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MINISTERS ARE UP IN ARMS

Will Apply to Railway Commission re Rates on Grand Trunk

LONDON CONFERENCE

Ministers attending the London Methodist conference at Windsor are the latest to take up the cudgels against the Grand Trunk Railway on a charge of discrimination, and conference has been asked permission to petition the railway commission to inquire into the matter.

It appears that the ministers have an agreement with the Grand Trunk Railway whereby they are to pay only single fare when attending the annual gatherings of conference. They purchased a single ticket when leaving home and when they return all that is necessary is for them to have their credentials properly attested.

In this instance, it is alleged by Rev. Robert Hicks, who had charge of the matter, that A. M. Stewart, city ticket agent of the railway, refused to issue return tickets because the list was five short of the required 300 names. Mr. Hicks says that he secured the other five certificates and returned to the ticket office, when he was informed by a clerk that Mr. Stewart had left the city and had given instructions that the tickets were not to be honored unless properly certified. Mr. Hicks was unable to secure the return tickets, and as several ministers had to leave Windsor last evening they were forced to purchase tickets at the regular rates.

A reception service was held in Central Methodist church last evening to receive into full membership of conference T. W. Langford, B. A., Granton; J. A. Agnew, London; C. W. Baker, B. D., Carleton Place; and W. H. Harris, of Windsor. Tomorrow morning the ordination of the four candidates will take place. A. R. Kellam, of Gesto, also will be ordained for special service.

Conference was asked yesterday to drop from the ritual the clause relating to the length of time ministers may remain in one place. At present the ministers can remain but four years.

THE GRIM REAPER

The death occurred, on Thursday, at her late home, in Darrell, of Mrs. Churley French, wife of Edgar French. The deceased was 53 years of age, and the cause of death was paralysis, from which she had been suffering for some time past. She leaves a grown-up family to mourn her loss. Mr. Sharts, of Van Allen Ave., this city, is a relative.

The funeral took place this afternoon at 2:30, from the family residence, Darrell, to Maple Leaf Cemetery.

TO DREDGE THAMES

Port Stanley, May 31.—The dredge General Meade, Capt. O'Brien, arrived yesterday in town of the tug Homerule, and the tug Robert Downie, Capt. Joseph Haugh, with scows in tow. All were en route from Port Dover to the mouth of the Thames River, where they will be employed deepening the channel to let the Chathamites in and out.

EAU EXCURSION

Band concert trains will run to Erie every Tuesday and Friday evenings during June, July, August and September. Trains leave C. P. R. depot 7:15 p. m., Blenheim 7:45 p. m. On Tuesday nights the Wallaceburg electric cars will wait at Chatham for return of excursion train. The buildings at the Eau have been all repainted and decorated; the dancing stand has been rebuilt and a special program of dancing music will be rendered each night. Refreshments served at Bungalow.

MR. WILSON'S THEORY

Mr. Wm. Wilson, of the firm of Goltart & Wilson, is a man of few words. It is very seldom Mr. Wilson gives his opinion on any subject, but when he speaks, his remarks are to the point, most often in the form of a dry joke.

Yesterday morning the discussion was with regard to the strange light in the western sky which has puzzled the residents for some time. "Why, it's the evening star Venus," said Adj. Colbart.

"Nothing of the sort," quickly retorted Mr. Wilson, looking up from the chair he was fixing. "You will never see that light again. It's mission is done. That light was a warning not to vote for the sugar by-law. That's what it was, and I'll guarantee you won't see or hear any more of it."

HOG RAISING IN KENT TO RECEIVE NEW IMPETUS

Splendid Address by Prof. Day of Guelph Agricultural College Before The West Kent Farmers' Institute Will do Much Good—Officers Elected

The election of officers and an excellent address by Professor G. E. Day, of the Guelph Agricultural College, formed the most interesting features at the West Kent Farmers' Institute meeting in Harrison Hall yesterday afternoon. After the reading of the director's address for the past year, it was moved by Mr. McGregor, and seconded by Mr. Crawford, that the Institute meetings this year be held at the same times and in the same places as those of the past year.—Carried.

The election of directors for the different townships represented in the Institute resulted as follows: Romney—Henry Robinson, Byron Robinson and H. Marie. Tilbury—Wm. McGregor, George Holmes and Fletcher. Raleigh—Messrs. Longmore, Sutor and Pratt. Chatham Township—O. S. Martin, Wm. McNeill and A. Fisher. Dover—Messrs. Crawford, Cooney and Gordon. President—David Fletcher. Vice-President—Mr. Sutor. Secretary—Mr. Longmore. Professor G. E. Day, of the Guelph Agricultural College, addressed the meeting on the subject of "Hog Raising." Mr. Day explained the manner in which the pork trade is carried on and pointed out the present defects in the Canadian export hogs. Canadian trade with England had been built up by the production of the bacon hog. The farmers in the Dominion had first attempted to gain a footing in the British market by the export of the fat hog. Inferiority of quality and many other reasons had made her impotent on account of the opposition and superiority of the United States trade.

When the Canadian farmer substituted the bacon hog for the fat hog he became, not a competitor of the United States, but a rival of the Danish farmer, who, up to that time, had held the bacon market. Canada's big export trade depended upon the continuance of the bacon hog, and it rested with the farmer to improve the quality of the export bacon hog and, by excelling the Irish and Danish bacon, to establish the Canadian hold on the British market more firmly than ever.

Dealing with local hog raising, Professor Day gave many useful hints to the assembled farmers as to the best methods of obtaining a good quality of hog. He explained the wants of the buyers at the present time and pointed out several ways of satisfying this demand.

Statistics and observations on experiments in hog raising, including pointers on different feeds and their fattening qualities, effects of climate on the growth of hogs, the cost of rearing different breeds and cross-breeds of hogs, and a host of useful information regarding practical hog raising constituted the chief part of the Professor's excellent address.

The farmers present took great interest in Mr. Day's remarks and, at his invitation, they asked numerous questions of vital importance to all farmers, which he answered in a satisfactory and business-like manner.

A vote of thanks was tendered to Professor Day, Secretary Longmore, remarking that, although the attendance was not as large as it should be, those who were fortunate to be present had considerably benefited by Mr. Day's remarks, and all felt grateful to him for the excellent way in which he had handled his subject and helped them by answering their many questions.

A GOOD TIME

The Non-Coms' Moonlight last evening, via the City of Chatham, proved a huge success from every point of view. The evening was immensely enjoyed by all who took advantage of this trip.

The Regimental Band was in attendance and was very generous with its music. The music helped considerably to make the trip more bright and pleasant. Even the weather man was in good humor, and the evening was an ideal one for the outing. The boat turned at Crow's dock, and arrived in the city about 11 o'clock.

The proceeds of the event, over and above expenses, amounted to \$30. The Non-Commissioned officers of the Regiment are to be congratulated on the unique success of their Moonlight.

BROKE HIS ARM

On Thursday afternoon, about two o'clock, F. E. Wing, the well-known Chatham baker, met with a painful accident.

He was fixing a window screen at his residence, when he had the misfortune to fall off the step-ladder on which he was standing and break his right arm.

The injured arm was set during the afternoon, and, although suffering a considerable amount of pain, Mr. Wing is progressing favorably.

W. Griffiths, of Thamesville, is spending the day at his home in this city.

IS RECOVERING

Ansley, the young man who attempted suicide, near Ridgetown, by cutting his throat, and who has been in the Chatham General Hospital for some time, is now recovering.

The gash in his throat has been carefully stitched up and he is able to eat and talk. Although Ansley's condition was thought to be too serious to admit of any hopes of life, skillful medical attention has practically assured him of an almost complete recovery from the effects of his rash act.

FIRST CLASS ENGINE

The following is from the report of the recent Automobile Show in Toronto appearing in Red and Gun: "A Canadian engine which made an instant hit was the Defiance, of Chatham. While their single cylinders were not overlooked, their two and four cylinder motors gained much attention. The design of the engine is not only good, but the mechanical details are usually well worked out. Only an experienced motor boat man knows the value of a big generous bearing on the crank rod, one piece valve, tool steel coils, a good jump-start ignition system, and full speed control; but they are all there together with many other good features. The Defiance people did a good business, too."

THE CROPS ARE GOOD

Farmers Report Satisfactory Progress in Several Directions

FINE HARVEST EXPECTED

In conversation with several farmers at the Farmers' Institute meeting yesterday, a Planet reporter learnt that the crops throughout the country were, generally speaking, in good condition, although no predictions were made for a bumper harvest. The chief complaint of the general farmer this spring has been a widespread lack of fertilizing agents and manuring, though necessary, has been very light, in consequence.

It is not expected that the recent night frosts have done any appreciable damage, and several orchard owners are jubilant over the immunity of their fruit trees from injury up to the present.

It is likely that the best crop in Kent County will this year be about the same as last year. Beet growing is very hard on the ground and this fact, coupled with the many risks that have to be taken by the beet growers, has somewhat militated against the popularity of the crop.

Those farmers who have planted corn in ground that has been corn planted for two or three successive years are experiencing difficulty with the grubs, although the corn in the fresh grounds has not yet suffered. The rainfall has been only just sufficient for the agriculturalist's needs and the changeable weather of April and May, while not seriously retarding the crops, has not been as easy on them as the farmers would like.

PREACHER BUILT CANOE

Rev. A. R. Going, of Exeter, formerly of Charing Cross, who was elected president of the London conference, has spent his spare hours the past winter building a canoe. The result shows the maker is no mean mechanic and is possessed of much more than ordinary ability with tools. The canoe is 18 feet 3 inches long, and 2 feet 10 inches wide at the centre; is made of 1-8 inch basswood with finishings of oak. It weighs about 50 pounds. The wood is covered on the outside with canvas, while the whole is painted and varnished pleasing colors. It is so evenly balanced that it will rest perfectly on an inch board. About \$20 covers the outlay for material. Although Mr. Going had never seen a canoe built, he went at the work in a systematic manner, by constructing a skeleton framework of exact dimensions, and upon this built the craft. He, with Mrs. Going and family, will camp at Grand Bend during part of the summer, and the canoe will go along.

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