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Meeting of Presbyterian Divines of Hamilton and London Comes to a Close.

THE MISSION RECEIPTS FELL OFF

Deficit of Nearly \$8000 to Be Made Up by Special Collections.

Hamilton, April 27.—(Special).—The meeting of the Presbyterian Synod of Hamilton and London closed this afternoon. It endorsed all the reports of the committee appointed by the general assembly on the question of enlarging the powers of synods except the fourth clause dealing with the reception and final settlement of all appeals, complaints and references.

The members, on motion of Rev. Dr. McMullen, Woodstock, resolved that the committee should give this clause more consideration before making such a radical change.

In reference to the memorial of the Sabbath School Association of Ontario asking these funds to be joined with the request of the minister of education to fix the international series of Sunday school lessons as the daily readings in the high and public schools, the synod expressed sympathy but agreed that there was no need of more legislation in this respect. The members thought the association should go after the trustees of schools, instead of the minister of education.

J. K. Macdonald, Toronto, addressed the synod on the subject of the international and infirm ministers fund. The committee on foreign missions reported a deficit of \$25,000. It was stated that the committee usually receives contributions amounting to about \$10,000 a year, but last year, according to Rev. W. A. Martin, Brantford, all the good people lived, and only \$100 was received from this source. Special collections will be taken up next Sunday to make up the deficit.

Rev. E. A. Henry, pastor of Knox Church, prepared a paper, which was read by Rev. W. J. A. Martin, Brantford, on this subject. It dealt with adapting itself to the changing conditions of life and thought?

Judgment was given in favor of Mrs. Nellie Cosens, who was sued by Robert McIntyre for the possession of a bank book showing deposits amounting to \$500, which the defendant claimed was given to her by the late Mrs. Ellen Milne.

Vincent Latremouille, who is under arrest in Toronto, is well known to the police here, where he was raised. Edward Wickham, the young man who had his arm taken off by a broken Saturday morning, was much weaker to-night, and his recovery is regarded as doubtful.

The 31st Highlanders held their second march-out this evening. Although the colors were not presented Victoria Day, Col. Logan announced that some of a military demonstration would be given, and a band concert held in the evening.

Day's Doings. This month Building Inspector Anderson has already issued permits for the erection of houses to the amount of \$1,000,000.

The license commissioners will make an announcement Friday, giving the names of the hotelkeepers who will lose their licenses.

On account of the quality of the brick delivered, the Canadian Westinghouse Company had to stop all construction work this morning.

Dr. Coleman and Mrs. Coleman, who is better known as "Kit," have taken up residence here.

John P. Dean, a well-known horse dealer, died last night after only a day's illness.

Contracting tailors have closed down their shops temporarily, throwing about 200 men out of work.

The demand for more wages by the local cigarmakers has not been sanctioned yet by the International Union.

It is alleged that Ald. Craig is paid \$100 a week for keeping the board of works' horse.

Under a lien, Contractor George Webb has begun a suit for \$5000 against the Catorat Power Company and the National Trust Company, in connection with the erection of the Catorat power house on the Victoria-avenue station.

A Hearing Concerned. Much favorable comment has been caused by the enterprise and bluck shown by many of the Toronto firms whose places of business were destroyed in the terrible conflagration of April 19. In no single instance was this more marked than in the case of W. W. Gillett Company, Limited.

Manufacturers of Royal Yacht, Gillett's, Magic Baking Powder, etc., whose large factory and beautiful offices, together with contents, office furniture, machinery and stock, were totally consumed. In less than an hour after the walls had fallen in Mr. Dobie, General Manager of the company, had telegraphed for the necessary materials to permit manufacturing operations to be started with as little delay as possible. By noon of the following day offices had been secured at 15 Wellington-street East, and when visited next morning at 9 o'clock the office staff were all at work. Factory premises had also been secured, and a small army of men were busy at work installing the duplicate set of machinery which this ably managed company had in reserve in another part of the city. This was completed with the exception of one machine, which was brought from Chicago by express and is undoubtedly the heaviest express parcel that ever arrived in Toronto, as it weighed over four tons. A full carload of supplies and material arrived in the same way. By the uniting energy and enterprise displayed by the management and employees of the company, the premises were destroyed. This is a record that any company might well be proud of, and will be a source of great satisfaction to stockholders of the company and a relief to the thousands of persons in all parts of the Dominion handling the various articles manufactured by the Gillett Company, many of whom evinced their interest by letter and telegraphic inquiries as to when they could expect further supplies. Factories will be run night and day, and every effort made to fill all orders as promptly as possible, and the company will at once proceed to erect an extensive, up-to-date factory which will enable them to keep pace with the ever-increasing demand for their goods.

As a result of the late fire the cost of caskets has gone up 20 per cent. in all parts of the province. The Eckardt Co., the largest manufacturing concern in the casket line in Canada, were the third factory to be destroyed in the fire. They were the last three months, and as a result of the remaining companies.

The conservatory string orchestra, under the direction of Mrs. Dewhurst, which gave a highly successful concert at the music hall of the Conservatory of Music, on Monday night last, was given an entertaining recital last night at the music hall of the Conservatory of Music. The program was varied with songs by Miss Evelyn Carr, contralto, and piano pieces by Miss E. E. Jones, each of whom was liberally applauded. The accompanist was Mrs. H. M. Light.

Wm. MacKenzie is in Vancouver. E. E. Sheppard has returned from California, much improved in health. Mrs. James Gillard of Hamilton is a guest of Mrs. E. Adams of Sherburne. Miss T. Miss Girard and Miss Maggie McMichael left yesterday for New York en route to London. They go by the Arbutus.

The Executive Committee of the Conservative and Lady Ellen Elliot, accompanied by Major and Mrs. Maudie and Capt. Bell, left for their home in town to-morrow.

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"GODSEND," MATTERS BUSY.

BRAND, THE DEBRIS SALVAGE.

Lots of Activity Evident Everywhere and Some Places Almost Cleared of Debris.

There is of a truth a busy scene in and around the area of gaunt, soot-stained walls. In some of the places the debris has been pretty well cleared; in others much yet remains to be carried away, and here and there a stream of water has still a duty to perform on the smouldering material deep beneath the wreckage. The dangerous front walls have been lowered, and it is not likely that dynamite will be employed on the inner ones. Workmen are busy erecting a fence around the Brock place preparatory to building, while the sidewalk is being piled up with scorched and water-soaked bales.

There are lots of people around trying to pick up souvenirs or bits of things they think could be turned to some account. The pile of dirty stuff that is being scavenged out of the Borgfeldt warehouse yesterday was thronged with men and women picking over the mass and rescuing damaged trinkets of one kind or another.

Break the Bargain. On Front-street one owner had disposed of some of the iron pillars that were in the ruins to some Hebrew metal dealer, who were having it removed to the Gulf of St. Lawrence or Atlantic coast, with mining, lumbering and other industrial privileges.

At the foot of Bay-street, where much of the debris is being dumped, two heavy carriers were seen industriously going over the heap of rags from one of the clothing houses and loading up the vehicle, oblivious of the evident discomfort of a tiny occupant.

Still Work for the Firemen. A few firemen are yet to be found "hooking up" hose and other equipment recovered from the bricks are gotten out of the way. All the property of the fire department is taken to Lombard-street station, and men there sort it out, make repairs of various kinds and then distribute the articles to other fire stations where they belong. This is a dirty, tedious job, and has kept the men steadily employed ever since the conflagration.

Street Commissioner Jones, who is difficult to obtain men and carts to carry away the debris from the streets in the burned districts. The wages being paid to the men and horses are so large that the commissioner cannot compete with them.

Brown Bros. Located. The Eckardt Casket Company will rebuild and make the premises one third larger, the four stores only.

Brown Bros. Limited, yesterday secured the building planning rights of the Wilson, Munro Company at 77 York-street and will have it in operation to-day, giving them possession of one of the best plants in the city.

Wilson, Munro Company, however, retain the jobbing bookbinders supply.

"Mark my words," said a downtown merchant to-day, as he surveyed the ruins. "It will be a full five years before this place is ready to be built on."

Insurance Adjustment. The work of the general insurance adjustment committee yesterday consisted in the appointment of sub-committees to handle losses on the following risks: Gordon, MacKay & Co., Wylde, Darling Co., Brown Bros., Henshaw, Hartford, Royal, Western, Royal, Northrop & Lyman, C. H. Westwood & Co., C. M. Home, F. Robertson & Co., E. S. Currie, Limited, J. W. Bell, J. Allan Co., J. J. Fugley, M. McLaughlin & Co., George H. Hees, Son & Co., McMahon, Broadbent, J. A. Allan Co.

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