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HORRORS OF FAMINE.

GIRLS SOLD TO MOHAMMEDANS TO BUY FOOD.

Boys Abandoned by the Stricken People of India—Some 60,000,000 Suffering and Over 30,000,000 in Dire Distress. Only 5,000,000 Received Aid.

Boston, April 17.—The Rev. Rockwell Clancy, a missionary at Allahabad, who is visiting his brother in Medford, said in part: "The condition of famine stricken India today is something perfectly awful to contemplate. I cannot tell anything about the number dying, but when I left Bombay last February there were some 60,000,000 people suffering and over 30,000,000 were in dire distress and of these but 5,000,000 were receiving government aid.

"When the famine set in people began to sell everything they had that they might get a little grain for food. They took the doors from their houses and sold them; sold their furniture and farming utensils and then when they had no longer anything to sell, they sold their children. The boys don't sell well, and the traffic is largely in girls. I saw girls in one town just before I came away being sold for 30 cents apiece. But they won't buy the boys, so when the parents can no longer support their children they abandon them."

HILLS NO LONGER A PRESBYTERIAN.

Chicago Presbytery Granted His Request, Then Asked Assembly to Consider Creed.

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ITALIAN WIELDED WEAPONS FATALLY.

Murdered Four Men and Wounded Two and Himself Probably Killed by a Train.

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., April 17.—Four persons are dead and two are dangerously wounded at the mining town of Windber, near here, as the result of a drunken row in a disorderly house there. One Italian is charged with the wholesale crime, but it is believed that he is already beyond the reach of the law, as a man answering his description was ground under a train at South Fork.

ASKS \$10,000 FOR DEWEY.

President Wants Him Paid For His Work as Philippine Commissioner.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—Complying with a resolution of inquiry, the president sent to the senate an itemized statement of the expenses of the Philippine commission. The statement includes the following items: Compensation of \$10,000 each to Commissioners Schurman, Worcester and Denby, \$30,000; per diem allowance to commissioners after their return to the United States, \$5,285; secretary to commission (compensation), \$8,500; per diem (\$2,500), \$12,250; transportation, \$13,687; household expenses in Manila, \$9,252; clerical services, \$31,701; miscellaneous, \$14,998. Total, \$117,185.

The president also transmitted, with his endorsement, a recommendation from Secretary Hay that provision be made for payment to the naval and military members of the commission (Admiral Dewey and General Otis) at the same rate as that paid to the other members. He says they have received nothing for their services in excess of their regular salaries.

REBELS SURPRISED.

Attacked by Americans and Fifty-Three of Them Were Killed.

MANILA, April 17.—Captain Dodd, with a squadron of the Third Cavalry, recently surrounded a village in Benguet province, and surprised 200 insurgents, living in barracks, apparently a recruiting center for the province. The enemy lost 53 men killed. Our troops also captured 41 men and burned the village. One American was wounded.

Republicans Nominates Acheson.

WASHINGTON, Pa., April 17.—By a vote of 135 delegates to 50, Congressman Ernest F. Acheson was nominated as Washington county's choice for congress over Mr. L. A. McCracken. The most surprising thing of the convention was that Acheson, when called upon, went to the platform and delivered a speech for the first time in many years that he has been in politics.

\$30,000 for Church Work.

YORK, Pa., April 17.—Easter gifts aggregating \$30,000, donated for the work of church extension, were announced here by General Secretary Rev. H. H. Weber, of the board of church extension of the general synod of the Evangelical Lutheran church in America.

BASUTO NATIVES ARMED.

Three Thousand Used by the British to Guard the Border—Done to Keep Out the Boers.

MASERU, Basutoland, April 16.—Sir Godfrey Lagden, British resident commissioner, returned here from the scene of operations near Wepener. He and the paramount chief have stationed 4,000 armed natives to resist possible Boer encroachments. The orders of the resident commissioner are that the Basutos are not to be allowed to cross the Free State frontier on any pretense whatever. Two natives who crossed and looted an abandoned Boer farm are now in custody.

Colonel Dalgety's position is strong and well chosen, but he is completely surrounded. The Boers have their backs against Basutoland, and if they stay much longer they will be hemmed in. The British operations are keenly watched from the neighboring heights. Shelling and sniping have been going on steadily during the last six days.

Colonel Dalgety's guns are admirably served and there is no waste of ammunition. The Boers, when they see the electric flash of the cordite, bolt into their holes or behind walls. "So near are the Boers and the Basuto guards that they converse. The ambulances are close to the border, but the killed and wounded are not removed.

MAJOR GENERAL CHEERSMIDE.

He Was Appointed to the Old Command of General Gateau.

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ATTACKS CREED.

REV. DR. PARKHURST'S ASSAULT ON WESTMINSTER CONFESSION.

Christ's Words to Nicodemus Creed Enough For Him—The Doctrine of Foreordination, He Declared, a Burden to the Presbyterian Church.

NEW YORK, April 16.—Rev. Dr. Chas. H. Parkhurst, speaking in his pulpit in Madison Square Presbyterian church, made a vigorous assault on the Westminster confession of faith. He said: "We ought to have a new confession of faith. It is surprising that the Presbyterian church is able to do as much as it is doing with such an incumbrance strapped upon us as we are tottering under in our present confession. In the first place the thing needed is not a system of theology, for that is what our present confession is, but a simple, brief Saxon statement of a half dozen or so of the vital ingredients of Jesus Christ's message to the world. I could get along with a confession of faith containing but the little that Jesus said when he was trying to make a Christian of 'Nicodemus: 'God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.'"

"That gives us the doctrine of God's unlimited love, human guilt, the Divinity of Christ, salvation through Christ, faith in Christ, immortality; every word Saxon, three-quarters of the words monosyllabic, profound enough for any elder, simple enough for any four year old.

"At any rate we want a new creed. Amending this one will not meet the necessities of the case. Better give it a dignified place in the museum for what it is than hack it to pieces and re-vamp it for what it is not.

"And then, once more, if there were among us the distinct feeling which the gospel so wonderfully guarantees, that everything in this great Christian matter pivots on the absolute and unconditional love of God, we should be intolerant toward everything that states or even suggests anything, like a partial or arbitrary love on God's part, loving some because he chose to and damning the rest in order to show what he could do and how 'just he was.

"Now that is our book, the Presbyterian confession of faith in the third chapter. If we are thorough Presbyterians and believe what our doctrinal prospectus advertises us as believing, we believe it probable that some of the children in your homes, little children, perhaps the baby of your bosom is damned, already damned, damned before it was born, damned from everlasting to everlasting and then you are invited to come into church and say 'Our Father.' Why, any man who should become a father for the sake of the joy and glory he would use in rearing his own offspring, deliberately creating a child with a view to the agony into which he was going to torture it, would be chased from the earth as a friend and as an abomination.

"It does not meet the case to say that it is only in the 'book,' and that nobody preaches it. It is true that nobody preaches it, and equally true, I doubt not, that nobody believes it, nevertheless it is printed on the flag beneath which the Presbyterian army is marching, and it hurts us, as a denomination. Men are staying out because it is there and men are going out because it is there."

Congregationalists Want McGiffert.

NEW YORK, April 16.—At the meeting of the Manhattan conference at the North Congregational church, borough of Bronx, the name of Arthur C. McGiffert, of Union Seminary, was proposed for membership. The proposer said he was not advised whether the Union professor would accept membership at once, or whether he preferred to await final adjustment of his case by the Presbyterian general assembly, but he was assured that Prof. McGiffert would accept ultimately. The conference voted unanimously to receive the name.

Favor a Shorter Creed.

CLEVELAND, April 16.—Rev. Dr. S. P. Sprecher and Rev. Paul F. Sutphen, the ministerial delegates from this city to the Presbyterian general assembly, declared in favor of the adoption of a shorter creed, and both said they and the two lay delegates would vote for such a change. Dr. Sprecher wants the Westminster confession revised also.

Archbishop Hennessy's Two Wills.

DUBLIN, In., April 16.—The late Archbishop Hennessy's two wills, dated Jan. 18, were filed here. One is like his probated will of Jan. 17, giving his estate personally acquired to Catholic institutions. The other gives the estate inherited from his brother, David J. Hennessy, of St. Paul, to his relatives. There will be no contest. The amiable suit having been entered by his brother, Michael, merely to meet legal requirements.

Killed by Gas Explosion.

LOGANSPORT, Ind., April 16.—High pressure and a piece of alleged defective pipe in the mains of the Chicago Pipe Line company, at a point four miles southeast of here, were the cause of a terrific explosion, in which Michael Ellison, Jr., was instantly killed and five other men received injuries from which it is doubtful if some will recover.

Queen Visited a Hospital.

DUBLIN, April 16.—The queen drove to Kilmainham hospital, where she was received by the Duke of Connaught. Her majesty was saluted by the pensioners, who were drawn up in the quadrangle, and presented her with a bouquet. She then proceeded to the castle, where she was received by the Earl and Countess Cadogan.

GOLD MAY BE EXPORTED.

Some Talk of It, and a Small Sum Went to Buenos Ayres—Review of Trade.

NEW YORK, April 14.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade, issued today, said in part: "Iron furnaces in blast April produced 280,482 tons weekly, against 299,643 March 1, but unsoft stocks increased 2,380 tons. A mistaken inference, possibly fatal to many in its consequences, is that stocks held by consuming concerns must be running down. As they contract for their supplies months ahead and such supplies, whether delivered or not consumed, or waiting their orders at furnaces, would not be reckoned in unsoft stocks, the surplus owned by consumers may be heavy.

"For new business in finished products is reported to The Iron Age from Pittsburgh as 'frightfully small,' owing to belief that high prices can not be maintained, and no better report comes from Philadelphia. With No. 1 anthracite \$2 lower, refined bars \$4 and steel plates \$11 per ton lower than in December, it can hardly be called impossible for prices to yield, though many are so flimsy held. Pittsburgh reports a number of plate mills shut down, and five Pennsylvania and Ohio furnaces have stopped, perhaps for repairs, more than balancing five which started in March, two in Tennessee adding 2,500 tons weekly.

A heavy wholesale business has been done in dry goods, but the question now is whether retail distribution will justify it. As yet returns are not satisfactory; there is increase, but not enough to warrant the buying from mills. Woolens and worsteds are dull, with concessions in fancies, though staples are well sold up and firm. The material declines further, averaging nearly half a cent lower than April 1.

In spite of the heavy balance due on merchandise account, there has been talk of gold exports, and a small amount has gone to Buenos Ayres on European account. Supplies of money are abundant here, the banks have again gained largely, rates are low and commercial demands narrow, and the interior is better prepared than ever to do without aid.

The exports of wheat from both coasts continue larger than last year. Western receipts continue larger than last year, in two weeks 6,764,640 bushels, against 5,863,665 last year. Corn receipts also continue heavy, 8,917,397 bushels, against 6,677,613 last year.

Failures for the week were 193 in the United States, against 188 last year, and 41 in Canada, against 22 last year.

SCHIEL TRIED TO ESCAPE.

St. Citadel at St. Helena—Cronje on the Island.

ST. HELENA, April 16.—Colonel Schiel and two other Boer prisoners were landed and sent to the citadel in consequence of an attempt to escape. It appears that Colonel Schiel bribed a boatman to take a letter to a Dutch cruiser, but the boatman, by mistake, took it to the British cruiser Niobe. A large knife was found in possession of one of the three.

Colonel Schiel walked to the citadel, declining a carriage that was placed at his disposal. General Cronje and his wife and three members of the staff of the former Boer commandant, who, with the other Boer prisoners, arrived here on the Niobe and Milwaukee on April 10, were landed, accompanied by Colonel Reefe. They were met by the governor and commander-in-chief of St. Helena, his excellency, Robert Sterndale, and Mrs. Sterndale, at the castle, where the party remained for an hour, afterward proceeding to the Kent building.

General Cronje looked well and appeared cheerful.

Harry Weldon Better.

CINCINNATI, April 16.—The editor of Harry M. Weldon, sporting editor of The Enquirer, is very encouraging. His voice is coming back gradually. He will be taken to his home at Circleville, O., tomorrow.

Shorter Hours for Drug Clerks.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 17.—Governor Roosevelt signed the bill providing for shorter hours of the drug clerks in the city of New York and the inspection of druggists by the local board of health.

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