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Rev. A. Smythe Palmer preached in Wanstead, Eng., a sermon which consisted of 800 monosyllabic words.

Sir James Whitney will once again lead the Conservative forces in the coming Provincial election on June 29th.

Dean Abbott's address at the L.M.M. Conference at Burlington was a feature. It was on "The only sufficient task the World task."

Mr. Kemp, of the Toronto Synod office, celebrates his 79th birthday on Sunday, 31st May; congratulations, Mr. Kemp, you look twenty years younger!

The Ministerial Association of Toronto are to attend in a body as a mark of sympathy and respect the funeral service at the Arena, to be held by the Salvation Army on Saturday. The Army lost 41 officers, 27

Edwin S. Lines is the most important matter to be considered at the fortieth annual convention of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Newark. The convention was formally opened in Trinity Church, May 28th.

Sir Hugh Shaw-Stewart says: "Numbers of us look forward with nothing short of dismay to the prospect of the Church by the action of her own clergy being plunged into the vortex of party strife and political controversy on the question of extending the franchise to women."

The "Royal Edward," of the Canadian Northern Company, which struck an iceberg 110 miles east of Cape Race, signalled her passing Browhead Island, May 28th. The steamer reporting her accident said her bow had been twisted with the impact with the ice but she was making no water.

The Rev. J. Harrison Hill of Poplar Point, Manitoba, was a welcome visitor at this office last week. He is returning from a three months' holiday

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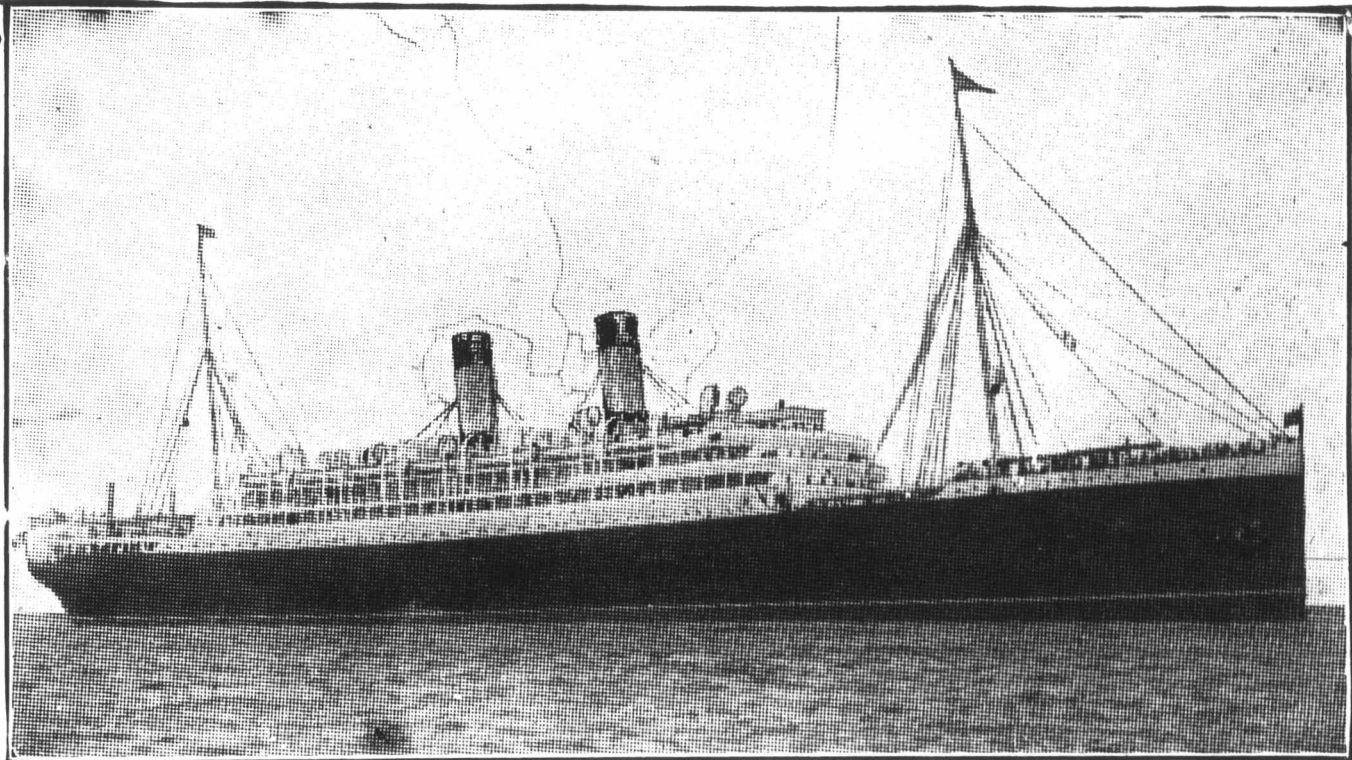
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out of 37 of the staff band, and a total loss of nearly 150.

The president, principal and directors of Havergal College have issued invitations to the annual distribution of prizes, on Wednesday, June 17th, at 4 o'clock, and to a garden party.

Our hearts go out in sympathy to the bereaved families throughout Canada and elsewhere in the crushing loss of beloved ones in the sinking of the "Empress of Ireland" last Friday.

On May 30th Canon Loucks, of Kingston, entered on the 57th year of his priesthood. He was ordained on Trinity Sunday, 1858, at the cathedral at Quebec. His many friends congratulate him on the event.

The Rev. C. V. Pilcher, of St. James' Cathedral, and Mrs. Pilcher will leave for New York on Monday, June 1st, where they will embark on the following Wednesday on SS. "Ulonia," sailing direct for Naples. They expect to be away for a couple of months.

News has just come to hand as follows from London that Lieutenant Vere Howland, younger son of the late W. H. Howland, former Mayor of Toronto, has died of fever in Sierra Leone, where he was serving with a West African regiment. He was in his 30th year.

A proposal for the appointment of a Suffragan Bishop to assist Bishop

in Birmingham, England, his first visit home after 11 years' absence. Mr. Hill was one of the first five graduates of Emmanuel College, Saskatchewan.

The great steamship "Vaterland," which took nearly four hours to dock when she arrived at New York on her maiden voyage recently, sank two coal barges as she steamed out of her berth, May 26th. Backing out under her own steam, her momentum carried her across the Hudson, and she slipped in between two piers where the coal barges, carrying 500 tons of coal each, were tied. Both barges went down almost at once, but no lives were lost.

The pleasing presentation to Sir Wilfrid Laurier by his Parliamentary supporters in both Houses, on the completion of his fourth decade in Parliament, was one of those refreshing occasions in political affairs when men of all parties and opinions can unite to pay tribute to a great figure in public life. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in his forty long years of service in the Commons, has won the esteem, the respect, the admiration of his fellow-countrymen of every party, race and creed.

The jurors filed into the jury-box and after all the twelve seats were filled there still remained one juror standing outside. "If the court please," said the clerk, "they have

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