Comet Crossed Sun-Sun Spots and What Causes Them-Celestial Luminary Can Now be Seen in the Western Sky After Sunset.

Washington, Special.—The weather delayed the first-evening view of the comet in Washington.

Should the sky become clear, howstreamer at 8:20 to the best advan- two of \$500 and one of \$100.

Sunset comes about 7:10, and twithereafter. As to future visions of the comet, its similarity to the sun's corona may be apparent. Prof. George H. Peters, the sun-spot specialist at the Naval Observatory, said that in his view the two phenomena might be regarded as of like class. In this view both the comet and the sun rays are expelled and are

composed partly of atoms and partly of the disrupted ions which, as systems of a thousand to hundreds of thousands, constitute the various elemental "atoms" of the older books. These streams, both those pouring through the holes, which constitute sun spots, and those radiating from the comet head, produce electrical and magnetic effects on striking the earth's atmosphere, because the ions carry electrical charges.

Definite information about the earth's passage through the streamer will hardly be available for some days. It passed through the tail of a comet in 1861 without the fact being known for some time, and then only from "calculations based on observed positions before and after the faith for worldwide Methodism show-

Chicago, Ill., Special.-Prof. E. E. Barnard, at Yerkes Observatory, says that a comet spectrum secured Friday night is continuous and probably from reflected rays of the sun. No cyanogen gas was shown, but there were traces of carbon monoxyde, hydrocarbon, dioxygen, and sodium. He found it impossible to give any opinion regarding solid matter in the

London, By Cable.-A dispatch from Mahe, one of the Seychelle Islands, in the Indian Ocean, says that Halley's comet has been a magnificent sight there for many nights. The tail at 4 o'clock in the morning of May 17 was fully 90 degrees long. The nucleus was below the horizon. Part of the tail was visible on the following morning, but it was much fainter, and at 4:30 Friday morning it was barely discernable. No phenomena were observable.

Baltimore, Special.-At 4 o'clock Friday morning a ball of light, not unlike a gigantic searchlight was seen to span the firmament from northwest to southeast, Dr. John A. Anderson, T. Summerfield of New of the Johns Hopkins University, said that she was the stated that this phenomenon was conclusive evidence that the tail of Halley's comet was curved and that the earth did not pass through it.

"The phenomenon was undoubtedly observed," said Dr. Anderson, "and its presence at 4 a. m., seems to me to mean that the tail of the comet has about 2,000,000 miles of curvature, and that consequently the earth missed it altogether."

Providence, R. I., Special,-Prof. Winslow Upton, of Brown University. does not concur wholly with some! other astronomers in the belief that the earth missed the tail of Halley's comet and did not undergo the plunge through the million miles of "star but thinks that the world did make the passage during the daylight hours Thursday.

"We are pretty certain that the earth was swept by the tail of Halley's comet Thursday during day-light," he said, "because we picked up the tail before daylight Thursday morning in the East."

Staggering Appropriation for Navy.

Washington, Special.—That the United States as a nation has gone wild in the matter of armaments and especially in the construction of battleships, was asserted in practical concord by Senators Hale, Clay and Gallinger, in the Senate Saturday. These statements were made in connection with the consideration of the naval appropriation bill which occupied the attention of the Senate throughout the day. The bill carries \$133,000,000, and Senator Hale predicted that within five years the annual naval appropriation would not be less than \$175,-

Record Concord Student Broken. Waynesboro, Pa., Special.-While Waynesboro can boast of having a number of pupils in its schools that have not missed a school day for 8 or 10 years, Mercersburg comes to the front with one better. Miss Lulu Kreps, daughter of John B. Kreps, of that. place, who was graduated from

Roatst Interstate Commerce Com.

Ohio Railroad. the Mercersburg High School this week, has not missed a day in the last 12 years, nor has she been tardy once in that time.

Good in All Boys.

Richmond, Special .- Caustic criti-St. Louis, Special .- "Do not tell a eism of the merchant marine policy of Congress as "criminal," and severe arraignment of the Interstate Commerce Commission, with an intimation that its members are so saturated by association with corporate affairs that they prefer the rights of the railroads to those of the people, were the most striking features of the first session of the National Association of Piano Dealers

The Great Virginia-Carolina-Georgia | The Heart of Happenings Carved Largest Number of People Ever Gath-Fair Circuit's Race Program-In Raleigh October 17-22.

Race Program, of the close approach- Mawr College June 2. ing events of the great Virginia-Carelinas Georgia Fair Circuit is just issued and it will be noted with en- leans, declined to take action on a thusiasm that the management of the North Carolina State Fair at Raleigh 000 for the investigation and prosehangs out the most attractive purses cution in credit transactions.

offered that city.
In Raleigh the dates are October 17-22, and the stake purses amount to \$2,100, there being four purses, there being offered a purse of \$1,000 for the Big Thursday of Fair Week, to October 4th, the Ohio Valley Exever, it will be possible to see the besides this the other purses being

In this record Raleigh takes the lead as it is the only member of the light ends a little more than an hour circuit that breaks all precedents and puts up a thousand dollar purse as its banner event, the largest amout previously offered on the circuit being a \$500 prize.

The Virginia-Carolinas-Georgia Cir cuit hangs out this season \$20,000 in Stake Races, \$30,000 in Class Races and \$20,000 in Running Races, about \$70,000 total. It is certain that the race feature this fall will eclipse anything previously seen on the track of the N. C. Agricultural Society.

Methodist Conference Closes. Asheville, Special.-The sixteenth quadrennial session of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, came to a close Saturday.

Bishop Collins Denny has been elected secretary of the college of bishops. The discussion on the question of an assessment for an endowment fund for wornout preachers was again taken up and by vote of the conference lost. The salary of the secretary of the board of education was raised to \$3,600. The report of the committee on the statment of ed that their work failed on account of another Church declining to cooperate in the effort.

By far the most confusion since the conference opened was created by the discussion as to whether the conference strike out the words "the Holy Catholic Church" in the creed and substitute the words "Church of God." The session adjourned without the question being settled.

An appropriation of \$12,000 was voted for the Pacific Methodist Advocate for the next four years.

The last measure adopted by the conference before adjourning sine die was the adopting of a report that a committee of five be appointed to cooperate with the national committee on uniform divorce law.

Remarkable and Mysterious Man. Asheville, Special.-After standing unclaimed for over seven years in embalmed solitude, dressed in full evening dress, with silk hat and cane. the mummified body of Sidney Las-celles, alias "Lord Douglas," alias "Lord Beresford," alias Charles J. Asquith, was sent to Washington, D. C., consigned to Dr. McPherson Chrichton, to be burned in the crematory at that city. The body was claimed and identified by a Mrs. J. Jersey, who said that she was the sister-in-law of the deceased first wife, now living at Baltimore. She made affidavit to

cause of appendicitis. that effect and by her order the mummy was shipped to Washington. Great mystery shrouds the life and career of this bogus Lord. It is said that he had sixteen living wives.

In Georgia he served a long penitentiary term for bigamy. He was a noted forger and swindler, and operated among the wealthy class in several Southern states. He went to Asheville from Texas. He married an Asheville lady several years ago, who disappeared completely after he deserted her. She has not been heard of since. Mystery surrounds those

who were behind the removal of his body. Their identity is a secret. In the letters to the undertaker through her sister-in-law, Mrs. Summerfield, wife No. 1, speaks endearingly of the great Lothario. She writes, "He had the voice of a Parsifal and the eloquence and charm of a Disraeli, and his influence over women was won-

Newspaper Job For Kerby.

Washington, Special.—Frederick W. Kerby, who was recently discharged by Secretary Ballinger, hereafter will be connected with the newspaper association to which he gave his statement regarding the work in the Secretary's office. He will probably go to Cleveland.

Do Something.

New York, Special.-Education and reform in sanitation will be the chief means by which the hookworm will be eventually wiped out, according to Dr. C. W. Stiles, scientific secretary of the Rockefeller hookworm

Southern's Annual Directory. Atlanta, Special.-The land and industrial department of the Southern Railway has just issued the copany's annual directory of textile mills along the Southern Railway and Mobile and

The directory makes a book of 32 pages and gives the names and capacity of all mills located in the cities and towns through which the lines run, the character of the output and the kind of power used.

child how bad you think him," said E. E. Gardner, superintendent of the Sockanosset School for Boys, of Howard, R. I., in an address on industrial training in state schools, before the seventh annual session of the national conference on the education of backward, truant, delinquent and dependent children. Rather show him how useful he can become. Lead him to think that good is expected from everyone and that he amounts to something."

From the Whole Country.

President Taft has consented make the annual address at the Raleigh, N. C., Special.—The State commencement exercises at Bryn

The National Credit Men's Association, in convention at New Orproposition to raise a fund of \$1,000,-

Commemorating the completion of the lock and dam in the Ohio river at Cincinnati, thereby furnishing a harbor 25 miles long, there will be held at Cincinnati from August 29th

position. The annual Reunion of the South Carolina Division of the United Division of the United Confederate Veterans will be held on August 17 and 18 at Spartanburg.

Mrs. Hannah Sullivan, of New York, the widow of "Little Tim," says that he left no real estate and a personal estate worth only \$15,000. One of the most interesting undertakings of the Southern Baptists is the annual Cowboys' Campmeeting, which is held every July in the Davis Mountains of West Texas. Rev. Dr. George W. Truett, of Dallas, conducts the services, with the assistance of ministers of other denominations.

Lilliuokalani, former queen of Hawaii, has again met defeat in her effort to secure \$450,000—the rentals from the crown lands in Hawaii. Mrs. Jarrett Pittman, of near Mc-

Connellsburg, Pa., 80 years of age, whose head has been covered for a decade with snow-white hair, is creating no end of surprise for her neighbors and friends of the vicinity by growing very dark hair. So tight has the short skirts that

is now the vogue, become around the ankles and below the knee, that if it grows any tighter, the wearer will be quite unable to walk. Harvard College has abandoned the idea of the erection of memorial

tablets in Memorial Hall in reverence to her sons who died fighting under the colors of the Confederacy. Disquieting rumors of an anti-

preceding the Boxer troubles are being reported by the American consulate at Nan King. Miss Eva Harmon died in Spartanburg, S. C., of pellagra. Miss Harmon was 23 years old, and had been ill for several months. This is one

has died in Spartanburg County. The 94th annual report of the American Bible society shows that during the past year the total issue of publications at home and abroad amounted to 2,826,831.

of the first victims of pellagra that

George Mitchell, colored, was sentenced to serve five years in the penitentiary in superior court at Savannah, Ga., for stealing a diamond pin valued at \$500, which evidence showed had been given to Billy Kersands, a negro minstrel, by the late Queen Victoria of England.

A jagged fragment of glass was found in the appendix of a young man operated on in New York. Coroner I. L. Feinberg, who operated, said that as far as records known to him show this is the first case in for litigation. This is th which the presence of glass was

Los Angeles probably has the only woman deputy district attorney in the county. Mrs. Clara Shortridge Foltz has received her commission, and took the oath of office.

Judge John D. Haymaker made an adoption order in an unusual case at Pittsburg, which makes Ida Selma Light, 40 years old, the daughter of Mary L. McIntosh, who is 76. Neither woman has ever married and have no heirs. The order of court gives the adopted woman the right of a child and heir, and directs that she shall be subject to the duties of a child.

Significant of the growth of Catholicism in the new world was the splendid ceremony performed by Archbishop Ireland in St. Paul, when for the first time since the church came to America six bishops were consecrated simultaneously.

Woodmen of the World observe memorial day June 6, this being the date set for the members of this order throughout the country to honor

Following the spirit of the recent conference held to consider social diseases and their prevention by education, the Department of Public Health and Charities, Philadelphia, makes in its weekly health talks an earnest appeal to parents to talk plainly with their children, and not to be reticent through a feling of false modesty, on the important facts of personal and sexual hygiene.

William H. Barrett, a hotelkeeper, of Locust Valley, L. I., famed for being considerably broader than he was long, is dead. His collars were size 221-2, he was 6 feet 8 inches around the waist and weighed 568 pounds. He was 48 years old.

Jacob Minnich, of York, Pa., has just made the discovery that the last chick of a brood of 13 hatched out on Friday, May 13, is a freak, having three wings.

Yeggmen blew open the office of the Southern Express Company, in Fargo, Ga., and secured several hundred dollars in coin, together with a small collection of rare coin placed in the safe for safekeeping.

A study of industrial education in the United States has been begun by the bureau of labor.

John Drysdale, aged 114, the oldest man in West Virginia, is paying his first visit to Marlinton in twentyseven years. He lives on a farm with relatives eighteen miles from there. Despite his advanced years Drysdale walks about the city during his visit. The annual national conference of German Baptists (old order of Dunkards) opened eight miles south of

ered in London-Glittering Pageant-Roosevelt There.

London, By Cable.—The body of King Edward VII was carried through the streets of the capital Friday in the presence of many hundred thou-sand subjects and with the Kings of nine European nations, several future rulers, members of all the royal families of the world and a former president of the United States following the casket from Westminster Hall to Paddington station.

The cortege moved through solid double lines of red-coated soldiers standing with rifles reversed and the regimental colors dipped to the ground. At the railway station the casket was placed in a funeral car and was taken to Windsor where, after the Church of England service had been conducted by the archbishop of Canterbury, St. George's chapel were entombed in the Albert memorial adjoining.

No such processional spectacle had been witnessed in London since Queen Victoria's jubilee.

Behind the casket upon which rested the imperial symbols followed the late King's charger, while his favorite terrier was led by a Highlander soldier just before the imperial en-

The representatives of the two great republics, the United States and France were given a position at the rear of all the royalties and the prince of the pettiest of European states Their carriage followed those carrying the royal ladies and they were the last in line of the representatives of foreign governments.

The morning was clear and a hot sun beat upon the great mass of humanity that lined the route of the procession. It is doubtful that so many people were ever seen before in London. At the Mall, in St. James street, and at Hyde Park the throng almost overwhelmed the procession. The police and soldiers had to fight to prevent the lines being swept away by the crush. There were many broken limbs and other injuries were received. Hundreds of persons fainted, amc g them many women who foreign movement not unlike that had been standing on the pavement for hours before the procession left Westminster Hall.

Bishops Block Change of Name. Asheville, N. C., Special.—The measure adopted at Friday morning's session to name the Church the Methodist Church was vetoed at the afternoon session by the college of bishops Then conference voted to change the name to the Methodist Episcopal church in America and requested the bishops as it is a constitutional question to have the annual conferences vote on the question. Not until the next General Conference can the name be legally changed if by a threefourths vote of members of the annual conference they vote in favor of a change. It is predicted that the church at large will not accept the change and equally confident are the delegates who favor the change that the conferences will support them.

In explaining why the bishops vetoed the measure Bishop Candler stated that in their minds the change would involve titles and pave the way since 1894 that the bishops have exercised their right to veto.

The announcement that the bishops had vetoed the measure created a little stir.

An Extraordinary Freak.

Lancaster, S. C., Special.—A sow belonging to J. B. Vaughan of Pleasant Hill township gave birth to several pigs a few days ago and in the litter was a decided monstrosity, which he brought to town Saturday afternoon and exhibited, the unsightly freak being dead. It has the head and bill of a duck and the claws of

Can't Give Whiskey for Sickness. Montgomery, Ala., Special.—Whis-key can not be legally lent for the use of a sick friend, according to a ruling handed down by the supreme court in the case of Presley Clarke against the State. Clarke was convicted of exchanging prohibited liquors and entered the plea that a quart which he transferred was given to a neighbor, members of whose family were ill.

Roosevelt's Throat Troublesome. London, By Cable.-Mr. Roosevelt's throat is proving more obstinate than was thought it would be. He obeys the London specialist's stirct orders .o be as quiet as possible, but his throat now seems to be worse than it was some days ago.

Another Companion For Morse. Boston, Special.-George W. Coleman, the \$12-a-week clerk of the National City Bank, of Cambridge, pleaded guilty to looting that institution of \$309,000 and was sentenced by Judge Hale to 15 years in the Federal prison at Atlanta.

Free Ornaments for Towns. Washington, Special.-In answer to many inquiries the war department has issued a statement to the effect that municipalities desiring obsolete field pieces for ornamental purposes may obtain them upon formal application to the department through a senator or a representative, first securing the guns condemnation. The gun carriages can not be given away but may be purchased after condemnation, the average price being about

Valuable Express Package Purloined. Oil City, Pa., Special.-A package containing \$32,024.24 in paper and silver money was stolen from the offices of the Adams Express Company here early Thursday. The police have no clues.

Free Books for Farmers. Uncle Jimmie Wilson, secretary of

the Department of Agriculture, has Salt Lake with delegates from 20 just issued the "Year-Book for 1909" States and 10,000 visitors present. and a joy it will be to the intelligent Following the communion services farmer. Each Representative gets the ceremony of foot washing, an 897 and each Senator 1,100 of these ordinance of the church, was observed people.

Dr. J. W. Bachman, of Chattanooga Elected Moderator of the Southern Presbyterian Assembly.

Lewisburg, W. Va., Special.-The greatest honor in the gift of the Southern Presbyterian Assembly was conferred Thursday upon Rev. Dr J. W. Bachman, of Chattanooga Tenn., when it elected him moderator The first day's session of the assembly also was marked by the election of Dr. T. H. Law, of Spartanbug, S.

C., as stated clerk.
"We have both fought for the South and for the flag of Jesus Christ," said Dr. W. E. Beggs, of Atlanta, Ga., the retiring moderator in the history of the Southern Methoto Dr. Bachman. "You never de-B. Murrah, D. D., L.L. D., was never serted your colors. In a great epiin doubt. Dr. Collins Denny is prodemic in your city you completed the conquest there of every heart that was worth knowing. To one so beloved by his people and his church, Trinity College, Durham, N. C., and it is a great joy to turn over this gravel.

College, Jackson, Miss.
Rev. W. R. Lambuth of Tennessee For a moment Dr. Bachman hesitated, then he said: "I have been Rev. E. D. Mouseon of Texas, and called to accept several honors, but Rev. R. G. Waterhouse of Virginia, were elected bishops on the fourth nothing has given me more pleasure than to receive this gravel from you." ballot. Then these two great leaders in but on the sixth ballot, Rev. J. H.

the church threw their arms around one another in a tender embrace. Northern Presbyterian Assembly. Atlantic City, N. J., Special.-Rev. Charles Little of Wabash, Ind., was

elected moderator of the Presbyterian Assembly of the United States on the third ballot Thursday afternoon. John C. Cheney, national representative from Indiana, who nominated Dr. Little, told of the fact that the nominee had two brothers in the Presbyterian ministry and three sisters who had married Presbyterian min-Cumberland Assembly Meets.

Dickson, Tenn., Special.-Judge Josult of the resignation of the Rev. J. seph H. Fussell of Columbia, Tenn. H. Wilsen as pastor of the Lutheran was elected moderator by acclama-Church of the Ascension at Savannah, tion and the formal organization of the eighth Cumberland Presbyterian Ga., on May 9th, and the attack on General Assembly was completed at him by two women members of the Thursday night's session. Commit- congregation, officials of the Lutheran denomination Monday issued the foltees were appointed and the actual lowing statement of facts covering work of the assembly began. Delegates From 52 Nations.

sixth Sunday-School Convention son's request, were reviewed by the opened in this city Thursday afternoon with 3,000 delegates present, and most of them are accompanied by alternates and friends.

Five hundred delegates are foreigners and represent every country in the world. The other 2,500 come from the United States and Canada. his resignation in writing to the sec-The Canadian visitors are so numer-retary of the council and asked to ous that a special division has been have it accepted at a meeting of the assigned to them in the great parade council to be held Monday night, of Bible class men to be held to-morrow evening. May 9th. This was done. "3. The assault on Dr. Wilson The convention meets but once in

three years. It is regarded as one of the great events in the Christian world, and affords an opportunity for Dr. Wilson in any way connected with all denominations and creeds to get together on common ground. he alleged that he had been told that
Ten thousand strangers are within they existed, and when requested he

The delegates from the 52 nations will in turn represent 26,000,000 Sunday school students. Louisiana Wants Panama Exposition.

Baton Rogue, La., Special.-With its passage through the House Friday the Panama exposition bill, already favorably acted upon by the Senate of the Louisiana assembly, now goes to the Governor for his signature. Governor Sanders says that he will

approve the measure. The bill submits to the people of the State the question of a special tax providing \$4,000,000 as a subscription to the fund being raised for the promotion of an international exposition to be held in New Orleans in 1915 to celebrate the completion of the Panama canal.

The people will vote on the tax in an election next November.

Job Printers Will be Glad.

Washington, Special.-Representa tive Silvester C. Smith of California intimated in a speech before the convention of the United Typothetae of on postroads and postoffices would soon report favorably a bill to cause the government to discontinue printing return cards on stamped envel-

Difference in Cost of Coffee. Washington, Special. - Herman Sielcken, a New York coffee importer, told the House Ship Subsidy Investigating Committee that the middleman's profit on coffee in this country is approximately 15 cents a pound, against Germany's 7 cents profit. Germany imposes a tariff on coffee and the United States does not. Sielcken, replying to questions of Representative Longworth, said that during a period of many years the price of coffee laid down at New York has averaged 71-2 cents, and the cost of roasting and preparing it 2 to 21-2 cents, the consumer paying for this 25 cents a pound and upward

Atlanta, Special.-In connection with the work it is doing in exploiting the resources of the South with the purpose of attracting desirable settlers, the Southern Railway com-

Southern Advertises South.

pany announced Saturday that dur ing the coming fall it will make displays of Southern products at a number of important fairs in the North and West where they will be witnessed by at least 1,000,000 people outside the South.

High Muck-a-Muck on Trial.

New York, Special.-Charles R. Heike, secretary of the sugar trust, described by William Loeb, Jr., as the "man higher up," is at last facing a jury on the charge of con-spiracy to defraud the government out of customs duties by the false weighing of sugar. The trial is being held before Judge Martin in the criminal branch of the United States circuit court and promises to be one of the greatest legal battles waged by the government in a long time.

COMET PHENOMENA THE STATE FAIR PROGRAM THE NEWS MINUTELY TOLD KING EDWARD IS BURIED PRESBYTERIAN ASSEMBLY SEVEN BISHOPS ELECTED CAPITAL FACTS.

ity College, One of the Members.

bers of the General Conference of

the Methodist Episcopal Church,

South, are delighted with the choice

of men so far elected to the Epis-

copacy. It has been conceded since

the opening of the conference that

Drs. Collins Denny and J. C. Kilgo

would be elected on the first ballot.

Dr. Denny received the largest ma-

jority ever voted on the first ballot

dist church. The election of Rev. W.

fessor at Vanderbilt University, Nash-

ville, Tenn., Dr. Kilgo is president of

Dr. Murrch is president of Milsaps

The fifth ballot showed no election.

McCoy, of Birmingham, Ala., was

elected as the seventh bishop, filling

The committee on Episcopacy re-

ported the passage of Bishop H. C.

Morrison's character and recommend-

ed that he be continued on the effect-

ive list but be given light work. The

committee found that the complaints

against his administration were sus-

tained but recommended itinerancy

because Bishop Morrison promised to

correct the matters complained of in

Wanted Lutheran Pastor to Remain

Columbia, S. C., Special.-As a re-

his official administration.

the college of bishops to full quota.

Interesting News Gathered in Dr. John C. Kilgo, President of Trinthe District of Columbia.

Asheville, N. C., Special.-The mem-

Personal Incidents and Important

Uncle Sam's Popular Cook Book. Uncle Sam's cook book, which has been in preparation for several years under the direction of Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, has become a mighty popular publication among Congressmen who are encountering opposition to their return to Congress.

The authorization for the publica-

tion of 1,000,000 copies of the cooking manual was cut down from 1,-000,000 to 300,000 copies in a bill that passed the Senate.

Less Beer and More Work.

Brewers in Washington have conhour day. In return the employes hours.

No wave of temperance reform on the part of the breweries management hewever, is responsible, but a wish to get a full measure of work out of the employes. Before and after working hours it is agreed employes can drink all the beer they want.

J. Arthur Kemp, former chief be released on May 29.

the action of Dr. Wilson. "1. Conditions involving the wel-Washington, Special.-The world's fare of the congregation, at Dr. Wil-Deaf and Dumb, announces his inchurch council on April 14th, with the tention of retiring. He is 73 years result that the church council requested Dr. Wilson to remain as pastor.

"2. Perceiving a faction in the congregation, on May 7th, Dr. Wilson as a matter of expediency, presented

Monday morning, May 9th, had no part in the bringing about of Dr. Wilson's resignation. Neither was the affidavits involved, except that he alleged that he had been told that the gates of the National Capital. gave the name of his informant."

Woman's Union Adjourns.

Baltimore, Special.-With a great missionary massmeeting the convention of the Baptist Woman's Misnesday, adjourned Monday afternoon. There were 320 delegates and 700 visitors in attendance, making the

convention the largest in the organization's history. The women planned to raise \$244.-000 for missions during the coming year, besides \$35,000 for enlarging the training school for women mis-

sionaries at Louisville, Ky. A resolution was passed urging Congress to appropriate \$250,000 for a detention house for immigrants at Locust Point.

Next year the convention will meet at Jacksonville, Fla.

What a Pity!

Washington, Special.-By the lack of one vote the House Monday declined to accord the necessary twothirds vote to submit to the several America that the house committee States of the Union, the question of changing the date of the inauguration of President and Vice-President from March 4 to the last Thursday

> Thirty-Six Convicts Meet Death. Centerville, Ala., Special .- Thirtysix negro convicts lost their lives early Tuesday when the stockade of the Red Feather Coal Company, at Lucile mines, Bibb county, about fifteen miles north of Centerville, was destroyed by fire which was set by one of the prisoners in an effort to escape. Thirty-five of the convicts were burned to death and another was shot to death by guards while trying to escape.

> > Congress Drags On.

Washington, Special.-A resolution providing for adjournment of Congress on June 4 was introduced in the House Monday by Representative Fuller, of Illinois, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Remorse of Morse.

Washington, Special.-Charles W. Morse was, Monday, denied the privilege of filing an application for a writ of habeas corpus by the supreme court of the United States.

THE AMERICAN CONGRESS.

Happenings of National Import Published for the Pleasure and Information of Newspaper Readers.

The House authorized the publication of 1,000,000 copies of the cook book, but the Senate does not put such a high estimate on the value of the publication.

ceded to their employes an eighthave agreed to take not more than two drinks of beer during the eight

Kemp's Prison Term Ending.

clerk of the police department, who was sentenced to the United States penitentiary at Moundsville, W. Va., for two years for embezzling several thousand dollars from the funds of the Police Protective Association, will Famous Educator Will Retire.

After 52 years of service, Dr. E.

M. Callandet, one of the best known of educators in the country, and president of the Gallaudet College for the

Cadets Going on Long Cruise. The revenue cutter service cadet practice ship Itasca, will leave Arundel Cove, Md., on the annual practice cruise, with the graduating class, on June 6. Visits will be made to England, France and the Azore Islands. The Itasca will return to Baltimore August 12.

Doctor Wins His License.

The action of the District Medical Board in refusing Dr. Lewis B. Thompson, a Maryland physician, a medical license to practice in Washington, is held by the District Court of Appeals, in a decision just rendered, to have been arbitrary, and the license will be issued by direction.

of the court.

An Inventor's Dream. Rapid transit beyond the dreams of other men has been offered to the Postoffice Department by an Effingham (Ill.) inventor. The Illinois man had a scheme to run a railroad train at the rate of 80 miles an hour for 500 miles without stopping. He would unload passengers, mail and baggage while the train was in motion. His device would whirl the most delicate passenger out of the car and into the station without lessening the speed of the train or injuring the passenger. It would 'do the same with mails, he says. On the grounds that Congress gave to the Postoffice Department no authority to buy railroad equipment the invention has

been declined.

White House "Home Coming Week." The White House will be open to the thousands of visitors who are expected to be in Washington for homecoming week in October.

President Taft notified Isaac Gans.

chairman of the committee which is arranging for the fall celebration, that he would be glad to have the White House visited · every day of home-coming week. Want Soldiers' Homes Investigated.

As a result of a speech made in the House by Representative Cox, of Ohio, a special committee may be created to inquire into the conduct of the government soldiers' homes. Representative Cox charged that the national soldiers homes were grossly mismanaged. He said that the rations at such institutions were inadequate, that discipline was severe, and ho cited instances of cruelty.

Check Cashed After Eight Years. The District Government has cash-

ed a check for \$1,127.45 given by Wu Ting-fang, who eight years ago represented the Chinese Government.

The check was given by him for assessments for improvements on the property held by the Chinese Legation, but for some time there was a doubt as to the validity of the assessment. Corporation Counsel Thomas. however, has decided that the assessment is valid, and the check, which has been held for eight years, will

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