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NEW YORK M. E. CONFERENCE.

Rev. DeLoz Lull's Resolution Favoring National Prohibition Adopted.

New York, April 8.—At the afternoon session a report presented by a special committee on the "Bank and treatment of naval chaplains" was adopted. The report charged that disrespect and even cruelty had been visited upon navy chaplains, that the salary was too low and that the uniform made the wearers ridiculous. The report petitioned the president and congress to relieve the conditions complained of. An increase in the number of chaplains from 24 to 50 was advocated.

The Rev. A. F. Palmer, John F. Andrews and H. C. Connolly were elected trustees of the first class of the New York conference.

The Rev. DeLoz Lull got an opportunity to make a speech in support of his national prohibition resolution. At the close he moved that the resolution be laid on the table. The Rev. D. E. S. Tipple, however, said that he hoped the conference would adopt them. The motion was seconded and the resolutions were unanimously adopted as an amendment to the report of the committee on temperance which was presented during the afternoon.

Chancellor Day, chancellor of Syracuse university, reported that \$550,000 had been secured for the endowment fund of that institution and that before the next conference he hoped to be able to report that the fund had passed the million mark. He described the new school of Applied Sciences, recently added to the university through the munificence of a wealthy manufacturer, as being one of the finest institutions of its kind in the country.

RECEIVER APPOINTED.

New England Gas and Coke Company to Be Reorganized.

Boston, April 8.—Upon application of the United Gas and Coke company of West Virginia, a heavy creditor, Robert F. Burnett of Boston was appointed receiver for the New England gas and coke company by Judge Curt of the United States Circuit Court. The move is said to be the first step toward a reorganization. It is further said that the action of the United Gas and Coke company is a friendly one.

The announcement of the appointment of a receiver was followed at once by the appearance of circulars issued by a committee representing the first mortgage 5 per cent bondholders and the stockholders of the New England Gas and Coke company saying that Messrs. Kidder, Peabody & Company of Boston and J. & W. Seligman of New York were proposing a plan for the reconstruction and reorganization of the company at the request of many holders of securities of the company, which plan they will submit at the earliest possible moment. Bondholders and stockholders are invited by the creditors to deposit securities with the Old Colony Trust company, Boston, or the Colonial Trust company, New York, which will receive deposits up to and including

April 17, 1902. The circular says that it "appears that upwards of \$6,000,000 will be probably necessary for the rehabilitation of the company."

Life Imprisonment For Murder. Ithaca, April 8.—James Churchill of Ithaca, who killed his wife, Minnie, and his father-in-law, Daniel Minturn, at the latter's home at Newfield last June, was sentenced to life imprisonment at Auburn. Justice Lyon of the supreme court pronounced sentence. The prisoner pleaded guilty to murder in the second degree. Churchill's crime was the result of jealousy. He entered his father-in-law's house at 2 a. m. and crushed his wife's skull, using a heavy wrench. When her aged father came to her assistance he was struck down. The 8-year-old daughter of Churchill escaped from the house.

Vessels Aground. Cheboygan, Mich., April 8.—The Steel corporation's steamer Charles R. Van Hise, from Duluth to South Chicago, ore laden, ran hard aground on the northeast end of Bois Blanc, during a snowstorm about two miles from the life saving station. She is on a rocky bottom and is leaking. The captain was brought here by the crew of the life saving station and will go to the assistance of the Van Hise. A special report that the schooner Annie M. Peterson is ashore at Whitefish Point, Lake Superior.

Tried to Kill Prefect of Police. Berlin, April 8.—The Tageblatt publishes a dispatch from St. Petersburg, dated Sunday, April 6, which reports a third attempt to assassinate General Trepoff, the prefect of police of Moscow. While the general was out driving a man supposed to be a rusticated student sprang on the step of his carriage and tried to stab the prefect, but only succeeded in wounding a policeman who was seated beside him. The would-be assassin was arrested. It is believed that there is a widespread conspiracy against the prefect of police.

Investigating Alleged British Camp. Washington, April 8.—At the suggestion of the attorney general and the secretary of state, the war department has decided to withhold from publication the name of the officer selected to inquire into the actual conditions at Port Chalmers, La., whence animals and supplies are being shipped to the British army in South Africa. It is felt that the officer's purpose might be thwarted by publicity at this stage.

Saw and Felt. "I just dropped in to see if you wanted any of your wire axes sharpened," said the funny man.

"No, we use our own files for it," replied the editor.—Philadelphia Press.

Steel is obtained from the leaves of a plant belonging to the genus family which thrives chiefly along the Gulf coast of Mexico.

Oats are not raised in China and not fed to horses except in the winter season.

A Guest Frustrate. In one of the old mansions of northern England a dinner was given two months which was interrupted with each other by a singular conclusion. Early in the afternoon a guest, used as a sleeping room apartment, and the doors of the adjacent parlors were open and a guest in the center of the parlors sat.

This laughing device was the invention of one of the inventors of the present proprietor, who was somewhat of a wag, and found great pleasure in frightening and mystifying his guests.

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She Did So. "Always," said papa, as he drank his coffee and enjoyed his morning breakfast, "always, children, change the subject when anything unpleasant has been said. It is both wise and polite."

That evening on his return from business he found several of his flower beds despoiled, and the tiny imprint of slippered feet silently bearing witness to the small theft.

"Mabel," he said to her, "did you pick my flowers?"

"Papa," said Mabel, "did you see a monkey in the city today? We had a—"

"Never mind that. Did you pick my flowers, Mabel?"

"Papa, what did grandma send me?"

"Mabel, what do you mean? Did you pick my flowers? Answer me, yes or no."

"Yes, papa, I did, but I thought I would change the subject."—London Tit-Bits.

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