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'1 ... Presbyterian intersynodical foreign mission convention for men met at the Auditorium in the city of Omaha, Neb., Tuesday, February 19, 1907, at 7:45 p. m. One thousand and twenty-five registered delegates were present, representing the fifteen synodits of the Central district and the Cumberland synodits within the same territory. One hundred of these delegates were special representatives from other

synodits and from the foreign fields. The object of the convention was to consider the distinct missionary responsibility of the men of the Presbyterian church.

The convention was called to order b Rev. Ira Landrith, D. D., LL. D., last moderator of the Cumberland Presbyterian The scripture was read by Rev. A. D. Marshall, D. D., of Minneapolis, and prayer was offered by Rev. T. K. Hunter, D. D. chairman of the Omaha local committee. The topic for Tuesday evening was "Opportunity"-"Behold, I set before thee

A fraternal greeting was delivered by Rev. E. H. Jenks, D. D., in which he showed how the problems of God have revealed to the church its missionary opportunity. Dr. Landrith responded and "The men of the church shall take their places on the firing line in the great campaign for the world's evangelization.

Dr. A. W. Halsey, secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, spoke on "Foreign Missions, a Great World Force," "It invests, he said, \$21,000,000 annually, has 18,500 picked men and women in the field, with 89.000 native helpers occupying 56,700 strategic positions, and has 29,100 colleges and schools permeated with the spirit of Jesus Christ. It is a world force because of the great moral reforms which it has accomplished, and because of the great aim of the work, the evangelization of the whole world. The men of the Presbyterian church can take up this work if they will. Jesus is looking to see if they will do it."

Mr. Geil of Doylestown, Pa., spoke on "Cannibals, Before and After." He spent five years in heathen lands in comparative study of native races. In the once cannibal Fiji islands there are 1,200 native Christian churches, and cannibal banquets have given place to the Lord's table.

Bible Basis of Missions Wednesday morning topic, "Obligation. "We are His witnesses of these things."

J. I. McClelland presided. Rev. Harry V. Jenness of Kirkwood, Mo., spoke on The Bible Basis of Foreign Missions." The Bible is a missionary book from beginning to end. Twenty-five paalms exhibit distinct missionary purposes. The book of Acts is a commentary upon the great commission.

Dr. Corbett, moderator of the general assembly, and for forty-three years a mission ary in China, spoke on "A Vision of China." He said: "In 1840 there was only one Christian professor in the empire. In 1863 perhaps 1,000 Protestant Christians. Now 60,000, with an equal number of Roman Catholics. Since the Boxer uprising, six years ago, 50,000 new converts have been

a missionary in Cores, spoke on "A Vision of Cores." "The message from Corea is a spiritual message," he said. "The area of Corea is that of Kansas; its population 12,000,000. It is a little nation, but will become a great spiritual power. In Byeng Yang the first church has a prayer meeting every week, with an attendance of 1,200 persons. There are many men's Bible classes; one of them numbers 1,100. Native Christians r doing the work of gathering the contact of the Rev. S. A. Moffitt, for seventeen years in 30,000. They contribute preaching days: 2,200 days of Christian preaching were sublast year. Eleven hundred and sixty-four men and women were baptized in one year by one man."

Rev. S. M. Jordan, D. D., of Teheran. Persia, spoke on "A Vision of Persia. Religion of Persia is "Mohammedanism. the only religion which competes with Christianity as a world religion. It numbers 230,000,000 adherents. Persia is the can stone of the arch of the Mohammedan world. It played a great part in the history of the chosen people, and is destined to play an important part in the history of dern Christianity. We are responsible for 7,000,000 Persians and have only fifteen ministers there, while here in America we are responsible for 6,000,000 people and have 'end one to peace of conscience and to 7,500 ministers. "Our church is engaged in calling men," said the Mohammedan priest to the missionary, "won't you pleas call me." This is the message of Persia to the men of the Presbyterian church.

Address of Robert Speer. Robert E. Speer, senior secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, spoke on "The Distinct Foreign Missionary Responsibility of the Presbyterian Church." "In defining our responsibility certain

questions confront us: "I. What are we undertaking to do? Our specific aim is to take the Lord Jesus Christ, who is life to us, and offer Him tevery other soul in the world.

To gather together men, women and children throughout the world Jn a congregation of believers and develop them into self-supporting, self-governing and self-

propagating churches. 2. Co-operate with them in evangelizing the people all about them.

"4. Carry on all those secondary Chris tian agencies, without which you cannot teach men what Christianity is.

"Our church is responsible for 100,000,000 people for whom Jesus died, and whom God loves. Each of our 1,000,000 church members is responsible for 100 souls, and must give account of them in the day of judgment. We need a force of 2,000 men and 2,000 women, 2.100 more than we now have. We need \$6,000,000 annually, five times as much as we now have. We need \$5 fromeach member at bome. There are great prob lems involved which do not appear in this estimate, for example, there is a deficit of \$100,000 for which we are responsible; it is also, manifestly unjust to our 907 missi n aries already on the field to send out 1.000 more before they have been suitably housed and further, the greater part of the worl would be done by native workers on the field. There are further things to be taken

into consideration. "First, we must recognize what the church exists for. Its proper work is the

evangelization of the whole world. "Second, we must tactically adapt our operations to this sphere of our work requiring that each church and local agency shall assume its definite measure

Third, the apportionment of the amoun necessary for the evangelisation of the world among sinners, churches and indifinide and report and an effort made to co-operate with all other societies in evangelis-ing the world in this generation. It can Europe in the boat that carried Paul over out also the overworked annual collection

Prayer was offered by Campbell White, Dr. Coyle and Mr. Speer. After remarks by the chairman and benediction by Dr. E. W. Work the convention took a recess have its photograph taken for the Mission-

Christ's Appeal to Men. 2 p. m .- Topic, "Motive." "For the love Christ constraineth us." Rev. F. F. Hubbard, D. D., presided. He said all worthy motives are conjoined in the mis-sionary motive, but the two supreme motives are loyalty to Christ and love to one's Robert E. Speer spoke on Christ's appeal

men for the world, saying: "He appeals to His men for world-wide dalon. Lift up your eyes and look upon the fields, the field is the world, His horizon sing." is the world; ours should be no narrower than His. It is for a vision that shall penetrate into real need of the world, that need is Christianity; other religious cannot supply it. They were all here when He me but Mohammedanism. He appeals a company. for sympathy and love, which includes all the suffering children of our Father. The

the sword of the spirit, let us use it and subdue the world with the truth. "He appeals for action under personal eadership of Himself. We are called to be personal followers of a living Lord. It is business to get a crown for Him. None but Jesus deserves the crown of the world, and He shall have it. If we get the grasp of His conquering hand we can do impossi-

"He appeals for intense and earnest service. His appeal is to men who will see His work through or die in trying to see it through, whose meat and drink is to do the will of God.

"Christ is calling for sacrificial obedience this more than anything else. He demands 100 per cent of our time, money and lives He cannot be Lord of all He has no particular interest in being Lord at all. What answer will you make to Him as He stands in our midst and asks, 'Why the things which I command you?" Address of Dr. Sailer.

Dr. Bradt led in prayer. T. H. P. Sailer, Ph. D., spoke on the seed of systematic education:

"There are four great obstacles to sysematic study. First, postponement; secend, it is apt to be desultory; third, results are apt to be transitory on account of lack of expression; fourth, want of enthusiasm on account of isolation-devise a regular system and carry it out. We can do four training the leaders we need, furnish them with helps; second, when they are trained put them into harness to train others; third, begin to have mission study in the Sabbath school; fourth, extend it into other churches in your district. At 4 p. m. conferences were held as follows:

Conference with theological students Omaha Theological seminary. Twenty second and Lathrop. Leader, Secretary A. W. Halsey, D. D.; chairman, Prof. M. B. Lowrey, D. D., Omaha Theological semi aference with missionaries: First Presbyterian church, corner Seventeenth and Dodge. Pastor, Rev. Edwin Hart Jenks, D. D.; missionaries, Rev. Hunter Corbett, D. D., Rev. J. Ashley Fitch; chairman, President D. R. Kerr, Ph. D., D. D., Westminster college, Fulton, Mo.

Mo.
Corea, Knox Presbyterian church, Nineteenth and Ohio, Pastor, Rev. M. V. Higbes; missionary, Rev. S. A. Moffett, D. D.;
chairman, Rev. Carey F. Moore, Fulton, Ili.
Japan, Cliften Hill Presbyterian church,
Grant and Forty-second. Pastor, Rev.
Richard L. Purdy; missionary, Rev. James
B. Ayres: chairman, Rev. J. M. Leonard,
Ossawatomie, Kan.
India, Westminster Presbyterian church,
Twenty-ninth and Mason. Missionary,

years ago, 50,000 new converts have been added. Before another fifty years the empire may be won for Christ. Are we doing what we can?"

Rev. S. A. Moffitt, for seventeen years

Chairman, Rev. George H. Simonson.

South America and Mexico, Benson Prea-hyterian church, Benson, Pastor, Rev Jesse C. Wilson; chairman, Rev. George C I ennington. Chinese and Japanese in America, Church

of the Covenant. Twenty-eighth and Pratt. Pastor. Rev. Richard T. Bell: chairman Rev. J. H. Laughlin, D. D., Oakland, Cal Jordan on Mohammedanism. 7:45 p. m .- Topic, "Might," "All power i

Iven unto Me " David McConnughy prosided, Rev. Arthu-Bishop of Austin, Tex., led in prayer or. Jordan spoke on the "Night of This and and the Power of the Gospel of

'hrist." as follows:

"This land is strong in numbers and in luence, but weak because it falls to supply the needs of men, because of its low idea; and because the road of Islam does no beaven at last. Mohammedans consider hemselves modern, up-to-date Christians, but it is the power of the gospel alone which is the power of God. Last year is the school at Teheran there were 128 fohammedans, a hundred of them belonging to noble families. They called Dr fordan a manufacturer of men out of th aw material of boys. The shah of Persi opening the gates of religious liberty oday, even as Cyrus of old sent back the aptives of the children of Isreal to rebuild he temple. The key unto the situation i Persia is. 'I am come that they might have ight, and that they might have it more

bundantly. At this point a message of greeting from the Omaha Christian Endeavor union was

nond. J. Campbell White of Allegheny, Pa feld secretary of the United Presbyterian burch, spoke on "What the Men of One "hurch Are Doing," saying:

"The deepest needs of the world or

miritual needs. One man invested \$100,000 India. It resulted in the conversion of 2000 idolaters in that district One sou for every 12 invested. This was better than to have founded Chicago university sducational fund. Christ's standard of treatness , was service. On the Congo man's value is estimated in cattle, on the Mudson in social standing, but by the rd is helpfulness. The India missionaries have asked for 180 more missionaries, and he missionaries in Egypt for 250 more, or D in all. The church averages \$2 per ember to foreign mission work. We are ow asking for \$8 per member. American 'hristians spend \$250,000,000 on church work home every year, and send abroad only 2.000,000. American Christians must evan celize 600,000,000 of people if they are vangelized at all. To do this will cost 7,000,000 per year for the next twenty-five

Dr. Coyle Gives Address.

Rev. R. F. Coyle, D. D., of Denver, spok n "Men of Might in Missions:" The ability to do is the main thing He is, to whom all authority has been com- prominent. These principles will cast on

OFFICIAL STORY OF SESSION be done, will we do our part? Will we do the Aegean, and who said of himself. It method, it should be honorably retired can do all things through Christ, who Let us remember.

"William Cary was a contemporary of sion; let the mbe imbued with the spirit Paul in spirit. He undertook great things of foreign missions. for God and expected great things from "2. Adopt as a congregation the great enism while his friends in England held church. Let them do it by a vote. stitutions of Christianity in that land. "David Livingston said: 'Paradise will ple's society, etc.

The pore than make amends for all suffering Select a definite work for the individ-

here." attaching themselves to God may become it now; clothed with might and invested with power to astonish the world and make angels

After singing the doxology, the benedic tion was pronounced by Dr. Hawley.

Thursday Morning's Session. Topic: "Methods." "Make ye them to

Rev. F. W. Halsey, D. D., presided. Dr. Halsey spoke on educational methodsappeal of Christ is for action, the truth literature. He recommended the following books: "Passing of Corea," "Re-shaping of the Far East," "The New Era in the Philippines," "Dawn in the Dark Continent," "A Yankee in Pigmy Land," "The Life of Griffith John," "On the Threshold of Central Africa," "Blaikle's Life of David Livingston," "Speer's Missions and Modern Lord." History," "Dennis's Christian Missions and Social Progress," "Smith's Life of William presided and conducted the devotional ex-Cary," "The Romance of Missionary Hero- ercises. He called attention to the bulletin literature, illustrating with No. 13, on China. Dr. Sailor recommended four missionary

books. From the standpoint of interest "The Vanguard:" from the home standpoint, "Brown's New Forces in Old China;" from a socialogical standpoint, "Evolution of the Japanese," and for missionary meth ods, "Gibson's Missionary Methods and Problems in South China " Prof. Edgar P. Hill. D. D. snoke on

Educational Methods, the Pulpit," saying: "What can the pastor do to arouse interest in foreign missions among the men of the church? A method is an instruthe man back of the instrument who is to use it. The pastor is the key to the situation, and must, like the leaders of the early church, be entirely under the leadership of the holy spirit. This granted, three things are necessary.

"He must lead the men of the church into the inner sanctuary of truth and Christian experience, to be sure that Christ

must not appeal to secondary motives. He is not to urge men to subscribe a dollar or two to a list, but to sit down before the great cause and plan to carry it through and filng themselves into the "He must keep them informed as to

what is going on, for example, in China and the Philippines. "We need to get a new vision of Christ and keep that before us until it is imprinted on our souls and go back to our fields and get men to see Christ as we see Him, and give the world a vision of that glorious sight."

How to Finance Field. Rev. Charles E. Bradt, D. D., spoke upo financial methods, "How to Finance the Field," as follows:

"The subject seems unspiritual, but it s closely related to the things of the holy spirit. The church's financial problem, like all Gaul, is divided into three parts, the

"There must be a new standard of giving. We must not send the multitudes away, for themselves. One-sixteenth of 1 per cent is not enough to finance the field. We nust give them the gospel.

"We must have a method in harmony The Presbyterian church is responsible for 100,000,000 souls; each of our them? 1,000,000 church members are responsible for inance the foreign mission field.

"Bet aside a month or two when foreign dissions shall be presented, and the necessary funds provided. When men begome producers in the kingdom of God, they will be interested in the progress of the kinglom. It is not a question for long disussion, but for prompt action."

A telegram from Dwight Potter of Oak land, Cal., to the convention was read, as follows: "Set the pace and we will follow. Ezra, x:4. Arise, for the matter belongeth unto Thee and we are with Thee; be of good courage and do it."

The Parish Abroad. David McConaughy, the eastern district secretary, spoke on organization methods-"The Parish Abroad." "Our Lord said, I am the light of the world.' We are the light of the world; we are talking about an organism, not an organization.

"The first thing is to get in touch myself afresh and more fully than ever with the Light of the World.

"Get a sense of proportion; look at the circles of responsibility, the house, the local field, the city, the home field, the world, the foreign field. The field abroad is twenty-five times as great as the field at home; while at home we have 7,750 ministers -one to every 516 of our church members abroad we have one minister to 277,000. At that rate we would have only fourteen inisters in the Presbyterian church in the Inited States. Last year we spent \$14,000,000 in local church work and \$4,500,000 in home mission work, \$18,500,000 in all. We gave one-eighteenth as much for the foreign

field, which is twenty-five times as large. "Distribute responsibility. You need \$5 per member. Our one million members do not take up the responsibility. Begin at the other end, and deal with the individual confidence and intelligence of our members. or to have given \$12,000,000 to the general | Go back to the first principles. These are: "First, recognize the fundamental dis inction between gifts and dues.

"Second, get into contact with work we have to do.

Work for the Men. Rev. W. B. Marquis, D. D., spoke of 'Missionary Methods for Men in the Local

"hurch," saying: "Men have a work which women can do. Men alone can sing bass, men alone can bear men's testimony to Jesus Christ. men alone can contribute inherited and developed business shifty and men alone have ecclesiastical and civil offices.

"Still, women have been a pudding stick to keep the men stirred up. We may paraphrase the words of Solomon, 'Go to thy aupt, thou sluggard, consider her ways feet the practical plans here adopted, to and he wise.' We have not done our duty; women have been doing for years just what | Christ's foreign inheritance and the utterwe are doing now in this convention. Men must use the power for which they are We are as strong as the person or thing responsible. As to methods, certain princin which we put our trust. When we put ples should guide us. They should be our trust in Christ we are as strong as scriptural, universally applicable, practical, mitted in heaven and in earth. In Chris- purely gastronomic methods, which depend viduals. Other churches are doing it, why flan martyrs are the dynamic of the heart upon the oyster patty and chicken pic. should not we? We need a campaign of of God. They felt the power and force of Men have been working hard at these missionary education, fifty or a hundred a great emotion; they were men of feeling, methods, but have not capacity to support men to visit and examine the missionary in whom divine resities lived. Such men the cause in this way. These methods are

"I. The key to the situation is the sea-

and assembled in front of the building to God. He went down into the pit of heath- commission as a missionary platform of the the rope. The monument of his forty years "3. Organize a missionary committee with in India consists in the churches and in- a member from the session, the deacots, trusteees, the ladies' society, young peo-

> val church. Set apart a definite sum for "We may not be able to measure up to the church to raise. Money can be raised. men like these; even God's power is limited I have used a gold coin, worth \$2.50, conin its expression by the instruments through tributed by a poor widow, in raising \$1,000. which it works. But even two-talent men We can raise the money, we ought to do

> > "Tomorrow is a myth.
> > Get busy forthwith.
> > Today is a fact.
> > Act. man, act."

2 p. ni. Missionary congress. "And the apostles and the elders were gathered together to consider this matter." Charles Bradt presided. Prof. Charles Hereat." "Make them sit down by fiftles in ron, D. D., conducted a scripture reading, illustrating the topic, "The Holy Spirit and Missions." After a season of earnest prayer the committee appointed to formulate resolutions upon the distinct foreign issionary responsibility of the Presbyterian church in the United States of America, made its report, and after full discussion it was adopted and is as follows:

> Topic, Emergency. "Go now ye that are men and serve the Nolan Rice Best, editor of the "Interior."

Rev. Arthur F. Bishop, secretary of the onvention, read the report for the conven-

nessage, in which he gave thanks to God for the convention, and gave grateful recognition of the services of the many whose co-operation, had secured its success.

Dr. F. E. Hoskins of Belrut spoke of Syria. In fifty or sixty years Mohammement, a more important consideration is danism has grown from 70,000,000 to 250,-000,000. Mohammedanism is the most dangerous of all enemies to the progress of Christianity.

Inside of our schools there meet students of every race and tongue mentioned in the New Testament. They live together in peace in our schools, homes and colleges. They can never be as hateful and antagonistic to one another as were their parents things: First, organize small classes for is their own Savior and humanity's only and grandparents. The graduates of our giris' schools often marry Mohammedan men. They fill the need of a wife and

> parts of Mahommedan countries, where tens of thousands of Christian churches have been destroyed, and other thousands converted into Mohommedan mosques.

The figure of the waiting Christ comes creeping through the paint in the mosque of St. Sophia, with hands outstretched and to plerced. The waiting Savior will never "see of the travail of his soul and be satisfied," until we do ten times as much as we have done in the past to evangelize the Mohommedan world.

At this point a spontaneous offering was made to raise a deficit incurred in the expenses of the convention.

Foreign Mission Enterprise. Rev. George Alexander, D. D. L. L. D., DUN'S president of the Board of Foreign missions. spoke on "The Foreign Mission Enterprise." local field, the home mission field and the He said, membership in the foreign board foreign mission field. The church has not is a liberal education in geography, history, faced the entire field. Some things are sociology, finance, diplomacy, philanthropy

As an explorer went into the darkness of the Klondike and brought back reports but give them to eat. They cannot provide of gold gound there, so every missionary is a prospector going out into the darkness of heathenism and finding the souls of men. The missionaries are the pioneers of commerce; the business men of America could with this standing, make the multitude sit support all the missions out of the profits lown in companies, get the multitude in which have accrued from the efforts of the order and see what proportion is ours to missionaries. The samples of the board are the missionaries. What do you think of

The rulers of heathen lands appreciate 100 souls, to give them the gospel before the value of missions and encourage the we die. We need to give to per member to missionaries. The empress of China gave \$7,000 for a Christian college in Peking. In one province the New Testament is to be put on a level with the Chinese classics and taught in every school in the province In introducing Dr. Corbett, Mr. Rice said: "We sorrow most of all for the words which he has spoken, that we shall see his face no more."

The congregation rose and sang "Ye Christian Heralds, Go! Proclaim!" and remained standing while Dr. Corbett delivered "A parting message to the men of America.

Dr. Corbett leaves immediately after the convention for China, where he is called to attend the great Morrislon missionary centennial convention, and complete, if God will, his own fifth decade of mission ary labors in that wonderful empire.

Dr. Corbett has traveled around the world three times and crossed the Pacific seven times, and has never seen an un happy missionary. No joy in all the world compares with the joy of winning souls especially in mission lands, where on builds on no man's foundation. He said: "I go back to China with a great foy More than forty years spent in China has quickened my faith in the power of the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, When Jesus saw the multitudes He was moved with compassion. Every Christian must have a share in that compassion. Are we heeding the Macedonian cry? May an ennobling and uplifting vision of the glory of Christ enlarge and enrich our souls and nspire every Christian to more Christ like living and more liberal giving and consecrated effort to speed the coming of our Lord and His Christ. Shall we not all share in a great revival that shall sweep over the whole world and unite us all in a universal brotherhood of God's people Farewell."

The congregation remained standing and ang "God Be With You Till We Meet Again." The benediction was pronounced by Dr. Corbett, and Chairman Best declared that the Presbyterian intersynodica foreign mission convention for men stood

The convention has passed into history Long will its memory linger in the hearts of those who have been privileged to be present. Planned in prayer and carried through by consecrated effort, it has real ized the hopes of its fondest advocates. It has been richly informational, sublimely inspirational and intensely practicel, and as we separate we will go to our fields of labor to carry the inspiration and information gathered here and to put into ef-

blessings of God, temporal and spiritual, which we enjoy, do hereby adopt the following as the deliberate expression of our privilege and duty in the extension of the kingdom of our Lord:

1. It is the judgment of this convention for men that the number of human beings in non-Christian lands, for which the Presbyterian church, United States of America, is directly responsible in the work of evangelisation in this generation, is approximately 100,000,000 souls, being distributed as follows: Mexico, 2,500,000; Central America, 500,000; South America, 16,000,000; Japan, 40,000; Corea, 6,000,000; China, 40,000,000; Siam, Laos, 5,000,000; India, 18,000,000; Persia, 3,000,000; Turkey, 1,000,000; Africa, 6,000,000; Philippines, 2,000,000.

2. It is the judgment of this convention that the force of Presbyterian American foreign missionaries, native pastors, Bible women and teachers, ought to be increased in the immediate future until it reaches the number of one American foreign missionary and five trained native workers (or their equivalent) for each 2,000 unevangelized people now in nonChristian lands, providentially allotted to the Presbyterian church for evangelization. This would mean for the Presbyterian church, United States of America, 4,000 American missionaries, or about five times as many as we now have.

3. It is the judgment of this convention for men that it will cost not less than 8,000,000 a year to fully meet the great responsibility outlined above, and we therefore set ourselves resolutely to the work of bringing the foreign missionary offerings of our church up to this mark.

4. In the judgment of this convention it will be necessary, in order to raise the funds required for the discharge of our missionary policy embodying the following reproceptives and necessary. ary obligations, for every church to adopt a missionary policy embodying the follow-ing principles and methods:

OUR MISSIONARY POLICY. OUR MISSIONARY POLICY.

1. It is the mission of the whole church to give the gospel to the whole world.

2. This entire church being a missionary society, each member of the body is under dovenant to help fulfil the will of the Head—to give the gospel to every creature.

3. Every Christian is commanded to "go." If not in person, then potentially, having a share by gift and prayer in supporting a parish abroad, as well as the parish at home.

Rev. B. N. Brown reported for the executive committee on the expenses of the convention.

Dr. C. E. Bradt, who originated the convention and by his untiring labors carried it out successfully, gave a short farewell

OUR MISSIONARY METHODS. Let synods and presbyteries, through their foreign missionary committees, labor to have every church adopt this missionary

to have every church adopt this missionary policy.

2. Let the Board of Foreign Missions, in consultation with the synodical foreign mission chairmen, and such laymen as the board may select, annually lay before the general assembly a statement of the amount needed for the ensuing year and a suggested apportionment of said amount among the various synods and presbyteries, not as an assessment, but as a definite share of the responsibility.

3. Let every church prayerfully assume its share of this responsibility, which may be

3. Let every church prayerfully assume its share of this responsibility, which may be represented by a sum of money which adequately represents the church's financial ability; or by "A Parish Abroad," which represents as much money as the church can contribute to this work; or by the salary of one or more foreign missionaries.

4. Let the subscription method be set in operation by the session of the church, by which every member shall be reached and given opportunity to express his love for Moslem husbands do not take other wives given opportunity to express his love for into their homes.

There is no sudder land in the world than

this cause.

5. While we recognize that the ability of churches and individuals varies, it is the judgment of this convention that each of our churches should strive to attain an average of 15 per member for foreign mis-

average of \$5 per member for foreign missions (10 cents a week), and we hereby
urge the foreign missionary committee of
our synods and presbyteries and sessions
to seek to secure that result and pledge
our own best efforts to raise that average
in our own churches.

6. Recognizing that the successful accomplishment of this project involves not only
the expenditure of wealth, but also of
lives, we set ourselves to pray that the
Holy Spirit of God may choose and send
consecrated men and women into this work
of foreign missions in sufficient numbers
to secure the evangelization of the world
in this generation.

REVIEW OF TRADE Weather Conditions Favorable of Business and Traffic in Most Sections.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.-R. G. Dun & Co.'s review of trade February 23 will say: review of trade February 2 will say:

Weather conditions have been favorable for trade and transportation in most sections, but a few adverse reports are still received and total transactions again felt the curtailing influence of a holiday.

Industrial returns are uniformly encouraging, mills and factories having so much business in sight that no machinery is idle except in cases where fuel deliveries are unsatisfactory or the labor supply inadequate. Farm staples are fairly steady.

New contracts for steel products are con-

are unsatisfactory or the labor supply inadequate. Farm staples are fairly steady.
New contracts for steel products are constantly pending, much foreign business
competing with domestic orders and the
mills retain a position of independence.
Abnormally severe weather has made
deliveries so erratic that much complaint
is heard and stocks of fuel at mills and
furnaces are often so low that full activity
is impossible, but these influences only
tend to promise more business later, as
delayed contracts are seldom lost.

Of most interest in the textile market is
the increased attendance of outside buyers in the jobbing centers and there is also
definite improvement in demand at first
hands. Larger orders have been placed
for cotton goods and quotations show more
strength. In woolens there is complaint
from men's wear agents because of the
indifference of ciothlers, who delay operations to an unusual degree. Duplicate orders for light weights are not delivered
satisfactorily and greater tardiness will follow in the heavy weight division unless
husiness is placed more promptly.

New England manufacturers of footwear
report a fair volume of supplementary orders for late spring and summer delivery.
Quotations are fully maintained and there
is no immediate prospect of alterations.

Leather encounters a good demand at full
prices, with increased inquiry for upper
stock, which had been somewhat less active
than sole. One eastern shoe manufacturer
is credited with the purchase of upper
leather to the extent of \$600,000, the largest
business in this department for many
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BRADSTREET'S REVIEW OF TRADE Industrial Developments for Week Are Quite Generally Favorable.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.-Bradstreets' on Actual trade and industrial developments are quite generally favorable, better weather conditions and the easing of the railroad blockades being largely instrumental in this direction. Jobbing trade in the spring and summer fabrics has expanded at the east, at leading southwestern centers and at prominent southern markets. Better reports also come from the northwest, where the railroads are winning out of the snow blockades. There is also a better tone to advices from the Atlantic states which suffered a reduction of crop yields last fail.

Collections are still irregular as retail trade in winter goods is largely over and spring business has hardly begun. Retail stocks of winter goods have been well reduced, however.

The numerous published announcements by leading railroads of the curtailment or postponement of extensive improvements owing to the high cost of labor and materials or to the high rates demanded on issues of notes exert some effect on sentiment as regards future committment in materials likely to be used in railway extension. Based on these views also, there is a disposition to believe that the creat of the present prosperity movement has been seen. It is worth recalling that predictions somewhat similar to the above were made at this date a year ago, but the events of 1908 as a whole certainly did not bear them out.

Trade in eastern dry goods markets is active in all lines, but cotton goods still display most strength. At first hands print cloths have again been advanced. Cotton yarns are very firm. Bilks, woolen dress goods, knit fabrics and to a lesser degree woolen men's wear goods are all in good demand. The linen trade is reported well sold up.

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ALL WOMEN

from the same physical disturbances, and the nature of their duties, in many cases, quickly drift them into the horrors of all kinds of female complaints, organic troubles, ulceration, falling and displacements, or perhaps irregularity or suppression causing backache, nervousness, irritability, and sleeplessness.

Women everywhere should remember that the medicine that holds the record for the largest number of actual cures of female ills is

MRS. A. M. HAGERMANN Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

made from simple native roots and herbs. For more than thirty years it has been helping women to be strong, regulating the functions perfectly and overcoming pain. It has also proved itself invaluable in preparing for child birth and the Change of Life.

Mrs. A. M. Hagermann, of Bay Shore, L. I., writes: —Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—'I suffered from a dispiscement, excessive and painful functions so that I had to lie down or sit still most of the time. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has made me a well woman so that I am able to attend to my duties. I wish every suffering woman would try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and see what relief it will give them."

Mrs. Pinkham's Standing Invitation to Women Women suffering from any form of female illness are invited to write has been advising sick women free of charge for more than twenty years, and before that she assisted her mother-in-law Lydia E. Pinkham in advising. Therefore she is especially well qualified to guide sick women back to health.

STEAMBOAT COMPANY ELECTS

Beard of Directors of the Omaha and Missouri River Navigation Company.

LINE TO PLY ON UPPER STRETCHES

Partnership Formed to Bring Farm Products from Country Above Omaha to the Local Market on River.

directors: E. P. Peck G. W. Wattles,

Edward A. Cudahy. Henry T. Clarke, Arthur C. Smith, Charles Metz, A. J. Vierling, E. E. Bruce, A. D. Brandels, Kirkendall. John A. McShane Daniel Baum, jr., F. W. Judson. H. Kelley, T. Sunderland. For the Upper River. Charles Schnauber, a North Sixteenth street grocer, and T. H. Parks, a restaurant man of North Sixteenth street, are organ-

izing a company to build and operate boats to bring fruit, vegetables, poultry and produce to the Omaha market. They say the machinery has been bought and the boats are to be built in Omaha this summer. They are to be put on the river late in the summer. One power boat and two barges will be

one boat and pull the other. both for the steamboat company and for cial bill creating an additional United the farmers along the river," said Mr. States district judge for Nebraska. Elmer Schnauber, "We believe we can get mer- B. Stephenson, collector of internal revenue, chandise to Omaha much cheaper than the is said to have charge of the petition. The railroads are hauling it, and we can make petition is being circulated chiefly among Omaha a larger and better market. We expect to carry fruit, poultry, butter, eggs, potatoes, vegetables and other things. How far up the river we will go is not determined, but it is navigable as far up as

Yankton for the boats we propose to build." Funeral of Mrs. Ellen C. Boyden. Funeral services over the body of Mrs. Ellen C. Boyden, who was a teacher at the Vinton street school and who died Tuesday night at her home, 313 North Nineteenth street, were held at 4 p. m. Thursday at the undertaking rooms of A. J. Jackson, 1705 Leavenworth street, and was attended by many teachers and pupils of the public schools, to whom Mrs. Boyden had endeared herself. She was 57 years of age and had taught in the Omaha schools for the last twenty-five years. Rev. J. W. Conley, pastor of the First Baptist church, had charge of the simple services and delivered the funeral address. Many floral tributes were contributed by friends and Bee Want Ad page. Funeral services over the body of Mrs.

scholars. The body was taken to St. Paul for interment by her son, Arthur N. Boy-den. who arrived in Omaha Wednesday morning from St. Paul.

"SIS HOPKINS" AT THE KRUG Rose Melville Gives the Famous Comedy in Her Best Style to Large Audlence.

"Sis Hopkins" may not be a classic, but it is surviving where many more pretentious plays have gone the way of all things earthly and is making new friends each time it comes to town as well as holding its old ones. The present season Miss Articles of incorporation were adopted Mellville is doing her work in the same and a board of directors elected at a meet- old painstaking way, the work that brought ing Wednesday afternoon of the Omaha & Sis up from the condition of a quaint bit Missouri River Navigation company. These of comedy to the position of center of a directors will meet soon to select officers well written drama. The story of the play and an executive committee of five to as- is as old as the hills, probably, but it is sume active management. These are the one that never grows tiresome, being the story of how honest goodness triumphs over scheming villainy. The development of Sis from an uncouth country girl into a well trained and educated maiden is most welcome, too. The audience that saw the play at the Krug last night was larger by a third than that which witnessed the opening performance last season, Miss Mellville has a good company with her and the piece is splendidly performed. It will remain the rest of the week, with the customary matinee on Saturday.

PETITION FOR TOM MUNGER Movement in Omaha to Land Lincoln Man in the New Judgeship.

A petition is in circulation in Omaha for built. The power boat, or tug, will push signatures asking the appointment of Thomas C. Munger of Lincoln to the judge-"We can see big profits in the project, ship just created by the new federal judi-Omaha attorneys. It is not known to just what extent the response for signatures is

being greeted. Announcements of the Theaters. At the Orpheum a special Washington's birthday matinee will be given this after-With the Orpheum Road show as an attraction and the observance of the holiday by schools, banks and other institutions there has been a big demand for seats and a very large attendance is expected. After this one there remain only three more performances of the Orpheum Road show to be given, tonight and Saturday matinee and night.

If you have anything to trade advertise it in the For Exchange column of The

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We wish to call the attention of the public to a series of "short talks" by L. T. Cooper that are to be published in this paper.

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Mr. Cooper has met and talked with thousands of sick people in his visits to almost every large city in the country.

He is noted as a man of very few words and tells briefly in these articles what his preparations are doing for sick people and why they have been successful wherever introduced.

Mr. Cooper's theory is that one-half of all human ills is caused by stomach trouble, and the wonderful success of his preparations in the treatment of stomach disorders, kidney and liver complaints, rheumatism, etc., seems to have proven this claim.

the end that the heathen may become Christ's foreign inheritance and the uttermost parts of the earth for His possession.

ARTHUR F. BISHOP.

Becretary of the Convention:

We, men of the Presbyterian church, in the United States of America, gathered in Intersynodical convention of more than 1.000 delegates profoundly impressed with the goodness of God in the gift of Josus Christ to be the saviour of the surfour of the googel, in one-Christian lands during the last 190 years, touched by the appeals which come to us for the light of life from lands without the surfour of the surfour of the species which come to us for the light of life from lands without the surfour of the surfour of the species with the surfour of the species with the surfour of the species with the surfour of the species which come to us for the light of life from lands without the species with the species with the surfour of the species with the surfour of the species with the species with the surfour of the species which come to us for the light of life from lands without the species with the species with the surfour of the species which come to us for the light of life from lands without the species with the