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METHODIST CHURCH

Time as its Pastor--An Able Discourse.

Rev. George Fisher preached his farewell EDITOR UNION ADVOCATE :sermon in the Methodist church, on Sunday evening. Mr. Fisher took as his text St. Matthew xxvi chapt, and 40th and 45th., verses-And he cometh unto the disciples and findeth them asleep, and saith unto Peter. What ! could ve not watch with me one hour? Then cometh he to his disciples and saith unto them, sleep on now, and take your rest : behold, the hour is at hand. and the son of man is betrayed into the

hands of sinners. Mr. Fisher discoursed chiefly on the necessity of doing something for Christ. He began by reminding the congregation that Christ was human as well as divine. He wanted sympathy. His human heart yearned for human sympathy. Christ picked out three of his disciples to sympathize with him in his great sorrow, to e near him in his great sorrow. But instead his three chosen disciples slept when he wanted their comfort. Christ visits them and ands them sleeping. He says to them :- "What could you not watch with me one hour." He comes the second time and finds them sleeping, but says nothing; the third time he visits them and finds them sleeping. He says-"Sleep on and take your rest." Mr. Fisher then told of the different constructions which had been put on these words of Christ's. But whatever exigencies had been placed on the passage, it was clear an opportunity had been afforded and lost to the disciples to do something for Christ. We condemned the disciples in this position, but after all this was a very sleepy world. Generation after generation was found treading in the footsteps of the apostles. Our opportunities for serving the Master might not be of as people of the county of Northumberland.

The next-premier of N. B., may yet be in precise a nature, but nevertheless there were opportunities. Life was rich with There were needy and sorrowful hearts all around us, calling us for aid, to watch with them, and if we accepted we elector. would be serving Christ as much as if we had been in the disciples' place. The helping of man was the best way of serving God. "What are we doing in this world of suffering humanity?" asked the preacher. There were Christ's helpless and needy ones all around as calling today as loudly as Christ called to his disciples. "How many opwait for a special opportunity was to be unfit for it when it came. It was for us to do our duty when it came, and then we would be ready for a special opportunity when it came. If we all looked out for and prayed for opportunities, how many there ould be awaiting us! How few christians there were, who threw themselves wholly into the service of Christ. Helping and sympathizing with struggling humanity was Christ's constant vocation. Mr. Fisher then took up the other phase of the text. Not only did opportunities for service present themselves, but opportunities would soon be past. How pathetic was the position of the disciples as we found They had no longer the oppor-The same would soon come to us all. "There is no more awful ounishment that can come to man, when he looks back upon the lost opportunities of his life. Let us awake and put on our strength in the work for the Master. To lose our venture in the higher service of the Master. means much to us and much to others. Let us not be found sleeping with the door of

It was an able discourse and held the close attention of the congregation throughout. Mr. Fisher said his removal came as unexrected to him as it did to the congregation. He had left himself entirely in the hands of the stationing committee of the conference. He realized that he was going to a more ardinus and responsible position and his arduous and responsible position and his in God. Mr. Fisher, his voice

opportunity open for us. Let us remember

that that door may be closed, and the op-

portunities may never again be offered.

You and I are passing day by day golden

them by, never to meet them again.

# CITIZENS TALK. OVER THE WIRES.

Readers.

'IDEES VARIEES'

Miramichi and Vicinity.

the provincial government and makes the Rogersville, English speaking officers were appointed to the exclusion of French

of each nationality. In those two parishes, specially in Rogersville, all the electors of preserving their family names. If revisors and census takers are not competent to give the French people that privilege and right, it is a wrong inflicted on those loyal citizens by the government, in appointing officers unable to spell and write their names as they should be. It often happens that the electoral lists are absurdly and shamefully made up; the spelling of French names is ridiculously, made, showing great ignorance on the part of the officers in charge and a gross insult to deserving citizens. Many a time French electors, entitled to exercise electoral franchise are debarred from voting on account of their names not being properly written.

Proper names and family names should never be translated in a foreign tongue. The French people never change English names, and English people should not impose on French people names which are not only ridiculous and nonsensical, but offen-

Northumberland county is worth having. It should be respected-surely in these two parishes, officers can be found who could give this small gratification to the French

need of French votes in Northumberland county and his colleagues as well. Prenez

ROGERSVILLE ELECTOR. July 9th, 1900.

MR. EDITOR :-

Red Bank, July 9th.

In looking over the events of Dominion the late Senator Adams. And by the way the late Mr. Adams' friends will not forget Mr. Thomson for his thoughtfulness. Whether the omission on the part of the others had any significance or not, I cannot say, but it seems to me, a reprehensible procedure on such an occasion, to laud one of Northumberland's noble sons and ignore another. While the Hon. M. Adams will never be seen on earth again, yet the memory of his noble character still exists in the minds of many, and will continue to exist as long as one of his fellow citizens remains

A FRIEND.

MR. EDITOR :-Can you tell me when the sidewalks are to be repaired ?-CITIZEN.

The lown Council ordered the lumber for the sidewalks sometime ago from Rogersville man, but it arrived here only s few days ago, and at a time when th council was busily engaged on the streets The sidewalks will be attended to as soon as possible,-probably within a week. It is not the intention of the council, however, to encourage wooden side walk building, as the board is in favor of asphalt sidewalks, opportunities for doing and receiv and will probably have one laid along ing good. We neglect them, pass Castle street before long.—ED.

MR. EDITOR :-

Permit me to congratulate you and your readers on the pronounced improvement in your paper, within the last few weeks and ion and his contribution, prognosticating the future, r, his voice shows that she is really the American Queen and is of inestimable worth to the literature of the times. Your report and

in China.

SAYS HO YOW

Religion of China. ---The Situation.

LONDON, July 9.-Admiral Bruce has DEAR SIR :-- The "Moniteur Acadian," sent a telegram to the Admirality depart- Town Council was held last Wednesday French paper edited at Shediac, N. B., ment from Taku, under date of July 7, to publishes a list of the revisors appointed by the effect that there are grounds for hoping that Prince Ching with his army is at Pekin remark that in the parish of Alnwick and protecting the legations against Prince

Tuan's army and the Boxers. CHICAGO, July 9.—A special to the Times-Herald from San Francisco says : It is important that all family and chris- In regard to the present situation in China, tian names should be spelled and written Ho Yow, the Chinese consul general iu San properly and according to the dialect Francisco, a diplomat only second in importance to the Chinese minister in Washington says: "The origin of the whole trouble with very few exceptions are of French is interference with our religion in China origin and they are entitled to their right I do not question the worthy intentions of the missionaries who have gone there, but they have made the mistake of trying to a race even to the point of religious toleration. Good missionaries merely waste their energies and incense the people. There is another cause for the present uprising aside from the religious work of the missionaries proselytising China. It has so happened that whenever a missionary has been injured or killed in the country, the nation which he represented has made the tragedy the occasion for asking grants of lands from the Chinese government. This course, in the eyes of many of our people who are extremely suspicious, has been misconstrued and misrepresented. From a political point of view, it seems to have been a fatal mistake on the part of the powers to have bombarded the Taku forts before they had landed sufficient forces to be able to support that step or follow it up. Instead of relieving the legations in Pekin, they aggravated the situation, stirring up an ignorant and maddened people to frenzy. In my opinion. the powers would need an army of Should there be a general uprising through out China before they could do any sort of policing for that great territory, with its four hundred million people, or bring them under subjection, they would require not lions of dollars would be wasted and many land".

lives be lost before the entire country could be brought under subjection. The zealous are not open to reason, as they are possessed ean face and believe implicitly in the horrible things told about foreigners. The Chinamen are well armed, and they are well from Mr. Fish. supplied with weapons of the latest pattern, many of them supplied from our own great arsenals. Shan Tung province is notable This province could probably place in the antil the next meeting. field 10,000,000 men closely approaching is formidable, and if it is expended upon slaughter. If the members of the legations have been murdered, it cannot bring them back to life by killing in turn. A peaceful

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adjustment of the difference might be had

and compensation secured. Such a policy

wood save many lives and enormous expen

itures on the part of in jured nations."

A Circus Man Accustomed To Smoking High Class Cigars, Contented, with a "Stinker."

He wore a fedora that might have been mile away for a diamond, adorned his bosom history of Chatham. an ill fitting Prince Albert, that had seen its best days, combined with cracked patent Devonshire, Eng. in 1812, In the year leathers evidenced a strong attempt to be 1838 he came to Newcastle and entered the "swagger" looking, so consequently when employ of the late Daniel Witherall. On he asked the drug clerk in a neighboring the following year his wife and child arriv-

Fisher Occupies the Bright Letters From Advocate The Origin of the Trouble Secures Eighteen Thousand An English Writer Endeavors Canada Treated Unfairly at

COMMITTEES REPORT.

ed From McCullum Street.

The regular monthly meeting of the

Minutes were read and approved.

A communication from R. J. Parke, Toronto, asking about electrical plant was on motion of Ald. Hickson laid on the A number of accounts were referred to

their respective committees.

The assessors bill was on motion laid er until the next meeting.

A largely signed petition was read ask ing the council to examine into the necesconvert the people who are not educated as sity and convenience of having a street opened from the east of the gas house to Pleasant street.

Referred to Board of Works Ald. Hickson read the following report om the Finance Committee :-

Acting on the instructions contained in he Bye-law passed at last meeting in reference to the issue of debentures your immittee advertized for tenders and reeived offers from the following :-

Slimson & Co., D. R. Laird, E. P. Wilton, Amalius Jarvis & Co.

The tenders of E. P. Williston [for \$8,000 and D. R. Laird [for 10,000) being the highest, were accepted. We think there will be no difficulty in placing the other \$2,000 on the terms of one of the above tenders.'

On motion the report was received and

Ald. Louisbury read the following re port from the Board of Works :-A petition has been handed us signed

by a large number of ratepayers, asking The door for such subsidies, once having that a street be opened up from McCullum been opened, will be found hard to close. street to Pieasant street.

Your committee has examined same and less than 1,000,000 soldiers, and many mil- and have taken steps to ascertain cost of

On motion the report was received and adopted.

Ald. Hickson drew the attention of of strange superstitions. Very many of the council to the absence of glasses for

On metion, a vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Fish.

Ald. Stables, re the dumping ground for its men of fine physique and stature, asked for an extension of time. Granted

Ald. Williston gave the following notice six feet in height. Whatever China may of motion :- that the Park and Fire com- railway, as opposed to St. John, a terminus have been in the past, she is no insignficant mittee take the necessary steps to remove enemy to cope with to-day. Her strength the Robinson tank and build a new one across the street to copfer with Public invaders the result will be a terrible Works committee in order to conduct overflow into the sewer.

> Ald, Lounsbury moved that a committee of three be appointed to take the necessary sters to acquire the Mason property at Brown's and report.

Ald. Hickson, Maltby and Lounsbury formed the committee. On motion the council adjourned until Tuesday night.

## pleton.

The many friends in this province will learn with regret of the death of Bartholomew Stapleton which occurred at his home in Chatham, Monday morning. His constitution which was a vigorous one up till a few months ago, weakened perceptibly of late white once upon a time, a stringy red neck and his death was expected to occur at any tie, pinned together by a large glass pin, time. The funeral took place yesterday which under a blazing sun might be taken a afternoon and was one of the largest in the

Bartholomew Stapleton was born in on, the other day for a thirty five cent attention. ed from England when he went to Chatham in pulpwood the exports.

## to Discourage the idea.

THE PROMOTERS

tantial Salaries--Halifax the only Winter Port.

The following letter appeared in the London, England, "Financier and Bullionist," in its issue of June 25:

The absentees were Ald. Ritchie and To the Editor of The Financier and Bullion-

Sir,-A dry lock proposition has come to my notice, to which I feel sure should be given publicity in the interest of the British

Some promoters in St. John, New Brunswick, have obtained a charter for the construction of a dry dock at the Port of St. John, and have been promised subsidies for a term of twenty years by the city of St. John, the Provincial Sovernment of New the following terms: Brunswick and the Government of the Dominion, aggregating some £5,000; and an effort is now being made to obtain a substantial subsidy from the British Government for a term of years. Under these subsidies the promoters propose to make an issue of bonds to build a dry dock at the Port of St. John, which is not now required, and which the trade of the port does not

One can understand the British Govern ment aiding the construction of a dry dock at an naval station such as Halifax, but one cannot understand why the British Government should be asked to grant a large subsidy to assist in building and equipping a commercial dry dock at the Port of St John in opposition to the other docks and wharves constructed there.

If the British Government grant a subsidy for this proposed dry dock at St. John, New Brnnswick-which can only be used for commercial vessels, as St. John can never be a naval station or base--it is establishing a very wide principle of giving aid to Colonial commercial ports, and if it is done in one case, in justice it cannot be refused in others.

The subsidy given by the City of St. John- a city of 60,000 people-amounts I think it necessary to open up said street believe, to the paltry sum of £500 for twenty years, when the city expects some millions of other people's money to be spent in its midst. This shows the lukewarm local feeling in regard to a dry dock.

It is pertinent to inquire how much capital has been in St. John (a place of considerable wealth) for this purely local enterprise. main door, but would ge and how many merchants and shipowners will of Western Australia invest £1 in such a scheme. It is a goo thing for the promoters, who will doubtless draw substantial safaries during the life o the subsidies-providing the dock is built; and when the subsidies end they will be too old to trouble then selves much about the building, and our money of their investors.

Halifax is the only winter port of Cauada and the terminus of an all Canadian line of mitted to such a of the Canadian Pacific, running partly I was not in the he through United States territory, whose bonding privileges may be storped at any time, nel Jekyll, who as, infleed, has often been threatened. The British Government aided the construction vited to receive of the dock at Halifax with a substantial he did. subsidy, as it is a naval base; but even with the handsome subsidies from different to inflict an indi sources, and a large amount of work done did not submit for the navy, I doubt if the Halifax douk ing country; an has ever declared a dividend.

If the people of St. John and Canada are our duty, to as earnestly desirous of making St. John a great port and meriting the assistance of scandalized the British Government in the establish- played. It Death of Bartholomew Sta- ment of shipping facilities, they should re- Castle of Mr. duce the port charges and expenses to ves- the Queen. sels-that is, if they ever expect to success- only myself, fully compete with Halifax and Portland, and English

Canada as a field for investment of Brit- as it was our ish capital merits the attention of the You are i British public ; but a dry dock scheme, such of good in as the one proposed at St. John, New Brun- lonial matt swick, should be received with the greatest try like Ca caution .- Your obedient servent,

## Canada's Pulp Wood Trade

The Paper Mill, in pulpwood.

the Exposition.

### PRESIDENT LOUBET

In Newcastle for the Last On Recent Events on the Is Interference With the Street will Probably be Open- Will Doubtless Draw Subs- Wanted to Enter Canada's Pavilion Through a Side door.

London (England) Outlook.)

The British and Canadian press have mand for national recognization, as put forward the other day through the Canadian Commissioner at the Paris Exhibition, the Hon. J. Israel Tarte, who is also, of course, the Minister of Public Works in the Dominion Cabinet and one of Sir Wilfred Laurier's chief colleagues among French-Canadian statesmen. The question is one of so much public interest in view of the larger place Canada is now taking in Imperial life, that we asked Mr. Tarte to favor us with his views. This he does in

"For the thorough understanding of the case to which you allude, it is necessary to give you a short history of what has hapened here in connection with the Exhibi

When I came to Paris as Chief Commis sioner for Canada, I found out that our country was not recognized as a self-governing country. We were not accredited directly with the French authorities. There was a widespread discontent among our exhibitors and among the members of the staff. Delays and annoyances of all kinds had made the position very difficult. I immediately remonstrated with the Royal Commission, and through Lord Strathe I called the attention of Mr. Chamberlain to the unfairness with which we were treat ed. , The Secretary of State for the Colon ies understood the position at a glance and through his good will and speedy inters tion I was accredited directly with French authorities.

I am afraid that some of the Engli cials in Paris did not see my action much satisfaction. I do no category Colonel Jekyll, whom ways found a perfect gentleman morning I read in Le Matin, newspaper, that Mr. President going to visit the Trocadero had not been notified by the Fi ities, who I may say immedia

together in the wrong. He preparations to receive the preparations to receive the of the Republic. While the visiting some other pavil ed that he would not of side doors of the need not tell you that we have paid 90 per

I hope that

were a lo Mr. Ch

six million