

BAPTISTS MEET IN SAVANNAH.

The State Convention Began Its 77th Annual Session Yesterday.

DR. BURROWS AN IMPERIALIST.

He Wants to See the Knowledge of God Cover the Earth to Its Uttermost Ends—Question of Christian Expansion Confronts Us

SAVANNAH, GA., March 31.—The Georgia State Baptist convention began its seventy-seventh annual convention here today. Governor Northen is the presiding officer. The address of welcome was responded to by Rev. Dr. Lansing Burrows, D. D., of Augusta, who is secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention. Dr. Burrows said that the welcome was appreciated and accepted in the spirit in which it was extended.

TRIMMINGS. Tremendous changes had occurred since the convention met in Augusta a year ago. Dr. Burrows said he spoke of the war and its results. The opportunity for which he prayed last night, he said, the shells of Sampson and the guns of Lee have made for us an open door. Dr. Burrows declared that he was an expansionist and an imperialist.

QUESTIONS OF EXPANSION. "The question which now confronts the Christian people of this country," said Dr. Burrows, "shall we go in and possess these lands? Shall we enter these open doors? The Church he said can make use of the sword which is carving the way of civilization."

YALE LAW SCHOOL TEAM.

Was Outclassed by Fredericksburg-Good Luck Saved Them a Shutout. FREDERICKSBURG, VA., March 31.—Special.—The Yale Law School was outclassed by Fredericksburg today. They only escaped a shut-out by some lucky hitting in the ninth inning.

On the Turf. A Fast Track at New Orleans and Cold Weather at Little Rock.

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YALE, 19; HAMPTON, 5.

The Law Students Find Easy Fruit on the Water Side.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., March 31.—The game today between Yale and Hampton was very one-sided, the locals going into the game without practice and were easy victims. The game was a walk-over from start to finish and almost devoid of a suggestion of sport. It was called in the second inning to enable the visitors to catch the boat.

CAROLINA, 5; LEHIGH, 0.

The Tachels Play an Errorless Game and Shut the Visitors Out.

RALEIGH, N. C., March 31.—A special to the News and Observer from Chapel Hill says: The University of North Carolina shut out Lehigh today, playing an errorless game. Winston's pitching was too good for any Lehigh's outfield work was very good.

COLUMBIA, 8; C. COLLEGE, 14.

COLUMBIA, S. C., March 31.—Lafayette defeated the South Carolina College team today 14 to 8. The game, though close, was featureless, save for Tarrar's exceptional play at all stages.

ROANOKE COLLEGE TEAM.

SALEM, VA., March 31.—Special.—The Roanoke College baseball team has been organized as follows: Weddington, p.; Kimmert, c.; Balthus, 1st. b.; Burns, 2d. b.; Crabb, 3d. b.; Williamson, c. f.; Jennings, c. f.; Fox (captain), c. f.; Lloyd, c. f. The first game of the season was played on Roanoke's grounds yesterday with Allegheny. Roanoke College did fine playing all day, and beat Allegheny by a score of 5 to 2.

ATLANTIC LEAGUE SCHEDULE.

Meeting Postponed Until the 6th.—The season will begin April 6th. PHILADELPHIA, March 31.—The Atlantic Baseball League schedule meeting was held at the Hotel Hanover in this city on April 1st, but was postponed until April 6th, on account of the death of the mother of Manager Wright, of the Paterson club.

BURGLARS AT WORK.

Mr. Eubank's Grocery Entered, But They Were Frightened Off. The grocery store of Mr. J. E. Eubank, on Twentieth street near Broad, was broken into by thieves last night. Mr. Eubank had occasion to go to the place between 10 and 11 o'clock. He found the front and rear doors broken open and goods so disarranged as to leave no doubt that robbers had been at work. The burglars were frightened off when Mr. Eubank made his appearance.

RELIEF IN SIX HOURS—DISTRESSING CASE.

RELIEF IN SIX HOURS—DISTRESSING CASE. Bladder Disease Relieved in six hours by NEW GREAT SOUTH AMERICAN KIDNEY CURE. It is a great relief in all cases of bladder disease, kidney and back in male and female. Relief is obtained in a matter of minutes. If you want quick relief and cure this is the remedy. Sold by W. W. SCOTT and SONS, 215 N. MINOR DRUG CO., Druggists, Richmond, Va.

"To Do Ill Costs More Than To Do Well."

This "wise saw" might properly read, "It costs more to BE ill than to BE well." The source of all health is rich, strong blood. It is to the body what the mighty streams are to the earth. If the blood is pure, the body thrives; if the blood is weak or impoverished, then every pulse-beat carries weakness instead of strength.

Why make the cost of living more than it need be? Purify your blood and give your constitution a chance to do its level best. The only perfect blood purifier and vigor-naker in existence is the world-famed Hood's Sarsaparilla. It brings good, perfect health. It never disappoints.

It never disappoints. "When three months ago my baby Roy was covered with itching and burning scrofula sores. The best physicians failed to relieve. Hood's Sarsaparilla saved his life as it made a permanent cure." Mrs. LILLIE M. FIER, East Spring, Md.

Crip.—"Through the blessing of God Hood's Sarsaparilla and Hood's Pills cured me of grip and the after weakness. My heart and nerves were badly affected. But now strong and healthy, doing all my household work. I have been a willing advertiser for Hood's among my neighbors." Mrs. MARY M. MESSINGER, Freehold, Pa.

Rheumatism—Rheumatism is a disease of the blood, and the blood must be purified to effect a cure. "I was troubled with rheumatism so badly that I could not walk. Hood's Sarsaparilla cured me." Mrs. MICHAEL McDERMOTT, Southbridge, Mass.

Eczema.—"My daughter had eczema and it affected her eyes. The doctor said it was incurable. Her skin is now smooth and white and all on account of Hood's Sarsaparilla. I have taken it for weakness and can now walk three or four miles easily." Mrs. E. A. HESBY, Sank Centre, Minn.

Cataract.—"I suffered from cataract with cataract. Was entirely deaf in one ear. Hood's Sarsaparilla cured me and restored my hearing." Mrs. W. STOKES, Midland, Tex.



Hood's Pills cure liver ills, the non-irritating and only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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LITTLE ROCK, ARK., March 31.

Weather cold and attendance light, but track good and fast. The talent was fairly successful and several second and second division winners.

First race—half mile—Baha (5 to 1) first, Capron (2 to 1) second, First Fast (3 to 1) third, Time, 1:04.

Second race—six furlongs—Clinton Park (3 to 1) first, Elmer (10 to 1) second, Time, 1:17.

Third race—half mile—Lambliager (2 to 1) first, Cheese Straw (8 to 5) second, Time, 1:07.

Fourth race—seven furlongs—Branch (6 to 1) first, Haul (10 to 1) second, Ameluz (8 to 1) third, Time, 1:30.

Fifth race—seven furlongs—Bourgeois (4 to 5) first, Scott (10 to 1) second, Haxton (4 to 3) third, Time, 1:29.

MURDERED FIVE PERSONS.

Bates Soper Killed First Wife, His Three Children and His Father.

HARRISONVILLE, MO., March 30.—A. Bates Soper was hanged here today. He refused to have any spiritual consolation.

The crime for which he was executed was the murder of his wife and their two daughters, aged seven and six years, Soper ran a butcher shop. One day in April, 1897, he announced that he had a bill for a "blind tiger" and that he could not live in a place so wicked. Four days later neighbors broke into his shop and found the mother and children crushed with an axe. Soper had left a note saying he could not properly support his family and that he believed they would be better off dead.

Lator, Soper under the name of Harry Lee, leased and worked a small farm near Ashland, Cal. After being landed in jail here he confessed, not only the killing of his wife and two children in Missouri, and his child in Oregon, but admitted the murder in 1897 of his father.

According to his own story, on the evening of the long-named murder, Soper started to attend a literary society. On the way he met his father and shot and killed him. Throwing his revolver away he proceeded to the society and took part in the exercises as if nothing had happened.—Philadelphia Record.

PLANS FOR NEW CRUISERS.

The Six Vessels Will Be Bigger Than at First Intended.

WASHINGTON, March 30.—The Board on Construction of the Navy Department gave its attention today to the details of the six new sheathed cruisers which have been authorized by Congress and contracts for which will soon be awarded.

After securing preliminary estimates from the shipbuilders the naval bureau chiefs have found that it will be possible to make the plans as to obtain vessels of a larger type than was at first anticipated or was stipulated by Congress.

The original purpose was to have ships of about 2,500 tons displacement, the new plans will provide for cruisers of about 3,000 tons, of an improved Marblehead type. There is no proposition to have the armament of the vessels unlike that of the Marblehead, as the new ships will be equipped with ten 5-inch guns.

The ordinance officers say there is a decided advantage in fitting out a ship with its heavy guns of one caliber throughout. It is much easier to handle ammunition under such conditions, and it is always possible to use up all the shell in time of action should it be necessary to do so.

A court of inquiry has been ordered at Little Rock, Ark., to investigate the death of a young girl, who was drowned in the river there last night.

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THE FILIPINOS ARE TRACTABLE.

They Would Make No Trouble If Only Left to Themselves.

RESULT OF THE WAR A SURPRISE.

They Expected to Wipe the Americans Out of Existence—Much Better Drilled Now Than When They Were Fighting Spain.

WHEELING, W. VA., March 31.—Lieutenant William Brannan, executive officer of the Charleston, whose exploit in making the bloodless capture of the Ladrone Islands last summer, was told by himself in Associated Press dispatches, writes an interesting letter from Manila to Hon. Augustus Pollock, of this city. He is now captain of the Fort at Manila, and has under him some 500 native Filipinos, whom he finds it easy to control.

Speaking of the native, he says: "The natives themselves, left to their own intentions, will never prove troublesome. They would be only too willing to earn a meagre living and get a few dollars. They are not hard to handle at all. I employ several hundred in my department and find no trouble whatever, though I have often to work them at night in docking and undocking vessels. During all the fighting, among the hundreds in my employ, they remained loyal and faithful. I am sure that the expense of mailing only for edition in paper covers, or it stamps for cloth-bound editions, is well repaid by the interest which they could do wipe all the Americans off the face of the earth."

IN REGARD TO THE CRUISER CHICAGO. The cruiser Chicago, which was ordered by the United States Navy, reached New York today. A serious accident occurred on board the ship on her way to Havana, and the vessel was damaged. The fact that the ship had proceeded to sea without being inspected by the board organized for just such purposes.

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GOOD FRIDAY IN THE CHURCHES.

Impressive Ceremonies in the Catholic and Episcopal Edifices.

EXCELLENT MUSIC RENDERED.

Handel's "Messiah" at St. Paul's and Sir John Stainer's "Crucifixion" at Holy Trinity—Large Crowds at the Catholic Churches.

At both St. Paul's church and the Church of the Holy Trinity yesterday, large congregations gathered to join in worship of the Crucified Lord, through both the preliminary brief service and the singing of the oratorios.

At St. Paul's the numbers were so large that very nearly every seat in the galleries, as well as every seat in the body of the church was taken. The exercises were opened with the singing of the hymn, "O Come and Mourn with Me Awhile!"

Prayer, which included some of the most beautiful collects in the prayer-book followed.

THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS. Bishop Jaeger, in a short address, took occasion to remind the people of the significance of the music and of the appropriateness of having the oratorio in religious services. He admonished them, with characteristic eloquence, not to listen to the oratorio merely as a music, but to seek to direct spirit and heart through it to the worship of Him, who as the Church is reminded on Good Friday, was "wounded for our transgressions."

The offertory, appropriately was for Foreign Missions. The selections from Handel's "Messiah" followed, the soloists being Mrs. Joseph Reinhardt, Miss Knowles and Mr. Tribbett. The last was heard to special advantage in the recitative. The chorale having been heard, the chorus of thirty-five voices, was in excellent training, and both in volume and quality made a fine success.

AT HOLY TRINITY. Long before the service was over at Holy Trinity church was taken, and at that hour presented a striking scene with its sea of expectant faces directed to the chancel. The rendition of Sir John Stainer's "Crucifixion" was one of the finest accomplishments of any body of Richmond singers in years, and on all sides heard high praise of the choir (forty voices) and their director. The order of service consisted of preces, hymn and evening prayer, after which Mr. Gravatt urged upon the people reflection as to the solemn nature of the service, and the night-Good Friday night.

The oratorio followed, and both the soloists and chorus acquitted themselves with a degree of fidelity to the deep meaning of the music and of musical excellence.

St.atham, of Washington, was the soprano; Mr. Robert J. Hughes, of Baltimore, the tenor; and Mr. Arthur Scriver, the baritone. Mr. Herbert M. Phillips was the organist.

Good Friday was observed with solemnity at the Catholic churches, especially St. Peter's and St. Mary's. Large crowds attended and excellent music was rendered.

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MRS. SEMPLE'S PENSION.

Increase Granted to the Daughter of the Late President Tyler.

WOUNDED COMPARED.

Our wounded people have a much better chance for recovery than they; for this reason, the Mauder mill makes a clean and smaller wound than do our Remingtons and Springfield. To give you an example of this, in one of the hottest parts of our firing line a soldier fought for three days, having been wounded on the first night by a Maxim bullet through the thigh. He says that during the fight he thought he rushed up against a brush and was struck by a thorn."

GEORGIA CONVICTS.

The Leases Which Caused so Much Scandal Expired Last Night.

ATLANTA, GA., March 31.—The twenty-year convict lease, out of which have grown so many investigations, so many scandals and so much alleged cruelty, expired at midnight, and the leases, who have enjoyed the profit of the felon toll for twenty years gave up the convicts, the contract between the contractors and the State terminating.

For the past twenty years lessees have had the keeping of convicts, and were permitted to administer punishment. Under the new arrangements which was ordered by the last Legislature, convicts will be leased for five years only, and the State will cloth, feed and guard them.

It is estimated that there are now in the State penitentiaries about twenty-four hundred convicts and they are to be distributed among eighteen contractors who recently made bids for the labor of the felons. The transfer of the convicts from the different camps will require considerable time and many transfer guards will begin to-morrow.

Some of the camps under the old lease have given up all convict labor and will hereafter employ free labor, other camps will get the convicts again.

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