

OPENING OF DIOCESAN CONVENTION

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Philippines, he said: "As a nation and as a church we owe duties of love and ministrations and the blessings of a Christian civilization, of which we are stewards, to the millions of neglected souls thus placed at our very doors."

He announced that he has now appointed as arch-deacon to assist him in his work as a general missionary the Rev. Reginald Heber Radcliffe, who has been for five years the efficient arch-deacon of Colorado.

After referring to the excellent work done by the board of missions during the year, he spoke as follows regarding the advantages of the Woman's auxiliary:

"Any account of our year's work would be incomplete which failed to recognize the large share in the real life and progress of the church borne by the Woman's auxiliary. I am glad to know that several new and vigorous branches have been started recently, while others for a long time dormant have been revived.

"They embody in each parish the missionary idea, which is none other than the essential Christian idea. Any clergyman in this age of the world's progress who neglects to see that the spiritual life of his parish and its success in all directions are bound up in its missionary interest is to be pitied.

"If our people are alive to the needs of general and diocesan missions they are sure to be interested in all that concerns the life of the parish. There is no agency at present so effective and helpful in stimulating and fostering this under vision of knowledge and duty as a well-organized branch of the Woman's auxiliary.

"All of the highly successful parishes realize this, and more and more I can see evidence that all are beginning to comprehend the fact that the diocese, and not the parish, is the true measure and unit, and that a parochialism or congregationalism which ignores the corporate life of the whole church has within it the seeds of decay and death."

CAUSE OF MISSIONS.

He suggested that the second evening of the convention, that is tonight, be given over to the cause of missions, so that the members who have the business meeting on the next day, might be present. He stated that he felt the need of an organization in the form of a church club, the members of which could meet once a year and consider diocesan interests in general.

"I now pass to the matter of the division of the diocese. There would appear to be no necessity on my part to repeat what I have said at our last two conventions on the same subject. My convictions are the same, namely, that the question, as I view it, is largely one of finances. I presume it is admitted by all that the division of the diocese, or some other form of relief, must be accomplished before many years.

"We have an episcopal fund of about \$41,500, yielding an income of \$2,350. Our Christmas fund is about \$6,000. Through the efforts of the Women's auxiliary we have the Bishop Fulton Memorial fund of about \$5,000. The division of the diocese would mean the division of all these funds, and would leave the old and new dioceses with insufficient support for their bishops and their work.

"Surely \$100,000 ought to be regarded as the minimum, especially as the rates of interest are so low and two per cent. government bonds are selling at a premium, and we can hardly hope to realize more than five per cent. if that. On this basis, each diocese would only have \$2,500 as an income from endowment."

"Last year by the action of the convention a large and thoroughly representative committee was appointed to report on the division of the diocese. The report is before you and is all that could be desired. Indeed it has placed the diocese and the convention under most grateful obligations for the admirable manner in which it has discharged its duty.

"Through its able and industrious chairman an enormous amount of work has been done and much valuable information given and data presented have been placed before us in a form at once so attractive and intelligible that we are all glad to see it. Moreover, the committee has confined itself strictly to the spirit and letter of the resolution under which it was appointed, and has refrained from expressing any preference whatever for any one or more of the proposed lines. Thus the whole subject is before the convention, to be dealt with as it may seem to you wisest and best."

"As I have always said, the most satisfactory evidence of our real desire and sincerity in this matter is not so much what we say as what we are willing to do, in order to accomplish what all admit will be, before many years, a necessity. Whether division of the diocese shall come now or in later years, it seems to me that we ought, at this convention, to pass on the question whether division be at this time expedient, and above all resolve that hereafter, in each parish and mission, action be taken and continued, for the increase of the endowment of the Episcopal fund. Thus will all an assessment of the diocese be made for such method of Episcopal relief as the diocese may think desirable."

"I commend to the clergy and their flocks the great importance of remembering with generous offerings the Christmas fund for our aged and infirm clergy and their families. The response is not as general or as generous as it should be."

"My counsel has been asked several times by the clergy in vexed questions of marriage and divorce. I have not hesitated in all such cases to advise that they refuse to perform the service of the church for people who are divorced, except the decree of the court setting forth the only cause recognized by our present canon be in evidence duly authenticated. As this very rarely happens, my counsel, if followed, will amount to practical prohibition, as it should be."

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"No diocese could possibly be freer from all partisan jealousies, just because we recognize for others the liberty, under well defined law, which we claim for ourselves."

"The most important question to be discussed is the proposed division of the diocese, by which Scranton, in all probability, would be made an Episcopal see. The division has been agitated for a number of years, and at the last convention, held in Wilkes-Barre, a committee was appointed to report a line of division. The committee has mapped out several feasible lines and will submit them at this morning's session. This matter has been made the order of business for 10 o'clock a. m. Sentiment is strong both ways on the division question, and some interesting debate is looked for."

"Most of the delegates are being entertained at the homes of the parishioners of the local Episcopal churches. Bishop Talbot and Mrs. Talbot are guests at the residence of Hon. and Mrs. E. N. Willard, The Country Club, through Major J. W. Oakford, and the Scranton club, through T. E. Jones, chairman of the house committee, has extended its privileges to all the delegates during their stay in Scranton."

"At 7:30 last night the delegates assembled in the parish house, and forming a procession, moved out to the church and through the main entrance, and down the middle aisle to the altar. The boys' surpliced choir, singing the processional hymn, to organ accompaniment by J. Willis Conant, came first. Then, in the order named, came the vestrymen, the lay delegates, the lay members of the board of missions, the lay deputies to the general convention, the lay members of the standing committee, the masters of ceremonies, the deacons, the clergy according to priority of ordination, Juniors first; the clerical deputies to the general convention, the four archdeacons, the clerical members of the standing committee, the bishop's chaplain bearing the crozier and the bishop in full vestments. The clergy wore cassock, surplice and stole."

"The laymen entered the side pews and remained standing, while the clergy, halting in the center aisle, opened ranks, allowing the bishop to pass through. Then, by twos, those in the rear passed through the lines, inverting the order of the column and dividing to the right and left, occupied the center pews in the nave of the church. The bishop and chaplain, the clerical members of the standing committee and the rector of the church, Rev. Rogers Israel, sat in the sanctuary."

"At the conclusion of the bishops' address and the closing exercises, the clergy, in formal recessional, returned to the parish house, followed by the lay delegates. All except the bishop removed their ecclesiastical vestments. He retained his full canonical robes while presiding. The business session was rapped to order at 9:25. Following is a list of the delegates who answered roll call. It includes seventy-three clergymen and ninety-one lay deputies. It is a surety that many others will register today."

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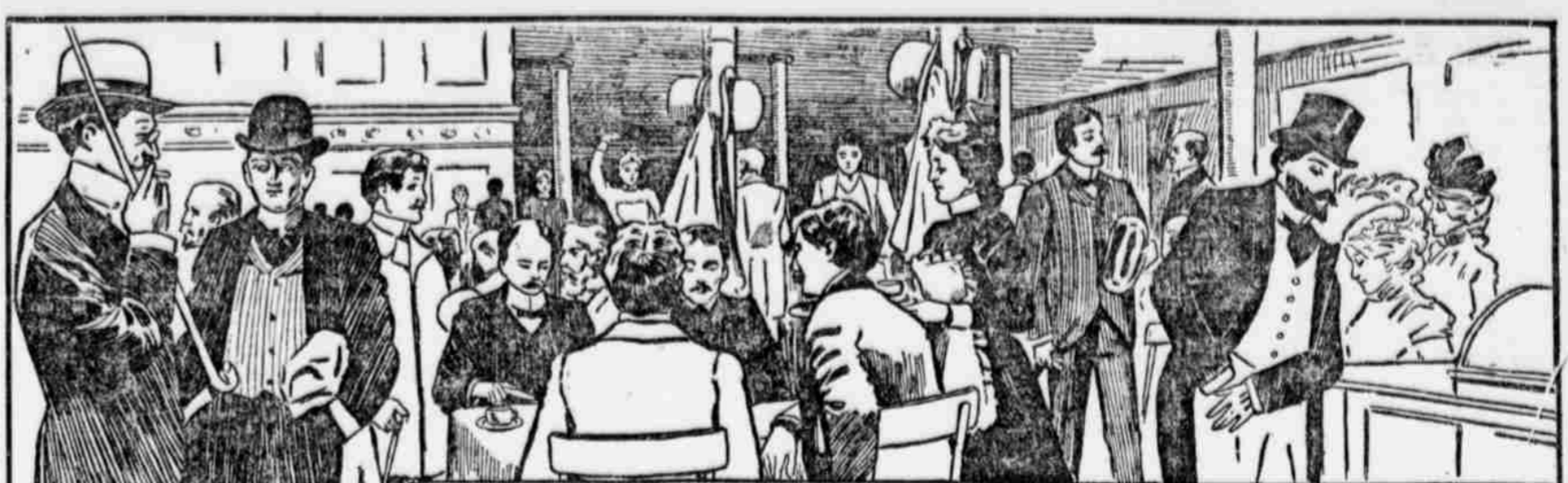
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"SACRIFICED to the American passion for hurry." That was the verdict given by a writer in Leslie's Weekly on the many victims of the ferry accident at Mount Desert. There was plenty of room on the boat, plenty of time to reach it. But the hurrying crowd jostled and struggled and crushed till they broke down the landing stage and produced a horror of death and destruction which shocked the entire country.

"Sacrificed to the American passion for hurry," is the epitaph which might be legitimately carved on the tombstones of thousands who have passed away as victims of liver disease, heart disease, lung disease, or the disease of some other vital organ, but who were in reality victims of stomach disease, induced by the American habit of hurry at meals.

Look into any favorite restaurant in any city at the lunch hour. Men are crowded about the tables and eating as if for a wager. Behind them and around them other men wait for their seats, wondering impatiently why people are such slow eaters. These are the people who sacrifice themselves to the passion for hurry. They eat heartily, rapidly, indifferent to everything but a speedy return to business, and the result is that the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition become diseased. Since the stomach is the vital center from which the whole body is nourished, it follows that no man can be stronger than his stomach. The "weak" heart which is so fatal to this hurrying generation will be found often to be the result of the weak stomach. The "disordered liver" will be set in order when the diseased stomach is cured. It is the same with other organs. They are all fed from the stomach. When the stomach breaks down they starve, and starvation means at first weakness and ultimately death. This being true, it follows that the cure of diseases remote from the stomach would often follow the cure of diseases of the stomach and the allied organs of digestion and nutrition. And that has been the experience of thousands who have taken Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, only hoping for relief from "stomach trouble," but who have found to their astonishment the liver regulated, "heart trouble" cured, "weak lungs" strengthened and nervous diseases entirely overcome. "Golden Medical Discovery" cures diseases of the stomach and the allied organs of digestion and nutrition. It cures through the stomach diseases remote from the stomach, which have their origin in a diseased condition of that vital organ. If a man cannot eat he cannot live. If he can eat, but cannot properly digest and assimilate his food he does not live but only exists, until some starved organ becomes a prey to disease. By curing diseases of the stomach and digestive and nutritive systems "Golden Medical Discovery" removes the obstacles to the perfect nutrition of the body and all its organs. By increasing the nutrition it increases the supply of blood which is made from food, when properly digested and assimilated, and this blood is the vital principle which nourishes the body and all its parts.

The natural result which follows the use of "Golden Medical Discovery" is a gain of flesh. This is especially marked in what are termed wasting diseases, where the emaciation is pronounced. This gain of flesh is a real gain—not a surface gain of flabby fat which is a burden to carry around, but a gain of firm flesh which counts for health and happiness.

There is no alcohol in the "Discovery," and it contains no opium, cocaine or other narcotic.

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"For seven years I had been troubled with what the doctors called bronchitis," writes Mr. Arthur Maule (general merchant), of Nilestown, Middlesex Co., Ontario. "A year ago, after I had been taken sick with a severe attack, I began taking 'Golden Medical Discovery.' I rapidly recovered from the attack, and felt no more of it that fall. This season I began taking the 'Discovery' in August, and have so far been perfectly well. I can go out in all kinds of weather and not feel the bronchial trouble at all. Let me say to all who are suffering from such complaints to give Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery a fair trial, and I am convinced that good results will be obtained."

"I was a sufferer from torpid liver for over a year," writes Mrs. Nora Willis, of Wheatfield, Jasper Co., Ind., "and could not sleep, nor eat but very little, and then it would cause me great distress. I tried several doctors but got no relief. Was advised by a friend to write to Dr. Pierce, which I did, and in a few days I received a letter advising me to take his 'Golden Medical Discovery' and also his 'Pleasant Pellets.' After I had taken only half a bottle I was greatly improved. I only took three bottles of the 'Golden Medical Discovery' and two vials of the 'Pellets,' and thanks to Dr. Pierce and his wonderful medicine, I am as well as ever in my life, and feel that life is worth living after all."

"Last spring, early, I wrote you my feelings and condition," says Mr. A. J. Vandewater, of 873 West Division Street, Chicago, Ill., "and you advised me to take Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. I am happy to say I am getting to feel fine. In all I have taken six bottles of the 'Discovery' and four or five vials of the little 'Pellets,' and they have done me worlds of good. These medicines have wrought the great change in me. I was a slow mope of a man that could hardly crawl, tired and sick all the time, unable to work; now I can work, sleep, eat, and feel fine, and that tired feeling is all going away. Dr. Pierce's medicines have almost made a new man of me. I feel young as I did at thirty years."

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W. F. Reynolds was elected in place of C. L. Rue Munson on the board of missions. Hunter Eckert was added to the finance committee, and Ezekiel B. Cox, J. M. W. Geist and J. F. Nichols were elected to fill vacancies on the board of directors of the Church Home, at Jonestown.

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"Rev. Dr. Foley submitted an amendment to Section 3 of Canon 10, and Rev. C. J. Wood and Rev. Rogers Israel were nominated for the standing committee in addition to those already composing the committee. Rev. Mr. Israel declined the nomination after expressing his thanks. This committee will be elected today."

"The election of secretary developed an incident of a rather enlivening nature. The nomination of the efficient and popular Secretary Clement was hardly made before the nominations were closed. Rev. E. S. Ballentine protested against this and wanted to know if the convention proposed to deny the right of nominating an opponent to Mr. Clement. To give Mr. Ballentine the desired opportunity the nominations were re-opened. Mr. Ballentine then proceeded to launch forth in a speech protesting against rushing business in so lively a fashion. He was interrupted with points of order and finally, after a series of gentle hints to the effect that time was very valuable, failed to bring Mr. Ballentine to a 'lastly.' The bishop said, in somewhat impatient tones: 'We hope Mr. Ballentine will make his nomination and sit down.' Loud cheers lasting a full minute followed."

technique was evident, the staccato passages being exceedingly well played. The Fantasia was also delightfully given. His efforts were received with much appreciation and were a great credit to his master, Mr. Thiele.

The Dilettante string quartette gave beautiful selections, the lieder air being among the best. The quintette, with Mr. Doersam at the piano, was very pleasing. Mrs. Thiele and Mr. John T. Watkins sang several charming songs. Mrs. Thiele's Chaminade Madrigal needing special mention. The pretty trio, by Messrs. Thiele, Doersam and Koempel, closed the programme.

The string quartette was made up of Ernst Thiele, first violin; William Allen, second violin; Edmund Thiele, viola; Carl Koempel, cello.

House Owned by Mrs. Kearney Was Badly Damaged. A small two-story frame building at 121 Sanderson avenue, owned by Mrs. Kearney, of Green Ridge, and occupied by Richard Dickson, an employe of the Scranton Bedding company, was badly damaged by fire last night, and nearly all of the furniture and household effects were destroyed, the fire originating in an unknown manner.

The roof of the building partly fell in, and the entire frame work and interior of the building were so badly damaged by the fire and water that it will probably cost between \$800 and \$1,000 to repair and rebuild it. The loss, however, is covered by insurance. Mr. Dickson places his loss at about \$400, which is covered by insurance.

ORDINATION OF T. F. ARCHIBALD. Thomas F. Archibald, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Archibald, of Jefferson street, will be ordained a minister of the Presbyterian church on Wednesday evening, May 23, in the First church of this city. The ordination services will be conducted by the Lackawanna Presbytery, and Rev. Dr. Hodge, of Tunkhannock; Rev. Dr. McLeod, of the First church; Rev. Dr. Robinson, of the Second church, and Rev. Dr. Logan will be prominent in the exercises.

Mr. Archibald is a graduate of Yale and of the Auburn Theological seminary, and a young man who is destined to achieve fame as an expounder of the gospel. He has already received a call to the Presbyterian church at Cuba, N. Y. Mr. Archibald will deliver his maiden sermon in the First Presbyterian church, of this city, of which he and his parents are members.

FIRE ON FIG STREET. At 1 o'clock this morning fire suddenly broke out in the three-story double building of Henry Heinz, at 629 Fig street. One side of the building is occupied by Mr. Heinz and the other side by Martin Fleming, his tenant. It is supposed that a candle ignited the curtains in the front bedroom on the Fleming side of the house. The blaze was discovered by Mrs. Doyle, a neighbor, who gave the alarm. The blaze was practically extinguished before the arrival of the South Scranton fire companies, all of which turned out. The roof of the building was slightly damaged, and the loss suffered by Mr. Fleming is about \$40, besides a large sum of money which was upstairs, and which was not recovered.

A Pleasure and a Duty. I consider it not only a pleasure but a duty I owe to my neighbors to tell about the wonderful cure effected in my case by the use of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. I was taken very badly with flux and procured a bottle of this remedy. A few doses of it effected a permanent cure. I take pleasure in recommending it to others suffering from this dreadful disease.—J. W. Lynch, Dorr, Va. This remedy is sold by all druggists, Matthews Brothers, wholesale and retail agents.