

ARCHBISHOP O'CONNOR RESIGNS
STATEMENT IS NOW DEFINITE

Toronto Paper Contains a Story Which Is Practically Confirmed Today in a Dispatch From Queen City—Also Stated Positively That Bishop McEvay Will Be Made Archbishop.

At the Bishop's palace in this city The Advertiser was informed that absolutely nothing is known of the reported resignation of His Grace the Archbishop of Toronto, and the rumored succession of His Lordship Bishop McEvay to the archbishopric.

A dispatch from Toronto, however, states definitely that His Grace has resigned, and that within a month the Bishops will be called together to elect his successor.

The same dispatch also states that His Lordship Bishop McEvay will be the new Archbishop, and that while other names have been mentioned, it will be Bishop McEvay who will be chosen to go to Toronto.

STORY REITERATED.

The Toronto Star had the following article on Monday evening: Right Reverend Denis O'Connor, D. D., C. S. B., has resigned from the Archbishopric of Toronto.

The resignation was forwarded to Rome through the Papal Delegate at Ottawa, Most Rev. Donatus Sbarretti, D. D., and though no word has yet arrived stating it has been accepted, it is certain that such will take place, for so seldom is such a request made that it is done so for reasons so weighty that the Papal consent is invariably granted.

His Grace is at Collingwood today, where he administered confirmation Sunday.

When spoken to about the matter, Vicar-General McCann said he knew nothing of the resignation. It did not come as a surprise, however, and only confirmed the rumors which have been going around for some time.

HIS GRACE'S HEALTH POOR.

It is understood that poor health is the principal reason advanced by His Grace for liberation from the duties of Archbishop.

In addition His Grace advanced personal reasons. It is known that when he was appointed Bishop of London he wrote to Rome asking to be allowed to remain a priest, but the late Pope Leo XIII. replied that it was his desire that he accept the see.

Similarly, when he was appointed Archbishop of Toronto he did not desire to accept the further duties, and it has always been his desire to get away from the burdens the control of a diocese necessarily entails.

WHAT HIS GRACE MAY DO.

His Grace is a member of the Brazilian Order, and when his successor is appointed he may betake himself to one of the order's houses. It is possible that he may make his residence at the novitiate in Deer Park, or he may station himself at St. Michael's College, or at Assumption College, Sandwich.

He will retain his title of Archbishop, however. This will mean that he will be appointed titular Bishop of some European see, to which no duties are attached.

Those conversant with His Grace would not be surprised were he to enter one of the stricter orders of the church, such as the Franciscans or Dominicans.

It is well known that he most austere in his mode of living, is much given to prayer and study, and would welcome a retreat in a monastic order.

If he takes such a step it will mean his departure to Montreal, for none of the monastic orders have houses in Ontario.

WHO WILL SUCCEED?

Regarding his successor are mentioned the names of Right Reverend P. P. McEvay, D. D., Bishop of London, and Right Reverend D. J. Scollard, D. D., Bishop of Sault Ste. Marie.

It is worthy of note that both Archbishop O'Connor and his predecessor, Archbishop Walsh, came to this city from London, where they administered the diocese as bishop, and it would not be surprising if the next Archbishop of Toronto came from the same city.

The name of Bishop Scollard, however, is mentioned as a possible successor. He is the youngest bishop in Canada, having been appointed to the Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie in 1904. Though he is thoroughly conversant with the French language, it is said that the priests of the diocese, who are for the most part French, would prefer one of their own kind, and the raising of Bishop Scollard to the dignity of Archbishop would make way for such an appointment.

FATHER TEEFY AS BISHOP.

In either case a vacancy will take place in the Ontario hierarchy, and to fill it the name of Rev. J. R. Teefy is persistently mentioned. Dr. Teefy, who for years was president of St. Michael's College, is one of the best-known clergymen in Canada, and were he appointed Bishop the See would be well taken care of. Before the installation of Archbishop O'Connor, Dr. Teefy's name was mentioned as his possible successor, and now that His Grace has resigned the same is taking place. It is unlikely, however, that Dr. Teefy will be raised to the Archbishopric without first having administered a diocese as bishop.

HIS GRACE IS SILENT.

Collingwood, April 27.—When your correspondent called upon His Grace Archbishop O'Connor he declined to be interviewed in regard to the report of his intended resignation. Rev. Father O'Leary, with whom he is staying while in Collingwood, stated that His Grace had nothing to say whatever in respect to the report. As far as he knew, the aged prelate was yet vigorous and full of enthusiasm for the work of his church, and he would undoubtedly continue in the work until the end.

Rev. D. C. Hossack On Whitney Gov't
Says That Premier Has Been False

Points To Misrule, Denouncing
Gerrymander and MacKenzie
Guarantee.

Toronto, April 28.—The Globe today says: The Rev. D. C. Hossack, an Independent in politics, wrote a letter during the campaign of 1905 that was used to great advantage by the Whitney campaign. Mr. Hossack, like thousands of other Independents and Liberals who favored a change of Government in 1905, has since learned that the Hon. James Pliny Whitney is

a politician and not a statesman, Mr. Hossack has written another letter, which is published in this issue. It is well worth reading. Some of the points Mr. Hossack makes are as follows: "On Jan. 24, 1905, Mr. Whitney made a public appeal for aid, and declared that should his future conduct not be approved, the people might withdraw their confidence. Does Mr. Whitney feel that he has lost public confidence? He has so arranged many constituents by having Liberals that the withdrawal of Liberal confidence will not affect the standing of the parties in the Legislature. On Jan. 26, 1905, Mr. Whitney published his 'glad appreciation' (Continued on Page Two.)

ASK FOR LEMIEUX ACT BENEFITS

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, April 28.—The boiler-makers, machinists and iron molders of the Canadian Pacific lines east and west, and the blacksmiths and helpers and boiler-makers' helpers on the C. P. R. western lines, have applied for the benefits of the Lemieux act, and have named James Somerville, of Toronto, as their representative

on the board of conciliation, which they ask shall be named.
The course of this application on the part of the men is a notice which the company gave on April 1, that on May 1 it would cancel its agreement with its mechanics in the west, and would reduce wages.
The company will be asked to name a representative to the board.

SEEDING IN WESTERN ONTARIO

Seeding in Western Ontario is well along, fully seventy-five per cent of the grain being in the ground.

In the northern part of the Peninsula seeding is not so far advanced, but the lake counties are perhaps somewhat above the percentage.

The ground is in splendid condition for the seed, and if showers are at all as anticipated, there should be good crops this year.

The farmers are very hopeful, and in spite of the fact that the season has been somewhat cool so far, it has been excellent working weather. A few warm showers will overcome the difficulty.

Fall wheat is looking fine. Not for many years has there been so fine a prospect. Of course the acreage is not so large as formerly, but a fair acreage is sown. There are few bad spots and the grain is growing well.

The clover looks well—the best in four seasons. Little of it is winter killed, and most of it has a good start. Timothy is also looking first-class.

The pastures are coming along well. The grass has grown very fast during the past few days and there is now a good showing. Cattle will be turned out next week.

In Elgin County the corn land is being prepared, and the middle of May will see all that crop in. The ground is working splendidly for the crop.

If warm showers are at all frequent during the next month the farmers are assured of good crops.

FIFTEEN PASSENGERS PERISH
AS RIVER BOAT OVERTURNS

A Mississippi River Steamer Near Helena, Ark., Capsized By
Terrific Windstorm Two Hundred Yards From Shore
With Theatrical Company on Board.

Helena, Ark., April 28.—Fifteen persons lost their lives and several others sustained serious injuries while several scores are suffering from exposure as the result of the capsizing of the river steamer Marion, having aboard members of a carnival company near the mouth of the St. Francis River, Sunday. The dead: Anna Golden, Albert Jordan, Blinker Dale, W. M. Berry, engineer; Irene Fleming, Frank Berg, A. Dutch, Dan Thomas, Tom Boyce, six negroes.

The steamer, which was proceeding from Helena to Carruthersville, Mo., was caught in a windstorm and overturned when 200 yards from shore, and with the exception of several who were washed into the water, those aboard clung to the overturned boat and drifted for several hours, the waves from time to time washing one after another into the waters until, after rescued by a passing gasoline launch, fifteen of their number were missing. The Marion was a 65-ton boat.

PORT STANLEY IS BOOMING
BEST IN TWENTY YEARS

Many Improvements Being Made To the Popular Resort This
Spring and Business of All Kinds Flourishing—Cottages
Going Up By Scores and Manufacturing Plants Erected.

Port Stanley is booming, and the present season from all standpoints is the most prosperous for twenty years. Real estate has advanced from 50 to 100 per cent during the past year, and business has rapidly increased in all directions.

At present, work is being pushed forward on the new breakwater, Harry A. Miller, the Toronto contractor, having about 100 men on the job, and there are two dredges in the harbor that will commence work soon.

Several scows are unloading timber and material for the new breakwater, and all the docks are laden with material for the work.

A Good Catch.

Over 100 fishermen are employed out of Port Stanley, and all report the best season's catch for the past five years.

On the beach there are six cottages in the course of construction, while orders have been placed for twenty more, and in the town itself, half a dozen houses are being built.

Several families are living over stores or any place they can until houses can be obtained.

A New Station.

As well the hotels are being remodelled, and the Southwestern Traction Company will erect a new station at once.

The Port Stanley Amusement Company will commence work very soon, probably before the end of the week.

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British Destroyer Cut in Two
During the Night Maneuvers

Harwich, England, April 28.—The British torpedo boat destroyer Gala was cut in two and sunk early this morning off Kentish Knock, in the North Sea, by the scout Attentive. The torpedo boat destroyer Hibble was also involved in the collision, and returned to Sheerness with two compartments full of water. The flotilla was engaged in night maneuvers, when the accident occurred. Engineer-Lieutenant Frank A. Fletcher, of the Gala, who was in his bunk at the point where the destroyer was struck, went down with the vessel. There was no other loss of life.

Omer Rochette Found Guilty
Goes To the Gallows June 27

The Jury Decides That Quebecer
Poisoned His
Wife.

Quebec, April 28.—The verdict of the jury in the case of Omer Rochette was rendered at 10:30 o'clock this morning. Rochette was found guilty of having poisoned his wife on the 11th of November last and was immediately condemned to be hanged



HON. DR. WILLOUGHBY,
Of the Ontario Cabinet, Who Died at
Colborne, Ont., This Morning.

DEATH CALLS
DR. WILLOUGHBY

Minister in Premier Whitney's
Cabinet Died This Morning
at Colborne, Ont.

(Special to The Advertiser.)

Toronto, April 28.—Hon. Dr. Willoughby, minister without portfolio in the Ontario cabinet, died at Colborne, Ont., this morning. He had been ill for some time.

Hon. Dr. Willoughby was born in Simcoe County, Ont., Feb. 2, 1844. He was educated at the Bradford Grammar School and graduated M. D. at Victoria College in 1867. After serving as a physician he was returned to the Legislature for East Northumberland in 1886 and has held the seat ever since. He entered the V. M. service as assistant surgeon, 40th Battalion, 1872, and was promoted surgeon 1889.

Politically the late Dr. Willoughby has always been a Conservative, standing high in the councils of his party. In religion he was an Anglican. He had been a member of the Whitney Government for the last four years.

WILLIAM R. MILLER
DIED IN TORONTO

Left London Three Years Ago—Was
Well-Known Insurance Man.

Mr. William R. Miller, for three years manager of the North American Life Insurance Company in this city, died yesterday at his home in Toronto yesterday morning.

Mr. Miller left London about three years ago to live in Toronto.

He was 62 years old.

Besides his wife, eight children survive.

Mrs. C. H. Firth, of 419 King street, is a sister.

The funeral will take place on Friday afternoon in Toronto.

NINE FRENCH BOATS
GO TO THE BOTTOM

Fishing Season of 1908 Opens Disastrously for French Boats.

St. Pierre, Miquelon, April 28.—The fishing season of 1908 has opened disastrously for the French fishing fleet. Although the operations began only recently, nine vessels have been sunk between France and this port. So far as known here, no lives have been lost this spring. Last season 10 vessels sunk, 25 fishermen perishing.

TURMOIL IN CAUCASUS

Kurds and Armenians Suffering of
Disorder and Massacre.

Tiflis, April 28.—Reports of an alarming nature have just been brought in here. The Kurdish population of the Armenian provinces bordering on Russia have become aggressively active, and are indulging in disorder and massacre. The Armenian population is fleeing into Russian territory.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—SNOW FLURRIES
FORECASTS.

Toronto, April 28—8 a.m.
Today—Fresh to strong southwest, shifting to northwest, winds; occasional showers, and cooler.

Wednesday—Fresh to strong northwesterly winds; cool; a few local showers or snow flurries.

Local Temperatures.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Monday, were: Highest, 59°; lowest, 47°.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	32	20	Cloudy
Winnipeg	34	20	Cloudy
Port Arthur	30	28	Cloudy
Toronto	46	44	Cloudy
Ottawa	48	44	Cloudy
Montreal	42	42	Cloudy
Quebec	40	36	Rain
Father Point	40	34	Cloudy

The first column in the above table records the temperature at 8 o'clock this morning, and the second column records the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours previous.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 23-32; Atlin, 28-46; Victoria, 44-54; Edmonton, 24-46; Battleford, 21-44; Prince Albert, 20-36; Calgary, 24-34; Regina, 24-34; Winnipeg, 20-40; Port Arthur, 24-36; Parry Sound, 40-52; Toronto, 52-62; Ottawa, 42-58; Montreal, 46-64; Quebec, 40-48; St. John, 38-62; Halifax, 38-63.

NEW WATER SCHEME INDORSED
WILL GIVE PEOPLE SPRING WATER

DOUKHOBORS ON WAY HOME

Carload From Port Arthur and Fort
William Reaches Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, Man., April 27.—A carload of about 60 Doukhobors, including a number who were released from the jail at Port Arthur and Fort William, reached the city tonight.

These Doukhobors are being shipped to Yorkton by the Government, and are in charge of Government Inspector Simser. They are in a colonist coach. They were not allowed to get off the train at Winnipeg, but remain over in their car until morning.

HURLED THROUGH WINDOWS

Acetylene Gas Explosion Destroys a
Hotel Near Atlin, B. C.

Atlin, B. C., April 28.—The Gold House, the largest hotel at Discovery, three miles from here, was burned to the ground, early this morning. The loss is \$10,000, outside of \$2,500 in bank notes, which could not be saved.

It is considered a miracle that no one was killed. The fire was caused by an explosion of the acetylene gas plant. Guests who had just left the breakfast room were hurled through the windows by the impact of the explosion, but all were able to pick themselves up, little the worse for their exciting experience.

The fire spread with such rapidity through the frame structure that the building was wrapped in flames before any organized effort could be made to fight the blaze.

CHILDREN'S PARADES

Thousands of Little Ones Celebrate
New York's Catholic Centenary.

New York, April 27.—Thousands of school children today took part in the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the New York diocese of the Catholic church. Children's parades were formed in most of the parishes within the confines of the greater city and marched with flying banners to the churches where special masses were held and sermons were preached to the children. There were 3,000 children in St. Patrick's Cathedral. Monsignor Falconio, the papal delegate, arrived today from Washington and will attend a reception to Cardinal Logue and other church dignitaries tonight.

THE AWCOCK FUND.

The Awcock fund now totals \$88 16, as follows:
Previously acknowledged \$79 10
A friend 50
A friend 50
An Interested One 1 00
Mrs. T. H. Carling 2 00
Miss Matheson 5 00

NOT A SIGN OF PRIVATE MOIR
EVEN DAME RUMOR IS SILENT

May Be Across the Line By This Time, Say the Detectives, and
Runs Small Chance of Being Captured Unless
a Reward Is Offered.

Dame Rumor is taking a rest, so far as the Moir case is concerned. Inquiry at the police station today elicited the fact that not a solitary rumor had been received there since the return of the local detectives from the hunt after the elusive one, and it is now the opinion that Moir is in hiding somewhere. In the country surrounding Berlin, but few of the farmers have heard of the murder, and if the man seen at Heidelberg and St. Jacobs was Moir it is possible that he has procured work with one of the farmers near there.

May Be Across Line.

If Moir has taken a freight across the line it is possible that he will never

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Stiff Sentences for Copper Thieves
Who Robbed the Traction CompanyMagistrate Love Is Determined
To Wipe Out Such Crimes
in London.

James Barclay, the leader of the gang of young men who were recently convicted for stealing copper and brass from the Southwestern Traction Company, was sentenced to two years in Kingston Penitentiary this morning by Magistrate Love.

William Brooks and Fred Payne, two other members of the gang, were given six months each in the Central Prison.

Joseph Scott, the youngest of the quartette, who has hitherto borne a good reputation, was sent to jail for two months.

In sentencing the young men, Magistrate Love spoke of the prevalence of thefts of this nature, and it is his intention to stamp them out by giving all offenders severe sentences.

Guarantees It for Lifetime,
Say Mayor and
Chairman.

FILTERED WATER
FOR EMERGENCY

But Not Until Spring Supply
Has Been Exhausted—The
Scheme Explained.

"I think the water scheme a good one," said Engineer Moore to The Advertiser this afternoon. "It combines the best in all of them, and is an ideal system."

"Can the flow of the springs mentioned be increased from 1,300,000, to say, 2,000,000 gallons?" was asked. "I would not like to say," said Mr. Moore. "The Cronyn and White springs might be increased, and it is quite probable that the Hoses springs could be increased considerably. But it is just as well not to figure on probabilities, but on actual facts."

The High Pressure.
"If the high pressure is used what water will be used in the high-pressure mains?" was asked.

"Spring water as long as it lasts," he answered. "Filtered water will only be used when it is impossible to get enough spring water in case of fire. Filtered water will not be used for domestic purposes at all until such time as the supply of spring water is exhausted."

Exceptional Cases.
"Will filtered water be forced into the Springfield mains at all?" was asked.

"Only on very exceptional cases," said Mr. Moore. "That will only happen when a great deal of pressure is wanted on the Springfield main, as in case of fire or other emergency. When more pressure is wanted on the Springfield main, spring water from the north branch will be forced into the main until the supply of spring water is exhausted. Then the filtered water will be forced in. After this need is passed, the valve connecting the two mains will be closed, and there will be practically nothing but spring water in the mains."

Land Damages.
"Does the \$500,000 include land and land damages?" was asked.

"Certainly, it provides for all of that."

"Then the high-pressure system will be used for filtered water only when the supply of spring water is exhausted?"

"That is correct," said Mr. Moore. Continued on Page Eight.