

ADMIRE BRITISH.

Count Sternberg Aided the Boers
But He Thinks

Our Soldiers are Great Fighters—They
Lack Competent Commanders

Paris, March 28.—Count Adelbert Sternberg, an Austrian officer who fought under Gen. Cronje and who was among the prisoners taken at Paardeberg, was interviewed on his arrival here yesterday from London regarding his South African experiences. He said the European officers in the Boer ranks had as a rule done but little. When asked if continental troops would have fought better than the British, he replied: "In the first place, there is no continental power which could have armed and sent so many troops such a great distance from home. I am able to say one thing, even our Austrian troops would not have done better. I learned to admire the British army without closing my eyes to the errors committed, but I am convinced that our continental commanders are better. The British officer is too thoughtless of the lives of his men."

FORE ORDINATION.

Noted Presbyterian Divine Calls
It a Heinous Doctrine

And Attacks his Own Creed—A Sensational Sermon From Beecher's Pulpit.

Brooklyn, Mar. 28.—Newell Dwight Harris, from the pulpit of Plymouth church—the pulpit of Beecher and Lyman Abbott—Sunday, during discourse at the doctrine of the Presbyterian church, in which he had grown up and to which he still owes allegiance.

"To-day one of our greatest denominations still includes the awful statement in its confession of faith, saying that certain men and angels are fore-ordained to everlasting death, being particularly and unchangeably designed, and their number is so certain and definite that it cannot be either increased or diminished."

"Every young man who enters the Presbyterian church has to solemnly swear to believe and teach this frightful view. It would seem that if men believed it reason would be shaken to its foundation. It would seem as if a man would prefer to be burned at the stake rather than hold and charge such infinite cruelty on the all-merciful and all-loving God."

"I would rather shake my fist in face of the Eternal and fling every vile epithet towards the stainless throne where eternal mercy sits with the world's atoning Saviour, than lift my hand with that creed toward God's throne and affirm that I taught or believed it."

"For the man who does believe that heinous doctrine the hour of judgment has already come. His sun is already darkened; his moon is turned to blood; his stars have refused to give their light."

FOR THE CEMETERY.

A Waterworks system is Strongly
Urged—It is Sadly Needed.

To The Planet.—I would like to call the attention of our citizens to the necessity of waterworks in our cemetery.

There never was a time when this could be done so well as now, as we own our water plant, have the cemetery well drained and have two competent men in Messrs. Jones and Shackleton to carry out the work. Our finances this year are in a good state, thanks to the economy of last year's council, and as debentures can be issued for such a work the additional tax each year need be very small and even that can be met by advancing the price of lots in the cemetery for the future. I hope the council will take this matter up at once as we all know how necessary an abundant supply of water is for our cemetery.

Yours truly,
FRED. F. QUINN.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING.

The young people's church and S.S. society of Christ Church here held their regular meeting Monday night. There was a very fair attendance. After the devotional exercises the meeting was addressed by Rev. R. McCosh, rector, who gave a brief history of the book of common prayer. During the course of his remarks he referred to the growing desire in some of the other churches for liturgical forms of worship. Dr. R. V. Bray spoke of the famine in India and urged the members of the society to contribute towards the relief fund. He read a very touching poem upon our duty to the famine stricken. It was decided to take up a collection at the next meeting for the benefit of those dying of starvation in India.

CHATTANOOGA.

Among those who have expressed a great approval of Lincoln J. Carter's latest play, "Chattanooga," are the young soldiers who have just returned from the Spanish war. Many of them were camped during the recent war near the scene of this play, and they find great pleasure in pointing out to each other the spots which they traversed while they were preparing to go to Cuba to fight for their country. Mr. Carter has made a special effort to give a historically, pictorially correct view of Lookout Mountain and surrounding points, and it is universally conceded that he has succeeded. The play is one of thrilling interest, full of action, comedy and beautiful pictures, and has delighted thousands of people in the larger cities where it has been presented. It comes to Chatham for one night only, next Saturday.

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We have but one price—that price is ours, yours,—argument will not change it.

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If there is any better way of exhibiting confidence in goods than a standing offer of your money back, if you want it, we have not heard of it.

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We manufacture clothing in every form which that word generally used includes. Besides such clothing we make smocks and overalls, working pants and shirts.

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