

THREE CHURCH UNITE

United Brethren Accept Offer of Church Union.

EIGHT OPPOSING VOTES

Conference Decides to Join Congregational and Methodist Protestant Churches—Three Have Over Million Members.

THREE CHURCHES WHICH WILL UNITE.

Table with 2 columns: Church Name, Membership. Includes Congregational (4,218,569), Methodist (1,521,499), and United Brethren (248,878).

TOPEKA, Kan., May 18.—The United Brethren General Conference tonight voted in favor of union with the Congregational and Methodist Protestant churches.

Dr. Hull President of Unitarians. CLEVELAND, May 18.—At today's session of the annual meeting of the Western Unitarian Conference, Morton D. Hull, of Chicago, was elected president.

PASSES CONSULATE BILL

Lower House in Norway Adopts Decisive Plan of Settlement.

KEEP YOUR HANDS OFF PERSIA

Russia's Warning to Britain Regarding Near East.

UNIONISTS IN THE MAJORITY

Cumberland Presbyterian Assembly Meets at Fresno.

THEY WILL NOT TALK POLITICS

Towers' Visit to Hay Personal—Hay Is Recovering.

ALFONSO'S BIRTHDAY SPEECH

MADRID, May 18.—Replying in the Senate to birthday congratulatory speeches, King Alfonso has expressed the hope that his forthcoming tour of Europe might report the nations in friendly union.

GERMANY DOES NOT WANT HAIKON

TOKYO, May 18.—(F. M.)—The Foreign Office announces the receipt of an official communication from Germany, pronouncing an utter refusal to accept the report that the emperor had accepted Haikou.

LABOR LEADERS OPPOSE COXEY ARMY

LONDON, May 18.—John Burns, William Crooks and other labor leaders in the House of Commons strongly oppose and are trying to induce the abandonment of the proposed national demonstration in favor of the unemployed bill.

STAND BY BIBLE AS IT IS

Speakers to Bible League Condemn Higher Criticism.

NEW YORK, May 18.—Higher criticism of the Bible was condemned as an "insidious disease" by the Book of Jonah was declared to be historical rather than a parable, and the claim was made that archaeological has proven beyond question the historical worth of the book.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 18.—James Tirney, who, the police say, escaped from the Government prison at Alcatraz Island, Cal., has been arrested and will be held until the receipt of a telegram from the prison officials.

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The report on this point follows: "We believe the supreme question before the church today is to teach brotherhood as the only true basis of religion. With natural wealth open to the use of all men, we believe industrial combination in the interest of economy would develop naturally. We believe the church should guard against all such alliances with institutions or individuals of great wealth as can give color to the charge that the church is under the domination of the rich, or that her ministry is silenced regarding business methods oppressive and menacing to personal independence."

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NEW WHEAT CORNER. Railroads Rush to Rescue of Shorts in May. RATE-CUTS THREATEN WAR. Henry W. Little Squeezes Shorts and Railroads Help Elevator Men to Bring Back Wheat Cargoes and Save Them. MINNEAPOLIS, May 18.—(Special.)—In an effort to save the army of shorts, who are being most severely squeezed by Henry W. Little's corner in May wheat, the railroads are shipping wheat back to Minneapolis to serve as a buffer between the shorts and the screws that Little is tightening.

BECOMING A MOTHER. Is an ordeal which all women approach with indescribable fear, for nothing compares with the pain and horror of child-birth. The thought of the suffering and danger in store for her, robs the expectant mother of all pleasant anticipations of the coming event, and casts over her a shadow of gloom which cannot be shaken off. Thousands of women have found that the use of Mother's Friend during pregnancy robs confinement of all pain and danger, and insures safety to life of mother and child. This scientific liniment is a god-send to all women at the time of their most critical trial. Not only does Mother's Friend carry women safely through the perils of child-birth, but its use gently prepares the system for the coming event, prevents "morning sickness," and other discomforts of this period. Sold by all druggists at \$1.00 per bottle. Book containing valuable information free. The Bradford Regulator Co., Atlanta, Ga. MOTHER'S FRIEND. IN A WEEK.

NO QUARREL WITH GOULD. Ramsey Denies Friction Caused Resignation From Wabash Road. ST. LOUIS, May 18.—Accompanying the International Railway Congress delegates from Washington, President Joseph Ramsey, Jr., of the Wabash Railroad, arrived today, and, in answer to inquiry, made a statement that stories circulated to the effect that friction existed between him and George J. Gould, head of the Wabash system, were not borne out by facts. "All this talk about friction between George J. Gould and myself is foolish," said he. "It is not unusual for men to part company after having been associated together in business for years, and these stories of bad feeling being engendered between Mr. Gould and myself in the matter of the Wabash terminals at Pittsburg are just talk. The whole matter is ended now, and there is no friction such as has been reported. I shall sever my connection with the Wabash on October 1st."

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