box. Most of the fruit was of fair quality and ripe, but on account of the liberal offerings of strawberries and the cool weather there was little demand for the peaches.

A Tyler, Tex., grower shipped the peaches to P. M. Kieby on consignment and there were about five bushels in the shipment.

It was estimated that there were nearly 45,000 gallons of home-grown strawberries offered on the local market yesterday, in addition to the receipts from Missouri, Southern Illinois, Arkansas, Kentucky and Tennessee, which brought the total up to about 50,000 gallons, but, notwithstanding this large amount, prices were firm and slightly higher, as shippers took large quantities of the offerings.

About ten car loads were shipped from St. Louis yesterday to Chicago, Buffalo and other Northern cities.

St. Louis County strawberries are said to be the finest grown in the United States and command good prices in other markets. They are unusually large and of fine flavor this season, and the crop is said to be large.

On account of the many visitors at the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo, that city is just now furnishing a good market for St. Louis County strawberries and large shipments of home-grown green peas are also being made from St. Louis to Buffalo.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Chillicothe, Mo., May 6, 1901.—Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Managers of the State Industrial Home for Girls, Chillicothe, Mo., until 12 o'clock noon, June 7, 1901, for the erection and completion of a two-story "cottage building" upon the grounds of said institution, according to plans and specifications, which can be seen at the office of the institution, or William L. Garver, architect, Chillicothe, Mo.

A certified check in the sum of $500.00 shall accompany all proposals upon above general contract. The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Separate sealed proposals will be received at the same time for a low-pressure steam heating apparatus for said building, and also separate sealed proposals for sanitary plumbing, plans and specifications for which may be seen at the office of the institution, or William L. Garver, architect, Chillicothe, Mo. Each proposal for steam heating and plumbing shall be accompanied by a certified check in the sum of $100.00, payable to the treasurer of the Board of Managers, State Industrial Home for Girls. The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

PREFER TO LIVE IN SLAVERY.

Freedmen of Zanzibar and Pemba Have Not a Happy Lot.

London, May 30.—Ninety-eight per cent of the slaves of Zanzibar and Pemba prefer to remain slaves, according to correspondence issued by the Foreign Office concerning the working of the decrees freeing the slaves.

Fewer slaves applied for freedom in 1900 than in 1899, because, the British Commissioner avers, most of the slaves know they are not likely to gain much present advantage, seeing that those who were thrown on their own resources have a difficult time to make a living.

The masters have been kinder since the slave legislation was enacted, and seek to make their service more attractive.

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...Co., May 30.—... Ridley and Miss Ida Willi... married here last night. They ... a bridal tour to St. Paul.