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Digest of the News of the Week.

An old man named Abe Coombs, who has served for fifty-seven years as baker at the Kings County, (New York, Almshouse, has been cut from the payroll and thereby dismissed because he is ill from rheumatism. He is nearly eighty-one years of age.

The admission into the Union of the State of Oklahoma will be recorded by the addition of a star in the blue field of the flag placed at the lower right hand corner. It will be so seen about July, 1907.

Hamilton McK. Twombly, Jr., aged eighteen years only son of H. McK. Twombly, Sr., and

of his wife, Florence Vanderbilt, and grandson of the late William H. Vanderbilt, was drowned while swimming in Big Squaw Lake, in Holderness, N. H., on July 5.

Jules Adolphe Breton, the French genre painter, is dead.

The Duke of the Abruzzi has reached the summit of Mount Ruvenzord, which has heretofore never been achieved.

Ninety-nine persons have died from cholera in Manila, two of whom were Americans.

Miss Helen Keller, of Wrentham, the well-known deaf, dumb, and blind girl, will be a member of the new commission for the industrial education of the blind, which has long been advocated by her and which was recently authorized by the Legislature. Governor Guild, of Massachusetts, announced the appointment of five members to make up this commission.

Augustus St. Gaudens, the famous sculptor, is said to be suffering from cancerous growths, which are sapping away his vitality. He has had to undergo a number of operations already.

Plans for an artificial island in the channel between Capes Henry and Charles, for the defense of Chesapeake Bay, Hampton Roads, and all the rivers which empty into them, will be modelled after the island fort Japan has constructed for the defense of Tokio, in case the Japan government will permit Brigadier General John P. Story, U. S. A., former chief of artillery, to inspect the fortifications in Tokio harbor.

Police Chief Kohler, of Cleveland, Ohio, issued orders July 6 to arrest the owner of every saloon or cafe at which barmaids are employed.

"Cleveland has hundreds of barmaids, and they must go," he said. "It is their fascinating smiles that often sell drinks."

One arrest for a test case was made to-day.

A wealthy woman living in a nearby city, and who stays at the Auditorium Annex when in Chicago, lost a wallet containing \$3,000 at the hotel a few days ago. The pocketbook was found by a scrubwoman, who restored it to the owner. The latter gave the finder for a reward three old shirtwaists, which the scrubwoman now wears at work.

Moscow, July 5.—Maria Spiridonovo, who killed Chief of Police Luzhenoffsky, of Tambov, was

sent on July 5 to Siberia with other prisoners. Spectators at the railway station bade her keep up a stout heart, to which she replied: "We shall soon be back."

To increase the attendance of young men at Sabbath school and church services during the hot weather, the Rev. Dr. W. A. Atchley, of the Broadway Baptist Church, of Knoxville, Tenn., has issued an invitation to all men to attend services wearing shirtwaists and without coats. Dr. Atchley hopes to increase the attendance 50 per cent. by this method.

For the first time since April 18, San Francisco saloons were open July 5. Licenses had been granted to about six hundred drinking places, and all did a rushing business. Saloon licenses are now \$500 a year. They were \$84 before the fire.

A large number of signatures of members of the British Parliament has been attached to a message which will be forwarded to the Russian parliament extending to it the congratulations of the oldest to the youngest parliament, and expressing the hope that some of the members of the latter will attend the International Arbitration Conference to be held here at the end of July.

At the court martial of Admiral Rojestvensky for the surrender of the destroyer Biedovy in the battle of the Sea of Japan, the surgeons of the destroyer testified July 6 at Cronstadt, that Admiral Rojestvensky, owing to his wounds, was partly out of his head, irresponsible and incapable of giving orders to surrender. Lieutenant Vorom testified relative to the white flag incident, saying he was ordered by Captain de Colongue, chief of Admiral Rojestvensky's staff, to get a sheet, to be used in case of the appearance of a Japanese ship, but that when he came on deck with the sheet Captain Calamatieff indignantly threw it into the sea.

William Lee, a negro, seventeen years old, was sentenced at Baltimore, Md., July 5, to be hanged in Somerset County for criminal assault on two white women. He confessed his crime, which took place six weeks ago. The culprit fled to Virginia to escape a mob in Somerset County. The feeling in that county continues to be such that it was thought unsafe to take him there to be tried. He will have to be taken to Somerset County to be executed, and it is thought certain that it will require a strong militia force to protect him.

Mrs. William Thaw, mother of Harry Thaw, who shot Stanford White, is on her way back to America to be with her son.

Twelve hundred plumbers in Brooklyn have struck for \$5 per day, which they claim was promised them nearly two years ago.

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***The crop and fruit prospects in Nebraska and Kansas are very promising.

***Miss Anna M. Pritchard is doing postgraduate work in higher mathematics at Columbia University.

***At a recent meeting of session of Third New York, the names of two fine young men were added to the roll.

***Miss Lillie J. McKnight, of the Indian Mission, is spending part of her vacation at Slippery Rock, Butler Co., Pa.

***Mr. Joseph Curry, son of elder Wm. Curry, of Barnesville, has just recovered from a severe attack of lung fever.

***Mr. John Middleton, of Rochester, N. Y., spent the last week of June with his mother, Mrs. Middleton, of Northwood, Ohio.

***Miss Letitia Bernie, who has been stenographer for a firm in Clay Center, Neb., is enjoying her vacation with her parents at Wahoo.

***Ray Taggart, writes Mr. Carithers, is doing good work and proving a great help at the Indian Mission, and all are in usual health.

***On Friday, June 29, the sewing school and Sabbath school of the Jewish Mission, Philadelphia, had a pleasant outing in Fairmount park.

***Miss S. E. Gemmill, of the Home for Aged People, is absent visiting friends, and Mrs. Dauerty has returned after being away several weeks.

***We are glad to hear that Mrs. Sterret and Miss Alice Humphreys, of Sterling, Kans., who have been on the sick list for some time, are now improving.

***Rev. R. Hargrave has gone to his old home in Lisbon, N. Y., to visit his father and friends. In his absence the Rev. Jas. G. Reed will preach for the Northwood people.

***Mrs. Louis Holmes, of Wahoo, was summoned to Minden, Neb., by the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. Josephine Watt, who, we are glad to learn, is now recovering.

***On Sabbath, July 1, at 3:30 p. m., the following new officers were ordained and installed in Brooklyn: Elders W. T. Park and E. W. Jones; deacon, Thomas McBurnie.

***Mr. Edgar, of the Olathe congregation, has purchased a farm near Sterling, Kans., where he expects to make his future home. He has three sons in the Sterling congregation.

***A fine bridge has been built over Mission creek, near the Indian Mission, which is a great convenience to the people about there. The Mission people took part in its construction.

***Mrs. D. O. Jack, after a pleasant visit with home folks at Princeton, Ind., has returned to her home in Cincinnati, accompanied by her sister Lizzie, who will spend some time in the city.

***Rev. J. C. McFeeters was absent from his congregation on July 1, ministering to the remnant of faithful Covenanters at Conococheague. Rev. G. M. Robb occupied his pulpit in his absence.

***Rev. G. M. Robb and family passed through the city on Friday last en route for Bovina, where the family will recreate for a few weeks while Mr. Robb does some campaigning for Testimony Bearing.

***Mrs. Ada F. Thompson, of College Hill, gave a reception to her son and his bride, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Thompson, at her home on Tuesday, July 3. A large company was invited and all had a pleasant evening.

***Miss Mary Hull, of Princeton congregation, has left for New York, visiting Pittsburg and Washington on the way. She sails early in July for a two months' visit in Europe, expecting to spend most of the time in England.

***The church property at Seattle, Washington, is offered for sale, if a suitable price can be obtained. In the event of a sale, a new building will be erected immediately in another convenient location where land is cheaper.

***The fourth annual Bible reading contest came off on the evening of May 29 in the chapel of Cooper College. Four prizes were given. The prize winners were Anna Sanders, Blanche Adair, Eula Spencer, and Margaret Gault.

***Since the college commencement at Sterling, Kansas, the most notable event was the marriage on June 27 of Rev. D. Calvin Matthews and Miss Eva Josephine Spencer, daughter of President and Mrs. Spencer, of Cooper College.

***Misses Josephine McGaw, Helen Porter, Edith Chesnut, and Essie Steele, of Allegheny congregation, have all returned home from the normal schools they have been attending the past year. The first three will graduate next year.

***In writing of our moderator, the Rev. J. R. Wylie, and of Prof. Willson as the only living ex-moderators whose fathers had also been moderators, by an oversight the name of Dr. J. W. Sproull was omitted, as he is also an ex-moderator, whose father was moderator in 1847.

***A few years ago the Rev. T. M. Slater contributed a striking article to our columns entitled "Nicknaming the Sabbath," which occasioned much favorable comment. The Committee on Testimony Bearing bore its excellence in mind, and at their request, Mr. Slater has rewritten it for use in tract form.

***Rev. Louis Meyer will sail from Southampton on S. S. New York, July 14, and reach New York about the 22d. He has been enjoying a visit to his parents at Plou, Mecklenburg, whom he had not seen for eighteen years. On June 30 Mr. Meyer addressed the students of the Institutum Judaicum in Berlin, and spoke in Hamburg, July 3.

***The following change has been made in the appointment of Ohio Presbytery: Rev. J. R. Latimer will go to Londonderry July third and fourth Sabbaths, and W. M. Robb will go to Fairgrove July second, third, and fourth Sabbaths, and Rev. A. J. McFarland, D.D., will go to Fairgrove July fifth Sabbath.—J. M. Faris, chairman.

***The Testimony Bearing Committee has just published a tract on the Attitude of Christians Toward Secret Organizations, by the Rev. R. Hargrave, of the United Miami congregation. It will be sent out postpaid to all who ask for copies; requests to be sent to W. J. Coleman, chairman of committee, 1205 Boyle Street, Allegheny, Pa.

***Two weeks ago, Mr. John Turbitt, elder in Third New York, while riding to business on his wheel, was so caught between cars and a lumber truck that he narrowly escaped serious injury. An ambulance hurried him to New York Hospital, and after cuts and bruises were dressed, he was able to go home. All are rejoiced in God's kind preserving providence.

***Mr. Wm. J. Kerr, of the Pittsburg East End congregation, is on a vacation. He is wiping the Great Lakes district off his slate of places to be seen. In a letter to the editor of the Christian Nation he says: "Dear brother, I have just seen the great Niagara Falls, and am quite prepared to die. In the vain hope, however, that this poor world has something more wonderful to show, I'll live on."

***Rev. T. M. Slater having been notified by the Central Board of his appointment to visit the Province of Alberta with a view to looking up scattered Covenanters, expects to go within a few weeks, and all of our readers who know of friends in that part of the country who should be in the Covenanter church, are requested to send their names and addresses to him at once, at 1805 Bellevue Avenue, Seattle, Washington.

***Additional appointments for Ohio Presbytery: Rev. H. Eason to Londonderry, August, first and second Sabbaths; W. O. Ferguson to Londonderry, September, first and second Sabbaths; Rev. Isaiah Faris to Jonathan's Creek, September, third and fourth Sabbaths, and to Muskingum and Tomica, September, fifth Sabbath; Rev. J. L. McCartney to Londonderry, September, fourth and fifth Sabbaths.—Rev. J. M. Faris, chairman.

***Commencement Day at Cooper College, Sterling, Kans., was Thursday, June 14th. Of the four members of the graduating class, Josiah D. Edgar, of our Sterling congregation, was first honor man, and gave the closing oration on the "Power of Religion." One of the members writes, "his oration was well written and splendidly delivered, and we were proud of him." Mr. Edgar, as president of the Theomoran Literary Society, also gave an address at its annual exhibition Tuesday evening, June 12. Margaret and Libbie Gault, of the Sterling congregation, were on the program the same evening, one as essayist, and one as declaimer, and both did well.

***The R. P. congregation held a very interesting meeting just after the sermon last Sabbath morning. They were discussing the question of releasing their pastor, Rev. J. Boggs Dodds, to return to Syria for two years. After many feeling tributes to their pastor, they gave consent to his absence for two years. Not only the church but those outside of his particular church will be sorry to see him go. His family will remain in Sterling. A telegram was received Wednesday morning from the Foreign Mission Board of the R. P. Church definitely settling the departure of Rev. J. Boggs Dodds for Syria at an early date.—Sterling, Kansas, Bulletin, June 29.

***Robert S. Dodds, of Lincoln, Nebraska, died at his father's home in Wahoo, Sabbath morning, June 24th, 1906. He was born near Brownsdale, Butler County, Pa., July 29th, 1859,

and came to Wahoo with his parents in 1880. In 1888, he married Miss Minnie Ewart, who with their two daughters, Miss Joy and Esther, are left to mourn the loss of a faithful husband and loving father. They were both members of our church while residing at Wahoo, but when they moved to Lincoln, they connected with the United Presbyterians. He was the eldest son of J. Renwick and Mary Dodds. Two sisters, Mrs. Letitia Sharp, and Miss Edith Dodds, preceded him to the home above. He leaves two brothers, and three sisters, McLeod Milligan Dodds, of Lincoln, Neb., John M. Dodds, of Nevada, Mrs. Dr. J. E. Lamb, Mrs. Herman Nelson, of Wahoo, and Mrs. J. H. Usher, of Bloomfield, Neb. Through his tedious illness with Brights disease, he was remarkably patient, and left good ground to hope that death to him was great gain.

***The Mt. Nebo Presbyterian congregation, near Whitestown, Butler Co., Pa., celebrated its centennial last September 20th. They published a 120-page booklet containing an address, historical, and reminiscent, delivered on the occasion by Andrew White McCollough, a lawyer, of Butler, whose ancestors were founders of this congregation. Its first pastor, Rev. Reid Bracken, who was pastor nearly forty years, graduated at Jefferson College in 1802 in a class of four; the others were Johnson Eaton, Wm. McMillan, and Israel Pickens. It was the first class graduated at Jefferson after receiving its charter. The present pastor, Rev. Geo. Stewart, is the tenth since its organization. The history brings out the interesting fact that this church stands within a few yards of the old Indian trail between Pittsburg and Lake Erie, and along this trail passed George Washington, with a small company of guides and servants about December 27, 1753, in going and returning from Fort Duquesne to Erie, Pa. And also what is worthy of mention, after this trail had become a national turnpike about 1815, Joseph Bonaparte, once king of Naples, and afterwards king of Spain, brother of Napoleon Bonaparte, with a retinue of attendants and servants, in wagons and carriages, passed along this highway, and stopped over night and part of a day at Whitestown. It was a few years after Napoleon's overthrow at Waterloo that his brother emigrated to United States. Mr. McCullough says, that on this journey they bought from his grandfather what provisions they needed, such as ham, butter, chickens, eggs, milk, etc.

Communion at Almonte.

The communion in Almonte congregation on June 17 was a pleasant occasion, and let us hope was as profitable as it was pleasant. They are all earnest, faithful people, dwelling together in unity. They appreciate what is genuine and substantial in religion as well as in other things. All, or almost all, of them are conscientious

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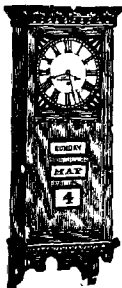
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tithe payers. The congregation was never in better condition than it is now. There was an accession of one on profession of faith, one of the children born and reared in the congregation. Two children were baptized. There are many children in the congregation. They evidently believe in raising Covenanters, rather than depending entirely on other nurseries for their supply—a most commendable ambition.

G. M. Robb.

Superior, Nebraska.

It may not be too late to report the most pleasant, and, we trust, profitable communion season on May 2nd Sabbath. Rev. Thomas McFall assisted, and the Lord sent by him most excellent and helpful messages. We had an accession of four by certificate.

Mr. R. W. Gilchrist was recently called to Delhi, N. Y., on account of the death of his mother. Mrs. Gilchrist, and two youngest children, accompanied him and will visit friends in that vicinity before returning.

Miss Nellie McMillan, who has been attending school in Olathe, Kans., is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McMillan.

Licentiate W. M. Robb, having supplied Beulah pulpit for the past five Sabbaths, spent a few days with the pastor.

Elder J. B. Gray is home after having visited friends in Pennsylvania and Illinois at the close of Synod.

Superior seems to be growing into quite a railroad center. The Rock Island system is to enter our city. This will give us five roads in all.

We wish to congratulate the management of the Christian Nation for the splendid report of the proceedings of Synod as given in its columns.

Our congregation has adopted the "Reynolds Envelope Safe" system for contributions to all purposes, and proves very satisfactory. It is an improvement over the common envelope system.

Another new grain elevator is soon to be built in town. This looks like well grounded faith in the future of Nebraska as a grain raising state.

Albia, Iowa.

Rev. H. B. McMillan, pastor at Canyon City, Colo., preached for us on his way from Synod. On the following Sabbath elder Jewel Thompson, from Clarinda, Iowa, and Jas. G. Love, from Seattle, Wash., were present, returning also from the meeting of Synod. As Mr. Love was the only delegate from his congregation and was expected to report upon his return, he was called upon for a report of Synod which he gave at some length, describing the harmony and good will characterizing the meeting, and also giving an outline of some of the sermons and other spiritual work in connection with the meeting; also an account of the addresses that were given instead of Sabbath school during the Synodical Sabbath. Mr. Love spoke with much feeling of the precious heritage of the Covenanter church handed down to us stained by the blood of the martyrs, and spoke of the banner "For Christ's Crown and Covenant" behind the desk of the moderator.

The Sabbath school here has been reorganized. Mrs. Martha Huston was elected superintendent, and Mrs. F. W. McMillan assistant. The work is beginning in new earnestness, and an opportunity is afforded now to obey the call of Him who said "My meat is to do the will of Him that sent Me."

Mr. Harry Hawthorne, grandson of

Mr. H. Hawthorne, has gone to Seattle.

Mrs. Thompson, widow of Rev. J. A. Thompson, was here from Blanchard on a visit.

Mrs. D. C. Nichol is improving in health and in hope of being able to attend church again.

A good many of the members now live in Albia.

Mrs. Samuel Elder and Mrs. J. W. Huston were at preaching services on Sabbath.

Northwood, Ohio.

Mr. William Milroy and Miss Myrna Patterson, both of Northwood congregation, were united in marriage June 14 at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Patterson. The ceremony was performed by the pastor, assisted by the Rev. Jas. G. Reed. A large company of friends was present, and many beautiful gifts showed the estimation in which the young couple are held. They left that evening for a visit to Buffalo and Niagara Falls.

Mrs. K. Smith, of Cincinnati, who came to attend the wedding of her niece, Miss Myrna Patterson, has been visiting her friends in the vicinity of Northwood these days.

Mrs. Guild, of Buffalo, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Middleton, during July.

Mr. and Mrs. Ebenezer Milroy gave a reception on the evening of June 22, in honor of their son William and his bride. A large company of friends were present and had an enjoyable time.

Mr. Stewart G. Thompson, of Beaver Falls, Pa., and Miss Florence A. Aiken, of Northwood, O., were united in marriage by Rev. Jas. G. Reed. Mr. Thompson is a son of the late Rev. D. G. Thompson. Mrs. Thompson, the mother of the groom, came from her home in Beaver Falls to witness the marriage of her son. Miss Florence is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Aiken, of Northwood congregation. The house was tastily decorated. Mrs. Will Irick entertained the company with choice piano selections. The young couple were well remembered by their friends with suitable gifts, and left for their new home amid the well wishes of their many friends.

Miss Clara McNaughton, of Waukesha, Wis., sister of Mrs. Ebenezer Milroy, of Northwood, O., attended the wedding of her nephew, Mr. William Milroy, and spent a week visiting her friends.

Marriage of Rev. D. C. Mathews.

An important social event took place at the home of Dr. and Mrs. F. M. Spencer, on Wednesday evening at six o'clock. At this time Rev. D. C. Mathews, pastor of the Reformed Presbyterian congregation, of Princeton, Ind., and Miss Josephine Spencer were united in marriage by the bride's father, assisted by Rev. J. Boggs Dodds and Dr. C. H. Strong. Before the ceremony, with Miss Quigley at the piano, a quartette, consisting of Rev. J. U. Brush, Mr. T. J. English, Miss Bessie Turner, and Miss Eula Spencer sang Lohengrin Wedding March. The bride wore an embroidered gown, trimmed elaborately in ribbon and valenciennes lace, and carried a shower bouquet of white roses. Mr. P. H. Mathews, of Lincoln, Neb., brother of the groom, was best man. These two first entered the parlor, and were followed by the bridesmaids, Miss Sarah Squire and Miss Wilda Spencer, after these came the bride on the arm of her father. Miss Squire wore white and blue and carried blue sweet peas and Miss Spencer wore white and pink and carried pink sweet peas. Spencer Lees and Dorothy Mathews carried the ribbons. The decorations of the house were white and green. In the ceremony room was a bower of green, made of tall palms and huge ferns. In the dining room, white roses and smilax were abundant. Flowers were everywhere. The bride and groom will be at home after July 1st, at the parsonage, in Princeton, Ind. Rev. D. C. Mathews was reared in Sterling, is a graduate of Cooper, and is a successful pastor. Josephine Spencer is a graduate of Cooper and has done efficient work in our city schools since graduation. The many rare presents show the appreciation in which bride and groom are held by their many friends. The bridal party left on the 10 o'clock train Wednesday evening.—Sterling, Kansas, Bulletin, June 29.

The platform of Chautauqua Institution at Chautauqua, New York, always has a place for the "men who really know." Among the speakers who will present to a Chautauqua audience in the coming summer a subject which is only vaguely understood by most people is Mr. Wm. Edgar Geil, an adventurous American who has traveled far and wide in Africa and has made himself acquainted, at great

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