

DECEASED. Unfrocked Priest Out in a Farewell Letter to the Laity.

IN THE ROMAN CHURCH. He Invites Protestants to "Steer for Some Safe Port."

Dr. Benjamin F. De Costa, who recently forsook the Protestant Episcopal ministry, is out in a letter which he calls his "farewell to a member of the Protestant Episcopal laity."

In his "farewell" which is dated "St. Luke's day," Dr. De Costa practically repudiates Episcopalianism and Protestantism from every point of view, and reitly announces that he is within the Roman Catholic fold.

"The Episcopal body is afflicted, not with a case of simple blood poisoning, but with a disease which is incurable, and which cannot be recovered by the ministrations of the 'wise' or the 'ventral grumbling' of the 'judicious'."

"The Catholic heritage forms a Catholic faith, not a collection of dogmas, but a living, breathing, and growing organism, which has been reproduced in this country, and which is now being welcomed into the world, which is a veritable Cave of Adullam."

"The Bible of our forefathers has departed, and the men who impeach it hold it as a relic of a bygone age. The Scriptures of various grades, and discontended men, are now being welcomed into the world, which is a veritable Cave of Adullam."

"Did we or did we not sell our heritage at the fall of the blessed reformation? Did we not sell our heritage at the fall of the blessed reformation? Did we not sell our heritage at the fall of the blessed reformation?"

"At the office of Vice-President Skitt it was said yesterday by a representative of the vice-president that it was true that the 'L' company's electrical experts were investigating all of the electrical systems at present perfected, but that it was premature to say that any system had been decided upon."

"Judgment by default for \$170,190 was obtained yesterday in the Supreme Court against the Jeonstia Mining Company, of No. 15 Broad street, in favor of James B. Hingon, a defendant, and held in \$100 bail for trial in Special Sessions."

"A judgment in foreclosure proceedings for \$22,357 was entered yesterday against Charles H. Stoddard in favor of Justin Binkley, as executor of the estate of Daniel B. Fayerweather."

FINANCIAL. GERS BUY THE GENERAL WAY STOCKS.

Bank Statement, While Largely Negative, Indicates a Turn from Falling to Rising Averages.

ONLY A BULL LEADER REQUIRED. Sentiment has certainly changed for the better in the stock market. The need of a bull leader becomes more apparent.

Encouraged by the improvements in the sterling exchange and monetary conditions, which showed no immediate signs of changing, and the buoyancy in London over the decisive victory of the British in South Africa, the stock market was strong and aggressive during the entire session.

The volume of trading was somewhat restricted early in the day, as fears of an unfavorable bank statement, which the preliminary figures of cash movements indicated, deterred many speculators from making new commitments on either side of the market.

The announcement of the statement, which showed a small increase in the surplus reserves instead of the decrease which was expected, was the signal for a very general covering of short contracts. Stronger interests in the market were still accumulating stocks in a quiet way; the supply of securities now locked up in strong boxes, where they will remain until higher prices can be obtained for them, has removed the floating supply and materially reduced the volume of trading.

The Bank Statement was largely negative, but it clearly indicated a turn in the tide in favor of trade and righteousness. The acceptance of this belief by the better interests in the market is fully reflected in the decided improvement in general sentiment. The better class of railway stocks were well supported by inside orders, though there was some profit taking in the early part of the session.

Following are the sales of stocks and range of prices: 200 Am Cotton Oil, 45 44 1/4 to 45 1/2. 200 Am Lumber, 65 64 1/2 to 65 1/2. 200 Am Ice, 30 29 1/2 to 30 1/2.

Following are the sales of bonds, expressed in \$1,000s, and the range of prices: 6 Adams Express, 104 1/2 to 105. 20 Am Bond, 104 1/2 to 105.

Table with 4 columns: Date, Price, Change, and Volume. Includes entries for January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, and September.

Boston Market. Following are the closing prices, as furnished by Charles Head & Co., No. 17 Broad street:

Table with 2 columns: Bid and Asked prices for various stocks like American Bell Telephone, United States Oil, etc.

Philadelphia Market. Following are the closing prices, as furnished by Graham, Kerr & Co., No. 420 Chestnut street:

Table with 2 columns: Bid and Asked prices for various stocks like Lehigh Valley, Pennsylvania, Western N. Y. & Pa., etc.

ON THE CURB. Outside securities opened very dull and trading was light throughout the day.

The Chicago Great Western Railway reports for the first quarter of the fiscal year ending September 30 gross earnings of \$1,745,117, an increase of \$275,904, and net earnings of \$671,072, an increase of \$140,501.

The report for the year ended June 30 of the Mobile & Ohio Railroad Company shows gross earnings of \$4,531,153, an increase of \$1,020,850, and net of \$1,451,631, an increase of \$150,888.

The Standard Distilling and Distributing Company has advanced the price of spirits one cent per gallon in the West and two cents in the East.

The report for the year ended June 30 of the Great Northern Railroad Company showed gross earnings of \$25,017,993, a decrease of \$3,290, and net of \$11,928,642, a decrease of \$974,361.

The gross earnings for July of the Alabama Midland Railroad Company were \$72,670, an increase of \$2,004, and the net \$18,995, an increase of \$7,854.

The Western Railroad of Alabama reports for August gross earnings of \$54,020, an increase of \$6,909, and net of \$17,927, an increase of \$1,485.

The gross earnings of the Houston & Texas Railroad Company for August were \$306,490, an increase of \$52,297, and the net earnings \$91,200, an increase of \$12,327.

The report for the fiscal year June 30 of the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company shows earnings of \$7,005,077, an increase of \$1,020,850, and net of \$2,717,077, a decrease of \$13,628.

The gross earnings for September of the Cincinnati, New Orleans & Texas Pacific Railway Company for September were \$746,812, a decrease of \$5,207, and the net \$170,090, an increase of \$4,487.

The Tazoo & Mississippi Valley Railroad Company reports for two months ended August 31 gross earnings of \$675,419, an increase of \$34,833, and net of \$107,370, an increase of \$97,485.

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