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CONFERENCE SURPRISES.

Some of the Incidents of the Methodist Gathering.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

A Delegate Demands an Explanation for the Fact that the Methodist Organ, the Daily Christian Advocate, Was Being Hawked About Chicago on Sunday.

Chicago, May 7.—The session of the Methodist general conference today was full of life, of brisk debate and some feeling. There was consternation among the delegates when it was learned that the Daily Christian Advocate had been hawked about on Sunday; there was violent opposition to Dr. J. M. Buckley's resolution directing that all articles on controversies under discussion by the conference be eliminated from the Daily Advocate and a resolution by former Congressman M. W. Johnson, of North Dakota, giving the approval of the conference to the use of individual communication cups was cried down without the formality of a discussion.

Dr. Buckley's resolution concerning the suppression of certain articles was passed by a vote of 233 to 279. Dr. J. E. Price, of New York, questioned the constitutionality of the amendment (248) and asked that the committee on judiciary look into the matter. In explanation Dr. Price said: "I do not believe the paragraph is constitutional because it is a judicial ruling, but was not delivered in a case on trial. The paragraph was adopted in 1872 and not as the result of a trial."

At the beginning of the session a stranger, tall and well looking arose and for several minutes delayed the conference by a disconnected harangue. He was quiet but no sooner had he taken his seat than Dr. A. H. Leonard demanded to know by whose authority the Daily Christian Advocate, which represents the doings of the conference, had been hawked about the streets like any secular newspaper. It was said, he declared, with much vigor, at the very door of the auditorium while the Methodists were entering to attend divine service.

"I want to put a motion right here," said the delegate from Cincinnati, "that hereafter our paper be not sold on the Sabbath and that the proper authorities be directed to enforce the rule."

D. D. Thompson, manager of the paper, explained that the papers sold were back numbers, that they were not authorized and that it would not occur again.

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THE OTHER WAR.

Filipinos Are Apparently Growing Bold.

TWO RECENT ATTACKS.

Reports Indicate Rebel Boldness and American Success -- After Each of the Assaults It Was Necessary to Bury a Good Many Natives.

Manila, May 7.—Two recent rebel attacks on the American garrisons in the Visayan Islands, resulted in the killing of 28 of the enemy and wounding of two Americans. At daybreak May 1st, 400 rebels, 100 of them armed with rifles, attacked the Catamaran garrison, "F" Company of the 43rd Regiment. The Americans charged the trenches the enemy had built, scattered the Filipinos and buried 155 of them. This attack was precipitated by the enemy's recent successful fight at Catubig. The garrison of Catamaran has been removed to the seaport of Laganan. A force of 200 Filipinos, armed with rifles and 400 armed with bolos, and operating four muzzle-loading cannon, attacked Jaro, on Leyte Island, on April 15, garrisoned by 25 men of "I" Company of the 43rd Regiment, Lieut. Bates commanding. Bates left 15 men to protect the town and with the remaining 10 men advanced on the enemy in two squads, sheltered by the ridges south of the town, whence they stood off the Filipinos for three hours. Then 29 armed members of the local police sallied out to help the Americans. The latter, the police, charged the enemy and together they dispersed the Filipinos and buried 123 of them. There were no American casualties.

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At this particular juncture the United States government has had the last say and is now awaiting a response from the Turkish government to very forcible presentation of the reasons why it should redeem the Sultan's promises to Mr. Strauss and to his predecessors to pay for the American missionary property destroyed.

FREDERICTON NEWS.

Judge Vanwart Has Gone to Ottawa—The Drives Moving—Trial for Murder.

Fredricton, May 7.—Judge Vanwart is somewhat better and went to Ottawa Saturday. It is said his mission is an important one. Ex-Midman Aitken, contractor for the corporation drives, says he has no doubt that all the lumber drives on the upper St. John and tributaries are making good progress and will be got out in good time. The trial of James Little, charged with the murder of Edward Lawrence, of Lakeville Corner, will be taken up at the sitting of the Summary court tomorrow. Attorney General Emmerson and Mr. C. E. Duffy will conduct the prosecution and Mr. Harry McLeod has been retained for the defence.

Was Known in Birmingham.

Birmingham, Eng., May 7.—The late Mr. William Crowninshield Endicott, U. S. secretary of war under President Cleveland, was not unknown in Birmingham, as he had paid several visits to "Highburg," the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, and this evening the Unionists of West Birmingham and Central Birmingham adopted resolutions of condolence with Mrs. Chamberlain. There is considerable speculation as to whether the death of Mr. Endicott will prevent Mr. Chamberlain from fulfilling his engagement to address an important meeting of Liberal Unionists in this city Friday evening, an event which has been anticipated with great interest.

Aged One Hundred and Seven.

Barrie, Ont., May 7.—Mrs. Robert Armstrong is dead at Angus, in this county, aged 107 years. She was born in Ireland and came to Canada 60 years ago. She leaves over 90 descendants.

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Queen Victoria will send a signal photograph to Col. Kelewick, the hero of Kimberley. Six thousand four hundred and fifty-eight troops are now at sea on the way to South Africa. No others are under orders to go except as recruits to fill the losses of regiments at the front.

ROBERTS REPORTS ON THE MAFEKING COLUMN.

Hunter and Paget Join Hands After Defeating the Boers Friday.

London, May 7, 7.25 p. m.—The war office received the following despatch from Lord Roberts, dated Smaldef, May 7, 10.55 a. m.: "General Hunter, after defeating the enemy May 4, joined hands with Paget near Warrington. The enemy left 13 killed and wounded on the ground and we captured several prisoners. Our losses were slight. "Hunter speaks in high terms of the gallantry of the yeomanry, under Colonel Myrick. "The enemy have retired from front Thaba N'chu, and the exceedingly strong position they held is now occupied by Randle's division."

THE STEP FORWARD WAS GENERAL.

British Advanced Systematically in a Line Which Extended Clear Across the Free State.

Smaldef, Sunday, May 6.—The movement that culminated in the capture of Warrington and Smaldef was part of a general movement extending from General Hunter on the west to General Buller on the east. Lord Roberts' admirable strategy resulted in placing everywhere five British to one Boer. Out of what appeared the inextricable confusion of divisions and brigades, order was quickly evolved, and the Boers were compelled to meet Lord Roberts under unfavorable conditions.

What is more important is that the British are now able to wait. Their front and strong positions are safe in the knowledge that their flanking columns will advance and outflank the Boers. Yesterday the Boers really held a strong position, from which, earlier in the campaign, they could only have been forced by hard fighting. General Hamilton's arrival at Warrington, although not directly outflanking the Boers, made their position extremely uncomfortable. General Buller's movement on the left was even more successful than at first imagined. Forty Boers were killed. The march to-day was short, but General Pole-Carew's division marched 38 miles in four days.

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Men from H. M. S. Powerful Who Saved Ladysmith

NOW OWN LONDON.

Thousands Upon Thousands Cheered the Men of the Naval Brigade as They Passed from the Admiralty to the Mansion House—Inspected by the Prince of Wales.

London, May 7.—The annuals of service demonstrations probably show nothing to parallel the enthusiasm with which the naval heroes of Ladysmith, the officers and crew of the British first class cruiser Powerful, were greeted in London today. The scenes in the streets were remarkable and inspiring. The whole route was a floating mass of color and the enthusiasm displayed was of the most frantic description. The flags of all nations, banners and mottoes formed an almost continuous canopy for Captain Lambton and the contingent of the Powerful to pass under. Stands were erected at all the points of vantage, the houses were crowded with sightseers, and all sorts and conditions of men, women and children commingled in the streets below, vying with one another in honoring the gallant sailors who saved Ladysmith. There was one continuous roar of greeting, waving handkerchiefs, flags and hats, as the naval brigade, with the khaki colored guns, marched from the depot to the Horse Guards parade, where the Prince of Wales in the uniform of an admiral of the fleet, accompanied by the first lord of the admiralty, Mr. George J. Goschen, and a number of high naval and military officers, inspected the blue-jackets. They were surrounded by thousands of privileged guests, who warmly applauded the defenders of Ladysmith, but whose recognition of the sailors in no way equalled the intense enthusiasm displayed in the streets.

After the inspection by the Prince of Wales and others the parade formed a square, with the officers in the centre and the first lord of the admiralty and the Prince of Wales in the rear of the line. In admiration of the work and valor of the seamen and officers, and then Mr. Goschen individually introduced them to the Prince of Wales, who shook hands with them and said a few words to each. The Prince of Wales introduced Capt. Lambton to the Princess of Wales, and the Prince of Wales spoke briefly in terms of admiration of the work and valor of the seamen and officers, and then Mr. Goschen individually introduced them to the Prince of Wales, who shook hands with them and said a few words to each.

The march of the naval brigade of the Powerful from the admiralty to the Mansion House was marked by more numerous crowds of people than London has seen for many a day. From all parts of the country men and women had come and they were determined to get a glimpse of Capt. Lambton, his tiny midshipman and the trusty tars, and so they struggled to get on kump posts and window ledges and forced their way into private offices. Capt. Lambton, riding, wearing a cocked hat and looking brown and bored, was followed by 100 mounted policemen, who had to prepare the route, and the band of the Coldstream Guards. Behind Capt. Lambton was a line of band, after which came the blue-jackets. Amid thunderous cheers and the waving of flags from several hundred thousand people they entered the Royal Exchange and set down to tea. This finished they marched back to the station and returned to Portsmouth that evening, after receiving one of the greatest ovations ever tendered by the people of London to the British navy.

Fire Spoiled a Sale.

Portland, Me., May 7.—The Bayes ign, formerly the John Winslow Jones homestead, situated near Riverton Park, Deerbrook district, was destroyed by fire this afternoon. Loss, \$12,000; insurance, \$8,500. Mr. Bayes, the owner of the property, says he had completed negotiations for its sale, and the papers were to have been signed tonight.

A Question of Livelihood—"Sure, Terence, if ye go to the front, kape at the back, or ye'll be killed. Oh kape out!" "Terence—" "Faith, an' isn't that the way of gettin' my livin'?"—Dunlop.

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BURIED IN BRICK.

Collapse of a Three Story Building

IN KANSAS CITY.

The Ruins Covered Seven Persons -- All Were Injured but Not Will Die--A Former Mayor of the Town Hurt--Took Twenty Minutes to Dig Him Out.

Kansas City, Mo., May 7.—A three story brick building at 1302 Grand avenue, the business center, occupied on a ground floor by Jacob Goodman as a second hand store and above by Mrs. M. S. Sahn as a rooming house, collapsed today burying seven persons in the ruins. It is believed none of the injured will die. John W. Moore, aged 70, former mayor of Kansas City, was seriously hurt.

The building, which was an ancient structure, had been condemned several months ago and had recently been well used by workmen excavating for a new building on the adjoining lot. The building collapsed almost without warning, the walls bulging out and the roof crashing in before any of the inmates could make any move to escape. The wreck was complete. The ruins were soon covered with firemen digging for the buried ones.

Goodman, his wife, two daughters and W. Kline, father of Mrs. Goodman, live in the rear of the second floor. Ann Goodman, 15 years old, was sick in bed. Soon after the crash, Mrs. Goodman covered with mortar and dust, crawled from beneath one of the floors, only slightly bruised and cried to be allowed to return to look for her children.

John W. Moore, formerly mayor of Kansas City, and a member of the board of trade, was taken out of the wreck unconscious. He had evidently been in a room on the second floor and when he was buried ten feet under brick, mortar and broken furniture. It was 20 minutes before the firemen could dig their way to him. He was removed unconscious to the hospital. There later it was reported that his injuries while serious, were not necessarily fatal. Owing to his advanced age, however, he may not survive the shock.

Ann Goodman was found buried to the feet beneath the debris and was rescued by her father, who had escaped with slight injuries. Her injuries consisted of severe bruises. Fatigue Goodman, age eight years, was rescued soon after the building collapsed. She was severely bruised. W. Kline was taken from the ruins badly hurt, but suffering no broken bones and was able to walk away.

MAYOR ASKED TO RESIGN.

Citizens of Atlanta Object to His Personal Habits.

Atlanta, Ga., May 7.—The city council tonight adopted a resolution calling on Mayor James G. Woodruff to resign his office. The resolution was the culmination of a sermon last night by Rev. L. C. Broughton, in which the minister made violent attack on the mayor's personal habits. The resolution calls upon the mayor to resign before the next meeting of the council two weeks from today. The leader of the opposition to Mr. Woodruff says the mayor is in honor bound under the terms of a statement made last summer to resign. The mayor tonight declined to say what his action would be.

A TOTAL LOSS.

The Montpelier, Ashore on Newfoundland Condemned.

St. John's, Nfld., May 7.—The result of the marine survey on the wrecked steamer Montpelier, which went ashore early last Friday morning on Big Yankee Shoal, six miles west of Cape Ray, is the condemnation of the vessel as a total loss.

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