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**Presbyterian Alliance Meeting.** Rev. Dr. Warden has made arrangements for reduced rates for Commissioners attending the meeting of the Presbyterian Council in Glasgow next June. The rates will be available for the wives of the Commissioners, as well as for delegates to the Woman's Foreign Mission International Conference. Detailed information may be obtained by addressing Dr. Warden, Confederation Life Building, Toronto, to whom *early* application should be made.

**Salvation Army Break.** For twenty-five years the Salvation Army, with its remarkable growth, now encircling the world, has yielded implicit obedience to the one master mind. This is the more remarkable as this great organization is largely made up of a class not trained to obey. A break has long been looked for and has at length come, but not in a way, or from a source, expected. It has come quietly and suddenly, with no long controversies, and in the person of one of his own family.

The General has always given the leading positions to his own sons and daughters. Ballington Booth and his wife have been in command of the Army in America for five years, with their headquarters in New York. It is a rule of the Army that none of the officers shall be longer than a few years in one place, and some weeks ago Ballington Booth and his wife were ordered to London. They refused to go and resigned their connection with the Army.

They have now started a new organization to be called "God's American Volunteers." Their banner is national in its character, having, in one corner, 45 stars, for the 45 States of the American Union. They say they do not wish to split the Army, but there is little doubt that a considerable portion of the Salvation Army in the United States, caught by the idea of something belonging to the nation alone, something "American," will join the new movement, with Ballington Booth as its leader.

This is to be regretted in so far as it subordinates the "world" idea, and a world-wide Christian warfare against sin, to national distinctions;

but it may enable the organization to bring its power to bear more directly in great national, moral, questions. Whatever the result, the God who has made it the means of much good in the past, will bless all that is done for His glory, and will overrule to the same end all that has been prompted by lower and more selfish motives.

**Russia.** Preparations, on a scale of arbaric splendor as vast as the great empire itself, are making for the coronation of the Czar at Moscow a few weeks hence.

But there are other preparations which tell in their own way their story of oppression, and sorrow, and wrong. One of these is the large place that must be given in their plans to protecting the life of the Czar against the plots of the Nihilists during the days and weeks of this great event, plots that are the outcome of the long night of despotic rule. The other is a large and influential petition that is being prepared, to be presented, asking the young ruler on his coronation to remove some of the disabilities and burdens that press so heavily on the oppressed Stundists, Baptists, and other non-conformists to the Greek Church, throughout the Empire.

**Indian Schools.** For many years the U. S. Government has given grants to the different Churches for establishing mission schools among the Indians, allowing so much per child. The system was grossly abused; the Roman Catholics, by reports that were far from accurate, getting more than all others put together, and, during the past few years, more than quarter of a million of dollars annually. Other Churches urged the stoppage of the system; some of them never accepted the money. A few weeks since, Congress, by a vote of 93 to 64, decided that all grants to sectarian schools cease, and that aid should be given only to the Government Indian schools. The Roman Catholics are very angry, but they may thank their own over-reaching for the result, and it is a sign of the progress of true liberty when the people's representatives are not afraid of the wrath of this great ecclesiastico-political machine — the R. C. Church.