

NATIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION

An Important Meeting is Held at Philadelphia.

GOOD GOVERNMENT DISCUSSED Conference on the Christian Principles of Civil Government is Continued—Mrs. Annabel M. Holvey, of the W. C. T. U. Buletin, Among the Speakers—Stirring Addresses.

Philadelphia, Dec. 8.—The national conference on the Christian principles of civil government which began last night under the auspices of the National Reform Association was continued today.

The principal address last night was made by Rev. Dr. Josiah Strong, of New York, who spoke on Christian citizenship and the hope of its realization.

The subject today was "The Nation and the Liquor Traffic," and the principal address was by Mrs. Annabel M. Holvey, editor of the Women's Christian Temperance Union Bulletin.

She spoke of the evils of saloons and in argument for legislation against liquor traffic pointed out the responsibility which rests upon every man possessing the elective franchise for the manner in which he exercises it.

Rev. John D. C. Hanna, of Wilmington, Del., spoke at length on "The Emancipation of the Masses—Is it to be Sociological or Christian?"

Rev. H. M. Agnew and Rev. A. J. Kynett urged the establishment of reformatories under state direction.

PASTOR'S WIFE'S NEW ROLE. Mrs. T. Heathcote Hills Adopts the Concert Stage.

West Chester, Dec. 8.—Miss Ella Booz, of this place, who has just returned from Europe, brings some interesting news concerning the movements of Mrs. Carolyn Hills, wife of Rev. T. Heathcote Hills, of Holy Trinity church.

Mrs. Hills is engaged in the study of music in London, and, contrary to reports, she does not go in the near future.

Her voice has undergone a complete change since she was last heard here, and she now possesses one of the finest voices in the English metropolitan.

Mrs. Hills began preparation for the concert stage in London, and in September 1 took up her residence in London.

"The impression Mrs. Hills gave me when I left her," says Miss Booz, "was to the effect she would never return to this country, but would remain in London, following the concert stage."

LIZZIE DE KALB WANTED. The "Woman in Black" is Now Accused of Horse Stealing.

West Chester, Pa., Dec. 8.—Lizzie DeKalb, who figures as "the woman in black" in the Kaiser murder trial at Norristown, is wanted badly in Chester county, and if she escapes conviction in Montgomery county she will be brought here to stand trial on the charge of horse stealing.

DELEGATES FOR MYLIN. The Auditor-General's gubernatorial Boom Launched.

Harrisburg, Dec. 8.—Auditor General Mylin's friends are happy over the announcement that the Republican leaders of Lancaster county have practically agreed to give him the delegates for governor, Mr. Mylin is an aspirant for the office, but he has never made a formal announcement of his ambition.

Should he fall of nomination on the first ballot it is thought the Lancaster delegates will jump to Congressman William A. Stone, of Allegheny.

MRS SNARE WANTS HER TEETH. Peculiar Suit Against Dentist Coburn, of West Chester.

West Chester, Pa., Dec. 8.—Dr. Frank P. Coburn, of this place, was arrested today and held for a hearing on the charge of larceny of the teeth of Mrs. Sallie E. Snare, a prominent West Chester lady.

Gen. Gobin Calls a Meeting. Harrisburg, Dec. 8.—General Gobin, commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, has called a meeting of the executive committee of the national council at Chambersburg, December 13. The date for the next national encampment will be selected by the council.

MURDERER HILL WILL ESCAPE. George Lawrence's Slaver May Fool the Gallows on a Technicality.

Pittsburg, Dec. 8.—Phillip Hill, the murderer of George Lawrence at Hullon April 27, who was to have been hanged in the Allegheny county jail today escaped the gallows by a very close margin.

A writ of error issued by George R. Pearson, the prothonotary of the supreme court, at the last minute, postponed the execution until after the fourth Monday of October, 1898.

The writ issued upon the lower court in which Hill was tried, convicted and sentenced to death, according to Attorney R. B. Petty, counsel for Sheriff Lowry, had virtually the same power as that vested in the governor to stay an execution.

The action promises to bring about one of the greatest legal battles ever seen in Pennsylvania, and one that will involve the respective powers of the governor and the supreme court, as to whether the acts of the governor can be reviewed by that tribunal.

The writ of error was issued under an act of assembly passed in 1874. At the last session a repealing act was passed, but by an oversight it only partially repealed the act of 1874.

Attorney Petty said: "In capital cases the right of the condemned to writs of error is absolute, and the law is of such shape now that it is possible for the attorneys of a man under sentence of death to take out a writ from the prothonotary of the supreme court and stay the execution whenever he sees fit."

District Attorney Haymaker says the sheriff made a serious mistake in not executing Hill. This is said to be the first time the new law has been taken advantage of.

EDITOR FREDERIQUE ARRESTED. Haiti's Yellow Journalist is in Trouble.

Port-au-Prince, Dec. 8.—M. Frederique, morning editor of the Journal Impartial, and alleged author of the virulent articles attacking the Germans, who is accused of desiring to excite the populace of this place against the government, was arrested today and taken on board a Haitian cruiser.

Count Schwerin, the German chargé d'affaires, was received by the president this afternoon. The public mind continues excited and all the regulars and the national guard are in readiness.

Shortly before 2 o'clock the president issued a proclamation to the people of Haiti saying that for the second time Haiti had yielded to German force contrary to its rights.

DELIAH FALER'S REVENGE. She Shot the Man Who Had Betrayed Her.

Waverly, Pa., Dec. 8.—Deliah Faler has confessed her share in the tragic death of Jerome Kern. The man was found dead in a lonely wood on the 23d of last August and the young woman now confesses that she fired the bullets that killed him.

She was indicted today and it is said that her alleged accomplice, William Kern, a son of the victim, will be indicted tomorrow.

CHINA CEDES KIAO CHAU. The Departure of Prince Henry's Squadron a Big Naval Event.

Berlin, Dec. 8.—It is rumored tonight that China has ceded Kiao Chau to Germany. Whether the report be true or not, there is every indication in the preparations for the expedition under Prince Henry that a long stay is contemplated.

Emperor William will make the departure of Prince Henry's squadron from Kiel the occasion for an imposing naval display.

JEHONSON DEMOCRACY LIVES. New York, Dec. 8.—On a call issued by the executive committee of the Thomas Jefferson Democracy, which was organized by the late Henry George, a conference of the assembly district leaders took place tonight.

Legislation Which Protects Forests

Hon. Garrick M. Harding in the Wilkes-Barre Record.

OUR legislature of the session of 1897 has not been fairly treated by a minority of the papers of the state. It is a pity that the most important legislation which has characterized the session should be so completely overlooked.

An extended review of the various enactments is not herein contemplated, but general attention deserves to be directed to such of them as are of immediate interest to our people.

THE PROVISIONS OF THE ORIGINAL ACT are as follows: "That it shall be the duty of the commissioners of the several counties of this commonwealth to appoint persons, under oath, whose duty it shall be to ferret out and bring to punishment all persons who either wilfully or otherwise cause the burning of timber lands, and to take measures to have such fires extinguished when it can be done; and the expenses thereof to be paid out of the county treasury, the amount of such tax to be first applied to such expenses."

THE PROBABLE REASON WHY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SEVERAL COUNTIES in the state have given little or no heed to the enforcement of this act, is that when a fire has been started in any considerable area of wooded timber land by a passing engine, and fanned over by the wind, the usual attending wind, its extinguishment, except by a long and drearily continued effort, is an impossibility.

THE AMENDMENT—SOCIALLY OF 1897 is practically a new act; it is vastly broader in its compass than the original one; it strikes at the root of the evil, and it is a blow, too, that every sane man in the commonwealth must concede is richly merited.

IT WILL BE SEEN BY THE LANGUAGE OF THE former act of June 2, 1890, that it was aimed exclusively at "persons who either wilfully or otherwise cause the burning of timber lands."

THE LANGUAGE OF THIS ACT is plain and direct; it will surely not admit of a juggled misconstruction; it includes not only "all persons," but all "corporations" who either wilfully or otherwise cause the burning of timber lands.

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PERHAPS THE STRONGEST STATEMENT in the report is this: If the Spanish patrol of 2,200 miles of Cuban coast had frustrated one-half the number of expeditions which were frustrated by the United States authorities along a coast line of 5,470 miles, not one man nor one cartridge would have been illicitly landed in Cuba from the United States.

OF SIXTY ALLEGED EXPEDITIONS only four have been broken up by Spain.

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Lyceum Theater. Thursday, Dec. 9. Charles E. Blaney's A HIRED GIRL. James T. Kelly as the Girl, supported by Dolina Lennart, W. F. Sweetman, Trilix Wade, Happy Fannie Fields, Belle Golt, Vera Dore.

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