

IT'S ANNUAL ADDRESS.

A. P. A. PRESIDENT ON THE POLITICAL PHASES

Is National Politics Advised Against Putting up an A. P. A. for President—Only a Few Prominent Republicans so far Openly Endorsed Their Principles.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—The most noteworthy feature of yesterday's session of the American Protective Association was the innovation made by giving to the public the annual address of President W. J. H. Traynor. He deals at great length with the political phases of the A. P. A. He says:

"The American Protective Association is today a recognized feature in American politics, whose favor is openly courted by political leaders, organizers and postulators for public office, who, a year or two ago, ignored, treated with contempt or denounced it."

"Then he warns the order against elevating non converts and says:

"The A. P. A. is a standing menace to the perpetuity of every party, being composed, as it is, of the members of every party. So long as it remains unmoved by threats, unyielding to the pressure of party machines, it will be hated but respected by every party which dares not incorporate the platform of the order in its own.

"The great majority of our order have waited patiently during the past year for some sign from one or other of the political parties that it has received a change of heart and is honest enough to publicly express it. There are a few Republicans, such as Linton, of Michigan; Gear, of Iowa; Bradley, of Kentucky, who have been fearless in their endorsement of our principles, and while it may be fortunate that they are Republicans, it is more than fortunate that they are not either the Republican party or representatives of that body, and the question should be asked and answered here and now that while the A. P. A. aims of these men is tolerated by the party for the A. P. A. votes which each of them carries behind him, what assurance have we that this toleration will not cease the moment the votes have been delivered."

The only references to church matters in the address are the following:

"A well meaning and by no means unimportant section of the order has arisen which advocates peace with the priest and his subjects and harmony between them and the members of the order. Some would even go so far as to negotiate with them politically, than which nothing could be more dangerous to the perpetuity of the association. Others go so far as to take the position that a member of the order possesses the right to determine for himself the question of loyalty or disloyalty of any papist postulant for office, and reserves to himself the right to persuade others to vote for said papist. Such a contention is not only absolutely untenable, but highly dangerous. The candidate voluntarily renounces the right of private judgment in this essential when he becomes a member of the order. It is a solemn compact which he can neither modify nor amend. The keystone of the A. P. A. is the fact that a papist, no matter how liberal nominally, is not a consistent citizen of the United States. Entire renunciation of the papacy must precede acceptance of our association as a candidate worthy of its suffrages."

THE GOLD PROBLEM.

Eleven Millions Decrease in Two Weeks—The President May Act Sharply.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—May 16 the gold reserve in the treasury stood at \$125,000,000; to-day it is a trifle over \$115,000,000. In twelve working days \$10,000,000 in gold has been taken from the treasury, and there is not, it is said, the slightest indication of any abatement in the export of the yellow metal. The last payments of the recent popular loan have been made, and the gold reserve ebb, therefore, expect no accretions other than those which will come to it in the ordinary way. While the withdrawals of gold are not enough to be a positive menace, they are causing anxiety to the treasury officials. If there is anything like a steady increase in the amount of withdrawals it is expected Mr. Cleveland will make an effort to secure legislation to check it. Congress expects to adjourn some time between June 2 and 10. There is a long stretch between that date and the first Monday in December, in which the president would have to act without the aid of Congress should the conditions of last fall be duplicated. The administration has for some time been considering the probability of just such a situation developing after the adjournment of Congress. Should the conditions warrant the measure, it is said the president will send a message to Congress on the eve of adjournment insisting that Congress furnish some measures of relief to the treasury before adjournment.

Barnard College's Benefactor.

NEW YORK, April 16.—Barnard college, the women's annex of Columbia university, having secured the subscriptions of \$100,000 required to secure the gift of \$100,000 tendered last year by a person who preferred to remain unknown until it became certain that the conditions were to be realized, the identity of the giver has just been made known. It is the widow of the late Van Wyck Brinkerhoff of Hastings, Westchester county. The money will be used for a handsome building.

Fifty Fires Confessed.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., May 16.—W. H. Daly, aged 30 years, and Alfred W. Reed, aged 15, both of this city, were arrested last night and confessed to the fire marshal that they had set fifty fires during the past six months, causing a loss of \$3,500,000. There had been a reign of terror over fire-bugs in Boston, Somerville, Cambridge and Waltham for months. Detailed confessions on thirty-nine fires are given.

There is said to be some doubt as to whether the Senate will confirm Tarsney as associate justice of Oklahoma.

GEN. WEYLER IS FRIENDLY

Has No Prejudice Against American Citizens as Such—But Hates Filibusters.

HAVANA, May 15.—The Marquis de Palmiero, secretary general of the government of the island, has given out this statement: "Captain General Weyler has no prejudice whatever against American citizens as such, and if it were not absolutely necessary to put a stop to filibustering expeditions, he would take real pleasure in pardoning the condemned prisoners from the Competitor, foreigners as well as Spaniards, but as it is necessary to make an example of them, he must perform his duty."

Captain General Weyler, in extending his proclamation of amnesty, says: "I am determined to show as much generosity toward those rebels who repent and surrender their arms and renounce their allegiance to the government as I have already displayed energy and firmness in dealing with those who have persisted in disloyalty to the crown."

The Havana press re-echoes the cabled opinions of Madrid journals, urging the Spanish government to arbitrate the existing treaty and protocol with the United States and La Correspondencia Militaire, in a leading article, urges an immediate declaration of war by Spain against the United States. The writer professes to believe that when the first cannon should be fired the Southern States would again withdraw and invade the country to recover its lost territory in the West, and thus insure the quick dismemberment and lasting humiliation of the great republic.

The large number of desertions from the Spanish ranks is alarming the authorities. The entire garrison in Gibraltar has been relieved by order of the governor, who discovered a conspiracy to go over to the rebels in body. The captain and lieutenants were arrested while the corporal and a private were publicly shot two days ago. A sergeant belonging to the same company had previously deserted to the rebels. The principal cause of discontent among the Spanish troops is ill treatment and lack of pay.

VOTING FOR NEW BISHOPS

The Methodist Conference Takes Two Ballots and Abruptly Adjourns.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, May 16.—Interest in the Methodist Episcopal conference to-day was centered in the election of bishops and central armory was crowded with spectators. Bishop Fitzgerald presided.

Promptly at 9 o'clock Dr. Swindell arose and moved that the order of the day, the election of bishops—be taken up. Bishop Foss offered a fervent prayer for divine guidance and freedom from any unworthy motive. Then the floor was cleared of all except delegates. A laugh was created by Bishop Fitzgerald's reply to a request that the initials of all candidates be given: "I will do so if the time be extended." Fifteen tellers were appointed to collect the ballots.

While the various ballots were being counted a resolution by Dr. Ackerman against any delegate leaving before the end of the conference was tabled amid applause, and some other general work was attended to.

The first ballot resulted in no choice. There were fifty candidates. The leaders were: J. W. E. Bowen, colored, 14; C. C. McCabe, 14; Earl Cranston, 11; J. W. Hamilton, 10; Dr. Buckley, 7. A second ballot was ordered. Votes were received by others as follows: T. B. Neely, 17; C. W. Smith, 14; J. R. Day, 3; E. E. Uperman, 24; J. D. Hartzell, 3; J. G. Goucher, 23; J. M. Buckley, 28; W. A. Spencer, 27; F. L. Magler, 25; J. S. Berry, 23; W. N. Broadbeck, 6; E. Reed and G. J. Kelly, 9; H. H. Moore, Emery Miller, A. J. Anderson and J. W. Basford, 7 each; W. B. Leonard, 5; A. M. Bristol, 4; C. H. Payne, M. B. Mason and A. J. Palmer, 3 each; R. I. Cooke, H. C. Jackson and Merritt Hurlburt, 2 each; J. M. King, E. A. Merchants, E. F. King, D. W. C. Huntington, E. H. North, W. A. Quacy, John Mitchell, Robert Kenney, F. E. Jewett, Robert Bentley, D. F. Pierce and J. B. Gray, 1 each.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

"Kid" McCoy, charged with assault for breaking Jim Daly's jaw in a prize fight, was released.

Senator Murphy is said to have joined hands with Tammany Hall to fight Senator Hill of New York.

The remains of John A. Cockerill will arrive at New York Saturday. Interment will be in St. Louis.

Western Republican Senators are showing a disinclination to push an adjournment of Congress, as their Eastern colleagues desire.

Proposed Statue to General Sherman

WASHINGTON, May 16.—The next military statue to be erected in this city will be that of General William Tecumseh Sherman. Arrangements to that end are now in a fair state of progress. Ample funds are available for the purpose, and a site has already been selected for the statue. What remains to be done is the selection of a design and the construction and erection of the statue.

Indiana's Apportionment Law Falls

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 16.—The Supreme court to-day reversed the legislative apportionment act.

X RAYS AND DIPHTHERIA.

Successful Experiments With Guinea Pigs at Missouri State University.

COLUMBIA, Mo., May 15.—The experiments that have been going on at the electrical laboratory, testing the effect of the Roentgen rays upon diphtheria bacilli, all confirm the theory that the germs may be destroyed by the rays. The last experiment was made with a live guinea pig, probably the first experiment of the kind upon a living animal ever made in this country. Two guinea pigs were inoculated with a culture of diphtheria. One of the pigs was exposed to the Roentgen rays for four hours. After seventy-two hours this pig shows no signs of diphtheria, and is just as lively as before, whereas the pig which was not exposed to the rays died in twenty-eight hours after the injection and the post mortem showed that its death was due to the injection of diphtheria. Further investigations are being made on this and other germs.

ONLY ONE WAS HANGED.

One Chicago Murderer Resisted by the Governor, Another by a Judge.

CHICAGO, May 16.—Alfred C. Fields, a negro convicted of the brutal murder of Mrs. Randolph, wife of a Pullman car porter, February 20, and Joseph Windrath, a German, convicted of the murder of Carey E. Birch, money receiver of the Chicago Street Railway Company, in robbing the station, were to have been hanged together this morning, but Windrath displayed such signs of insanity that at the last moment Judge Baker granted a stay for three weeks. Originally three men were to have been hanged, but Governor Altgeld granted a respite yesterday to Nic Marzden. Fields, the only man hanged, slept soundly last night, while Windrath cried hysterically for an hour and raved all morning.

MORE ARMOUR MEN OUT.

Discharge of Employees at the Big Plant Continues.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 16.—The Armour packing company, which has been cutting down its forces of employees since the labor organizations declared a boycott against its products, laid off 100 more men to-day. This makes a total of about 1,067 Armour employes who have been thrown out of employment since Monday. The big packing house, however, is in operation with between 1,500 and 1,800 men and women at work. Nearly all of the men who have been laid off or discharged are union men. This fact has added a bitterness to the fight, and has given rise to the belief among the labor leaders that the company intends to non-unionize the entire house.

Oklahoma Grand Army Officers.

HENNESSEY, Okla., May 16.—At the sixth annual encampment of the territorial G. A. R. at Enid, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: W. H. Catter of Nesbitt, department commander; L. T. Shockey of Perry, senior vice commander; S. B. Galloway of Augusta, junior vice commander; Dr. J. L. Northrup of Dover, medical director; E. H. Stokessberry of Cleveland, chaplain; council of administration, I. P. Ackerman of Oklahoma City, Joseph Mooney of Guthrie, E. C. Ashton of Shawnee, G. W. Fletcher of Dover, J. P. Marguard of Homestead; delegates to the national encampment, the Rev. Joseph Ingraham of Kingsfisher, E. E. Bunch of El Reno and W. H. Baker of Cross.

Leland May Fight Morrill.

TOPEKA, Kan., May 16.—The friends of Governor Morrill had hoped that Cyrus Leland would take no hand in the gubernatorial contest, but he gave them to understand when he was here yesterday that he would actively oppose the governor. He said that unless no other candidate should appear in the race Potter or Troutman would be nominated. But he expressed the opinion that toward the end of the struggle Morrill would get out of the race.

David Overmyer Re-elected.

TOPEKA, Kan., May 16.—The Democrats of Shawnee county held primaries last night for the election of delegates to the State convention, which will send delegates to the National convention. The issue was David Overmyer's candidacy for delegate at large to the National convention, and the indications are that the county has gone against him although it will not be definitely settled until there can be a show of hands in the county convention.

A Miser Recluse's Goodly Fortune.

DURANGO, Mex., May 15.—An unknown American gold miner, who located near here twenty years ago, and lived the life of a recluse in the mountains, has been found dead in his cabin by prospectors, with gold dust aggregating \$75,000 in value. The only paper found was an old letter addressed to Frank E. Lombriek, 25 West Fourth street, Cincinnati, Ohio. If no claimants appear the fortune will go to the prospectors who found the body.

Maud Clifford Free.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 16.—Maud Clifford, charged with the murder of Louis Frank, was acquitted this morning in the criminal court. Maud pleaded self defense. The jury was out all night and for several hours stood eleven for acquittal and one for conviction.

A May Snow in Colorado.

DENVER, Colo., May 16.—Denver is experiencing the discomforts of a snowstorm to-day. The weather is not cold and in the city the snow melts nearly as fast as it falls, but on the plains it is several inches deep and a boon to the farmers who have feared a scarcity of water for irrigation.

New York Democratic Convention.

NEW YORK, May 16.—A Democratic State committee meeting is soon to be held, which will possibly call the State Convention for June 24 at Saratoga to select delegates to Chicago.

APPALLING FATALITY

OVER 140 LIVES LOST IN TEXAS.

One Hundred of the Victims Citizens of Sherman—Many Persons Still Missing—The Awful Tornado Left Complete Ruin Its Path.

In Sherman, Texas.—Eighty-one dead, twenty missing, over 100 injured. About Sherman, Texas.—Twelve killed, about fifty injured. In Griddle Springs, Texas.—Three killed, thirty injured. In Justin, Texas.—One killed, seventeen injured. About Denton, Texas.—Five killed, many injured. In Howe, Texas.—Eight killed, many injured.

SHERMAN, Texas, May 18.—A tornado swept over this section yesterday afternoon, causing probably 140 deaths, injuring hundreds of others and doing damage estimated at \$200,000. In this city eighty-one persons were killed and twenty are missing and probably dead, while over 100 were injured. North of here at least twelve were killed, and at other points there were thirty or more deaths.

The tornado made its first appearance at Justin, in Denton county, more than a hundred miles from here. The work of ruin was quickly accomplished there. From there the storm swept northeast through Gerald, thence to Mingo, to Griddle Springs and on to Mustand. A hundred miles was traveled in an hour. The small settlements along the line of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad north of Denton all suffered. Elmvic was laid waste and then the village of Howe, southwest of Sherman, received the full force of the storm, which, while sweeping over Denton county and a part of Grayson, seemed to have gathered new fury. In this city the storm swept through a section two blocks wide in the western half of the city, traveling almost directly north.

When the tornado first appeared here, the dark storm clouds parted at the lower side and converged into a perfect funnel-shape, while a mass of vaporous clouds rapidly revolved in the rift. Then came a deep rumbling and then the air was filled with trees and twigs and the downpour of rain brought with it a deluge of mud. From the point where the storm first descended in this city to where it arose from the ground just north of town, not a house in its pathway escaped, not a tree or shrub was left standing, fences were wrecked and the iron bridge on Houston street was completely blown away notwithstanding its hundreds of thousands of pounds of steel and material.

Another storm of a similar nature passed about six miles west of the city at about the same hour. Several houses were blown down and many persons injured. Their names cannot be obtained. At Carpenter's Bluff the dwelling of John Devant was wrecked and six persons were hurt, five seriously. Buildings and other structures in the way were demolished. At Howe the path of the storm was a quarter of a mile wide. Ten farm houses and as many barns were wrecked and eight persons were killed outright, most of whom were traders in Denton, but whose names cannot be ascertained yet. The roads are impassable, and the small streams swollen beyond their banks. Denton is in darkness, half under water and searching parties are slow in reporting. Keller, a small town to the north of Justin, was almost entirely wrecked. All the section of country immediately north was left in ruins by the storm.

At Denton people were blown down, houses demolished and farm buildings completely removed. Reports from the country districts are that five people were killed, most of whom were traders in Denton, but whose names cannot be ascertained yet. The roads are impassable, and the small streams swollen beyond their banks. Denton is in darkness, half under water and searching parties are slow in reporting.

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AT A STANDSTILL.

Business Waiting on Crop Prospects and Political Conventions.

NEW YORK, May 18.—E. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: It is now the middle of May, too late for business to change materially until the prospects of the coming crop are assured and definite shape has been given to the Presidential contest by the conventions. Until the future is more clear there is a prudent disinclination to produce much beyond orders, or to order beyond immediate and certain needs. If this waiting spirit prevails two months longer, it will crowd into the last half of the year an enormous business if the outlook is then good. For the present there is less business on the whole than a year ago, though in some branches more, and the delay following months of depression is to many trying, and causes numerous failures.

Rockford Watch Company Fails.

ROCKFORD, Ill., May 18.—The Rockford watch company made an assignment to-day. A statement of the condition of the company has not been filed. The last inventory, December 31, showed assets of \$400,000 and liabilities of \$110,000. The company owes to effect a reorganization. Depression in the watch trade is the cause of the assignment.

Sedalia Ball Club Disbands.

SEDALIA, Mo., May 18.—The Sedalia base ball team of the Central league has been disbanded, owing to a lack of local support. The team stood at the head of the league when it disbanded, and was composed of crack players, who have left the city to join other clubs.

To Save Banker Hartley.

TOPEKA, Kan., May 18.—Ex-Congressman S. R. Peters of Newton has asked Governor Morrill to refuse to grant a requisition of the governor of Oklahoma for George D. Hartley, president of the First National bank of Arkansas City, indicted for fraud with the officers of the State bank of Perry, which suspended some time ago.

Turkey Favors the Missionaries.

LONDON, May 18.—A dispatch to the Daily News from Constantinople says the hindrances to the movement of American missionaries in the interior of Turkey have been removed.

APPROPRIATIONS RAISED.

The Senate Believes Strongly in Fortifications—Changes the House Bill.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—The House fortifications bill appropriated about \$11,000,000 for coast defenses, about half in cash and half in contracts. The most important item in the House bill was the section providing for engineering work on the gun and mortar batteries, appropriating \$1,885,000 in cash and authorized contracts to the extent of \$3,750,000. This work, embracing the emplacements for the great seacoast guns and mortars, is far behind the manufacture of guns.

The Senate sub-committee, which has been considering the bill for a week has decided to give Secretary Lamont every assistance to put the fortifications in good order at once without waiting for the formalities of contracts. It therefore recommends the appropriation of a lump sum of \$5,000,000 for the engineering work, allowing the secretary of war to expend it as rapidly as possible. This will be the first large appropriation for coast defenses since the war and is alone more than twice as much as the entire fortification bill for any previous year, including guns, emplacements and carriages.

The Senate committee has doubled the appropriation for sites for fortifications, also raising the figures from \$250,000 to \$400,000. The Senate amendments do not increase materially the total carried by the bill, but they have made sweeping changes in the direction of making money available at once, and in round numbers there will be placed at the disposal of the Secretary of War \$10,000,000 for coast defenses, which may be expended as rapidly as he may see fit.

THE A. P. A. CONVENTION.

The McKinley Boycott Being Smoothed Out by the Washington Gathering.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—To-day's session of the American Protective Association's supreme council was devoted to the report of the executive committee on the action of the advisory board in blacklisting William McKinley of Ohio as a Republican presidential candidate. The report of the advisory board was technically an endorsement of the action of the executive committee, asserting, in substance that the executive committee was warranted in view of the evidence presented to it, in placing a ban upon Mr. McKinley, but in addition it stated that a further examination of this testimony by the full board had convinced the members that the witnesses were unreliable and that their statements were incorrect. Therefore, the board concludes, Mr. McKinley should be placed upon the same footing, so far as members of the A. P. A. were concerned, with the other candidates for presidential nomination, and should not be discriminated against.

Appended to the report was a statement in writing by Delegate Huddleston of California that a committee of which he was chairman interviewed Mr. McKinley at his home at Canton on Thursday and that the interview was satisfactory. The other members of the committee are stated to have been Delegate Van Fossen of Washington and C. E. Zept, State chairman of Kentucky.

MR. DUPONT NOT SEATED.

Senate Decides Adversely on the Delaware Man's Claim.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—By a vote of 21 to 20, the Senate determined that Henry A. Dupont was not entitled to a seat in the Senate from the state of Delaware. This closed a long and animated controversy which had become one of the most notable contests of its kind in the history of the Senate. The result was in doubt up to the last moment. There had been some question as to the direction of Mr. Stewart's vote, but it went with those of the Democrats and Populists and was the decisive vote in declaring that Mr. Dupont was not entitled to a seat. Before taking the vote, Mr. Platt spoke for Mr. Dupont and Mr. Vilas against. Earlier in the day Mr. Bacon, Democrat of Georgia, spoke against the issue of bonds without authority of Congress. A resolution was agreed to for an inquiry by the finance committee relative to the competition of Oriental products with those of this country. Resolutions were proposed by Mr. Morgan of Alabama, for an inquiry as to our treaty rights with Spain, and by Mr. Gallinger, relating to the additional tariff enactments.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

For the second time within a year W. G. Julian's poultry establishment at Clinton, Mo., has closed its doors.

It is said that Colorado Republicans have no intention of bolting the St. Louis convention.

Ninth Texas District Populists have nominated Judge G. W. Glascock for Congress against Colonel Joseph D. Sayers.

The Oklahoma bar is fighting against the confirmation of ex-Congressman Tansney as an Associate Justice of the Territory.

The 4-year-old adopted daughter of John Tavenor, living near Pied Grove, Mo., was kicked in the head by a mule and her skull crushed.

Representative Morse of Massachusetts reported favorably from the House committee on public buildings and grounds a bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors in the capital.

A convict who escaped from the Missouri state penitentiary at Jefferson City was run down by bloodhounds which Sheriff H. S. Stone and Chief of Police Henderson had just brought from Arkansas.

AN OVATION TO M'KINLEY.

The Methodist Conference Enthusiastically Cheers Him.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, May 18.—When the Methodist Episcopal general conference was called to order the third ballot for bishop was announced to the great audience. It showed that 519 votes had been cast. The following six candidates lead: C. C. McCabe, 252; Earl Cranston, 191; J. W. E. Bowen, 135; H. A. Buttz, 134; J. W. Hamilton, 138; E. B. Neely, 47.

A fourth ballot was ordered. It showed that 512 votes were cast and no choice made, 312 votes being necessary to a choice. The leaders were: McCabe, 243; Buttz, 233; Cranston, 214; Hamilton, 141; Bowen, 109.

There are two bishops to be elected and the 512 votes which were cast on the fourth ballot indicate the vote for one bishop only and in reality represent 1,024 votes. The apparent discrepancy of only 512 votes being announced caused some confusion when in the report of the ballot it was shown that over 1,000 ballots had actually been cast. This explanation was made by a delegate to the satisfaction of the conference.

While the fifth ballot was being counted, the death of J. W. Reed was announced, and a committee on resolutions appointed. The Rev. Mr. William Martindale of Kansas presented a memorial requesting congress to prohibit the licensing of the sale of liquor in states where prohibition was in effect. It was adopted and ordered sent.

The proceedings were interrupted by great applause next door, and soon Major William McKinley appeared on the platform. Bishop Joyce presented him and the air was white with handkerchiefs. Three times the applause died away and three times it was renewed. It was the greatest ovation of the conference. Dr. Knott wanted to take a recess at once, but the motion was defeated and the business was continued, but the regular recess was made fifteen minutes instead of ten, and nearly every delegate in the house took advantage of the opportunity to greet Governor McKinley.

After recess the chair announced the fifth ballot. It resulted in no choice, but revealed some remarkable surprises. The vote on the six leading candidates was as follows: H. A. Buttz, 236; Earl Cranston 215; C. C. McCabe 236; J. W. Hamilton 137; J. W. E. Bowen 75; T. B. Neely 21. Another ballot was ordered.

At the meeting of the state of the church committee a report on sociological work written by Rev. Dr. William Quayle of Kansas City was presented. It was long and a wide departure from the usual formal report and called for some decided criticism. It was defended by Mr. Quayle, but after a long discussion was returned to the subcommittee for revision. The committee took up the question that the term of probation be shortened, but decided in favor of retaining the present term of six months. A subcommittee was instructed to prepare a ritual form to be used in the admission of probationers to full membership.

The committee on itinerancy considered another measure calculated to lessen the authority of the bishops. It was that the consent of the cabinet of presiding elders should be secured before a bishop could transfer a minister from one conference to another. The committee declined to recommend the change.

ORDERED HANGED MAY 29.

The Governor Rescues Pollard and Harris Once Again.

KANSAS CITY, May 18.—Governor Stone granted a respite yesterday to Foster Pollard and Frank Harris and ordered that they be hanged May 29. This was done in order to prevent further legal complications. Judge Dobson did not have an opportunity to hear evidence and arguments this morning on the writ of habeas corpus for the release of Pollard and Harris. Before the proceedings were called Judge Dobson was served with a writ of certiorari issued by the supreme court. A writ of certiorari is an order issued by a superior court to a court of inferior jurisdiction and powers, requiring it to send up the proceedings in a case. It is simply the lifting of a case from a lower court to a higher one.

At 9 o'clock this forenoon Marshal Keshlear took Pollard and Harris before Judge Dobson, in answer to the habeas corpus writ. Judge Dobson then notified the marshal officially of the writ of certiorari and remanded the prisoners to the marshal's custody again. Judge Dobson then ordered Clerk Stomestreet to certify the records of the proceedings to the supreme court, as directed in the writ, and that ended the case for to-day.

If the supreme court decides Monday that Judge Dobson had jurisdiction to issue the writ as he did, it will send the case back to him. If it decides otherwise, Pollard and Harris will be hanged, unless respited by a governor.

A Cloudburst at Carthage.

CARTHAGE, Mo., May 18.—Last night over four inches of rain fell in less than three hours. The "Frisco" track, two miles west of town, was washed out, and at 3 o'clock this morning the engine and tender of an east bound freight dropped twenty feet into the water. Engineer Joe McDonald jumped and saved himself, but was scalded severely. Fireman Charles Russell was pinned by his right leg under the tender and lay in this position six hours before he could be released. It is not believed that either man is fatally hurt. The electric track to Carterville and Webb City is washed away.

McKinley Saw No A. P. A. Commiser.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, May 18.—Major McKinley came up to Cleveland from Canton yesterday and will remain in the city over Sunday. This evening he will deliver an address to the delegates of the M. E. conference. Concerning a report that he came here to confer with a committee from the A. P. A. convention, now in session at Washington, Major McKinley said: "Many people will tell me every day and I see it all that some of our conference has been arranged, but no convention has been notified of the coming of any committee from Washington."