

HOME FOR THE FEEBLE MINDED

Plans Under Way for Founding Such an Institution in Oregon,

ADVICE FROM AN EXPERT

T. C. Fitzsimmons Calls Attention to Certain Provisions Which Shall Be Made in Connection With Such a Home.

The last session of the Legislature of the State of Oregon passed an act appropriating \$5,000 for the purchase of a site for an institution for the feeble minded, and directed that the Governor, Secretary of State and State Treasurer investigate the subject and report to the next Legislature its recommendations concerning buildings, etc.

This subject is one in which a number of Oregon people have taken an interest, for it is generally known that there are now in the State insane asylums many persons who should be in an institution for the feeble minded instead. There are many who are in an insane asylum, but who should be taken care of in a home for the feeble minded.

Mr. Fitzsimmons said in part: "The home for feeble-minded, now in course of construction at Spring City, Pa., under the provisions of the act of 1903, is destined to fill a long-felt want in the eastern part of the state, namely, a home where the weak-minded may be cared for, and the various almshouses, insane asylums and afflicted and burdened homes may be relieved, treated and restored to some degree at least of self-reliance as far as possible, self-sustaining. Here it is hoped there can be imparted to them the rudiments at least of some simple art or craft, which will be a training for the intelligent, connected thought of the more highly organized brain, will yet suffice to train their minds in a regular channel."

RELIGION A UNIT

No Conflict on Doctrine of Authority in Catholic Church.

SERMON BY FATHER O'HARA

Rebukes Those as False Who Would Create Opposition Between Religion of Authority and Religion of Spirit.

In a sermon at the Cathedral last night upon "The Coming Controversy," Father O'Hara discussed the conflicting views which are held on the subject of the "religion of authority" as opposed to the "religion of spirit." He said that the Catholic church makes no such differentiation, but harmonizes the gospel in one definite whole. In part, he said: "The scene of religious controversy is constantly shifting. The issue between the Catholic church and thinking men without her fold is no longer concerned with interpretation of scripture texts and obscure questions. A learned writer has recently described the new issue as a contest between religion of authority, embracing orthodox Protestants as well as Catholics, and religion of spirit, which is the peculiar possession of advanced thinkers. We find men who are accounted spiritual leaders, protesting with a great deal of vehemence that religion pure and undefiled is an interior and personal bond between the soul and God—which, indeed, is true—and that consequently such is their argument—all external forms of devotion, creeds, ritual, sacraments, hierarchy, are corruptions. These external manifestations of religion, they call religion of authority, or external religion, as opposed to internal or spiritual religion. Religion of authority is said to interpose obstacles between the soul and God, whereas God should be worshipped in spirit, in truth. Such is the thought not merely of Auguste Sabatier and the lesser minds who reflect his light, but of the ordinary church-goers. A learned writer has reason for his own neglect of church."

Based on False Conception. This attempt to discover opposition between external and internal religion is based on a false and inadequate conception of human nature. Man is not a pure spirit. He possesses a body which is the natural medium for the manifestation of his spiritual activities. He is, moreover, by nature a social being. Hence his natural religious instincts find legitimate expression in social or public worship. The advocates of the religion of spirit are anarchists in the domain of religion. There is a false and excessive individualism in religion as in civil society. "The religion of spirit was most certainly not Christ's idea of religion. One of the characteristics of His method was His use of the external to reach spiritual truth. He taught a form of prayer, designated authority to teach, instituted certain rites and commanded his disciples to do these things in commemoration of Him. All these are elements of the religion of authority. The religion of spirit evidently aims to supersede the religion of Christ."

Wiped Out Bulgarian Band. SALONICA, European Turkey, May 20.—A detachment of Turks on Saturday annihilated a band of 12 Bulgarians at Lalsiad, near Monastir.

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DEDICATES GRAND ORGAN.

Third Presbyterian Church Has Special Musical Service.

Yesterday was a day of music and rejoicing at the Third Presbyterian Church, East Fifth and Thirteenth streets, it being the occasion of the dedication of the grand organ and celebration of the completion of the improvements begun some time ago, costing in all something more than \$20,000. In the evening Rev. Andrew J. Montgomery presided and for 15 minutes gave an organ recital, using the following programme: Impromptu (I. V. Flagler); Easter March (I. V. Flagler); Introduction and Choral from "Paradise and the Peri" (Sir W. Sterndale Bennett); offertory (en forme d'une marche) (Scottish Clerk). The choir followed with special music: Anthem "If With All Your Heart"; solo, "The Man of Sorrows" (Adams), Mrs. J. E. Werlein; offertory; anthem, "O Holy Father" (Parks); postlude.

That has a feather's weight of worth Without a woman in it. "If I were a woman, therefore I should expect the 'human question' as touching every phase of life, to be of supreme interest to me. I don't suppose I would be the ideal woman. "But whether I was the ideal woman or not, nevertheless, there are a few things that I would expect to do. "First—I would expect to bear my part equally with the man in working out the destiny of the race. Man and woman are equally responsible for the propagation of the race. If the possibility of the race's future be equally dependent upon man and woman, then their duties and rights and responsibilities must be equal. "And we need her thought and power also in the state. There are questions that will never be settled right until there is mingled with the brute force of man's muscle and brain the heart power of woman's spiritual nature. We need her influence in politics. Government is intended for the purpose of meeting the needs of men and women in their social progress. Women cannot long shirk this responsibility. Politics today are a synonym for brutality. If good government is to be secured and perpetuated the defining influence of woman must be given to the solution of our political problems. I never saw a liquor dealer, or a mean, low, dirty politician who did not object to woman having anything to do with politics. Theascal knows that while he can deceive the men, both at the polling and in the church, there is somebody at home who knows him for what he is worth. "In drawing the religious lesson from his discourse, Dr. Brounger referred to the fact that Christ recognized woman's equality with man, and defended her rights. "There is neither male nor female in Jesus Christ," he quoted, and said in conclusion: "The day will come, in the progress of Christianity, when woman will be equally free to exercise every power and influence she has to make the world better."

WOMAN AND THE BALLOTBOX

Meeting in the Interest of Suffrage at the White Temple.

At the White Temple last night a packed auditorium awaited the address of Rev. Anna Shaw and Dr. J. W. Brounger. Dr. Shaw was in her usual good form and spirit, and gave a most entertaining talk on "Ought Women to Vote?" Dr. Brounger followed with a characteristic address on "If I Were a Woman," in which he said to the entire approval of the congregation: "They talk about a woman's sphere. As though it had a limit. There is not a place in earth or heaven. There is not a task to mankind even. There is not a blessing or a woe. There is not a whisper yes or no. There is not a life or death or birth. That has a feather's weight of worth Without a woman in it. "If I were a woman, therefore I should expect the 'human question' as touching every phase of life, to be of supreme interest to me. I don't suppose I would be the ideal woman. "But whether I was the ideal woman or not, nevertheless, there are a few things that I would expect to do. "First—I would expect to bear my part equally with the man in working out the destiny of the race. Man and woman are equally responsible for the propagation of the race. If the possibility of the race's future be equally dependent upon man and woman, then their duties and rights and responsibilities must be equal. "And we need her thought and power also in the state. There are questions that will never be settled right until there is mingled with the brute force of man's muscle and brain the heart power of woman's spiritual nature. We need her influence in politics. Government is intended for the purpose of meeting the needs of men and women in their social progress. Women cannot long shirk this responsibility. Politics today are a synonym for brutality. If good government is to be secured and perpetuated the defining influence of woman must be given to the solution of our political problems. I never saw a liquor dealer, or a mean, low, dirty politician who did not object to woman having anything to do with politics. Theascal knows that while he can deceive the men, both at the polling and in the church, there is somebody at home who knows him for what he is worth. "In drawing the religious lesson from his discourse, Dr. Brounger referred to the fact that Christ recognized woman's equality with man, and defended her rights. "There is neither male nor female in Jesus Christ," he quoted, and said in conclusion: "The day will come, in the progress of Christianity, when woman will be equally free to exercise every power and influence she has to make the world better."

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Today will be on sale at the Customer will not be allowed over three skirts each.

Special Notice to Stout Ladies

We have some 100 extra-size wide black silk petticoats for you. Also about 150 extra large size walking skirts, made in black, medium dark and light gray cloths. These are brand-new, just placed in stock—beautiful skirts.

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Oddfellows Coming to Portland for Grand Lodge and Grand Encampment

THREE golden links, symbols of friendship, love and truth, the motto of the Oddfellows, will be much in evidence in Portland on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of the present week. Hundreds of Oddfellows from all parts of the state will spend those days in this city attending the annual sessions of the Grand Lodge, Grand Encampment and the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, otherwise known as the Muscovites.

During the time that the Oddfellows are holding their festivities the Rebekah Assembly, the auxiliary organization, will also be in Portland in large numbers. Several hundred of the women belonging to this order will probably be present to attend the annual meeting, which will be held Tuesday evening in the Oddfellows Hall, 34 1/2 Second street.

Simultaneously with the Rebekah Assembly, the Grand Encampment will convene at the Artisans Hall in the Abington building, Third and Stark streets. Claud Gatch, grand patriarch, will preside at this session. The Grand Lodge will hold its meetings Wednesday. The subordinate lodges in Oregon are entitled to a representation of 425 in the Grand Lodge, and it is expected that 400 of these members will be present. The representation is apportioned on the basis of one delegate to each lodge and one additional delegate for each 50 members.

Initiation of new members, election of officers and other important matters of business will come up during the sessions. Requests will be received from the various officials, and there will also be a report from the committee which has supervised the making of plans for a new Oddfellows Home in East Portland. Immediately following the session of the Grand Lodge bids on construction will be called for if the project is approved.

OFFICERS GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODDFELLOWS



Claud Gatch of Salem, Grand Patriarch.



W. I. Vanster, of Medford, High Priest.



W. W. Francis, Grand Treasurer.



W. M. Green, Grand Representative.



Thomas F. Ryan, of Oregon City, Grand Representative.

In addition to the business which is to come up the social side of the meetings will not be overlooked. The annual gatherings are looked forward to with anticipation of much pleasure by the Oddfellows as they mean the reunion of old friendships and the forming of new ones. Because of the meeting of the Rebekah Assembly many of the Oddfellows will be accompanied by their wives, and there will doubtless be numerous excursion parties formed to take the attractive trips which are offered in every direction from Portland.

The session of the Muscovites is the event of the week for those who are fortunate enough to have reached the upper circles of Oddfellows. This meeting will be held Thursday evening in the Oddfellows Temple. An invitation to the occasion, and every noble is ordered to "get there" with a few bills, a candle and his little "The Invitation," which is composed in a jocular vein, promises "hot tamales, hot water, hot sand and a few hot candidates." It is estimated that a dire fate awaits those who are to take the journey across the burning sands for the first time, and that they will meet with many and varied experiences before they finally become full-fledged Muscovites.

Oddfellows has prospered in Oregon during the past year. The report of the grand secretary, E. E. Sharon, for the year ending December 31, 1905, places the number of working lodges in the state at 176, with a total membership of 12,151. This number shows a gain of 82 during the year. The total income for the year has been \$169,555.29. There has been paid out for relief a total of \$52,114.32. The total assets of the order in Oregon are \$768,112.74.

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DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, May 20.—Maximum temperature, 60 deg.; minimum, 49 deg. River reading at 8 A. M., 10.9 feet, change in past 24 hours, fall 0.2 of a foot. Total precipitation, 2 P. M. to 8 P. M., 0.51 of an inch; total since September 1, 1905, 55.29 inches; normal, 43.08 inches; deficiency, 7.77 inches. Total sunshine, 5 hours and 26 minutes; possible sunshine, 10 hours and 24 minutes. Barometer (reduced to sea-level) at 5 P. M., 29.96.

PACIFIC COAST WEATHER.

Table with columns for Station, Maximum Temp, Minimum Temp, Precipitation, Wind, Direction, and State of Sky. Includes data for Baker City, Bismarck, Boise, Burns, Helena, Portland, etc.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

During the last 24 hours good rains have fallen in the Willamette Valley, the Sound country and at scattered places east of the Cascade Mountains. It is cooler in Southern Idaho and Northern Utah, while elsewhere the changes in temperature have been small and unimportant.

The indications are for partly cloudy weather with light showers in the district during the next 24 hours. It will be slightly warmer west of the Cascade Mountains.

WEATHER FORECASTS.

Portland and vicinity—Partly cloudy, with occasional light showers; warmer; south to west winds. Western Oregon and Western Washington—Showers; warmer, except near the coast; westerly winds. Eastern Oregon, Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho—Showers. Southern Idaho—Increasing cloudiness, with probably light showers.

BUSINESS ITEMS.

If Baby Is Cutting Teeth. Be sure you use the best remedy. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething. It soothes the child, cures the gums, relieves all pain, cures wind colic and diarrhoea.

MEETING NOTICES.

CAMELIA CHAPTER, NO. 27, O. E. F. & A. M.—Stated communication this (Monday) evening at 8 o'clock, Hill's Hall, corner Williams Street and 2nd Street, work. By order of W. M. LUDIA B. BITTER, Acting Secretary.