

CHURCH ASSEMBLY.

A CLOSE UNION DESIRED. Two Great Churches Are Drawing Together.

The Presbyterian General Assembly at Saratoga, N. Y., was opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. Herrick Johnson, of Chicago.

Notwithstanding the few objectionable passages, the alleged incorrect interpretations of scripture, and the questionable philosophy of two or three paragraphs in our standards, they are a marvel of skill and dialectic acumen.

These doctrines have been drawn out of God's word in such a way as to forbid the making of any essential changes in them without doing violence to that word.

How shall the possibilities of our elder-ship, presbyteries and our creed be developed? Not by imbecilities, not by flimsy resolutions in presbyteries or synods, and not by heated discussions in the general assembly.

After the afternoon meeting Rev. William E. Moore, D. D., of Columbus was elected moderator, and made a short address.

PRESBYTERIAN ASSEMBLY.

Methods of Revision of Faith Further Discussed.

There was a large attendance at the Presbyterian General Assembly Saturday. The Committee on Revision of the Confession of Faith and Catechism reported progress and was granted permission to make a final report at the next general assembly.

Consideration of the report of the Committee on Methods of Revision was resumed. Dr. Howard Crosby said their were two questions: Can our constitution be amended, and if so, how?

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Superintendent Phillips says the men were killed by an explosion of gas. When the cave-in occurred all the lights were blown out. It was then dangerous to relight the lamps, but one of the miners named Allen, insisted on lighting his and said "I am going to have light to get out of here."

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MINERS ENTOMBED ALIVE.

A Cave-in Covering Ten Acres Buried Twenty-seven Men.

The long series of awful mine disasters that have visited this valley within the past year reached a climax in the entombing of 27 men in the Hartford mine of the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal Company at Ashley, three miles from Wilkesbarre.

At 5 o'clock the news was passed that they had succeeded in breaking through the chambers beneath the cave. The men toiled on in silence until 6:30, when there was a commotion at the mouth of the dark opening, and the foreman crawled out on his hands and knees and announced that he had found one of the victims.

It is supposed that Froyne wandered away from the rest of the men, and in his efforts to find a way out fired the gas in an old chamber. If this explosion reached the other men their chances of escape are very slight.

The following is a list of men who are known to be imprisoned: John Hanson, Anthony Froyne, Michael Shanley, John Allen, Michael Henry, Charles James, Frank Gallagher, Robert Roberts, Harry Jones, Ellis Williams, Owen Williams, John Penning, Anthony Froyne, Harry Terry, Thomas Claus, John James, and four Hungarian laborers.

A later report says Fire Boss John Allen and Robert Roberts had also been taken out, both terribly, perhaps fatally, burned.

Exploring parties have found 19 dead in the mine, and six more are missing.

After working hard all night the rescuing parties at the ill-fated mine discovered, at 7 o'clock the body of George Russ, one of the entombed men. He was sitting up in one of the gang ways, and was able to talk.

This news caused great rejoicing among the rescuers, as they thought the whole party must be safe. The news was sent to the people on the outside, and there was great cheering, but this joy of the multitude was short-lived.

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The committee on the Judiciary reported to the Senate a substitute for the bill providing imported liquor to the laws of the several States. The substitute provides that no State shall be held to be limited or restrained in its power to prohibit, regulate, control or tax the sale, keeping for sale or the transportation as an article of commerce, or otherwise to be delivered within its own limits of any fermented, distilled or other intoxicating liquids or liquors by reason of the fact that the same have been imported into such State from beyond its limits whether they shall or shall not have been paid thereon any tax duty, import or excise to the United States.

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John Siebery, aged 24, lived with his wife, aged 19, on a farm near Bluffton, south of Ft. Wayne, Ind. They were married a year ago, but their married life had been very unpleasant, and they parted about three months ago, only recently agreeing to bury all difficulties and live together again.

PRESTO.

STRANGERS WITH A TIN BOX.

They Bunco James Maguire out of Five Thousand Dollars.

James Maguire, a well-known resident of Lima, Ohio was very cleverly buncoed out of \$5,000 by two strangers. Mr. Maguire lately sold a farm in Perry township for \$20,000 which he brought to Lima and deposited in the bank.

The large man then showed Maguire a roll of money, amounting, he said, to \$800, and proposed that Maguire go to the bank and draw \$5000. By this means they would influence the man in the buggy to deposit his money. Maguire came up town and drew out of the Ohio National bank \$5000, and returned with it.

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The congregation was astounded when he entered the enclosure in front of the altar, and placing his hand on one of the arms of a large wooden cross in the chancel attempted to drive a nail through his palm with a stone he had brought with him.

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As if fire and water were not capable of inflicting misery enough on the unfortunate outcasts, the storm was followed by a sudden fall in the temperature, and soon the devastated city was buried beneath a mantle of snow that added stinging wounds to the suffering thousands of shelterless men, women and children.

RAN INTO AN ICEBERG.

The Steamship Parisian Narrowly Escapes Destruction.

The Allan Line steamship Parisian, narrowly escapes disaster off the Banks of Newfoundland. A heavy fog prevailed, and the steamer was running cautiously at the rate of six miles an hour.

For a time the huge ship shivered from the shock, and great excitement prevailed on board, a panic being prevented only by the self-possession of the officers. The vessel lay on her broadside for a full minute, and Capt. Richie ordered all hands on deck, and the crew to stand by the boats.

One of the McCoy Gang Killed. Dave Stratton, of the McCoy gang, was killed by being run over by a train on the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad.

Two Chester fishermen quarreled about the ownership of a boat and neither would surrender his claim. The boat was finally sawed in two, and each took a part.

MISS BLAINE'S MARRIAGE.

Wedded to Walter Damrosch—Some of the Costumes Described.

Margaret Isabella Blaine, oldest daughter of the Secretary of State, was married Saturday afternoon at the residence of her father, in Washington City, to Walter Damrosch, of New York. It was one of the most fashionable weddings in Washington since that of Nellie Grant-Sartoris.

The bride's wedding dress was of white mousseline de soie, draped over white silk. At the foot of the straight, long drapery was a scalloped border of applique embroidery. The bodice had deep frills of crepe lisse around the V-shaped opening.

Mrs. Harrison wore to the wedding a costume of black Chantilly lace draped over black and white striped silk. Her little lace and jet bonnet had a few dark chrysanthemums in it, and the entire costume was extremely becoming and rich.

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FLASHING MESSAGES.

The Most remarkable Achievement Ever Made in Heliographing.

The greatest achievement yet made in heliographing was accomplished during the war in the department of Arizona by Lt. W. West.

John Glenn, an Allegheny officer, testified finding clothes in the Nickel Plate restaurant at Beaver Falls, and that the white corographing was accomplished during the war in the department of Arizona by Lt. W. West.

MURDERED.

THE VICTIMS WERE WEALTHY.

An Aged Couple and Their Son Killed in Their Own Home.

A horrible triple murder was committed at the house of John Crouch, about a quarter of a mile from Bentleyville, Pa., some time during Tuesday night, John Crouch, a farmer, aged 80 years, his wife and son Andrew, aged 35 years, were found dead in their home, with throats cut from ear to ear, at an early hour next morning.

The discovery of the awful tragedy was made early in the morning by a small boy named Crawford, who went to the Crouch home to return a borrowed saw. He rapped at the door, and receiving no answer, looked through the window and was horrified to see the old gentleman lying dead by the kitchen door, covered with blood.

The instrument of death was found in the form of a club covered with blood. There were evidences of a desperate struggle in the room where the bodies were found, tables and chairs being overturned and broken, while the clothing of young Crouch was badly torn, showing clearly that he had grappled with the fiends in an attempt to protect the lives of his venerable parents.

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WEST IS HELD FORMURDER.

His White Partner Arrested as an Accessory With Him.

The hearing in the case of Wm. West, charged with the murder of the Crouch family, took place in City Hall, at Monongahela City, Pa., before Judge Mitchell, the nearest neighbor, testified to going to Crouch's home Wednesday morning, when told by Harry Crawford there was something wrong at Crouch's. He told how the bodies were found and that the bureau drawers in the bedroom seemed to have been tampered with.

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MARKETS.

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NEW YORK.

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LIVE-STOCK MARKETS.

Movements and Prices at the Cattle Yards, East Liberty.

While the supply was light the attitude of buyers was larger than usual, and in having the advantage did not hesitate to make the best of it.

WOOL.

Boston.—There has been a fair demand for wools during the past week.

Philadelphia.—Wool—Stocks quiet and steady; Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York, XX and above, 33 to 40; XX, 28 to 35; coarse, 24 to 30; fine, 20 to 25.