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TO VICTORIA GRADUATES

Rev. Principal Maggs, of Wesleyan Theological Institute, Montreal Preached a Sermon.

FIFTY MEN AND ONLY FOUR WOMEN.

Trilingual Message inscribed on the Cross was the Theme of Baccalaureate Discourse.

Rev. Principal Maggs of the Wesleyan Theological Institute, Montreal, preached the baccalaureate sermon to the theological graduating class of Victoria in the evening. The class of about fifty included four lady graduates.

Principal Maggs was accompanied on the platform by Rev. Chancellor Burwash, Rev. Dr. Potts, educational secretary, Rev. Dr. Chambers, representing Toronto Conference, and Rev. H. P. Bowles. The principal, chancellor and graduates assisted in academic exercises, the lady graduates wearing college caps. Rev. Prof. Workman, the distinguished, distinguished professor of Victoria, sat near the graduates.

Principal Maggs based his sermon on the trilingual message inscribed on the cross in Hebrew, Greek and Latin. The King, St. John, six chapters, xvi. verse. The Hebrew was significant. The Greek, of the intellectual, and Latin, the material and social. With brilliant rhetoric and scholarship, by dictation the king's triumphs of the gospel in the three realms defined and described, and the conquests yet to be made. The baccalaureate sermon was an impressive valedictory address to the graduates.

Wight Gets Prize.
The competition for the prize in oratory, established by the late Rev. Michael Fawcett, was held at Victoria University on Saturday evening. The prize was "The Methodist Pulpit in the Twentieth Century." The contestants were Messrs. Louis Wight, J. W. Moore, P. W. Hadden and A. H. Hore. Mr. Wight, who represents the Bay of Quinte Conference, was awarded the prize.

DEATH OF E. G. CONKLIN.

A Prominent Public Man of Winnipeg, Once a Member of Legislature of Manitoba.
Winnipeg, April 21.—(Special.)—E. G. Conklin, ex-M.L.A., one of the leading political lights in the city a few years ago, died this afternoon. He had been ill for some weeks. He was a life-long Liberal.

BURGERS AT LINDSAY.

They Were After Footwear as Well as Cash, It Seems.
Lindsay, Ont., April 21.—The shoe store of Mr. Hookin, who lately purchased the stock from Mr. W. L. White, here, was burglarized last night. A considerable number of the best boots were taken, with some rubbers. The full extent of the loss can't be ascertained until the stock is fully examined. The safe being unlocked was uninjured, the burglars only securing some cash. The cash register was smashed with a pick-axe. The police are working on the case.

A Fire Insurance Syndicate.

New York, April 20.—The Evening Post says: A syndicate has been formed to take over the business of several fire insurance companies. The concern will immediately be capitalized at several millions, the aim being to control the stock of several concerns now in existence and combine their business on the "community of interest" plan.

Any Boys?

If there are boys in the house, or girls either, then coughs, colds, catarrhs, bronchitis, and sore throat are sure to be there, sooner or later. Don't crowd their stomachs with medicine, just have them breathe in the vapor of Vapo-Cresoline; they'll like it, and it will give immediate relief. In this way you put the medicine right on the place that needs it. For whooping-cough it's the perfect cure.

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A SERMON ON PATRIOTISM

Rev. W. Carey Ward, Late of Australia, Speaks to Men of British Blood.

ST. GEORGE AND S.O.E.B. SOCIETIES

Attended St. James' Cathedral Yesterday Afternoon at Their Annual Coming Together.

Before nearly 200 members of the St. George's Society and the Sons of England, Benevolent Society, Rev. W. Carey Ward, M.A., D.D., formerly of Australia, delivered an eloquent sermon on patriotism yesterday afternoon, in St. James' Cathedral. It was the annual church parade and service of the St. George's Society, and notwithstanding the disagreeable weather the turnout was almost as large as in previous years.

The members met at St. George's Hall, Elm-street, where the procession was formed. The march to the church was by way of Yonge and King-streets. Among those in line were: President John Taylor, Secretary R. W. Barker, Capt. Munson, Mayor Howland, Col. Otter, George Steinway, W. T. Boyd, Walter S. Lee, Major Massey, H. S. Pell, J. C. Copp, J. J. Loggins, H. S. Williams, W. Thiele, W. Moss and G. F. Harman. The parade was headed by Arthur Atkinson and H. M. Polton, who carried the standards of the society.

Patriot in Union Jack.
The standards were placed on either side of the altar, while the pulpit was draped with a large Union Jack. After the singing of a procession hymn, and the reading of a prayer, Rev. A. U. Du Fenier officiated.

Old Testament Themes.
Rev. Mr. Ward took for his text, Psalm cxxviii. 5: "If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her harp." In his introductory remarks, the speaker pointed out that many people wonder why members of the Church of England and the pulpit should also assist in the celebration of the day. The speaker illustrated his remarks in this connection, taking the life of St. Paul as an example.

A Christian, a Patriot.
A Christian man should be a patriot. Imbued with a patriotism which does not create racial prejudices. A large section of the press here and in Europe, said Rev. Mr. Ward, actually lived on supplying readers with food on these lines. He believed that, instead of stirring up racial strife, the press should bring the people of various countries closer together, and the pulpit should also assist in this work. The speaker illustrated his remarks in this connection, taking the life of St. Paul as an example.

Hopes for Peace.
Speaking of patriotism, the speaker hoped that the conflict in South Africa would soon cease. Many fine fellows had been killed on both sides, and many more had been maimed. He believed that the Boers, he declared, had been taught a lesson. It was, indeed, a poor kind of a man, said Mr. Ward, who was not stirred by the recent events in South Africa. It was a patriotic that led thousands of British soldiers and Australians to leave their homes and go to the front. The outbreak of patriotism even surprised Great Britain, which has not been heard of in the United States. The speaker illustrated his remarks in this connection, taking the life of St. Paul as an example.

Reference to the Queen.
Rev. Mr. Ward made a feeling reference to the death of Queen Victoria. "Thank God for Victoria as a woman, and for her as a ruler," he believed that when the history of Queen Victoria is written, it will be found that she did more for the world than any other monarch.

SERIOUS FIRE AT STRATFORD.
Hodd & Cullen Milling Co's Building and Adjoining Elevator.
Stratford, Ont., April 21.—About 8 o'clock this morning fire was discovered in the mill of the Hodd & Cullen Milling Co., this city, and before it could be subdued the main building was completely consumed and the elevator adjoining badly damaged. The engine and boiler rooms were preserved intact. The fire was first noticed in the second story of the building. The cause is unknown, the mill having closed at 6 o'clock Saturday evening. The total loss is estimated at between \$25,000 and \$40,000. Insured for about \$22,000 in the following companies: Perth Mutual, Millers & Manufacturers, Millers' Mutual of Hamilton, Commercial, Commercial Union and Northern.

Deaths in Woodstock.
Woodstock, April 21.—Miss Carrie M. Bean died Friday night at 12 o'clock after an illness of only ten days. Mrs. Robert McKay received word of the death of her son, John W., aged 25, at Pittsburgh.

Gold Resulted Fatally.
Mr. Thomas Knight, for 45 years a resident of East Toronto, died at his home at the residence of his daughter, 222 Yonge-street, Mr. Knight had only been confined to his home for a few days with an illness, which developed from cold.

Death of Mrs. Schuch.
At the residence of her son, Mrs. Katharine Schuch died yesterday morning at the residence of her son, Mr. William Schuch, 45 Bell-place. Mrs. Schuch had been ill for the past year. She was not expected, but her death was not unexpected. She was a resident for many years in Vaughan Township. Three years ago she removed to this city. Her father, Mr. Frederick Schuch, was one of the pioneers of York County and came to this country with the U.E. Loyalists. At his death he was 90 years of age. Mrs. Schuch is survived by two sons, Messrs. William and Solomon Schuch. The remains will be interred to-morrow afternoon in the Lutheran Church Cemetery at Vaughan.

Marine Men in Town.
A small contingent of marine men visited the city on Saturday. They were all on leave from the arrangements of the summer's business. General Manager C. F. Gleditsieff, Controller and Treasurer, A. A. Villeneuve and Eastern Passenger Agent Joseph F. Dolan of the Richmond & Ontario Navigation Company, who visited the local office of the line. General Manager Beiras and General Passenger Agent G. M. Nelson of the Niagara Falls, St. Catharines and Toronto Navigation Company were also here. Mr. H. Gleditsieff of the Lake Ontario Navigation Company was also a visitor.

Another Blaze at Wallaceburg.
Wallaceburg, Ont., April 20.—Fire broke out in a cottage on Inverness-avenue this afternoon, owned and occupied by George Yeates. The fire brigade responded promptly, but a gale from the west made it very difficult to get the fire under control. The contents were hastily removed, and the house was badly damaged. Loss partly covered by insurance.

Buffalo Connections Laid.
The C.P.R. and Grand Trunk connections from Buffalo were all late in arriving at the Union Station last night. Heavy traffic caused the delay.

IS AGUINALDO IN EARNEST?

The Belief of Americans at Manila is That the Insurgent Leader is Sincere.

PRISONERS ARE BEING RELEASED.

General Trias is Working to Secure the Submission of Other Insurgents.

Manila, April 20.—General MacArthur informed the representative of the Associated Press that the effect of Aguinaldo's surrender was not undoubted. It is believed Aguinaldo is sincerely desirous of peace. He is not an educated man, but is possessed of considerable common sense and is a native of the Philippines. He is not anxious to visit the United States, and it is considered best that he should remain here, pending the completion of the work of pacification. He has been removed from the Malacanang Palace to a private residence. The insurgent prisoners at Olongapo will be returned to Manila. Many prisoners are released daily, on exchange for government troops. The serious charges against General Trias have been dropped. The investigation will be continued. It is understood that the civil government of the Philippines is accomplished. The date has not been fixed on account of the administrative difficulties connected with the commission. It will probably be delayed until July 1, otherwise the military fire has destroyed Taytay, in Morong Province.

Has Accepted 300 in London and is Still Purchasing.
London, Ont., April 21.—Col. Dent and Mr. James Jones, who are in Canada purchasing horses for the British Government, came to this city Friday, and they have since been busy engaged examining and purchasing horses at Queen's Park. All the horses they have accepted, 300, are still hard at work.

STOMACHS THAT WON'T WORK
That Retain the Food and Refuse to Digest It, Make the Head Heavy and the Nerves Weak, Need Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

Those who have tried Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will probably be skeptical, but skepticism vanishes when the medicine is tried. Whether the trouble is dyspepsia of long standing, or merely a simple case of indigestion, relief is prompt and pronounced. The less the trouble the fewer tablets need be taken.

Not Severe at Oswego.
Oswego, N.Y., April 21.—The storm was not severe at Oswego. The wind is blowing from the northeast at the rate of 30 miles an hour and decreasing in velocity. Several vessels for Canadian ports had to be held here. Others due from Canada are delayed on account of heavy seas. No damage to shipping is reported, except to the schooner Two Brothers. There were heavy rains here today and to-night.

Lost Lifeboat and Bulwarks.
Port Dalhousie, April 21.—Capt. William Griffith of the steamer Montague arrived today from Oswego and reports that last night's storm was the worst he ever encountered on Lake Ontario. He lost his lifeboat and bulwarks and everything on his decks was washed overboard.

Five Thousand Miners Strike.
Ohio and Virginia Coalers Fail to Reach an Agreement at Bridgeport.
Wheeling, W.Va., April 20.—The coal miners of Belmont, Harrison and Jefferson Counties, Ohio, and of Marshall, Brooke and Hancock Counties, W.Va., forming the Ohio sub-division, have been ordered to strike, owing to the failure of the Committee of Miners and Operators to reach a settlement at their conference in Bridgeport, which adjourned at first refusal of the strike order. Miners are affected by the strike order.

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Cures all forms of Catarrh. No matter how long it has been on, it will cure it. It is a powerful, yet gentle, and entirely safe remedy. It is sold by all druggists.

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Montreal, April 21.—(Special.)—The steamer Admiral will on Wednesday morning begin her regular trips between Dalhousie and Gaspe.

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