

MANY LIVES ENDANGERED

One Dead and Others Injured by Fire That Cuts off all Escape.

THREE-STORY HOUSE BURNS

Flames by Spreading Rapidly Hem in Occupants of Building, Before They Could Be Awakened.

Chicago, May 2.—One person has been asphyxiated and many other occupants of a three-story building in Halstead street have been injured and narrowly escaped death in a fire which swept through the place and cut off escape by the stairways, both in the front and in the rear. Only the prompt work of the firemen saved the lives of the other tenants who were asleep when the fire started. In the work of rescue two firemen and one policeman were injured.

The dead:
JOSEPH WEBB, suffocated by smoke.
The injured:
Mrs. H. Webb, overcome by smoke, condition serious.

Edward Goss, hands and face burned.
Stella Goss, face and hands burned; overcome by smoke; condition serious.
Policeman John Burke, severely burned while helping rescue imprisoned tenants.

Fire Captain McGraw, struck by falling wall and severely cut and bruised.

Pipeman Ryan, face and hands burned.

William Wolfe, severely burned while endeavoring to rescue his wife and children from burning building.

The fire, which did a damage of only a few thousand dollars, spread so rapidly that the occupants of the place were hemmed in by the flames before they could be awakened and told of their danger.

Alterations Being Made.

New York, May 2.—At least six theaters have failed to put in applications for a renewal of their licenses, says the commissioner of police, in whose hands the matter rests. These houses

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Captain Goodale, constructing quartermaster, who has charge of all the construction work at the forts at the mouth of the Columbia, states that the five wells will easily provide 8000 gallons an hour, at that, with additional pressure, 12,000 gallons an hour can be provided. The needs of the post at present are about 20,000 gallons daily, and the possible supply which may be pumped from the five wells and will be great enough to amply supply a full regimental post.

The idea of sinking the wells which have proved so successful originated locally. The engineering department had driven wells at Fort Stevens for its water supply, with much success, and it was calculated that quite as good results could be secured for the post. The wells were only recently sunk and the experiments showed them to be satisfactory in every respect. Analysis of the water also gave satisfactory results, and the supply secured is not alone plentiful, but as well healthful.

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BIG CONVENTION PLANNED BY THE METHODIST CHURCH

Question of Sympathies With Combatants in Russo-Japan War to Be Decided at Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, Cal., May 2.—As the day for the assembling of the delegates to the 31st general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church approaches general interest in the gathering of representative churchmen from all parts of the civilized world becomes greater, and when Bishop Steven Merrill calls to order the first session at 9 o'clock next Wednesday morning 748 out of a total of 750 accredited delegates will be in their seats ready to proceed with the legislative tasks confronting them.

The delegates will, during the daily sessions lasting through the month of May, be called upon to solve many problems of importance to the growth and future welfare of the Methodist Episcopal church.

In the opinion of many high in the councils of Methodism, the quadrennial session will prove the most important of any in the history of the church. Among the most important subjects are the following:

"What Can the Church Do on the Liquor Question?" "What Action Can the Church Take to Solve the Race Question?" "Shall Worldly Pleasures, Such as Dancing, Theater-Going and Carl-Playing Be Condoned by the Church?"

"With Which Combatant in the War in the Orient Are Our Sympathies?" "What Can Be Done by the Church to Prevent, in the Good Name of the Country the Crime of Lynching?" "Shall the Itineraries of Methodist Ministers Be Restored?" "How Many Bishops Shall Be Elected and how Many Be Retired?"

A proposal to consolidate the three publishing houses of the church in New York, Cincinnati and Chicago will doubtless cause spirited discussion in the conference as the movement to combine them all in one, in the interest of economy is looked upon with disfavor by many specialists and it is earnestly supported by others.

The subject of the American uni-

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versity, in course of construction at Washington, is one of the big questions that the educational department will have to decide. The institution, as originally projected, was to have an endowment of \$5,000,000 and an agreement was reached at a former general conference that the university should not be opened until this sum should be on hand. About two and a half millions have been collected, land has been secured and several large buildings erected. There is a strong party in the conference that opposes the idea of letting this property stand idle for an indefinite period, and urges that the school be opened at once.

The educational department will also have to decide the question of heresy in certain theological schools where the majority of the Methodist ministers receive their training.

For the first time in the history of Methodist general conferences women delegates will have seats in the conference, and a voice in the direction of church affairs. The election of bishops will take place about May 16, and is one of the chief duties of the present conference. There are three vacancies at this time and it is probable that several, possibly three or four of the older bishops who have reached the age which incapacitates them for active duty will be retired.

It appears to be certain that no fewer than four new bishops nor more than 10 will be elected. There are numerous candidates. Among them are:

Rev. Dr. James M. Buckley, New York; Rev. Dr. George F. Bovard, Los Angeles; Chancellor Day of the University of Santa Cruz; Rev. W. F. McDowell of the Educational Society; President Little of the Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Ill.; President Bachford of Ohio Wesleyan University; Rev. T. R. Jennings, Cincinnati, and Rev. Dr. Henry Spellmeyer, Newark, N. J.

The colored delegates, of which there are 75 or more, will make a strong effort to have one of their race elected bishop.

The subject of foreign missions will form a topic of earnest and interesting discussion. With the view of bringing the subject prominently before the conference, the missionary element has arranged one of the most comprehensive and instructive exhibits ever shown at a church gathering. A feature of the exhibit is a map of the world, the largest ever printed, designed with the special purpose of emphasizing the work of the missionaries and showing at a glance those parts of the world yet unconverted by Christianity.

Fire Destroys Cargo.

New York, May 2.—Fire discovered in the hold of the British steamer Zylph, Captain Charles Mears, which has just arrived from Guisport, Miss.,

with lumber, has almost destroyed the cargo, according to a Herald dispatch from Buenos Ayres.

Immigration Commissioner.

New York, May 2.—John W. Kinsam, commissioner of immigration at this port for 25 years, is dead, at the age of 89.

A GREAT SENSATION.

There was a big sensation in Leesville, Ind., when W. H. Brown of that place, who was expected to die, had his life saved by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. He writes: "I endured insufferable agonies from Asthma, but your New Discovery gave me immediate relief and soon thereafter effected a complete cure." Similar cures of Consumption, Pneumonia, Bronchitis and Grip are numerous. It's the peerless remedy for all throat and lung troubles. Price 50c. and \$1.00. Guaranteed by Charles Rogers, Druggist. Trial bottles free.

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