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in the meantime, was Hunt? the says He was lying the one of the must remote department in which sevthe moment were men al After liberating three men assured by the triend of irs who brought the offor their release that the proper ones, Deputy Q Johnston, the paper, rethe business part of the yes on his arrival at the g or more later that he Somewhat packing within the "knocking at the door" investigating, he found detained a certain man and said that his name that he was informed by one that his time had been be prayed for a speedy de-Officers who were COD the arrests were called in refiled the man a words at of Davidson, the most de up not necessarily the most

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General Manager Scott Makes the Announcement That "No Trains Are Moving"-The Governor In-structs Anthorities to Take All Steps Necessary to Protect Life and Property-Strikers Assert That They Have Not Been Parties to Any Violence and That the Mischief Has Been Done by Sympathizers-Central and Seaboard Will Aid the Troubled Road in Moving Freight-The Road Operated by the A. C. L. and the L. & N.

Augusta, Ga., May 23 .- The Georgia Railroad is completely tied up to-

the equipment to proceed and will do this morning Rev. Frederick L. Sigso when the State announces that it is mund, D. D., of New York, preached They assert that they have not been, tution this week. It was a sermon of and will not be, parties to any vio- force and beauty, based on the genlence.

at 6 p. m., made the announcement line of purposeful endeavor. Rev. "no trains are moving." that ernor Hoke Smith has wired the the Bible Teachers' Training School, sheriff of McDuffie county to co-operate with the municipal authorities and of New York, who had accepted an to summon all deputies necessary to protect life and property. It is in this county that Thomson is located and it is at Thomson that the crowd

the railroads and property. that all freight accumulated at Atlanta for Augusta and points beyond lude.

ing that offers promise of early resumption.'

Augusta and branches at Camak to he had been called. Macon, at Barnett to Washington, at

W. Buchards and J. S. Hunt. train service. Its last monthly pay- strength that God gives him shall be-

Musical Programme of Rase Excellence Precedes the Baccalaureate by Rev. Dr. Frederick L. Sigmund, of New York City-Rev. Dr. W. W. White, Who Was Down on the Programme, Detained by Illness -The Sermon One of Beauty, Force and Power-Prof. W. C. Smith, of the Chair of English, Delivers the Annual Address to the Y. M. C. A. in the Evening acement Exercises of the Graded Schools.

Observer Bureau, The Bevill Building, Greensboro, May 23.

Before an audience that taxed the night. The management is not trying seating capacity of the large audito move trains, simply announcing torium in the students' building of the that it has the men, the means and State Normal and Industrial College ready to protect its property and em- the annual sermon to the graduating ployrs. The strikers are standing pat. class that is to go out from the insti-Sympathizers with the eral theme of the presence of the strikers, it is set out, have done all Holy Spirit with the individual as an General Manuger Thomas K. Scott, element necessary to success in any

Gov- Dr. Wilbert W. White, president of

and it is at Thomson these that A musical programme of rare ca-issued their ultimatum last night that cellence was rendered. The service no trains should pass carrying either non-union firemen or negro firemen. Poem," by Miss Eugenia Harris and Governor Smith has also asked the Mr. Herman H. Hoexter. sheriff there to keep him fully ad-vised of the situation. The Governor Power of Jesus' Name," sang by the has also wired the sheriffs of Rock- college choir and the congregation. dale and Dekalb counties, giving them After an invocation by Rev. Charles information that engineers claim to have been rocked at Convers and Jamison and Miss Ethel Harris sang Lithonia and urging upon them "Gallia." Following the sermon, Mrs. prompt action for the protection of F. P. Hobgood, Jr., in a voice of wonderful fullness and sweetness, sang From the offices of the Georgia "The Fulfillment," Miss Eugenia Railroad here tc-night it is announced Harris and Mr. Hoexter rendered "The Coronation March" as the post-

will be moved to-night by the Central Dr. Sigmund read as the Scripture and Seaboard The Georgia road lesson a portion of the sixth chapter freight station here will be open to- of the Book of Judges, reciting God's morrow for delivery of freight to con-signees, but shippers are requested to of Israel against the invasion of the withhold all shipments until further marauders, summanding him to "Go complete is the tie-up the road says: sent thee." Gideon was prepared for The Georgia road is omitting noth- the work for which God was calling him, though he did not know he was to be the leader in delivering the peo-

ple from the low state into which Augusta, Ga., May 23 .- The Georgia ful was for him to become aware of Railroad is 171 miles from Atlanta to his strength to do the work to which

Union Point to White Plains and also lesson, the minister said the sense of at Union Point to Athens. It is own- the presence of God in the life of the ed by a stock company and is being individual is a sure dynamic force for operated by the Louisville & Nash- achievement, for it is only the knowlville, leasee. The Atlantic Coast Lins edge that God is guiding that can is joint lesses. It employs 2,400 to arouse one to any great endeavor, 2,500 men, 400 of whom are in the Only he who goes forward in the gin or end any undertaking in the

soul to God and the other the acceptance of a creed. The opening words of the oldest creed, the Apostles', were quoted and the history of the adoption of the creed given, in which the onrush of the old Persian dualism was described.

Men in the second century were overwhelmed with the dread lest the dea of a good God as creator should be submerged and the evil god be held as supreme. The early Christians interpreted GoGd through Christ and held the truth He taught of the fatherhood of God. Our own age is not unlike this early Christian time. The revelation we have through the wondrous development of science, of God's power and wonderful work, no more satisfies the human heart than more satisfies the human heat the old Persian teaching did. We must come to Christ as the

realization of a God of love and ten-derness, said the preacher. As we do this in deed, and not only as a life confession, we will of necessity become co-workers with Christ, for the establishment of the Kingdom of God. If our faith is worth anything, we will throw our efforts into the ameliorization of human ignorance and suffering at home and in foreign lands. If we do not find trust and rest in the effect of our faith, no matter how orthodox we may be with our lips, we have a heresy of heart that is destroying us.

The speaker earnestly appealed to his hearers to meet life in the spirit of the Master, with a faith which overcomes the world.

This evening at 8 o'clock the annual address before the college Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. was delivered in Memorial Hall by Rev. Plato Tracy Durham, the learned and eloquent young pastor of Central Methodist church, in Concord. The address was appropriate to the occasion and Mr. Durham was heard with close and appreciative attention.

The oratorical contest of the Webterian Literary Society will take place to-morrow evening, and Tuesday evening the alumni address will be delivered by Mr. R. C. Root, of the clas of 1889. The graduating exercises will take place Wednesday morning, when the degrees will be conferred and the baccalaureate address delivered by Dr. Robert L. Kelly, president of Earlham College.

WORLD NO PLACE FOR IDLERS.

Rev. J. E. King, of Raleigh, Delivers Lord and in the power Sermon to the Graduates of the might." State A. and M. College For Ne-Correspondent.

Greensboro, May 22 .- "This world Greensboro, May 22.— This world the word moral activity, using the word moral in its most unrestrict-ed sense. "The great need will be men of the A. and M. College for negroes this morning, "And as we study the its needs, we find when men to do strength and inspiration for an work.

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President Dudley spoke of the op-

portunities in the State of North Car-

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mind to be. He said that the facilities

for getting an education and becoming

useful were better in this State than

To-night the annual address to the

Y. M. C. A. was delivered by Charles

Stewart, A. M., of Chicago, the noted

iscussed 'The Bible, a Handbook of

delivered Thursday morning by Mr.

EXERCISES AT LAMESTONE.

Rev. Dr. C. S. Gardner, of Louisville,

Delivers the Baccalaureate Ser-

Gattney, S. C. May 23.-A tre-mendous crowd assembled at Lime-

stone College this morning for the

commencement sermon, which was

ner, of Louisville, Ky. Dr. Gardner

selected as his text a part of the 48th

verse of the fifth chapter of St. Mat-thew: "Be ye therefore perfect, even

as your Father in heaven is perfect."

The discourse was pronounced by all

who heard it to be the finest effort of

the kind which had ever been deliv-

marks by saying that this is his sec-

the annual address to the Confederate

Veterans at Chester. Dr. Lodge is an

eloquent speaker, and one of the best

educated men in the South. It is safe

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delivered by the Rev. Dr. C. S. Gard-

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DAVIDSON'S FINAL SERMON CONTEST MAY BE BITTER FORECASTOF WEEK'S NEWS DR. M'GEACHY THE PREACHER

Pastor of the Second Presbyterian sch, of Charlotte, Delivers One of the Shortest and Best Baccalaureates Heard at the Institution in Years-First Appearance at the College Since His Graduation Eighteen Years Ago-Urges the Young Men Who Stand on the Threshold of Life to Be Strong and Tells Them Where to Find Their Inspi-ration-The Sermon to the Y. M. C. A. Delivered by Rev. T. W. Sloan, of Greenville, S. C.

Special to The Observer.

Davidson, May 23 .- Before a large but select and highly appreciative and attentive auditory Rev. Dr. Arch-Ibald Alexander McGeachy, of Charlotte, preached one of the shortest and one of the best baccalaureates heard in this pulpit in years.

Peculiar interest was lent the occasion in the fact that eighteen years ago Dr. McGeachy was a listener in the pew to hear a baccalaureate de-livered before his own class and since then though for a number of years he has been a minister of the Gospel and occupying prominent pulpits from which his fame has gone forth over the whole South, yet no one at Davidson, with a few exceptions, has ever had the pleasure until topeal was taken from the Synod to the day of hearing him. Now in the ma-General Assembly by General Young turity of his powers, when to natural ability and marked intellectual clevand others. erness he adds the ripeness of schol-

arship and the rich and full experience that have become his through years of service in the Christian mindstry, it is easy to see why he has been sought for by the larger churches and why he has stood conspicuously forth and one of the leading ministers in the Southern Church. In his sermon to-day there was nothing suggestive of pulpit display or of straining after rhetorical effect and learned discussion. In manner and in selection of subject and in the treatment of the same there was an evident purpose to impress upon the minds and hearts of the young men, to whom more especially he was speaking, practical thoughts in reference to morals and religion that should bear fruit in the new life upon which the graduates would soon enter as they stepped forth from academic halls into the ferred to the methods of the "oparena of the world of to-day. The text was Ephesians 6: 10, "Finally, my brethren, be strong in the holing" commissioners. He asserted His that distribution of the copies of the of

plea was improper. Bruce, one of Kentucky's Synod com-With a word of introduction, the groes at Greensboro- Annual Ad- preacher expressed his belief that the missioners and an attorney, will be dress by Chicago Negro Newspaper period to be covered by the lives of heard in favor of the plea. these young men is destined to be one of tremendous moral activity, using

of the A. and M. College for negroes the responsibilities that will devolve this morning. "And as we study the world and the men of the world and as the one who is able to furnish both It is announced that en honwork are wanted, the idler is never orable and useful career. I address traveling in the interest of home selected by the busy man, those en- you not as candidates for the minis- missions of the Church, will deliver gaged in some definite purpose or try nor yet as prospective religious an address to the Assembly. He will teachers and leaders of a professional probably speak to-morrow.

"This is true also in the spiritual or sort, but as gentlemen, as men of In the Protestant churches of the religious world. For we find when sense and honor, of character and in- city this morning and to-night the Gomes will consider a liberal revision Christ came into the world on his telligence, who as constituent factors pupits were filled by the visiting great mission to redeem and save man in our civilization will feel a natural ministers. Large audiences heard from his lost state, he sought out us interest in the world's great moral his special co-workers men who were movements and who have an honorbusily engaged in their special occu- able ambition to serve your generation paton. Matthew was called from the in the promotion of what is right and recept of customs. Peter, James and good and true."

BEFORE GENERAL ASSEMBLY INTEREST IN COLLEGE AFFAIRS Fight Over Removal of Central Uni-The President to Be the Speaker at versity From the Control of the Presbyterian Church May Border on the Sensational When It Comes Up Before the Ruling Body at Sa-

vannah Meeting To-Day-The Feel-ing is Tense and the Decision of

the Assembly is Regarded as One

of Much Importance to the Church

Generally-Ex-Governor Glenn to

Speak to the Assembly on Home

Missions-Visiting Ministers Occupy

in session here will consider the com-

plaint of General Bennett H. Young.

of Kentucky, and others over the

withdrawal of Central University of

The controversy arises over a ques-

tion of jurisdiction. The Central Uni-

versity was taken from the control

of the Church in order to qualify for

a donation from Andrew Carnegie.

of the Kentucky Syned and an ap-

ARGUMENT PRO AND CON.

Col. T. W. Bullitt, one of the com-

missioners to represent the Synod of

Kentucky, presented a plea to the

jurisdiction of the Assembly in the

matter of the complaint. The Synod

of Kentucky contends in this plea that the matter has passed the con-

trol of the highest Church body and

that it has already been irrevocably

settled, so far as the Church acting alone is concerned. General Young

and those with him seek a reconsider-

ation of the amendment to the uni-

versity's charter, through which if

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Assembly had been distributed among

the commissioners, General Young re-

position" as "ecclesiastical impro-

FEELING IS TENSE

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sembly sitting as a court may be re-

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Savannah Pulpits.

the Commencement Exercises Washington Negro University and Will Have a Busy Week Besides-American Cotton Manufacturers' Association to Hold Its Annual Me sociation to Hold Its Annual Meet-ing in Richmond-Trial of the American Missionaries For Alleged Libel the Chief Item in Foreign Af-fairs-Nothing But the Weary fairs-Nothing But the Weary Grind to Hold Interest in the Sessions of Congress.

General interest in college affairs Savannah, Ga., May 23 .- A contest will be revived this week when comthat bids fair to be sharp and may be mencement exercises at several instion the order of the sensational is tutions will be begun. Roward Unipromised for to-morrow afternoon at versity in Washington, devoted to the 4 o'clock when the General Assembly higher education of the colored race, of the Southern Presbyterian Church will have as its commencement speaker this year the President of the United States. The exercises will be held Wednesday afternoon.

The President on Saturday will at-Kentucky from the control of the associated Western Tale Chubs at Pittsburg. The meeting will open Friday and the President has arranged to be present all day Saturday and to speak at the banquet that night. He will visit the Allegheny Country Club at Sewickley, a suburb, where there will be luncheon and sports, including a game of baseball. The committee in charge hopes that the President will be inveigled into a game of gelf.

The annual meeting of the associated Harvard Clubs also will be held on Friday and Saturday, the meeting place being Cincinnati, The gathering will be notable because of the presence of former President Elliot and President Powell. The matter of athletics at Harvard will afford the subject for several speeches at the banquet which will bring the occasion to a close.

The convention of the American Unitarian Association will open at Boston on Monday and continue through Friday.

COTTON MANUFACTURERS.

The annual meeting of the American Cotton Mauufacturers' Association of the plea to the jurisdiction of the will be held in Richmond. Va., on Tuesday. On Tuesday will convene the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America at Chicago. On Wednesday at Knoxvills, Tenn., will be held the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America.

Among foreign affairs of the week considerable interest attaches to the trial in Leopoldville Tuesday of two American missonaries, William Morrison and W. H. Sheppard, on libel charges brought by a local rubber gathering company. The men are accused of slandering officials of the Belgian government. The case is expected to be a test between the Belgian government and the American missionaries, who have long made themselves a thorn in its flesh by charges of maladministration and oppression of the natives in connection with the rubber trade.

The Venezuelan Congress which reassembles Sunday for the first time under the administration of President of the constitution and a series of

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An Alarm From the Square. An electric motor in the Wilkinthe tien-Through the 4:30 o'clock, setting fire to the box Wall ar evidence of department was called out, > preatranged signs of fire had disappeared. rs get themin order that the op-

ing measurement by the Bertillon avatem, a diamond ring was found in the toe of his right shoe and \$200 in \$1 bills sewed between his outer and undershirt. He seemed much affected when the money was discovered. Of course he can get it back if he wants it bad enough to lay claim to it, but no one need expect such a claim. It is not likely that Charlotte will be favored by another visit from him in the near future. Consequently the city must deport itself as best it can without him. Deputy Sheriff Johnston was aware

of the indentity of Lamont and was careful to see that he remained. Had he even known of Davidson's pres ence, the outcome of the affair would have been different. It is believed that forces will be put

in motion now to raise the money necessary for the release of Lamon There is as yet no clue to the direc-tion taken by Davidson. Developments will be watched with interest. as narrated yes. But didn't Mr. Davidson carry his nerve with him, though, to the Charundergo. 1 lotte celebration?

SECRETARY DICKINSON BACK. to glorify God.

Did Not Leave His Berth During the Voyage and Therefore His Trip of Inspection Was Fruitless.

Washington, May 23 .- Weak from the effects of his illness which compelled him to cut short his trip, Secretary of War Dickinson stepped ashore from the government yacht Mayflower here to-day after a tour of inspection of the Panama canal. Until yesterday Mr. Dickinson had not left his berth since the Mayflower left Havana. He assured the waiting reporters that he would be all right as soon as he had regained his lost strength. Mr. Dickinson expressed pleasure

at the progress being made in the construction of the Panama canal but when asked regarding conditions in uba, the Mayflower having touched there, on the return trip from the

canal zone, he laughingly replied: "I only saw Cuba through a port hole." The trip to Havana was made in

consonance with President Taft's policy of having the members of his Cabinet become personally familiar with the various projects under their direction.

Georgia Cotton Mill Man Dies in New York City.

New York. May 23 .- Walter Hanson, son of J. F. Hanson, of the Bibb Manufacturing Company, of Macon. Ga., one of the largest cotton mills given in the South, died of acute indigestion at the Hotel Belmont in this city totaken by the role no red day. Mr. Hanson came to New York recently on a business trip and was accompanied by his wife. The body will be taken to Macon to-morrow.

Death of Mr. Price.

Mr. J. McC. Price died yesterday morning at 9 o'clock, at his home ia North Charlotte after a short illness Mr. Price is survived by a wife and several children. He was born In Waxhaw 45 years ago, but had made Charlotte his home for the past few years. The funeral arrangements had not been made at a late hour last night.

son Building, on South Tryon street, burned out yesterday afternoon about in which it had been placed. The fire but by the time it reached the building, all

C. A.morial Hall. The Observer Guilford College, May 23 .- A splen-

erature in Bryn Mawr College.

years. to thy faith, be it unto thee.". He de-

fearing of God and bring it to an end The preacher declared that a sense

of the presence of God is something more than a mere belief that there is a God, nor is it sufficient to believe John from mending their ntes, for that the hand of God may be seen in they were fishermen. Paul from teachgreat crises of history. One may see ing and teht making. In the Olld Testhe finger of God in great movements tament we find that David was called and be blind to the presence of the Holy Spirit in his own life. He who sustains the movements of the planets and keeps us alive is as truly present findeth to do, do with thy might." the concerns that affect us as individuals as he is with the movements of the plants in infinite space. Scil. 1x-10. The conviction that the infinite God is present in the details of life has en the sustaining grace of the men

who have undertaken great works, declared the speaker. The assurance of God's presence is

watchword should be onward and upnot confined to men of religious calls ward. There never was a tme in the ings, but comes to men of all ages, temperaments and callings. The cona demand for earnest workers in sciousness of this presence does not every department as at the present interfere with the natural powers of Trained men, honest men, with a pufthe individual, for the spirit of God pose; men who are willing like the works in the human mind as truly as Apostle Paul puts it 'to bear all things, it works in the movements of human to endure all things." history.

In closing his discourse, Dr. Sigmund said, in effect: May we who live in this wonderful land, as we face its wonderful possibilities, whether there be little or much of life remaining, whether our opportunities be larger or fewer, resolve that, for the time that remains, we will hear the call of God and heed it; and like the servants of old, may we prove ourselves workmen that need not be

ashamed. In the college chapel this evening the annual address before the Young Women's Christian Association Was delivered by Prof. W. C. Smith, of the chair of English.

SACRED CONCERT BY SCHOOL CHILDREN.

The commencement exercises of the Greensboro graded schools began this afternoon at 4 o'clock, when the school children gave a sacred concert in the Auditorium. The service was thoroughly enjoyed by the several thousand people present. The concert was opened with

chorus by the school children, "Our Father in Heaven," which was followed by an invocation by Rev. T. J. Ogburn. The children next sang Thou Art My Shepherd," after which Rev. C. E. Hodgin read the Scripture lesson. After "Just For To-Day" had been sung, Rev. E. K. McLarty made a short and helpful talk to the children. The high school quartette sang "Lead, Kindly Light," and the concert was brought to a

close with a chorus, "My Own United States," and the benediction by Rev. C. E. Maddry.

THE SERMON AT GUILFORD.

Bryn Mawr College Professor Delivers Commencement Sermon at Quaker Institution-Rev. Plato Durham Delivers Annual Address to the Y. M. -Splendid Andience in Me-

development. That man must live his did audience filled Memorial Hall here life among his fellows, and that the only way to develop one's ideals in this morning for the annual comthe highest sense is to help his felmencement sermon, which was delow-man. Everyone who heard Dr. livered by Rev. Dr. George A. Barton, who holds the chair of Biblical lit-Gardner was delighted with his sermon and all expressed a wish to hear It was an eloquent effort, deeply spirhim again. Dr. Lee Davis Lodge, of Limestone itual, and one of the most earnestly College, has been invited to deliver inspiring sermons heard here for

Dr. Barton chose for his text the Scripture words reading: "According fined faith and showed the two meanto say that the veterans will be deings of the word which were underTHE SPIRITUAL UNREST.

1. Two things are evidently characteristic of the generation in which we live. One is its spiritual unrest. from the care of the sheep and 'ne The radicalism of the last century has great prophet Elisha from tilling the borne its fruit and has issued in an soll, I therefore ask you to think of indefinable feeling of sickening doubt and dismay. The foundation of God these words: 'whatsoever thy hand standeth sure, but many honest souls imdeth to do, do with thy might.'but erratic leaders who think reck-

"No one will be excused for re-maaining idle through life, for there the ranks of those who are not trainis something which hands can find to ed to think nor able to defend their principles. The people who get their life, and we should keep busy. Our opinions second hand through the comment of secular newspapers cheap magazines, have come to feel history of the world was there such that something is wrong without knowing what or why. The very titles tion. of our books are suggestive for we

have Van Dyke's "Gospel For an Age of Doubt" and Gladden's "How Much is Left the Old Doctrines.

We have now reached a period of re-adjustment and re-statement. After the battle men are beginning count the dead and wounded. After the traffic in truth they are beginning to sum up results and take stock. It is assumed that something has been gained and something lost.

The most distressing aspect of this situation is that opinion always issues in practice, as a man thinketh in his heart so is he. In the history of morals it is inevitably true that unbelief is followed by laxity of conduct.

As you go out to take your place among your brothers it won't do to assume that conditions now are iden-Josephus Daniels, editor of The News tical with those of your childhood's pious home, that we stand precisely where we did a quarter of a century

> MORE THAN BOOK LEARNING. To be ignorant of conditions as here related or insensible to the new attitude of those who have been affected will simply discredit one and disqualify for rendering help. To discern the signs of the times, to feel the pulse of the people's faith, to enter sympathetically into the heart difficulties of men and masterfully to remove them requires more than book knowledge. For, as Browning writes, 'Men have oft grown old among their books to die case-hardened in their ignorance." There is required a ignorance." strong, loving personality, a mighty power of conviction and an abiding faith in God.

2 The second characteristic of our times is the manifestation of superlative moral effort. The first characond visit to Limestone and that he was astonished at the wonderful deteristic is now waning, the second is The period of agnosticism waxing. velopment that had taken place since has passed the point of culmination. he was here before." He said that no person can be a Christian without the storm is over, though the waves still running high. But the seca.re having ideals, and that the more man ond characteristic is becoming more grew the higher would his ideals be-come. That no one could become perpronounced with every day. Note the forces working for the abolition of fect except in a social sense, that the the liquor traffic, in State after State, people who go around preaching that note the unparlieled munificence of they are perfect do not realize that rich men's gifts to the cause of educaare representing arrested moral tion. Behold the spectacle never seen before, the men of the Church rising up and declaring that they will finance the work of the world's evangelization. Look how from one great metropolis to another flying squadrons of preachers and singers and workers are sweeping along trained

conducting simultaneous revivals in a dozen centres. Think how the greatwriters of to-day like Ibsen and Tolstol not only show moral sympathy in their writings, but aim at disstinct moral effect. Hear the Japanese statesmen de-

(Continued on Page Ten).

the sermons. At the host church, the First Presbyterian, to-night, Rev. Dr. James Orr, of Glasgow, preached. At the morning service at the Independent Presbyterian church Rev. C.

M. D'Aubigne was heard. In all twenty-four sermons preached by the visitors to-day. Much

interest centres in Rev. Mr. D'Aubigne, of France, whose sermon embodied an explanation of the present religious troubles in France in connection with the severance of Church and State.

To-morrow's programme, besides the discussion of the Central Uni- The sessions will continue to begin versity matter, will include two addresses, that at noon by Dr. A. M. Frazer, Staunton, Va., "How May the late in the day but that they will be Principles of Calvaniam Be Rendered Most Effective Under Modern Conditions?" and that in the evening by Dr. R. A. Webb, Louisville, Ky., , on 'Calvin's Doctrine of Infant Salva-

TAFT ACCEPTS TRUSTEESHIP.

President Announces by Letter to Dr. Frissell That He Will Be One of the Board of Hampton Institute-Commencement Exercises of the Institution Under Way.

Hampton, Va., May 23 .- At the ommencement exercises at the Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute to-day a letter was read from President Taft in which he announced his acceptance of a place on the board of trustees of that great

school for the education of the negro and the Indian. Mr. Taft's letter to Dr. H. B. Frissell, principal of the school, was as follows:

"White House "Washington, D. C., May 14, 1909. 'My Dear Mr. Frissell:

"I have your note announcing my election as a member of the board of Hampton trustees. I consider it an honor to be one of them, and shall be very glad to contribute what little I can to the continued success of the school.

"Very sincerely yours. WILLIAM H. TAFT."

The selection of Mr. Taft was made at a meeting of the board held in New York during the early part of May

Dr. H. S. Pritchett, of Washington, who delivered the baccalaureate address, in commenting on Mr. Taft's letter, said;

"Mr. Taft, by his acceptance, honors education and no less the high office of President in showing his interest in the educational methods of his country."

Among the prominent persons present at the exercises were: R. Brent Keyser, president board of trustees of Johns Hopkins University; former Governor Montague, of Virginia; Dr. S. Blackwell, president of Randolph-Macon College; Dr. John M. Glenn, of the Sage Foundation, New York; Dr. W. Jay Sheinselin, of New York; Dr. Arthur Curtis James, New York; Drs. L. F. Barker, T. H. Finney and W. B. Russell, the medical department of Johns Hopkins University. Great disappointment was express

ed that President and Mrs. Tait were unable to come, owing to Mrs. Taft's illness.

Alleged Embezzier Run to Earth Chicago, May 23 .- George White, aid to be an employe of the National Valley Bank, of Staunton, Va., was arrested by the Evanston police to-The police say that he is wantday. ed in Staunton on a charge of em-bezzlement. White was married last Wednesday in Staunton, it is said.

laws modifying the position of foreign ers in the republic.

London has about completed preparations to welcome this week leading scientists from every corner of the earth to the seventh international congress of applied chemistry, which will convene Wednesday and continue for a week. The American contingent will number upwards of 100 men eminent in chemistry, Sir William Ramsay will preside.

CONGRESSIONAL FORECAST.

The Senate programme for this week includes nothing but the tariff. carly and there is now a possibility that they will not only continue until extended into the night.

No plan of operation has been outlined beyond that of hammering away at the various schedules as persistently as possible. The lumber schedule, which was taken up yesterday will continue to receive the attention of the Senate on Monday when it is expected Mr. Heyburn, of Idaho, will conclude his remarks. He is pleading zealously for a high duty on lumber, while Senator McCumber, of North Dakota, is just as earnestly exerting himself to prevent the imposition of any duty on that article.

With the lumber paragraphs disposed of, the finance committee will undertake to have the Senate go back and gather up the odds and ends of the bill which have been passed over, with a view to cleaning up as much of the measure as possible before the cotton and woolen schedules are reached, on which there will be much discussion and sharp conflict. It is not probable, however, that either those schedules will be reached during the present week.

Senator Aldrich will continue to urge the fixing of a day for the taking of the final vote on the bill. He discourages all morbid prophecies of an all summer session.

The House will make no especial effort to gather a quorum during the week, but if these is a quorum present at either the Monday or Thursday ses sion the Philippine tariff bill and the Porto Rican bill will receive attention.

Agitation For Liquor Election in Gaffney. Special to The Observer.

Gaffney, S. C., May 23 .- It developed a day or two ago, much to the surprise of those who are opposed to this dispensary in this county, that a petition for an election on the whiskey question was being circulated in the county. The matter is not being taken seriously by the prohibitionists, as they are confident that the whiskey element is not strong enough to carry the election. As it takes only onefourth of the qualified electors to sign the petition in order to have the election they will doubtless succeed in having the election ordered.

Hammond to Be Offered China Post' Washington, May 23 .- While it is impossible to secure any confirmation of the report that President Taft will Stender the post of minister to China to John Hays Hammond, it is believed here such an offer will be made. All efforts to secure some expression from those officials most likely to know whether the offer is to be made were unavailing.

Mr. Hammond is expected here morrow, and during the day probably will see the President. The latter, it is said, has given much thought to a successor to Mr. Rockhill, who has been transferred to St. Petersburg.