NOW FOR THE SPOILS

McKinley Preparing to Pass Around Puerto Rican Jobs.

ONLY TARIFF MEN ARE FAVORED

Washington Congressmen Assist Tongue on His Indian War Veterans' Bill.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—President McKinley discussed politics with his Congressional visitors today, and it is said that he has kept himself well informed regarding the political developments in each state, and is quite well satisfied with the way matters are turning. Senator Foraker, who returned from Ohio today, assured the President that the Republicans in that state are in splendid shape. He declared that the party has never been better prepared for a fight, and that the opposition to the Puerto Rican bill has done no harm. Already the different Senators are pushing their political friends for places in the new Puerto Rican government. The President, it is understood, desires to pass these places around as much as possible, but they are likely to go to men who helped put through the Puerto Rican bill.

Help for the Indian War Bill.

Representative Tongue received some unexpected assistance on his Indian war veteran bill today. The Washington members appeared before the pension committee and urged that a favorable report be made on this bill. It was another surprise to Representative Tongue, as he did not know of the intention of the Washington members until after the argument had been made. The fact that this bill has not been reported from the committee so far indicates that it will not get a hearing at this session of Congress, although it is urged by many other members besides those from the Pacific Coast.

Philippine News Discouraging.

The discouraging conditions in the Philippines are giving the Republicans a great deal of uneasiness. The Administration hoped that the troops which had been sent to General Otis would be sufficient to put down the rebellion all over the islands, but it now appears that the guerrilla warfare is just as serious as ever. General Otis and other officers have suggested that more troops were needed, and it is well known that if these suggestions are carried out it will be quite a serious blow to the expansion sentiment in the country. The Administration realizes that expansion is popular, but if more troops are sent it is likely to cause the people to fear that the Filipino war is altogether too expensive.

Another Black Eye for Quay.

Quay got another black eye today, and the indications are that he will have a very hard time before his case is settled, and it is doubtful if it will even then be settled in his favor. It has been noticed on two occasions that reservations were made in the proposed unanimous consent, which would mean that by parliamentary tactics, such as postponing and setting aside final action, it could be put off indefinitely. In the first place, it was set aside by Hale, and today by Aldrich. Both Hale and Aldrich are supposed to be pledged to vote for Quay on the direct vote, but it is evident that they intend to secure postponement if possible. Both are very shrewd parliamentarians and adroit manipulators in the Senate, and as it is evident they are against Quay, they will make it very hard for him to obtain his seat.

BRABANT ISOLATED.

His Force Cut Off From the Main British Army.

LONDON, April 9.—The amazing activity of the Boers southeast and southwest of Bloemfontein continues, the Boer commands seemingly coming and going throughout as wide a region as they please, but taking good care not to throw themselves against strong bodies of British.

The retirement of the Irish Rifles from Rouxville to Aliwal North leaves General Brabant without communication with the other British forces. He has 2000 or 3000 Colonials holding a fine defensive country, but he is apparently invested, so far as London knows.

Telegraphic and railroad communications with Bloemfontein are kept up as usual, but nothing comes through for public consumption. Roberts' last message was dated April 6, and the last unofficial message bore the date of April 8. The absence of news, as usual, disheartens the people and produces a discouraging effect. The last unofficial message notes that good spirits prevail at Bloemfontein, and the continual arrival of animals, and two fresh cavalry regiments.

In the Orange Free State, the situation is complex, with scanty material for forming a correct estimate of the situation, and the newspapers, not being in the confidence of the managers, are criticising the condition of affairs as they see them.

Boer Raiding Parties.

MASERU, Saturday, April 7.—The Boers who were massed last week near Ladybrand to the number of 10,000, after seizing Thabanchu, and the Modder River water works, broke up into strong divisions and they are now raiding in the south of the Free State, reoccupying the small towns which were evacuated by the British. The Boers' policy seems to be to make rapid movements, with little transport, looting English farmers and storekeepers freely for provisions and cutting the communications of the British forces.

General Brabant's Colonials are now mostly at Wepener. They are a splendid force, capable of great striking power, and used to cross country riding, and are able to deal roughly with the Boer commandoes now roaming about the country.

A squadron of Brabant's Horse captured 400 rifles near Wepener. His outposts are reported to be in touch with the Boers, and a fight is regarded as imminent.

Persistent reports are being circulated that the Boers are preparing to flank the British position at Wepener, and thus to secure entrance into Basutoland. Such an attempt will be resisted by the Basutoland government, which, it is believed, has made quiet preparations.

Meanwhile the approach of the armies to Basutoland produces much excitement among the natives, necessitating the utmost vigilance on the part of the local officials.

An Attack on Mafeking.

MAFEKING, Tuesday, March 27.—News was received yesterday of the advance of the southern relief column. The Boers this morning opened fire at sunrise, with seven guns, including one 100-pounder. This has been the most vigorous bombardment of the season. The Boer siege gun alone has already fired over 60 rounds. Under cover of the fire, the Boers advanced to the northern face of the works, but retired precipitately on coming within rifle range. They also advanced to the southwestern parts, but were repulsed. There was one casualty. The Boers, under Commandant Jan Cronje, are evidently falling back before the advance of the southern relief column, and are concentrating with two commandos, who are retiring before Colonel Plumer, in order to make a final effort to reduce the town. All the forts and outlying positions are manned, the troops are standing to arms and everybody is under cover. All are convinced that this is the Boers' last attempt.

Many Wounded at Reddersburg.

LONDON, April 10.—The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Times, telegraphing Sunday, says:

"Two captured Boers agree that only 50 men remained unwounded out of the whole British column captured at Reddersburg. General Gatacre and his staff were fired on from enclosures while they temporarily occupied Reddersburg. Considerable movements of troops have occurred here with the object of preventing a surprise."

RIVALS CAPE NOME.

Ketchikan Miner Has Faith in His Island.

Joseph Hamblet, superintendent of the Sea Breeze quartz mine, who is sojourning at the St. Charles for a few days, says that his portion of the Alaskan coast does not need to take a back seat, even from Cape Nome, though his is exclusively a quartz-mine proposition instead of placer. His miners are down now to a depth of 50 feet, and have cross-cut the lode, which consists of two parallel seams of quartz, making a thickness of 30 feet, the average assay of which is $10 per ton.

The Sea Breeze mine is situated on the Island of Ketchikan, 465 miles south of Juneau, and the town that is springing up around the mines, he thinks, will shortly rival Juneau for commercial importance in Southeastern Alaska. In fact, all north-bound steamers now stop at Ketchikan, the first port of importance after leaving Seattle. The seashore for a distance of eight miles north of the Sea Breeze mine is being prospected with success, as the ledges crop out at frequent intervals, and, on being tapped by shaft or tunnel, prove to be true fissure veins. The Burlesque and Sea Level ledges, near by, are being developed with a view to putting in a 50-stamp mill on each, and Mr. Hamblet is now negotiating for the purchase of a 50-stamp mill for the Sea Breeze.

The quartz veins run between walls of slate and porphyry, and the ore so far uncovered is of the free-milling order. He carries a large specimen of the Sea Breeze rock with him as a watch charm, which shows the composition and value of the ledge. This charm is about the size of a pigeon egg, and the gold is honeycombed all through it to the value of about $10. The rock is so soft that it has been encased in a basket made of wire gold taken from the mine. If it were not for this guard, the rock would soon crumble by contact and leave the golden core behind it.

The force now employed in the Sea Breeze is composed of white men, he says, and laborers are in good supply. Skilled miners can be procured for $2 50 a day and board, so it is not necessary to employ Indians, who would rather hunt and fish than mine, anyway.

Mr. Hamblet has been developing the Sea Breeze for nearly four years, and has become quite enamored of the climate of Ketchikan, which he pronounces mild and equable the year around. He expects to remain in Portland for a few weeks, and then return to the mines, bringing his mining machinery back with him.

RICH STRIKE IN THE COLLATERAL.

One of the Virtue Group and the Richest Yet Found.

BAKER CITY, April 9.—A very rich strike was made in the Collateral, one of the Virtue group, today. The strike was made in a drift from the Virtue into the Collateral, at the 350-foot level, and is the richest yet found in this property.

Quotations of Mining Stocks.

SPOKANE, April 9.—The closing bids for mining stocks today were:

Blacktail	$0 09	Princess Maud	$0 03½
Crystal	4½	Rambler Cariboo	24½
Deer Trail No. 2	9	Republic	1 10½
Evening Star	7	Reservation	9½
Gold Ledge	4½	Rossland Giant	1½
Golden Harvest	1½	Sullivan	9½
Lone Pine Surp.	15	Tom Thumb	13½
Mountain Lion	85	St. Keverne	3½
Morning Glory	3	Sonora	4½

SAN FRANCISCO, April 9.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were:

Alta	$0 04	Justice	$0 05
Alpha Con	4	Mexican	35
Andes	11	Occidental Con	13
Belcher	20	Ophir	80
Best & Belcher	26	Overman	20
Bullion	3	Potosi	14
Caledonia	1 05	Savage	11
Challenge Con	20	Seg. Belcher	4
Chollar	14	Sierra Nevada	72
Confidence	72	Silver Hill	13
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 70	Standard	3 05
Crown Point	18	Union Con	32
Gould & Curry	27	Utah Con	11
Hale & Norcross	32	Yellow Jacket	29

NEW YORK, April 9.—Mining stocks today closed as follows:

Chollar	$0 10	Ontario	$8 50
Crown Point	16	Ophir	80
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 05	Plymouth	11
Deadwood	60	Quicksilver	1 75
Gould & Curry	27	do pref	8 00
Hale & Norcross	30	Sierra Nevada	50
Homestake	50 00	Standard	3 50
Iron Silver	66	Union Con	30
Mexican	20	Yellow Jacket	15

BOSTON, April 9.—Closing quotations:

Adventure	$0 05½	Humboldt	$0 50
Allouez Mining	2½	Osceola	70
Amal. Copper	95½	Parrott	48
Atlantic	26½	Quincy	1 37
Boston & Mont.	3 25	Santa Fe Copper	6½
Butte & Boston	52	Tamarack	1 85
Cal. & Hecla	7 50	Utah Mining	34
Centennial	22½	Winona	4½
Franklin	15½	Wolverines	41

Valuable Copper Property.

Dr. E. O. Smith, the well-known mining expert, has returned from a visit to the coast of Southwest Alaska, where he has been making an examination of an extensive copper property for a New York syndicate who had bonded it from Allen & Lewis.

The property is situated on Alberni Canal, where the ore can be dumped directly into steamers and can be brought to Portland for 75 cents per ton. Mr. Smith says a tunnel has been run in 48 feet on a vein which is 18 feet wide, and carries 22 per cent of copper, and the ore now in sight, it is estimated, will yield over $125,000 worth of copper. He considers it certain that the syndicate will purchase the mine, and says it alone will furnish ore enough to keep a good-sized smelter in operation, and will yield immense profits. D. O. Mills has recently purchased a copper property within six miles of the one he inspected, paying $4,000 for it. Mr. Smith says that Mr. Bradford, the smelter man will certainly arrive here within two or three weeks, and will locate a large smelter here, irrespective of what Portland may do in the matter.

Vacancies in the Army.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—At the present time there are 115 vacancies in the grade of Second Lieutenant in the Army. Of these, 68 are in the infantry arm, 14 in the artillery and 27 in the cavalry. There will probably be a few more places in each, depending upon the result of pending examinations for promotion. About half of these vacancies will be filled by this year's graduates from the West Point Military Academy, and half the remainder through the customary examination of noncommissioned officers in the regular service.

This will leave about 30 vacancies for civilians, and preference for these will be given to young men now serving in the volunteer regiments in the Philippines and to sons of soldiers killed in the Spanish War.

War in Colombia Spreading.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, April 9.—Colombian advices just received here announce that a rebel attack is momentarily expected at Savanima. It is added that the place has been prepared for the expected movement, and that artillery has been trained so as to command the harbor. At Cartagena, all is excitement, owing to the rebels' successes, and a large body of government troops has arrived at Colon to strengthen the garrison there.

England's Armored Trains.

The magnificent armored trains used by England in her war with the Boers will transport her troops, protect bridges and telegraphic communications in about the same way that Hostetter's Stomach Bitters drives dyspepsia from the human stomach and then mounts guard that it does not return. The Bitters has won in every case of indigestion, biliousness, liver and kidney trouble for the past 50 years. It is invaluable at all times.

THE FLOODED COLORADO

SITUATION AT AUSTIN IS SLIGHTLY IMPROVED.

Matters Are Worse in Southern Texas—Railroads Are Paralyzed—Fifty Lives Lost.

AUSTIN, Tex., April 9.—The flood situation here is improved somewhat, but the reports from points below indicate that the full effect of the immense volume of water is being felt in Wharton and Fayette Counties, everything being inundated and much loss of property and livestock being reported.

In Bastrop County the flood has caused much damage, and something like 50 washouts and losses of bridges are reported by the railways. Advices from the area surrounding the county seat of Bastrop County are to the effect that there has been some loss of life among the farming class, as their homes were inundated without warning by the tidal wave, but outside of an unconfirmed report that eight lives were lost, nothing can be learned.

In the southern part of this county several persons are missing, the number representing a family of six Italians, and two negro families, whose houses have been washed away. The river is receding rapidly at this point and above, notwithstanding the fact that another heavy rise was reported early this morning on the Concho, 125 miles north of here.

Reports tonight from La Grande, in Fayette County, are to the effect that while much of the lower portion of the town is under water, the property loss is small. No one is missing.

The International & Great Northern Railway and the Missouri, Kansas & Texas have been seriously crippled by the floods. The first-named road has had 500 washouts and lost bridges on its road from here to the Rio Grande. The Missouri, Kansas & Texas is likewise a heavy loser, having to abandon much of its track altogether and use the International & Great Northern from Taylor to Milano and the Santa Fe track from there to North Texas points.

It is not believed that the damage to the cotton crop will be of such extent as has been predicted from some places, as the season is yet early, and all the crop can be replanted.

The citizens of this city held a mass meeting today, at which the consensus of opinion was that it was not feasible to rebuild the dam and power-house, although no definite action was taken. A proposition was made to the meeting by the old water company, whose plant has likewise suffered from the flood, that they take all the piping and wiring of the city plant, and such of their apparatus as could be recovered from the wreckage, pay fair value for the same and rejuvenate their plant here and furnish the city with water and light within two weeks.

Governor Sayers today gave the city $500 out of the flood sufferers' fund, to be expended in behalf of the poor of the city who have been made homeless. All such are being well provided for, and there is no danger of their suffering.

SAW THE DAM FALL.

The Collapse Described by an Eye Witness.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, April 9.—Jeff McLemore, who was an eye witness of the collapse of the dam at Austin, thus describes it:

"I was gazing at the great body of water, as it swept gracefully over the crest of the dam, carrying with it acres of drift that parted as it went down the falls. The water over the crest was more than 10 feet in depth, and was rising at the rate of 18 inches an hour. The fall of the water was about 40 feet, and the roaring and surging that it produced can be better imagined than described. It was grand and awe-inspiring, and nothing, in my opinion, could compare with it except the falls of Niagara.

"While thus looking, I noticed a sudden commotion of the water near the center of the dam. For a moment the water seemed to recede, but it was only for a moment. It then shot upward in a tremendous spout to a height of 50 feet, and I saw that the dam was giving away.

"When the break occurred, the distance from the crest of the wave, as it rolled over the dam to the water below, was about 40 feet. Imagine, then, if you can a body of water 40 feet in height and of great width and length suddenly released from confinement, and you will have a faint idea of the scene that I witnessed at the dam across the Colorado River.

"Once released from its confinement, the water subsided rapidly, and then it was seen how the break had occurred. The dam was not toppled over, but instead, a large section, beginning near the center and extending toward the east bank, was moved bodily down the stream a distance of at least 40 feet. Another section extending to within 50 feet of the head gate of the masonry on the east end was also moved down stream a distance of 40 or 50 feet. Between these two displaced sections there was a gap of about 100 feet, where the dam had completely disappeared, and it was not long before the section nearest the center also crumbled and disappeared.

"Had the remaining displaced section also tumbled down, the power-house, which went down a few hours later, would probably have been saved. As it was, this section threw a heavy current against the power-house, which eventually undermined the west wall of the building and caused it to collapse."

AT GONZALES.

Loss of Life, Stock and Property on the Lower River Bottoms.

GONZALES, Tex., April 9.—The flood situation here tonight is not much improved, the river having fallen only about four feet since yesterday. There has been great loss to cattle in the river bottoms, and it is feared a dozen or more lives have been lost. A Bohemian and his wife, panic-stricken, jumped into the turbulent waters, 10 feet deep, and were almost immediately drowned, when they could have remained in safety. It is thought a negro boy is also drowned, and two Mexicans are missing. Reports come in that a number of bodies have been seen caught on snags and barbed-wire fences. The river farms are ruined, but the total loss cannot be estimated as yet. The Arkansas Pass track is blocked for five miles north of here. Several bridges and 100 yards of track are washed away. The last train has come down from Lulling, via Harwood, on the Southern Pacific tracks.

Fifty Lives Lost.

DALLAS, Tex., April 9.—Reports received today from flood sections show that more than 50 lives have been lost, including those at Austin. Many of the localities where lives were lost are off railroad and telegraph lines. Wires in the southern section are in a worse condition than ever before. Railroad traffic in the southern half of the state is abandoned.

Five Travelers Drowned.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., April 9.—A report is current here that five travelers encamped at the confluence of the Middle Concho River and Kiowa Creek were drowned in the flood.

British War Loan Allotments.

NEW YORK, April 9.—American subscribers to the British war loan will pay 15 per cent of their allotments tomorrow. Several of the largest subscribers have already paid their allotments in full, thereby saving the 2 per cent allowed by the Government on advanced settlements. It is estimated roughly that American subscribers have been allowed $3,000,000 of the bonds, which would require a payment tomorrow of $450,000 if the negotiations were closed on the installment basis. Tomorrow's payments were all provided for, it is believed, several days ago, so as to allow time for the transmission of the funds to London, where final payment will be made.

BRYAN IN SAN DIEGO.

Addressed a Large Audience on the Plaza.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., April 9.—All San Diego and many people from adjoining towns turned out this evening to greet W. J. Bryan. He arrived at 6 o'clock on the Santa Fe from Los Angeles, but long before that time a great crowd had assembled at the depot. The arrival of the Bryan train was the signal for prolonged cheering. At 8 o'clock Mr. Bryan was escorted to the Plaza to address the people. The great square was densely packed and the windows of the adjacent buildings were crowded with people. The gathering probably numbered 8000. A great cheer went up when Mr. Bryan appeared on the bandstand. His address was in line with those he has already delivered on his Western tour, being devoted chiefly to the questions of expansion, the control of trusts and the silver problem. The orator's remarks evoked much applause.

NOT A SILVER MINER.

Chairman Lane Says His Mines Are Gold Producers.

LOS ANGELES, April 9.—C. D. Lane, chairman of the National Silver Committee, who is with the Bryan party in Southern California, today gave to the Associated Press an open letter, as follows:

"Los Angeles, April 9.—Having noticed in the press dispatches this morning that I have been mentioned as a silver miner who was accompanying Mr. Bryan in his tour through the State of California, I wish to correct this statement by saying that I have not one dollar's worth of interest in any silver mine on earth. But it is true that I am a gold miner, and am mining for gold exclusively in various places from Mexico to Cape Nome, in Alaska. I am accompanying Mr. Bryan because I am as much interested today in bimetalism as I ever was, and because I feel such an unbounded interest in the principles that he represents.

"C. D. LANE,
"Chairman National Silver Committee."

THE RUNNING RACES.

Yesterday's Winners at Tanforan and Memphis.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 9.—The weather was fine at Tanforan and the track fast. The results were:

Four furlongs—Homage won, Toah second, Intrepido third; time, 0:49.

Six furlongs—High Ho won, Montallade second, Storm King third; time, 1:13¾.

Mile and one-sixteenth—Arbaces won, Dogtown second, Constellator third; time, 1:48.

One mile—My Gypsy won, Expedient second, Joe Magee third; time, 1:42½.

Mile and an eighth—Tappan won, Castake second, Einstein third; time, 1:56¾. Sardonic won, but was disqualified for fouling.

Seven furlongs—De Blais won, Miss Rowena second, Gold Baron third; time, 1:28¾.

Races at Memphis.

MEMPHIS, April 9.—The results of the races were:

Five furlongs, selling—Bicor won, Castine second, Harry Yocum third; time, 1:05.

Five furlongs—Hermoso won, Triaditza second, Himtine third; time, 1:03.

One mile, purse—Our Nellie won, Larkspur second, Florizar third; time, 1:44.

Half Mile—Silverdale won, Sad Sam second, Delmarch third; time, 0:51.

Steeplechase, full course—Cheesemite won, Reno second, Jim Hogg third; time, 5:06.

THE KENTUCKY WRANGLE.

Affairs Quiet Down at Middlesboro.

MIDDLESBORO, Ky., April 9.—Everything is quiet here today. Sheriff Broughton took several prisoners to Pineville for safekeeping. Chief of Police King has not appeared, and it is not known where he is. A number of special Deputy Sheriffs have been sworn in, and Republicans say they will be kept as long as they are needed. The police force is now performing its duties unmolested. The general opinion is that there will be no further trouble. Deputy Sheriff Cecil, who was shot Saturday night, has suffered amputation of a leg.

Two Judges at Barboursville.

BARBOURSVILLE, Ky., April 9.—Circuit Court began today. Judge Brown took his seat on the bench, and a few minutes later Judge Wilson appeared with a certificate from the election commissioners, signed by Beckham. Brown refused to evacuate.

HAMILTON CLUB BANQUET.

All of the Speeches Were of a Political Nature.

CHICAGO, April 9.—The 10th annual banquet of the Hamilton Club, which was held tonight at the Auditorium Hotel, was a brilliant success, over 500 members and guests being present. All former banquets of the club, which is a political organization, have been of a social nature, but this being Presidential year, it was decided to make tonight's banquet an exception, and the addresses were all of a political nature. George W. Miller was toastmaster, and toasts and speakers were as follows: "Our Policy in the Far East," Senator H. C. Lodge, of Massachusetts; "The Quadrennial Search for an Issue," Governor L. M. Shaw, of Iowa; "A Great Congressional Prerogative as Recently Exemplified," Congressman Robert W. Taylor, of Ohio; "The National Spirit in the South," Congressman R. B. Hawley, of Texas; "Democracy and the Declaration," William F. Guerley, of Nebraska.

SAN JUAN RIOTS.

General Davis Reports the Recent Labor Troubles.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Secretary Root today made public a telegram from General Davis, the Military Governor of Puerto Rico, in regard to the recent labor troubles near San Juan, but beyond indicating his private opinion that there is no likelihood of a recurrence of the riots, the Secretary declined to discuss the matter for publication. General Davis' telegram, which is dated San Juan, is as follows:

"Civil disorders here were beyond the control of the military police, thereby forcing the use of troops for the preservation of order. I have placed an officer of the Army in charge of the police of San Juan. The trouble has been principally caused by assaults by natives upon negroes from neighboring English islands. One native and one British subject killed."

Kinsardt Reannexed.

CARNARVON, Cape Colony, April 9.—Kinsardt was formally reannexed to Cape Colony, April 1, amid the cheers of the assembled troops. A large number of insurgent colonists, including many of their leaders, are now imprisoned here. Colonel Drury's column, including the West Australians and Canadian Mounted Rifles and artillery, left here yesterday for De Aar.

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DR. M'GIFFERT WITHDRAWS

NO LONGER CONNECTED WITH THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Unwilling to Force a Heresy Trial on the General Assembly—No Change in His Views.

NEW YORK, April 9.—Rev. Arthur C. McGiffert today formally withdrew from the Presbyterian Church. His resignation was contained in a letter to the Presbytery of New York, which met today in its regular semi-annual meeting. McGiffert's request that his name be dropped from the rolls of the presbytery was granted. The letter in part is as follows:

"To the Presbytery of New York: Dear Brethren—In view of the appeal to the General Assembly, of which Dr. Hierch gave formal notice at the last meeting of the presbytery, I have decided to withdraw from the Presbyterian church, and I request that you will accordingly drop my name from the roll of the Presbytery. In making this request I desire to say that I do not withdraw because I regard the charges of heresy preferred against me as well founded or because I regard the justice of the accusations that have been made in many quarters, but I still believe, as I believed when I wrote the General Assembly last Spring, that my views are in harmony with the faith of the Presbyterian church, and of evangelical Christendom, in all vital and essential matters; but I cannot feel that it is my duty to go through the trial before the General Assembly, which the appeal will doubtless precipitate, and I am unwilling needlessly to prolong the agitation that has been distracting the church and preventing it from giving itself unreservedly to the work of advancing the work of the kingdom of God.

"By patient study and free discussion can the truth be reached, and the attempt to determine the correctness or incorrectness of historical conclusions by their conformity or nonconformity to a confessional standard tends to obscure truth's supremacy, and to promote indifference to its claims. Referring in this connection to my own book on the 'Apostolic Age,' I beg to assure the presbytery that it was written with no thought of committing the Presbyterian church or any one beside myself to any of its conclusions, and so, with no thought of provoking the ecclesiastical strife, but solely with the purpose of recounting as accurately and as clearly as I could, the history of the Apostolic Age, as I saw it. I claim that the question of first importance touching the results I have reached is not, 'Do they accord with the Presbyterian standards?' but, 'Are they true?' In a trial for heresy the inquiry inevitably concerns itself chiefly with the former question, and the latter is too largely overlooked."

Dr. Hillis' Resignation.

NEW YORK, April 9.—There will be no conference at Buffalo between Rev. Dr. Hillis, whose letter of demission from the Presbyterian ministry was presented to the Chicago Presbytery last Monday, and the committee from that body which was appointed for the purpose of considering the letter of resignation. This, it is believed, it due in part to the attitude of the members of Plymouth Church, who do not wish their pastor to have any further theological relations or discussions with the Chicago Presbytery.

Indianapolis Strike Ended.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 9.—Men employed in the building trades in Indianapolis were at work today. Carpenters are to receive 30 cents an hour for eight hours' work, and half pay extra for overtime and double pay for work done on holidays. Plumbers are to receive $21 a week for first-class workmen, and $16 50 for second-class men.

Bond Refunding.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—The total amount of bonds so far receipted at the Treasury for exchange for the new 2 per cents is $226,979,600, of which $29,252,150 was received from individuals and institutions other than National banks.

Guns For Portland Naval Reserve.

VALLEJO, Cal., April 9.—Two three-inch field guns were sent to Portland, Or., from Mare Island today, to be used by the naval militia.

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