

MONKS ARE BARRED

French Chamber Shuts Out
All Preaching Orders.

ENEMIES OF THE REPUBLIC

By Decisive Vote, All Religious Associations Are Ordered to Leave France—Eloquent Plea on Their Behalf Fruitless.

PARIS, March 24.—The Chamber of Deputies, by a vote of 304 to 286, tonight rejected all the applications for authorization made by the religious preaching orders.

The entire session today was devoted to a discussion of the government's bill, which opposes the application of the preaching orders for authorization, and the Chamber, by its vote, refuses to pass to the discussion of the clauses of the bill, deciding to consider the applications separately for authorization to remain in France, but rejected them all by a single vote.

Among these orders which are thus expelled from France is the English Passionist order, which conducts a church in the Avenue Hoch for English and American Catholics, and in whose behalf British Ambassador Monson and United States Ambassador Porter recently interested themselves.

M. Pichon, member of the Catholic party, which rallied to the republic, opened the debate with an eloquent appeal in favor of the preaching orders, arguing that these orders, especially the Capuchins, had been the pioneers of civilization in all parts of the world, and had contributed in spreading French influence throughout the East, where they had made France beloved, created French schools, and aided in the development of French interest. If they are suppressed, the speaker said, they will be replaced by foreigners. The role of the French religious orders in the East is so important that French Ambassador Constant considers it his duty to distribute the prizes at the College of the French Congregations in Constantinople. The Jesuit Medical School, at Beirut, is a prosperous institution, widely extending French influence in Turkey. At the time of the Armenian massacres, the Franciscan Superior was killed, and the missionaries behaved admirably, and saved numerous Christians.

Teach Love of France.
"Does the majority," asked the speaker, "wish to destroy our missions in the East, which Germany ardently covets? If our Jesuit missionaries in Madagascar and Tunis disappear, they will be replaced by Englishmen. Our missionaries teach the natives to love France to such a point that it may be said that every man in the East has two countries—first his own and then France."

M. Rabier, the reporter of the bill, explained the considerations which decided the refusal of authorizations to the preaching orders. The latter's only aim, declared M. Rabier, was to accomplish a political end and make lay society subservient to their designs, and they must not be allowed to continue the fatal work.

Premier Combes' Speech.
After Abbe Gnyraud, Catholic Republican, had further argued the cause of the orders, Premier Combes briefly summed up the government's cause. He urged that there was no place in modern society for the religious congregations. The country had a regular clergy, to whom the concordat reserved the work of preaching and the exercise of public worship. The tendency of the religious orders was to substitute themselves for the regular

clergy. It was not peace but war that the preaching monk brought in the folds of his gown. Their aim seemed to be to stimulate a hatred of republican laws and to make appeals for reactionary revolts.

"We have a right," concluded the Premier, "to refuse legal existence to those congregations which only attack our institutions. If you do not follow the government in the work we have undertaken, you will be turning back 30 years, and that would be a mistake, which I am convinced the Republicans of this chamber will not commit."

The vote on the bill was then taken.

Nihilist Safe in Italy.

Suspected Assassin Will Not Be Extradited for Political Crime.

ROME, March 24.—The Russian named Michael Goetz, who has been arrested at Naples, is, it seems, only accused of complicity in the recent murder of the Russian Minister of the Interior, M. Siplagun. A semi-official note issued by the Italian government says Goetz will not be extradited unless it be proved that he is accused of a non-political crime. The czar will not come to Italy until the autumn.

GIVE PREFERENCE IN TRADE.

South African Colonies Agree to Favor Britain and Other Colonies.

BLOEMFONTEIN, March 24.—The representatives of the Transvaal and the Orange River Colony, Cape Colony, Natal and Rhodesia, have signed a customs convention providing for a 10 per cent preference in favor of Great Britain and reciprocating colonies.

Provisions of Irish Land Bill.

LONDON, March 24.—It is understood the Irish land bill which the Chief Secretary for Ireland, Mr. Wyndham, will introduce in the House of Commons tomorrow, provides for a grant of £20,000,000 from the imperial exchequer and the appointment of three estate commissioners to arrange for the transfer of land.

Want Austria to Exhibit.

VIENNA, March 24.—As a result of the efforts made by the St. Louis Fair Commissioners here, M. Stossel, the Austrian Minister of Commerce, is about to form an influential committee with a view to bringing pressure on the government in favor of an Austrian official representation at the St. Louis Exposition.

New Play in London.

LONDON, March 24.—Mrs. Madeline Ryle's play "The Altar of Friendship," was produced at the Criterion Theater here last night and was favorably received.

DR. ABBOTT ON THE BIBLE

Says It Is But Record of Religious Experiences.

NEW YORK, March 24.—Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott somewhat startled his hearers at a Methodist ministers' meeting by propounding some of those religious theories that he has elaborated in his book, "The Theology of an Evolution." The Bible, according to Dr. Abbott, is merely a record of human religious experiences. "I have a respect for the old theology," he said, "and today I cannot doubt that the change from the old to the new method of thinking in religion is important, radical and revolutionary. The typical departure is the recognition of what was once called the 'barren theory of God's creation of the world; the belief of the religion that the earth was turned out as in a lathe."

"The Bible is not a book in which 50 or 60 writers tell what religion is, but it is a record of their religious experiences, a record of their consciousness of God. They were human, they were imperfect men, those who wrote the Bible. They stumbled as we stumble."

No Mixed Races in Wisconsin.

MADISON, Wis., March 24.—The assembly committee on state affairs tonight decided to recommend the Williams anti-negro marriage bill for passage. The action came after a long and spirited hearing on the bill. The measure, if adopted, will prohibit marriages between whites and negroes within the state.

COLD DOUCHE FOR FAIR

WORLD'S FAIR PEOPLE WORKING AGAINST PORTLAND EXPOSITION.

Colorado House of Representatives Importuned by Big Lobby From St. Louis—Have Things Its Own Way.

DENVER, March 24.—(Special.)—The appropriation committee of the Colorado House of Representatives has just taken action upon the World's Fair and Lewis and Clark Exposition bill to the extent of reporting it back with the recommendation that it be referred to the committee of the whole House for consideration.

This action was no doubt prompted by about an evenly divided opinion among the members of the committee as to whether they should appropriate the sum of \$200,000 for the World's Fair and the Lewis and Clark Centennial jointly, or whether they should provide \$75,000 in addition to the \$200,000 appropriated by the former Legislature two years ago for the World's Fair alone, and leave action upon the Lewis and Clark Centennial to the Legislature of 1905.

There is a powerful lobby just arriving here from St. Louis, headed by W. H. Moore, president of the National Good Roads Association, who has been very active interviewing the committees of the two Houses in behalf of the World's Fair item to the exclusion of the Lewis and Clark interests. Yet they practically have no opposition, the Lewis and Clark committee having, it is generally understood, abandoned its efforts in all the 30-day legislative bodies, and with the discouraging news of only \$10,000 appropriated by the Legislature of the State of Missouri, and similar amounts, comparatively, in the States of Washington, Idaho and California, the outcome seems somewhat doubtful as to further results from Western States. It also appears that the Lewis and Clark Centennial has failed of mention in the legislative bodies of the manufacturing states of the East.

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Ladies' Skirts

Fine cambric, deep single or double flounce, trimmed with embroidery or lace insertions and edging. Prices:

\$1.50 grade for.....\$1.29
2.50 grade for.....2.19
3.50 and 3.75 grades for. 2.97
4.50 and 4.75 grades for. 3.88

Ladies' Gowns

Fine cambric or muslin, very pretty trimming of tucks, combined with lace or embroidery edgings.

85c values for......69
\$1.25 and \$1.40 values for. 1.07
2.00 and 2.25 values for. 1.75

Ladies' Drawers

New cut, fine cambric or muslin, trimmed with lace or embroidery.

85c and 90c values, special. 63c
\$1.25 values.....98c
2.25 values.....\$1.93

Easter Linens

Snowy, spotless napery, straight from Belfast, Ireland, the heart of the world's linen-making country, and from the famous Richardson looms.

Matchless in weave and finish and the choicest floral and conventional designs art can produce. Prices:

Sets

8x8 ft. \$6.00, \$7.00 and \$8.00
8x10 ft. \$7.00, \$9.00 and \$10.00
8x12 ft. \$9.00, \$10.00 and \$12.00

Separate Cloths

8x8 ft. \$3.00 and \$3.50
8x10 ft. \$3.75, \$4.50 and \$5.00
8x12 ft. \$4.75, \$5.50 and \$6.00

Hemstitched Napkins

20-inch, per dozen.....\$6.00 and \$7.50
22-inch, per dozen.....\$7.00, \$8.00 and \$10.00
24-inch, per dozen.....\$8.00, \$10.00 and \$18.00

New Window Curtains

Fine ruffled net and lace, in airy, graceful styles, just the kind for Summer window draperies. Prices:

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Fifty Different Styles.

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New Arabian Curtains

Very Handsome and Effective.

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Exceedingly Choice.

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New Easter Gowns
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Every conceivable style, every finish and trimming, every fashionable color and combination of colors.

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The best shoe polish made. Preserves the leather, keeps it soft and flexible and imparts to it a brilliant black polish. Comes in tubes, is easily applied and very cleanly. Demonstration on main floor.

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Hay Carts, two wheels, were 15c, now.....10c

Doll Carts, two wheels, were \$1.00, now.....65c

Doll Buggies, were \$2.90, now.....\$1.75

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Excellent quality, perfectly fresh, full size crochet, in handsome Marseilles patterns, already hemmed. Regular price \$1.75—this week for.....\$1.30

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