

BELIEF NOT CHANGED

Infant Damnation Clause Is Merely Explained.

DR. HILL ON CREED REVISION

Fierce Criticism of Presbyterian Articles of Faith Leads to Adoption of Section That None Who Die in Infancy Are Lost.

"The revision of the Presbyterian creed in regard to infant damnation does not mean that the beliefs of the church have been changed. It is merely an explanation."

Rev. E. P. Hill, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, returned Saturday evening from the Los Angeles general assembly and thus speaks of the creed revision which was concluded at the assembly.

"Every Presbyterian minister whom I know believes that all who die in infancy are saved. The section of the creed which has called down so much criticism upon the Presbyterian Church reads 'the children of believing parents.' It simply left the salvation of the infants of other than believing parents an open question. Chipping critics have attacked us on this ground, and there has long been an effort to have the explanation inserted in the creed."

"Then why has the revision been delayed for 15 years?"

"Because our Pennsylvania brethren, who are very conservative, thought that if the slightest change was ever made in the creed it would be an opening for future changes, and that the whole creed would be torn to pieces. So the matter was dropped a dozen years ago, but this year the revision movement had become too strong for the conservative faction, and only three presbyteries opposed it. The Pennsylvania brethren are very conservative, oh, very conservative, and they opposed the movement to the very last."

"Can the parents whose children died before the revision was made now believe that their children have been saved?"

"The creed always stated that the children of believing parents were among the elect. Presbyterian ministers, I am sure, have always held that the infants of others were also saved and the revision of the creed is therefore simply an explanation of the belief which they have always held."

Following is an excerpt from chapter 10, section 3, which was inserted into the Presbyterian creed at the Los Angeles Assembly:

"It is not to be regarded as teaching that any who die in infancy are lost. We believe that all dying in infancy are included in the election of grace and are regenerated and saved by Christ, through the spirit who works where and how he pleases."

"On account of the creed revision, was not the Los Angeles Assembly one of the most important in the history of the church?"

"No, it was not. It marked the close of the revision movement, but as I have said it did not change any of the beliefs of the church. In one way it was not the equal of other assemblies of recent years. For the past four or five years questions have been up before the assemblies which required the attention of the entire church in the country, and generally the strongest man in each presbytery was sent. This year in many presbyteries a list was made up of those who had attended recent assemblies and it was decided to send almost any one else but those who had attended before. The trip across the continent was a great attraction, of course. So the personnel of the Los Angeles Assembly was not so strong as many of the others I have attended. I was not a commissioner from the Portland Presbytery, and went merely as a visitor. I left Thursday morning and arrived home last night. The assembly adjourned Friday, and the Portland commissioners will be home some time this week."

"What part did the Portland delegates take in the assembly?"

"None of the commissioners addressed any of the meetings. Dr. J. R. Wilson was placed upon the important educational committee and did a great deal of work in that line. When the foreign missions subject was discussed Mr. Stranoe, of Marshfield, told of his experiences in that field. Rev. J. V. Milligan, the Sunday school missionary of this synod, addressed one of the popular evening meetings when all were admitted."

"Among the most important things done by the Los Angeles Assembly was the appointment of three committees, which are to report to the assembly next year. These are the evangelistic committee, of which Dr. Converse is chairman, with Wilbur Chapman as another member; the educational committee and the committee appointed to report upon the question of placing the colored ministers in separate presbyteries. The colored commissioners at the assembly naturally opposed the movement for separation, but great many were for it. Then the uniting of the Cumberland branch with the main body was also discussed. An effort has been made for years to unite the two bodies, and this was another reason why the creed revision has not been pushed. The southern brethren hold the creed of the Presbyterian church almost as infallible as the Bible, and they plainly said that if it was changed they would not unite with us."

"What new line of work does the evangelistic committee intend to take up?"

"This year fewer evangelists will be employed than last year. The work will be thrown more upon the pastors themselves. Representatives of the committee will visit the Northwest during the fall and will no doubt be in Portland."

"How did the Los Angeles people treat the ministers who came to the assembly?"

"Both the commissioners and the visitors were treated with the greatest courtesy. They were entertained in private houses for the most part and everything was done to provide for their pleasure and comfort. Some stayed at Long Beach, over a dozen miles away from the city, but every one had an enjoyable time. The accommodations were sufficient for all."

SHE POSED AS A MAN.

Russian Girl Hides Sex to Make Name in Industrial World.

London Telegraph.

A curious discovery which has just been made in Kieff, in South Russia, is the theme of an amusing conversation in the circles throughout the length and breadth of Moscow. It was made accidentally by the administration of the railway which had just promoted one of its most devoted and hardworking servants, Alexander Rodichevsky, from the post of watchman to that of foreman. Alexander entered the company's service four years ago, and, unlike Russian employees had worked hard and was distinguished by honesty, punctuality, and unflagging industry. He was quite a model, in a word, and people prophesied that in time he would rise to become Minister of Ways and Communications, like Prince Khilkoff, who at present occupies that exalted post. But the prophecy will never now come true, for, owing to an untoward accident, it was discovered that Alexander is not a man, but a girl, and a girl of the highest class to boot.

That, however, is not the most curious part of the story. It appears that the suspected official in St. Petersburg had an



ALL OREGON LISTENS TO THE BAND AND FALLS IN LINE FOR THE 1905 FAIR.

SPOKANE PICTURE A FAKE

PUBLIC BUILDING FOR THEIR CITY NOT YET PLANNED.

Drawing of Expensive Salt Lake Structure Published as That to Be Erected by the Government.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 31.—When the people of Spokane really find out what kind of a public building they are to have in their town, the Treasury Department expects to hear much complaint. And all because one of the enterprising papers of that city, in a recent issue, went to the extreme of "faking" a picture of the proposed building. No matter what the adopted plan of building may look like, there will be a portion of the populace who will think it is inferior in appearance to the one portrayed in the enterprising afternoon paper. Hence the consternation that reigns in the office of the supervising architect.

Several weeks ago the correspondent of said Spokane paper called on the architect and asked for a picture of some public building that cost about the same as the building to be erected at Spokane. His purpose was designed, and the department declined to furnish a picture. His pleadings, however, were persistent, and finally he promised, if some picture were given him, he would use it for what it really was, and allude to it as a type of Government building recently designed. Upon the strength of this pledge, the department furnished a copy of its drawing of the building now being erected in Salt Lake City, at a cost of \$500,000, exclusive of site.

The people of Spokane were as much surprised as were the officials of the department, to find that the Spokane building had been designed within three months after the appropriation was made. Doubtless many approved of the style of building they were told was to be erected to beautify their city, and to accommodate its Federal officers. But they were misled. The paper came out with a half-page devoted to the picture, which was labeled "Spokane's New Public Building."

To lend color to the picture, and apparently to establish its authenticity, the statement was made in large type that it was reproduced from a drawing furnished their Washington correspondent by James Knox Taylor, the supervising architect of the Treasury. When the paper was shown to Mr. Taylor, he said:

"That is just about what I feared when I gave out that picture of the Salt Lake building. We are in hot water."

"I want to say most emphatically that this office has taken no step whatever looking to the preparation of a plan and design of the building at Spokane. We have no idea whatever what style of building will be erected. We don't even know whether we will draw the plans in this office, or will invite architects outside to compete and to furnish a number of plans from which we will select what we deem the best. It is ridiculous for any paper to print a picture of a building that is not yet planned."

Mr. Taylor did say, however, that it was the policy of the department, in designing new buildings, to follow out classic lines as far as possible. He says the general public appreciates that style and prefers it to "modern architecture." In preparing plans for both Spokane and Tacoma this general theme will be followed, as was done at Seattle, that building and the one at Salt Lake being of a similar classic style.

But it was the intention of the Washington delegation when Congress adjourned, to let the designing of both the Spokane and Tacoma buildings rest until the next session, when they would endeavor to secure an increase in the limit of cost. This is now fixed at \$400,000 in both instances.

and \$750,000 is desired. It is probable, therefore, that work on plans will be delayed until next Spring, in order that the increase may be had, if possible. If it cannot be procured, \$400,000 buildings will be designed for the two cities.

DAILY CITY STATISTICS.

Contagious Diseases.
Edward Winton, 824 Water; measles.
John Kinsbury, 2014; smallpox.
Fred Sando, 2410; smallpox.
R. Holcroft, 374 East 8th; scarlatina.
D. Verige, 905 Thurman; scarlet fever.

Births.
May 23, to wife of A. Melms, 3444 Front; boy.
Death.
October 20, 1901—Carrie Liville, 113 East 11th st., age 20; heart failure.
May 22—D. E. Newell, Redlands, Cal., age 55.
May 23—Lottie Hansen, 288 Larrabee, age 52; cancer.
May 23—B. H. Shepard, 561 4th st., age 18; typhoid.
May 27—J. D. Scott, County Hospital, age 30; tuberculosis.
May 26—Caroline Jensen, 861 E. 7th st. N., age 45; softening of brain.

Building Permits.
Grattan & Saurvin, 4th and Ash, repairs; \$275.
John Johnson, Borthwick and Morris, cost; \$1200.
Dr. Harrington, 21st and Washington, repairs; \$200.
James Closest, 12th and Gilman, alterations; \$400.
John Dellar, 8th and Jackson, repairs; \$500.

Marriage Licenses.
Arthur M. Johnson, 21; Jennie Thompson, 24.
Morris Kuhnner, 44; Bertha Cook, 28.
Carl O. Norback, 41; Mary Fridell, 40.

Domestic and Foreign Ports.

ASTORIA, Or., May 31.—Arrived at 11 A. M.—Steamer Elmore, from Tillamook, and schooner Jennie Stella, from San Francisco.

Arrived at 4 P. M.—A three-masted barkentine, Arrived at 5 P. M.—Gleaner. Condition of the bar at 4 P. M., smooth; wind, northwest; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco, May 31.—Arrived—Schooner Bender Bros., from Coquille; schooner Irene, from Fairhaven. Sailed—Steamer Queen, for Port Townsend.

New York, May 31.—Arrived—Steamer Astoria, from Glasgow and Mobile; steamer Boliva, from Palermo and Naples; steamer Cymric, from Liverpool; steamer Donna Maria, from Oporto, Lisbon and Anores; steamer Manitou, from London and Southampton; Umbria, from Liverpool.

Remedy for the Drink Habit.

New York Press.
A novel remedy for the "drink habit"—or, rather, for enabling those who have "sworn off" to remain "on the water cart"—consists of ice water drunk through a raw potato. Take a bowl of ice water and a potato. Peel the potato and cut down one end of it until it can be easily inserted in the mouth. Dip the potato in the ice water and suck it every time a craving for strong drink comes on. It is claimed that this treatment will effect an absolute cure. The why and the wherefore are not stated, but the process is such a simple one that there can be no harm in trying it if any one is afflicted with a thirst which they really and truly desire to lose.

Shade Trees Fall Before the Ax.

Scores of large shade trees along residence streets still continue to disappear before the extension of cement sidewalks, of which there is no end these days, and which no one would desire to have checked. Very many, however, would like to have the shade trees spared and view with sorrow the piles of maple and

HAS NOT ENOUGH HOTELS

HOW WILL PORTLAND ENTERTAIN LIVESTOCK MEN?

Secretary of Association Says It Falls Woefully Short of Accommodating His 2000 Visitors.

Portland doesn't have enough hotels for the National Livestock Association, which will hold its annual convention here next January. This is the opinion of C. O. Sprenger, who is in the city to investigate for the association the hotel facilities. Mr. Sprenger is editor of the annual report of the association, and his home is at Denver.

"How many visitors will our convention bring here?" he responded. "That depends on how many can be accommodated here. I find your hotel facilities woefully inadequate. We could bring 2000 visitors, but we wouldn't do so unless we were made certain that they could be cared for comfortably. If our association should neglect this precaution, it would suffer discredit, and so would the City of Portland."

"I cannot get hotel proprietors to assure me that they can make any reservations whatever. The reservations must be made early in December."

"As I have said, I am here to ascertain how many visitors Portland can accommodate. I shall make a report of my findings, and from this report the association will determine how many delegates and other persons to bring to your city. If I cannot be assured of more hotel facilities than I see, I cannot recommend many visitors."

"Portland has entirely outgrown its hotels. I don't mean any reproach whatever by this statement. I believe that citizens of Portland will understand my situation in the matter."

Mr. Sprenger is greatly taken with the fine blooded stock which he has seen at several of the large stock farms near Portland. Oregon cattle and sheep, he says, have a high reputation in the East.

"This convention," he remarked yesterday, "will advertise your livestock industry as nothing else could. The animals I have seen here cannot be excelled anywhere in the world."

Every branch of the livestock industry of the United States is represented in the National Livestock Association. According to the last Federal census, the livestock industry in the United States represents a capital investment of \$4,500,000,000. The convention here will be the largest and will represent the biggest interests of any that has ever been held in Portland.

One City Official to Have New Walk.

The remarks of a citizen in regard to bad sidewalks not being renewed in front of the property of city and county officials, which were quoted in The Oregonian a few days ago, were taken seriously to heart by an official who owns and

resides on a quarter block, one of the handsomest and most highly beautified in the city, but in front of which is a hundred feet of about the worst old plank sidewalk in the city, always, of course, excepting the walks in some of the park blocks and around the old Mechanics' pavilion, owned by the city. The weight of this pressing on his mind probably caused him to imagine that he was the only official referred to, and he has hastened to state that he engaged a firm in the cement sidewalk business to construct a new walk in front of his place over two months ago. He is still in hopes to get the work done this summer.

SOUVENIR FOR PRESIDENT

Frogs and Indians on Cover Arouse Some Antagonism.

The committee on press and publicity of the Lewis and Clark Fair directors is preparing a souvenir for President Roosevelt and the distinguished visitors who accompanied him. Some people don't like the design of the souvenir, because it has Indian faces, frogs under an umbrella, an Indian wigwam and Mount Hood are the four illustrations on the cover. "Indians," exclaimed a citizen yesterday, "are not the most prominent citizens of the Oregon country, nor are umbrellas typical of its civilization."

The souvenir will be a booklet containing scenic views. The cover will be of wood decorated in pyrography and water colors. The frogs under the umbrella are designated "A Few of the Natives."

W. M. Killingsworth is one of the men who don't like the design. "I was not this morning," said he, "and I'm still heating this afternoon, and I don't care who knows it. There are other people in Oregon besides Indians, and those people do other things than get under umbrellas. If we advertised that Oregon is only half-civilized and it rains here 11 months in the year, perhaps we shall not need any more hotels for the Exposition. Oregon has Indians only on reservations, and not one drop of water to spare. Let's tell the truth."

Escaped From Deer Lodge.

BUTTE, Mont., May 31.—A Deer Lodge special to the Miner says it was given out by the penitentiary officials tonight that three convicts yesterday made their escape from the penitentiary. The three men were trustees, and were working on the milk gang. The prisoners succeeded in getting horses and making for the hills. Their names are: Green Reed, Walter Hare and John Oswell. They were all short-term men, and were all sent up from Dawson County.

Umpire Patton Succeeds Cody.

SPOKANE, Wash., May 31.—(Special.)—Owen Patton, who umpired today's game, has been appointed by Lucas as regular umpire on the Pacific National League staff. He superseded Cody, a Montana product, whose work has been here.

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