WILSON'S STORE WAS DAMAGED BY FIRE

Sixty Thousand Dollars' Damage Was Caused by Early Morning Blaze in Sporting Goods Establishment — The Loss is Covered by Insurance.

Scene: Harold A. Wilson's store, 297 Yonge street.
Damage: $60,000.
Insurance: stock $42,000, building $10,000.
Owner of building: W. H. Crawford.

For the fourth time since he entered the sporting goods business Harold A. Wilson, 297 Yonge street, was burnt out yesterday.

Andrew Crozier, who tended the Wilson heating system, left the building in the morning at 7.25, thinking all was well, but within 15 minutes Constable Lyons (350), who had noticed smoke issuing from the windows, rang in an alarm. After the chemical engine arrived it was discovered that the fire was more serious than at first thought, and a general alarm followed.

Street cars running up and down Yonge street were diverted to McCaul and Church streets, but in spite of this the street was a mass of people in no time. Clerks, saleslaidies and business men on their way downtown hurried to the smoky scene, crowding one another in a most excited manner and forgetting all about time clocks, etc., for the moment. At noon hour the trek up and down Yonge to the gutted and water-soaked building again commenced and the police had almost as busy a time as the firemen.

The fire began in the furnace-room and ate up everything in sight. Joists on the south side one foot thru were eliminated and in consequence the ground floor, stocked with sweaters, baseball, football and hockey goods, went down with a crash. At 8.35 two or three dull explosions were heard towards the rear of the building and the "powder" cry that went up scattered the onlookers.

Men Worked Hard.

The fire was fought from both front and rear and at one time 62 men were on the job. The water pressure was "fit and ready," a feature which caused Fire Chief Thompson to smile and kept him in a more laconic state than usual. At 8.45 the fire was under control.

Fought From Roof.

Mr. Brossell, assistant manager of the Bedell Furniture Co., assisted in fighting the fire from the roof of his own building. Two lines of hose, one from the roof and the other from the top floor, were at his disposal and with these he directed streams down the skylight and ventilators of the Wilson store. The thick brick fire wall of the Bedell building gave a good demonstration of its usefulness and prevented the fire from spreading southward. The furnace in the Wilson building was at the south side and consequently the damage on that side was greater than on the north.

TAX COMMITTEE MEETS

Assessment Act Will Be Revised During Present Sitting.

The first session of the taxation committee, called to hear evidence bearing on the revision of the Assessment Act, takes place in the parliament buildings this morning. The committee is composed of about 24 members, with Hon. W. J. Hanna as chairman. Information will be given by leading authorities on all branches of the intricate tax problem and the committee will convene until the supply of data is exhausted.

UNITARIAN CONFERENCE

The 28th annual meeting of the Unitarian Conference of the Middle States and Canada will be held at the First Unitarian Church for three days, starting today. Prof. Edwin D. Starbuck of Boston, one of the greatest authorities on Unitarianism in America, will be one of the principal speakers.

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FIRST MEETING FOR YOUNG MEN

Rev. Dr. Griffith Thomas Explained Y.M.C.A. Wished to Reach Those Who Did Not Attend Church.

"An Interview with Christ" was the subject of a most interesting talk by Rev. Prof. Griffith Thomas at the first of the winter meetings under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association in the Strand Theatre Sunday night.

Rev. Dr. Thomas explained that the meetings were held with the object of attracting the young men of the city who otherwise wouldn't go to church. "We are not getting you here to lecture you on your lives, but we merely want to have a heart to heart talk with you and touch your conscience, and bring you into closer relationship with Christ."

The speaker's sermon was the story of the woman of Samaria met at the well by Jesus Christ. He pointed out on that occasion she was not lectured by Our Lord, but had her interest aroused at first by the Lord's declaration of the living water, and later was converted.

George Dixon, tenor, touched the audience with an excellent rendering of "The Ninety and Nine."

MUST KEEP OFF ICE BRIDGE.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., Nov. 18.—(Special.)—When Niagara's next ice bridge forms it will be against the law to cross upon it. Because of the ice bridge tragedy of last winter, when Mr. and Mrs. Eldridge Stanton, Toronto, and Burrell Hecock, Cleveland, lost their lives, the commissioners of the state reservation have made it a misdemeanor to enter upon an ice bridge on the American side, and the Queen Victoria Park commission will take similar action to prevent people from entering upon the bridge from the Canadian shore.

GERMANY WELCOMES TORONTO VISITORS

G. T. Somers and W. K. George Given Very Cordial Reception — Return From Trip This Week.

G. T. Somers and W. K. George will return to the city about the end of the week, after a month's trip in the old country and the continent. They were accorded a very cordial welcome everywhere they visited. Their short stay in Germany was especially notable in the attention shown these two representative Toronto citizens.

In Berlin they were received at the foreign office, in the Wilhelmstrasse, where they had an interview with Excellenz von Koerner and Privy Councillors Lenmann and Gruenwald, who are at the head of the department for North American affairs. The visitors were also received by the officers of the chamber of commerce. During their stay they visited, in the company of Commercial Councillor Leon and of Mr. Blakesiee of the German-Canadian Economic Association, and under the guidance of Dr. Demuth, the syndicus of the chamber of commerce, a number of the most prominent manufacturing establishments, including the great cable works of the German General Electric Co., and the Schultheiss Brewery, the largest in Germany. They were also shown the building of the imperial parliament, and were introduced on the floor of the exchange. Everywhere they were cordially received, and in many cases entertained and presented with souvenirs of their visit. A luncheon was also given in their honor by the chamber of commerce, at which they had the opportunity of meeting many of the leading bankers, manufacturers and merchants of Berlin. The visitors went from Berlin to Hamburg, where they were entertained by Director Ecker of the Hamburg-American Line, and taken on a motorboat trip around the harbor, and were shown, among other things, the new giant steamer Imperator.

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CHURCH RULES ARE NEGLECTED

Rev. Dr. Jenks of New York Says Teaching of the Faith of the Church Is Ignored.

"While the rules and regulations of the church are plainly written in our prayer books, they are openly neglected. This appears to be the spirit of teh age which is seeking to carry out its own will rather than the will of God," declared Rev. Dr. Jenks, professor of ecclesiastical history, New York City, before a large congregation in St. Matthias' Anglican Church Sunday morning.

Going away back to the saying of an old prophet, "Israel has been without a true God and without a teaching priest and without law," he applied it to the condition of things as they exist in the church today. He referred to the three large failures of today in the church as being first, non-belief in the one true God; second, without a teaching priesthood, and third, neglect of the law. "There is the lack of real true, vital religion in our church today," declared the speaker.

"We often find today men paying more attention to mammon than to God. To a greatir extent than ever the teaching of the faith of the church is neglected. Platitudes and smooth things are being said instead."

The remedy is for the church to get back to her first love, to put God first in all things, both as a body corporate and as individual members of the church, and for the clergy to preach to teach the faith, to constantly, in season and out of season, preach the truth at all costs, however unpalatable it may be, and to always keep the rules of the church.

BERLIN MAN STRUCK BY TRAIN

BERLIN, Nov. 18.—(Special.)—Chas. Harmick, aged 48, while on his way home shortly after 6 o'clock tonight, walking down the G.T.R. tracks as a near cut to his home on St. Leger st., was struck by G. T. R. Express No. 7 and hurled across the track. He is now in an unconscious condition in the General Hospital and is not likely to recover.

GUARDING U. S. EMBASSY.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 18.—(Can. Press.)—A detachment of 100 British bluejackets has been lent by the British cruiser Weymouth to guard the United States embassy, as the American stationship Scorpion has been allotted to duty on the Upper Bosphorus and the American cruisers are not expected to arrive here before the end of the month.

COMPETENT ENGINEERING

"Competent Engineering" will be the subject of an address to be delivered by Karl Lehmaan, international field secretary of the Christian Endeavorers, at Cooke's Presbyterian Church this evening.

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