

FOREIGN MISSIONS THEIR TOPIC

Self-Denying Workers for the Spread of the Gospel Give Testimony at the Detroit Convention of the Disciples of Christ.

(Special Correspondence.)

The convention of the Disciples of Christ at Detroit closed with enthusiasm and with glory. It was the best year in the history of all the societies, so far as money raised and actual results accomplished. The attendance was large, the spirit of the delegates in tune with the purposes of the convention and the "platform," if not so brilliant as in some other years, had many strong speakers.

The missionary interest is the very heart of these annual gatherings, and all the speakers in some fashion touched upon missionary effort. For instance, one of the young students of the University of Kentucky threw out a new light upon the mountaineers of that lately much written about district. They had, he declared, been maligned by popular writers, who made black types of what were individuals. The American Christian Missionary Society has been behind a number of these volunteer university students—men who were working their way through college—and sent some of them to work among these mountaineers. R. N. Simpson declared they had found these people knew more hymns than "rag time" songs.

It was just as fair, he said, to take a low-browed thief or crook from the back alleys and streets of the cities and present him as a representative of citizenship as to hold up the moonshiner and the outlaw as a type of the mountaineer. The illicit still was no more disgrace to the Kentucky mountaineer than the distilleries and breweries whose smoke stacks outnumber the church spires in the cities were to the citizens. Mr. Simpson modestly told of the good accomplished and the churches established by their little mission band.

The burden of the foreign missionaries' speeches was "More Preachers." W. P. Bentley, who has been at work in Shanghai, China, for twelve years, was offered the presidency of a great

worshiped by the people to-day.

Miss Bertha Clawson, who is supported in Osaka, Japan, by her home church, at Angola, Ind., called the Mikado's empire "dreadfully heathenish." She compared the missionary situation there with that of the boy who goes out with his little red tin pail to drain the ocean dry. Forty thousand native Christians, forty million heathen. But the Christians stand for something. This year there was a great exposition in Osaka and the Christians erected an evangelistic hall in front of its main entrance. The emperor of Japan passed it. A large wooden cross, painted red to make it conspicuous, graced the roof of the building. As His Imperial Majesty passed by he lifted his eyes and beheld the cross, everywhere the emblem of the religion despised and persecuted by his ancestors less than thirty-five years ago. Answering many of the questions that were asked her about missionaries having a good time, a free trip to the Orient, etc., Miss Clawson told a story of a negro man who was trying to obtain his freedom during the civil war. Another on a neighboring plantation took him to task for wishing to leave so good a home. He said, "Sam, isn't your master good to you?" "O yes, sah," said Sam. "I hain't no fault to find wid his goodness." "Well, didn't he see to it that you always had plenty to eat and wear?" "O yes, sah; there never was such a good mastah. We allers had plenty to eat and to wear." "Then why do you wish to leave him? I wouldn't leave him. I would stay with him." To which Sam replied: "Boss, the situation wid all-oh its advantages is open to you." Miss Clawson would let the critics of missionaries make their own application.

W. M. Forest, who spoke on "Our Indian Possessions," has for three years been instructor in the English Bible at Calcutta University. There

There were not many speakers of the arraigning kind at the convention. But a notable one was that of Miss Mattie Pounds, who is the national superintendent of the young people's department of the Christian Women's Board of Mission. She had something to say about the American society girl. That ought to interest girls and their parents, as well as young men.

"The modern American woman is an example in compound fractions," said Mrs. Brown. "Nerves seem to be the prevailing disease of the American woman of to-day. What she needs is less courses for dinner, less bric-a-brac to dust and a life of greater simplicity, which will lead our women to become home-makers. We are now plunged into a splendid barbarity which we call civilization.

"Man is not a terrible social being, but his wife is. She goes joyously into the social whirl, which becomes more and more a matter of vulgar display and ostentation, until the world is now beginning to cry out against it. She is absorbed in this 'Simon-says-thumbs-up' game of society.

"This attitude has developed an artificial habit of living that has caused many women to become wage earners, that she and the family may 'keep up appearances.' It is far better to have the girls at home with less of this vulgar display than to have them enter into the cheap competition of business life. Let the women who go into business life as a temporary makeshift keep out of it, so the men may be better paid for their work.

"What we need is a readjustment of life at this point. More simplicity is what is needed, and a unity of purpose for our American women with the great purposes of Jesus Christ. Such an adjustment will settle all of the little things of life, and lead us on greater and better things and a life that is worth the living."

The spirit of the convention was against the liquor interests, and the



HARD TO BEAR.

J. W. Walls, Superintendent of Streets of Lebanon, Ky., living on East Main street, in that city, says: "With my nightly rest broken, owing to irregularities of the kidneys, suffering intensely from severe pains in the small of my back and through the kidneys, and annoyed by painful passages of abnormal secretions, life was anything but pleasant for me. No amount of doctoring relieved this condition, and for the reason that nothing seemed to give me even temporary relief I became about discouraged. One day I noticed in the newspapers the case of a man who was afflicted as I was and was cured by the use of Doan's Kidney Pills. His words of praise for this remedy were so sincere that on the strength of his statement I went to the Hugh Murrey Drug Co.'s store and got a box. I found that the medicine was exactly as powerful a kidney remedy as represented. I experienced quick and lasting relief. Doan's Kidney Pills will prove a blessing to all sufferers from kidney disorders who will give them a fair trial."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine, which cured Mr. Walls, will be mailed to any part of the United States on application. Address: Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

Comes to America to Learn. Dr. Belsario Sasa, a prominent surgeon of Lima, Peru, has started for New York to study the latest advances in medicine and surgery and then report his observations.

President Diaz's Costly Saddle. Col. Cortina of the Mexican army has presented President Diaz with a saddle that cost \$20,000. The colonel has spent seven years superintending its production.

Free Bank Notes. In order to advertise its goods a German firm is inclosing a bank note of the value of 10 shillings in one of every 500 bales of wool sent out.

Those Who Have Tried It will use no other. DeLancey Cold Water Starch has no equal in Quantity or Quality—16 oz. for 10 cents. Other brands contain only 12 oz.

He who has not vision of eternity will never get a true hold of time.—Cairyle.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children's teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. See a bottle.

FATALITIES IN THE ALPS.

Craze for Edelweiss Has Cost Many Lives.

The craze for edelweiss has caused many accidents, such as happened to a man named Custer, who was killed on the slopes of the Herranruell while trying to gather a bunch of these flowers. Quite seventeen deaths during this year are attributed to the foolhardiness of people in endeavoring to gather this flower in nearly inaccessible places, says the London Express.

During the last fortnight of August twenty-nine people lost their lives, including two ladies. The saddest accident, however, of the year took place on the 26th of last month, when Rev. John Hartley, vicar of Exton, near Oakham, lost his life near the Red Shelter, St. George, in the Engadine. The clergyman was accompanied by the best guide of the district, a man named Sebastian Platz. Mr. Hartley was on his honeymoon, and took his wife half way up the mountain with him, leaving her at the Bovai Shelter Hut. He then proceeded toward the summit, but on reaching the Crast Aguzza he fell over a precipice, dragging with him the guide Platz.

During the last few days many more accidents have taken place, the most remarkable one happening on Mont Blanc to a famous guide named Balmat, who died from heart failure when descending the giant of the Alps. Only two days ago six more Alpine disasters were reported.

DUSY DOCTOR

Sometimes Overlooks a Point. The physician is such a busy man that he sometimes overlooks a valuable point to which his attention may be called by an intelligent patient who is a thinker.

"About a year ago my attention was called to Grape-Nuts by one of my patients," says a physician of Cincinnati.

"At the time my own health was bad and I was pretty well rundown but I saw in a minute that the theories behind Grape-Nuts were perfect and if the food was all that was claimed for it it was a perfect food so I commenced to use Grape-Nuts with warm milk twice a day and in a short time began to improve in every way, and now I am much stronger, feel 50% better and weigh more than I ever did in my life.

"I know that all of this good is due to Grape-Nuts and I am firmly convinced that the claims made for the food are true. I have recommended and still recommend the food to a great many of my patients with splendid results, and in some cases the improvement of patients on this fine food has been wonderful.

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DOWIE DENIES SENDING MILLIONS TO AUSTRALIA

Leader of Restoration Host Says His Wife Did Not Take Iron Box With Securities.

New York dispatch: It was a new Dowie—chastened, reserved, apologetic—who addressed the meeting of the Zion restoration host in Madison Square garden Sunday afternoon. It was evident that Dowie as a mere dispenser of the Gospel is unattractive to a New York audience. The garden was only half filled, and this was sadly commented on by the apostle. When at the close of the processional about 1,000 visitors left the hall Dowie arose. He did not display anger, but in a tone of sadness said:

"I have no wish to detain a single person who does not wish to remain, but I shall esteem it a favor if you kindly will retain your seats."

Even in his discourse Dowie seemed careful not to give offense. At night hundreds of seats were unoccupied. An admission made by "Eljah" from the stage was that his early morning "sacrifice of praise and prayer" meetings have not been a success. "Our early morning prayer meeting," began Dowie, "was held at 6:30 o'clock in the hope it might help people who had to go to business early, but it was found exceedingly inconvenient for the host, so I've determined that the host shall have breakfast at 6:30 o'clock, while the meetings will be held at 8:30."

Dowie denied the report that his wife had taken \$7,000,000 in bonds and securities in an iron box to Australia. He said she had no iron box with her. One of the overseers explained further that the aggregate wealth of Zion City amounted to only \$23,000,000, and that Dowie laid claim to only 5 per cent of it.

RED-HEADED STATESMAN RIVALS JERRY SIMPSON

Representative From the District of the Sockless Congressman Wins on Color of His Locks.

Washington dispatch: Representative Victor Murdock, the newly elected member of Congress from "Sockless" Jerry Simpson's district in Kansas, is attracting much attention here.

Mr. Simpson is supposed to have gained many votes on the sockless issue, but Mr. Murdock made his campaign chiefly on the red-hair issue.

Mr. Murdock's hair is very red. Prior to the holding of the district convention that nominated him for Congress to succeed Mr. Long, there was a big field of candidates, Murdock and one other having red hair. The other red-haired candidate entered into an alliance with Murdock by which it was agreed that, after the pre-convention campaign had progressed long enough to determine which red-haired man was the more popular, the losing candidate before the public should withdraw in favor of the other.

Murdock won. He told the people of Kansas from the stump that the red-haired men were a considerable part of the population, and that they should be represented in Congress. He was nominated and elected.

DISCOVER NEW FIELD OF GOLD

Miners Open Up Diggings on Sushitna River, Alaska.

Tacoma, Wash., special: What may be the greatest gold strike since Carmack discovered the Klondike is believed to have been made in August, when five miners discovered gold diggings on the headwaters of Sushitna river, western Alaska. Rich pay was found on Valies, White and Wickersham creeks and good prospects on many other creeks. Two men shoveling for fifteen days cleaned up 100 ounces of gold, or \$1,500 in coarse gold, constituting the first output of the district. They say gold is evenly distributed through the gravel and bedrock is four feet from the surface. They came out from the diggings in thirteen days. The winter route will be over the Valdes glacier, a distance of 200 miles.

KNIGHTS HONOR CHICAGO MAN

Henry Palmer Caldwell is Re-elected Keeper of Pythian Records.

Rock Island, Ill., special: Delegates to the Pythian convention in discussing the officers elected recently expressed particular satisfaction at the re-election of Henry Palmer Caldwell of Chicago to the post of grand keeper of records and seals. His intimate knowledge of the duties of the office, which he has held for a number of terms, makes him peculiarly capable in the post. He is very popular among the knights.

SAFE BLOWERS IN MICHIGAN

Cracksmen Wreck Postoffice Vault and Flee With Cash.

St. Joseph, Mich., dispatch: Safe-blowers who have been operating in Indiana have invaded Michigan. They wrecked the postoffice vault and a safe in a general store at New Troy, escaping with a large sum of money. Sheriff Collins of Berrien county is pursuing the thieves with a posse of deputies.

Increase Rio Grande Stock.

Denver, Colo., special: At a special meeting of stockholders of the Denver & Rio Grande railroad, it was voted to increase the preferred capital stock from \$44,000,000 to \$50,000,000, two millions of which are to be expended in extending its territory, improving its present holdings and adding rolling stock.

Faith in Franklin. In the middle of the severe electrical storm of a recent Sunday afternoon a reserve policeman, at Ninth and Chestnut streets, found a negro boy shivering and wet to the skin clinging to the base of the Franklin statue in front of the postoffice building. The street was deserted by everybody else. The policeman went up to the lad and asked him why he was standing out in the rain. The little fellow replied: "Gee, boss, I's orfuly afraid of lightning, and Franklin invenshened the lightning, didn't he? Certin' he ain't a gwine to hit hesself. Dis am de safest place foh dis chileken." The policeman passed on.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Puzzled Englishman.

In a certain beach front pavilion at Atlantic City a very stout man from London said to a chance acquaintance from Philadelphia: "I believe that old bath house keeper likes English people. He told me that he would rather serve a dozen Englishmen than one American."

"Why is that?" lazily asked the Quaker City man.

"I don't know. He said it would be twelve times as much money. I wonder what the bloomin' idiot meant?"—Philadelphia Ledger.

Deafness Cannot be Cured.

By local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a humming sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out of this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surface. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circular, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists. See that the name is on the box. Hall's Family Cure is the best.

Wise Old Man.

Methuselah was showing his friend around the premises. "And what is that vast warehouse for?" asked the friend. "Oh, that is to store my birthday presents in," replied the old man. Thus we see that a green old age has its advantages.

Lover is Dumb.

Nell—So the engagement is broken off? Belle—Yes. It seems she told him one evening that she wasn't half beautiful enough to be his wife, and he didn't deny her statement quick enough to suit her.—Philadelphia Press.

Insist on Getting It.

Some grocers say they don't keep DeLancey Starch because they have a stock in hand of 12 1/2 c. brands, which they know cannot be sold to a customer who has once used the 16 oz. pkg. DeLancey Starch for same money.

Death to Convicts.

Since 1852 more than 26,000 convicts have been sent to French Guiana, of whom 84 1/2 per cent died of disease, hardship and insufficient food.

A poor man that hath little and desires no more, is in truth richer than the greatest monarch that thinketh he hath not what he should or what he might, or that grieves there is no more to have.—Bishop Hall.

In 1850 the South had but 20,500 miles of railway; in 1900 there were over 54,000 miles, representing a new influx of capital to the amount of \$1,500,000,000.

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Mrs. Austin's Pancake flour is best of all. A fresh supply now on hand at your grocer's.

No point of order is in order when a woman has the floor.

PUTNAM FADELESS DYES cost but 10 cents per package.

Lots of men, like bad mucklugs, stick to nothing.

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Foreign Missionaries of the Disciples of Christ Home on Furlough. From a photograph taken during the recent convention at Detroit.

university the Chinese government was preparing to found just at the time the Boxer trouble broke out. He declared that the most striking feature of the missionary work of the age has been the great awakening of China and the receptive state of mind of the China people, for the thinking minds of whose 400,000,000 people only seven men were preparing Christian and general literature.

J. L. Wharton, who has spent twenty-one years in India, pleaded eloquently for a university to train and educate the young men of India in Christianity. Subsequently ex-Governor F. M. Drake of Iowa sent a telegram offering \$5,000 to start a fund for such a Bible college.

So ignorant are many of the people that the man gained the appellation the "Living God of Benares," because he had some learning, and when he died his statue became an idol which is

are, he said, three hundred million gods for Hinduism alone and nine-tenths of the three hundred millions of India's people are as yet untouched by the gospel. But the field is dead ripe and the people in the plastic condition, crying aloud for a better government and a better religion.

Miss Anna Agnes Lackey, who has worked for five years at Deoghur, India, said diseased children predominate there. A weak, puny child is frequently burned with white-hot irons in order to drive out the devils of disease, and a hot iron is the usual instrument of punishment used by a husband on his child wife. "Whenever you meet a native woman showing signs of refinement and manners," said Mrs. Lackey, "ask her where she got them. She will answer, 'From the missionary.'"

Other missionaries gave similar testimony.

business men present had a special side session at which they expressed their opinions as entirely adverse to ministers dabbling in speculation or company promoting. Some \$45,000 were donated for different purposes during the convention, the largest sum—\$25,000—being given by Mr. C. L. Cook of Detroit, toward the \$50,000 required for the purpose of erecting an orphanage in that city under the control of the Benevolent Association of the Christian churches.

It was announced that the St. Louis world's fair authorities had granted a site for the erection of a Disciple building on the grounds. This will probably take the form of a reproduction of the study of Alexander Campbell, and will be used as a home of rest and a place for an exhibit of matters of interest pertaining to the history and present states of this growing brotherhood.

TURKISH MINISTER IS BUSY.

Diplomatic Questions Worry Ambassador at Washington.

The Turkish minister, Chekib Bey, has returned from his month's sojourn at Washington to his cottage at Sayville with his head full of diplomatic problems concerning matters involving his own and the United States governments. At Sayville it is known that Chekib Bey works nearly all night, only retiring when the other members of the household are preparing to arise. He then retires and sleeps until 3 o'clock in the afternoon. During his sleeping hours no one can see him, it being an unpardonable act for even any member of the household to disturb his slumbers.

New Name in British Politics.

The name "Joey" has been suggested by a political opponent as a happy popular title for Mr. Chamberlain's adherents. It is urged that the word "Joey" has as much reason behind it as "whip" or "tory," or even "Gladstone." It has an appropriate sound of vigor, it suggests jaunty cheerfulness and it has the popular

Sees Turkish Baths for All.

The fortieth anniversary of the establishment of the Turkish bath in America by Dr. Charles H. Shepard was celebrated at his residence in Brooklyn a few days ago. At an informal gathering of friends a paper was read by the doctor, in which he predicted that the time must come when "we shall have public Turkish baths built by the state and so conducted that the poorest individual in the community may have the privileges of the bath at a nominal price, as was the case during the Augustan age of the Roman empire."

Woman Preaches Fine Sermon.

Rev. E. B. Saunders, pastor of the Seventh Day Baptist church of Shiloh, N. J., was taken suddenly ill last Saturday and members of the congregation were at a loss for someone to act as substitute. The church was well filled when Miss Mary Dixon, a popular teacher in the public school here, walked up into the pulpit and delivered an excellent sermon. So acceptably did Miss Dixon preach that her many friends are advising her to abandon her profession as school teacher and enter the ministry.

THE "EMPEROR OF SAHARA."

Jacques Lebaudy Now in London Buying Supplies.

Jacques Lebaudy, who is endeavoring to found an empire in the western Sahara desert, is in London buying supplies for his remarkable colony. "Emperor Jacques," as he is known, is slightly built, of fair complexion, clean shaven, never drinks wine or smokes cigars, eats to live rather than live to eat, never wears a silk hat or a frock coat, appears in a different suit every day, invariably walks from the hotel if the weather is fine and makes use of all the exits and entrances with the object of avoiding callers. Needless to add, the "emperor" takes himself and his Saharan empire seriously.

Titles Now Little Used.

It is no longer considered necessary in English society for acquaintances to address each other by title, whether the same be hereditary or honorary. Christian names are now being generally used, special dislike being manifested toward "Miss," which democratic times seem to have robbed of pretty much all the dignity it used to possess.