

HOME MISSIONS MEETING

Great Congregational Convention to Be Held in Omaha in June.

MUCH INTEREST ATTACHES TO THE EVENT

What the Society Has Done in Promoting the Higher Features in Western Life—History of Its Beneficent Work.

An important convention opens a three days' session in Omaha on June 5, the sixtieth annual meeting of the Congregational Home Missionary Society.

Largely through the influence and by the assistance in this home missionary society free lands and good parsonages have been procured for the churches whose pastors preach that all men who behave themselves as Christian gentlemen are welcome to the privileges of the church.

In coming to Omaha the delegates to this convention for the first time will be able to see with their own eyes some of the good work which their organization has accomplished.

The delegates to the convention are voluntary, and the local committee thus far is unable to state how many will be here, but among them will be just the best of men from Omaha and the west should delight to honor.

Speaking of the coming meeting in Omaha, the magazine says: "This state has been a favorite home missionary ground since the day Rev. Reuben Gaylord crossed the Missouri river."

Over 20,000 copies of this publication have been circulated among Congregationalists all over the United States. The bureau of information of the Commercial club has prepared for gratuitous distribution among the delegates a souvenir program which is an artistic gem.

Thursday Forenoon—9 o'clock, First Congregational church, in connection with the anniversary of the Congregational Church Building society, with addresses by Rev. S. H. Cobb, D.D., secretary, and Rev. Frank T. Bailey, D.D., of Denver.

FOOLED BY SWAMP PICKETS

Soldiers in Charge of a Pay Car Terrified by an Invisible Challenger.

NIGHT RIDE IN A DRENCHING STORM

Daylight Explains All—A Huge Joke—Why Meade's Division Was Not Supported at Fredericksburg—More War Reminiscences.

The quartermaster placed his one hand car at the disposal of the paymasters. He did so with the pleasant information that on the previous evening the busy confederates had made a raid and swept away all the pickets posted along the line of the railway.

"That is," he said, "I guess you're safe from any confeds, but if you don't get through before dark I'd advise you to be pretty prompt about answering any hail. The boys'll all be wide awake this time."

There were nine men huddled on that hand car when it went. A sergeant and four soldiers were its motive power, guard and garrison. Two paymasters, with the rank of major, and one clerk, were in charge of a black box containing over \$30,000 in greenbacks, to be scattered among the volunteers on the morrow.

The air grew more and more close and sultry, and just before night a sort of haze began to rise over the eastern horizon. "That's it, major," said the sergeant to the two paymasters, "we're going to hear from Cape Hatteras."

It was a dark and stormy night, and the sergeant, who was in charge of the hand car, was in a state of great anxiety. He had been told that the confederates were in the neighborhood, and he was determined to get the money to safety.

"That's the worst kind of storm, but you can't see it," he said. "It's just a piece of the statement made by the sergeant, but at that moment a hoarse, deep, all but sepulchral voice from among the bushes and blackness at the right of the way called out: 'Stop her! Quick, boys!'

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time thoroughly fought over in the newspapers. All of the reports on both sides are in the hands of the Union and Confederate Archives, a work that can be found in any public library and in many private collections.

Under the orders that I had received from General Burnside about 8 o'clock a. m. on the day of the fight I ordered General Reynolds to attack with General Meade's division, supported by General Gibbon's divisions. I believe that General Reynolds did all that man could do to carry out this order in the best manner possible.

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NOT A COSMOPOLITAN

A Man Unwilling to Worldly Ways Put up at a Tavern.

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