

DIocese of South Carolina.

The Annual Council to Convene in Anderson on May 8th.

Anderson, April 18.—The 116th annual council of the diocese of South Carolina will convene in this city on May 8th and will continue in session for one week.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss.

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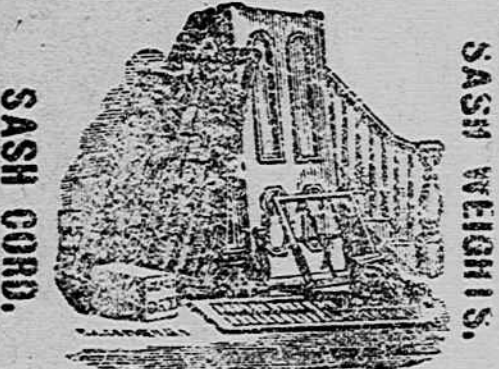
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ROOSEVELT A SOCIALIST.

POLITICIANS ARE GREATLY STIRRED UP BY HIS UTTERANCES.

Socialists Sure to Point to Them as Triumph for Their Teachings and They Will Probably Make President's Speech the Text of Many Campaign Arguments.

Washington, April 17.—In cloak room and committee room at the capitol President Roosevelt's suggestion for a tax on inheritance is the subject of discussion among Senators and Representatives. Men are disinclined to be quoted for publication, but in private conversation express their views freely.

From the legislative viewpoint, the President's suggestion does not appear to present any aspect of imminency. It is not understood that he contemplates recommending the plan formally to the attention of Congress at least at this time.

From the politician's outlook, however the President's speech is expected to have immediate and important effect. How far-reaching it may be none of the politicians venture to predict, but all are agreed that it will exert great influence in the coming campaigns. Their opinion is that the first results will be to encourage the Socialists to redouble their efforts.

While the president had no such idea in view when he gave the doctrine the indorsement of the foremost man in public life, politicians agree that the Socialists will immediately point to it as the triumph of one of their teachings. With the president's words as their text, the Socialists, it is predicted will preach their full creed and distort his meaning to their own ends all down the line.

Farsighted politicians have been expecting a Socialistic campaign this fall of unusual energy. Mr. Hearst set the ball rolling in New York last fall in the mayoralty campaign. He is keeping it up at this moment throughout the State, in the preliminaries of his campaign for the governorship nomination. In Chicago, Boston and San Francisco his newspapers are fomenting the cause in their own peculiar way.

The debates in Congress this season have been laying the foundation for Socialistic preachings later on. The country has been told of the alleged wronging of the people by the railroads, of rebates, discriminations and the like and of the necessity of passing a stringent law to curb the carriers. The magazines of the "muck rake" variety, anathematized by the president last Saturday have inflamed the country with tales of the alleged in-trenchment of corporations in legislative bodies and pictured the President as being hampered by the representative of special interests.

Organized labor has declared defiance against congress and has entered the arena of politics with the declared intention of defeating every man who is not pledged to the bidding of the organization in congress. There is unrest among the coal miners and possibility of grave halting of production and earnings among the workers.

Politicians say that this is just the kind of a situation wherein the Socialists prosper and their doctrines thrive in fertile soil. The Socialist vote has been growing steadily, year after year, coincident with the increasing prosperity of the country. With all the conditions ripe for a boom in Socialism, the politicians were asking each other today how far the Socialists would succeed in making capital out of the president's suggestion of a tax on inheritance.

The president's friends insist that his speech might prove to be a happy political stroke. "Viewed in this light," they said, "the president sees the drift of sentiment in certain quarters, appreciates the unrest and the mutterings. He forestalls the situation by placing the Republican party in the position of admitting the evil and proposing the cure, with the idea that the people would trust him and his party in preference to some professed reformers. It is very much like setting the grass afire ahead of you to check the prairie fire in the rear."

Some of the ultra-conservative among the politicians fear that the Socialists will successfully convert the President's suggestion to meet their own platform. It was pointed out that previous platforms of Socialist and Populist conventions contained planks which the unthinking might identify with the president's new doctrine.

The Richest Man in the World.

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The Latest Eruption of Vesuvius.

What seems likely to be ranked as one of the most destructive eruptions of the most famous volcano in the world is now in progress. The eruption, which began early last week, has continued now for more than ten days, with the exception of a temporary lull. Several towns in the vicinity of the volcano have been practically buried by ashes and lava, but the loss of life has not been so great as might have been expected, owing to the fact that in the larger number of cases the inhabitants, having taken warning from previous catastrophes, have reluctantly abandoned their homes to save their lives. At the time of writing it is estimated that about 2,000 lives have been lost, that about 57,000 have been made homeless, and that the property destroyed will amount to not far from \$20,000,000 in value. It will be apparent that the loss of life has been less than in the case of some of the previous eruptions, though the value of property destroyed is probably greater. Great difficulty has been found in transporting the fleeing population, owing to the fact that the railway service is hampered by the falling of hot stones, sand and ashes upon the tracks, the latter in many cases covering the ground to unmanageable thickness. The ashes have been carried as far as Naples, and in several instances the collapse of buildings and accompanying destruction of life has been attributed to the falling of ashes and sand on the roofs.

The first and most noted eruption of the volcano occurred in 79 A. D. This disaster, which involved the destruction of Herculaneum and Pompeii, has been rendered famous by the description given in two letters written by Pliny the younger to the historian Tacitus, and by the death of Pliny, the elder, the uncle of the former. Though this was the earliest eruption of which we have any record, it was preceded by a series of earthquakes covering a period of sixteen years. Since that time there have been numerous eruptions, one of which, in 1631, destroyed a number of the towns which have again disappeared this year under the lava and ashes which have been spreading ruin about the burning mountain for the last ten days. There were no fewer than eighteen outbreaks in the inner fire during the last century, one of which, that beginning in November, 1867, and continuing till March, 1868, was the subject of special observation by a number of scientific men. Another unusually violent eruption occurred in 1872. The present is the third outbreak in the present century.

It is one of the noteworthy features of the present eruption that the lava, after spreading in a great variety of directions about the mountain, according to late accounts, turned again in the direction of Pompeii. This town, which was buried from human sight for centuries, is about five miles from the middle of the eighteenth century that excavations began to reveal the site of the ancient city, which in its heyday possessed an amphitheatre capable of giving accommodation to 20,000 spectators. Owing to the facts that the lava has ceased flowing, at least for the time, and that the inhabitants of the district about Pompeii have had ample warning, the bulk of them may be regarded as safe, though many, perhaps most of them, may be reduced to destitution. Already several towns in the neighborhood have been buried beneath the lava and ashes. It is to be noted that from the King down the authorities have acted with the most commendable efficiency in the face of disaster. Their efforts can, however, accomplish little beyond aiding the inhabitants to flee to new places and relieving cases of destitution until the fiery tumult of the burning mountain has reached its period.

The latest accounts would seem to indicate that there has been a real cessation in the activity of the volcano.

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It is said that at last January's inventory a big cereal company had \$700,000 invested in china to be given away as premiums with their cereals. At one time this concern had twelve American potteries working for them alone, and in order to save the cost of the crates, the china was packed directly in the car. This company is now buying most of its china in Europe, on account of lower prices.

Grip Quickly Knocked Out.

\*"Some weeks ago during the severe winter weather both my wife and myself contracted severe colds which speedily developed into the worst kind of a gripe with all its miserable symptoms," says Mr. J. S. Eggleston of Maple Landing, Iowa. "Knees and joints aching, muscles sore, head stepped up, eyes and nose running, with alternate spells of chills and fever. We began using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, adding the same with a double dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, and by its liberal use soon completely knocked out the grip." Sold by all druggists.

CHRIST'S HEBREW PARENTAGE.

Teaching of it in Russia Would Stop Atrocities Upon Jews, Says Congressman.

In an unusual speech in the House of Representatives, Mr. McDermott, of New Jersey, attributed the persecution of Hebrews in Russia to the belief of ignorant persons that Christ was killed by Hebrews and he called upon the Russian Greek church to halt the atrocities by teaching that the doctrine is false.

"With the approach of Easter," said Mr. McDermott, "come stories of threatened massacres in Russia. The persecution of Hebrews because they are Hebrews is today tolerated in but few places in the Christian world, but the spirit that is breathed in the words 'Christ Killer' is found on the tongues of the Christians in the new as well as the old world. The persecution of Hebrews has always ceased with apostasy. It is so in Russia today. Hebrews can obtain safety of life and property by declaring belief in the Russian Greek church.

"We can preach in the press and pulpit that the statement that Jesus Christ was crucified by the Hebrews is the wickedest falsehood that ever came from human lips.

"If Christ was mortal, if He was the son of Joseph and Mary. He was crucified by the Romans. If he was the Son of God He was crucified by the direction of his father. Under neither proposition can the Hebrews be held accountable. If He was mortal He was the prisoner of Rome, and the Hebrews as a race never cried for His blood.

"When a mob lynches a prisoner in New Jersey, Delaware or South Carolina we do not say that he was lynched by the American people. The mob which yelled at Pontius Pilate was wholly without authority to say that its doings should become a charge against the Hebrew race.

"Let the church of Russia speak. Let the Czar speak. Not one in one thousand Russians knows Christ was a Hebrew. The Russian church proclaims it has a garment worn by Christ and picture of the Blessed Virgin drawn by St. Luke and the hand of St. Mark. Let the church of Russia resound with the cry that the hand of St. Mark was the hand of a Hebrew and that the garment of Christ was worn by a Hebrew.

"Tell those who crowd the churches that on the day of final judgment Jesus Christ will hold court with twelve Hebrews as associates. Tell the congregations that those who murder Hebrews will be condemned to eternal punishment. While the relics are paraded let it be in the cause of humanity.

"It is almost impossible to estimate the advance which will be made if the Russian church will display on every cathedral meeting house and altar this legend:

"Remember Christ was born of a Hebrew woman, He was not executed by Hebrews, but died because commanded by his Father, the God whom you worship."

Rheumatism Makes the Life Miserable

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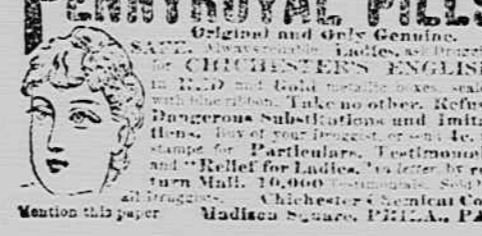
Urinary discharges quickly follow; Diabetes and finally Bright's disease. This is the downward course of kidney ills.

Don't take this course. Follow the advice of a Sumter citizen.

George W. Hancock, keeper of the jail, 27 Canal St., says: "I have been down in bed on account of my back several times and suffered the most intense pain right across the small of my back which felt just as if a log of wood was laying on it and crushing the life out of me and I was unable to get from under it, could not turn over without taking both hands to pull myself. The kidney secretions were very dark, full of sediment and called me out of bed every little while. I think I contracted the disease during the year away back in 1892 and 1893 laying out in all kinds of weather, exposed to heat and cold. Since then during later years I have suffered everything a man could suffer and live. I used everything I could get hold of but nothing seemed to touch it. I finally saw Doan's Kidney Pills advertised and went to Dr. A. J. Chin's drug store and procured a box. They acted like a charm. I have used three boxes and all the pain in my back has left. The kidney secretions have been natural and I feel A. N. L. Doan's Kidney Pills are the best kidney remedy on earth."

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