

EPISCOPALS MEET

DIocese of Oregon Had
SUCCESSFUL CONVENTION.

W. E. Potwine, of Pendleton, Re-Elected Clerk of Diocese—Two Hundred and Twelve Confirmations During Year.

The fifteenth annual convention of the Protestant Episcopal church, of the diocese of Oregon was held in the chapel of Trinity church, Portland, last week, with a full attendance of the clergy and representatives from two-thirds of the parishes.

The session opened with a celebration of the holy communion. The bishop, the Rt. Rev. H. Wistar Morris, D. D., delivered his annual address, reviewing the work of the year, and outlining the needs for the future.

Fewer changes among the clergy had occurred during the year than during any previous year, and there were no deaths in the ranks. The bishop reported three new churches opened, and services begun in six new places, with 212 confirmations in the diocese during the year.

The diocesan schools showed a marked increase in the number of pupils over last year, and a spirit of harmony reigned. The Good Samaritan hospital reported that it had received and cared for over 2000 patients during the year, a considerable percentage of them being taken free of charge.

The hospital had been crowded and many patients refused for want of room to accommodate them. It is proposed to add a new wing to the hospital during the year to cost \$50,000.

Rev. W. E. Potwine, of this city, was re-elected secretary and Mr. Paul Van Fridagh, was chosen treasurer of the diocese.

The convention favored the movement to find a better and more accurate name for the church which shall eliminate all "sectarian suggestiveness," and conform more closely to the name in the historic creed of the church. It also endorsed the plan for uniting contiguous dioceses into provinces with provision for appellate courts. A resolution was also adopted looking toward the merging of the diocesan organization for the relief of disabled clergy with that of the general church. Resolutions of sympathy with the sufferers by the flood at Heppner were adopted and provision made for the taking of collections in all congregations toward raising a fund for rebuilding there. The Rev. J. E. Simpson, of Portland, read an able paper on "The Church's Lack of Business Method, the Resultant, and a Suggested Remedy."

After discussion of the same a special committee was appointed to present the subject in the form of a memorial to the general convention of the church in Boston in 1904. The Rev. Mr. Potwine and Mr. C. H. Chandler were elected to represent the diocese at the missionary council in Washington, D. C., next October.

Members of the convention and their wives were hospitably entertained during the session at the Bishop Scott Academy. At the close of the session a reception was tendered the venerable Bishop of the Diocese and Mrs. Morris in the parlors of the academy. There were present from adjoining dioceses the bishop of Boise, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Funston; the bishop of Olympia, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Keator and other visiting clergy. The convention was one of the most interesting held for some time, being free from some disagreeable features of conventions generally.

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CHANGE OF VENUE.

Baker County Paper Must Answer for Defamation of Character.

Baker City, July 2.—Charles W. Hill, publisher, and L. Bush Livermore, editor of the Baker City Herald, have asked for a change of venue for the libel case against them here.

They are indicted on 12 charges for defaming the characters of District Attorney Samuel White and County Judge W. W. Travison.

A jury in the Whitney case has been secured. Whitney is jointly indicted with Huntington for defrauding Baker county by false entries in the books of the sheriff's office.

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