

CREED DEBATE HAS STARTED

Speeches in the Presbyterian General Assembly for and Against Revision.

MOTION TO DISMISS MADE

Interest in the Discussion Calls Forth a Large and Distinguished Audience—Speeches by Dr. Baker, Dr. Dickey, Dr. McKibben, Dr. Nicholls and Dr. Purves—The Discussion Throughout Is Without a Trace of Acrimony—General Harrison Quoted as Favoring Revision.

Philadelphia, May 23.—With eloquence born of the solemn importance of the question, commissioners to the Presbyterian general assembly today began the debate on the revision of the confession of faith. Brilliant leaders of the church advanced their views in a calm, dispassionate manner and the entire discussion was devoid of acrimony.

Revision Report. The great question came before the assembly with the reading of the report of the committee on revision by Rev. Dr. Charles A. Dickey, chairman.

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Dr. Johnson's Argument. Dr. Johnson then quoted a number of revisions which the creed has undergone since its adoption and said that as the prevailing sentiment of the church favored some change it was the duty of the assembly to take cognizance of their wish.

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Dr. Nicholls Speaks. A forceful address favoring revision, which noticeably impressed the commissioners, was delivered by Rev. Dr. Samuel J. Nicholls, of St. Louis, who declared that creed is the representative of scriptural knowledge up to date.

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QUIET DAY AT HARRISBURG

Bill Outlawing Marriage of First Cousins Is Reconsidered.

TAXATION CONFERENCE

Representative Men at Buffalo Are Discussing a Highly Important Matter.

ROOSEVELT TO ATTEND

Conference Was Called by the National Civic Federation and Will Consider Proper Systems of Taxation for Raising Revenue for Federal, State and Municipal Governments—Hon. James A. Garfield, of Cleveland, O., Spoke on "The Listing of Personal Property"—Others Who Appeared Before the Conference.

O'CONNELL'S STATEMENT

Number of Adjustments Reported During the Day—Strike of Seaboard Air Line Men Today.

SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

Number of Bills Approved That Have Widespread Interest.

PENN TO RACE ON LAKE KILLARNEY

Challenge of Dublin University Crew Accepted by the Rowing Committee of the U. of P.

DEATHS OF A DAY

Springfield, Ill., May 23.—Former Governor John T. Linn died at his home in Springfield at the age of 82.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

- Weather Indications Today: SHOWERS, COOLER. 1. General—Debate on Revision of Creed Started by Presbyterian Assembly.

PRESIDENT KEPT BUSY

Programme Filled Up Every Minute from Morning Until Late at Night.

ASKED AN APPOINTMENT

When a Delegation of Federal Officials Called Upon Him He Asked That a Place Be Found for a Man Who Served in His Regiment During the Civil War and Who Is Now Disabled—Turned the First Sod Where the Monument to the American Navy Is to Be Erected in Honor of Admiral Dewey's Victory.

ISLAND OF JAVA IS NEARLY BURIED

Volcano Keleot Pouring Out Lava and Cinders—One-third of the Island Already Covered.

BACH FESTIVAL OPENS HAPPILY

Singing of the Chorus Marked by Unusual Precision—Upwards of One Thousand Visitors.

TO ENTER ASPHALT WAR

The Five Dismissed West Point Cadets Get Another Job.

MURDER IN A COURT ROOM

Witness Who Was Shot at During a Trial Kills Assailant.

WIDOW OF DR. BARNES OF JACKSONVILLE, FREED FROM SUSPICION

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Jacksonville, Ill., May 23.—William W. Ferguson, the negro held in connection with the poisoning of Dr. Joseph L. Barnes, yesterday made a confession in which he admitted to the authorities that he had taken a box of poisoned candy to the patient and fed it to him.

WEATHER FORECAST

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