

QUARREL ON TEMPERANCE

Presbyterian General Assembly Has a Tilt on Liqueur Question.

TRY TO REGULATE COLLEGE BANQUETS

Lively Discussion and Hot Repartee, During Which Moderator Becomes Tangled Up in The Assembly Adjourns.

EAGLE LAKE, Ind., May 28.—The Presbyterian general assembly, which adjourned tonight, was the shortest session in eight years. In spite of the desire to finish up its business tonight, there was little unusual haste and the record of the debate on temperance in the afternoon showed that the assembly was ready to defer judgment if necessary in order to attain a suitable and reasonable decision of questions that remained to be decided.

When the assembly gathered this morning it was understood that an effort was to be made to complete the sessions today. The rash characterizing closing hours was at once the committee on bills and resolutions reported briefly as to certain liquor bills and Sunday legislation pending in congress. The standing committee on bills and resolutions reported that it had not had time to report on the bills and resolutions.

The standing committee on systematic benevolence reported through Dr. Wilson Phelan. The report showed the causes of the deficit of the board, the fact that the recommendations of the assemblies had called for more than three times the amount ever collected in any year. The committee recommended an increase above the average of the past six years.

Pending adoption of the report, the assembly was addressed by Dr. Wilson Phelan, chairman of the committee, and Rev. William H. Hubbard. Before taking up the following order of business, the moderator, Dr. Hubbard, said that the assembly had already left the assembly and more had said goodbye and would appear no more. He suggested that by close attention to business the assembly could adjourn tonight or tomorrow.

The next order taken up being reports on the church periodical, the Church at Home and Abroad, presented by Dr. John S. McIntosh of Philadelphia. An average circulation of 15,000 was reported for the year ending Dec. 31, 1896. The total circulation was \$17,655. Elder Ralph E. Prime attacked the policy of the magazine, saying it had cost the church \$60,000 in seven years. He wished the matter sent to the committee on bills and resolutions for the formulation of a plan to relieve the church as to further expense and it to be reported to the assembly.

REPORTS ON SEMINARIES. Rev. John Clark Hill of Chicago presented a report on theological seminaries, giving facts and statistics. The matter of the assembly committee on seminaries came up in the same report. The institutions at Omaha, Dubuque and Lincoln reported the closing of the state college of education and the fact that the same seminaries reported that such changes as were described by the present assembly are impracticable and unnecessary. The Abbot seminary reported that the present plan was entirely satisfactory and its improvement cannot be devised. Mr. McIntosh said he did not see the way clear to make the changes recommended by the assembly. Newark German seminary also reported that it did not see the way clear to make any charter changes. In closing the committee recommended the following resolutions:

That the assembly accept as final the repeated positive and explicit written declarations of seminaries that they are loyal to the church and that their teachings and properties are in their judgment fully safeguarded to the church in every respect at any time in the future. These seminaries should find that changes could be made in their respective charters, and that every assembly has desired it to be gratifying to the whole church to have such changes made.

The original form of the resolution stated that the copies of the resolutions were satisfactory, but against this protest was made by Dr. Birch of New York. It would be better, he said, to say nothing and let the matter drop, and he moved to strike out the preamble and resolution. The motion was lost. The motion to lay on the table was lost by a vote of 12 to 10. The resolution as given was adopted without opposition. The fact that the amendment was proposed by Dr. Birch had a great influence in shaping the act of the assembly.

On the table. He endorsed the New York Baines law, but Rev. Stanley B. Roberts of Utica, N. Y., said it was only successful insofar as it prohibited the sale of liquor. He maintained that the Presbyterian church was not ready to endorse license legislation. After a lively debate, the recommendations were adopted, and also a memorial to congress asking for official investigation of the liquor traffic.

There came a sharper debate than before on the report as to the use of wine at the alumni banquet at the Sesqui-centennial anniversary of the Princeton university. The committee recommended that the institution was not under the control of the general assembly, no action be taken on four resolutions received from certain presbyteries.

An amendment was offered in the shape of a preamble, expressing regret that alcoholic liquors had been furnished at a banquet given by an institution so well known as Princeton university. The discussion waxed warm and hisses and points of order were numerous. The assembly got into a hot parliamentary tangle when a comrade moved the previous question. A vote was taken to determine whether the question should be put and the chorus of yes and no was so evenly divided that a division was called for. It was on a tie vote that the moderator could not decide. Then came a storm of questions and speeches. The moderator forgot the state of business and the decision of the previous question was left hanging though the original mover tried to withdraw his motion.

Prof. Martin Princeton asked that the name of his university be mentioned, as the university authorities had no jurisdiction in the matter. This was characterized by a commissioner as "child's play" and ridicule was thrown upon a college banquet, which a college could not control. A few moments of adjournment, when the whole matter was disposed of by a motion which was called for, which was adopted by an overwhelming vote.

RACE QUESTION. The race question in the south came up unexpectedly at the evening session on a resolution recommending that Texas join a presbytery in Arkansas. The discussion was long and covered many points, but the petition was decided in the negative. It was believed that an effort would be made to recognize color distinctions in the denomination.

An elaborate report was presented as to the qualification of voters at church elections, the right being given to contributors and communicants in the case of pastors and limited to communicants in the election of elders and deacons. After the transaction of such routine business as marks the close of such gatherings, the assembly adjourned sine die at 11:30 o'clock.

Increase in Church Membership. ROCK ISLAND, Ill., May 28.—The United Presbyterian general assembly held a short session this morning and adjourned to 2 p. m., to afford committee an opportunity to work. The report of the committee on narrative and state of the church was presented and adopted. It shows that during the past year there was raised for all purposes \$1,524,128, a decrease of \$23,950. The Sabbath school number 1,149, an increase of 25. The pupils number 111,361, an increase of 3,819. The membership of young people societies also increased 5,382. The total membership of the church reported is 23,541, a net increase during the year of 2,688.

CHARLOTTE, S. C., May 28.—(Special.)—Mission work was the program at the Southern Baptist association. The Women's Foreign mission and Woman's Home mission held sessions. Addresses were made by Mrs. Carson of Nebraska, Mrs. S. A. D. Boggs of Turah, India, and a historical sketch of the woman's work of the association was given by Mrs. Pauline of Sioux Falls, S. D. Addresses were made at the fifth session of the society by Prof. L. E. Akeley and C. M. Young of the university. The meeting Sunday school work. Rev. T. M. Coffey of Elk Point was selected to preach the next annual sermon. Rev. W. W. Lewis of Centerville being alternate. Armour will be the next place of meeting.

RECOMMEND DROPPING THE SCHOOL. CHARLOTTE, S. C., May 28.—The assembly was in session by 9 o'clock this morning. The answers to questions were read and the report of the committee adopted, with the exception of an amendment or two.

Dr. Saunders, chancellor of the assembly's house at Fredericksburg, addressed the assembly in behalf of that institution. The standing committee report is unfavorable to the continuance of the school in connection with the orphanage and Deacons Hoeg and Saunders are pleading for the school. The feature of the day and in fact almost of the week was the address delivered by Hon. W. M. Cox on "The Influence of the Westminster System of Doctrine, Worship and Policy on Civil Liberty and Responsibility." Mr. Cox was given an ovation at the close of his address.

Missionary Meeting Closes. VERMILION, S. D., May 28.—(Special.)—The Methodist Episcopal Foreign Mission society of the Sioux Falls district closed its fifth annual meeting here yesterday. The next meeting will take place at Madison. The officers elected are: President, Mrs. A. Scott; vice president, Mrs. Hattie Jenkins, Madison; recording secretary, Mrs. Ella Murphy; Elk Point; treasurer, Lizzie Reitenbach, Elk Point. Addresses were made by Mrs. Louise P. Henshaw, recording secretary, of Aberdeen; Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Rogers and Mrs. Padlock of the congregational church of Vermilion.

Lutheran Home Missions. DATTON, O., May 28.—The Women's Home and Foreign Missionary society of the general synod of the Evangelical Lutheran church closed its sessions here and elected the following officers: President, Mrs. A. G. Bond, Salina, Kan.; first vice president, Mrs. F. Hartman, Altona; second vice president, Mrs. S. S. Walte, Louisville, Ky.; recording secretary, Mrs. C. E. Wirth, Carthage, Ill.; corresponding secretary, Mrs. M. A. Morris, Baltimore; treasurer, Mrs. A. W. Hamma, Baltimore, Md.; historian, Miss Emma B. Shaw, Baltimore.

PROMPTINGS OF CONSCIENCE. It Has Enriched the National Treasury by \$200,000. So strong is the influence wielded by conscience, and so frequently does it cause the wrong-doer to atone for his sin, that for the past eighty-five years the conscience fund has been officially recognized as one of the regular sources of revenue for the United States government. "During this time the consciences of the American people have added to Uncle Sam's resources at the rate of about \$300 a month, or a total sum up to the present year of something over \$300,000—the amounts of the individual contributions varying from five cents to several thousand dollars. The smallest contribution was made by a child, and the largest by a man of about \$200,000. The fund was received in May, 1816, and consisted of a 2-cent stamp, which was enclosed in the following letter of explanation: 'I enclose one cent in with a photograph (unsealed), which I have since learned was not lawful. I enclose stamp to make it right. By a curious coincidence the largest amount ever contributed reached the Treasury department about the same time that the stamp was received. This was a bill of exchange sent a letter which had been sent to the secretary of state by the consul general at London, to whom the money had been given by a clergyman on behalf of a person unknown, no name being given.' The people sending money to the conscience fund of the United States treasury are known and never present themselves at the treasury to take care to conceal their identity by making their contributions anonymously under assumed names. In a great many instances the contribution is made through a minister or priest, which is done, perhaps, for the effect of not more surely hiding the identity of the penitent, but of adding sanctity to his contribution. Others again make their peace offerings through friends or relatives, and even jailers sometimes perform this duty for remorseful criminals. As a further precaution against discovery many of these people endeavor to disguise their handwriting, or they have their communications written on the typewriter, while not a few forward their money without a line or word of writing. It is always taken for granted that such remittances are intended for the conscience fund, as is reasonable to presume that no one would send money in that loose fashion unless it were for the purpose of expiating some secret crime against the government.

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SUFFERERS FROM FLOODS

Two Thousand Homeless People Bivouac in El Paso's Streets.

DRIVEN FROM DOMESTICS BY THE WATER

Heavy Rains Prevail in the Rio Grande Valley, and It Is Feared That Property Damage May Follow. DENVER, Colo., May 28.—A special to the Republican from Santa Fe, N. M., says: Dispatches tonight state that heavy rains have prevailed for twenty-four hours over the Rio Grande watershed for a distance of 150 miles above Santa Fe, and the river at Embudo, 547 miles north of here, has risen twelve inches in the past twenty-four hours. The swollen streams south of Espanola will double this rise before it passes Socorro, rendering the prospects three days hence exceedingly gloomy at El Paso and Juarez. All the low lands in the Rio Grande valley above Espanola are inundated. At Atrilaka, opposite Albuquerque, the river cut through the bank this afternoon and inundated a large part of the town. A large force of men was put to work, however, and before dark the river furniture, including the school house, was removed. Over 500 homeless families, or 2,000 people, were on the banks of El Paso this morning searching for shelter. Their furniture, clothing, etc., were piled up on the principal thoroughfares of the city. Last night the waters continued to rise and before day dawned the flood had reached the portion of the city in and around San Antonio street, where important business and professional men reside. Over six o'clock last night the flood swept over six streets, hauling out property from the flooded houses. The Texas & Pacific railroad had thrown up a dyke to protect its tracks near the roundhouse, and this backed the water up houses and threatened the railroad. In flood hundreds of the prettiest residences in the city. Prominent citizens residing in the city, including the collector of customs, Captain Davis, armed with Winchester rifles, were made to turn back the dyke, letting the back water out, and it began to recede on San Antonio street.

RELIEF MEASURES. A troop of cavalry from Fort Bliss today offered their services to guard the property of homeless people who are in the morning and appointed a committee of six leading physicians to take charge of a relief hospital now being established for the homeless and sick, and the physicians are taking such of the improvised hospital. The authorities at Fort Bliss loaned the committee were out today with the citizens and provisions for distribution among the homeless. At least 500 families whose homes are under water and are without necessities of life. This morning the mayor held a meeting and authorized the relief of sufferers. For the effect of not more surely hiding the identity of the penitent, but of adding sanctity to his contribution. Others again make their peace offerings through friends or relatives, and even jailers sometimes perform this duty for remorseful criminals. As a further precaution against discovery many of these people endeavor to disguise their handwriting, or they have their communications written on the typewriter, while not a few forward their money without a line or word of writing. It is always taken for granted that such remittances are intended for the conscience fund, as is reasonable to presume that no one would send money in that loose fashion unless it were for the purpose of expiating some secret crime against the government.

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Bullion to the young man who wanted to be his private secretary and an addition to the "Never," said the young man, with a superior smile, "I should say not, sir." "Well, then," remarked old Bullion, turning to his work, "you won't do at all. I don't want any young man to work for me who knows more than I do myself."

WONDERFUL LOST PLACER.

A Story of a Rich Pocket Covered Up by the Indians. While nearly every mining camp in the state has its traditional legend of a wonderful lost mine, which, strangely enough, are never found, Steamboat Springs has a legend of a lost placer which reads like a fairy story, but there are many men still alive who vouch for its correctness. The story as told by an old prospector to the Denver News man is as follows: "Away back in the spring of 1868, when the first rush was made to Hahn's Peak, a party of four prospectors started from near Alma for the new Eldorado. Almost the entire distance between the two places was practically wilderness and the only highways were the Ute or game trails. The travelers fared sumptuously on trout and venison and met with nothing of adventure until one day when they stopped and unpacked their burros for dinner on a small creek, a tributary of Bear river. One of them panned some gravel from the stream on whose banks they were resting.

As he found gold and this was what they were looking for, all thoughts of dinner were cast to the wind, the animals were picketed and a hunt for the source of the precious metal inaugurated. It was soon found to be a small stream which ran a few yards above their camp, and it was still further followed up until they came to where it dipped over a rim of rock. Above this a small stream of gravel and bed rock when, as the story goes, rich gravel was found and all began panning out gold.

The course taken toward the twenty Utes, under the leadership of Colorado, dropped down upon them and made them prisoners and after disarming them proceeded to kill the burros and appropriate everything of value. The Indians then mounted and ordered the prisoners to march. The course taken toward Hahn's Peak, and the prisoners supposed they were to be herded toward that point. But this was a mistake, they were taken to the top of the Continental divide on the head of Elk river, ten miles east of the peak.

Here the party arrived at daylight the next morning. A fire was built and the Indians were soon happy dipping of hot coffee and other good things taken from the course taken toward Hahn's Peak, and the prisoners supposed they were to be herded toward that point. But this was a mistake, they were taken to the top of the Continental divide on the head of Elk river, ten miles east of the peak.

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MAJOR'S BIG STORY. The Idea of His Wife Giving Him Five Dollars Won Him a Prize. There were major or six of them sitting about the stove in the drug store, and they had been telling some pretty tall stories, says the Detroit Free Press. The drugist was a man of some humor and invention and he concocted a mixture of great potency and fine flavor, composed of ep. pomatum, saccharum alba cortex linonis, carophyllus aromaticus and aqua pura q. s. This mixture was proposed to administer to whomsoever should tell the biggest story, and the party at once began to stretch their inventive powers to the fullest extent. A toilet-soap drummer was appointed judge, and the major made a strong bid for the prize with a sea-icorn grained measure upon the edge of the stove.

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BEATS ON THE RAIL. Recollections of Some Noted Female Spungers. "The female train beat was a flourishing product of our railroad system about ten years ago," said L. P. McKelvey, a veteran traveling man of Grand Rapids, Mich., to a Globe-Democrat reporter. "Most women who lose their pocketbooks and tickets while traveling are honest, but there are still a few who make their living off the sympathy of the masculine tourists. I was traveling from Cheyenne, Wyo., to Omaha, Neb., one day, when my attention was attracted by a handsome young woman, with an infant, a few seats ahead of me. She seemed in great distress. When a gentleman across the aisle inquired as to the cause she informed him that her pocketbook, containing her ticket and all her money, had been stolen. She waited about her loss and seemed so much distressed over the dark prospect of getting to Poughkeepsie, N. Y., her destination, that a kind-hearted old gentleman went through the train with a subscription paper and raised \$50 for her. At Omaha she thanked every one profusely and boarded a Burlington train for Chicago. I took the same train but she had hardly run twenty miles when a gentleman came into the sleeper asking contributions for a poor woman who had lost her ticket. I left her stolen and who was anxious to get to New York to meet a sick husband. There was a strangely familiar sound about the story that aroused my suspicion. I guess I'll take a look at your unfortunate, I said, starting for the day coach. There I found the woman who had lost her ticket. She was working the same game twice within twenty-four hours. The woman secured \$55 on the two trains, and as her fare was only \$25 she made over \$30 by playing on masculine sympathy.

"I had another experience of the same nature, but with different results, going from Chicago to Wheeling, W. Va., last summer," continued Mr. McKelvey. "At Foresta, O., a newsboy stole a young woman's pocket-book and left the train. The disappearance of the 'newbie' and the woman's plight talked convinced me that her story was true. She would not permit a collection to be taken in her behalf, but when I presented a bill upon her she accepted it. The Baltimore & Ohio conductor agreed to carry her to Philadelphia, and the money was for the purpose of carrying her from there to New York. I left my card and said she might send me the money when she met her friends. The second day after reaching Wheeling I received a note in a feminine hand, and on opening it a postal note fell out. It was from my young woman traveling companion and was one of the nicest letters I ever received. She invited me to call upon her in New York, and I have always been sorry that business prevented my doing so. Dreamy folk filled the traveling man's eyes as he signified that the story was ended. For a moment he pondered deeply. "Perhaps," he added, "by way of appendix, 'perhaps' you know we never know what is going to happen—perhaps a romance will grow out of this last experience yet."

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