ROWLAND CHOSEN GRAND MASTER

Hon. J. S. Martin Raised to Position of Deputy by Masonic Grand Lodge.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Hamilton, July 16.—Right Worshipful Brother J. A. Rowland, of Toronto, was elected grand master of the Masonic grand lodgt of Ontario today, Hon. J. S. Martin was elected deputy grand master, and will be next grand master. William Ostler, of this city, was elected grand senior warden and J. W. Wansboro, Toronto, grand junior warden. E. T. Malone was re-elected grand treasurer and W. M. Logan was re-elected grand secretary J. T. May, London, was the successful candidate in the ballot for grand registrar, defeating eight other candidates.

Those elected to the board of general purposes were George Moore, Hamilton; A. Cowan, Barrie; A. F. Richardson, Strathroy; A. T. Shanks, Ottawa and A. J. Anderson, Toronto.

Immediately after the election, E. T. Malone, a past grand master of teh grand lodge, formally installed the grand master and officers. Mr. Malone has officiated in this capacity at a number of grand lodge meetings.

With a registry of 2,300 delegates, who cast 2,987 votes, the session of the grand lodge of Canada in Ontario, which ended today, is said to have been the most representative and largest ever held in this jurisdiction.

At this morning's sesison much of the time was spent in hearing motions and resolutions. Because of the resolution, resulting from the annual report of W. P. Drope, who advised a revision of the book of constitution, those resolutions which affected constitutional matters were laid over until this revision was completed. It will be taken up next year.

Without opposition it was decided that the grand lodge should hold next year's session at Fort William. London, which was the other city mentioned, withdrew.

At the session, Bro. Dudley Ferrell, grand master of the Grand lodge of Massachusetts, pinned on the breast of Mr. Rowland the Henry Price medal, which made him a life members of that lodge. Bro. Fox, of the Grand lodge of Michigan, addressed the Grand lodge, bearing fraternal greetings.

HYDRO FAMINE BOUND TO COME

Power Consumption Increase Constant and No New Sources Ready.

Increasing usage of Ontario Hydro electric power will likely cause a serious shortage in London and other centers within the next year, according to E. V. Buchanan, general manager of the public utilities commission here. Increase in use of domestic power here is steady and Lndon's outlook is not favorable.

Toronto despatches today indicate that development of St. Lawrence resources will provide 250,000 horsepower for the Ottawa district. This development would permit use in Western Ontario of Niagara power which now supplies the Ottawa district.

"I quite believe the reports of a shortage if St. Lawrence power development is not sanctioned," declared Mr. Buchanan, "The shortage is bound to come within 12 months unless steps are taken to prevent it."

EXPLOSION IN HOUSE ENDANGER TWO LIVES

Woman and Police Officer Near Death Following Blast in Home.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Moncton, N.B., July 15. — Mrs. Greta Phillips and John Colpitts, provincial constable, were seriously burned today in a gas explosion which wrecked a front room of Mrs. Phillips' home, buckling the outside walls and driving them over six inches from the sills.

Mrs. Phillips' is not expected to live. Colpitts, who was in the house in an official capacity, was burned about the face shoulders and arms. His condition is very serious.

REMANDED FOR SENTENCE ON DELINQUENCY CHARGE

Special to The Advertiser.

Parkhill, July 15.—Clarence Shaddock was found guilty today on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of a child, and was remanded for a week for sentence. Juvenile Court Judge Quintin Warner heard the case and Crown Attorney A. M. Judd prosecuted.

HAMILTON ROAD FETE.

The Hamilton road Continuing Presbyterian church will hold a garden party on the lawn of Mr. Charlie Pirie's home, corner of St. Julian and Hamilton road, on Friday night of this week. The pipers will be in attendance and delightful vocal numbers and readings will be given as well as dances by Miss Marion Stark's pupils. Mrs. John Lindsay, president of the ladies' aid, is general convener.

ST. GEORGE'S FETE.

The grounds about St. George's church, West London, were brilliantly lit with electricity last night for the annual garden party, of which Mrs. Sage was convener. Hundreds attended, making the event a success from the start. The Sunday school orchestra furnished delightful music while soft drinks, ice cream, candy, home cooking and watermelon had a ready sale at the many interesting stalls. There was a table, too, of fancy and useful articles, which was well patronized and added much to the general coffers.

Mrs. Wilkins, 90, Celebrates By Reading Without Glasses

Briscoe Street Woman Remarkably Active on Birthday.

PORT ROWAN NATIVE

Mrs. Mary E. Wilkins, 120 Briscoe street, today celebrated her ninetieth birthday at her home, and to prove that she is in the best of health she took a short walk and then read the paper without eyeglasses.

Mrs. Wilkins is as bright and cheerful as most people. She walked to the Wortley road Baptist church last Sunday and then home again after the services, thus proving that, despite her four-score years and ten, she can still move about by herself.

Mrs. Wilkins was born near Port Rowan. She lived there for several years and then moved to Port Burwell. It was there that she spent the greater part of her life and saw the country grow from bush to one of the most productive agricultural districts in the dominion.

Mrs. Wilkins also lived in St. Marys for a few years before she came to London.

Her grandparents were Mr. and Mrs. Troyers of Port Rowan. Mr. and Mrs. Troyers came to Canada from the old country and were amongst the earliest settlers in Western Ontario.

Mrs. Wilkins can recount of the many hardships suffered by the early pioneers and how, though they seemed thwarted at every turn, they kept pushing on and finally won out.

Congratulations were pouring into the Wilkins home throughout the day, and Mrs. Wilkins was kept busy reading cards and letters sent from her many friends.

Mrs. Wilkins lives with her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Robert N. Wilkins.

CANADIANS WIN MACKINNON CUP

Marksmen From Dominion Score 1,084 Out of Possible 1,200.

Associated Press Despatch.

Bisley Camp, England, July 16.—Canada won the MacKinnon challenge cup, open to teams of 12, 900 and 1,000 yards, 10 shots and one sighting shot per man at each distance, time limit, one hour and a half.

Canada's score was 1,084 out of a possible 1,200. England scored 1,065, and Scotland 1,061.

The prize in the MacKinnon event is a challenge cup, given in 1891 by the late Colonel MacKinnon. A special commemorative souvenir will be given by the the rifle association to the captain, adjutant and each member of the winning team.

ELMWOOD AVE. CHURCH CALL IS UNANSWERED

Rev. W. F. McConnell Has Not Replied to Invitation of Local Congregation.

Elmwood avenue Presbyterian church is still patiently awaiting word from Rev. (Major) W. F. McConnell, B.A., Toronto, regarding the call extended to him to become pastor of that congregation here.

It has been learned that Mr. McConnell has received a call also from the Riverdale Presbyterian church with a stipend, without manse, of $3,600, as compared with the Elmwood call of $2,500, with manse. Mr. McConnell is known to have been at Winnipeg about ten days ago in connection with his duties as dominion organizer for the Presbyterian church association, but whether or not he has received word of the Elmwood call or is endeavoring to decide as between the two calls is not known locally.

The call from the local congregation to Mr. McConnell, signed by 100 members and adherents, was duly approved as "a gospel call" by the London Presbyterian presbytery at a meeting held recently in New St. James' church.

FRANCHISE DISPUTE NOW IN DOLDRUMS

City's Appeal Will Go Through to Higher Court on Monday.

Three weeks ago the Ontario railway board handed down its decision in the city of London case against the street railway. Instructions were immediately given to enter an appeal, within the 30-day limit. Unless the council on Monday rescinds this action by the city solicitor the appeal will go through the regular process of law to higher courts.

T. G. Meredith, city solicitor, is away on vacation on the Atlantic coast, and will not return until the end of August. The city's appeal has gone forward to Toronto, counsel of the city of London. The whole franchise case has entered its annual "doldrums."

AGED MOTORISTS FAINTS AFTER STRIKING GIRL

Canadian Press Despatch.

Peterboro, July 16.—When John Boyd, an elderly man, drove his car into Mildred Archambault today he fainted and is now in a state of shock. The girl, running from street-car to street-car at a transfer point, was knocked down and two wheels passed over her body. She is in the hospital suffering from internal injuries and shock.

Wrecking Train Jumps Tracks

Special to The Advertiser.

St. Thomas, July 15.—Painful injuries to the back and shoulder were suffered by Charles Rose, of 7 Edward street, St. Thomas, when the auxiliary in which he was riding, was derailed while on its way to replace three freight cars of the C.N.R. and Wabash Railroad that had left the tracks near Stevensville. Mr. Rose is at his home, his condition warranting the attention of a physician. As a result of the accidents, many trains had to be detoured.

LAWN LITTERED BY OLD TRANSFERS

Askin Street Resident Has New Grievance Against Street Railway.

Where do all the used transfer tickets of the street railway go to?

Ask an Askin street resident, one of the long suffering fraternity of folk who believe that the inventor of stret railway cars was born to be hanged and that the job has never ben done.

This man has a brand new grievance on top the old charge that cars on Askin street shake pictures from the walls and shingles from the roofs of houses.

"The thing happens every night at exactly so many minutes after midnight," the chagrined aposle of street railway annihilation says. "The last car round on the Ridout route carries the perpetrator of all this toruble. Just when the car passes my house the conductor neatly parcels up his old transfers, tears them across a couple of times and then down. Just in front of my lawn he slings the multicolored bits of paper. It happens every night without fail."

Every morning the South Londoner clips a month off his life by the pains he takes in picking up the bits of confetti that scatter his beautiful lawn. His footsteps are wearing out the turf and by the time his family returns from vacation they will no longer recognize the greensward they left behind.

"Something has got to be done," declared the South Londoner this morning.

DUSKY MAIDEN CAUSE OF THEFT

"Woman in Case" Will Appeal for Leniency Toward C. Thompson.

Story book tales of crime usually devote one or more chapters to the "woman in the case." She is always a beauty, well dressed and, in fact, a regular Theda Bara. Such things do happen in real life occasionally, and here is an example.

Charlie Sutherland, a white youth of 21, adopted on the Muncey Reserve, now lies in the county jail awaiting sentence on a charge of stealing $34 from the home of Chas. Thompson, Christina, and all because of a dusky young Indian maiden whole Charlie wanted to marry next week.

The boy's adopted parent is in good circumstances, and has been anxious for some time to see the youth settle down and work. He offered to give him 50 acres of the finest land on the reserve, if he would get married and stick to the farm.

The father did not, however, approve of the Indian damsel Charlie was enamoured of, and is said to have declared most emphatically that he would cut him from the family tree if he persisted in showering attentions on the girl of his choice.

Love Conquers.

Love with a capital "L" was victorious, and Charlie left the parental roof for good last week. Thrust out in the world to earn a living for himself, the young man found out that one must have money to live, and to get married on. It took time to acquire money by hard work. It seemed much easier to acquire the cash that someone else had worked for. The idea worked to perfection, Charlie entered the Thompson home and left via the window with $34.

However, young Sutherland had reckoned without the police. News of the robbery was phoned to London, and to Constable Nelson of the R. C. M. P. on the Muncey Reserve.

High Constable Wharton despatched Motorcycle Officer Jack Waddell to the scene, and with Constable Nelson he delved into the case. Suspicion pointed in the direction of Sutherland, and he was soon rounded up and arrested by Waddell.

First Offence.

The young man is not a hardened offender. It is the first time that he has been in trouble. He wanted to marry his girl and he didn't have any money, he explained. His father was through with him, and he felt that he couldn't forsake the girl of his heart, who was anxious to get married right away.

He pleaded guilty before Magistrate Hawkshaw this morning, and was remanded a week for sentence.

The final chapter in one of the rumerous Indian reserve romances will be unfolded when Sutherland is brought from the jail next week. His sweetheart will fight for suspended sentence, and will interview the magistrate before court opens. Some say that she will take all the blame for the affair. One thing is sure, however, that having wrested her "man" from parental ties, she will fight harder than ever to wrest him from the cold judicial arms of the law that now have him folded tightly in the confines of the Middlesex county jail.

MINISTERS NOT TOO NUMEROUS

Expansion Program of United Church Will Take Care of Large Number.

Practically all of the 3,819 ministers of the United church of Canada are fast being taken care of in the realignment being affected amongst the 8,806 congregations of the United church.

In fact, according to Rev. A. E. M. Thomson, B.D., Ridout street United church, what at first it was feared would be a surplus of ministers in the new church promises within a year to rather fall short of the requirements, particularly in view of the general program of expansion to be undertaken by the church on a hitherto unprecedented scale.

Owing to the fact that between 50 and 60 ministers of the three denominations which united are called by death each year, while a corresponding number are accustomed to retire from the active ministry, the United church will be able to easily provide positions for the 100 to 150 graduate ministers from colleges each year.

With union now an accomplished fact new ground will be broken as rapidly as possible and in absolutely new fields, not merely to offset Presbyterian congregations. In southern Saskatchewan alone there are said to be 300 school sections with Protestant settlers, in which the government has established schools, but in not one of whicn has either a Protestant church service or Sunday school ever been held.

The United church is looking forward to a period of expansion in growing districts from Vancouver to the eastern coast and careful surveys are being made at various centers with a view to the strategic placing of new churches which have been held off during the last few years in view of the anticipated consummation of church union. Had either one of the larger denominations entered these fields at an earlier date, the natural procedure for the others would have been to follow suit with a resultant duplication of church buildings later on.

PAY UTILITIES OR GOVERNMENT

School Board Must Settle in Any Case for East Site.

The public utilities commission is not worrying over claims of Dr. H. A. Stevenson that an account of $19,800 for Dundas street water mains has not been paid by the Ontario government.

"We got $1,000 from the government several years ago, and we are satisfied," commented General Manager Buchanan today.

Dr. Stevenson points out that main extensions were primarily made to provide fire protection for the Ontario Hospital. The matter was discussed with the Ontario government and payment promised but work was not undertaken until the district was annexed.

The utilities manager states that main extensions were necessary for domestic users after the district came into the city, though the Ontario hospital was provided with protection at the same time.

"We took the matter up with the provincial government and $1,000 was decided on as their share of the cost," says Mr. Buchanan. "We are not loking for any more. Even if the board of education did not have to pay the province they would have to pay us. It would all amount to the same thing to the educational authorities."

PERMANENT CAMP SITE SECURED BY Y. M. C. A.

No More Will It Wander Around Looking for Place to Pitch Tents.

No more will the Y. M. C. A. wander around the country looking for a summer camp site. It is located for all time at Silver Beach, according to E. J. Jenkins, secretary.

Speaking of the search for a suitable camp, Mr. Jenkins this morning recalled the last 45 years of "Y" camp work here. The earliest camp was near the residence of George M. Reid at Port Stanley. After that, camps were established for short peirods at Ipperwash, Pond Mills and Rondeau.

For three-year periods the boys went to Fisher's Glen, twice before the war and once afterward. Then they went to Iron Springs on Lake Huron. At another time they camped at the Point Farm north of Goderich. Sage's Farm, north of London ,has always been a favorite. For a time the beauty of Wonderland near Springbank, held them.

The treks around the country are a thing of the past.

STAMPS REQUIRED ON UNITED STATES CHECK

United States checks when being presented for payment at local banks are now required to carry excise stamps the same as Canadian stamps. The law went into effect on July first.

Bankers said this morning that it was merely a matter of taxation, and stamps were being affixed to all checks.

FIFTEEN BOYS TO RETURN FROM "Y" CAMP SATURDAY

A truck load of boys from the Y. M. C. A. camp at Silver Beach will arrive in town Saturday. There are 15 campers returning after two weeks spent at Lake Erie. This will leave 50 there. To that number will be added an additional 30 boys who will go out on Monday. Most of the boys are staying for the summer. The duration of their stay is optional.

Scene of Fighting Between Chinese and British

ALONG CHINA'S GREATEST RIVER.

Chinese fanatics, led by Nationalist Boy Scouts, attacked British residents and destroyed considerable British property at Chungking, on the Yangste river, on July 4.

Chungking is located on the Yangste river, in Szechuan province, China's "Far West."

The Chinese attackers fled when a British patrol boat appeared on the river, just at the point shown in this picture, and opened fire.

Chinese call the Yangste "Kiang," which means "The River." It is China's St. Lawrence, and the fourth longest river in the world.

Much fighting is taking place along this part of the Yangste. The town shown on the southern bank has been flooded by the uhruly tide.

From the gorges, where it rises in the west, to its mouths near Shanghai, the Yangste is 3,200 miles long. For over 1,650 miles it is navigable for large steamers. Narrow and tortuous in some places, it flows through wide and picturesque lakes; and, for the most part, it is a broad and mighty river, carrying 80 per cent of the total inland commerce of China.

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RAILWAY LOCAL TO RETURN TO FOLD

Outlaw Brotherhood Delegates May Come Back to Trades Council.

The return to the trades and labor council of the London local of the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees, embracing a district membership of from 200 to 250 men, is more than likely in the next two months, in the opinion of council officials. Coupled with the return of the carmen's union a few weeks ago, such a move would win for the council the greatest prestige of its career.

Unrecognized by the Dominion Labor Congress since 1920, the C. B. of R. E. at present has delegates on the Toronto and Montreal trades councils, according to information given the local body last night by A. Graves. Local officers have been under the impression that the union is unreservedly barred from councils affiliated with the congress, but if the Toronto and Montreal bodies are lawfully accepting C. B. of R. E. delegates then similar action is probable here.

The correctness of Mr. Graves' report is doubted by several delegates, but Lawrence Menzies, chairman of the grievance committee of the London local of the C. B. of R. E., told The Advertiser today that delegates have been sitting on the Toronto and Montreal councils for some time. Though the Dominion Congress bars the C. B. of R. E., local councils have the power to accept delegates, he asserts.

The C. B. of R. E., which embraces railway and steamship clerks, freight handlers and other laborers, and has a membership of nearly 14,000, was expelled from the Dominion Congress in 1920 when it withdrew from the American Federation of Labor. The withdrawal of the local here from the trades council came at the same time.

BAIL FOR ANDREW PEPALL IS OPPOSED BY CROWN

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, July 16.—F. P. Brennan, on behalf of the crown, stated that he was opposed to bail in any amount "Mr. Slaght is ready to offer," when A. R. Slaght appeared before Justice Rose in weekly court today to ask bail for Andrew H. Pepall, who has been committed for trial on charges of theft and bribery arising out of Ontario bond scandals. Brennan said that he understood Mr. Slaght was not ready to offer a large enough amount.

TWO MORE SPEEDERS CAUGHT BY WADDELL

Two speeders who trundled along the Springbank drive last night at 35 miles an hour showed up in county traffic court this morning and paid over $10 and costs each for the privilege. Both men were clocked by County Speed Officer Jack Waddell.

NON-SUPPORT CHARGE LAID AGAINST BRAVE

William Grosbeck of the Chippewa reserve hasn't been contributing to the support of his wife, so the woman declares, and Bill will have to appear in court charged with a breach of the wives maintenance act.

William was served with a summons last night by Constable Nelson of the R. C. M. P., and it was expected that he would appear in court today. He was among those absent, however, and a warrant was issued for his arrest.

CARDINAL BEGIN IMPROVED.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Quebec, July 16.—No change had occurred at 1 o'clock this afternoon in the condition of His Eminence Cardinal Begin, who had been declared by his doctors to be slightly improved this morning.

TO ATTEND GRAND LODGE.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, July 16.—Hon. Joseph Thompson, speaker of the Ontario legislature, and Mrs. Thompson left last night for Vancouver to attend the grand lodge of the Orange order which will meet there. The speaker will address the Canadian club in Vancouver.

ENTRANCE RESULTS SENT OUT FROM SCHOOL OFF'CES

Certificates for those who passed and the official standing of those who failed on the high school entrance examinations in the London public schools were mailed this morning from Administrator G. A. Wheable's office.

In all, 712 pupils were eligible for promotion into the secondary schools. Of this number 546 were passed on their year's work on the recommendation of the principals, while 166 wrote on the departmental high school papers, making the percentage 82.5 of those successful.

COAL SHORTAGE NOT MERE RUMOR

Half City Dealers' Customers Have Got Supplies Laid In.

There is apt to be a coal shortage in London this winter, according to prominent dealers here. Asked what they thought of the warning from C. A. McGrath, former fuel controller, of Ottawa, several London dealers said that a coal famine next winter was not improbable.

"It is more than a rumor," said the Hunt Coal Company. "It would not surprise us if there was a scarcity next fall."

D. H. Gillies & Sons said that the shortage was probable. People were protecting themselves by getting coal in now. Fifty per cent of the customers had made provision for their supply.

Neither company had any further news on Alberta coal. D. H. Gillies & Sons did not think that it would amount to much. The Hunt Coal Company has placed orders for it, but as yet had heard nothing of its movements.

There is delay in shipments of anthracite. Firms that ordered twelve cars got six, and do not know when to expect the remainder.

GARAGE TEST CASE STILL UNDECIDED

Magistrate Will Hand Down His Finding Next Tuesday.

A decision in the test case to decide whether automobile dealers and garage men handling used cars can operate without a secondhand dealer's license will be announced on Tuesday next, Deputy Magistrate Gladman stated this morning.

Duncan Martyn, Talbot street garage man, is the defendant in the charge laid by Chief Birrell, who contends that the buying and selling of used cars constitutes a secondhand business and as such is liable to a $20 yearly assessment.

According to J. G. Gillanders, defence counsel, London police are the first in Canada to interpret the law in this way. Other Canadian municipalities are awaiting the decision with interest.

SUE HOTEL FOR DAMAGES WHEN MEALS ARE REFUSED

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, July 16—A writ has been issued on behalf of Dr. Benjamin Cohen, his wife, Dr. Minnie Cohen, and Dr. George W. Morrison, claiming damages from the Royal Connaught hotel, Hamilton, Ont., on the grounds that the hotel refused to entertain them as travellers. E. Lionel Cross, counsel for plaintiffs, states that the three doctors had called at the hotel for meals and were refused, and no explanation was given for the refusal. Dr. Morrison is the only colored medical graduate in Ontario.

MACHINE SHOP DESTROYED.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Bridgewater, N.S., July 16.—A fire breaking out at 12:50 this afternoon destroyed the machine shop, car shop, eight locomotives, a number of railway cars and a large quantity of stores at the Canadian National Railway shops here. The fire was under control at 1:30 p.m.

NEW YORK TIP ON MURRELL FALSE

Officers Run Down New Clue —Still on Bandit's Trail.

The provincial police are still on the trail of Bill Murrell, wanted on a charge of murder for his share in the Melbourne Home Bank robbery in April, 1921, in which Russell Campbell was shot and killed.

Provincial authorities have been investigating reports that Murrell was in Chicago and also spent considerable time on a tip that he was living in Brooklyn and working in New York.

Murrell's brother, Sidney, told friends here that he was quite sure Bill had "snuffed out," as he put it, hinting that he had met death under the wheels of a freight train. This theory was not shared by "Slim" Williams, another member of the bandit gang, who informed The Advertiser shortly before his trial, that he had heard Bill Murrell was in New Mexico.

TORONTO CADET SHOOT TO OPEN ON AUG. 10

Many Boys From This District Will Enter Provincial Rifle Competition.

The Ontario rifle association competitions for cadets open on Aug. 10 and continue for four days, according to a statement made today by Col. George H. Gillespie, cadet officer for military district No. 1.

Several teams will go from Western Ontario to the Toronto meets. Guelph, Tillsonburg, Wingham, and other places will be represented.

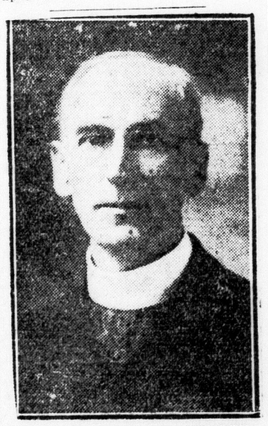
Cadets are given tents and blankets while in Toronto. They will have to pay their own travelling expenses and for their meals while away. The liberal prizes, which amount to as much as $17 in some cases, are sufficient to pay the expenses of the trip.

Col. Gillespie said that all those who attended last year, with the exception of one or two exceptions, made their expenses.

Special rates of single fare for the return trip will be in force on the railways for cadets who attend the matches.

CAMPS ARE SUPERVISED.

Bathing camps and the Thames park swimming pool are now supervised between 10 o'clock in the morning and dusk. The general manager of the public utilities commission today warned parents to see that their children did not make use of the bathing privileges at any other hour as the commission cannot be held liable for mishap outside of hours of supervision.



REV. FATHER J. M. FRASER,

of Francis Xavier China Mission seminary, Scarboro Bluffs, who has just returned from Rome, where his mission was allotted a territory of 100 miles square in China for mission work. He has had many years in China as a missionary, and says that the teaching of evolution in China is the cause of the present student uprisings.

FREIGHT RATES EXPERT ADVISED

Delegates to Maritime Economic Conference Discuss Readjustment of Schedules.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Moncton, N. B., July 16.—The Maritime economic conference held its concluding session this morning, and discussion of transportation, industrial problems, immigration and the economic status of the maritime provinces under confederation continued.

A freight rate expert for the maritime provinces at any price was advocated last night by President D. R. Turnbull of tthe Halifax board of trade, and he was applauded by the meeting. The freight rate question, he said, was the most vital anyone in these provinces could think of. If there was to be progress it must be through readjustment of freight rates. It was essential to employ a man who could tell where the trouble was.

The fact was that for thirty or forty years before the war reasonably favorable rates had been enjoyed, but through advantage being taken of war conditions this had been changed. Individual cases of discrimination were numerous, but an expert was required to work out the whole problem. It was on the Canadian market, said Mr. Turnbull, that maritimes must depend for the trade they lived by and not on the foreign market of world competition, although this was a valuable adjunct.

J. W. Hindman, Charlottetown, P. E. I., president of the Prince Edward Island associated boards of trade, also spoke in behalf of employment of a traffic expert, and added that what the maritimes wanted, and wanted badly, was the restoration of the Intercolonial railway under old conditions. It had been built for the exchange of trade east and west, and cost only a fraction of the amount spent on Ontario canals, for whose use the people of that province did not pay.

GOVERNOR ASKS DATA ON ANTHRACITE DISPUTE

Pinchot Summons Official Observers to Submit All Available Information.

Associated Press Despatch.

Atlantic City, N.J., July 16.—Governor Pinchot last night summoned his two official observers at the anthracite scale conference here to meet him in Harrisburg, Pa., this afternoon to make a full report on developments thus far. David Williams, director of the Pennsylvania bureau of industrial relations, and Joseph J. Walsh, secretary of the bureau of mines, have been following the negotiations since the tri-district conference at Scranton. The interest of the governor at this time was said to indicate his desire to be ready for any emergency.

Anthracite operators today said the miners must keep hard coal affairs strictly divorced from soft coal if pending negotiations to renew the wage contract on its expiration Aug. 31 are to be a success. Miners replied they never had had any other intention.

CHALMERS INDUCTION TAKES PLACE TONIGHT

Rev. F. S. Okell To Be Installed as Pastor by Moderator.

Arrangements having been made by the London Presbyterian presbytery, the induction of Rev. F. S. Okell, B.A., Leamington, as pastor of Chalmers' Presbyterian church will take place in that church this evening.

Rev. James MacKay, B.D., New St. James' church, and moderator of the presbytery, will have charge of the induction service. He will be assisted by Rev. John Crawford, London, who will address the people; Rev. John Hosie, St. George's church, who will address the minister, and Rev. John Galloway, Glencoe, who will preach the induction sermon.

Mr. Okell, who is a former Methodist minister, his last charge being on the Mersea circuit, has occupied the pulpit of Chalmers' church for the past two Sundays, his application for admission to the Presbyterian ministry having been duly sanctioned by the courts of the church.

FARMER THREATENS SUIT AGAINST MIDDLESEX

Robert Norton, Brick street, farmer, has served notice on the county of Middlesex that he will sue the county for $600 damages if a settlement is not made with him immediately.

Norton claims that loose gravel on the Sarnia gravel road, caused his car to swerve and turn over in the ditch. As the accident happened over a month ago, and notice in writing was not given within the time prescribed by law, 20 days, the county will fight the case, County Clerk Stuart states.

NO SPONTANEOUS FIRES.

There have been no cases of spontaneous combustion in Middlesex hay mows this summer, Jack Andrew of the department of agriculture, states. Mr. Andrew pointed out that practically all the hay had enjoyed the best of curing weather, and had been put in the barns in good shape.

CONSENTS TO BAIL.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, July 16.—Justice Rose, in weekly court at Osgoode hall this afternoon consented to accept bail for Andrew H. Pepall, committed for trial at the fall assizes on four charges arising out of the Ontario bond transactions scandal. The amount was fixed at $150,000. In addition, Pepall himself must provide bonds for an equal amount.