METHODIST CONFERENCE IN WOODSTOCK

Special to The Standard.

Woodstock, June 15.—When the New Brunswick and P. E. I. Methodist conference opened here today with the ministerial session, owing to the absence of the President, the Rev. Samuel Howard, B. D., necessitated by one of the events for which the month of June has become specially noted, and in which clergymen play an important part, ex-President Crisp, according to Discipline, took the chair and called the meeting to order.

The usual prayer meeting was held which lasted about an hour, and in which several participated at the close of which the work of the session was entered upon which was of a purely ministerial character, and at which only ministers were in attendance. About fifty ministers answered to roll call.

The First Business.

As in the district meeting so in the conference the first order of business was the examination of ministerial character. The districts were called in order and to the several questions "Are there any objections to our ministers and preachers on trial?" a negative answer was given. A good deal of routine business was done but little was fully disposed of. Several committees were appointed, one on conference relations and another on the reception of ministers from other churches. Quite a little time was taken up as to whether a probationer could be elected secretary of the district ministerial session, as secretary is required to read the report in the conference of which he is not a member, but no official deliverance made upon the subject.

Transferred To N. S. Conference.

The transfer to the N. S. conference was announced of Rev. G. U. Young, and of Rev. R. W. Weddall from that conference to this was announced, as well as of J. Pugh from the Newfoundland to this. The balance of the afternoon and evening was devoted to committee meetings of which more will be held later on.

The conference proper will meet tomorrow morning when the following laymen are authorized to take their seats:—

Lay Members Of The Conference.

1.—St. John District—Joseph Bullock, W. J. Linton, J. Hunter White, A. E. Hamilton, J. L. Thorne, J. A. Humphrey, R. D. Smith, F. C. Cassidy, E. M. Robertson, A. J. Kierstead, J. N. Harvey, J. W. Smith, J. A. Likely, Philip McIntyre, James Myles, Edward Vallis, M. D. Austin, E. R. Machum, Arthur C. Powers, James Baxter, Frank S. Purdy, J. T. Howe, J. B. Tait, Jeremiah Stout.

Alternates—George A. Henderson, Isaac Humphrey, F. C. McLean, David Walker, Erin Hayes.

2. Fredericton district—Asa Currey, M. E. A. Burpee, Howard Rogers, Dr. J. R. Inch, Dr. J. B. Fisher, Wm. Munroe, Samuel Bird, J. E. McNab, J. M. Lemont, C. A. Sampson, J. W. Smith, W. H. Harrison, J. J. Weddall.

3. Woodstock district—A. E. Plummer, J. C. Strong, J. R. Kirkpatrick, Carri Estey, J. T. G. Carr, J. A. Lindsay. Alternates, A. C. Gibson, C. A. Kirkpatrick.

4. Chatham District—F. Curran, J. Devereaux, H. Phair, T. A. Clarke, W. B. Snowball, A. F. Coates, E. A. Dempsey. Alternates, R. R. Stewart, W. L. T. Weldon.

5. Sackville Distr' —D. Allison, G. A. Fawcett, I. M. Palmer, H. Copp, B. U. Fawcett, Hon. Senator Wood, S. W. Hunton, S. J. Smith, Paul Lea, Wm. Rayworth, J. H. Stanton, L. W. McCann, J. S. Magee, R. N. Wyse, Chas H. Webb, R. C. Tait, C. B. Burnett, J. R. Taylor, Sam. Chibbeck, G. W. Barbour, G. R. Sangster, C. W. Smith, Chas. Colpitts, James Colpitts, S. L. Stockton, E. W. Colpitts. Alternates—J. McAfee, H. B. Steeves, Levi Downey, James Matthews, James Bayley.

6. St. Stephen District—S. S. Wall, Herbert Tricarten, G. McGowney, G. W. Porter, G. McCallum, Alonzo Connelly.

7. Summerside District — H. T. Pickering, J. A. Lea, H. W. Turner, Wm. Balls, Thos. Leard, J. A. Bruce, Wm. Calbeck.

8. Charlottetown District — Henry Smith, W. C. Turner, Theopheles Moore, George Howard, Wm. Boyle, Amos West, J. A. Moore, Roger Farquharson, D. A. Ross, G. T. Mellish, A. P. Prose. Alternates—John C. Hayden, Josiah Roberts.

The stationing committee was in session until a late hour tonight.

FOUR MEMBERS OF ONE FAMILY ARE DRUGGISTS

Mr. Joseph Hawker, of Centreville, and Mr. Edgar W. Moir, of Woodstock, are in the city to attend the annual meeting of the New Brunswick Pharmaceutical Association, whose business sessions commence this afternoon.

Mr. Hawker is one of four druggists members of one family, who will attend the meeting today.

The others are Mr. William Hawker, his father, of Prince William St., Mr. William Hawker, Jr., of Waterville, Me., and Mr. S. H. Hawker, of Mill street, his brothers.

WILL MAKE INSPECTION.

Washington, D. C., June 15.—Secretary of War Dickinson intends to make a personal inspection of the Atlantic coast defences and the principal military posts in the east during the next few months. He will accompany Major General Wood on a tour of inspection of the defences of New York, Long Island Sound, Boston and the New England coast, as far north as Portland, Me.

Premier Hazen left for St. Stephen on last evening's Montreal train.

Mr. John D'Angelis left last evening to spend two weeks in Boston.

CLOSING AT ROTHESAY WAS ATTENDED BY LARGEST NUMBER IN HISTORY OF THE SCHOOL

The annual closing of the Rothesay Collegiate School took place yesterday. The programme included athletic sports at two o'clock, a military drill on the campus at 3.30 and the formal closing ceremonies beginning at four o'clock. His Lordship Bishop Richardson presided at the latter, after having presented trophies to the winners in the athletic sports.

The military drill was participated in by fifty boys, under the direction of Captain W. W. Alward, with H. Hall as first lieutenant. The Artillery band was present and rendered music suitable for military exercises. The drill included rifle exercises and firing exercises. The different manoeuvres were extremely well done and were greatly enjoyed by the spectators. The drill lasted 30 minutes.

Mr. Hibbard's Address.

Following the drill, the closing ceremonies were held, prizes were awarded and Headmaster W. R. Hibbard, M. A., delivered the closing address, which was as follows:

"My Lord, Ladies and Gentlemen:

A report of a school of this kind divides itself roughly under two heads Work and Recreation, meaning by the latter term all the activities which are not directly connected with purely academic work. I say directly connected for that these various activities have a great deal to do with education, taking that word even in its narrowest sense, no one is more thoroughly convinced than myself. I shall not attempt to adhere closely to this division throughout this report, as the two cannot always be left separate but naturally dovetail each into the other. Regarding the work in the classes, I can say that it has been, generally speaking, consistent and good and I feel that real progress has been made by the boys.

"The examinations in the first five forms were conducted by the masters of the school. From the VI. form, four boys are taking the McGill science matriculation, two for that of U. N. B. and one for King's College. Results of part of these examinations we shall have later.

Excellent Results.

"The examinations held in the school have shown excellent results, but I should feel freer to report more fully on the matter had not the examination been conducted by ourselves. I trust we shall in the future be able to secure outside examiners for most of the forms or even to adopt a plan now practised by many schools by having an outside paid examiner to do all the work. This would contribute, I will not say a better test, but at any rate, one that would have more weight with the public generally. Regarding that part of recreation which comes under the head of games our most conspicuous successes were in hockey, where we won most of our matches. Our football team was much lighter than usual and oftener than otherwise suffered defeat, but they nevertheless, gained the reputation of playing the game for all they were worth. Great credit is due to Alward, the captain, for the way he inspired the team to put up such good fights in the face of adverse circumstances. Much credit is due also to Sterne, the captain of the track team, for his hard work in that office."

Gymnasium Work.

The address also mentioned the excellent work accomplished and stated that the first of the annual prizes donated by Dr. White of St. John, was to be awarded for the first time for the senior gymnastic competition.

Manual Training.

The results which the instructor in manual training, Mr. F. S. Morrison, had accomplished were favorably commented on. It was also stated that Mr. Morrison was to become a permanent member of the staff during the ensuing year.

The Chapel.

The refurnishing of the chapel was also dealt with. The thanks of the school for gifts of furniture and equipment was extended to Rev. LeBaron McKiel and to the Old Boys' Association.

Mr. Hibbard made a plea for improvements to the athletic field and track. Regret at the approaching departure from the school of Mr. Moore for some years the principal, was expressed.

"Finally," said Mr. Hibbard, "I would express my thanks to the boys for their ready response to all that I have tried to do on their behalf, also to the residents of Rothesay, for the kindness they have shown to Mrs. Hibbard and myself, making us soon forget we were strangers here. Both of these things have very largely contributed to making the year such a pleasant one for us."

The Prizes.

The prizes were awarded as follows:—

Sixth form—First prize, gold medal, Teed.

Fifth form—First prize, silver medal, Wilkinson; second prize, Carrite; third prize, McKay.

French prize—Wilkinson.

Fourth form—First prize, Hibbard; second, Hickman; third, R. McKay.

Latin prize—Hibbard.

Third form—First prize, Coster; second, Rankine; third, Murray.

Mathematics prize—Coster.

Second form—First prize, J. Starr.

A silver medal for the best essay given by the Old Boys' Association was won by Alward.

A prize for proficiency in Manual Training, presented by Mr. H. B. Schofield, was won by Teed.

During the afternoon the annual athletic competitions were held. At their conclusion the prizes won were presented to the successful competitors by Mrs. Richardson. His Lordship Bishop Richardson was chairman at the meeting at which the prizes were presented.

The School Dance.

The school dance took place last evening. It was very well attended, in fact the closing exercises at Rothesay were never attended by larger numbers than has been the case this year. Music for the dancing was furnished by the school orchestra and by Harrison's orchestra.

Those Present.

Among those present at the closing exercises yesterday were Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Earle, Mr. and Mrs. Hickman, of Dorchester, Senator J. V. Ellis, Hon. R. J. Ritchie, Mr. W. M. Jarvis, Ex-Mayor Sears, Mr. Mariner Teed, Venerable Archdeacon Raymond, Rev. R. A. Armstrong, Rev. LeB. McKiel, Rev. A. W. Daniel, Mr. G. O. Dickson Otty, Dr. Thos. Walker and Mr. H. B. Schofield.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF THE SHEKINAH, CHELSEA, MASS., VISITORS TO THE CITY YESTERDAY

Twenty-three members of the Royal Arch Chapter of the Shekinah of Chelsea, Mass., were visitors to St. John yesterday. This Masonic delegation arrived on the boat from Digby yesterday afternoon. It will leave again for Digby en route to Chelsea.

Mr. Alfred Anderson is the High Priest of the Chapter; Mr. R. T. Sewell is Past High Priest.

While in the city the members of the Chapter stayed at the Royal Hotel. During the evening the visitors on a special electric car provided by Mr. W. E. Raymond, visited points of interest on both sides of the harbor. At dinner at the Royal the members of the Chapter had the following special menu:

Turkey Broth.

Queen Olives Chipped Potatoes
Boiled Salmon, Parsley Sauce
Sliced Cucumbers
Boiled Ham Boiled Beef Tongue.
Roast Beef, Dish Gravy
Spring Lamb, Mint Sauce, Green Peas
Pineapple Fritters. Shrimp Salad.
Lettuce, Mashed Potatoes, Spinach
Sliced Tomatoes.
Fruit.
Plum Pudding, Hard and Brandy Sauce.
Lemon Pie, Strawberry Short Cake,
Plum Tarts,
Velvet Cream,
Champagne Jelly.
Sherry Wine Ice Cream.

The Chapter's Tour.

On Sunday the Chapter left East Boston for Yarmouth on the steamer Prince Arthur. Yarmouth was reached on Monday and on Monday night, the most excellent degree was worked at Union Chapter, Yarmouth, the guests of which the visiting Masons were at a banquet after the working of the degree.

A New Building.

The Arch Chapter of the Shekinah was so unfortunate as to lose its building during the great Chelsea fire. The cornerstone of the new building is to be laid within a few weeks, and it is expected to be ready for occupation in December. The visitors expressed themselves as being delighted with their trip to the Maritime Provinces.

The members of the visiting Chapter are the following:—

Edward S. Crandon, W. P. Simms, J. W. Pepper, R. T. Sewall, A. D. Page, Harry C. Taylor, C. H. Wood, D. Blaisdell, A. Alexhansen, Alfred Anderson, John Denton, David Smith, Ralph Ruggles, J. S. Harrower, W. A. Baston, E. E. Keith, W. W. Haskill, S. S. Close, Ernest J. Bailey, Walter Parkins, W. D. Graves.

NEW DREDGE IS THE TOLEDO 12 YEARS OLD

The dredge which the Maritime Dredging Company has engaged for work in St. John is the Toledo. She was bought from the firm of Breymann Bros. of Boston, and was formerly employed in Boston harbor. The Toledo was built in Boston about twelve years ago. She was one of six dredges which were mentioned as in the market at the time when the Board of Trade recommended the city to purchase a dredge for Sand Point work. It was then reported that the Toledo would cost about $135,000 without the scows, and she was described as a machine capable of good work under the conditions prevailing in St. John harbor. She has three scows and is now on her way somewhere east of Portland. The Boston tug Haviland and the tugs Lord Kitchener and Neponset brought the dredge as far as Portland. Then the Haviland returned and the other tugs proceeded with the tow.

LATE PERSONALS

Rev. George S. Milligan, who has spent some weeks with his mother, at her residence on Hazen street, returned to Toronto on Saturday.

Mrs Geo. E. Barbour left for Boston last evening.

Dr. David Allison, president of Mt. Allison University, passed through the city last evening en route to Woodstock, where he will attend the Methodist conference.

Rev. (Dr.) Charles Flanders left last evening to attend the Methodist conference at Woodstock.

Mrs. B. Gallagher and Mr. Bernard Gallagher left on Monday for Montreal, where they will remain for two weeks.

LA PATRIE AND DR. PUGSLEY'S BASE ATTACK

The following translation from La Patrie, of Montreal, is part of an editorial comment preceding the article of L'Evangeline, the organ of the French Acadian Liberals in New Brunswick, reproduced in the Montreal journal, on Dr. Pugsley's base attack on Judge Landry:

"L'Evangeline, of Moncton, N. B., one of the most devoted Liberal organs of the Maritime Provinces, protests with energy against the attacks made on Judge Landry in relation to the Central Railway.

"The tone of our contemporary shows in what esteem is held Judge Landry by the population of the Maritime Provinces. The Acadians have for him more than an ordinary consideration. They esteem him as a brother esteems brothers, as children love their father. He is truly the idol of Acadia. To understand how he lives in the hearts of his compatriots one must have assisted at the grand conventions of the Acadians. To the respect they have for him for his devotion and integrity, is added the gratitude which they owe him for his having elevated his race in the eyes of other races. The Acadians were formerly weak, ignored, without help, without protectors; today they occupy in Confederation an important place and are gaining by degrees their proper sphere of influence as citizens. They have now well grounded hopes of seeing shortly the full vindication of such rights. Judge Landry has contributed largely to this happy result; and they know it.

"We will let L'Evangeline speak."

(Then follows the editorial of L'Evangeline already published in this paper.)

MORE EVIDENCE NECESSARY IN ASSAULT CASE

In the police court yesterday several cases were dealt with. John Orr was fined $8.00 for drunkenness and profanity on Main street. Arthur Wilson, an Englishman, who was arrested early yesterday morning for wandering about and not being able to give a satisfactory account of himself, was allowed to go on condition that he would leave the city.

Edward Johnston, who was arrested on a warrant for assault, taken out by James Stillman, of Fort Howe, pleaded not guilty to the charge. It appeared that Johnston persisted in boarding at Stillman's despite the plaintiff's sollicitations to depart and it was contended by the plaintiff that Johnston had given him a black eye. There was evidence of the black eye, but Johnston denied the assault, saying that his (Stillman's) wife had inflicted the injury. The case was adjourned, in order that Mrs. Stillman might be summoned to give evidence.

Thomas Sweeney, charged by Mrs. Mary McLaughlin, with creating a disturbance in her restaurant on the corner of Market square and Water street was not molested as the evidence against him was not very sensational.

Robert Crothers, proprietor of the People's Dairy on Union street, was fined $5.00 for selling milk and strawberries on Sunday last, but the fine was allowed to stand, as Mr. Crothers explained to the court that he had no intention of violating the law, but kept open merely to accommodate the customers. In dismissing the case His Honor explained that the purchaser was liable to a fine just as much as the vendor.

THREE CLEAR DAYS HAD NOT ELAPSED

Yesterday morning Sheriff Ritchie released from custody Dennis Sullivan, who was held on a charge of stabbing Officer Perry. The preliminary hearing was begun before Police Magistrate Ritchie on Friday last and Sullivan was remanded on that day. On the same day he was sentenced to two months in jail for drunkenness. Yesterday Mr. J. A. Barry, who was engaged by Sullivan, went to the jail to have him released, and Sheriff Ritchie, thinking that the prisoner was remanded on Thursday, released him on the $8.00 fine for drunkenness being paid, as he would be liable to an action for false imprisonment if he detained his prisoner longer than three clear days.

The police authorities stated last evening that it was the intention to have Sullivan before the court yesterday afternoon.

Sullivan would, no doubt, have received a long term in jail, as the injuries received by Officer Perry proved to be very serious. It is understood that Sullivan has left the city, and if this is true, no person will be sorry, as the individual was a nuisance in St. John, having been before the magistrate many times.

If he falls into the hands of the police, however, he will be arrested on the charge of stabbing Officer Perry.

Will be Buried Today.

The funeral of Mrs Elizabeth Raymond, of Hazen & Raymond, whose death occurred on Sunday, will take place at Springfield, Kings county, today on the arrival of the train from St. John.

Mrs. Raymond, whose many friends heard of her death with deep regret, leaves besides Mr. E. P. Raymond, two other sons, Mr. C. B. B. Raymond, barrister of Boston, and Rev. W. S. W. Raymond of Miles City.

MEMBERS OF THE FREDERICTON BAR PRESENT CONGRATULATORY ADDRESS TO JUDGE M'KEOWN

Fredericton, June 15.—The nisi prius sittings of the Supreme Court opened this morning. Judge McKeown presiding. It was His Honor's first court and his initiation was welcomed by an attendance which embraced the legal fraternity and many of the leading citizens of Fredericton. The Bar was represented by J. D. Phinney, K. C., Police Magistrate Marsh, A. J. Gregory, K. C., H. B. Rainsford, Havelock Coy, H. G. Fenety, A. R. Slipp, F. H. Peters, R. W. McLellan, R. B. Hanson, P. J. Guthrie, J. S. Campbell and others. The spectators included His Worship the Mayor, Hon. L. P. Farris, several of the city aldermen and others. After His Honor had taken his seat the grand jury was called, the following answering to their names: Charles A. Sampson, William Jaffrey, Joseph Smith, Clarence Goodspeed, Wm. Smith, George F. Pond, Alex. Haining, C. F. Everett, Joseph Richards, Chas. H. Fowler, John Moore, Fred P. Robinson, Peter Farrell, Peter McDonald, Charles W. Whelpley, Luther Goodspeed, W. Clarkson and H. Rogers. The grand jurors selected as their foreman Charles A. Sampson.

His Honor briefly addressed the jury on their return to the court room after having selected their foreman. He said that it was most pleasing to note that there was no criminal business to come before them for consideration and he thought that the county of York was to be highly commended for its record.

Address From The Bar.

Col. Marsh then read the following address from the local bar:

To the Hon. Harrison A. McKeown, Justice of the Supreme Court of New Brunswick.

May it please Your Honor: The members of the Fredericton Bar avail themselves of this your first official visit at York nisi prius sittings and thus early in your judicial career to present their hearty congratulations on your elevation to the Supreme Court bench of your native province.

Changes which years in their unceasing rounds necessarily bring on the bench, as in other public positions, call from time to time for selections from the Bar by the executive government of the day of new men to fill the vacancies. In the past the appointments thus made have proved satisfactory to the profession and the public and we have reason to hope and believe that the choice of your honor and your brother judge to fill the much regretted vacancies caused by the death of Mr. Justice Hanington and the resignation of Mr. Justice Gregory, will be equally acceptable.

Your experience during several years in public life in the Legislature and in the satisfactory discharge of important duties of solicitor general and attorney general has given you a knowledge of men and affairs which will undoubtedly prove of service to you as a judge, while your practice at nisi prius and before the court en banc have secured for you a recognized standing as a lawyer which assures us that you will bring to the discharge of your important and responsible judicial duties the legal skill and acumen demanded from a member of the Supreme Court bench.

In addition to these qualifications, we are assurred that your wellknown affability will make you a favorite judge with the members of the legal profession. Commencing your judicial career while yet a young man we anticipate for you many years of increasing success and high standing as a judge and as members of the local bar, we beg to assur you that it will be our pleasure to render you that respect and professional courtesy which are at all times due from the members of our profession to the judiciary, and which with the legal research and skill required from true advocates materially aid judges in the efficient discharge of their responsible duties. We are your honor's obedient servants,—John L. Marsh, H. B. Rainsford, J. D. Phinney, O. S. Crocket, A. J. Gregory, R. W. McLellan, A. R. Slipp, R. B. Hanson, J. W. McCready, J. J. F. Winslow, P. J. Hughes, F. H. Peters, H. Coy, J. S. Campbell, James Holland, P. A. Guthrie, J. T. Sharkey, Harris G. Fenety.

Fredericton, June 15, 1909.

Judge McKeown's Reply

Judge McKeown made a short and appropriate reply. He said he appreciated the address presented to him very highly. It was only too true that time brings many changes, and new ones have now been called upon to fill important places formerly held by distinguished men. It would ever be his desire and ambition to fill the position to which he had been called with the utmost impartiality and fairness, and it ever would be his greatest endeavor to fill the judgeship to uphold the name of the New Brunswick bench. Unfortunately in human nature judges will at times err, but at the same time it must always be remembered that there is an appeal to a higher court where any mistakes can be rectified. In conclusion, His Honor said: 'I shall do my best to give satisfaction in my rulings, and I thank you most sincerely for kindly expressions and confidence extended to me in your address."

The grand jury then returned, and through their foreman, C. A. Sampson presented to His Honor another address.

His Honor made a most feeling reply in thanking the jury for their kind words. He spoke of his old associations with Fredericton, of his boyhood days spent here and how the city had ever been most dear to his heart. Here his father had once lived as a minister of the Gospel, and during that time it was his (the speaker's) great privilege to attend school under Dr. Geo. R. Parkin. Those days could never be forgotten and the friends made then and his connection with Fredericton must ever remain as among his happiest memories.

At the conclusion of His Honor's reply, court adjourned until 2.30.

In the afternoon Judge McKeown granted application for the postponement of the suit of the executive of the Capital Hockey Club vs. Controllers of the Arctic Rink to the next court in Jan. 1910. This suit is over a matter of $1,000, difference in the hockey finances of the 1908 season.

AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR

New York, N. Y., June 15.—With President Samuel Gompers in the chair, but unlikely to be able to attend all the other sessions because of his approaching departure for Europe, the executive council of the American Federation of Labor at the opening of its quarterly meeting here today, adopted a resolution favoring the establishment of an international federation of labor.

The resolution declared that such a federation, while not impairing the autonomy of the trade union movement of each country, would have for its purpose, the protection and advancement of the rights, int erests and justice of wage workers.

BEAR ELEMENT CAUSE SHARP FALL IN PRICES

New York, N. Y., June 15.—The bear element in stocks perfected a sufficient organization and gathered sufficient courage today to attack prices of stocks with vigor and determination and met with success in precipitating a sharp fall in prices. No threatening development in affairs was discernible to account for the apparent urgency with which stocks were pressed for sale. The weakness of the market was attributed quite generally to technical causes. The rushing into prominence of a miscellaneous lot of obscure specialties is considered a bad sign of the health of the speculation.

AN IMPRESSIVE SERVICE.

Gloucester, Mass., June 15.—To the ocean which had claimed as tribute sixty-two Gloucester fishermen during the past year there was strewn today great quantities of flowers in memory of the men who had gone to sea in ships. It was the annual fisherman's memoral day here. Among the forty children who sang there were several whose fathers, brothers or kinsmen had been lost.

GIVEN HONORARY DEGREE.

Philadelphia, Pa., June 15.—Secretary of State Philander C. Knox, was given the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws at the sixty-sixth annual commencement exercises today of the Roman Catholic College of St. Thomas of Villa Nova, at Villa Nova.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE CRITICISED

Washington, D. C., June 15.—Indulging in a vigorous denunciation of the committee on finance because of its change of front over night on the subject of tobacco importations from the Philippine Islands, Senator Burkett, of Nebraska, standing face to face with Chairman Aldrich today declared that its action looked to him like a "game of petty politics." He characterized this action as "an effort to hang the Senator from Wisconsin up in the air" and finally declared that this event afforded senators a good opportunity to "vote a lack of confidence in the committee."

This tart language followed Mr. Aldrich's amendment that the committee would accept the amendment proposed by Senator Bulkeley to reduce the number of cigars to be admitted free of duty from the Philippines from 150,000,000 to 70,000,000 and the quantity of filled tobacco from one million and a half to one million pounds together with a provision that the wrapper and filler tobacco should be unstemmed when receiving this concession.

WIND HEAVY BUT BALLOON TRIP WAS MADE

Pittsfield, Mass., June 15.—A heavy northwest wind nearly prevented an ascension in the balloon Massachusetts late today, but when Chas. J. Glidden, of Boston announced his intention of giving up the trip and one of the passengers dropped, Wm. Van Sleet stepped into the breach as pilot and called for volunteers. W. H. Gannett, of Augusta, Maine, maintained his intention of taking the trip, and Dr. Sydney S. Stowell, of Pittsfield, and Oscar R. Hutchinson, of Lenox, announced their willingness. The balloon left the ground at 4.57 p. m. and sailed southeast and then due south, landed at West Springfield at 7.30 p. m. The descent was watched by nearly a thousand people.

LIGHT SENTENCE FOR MURDERER

Salem, Mass., June 15.—Salvatore Signorelli, a Lawrence Italian, indicted for the murder of Maria Magri and the attempted murder of her daughter Arette, whom he wished to marry after being allowed to plead guilty to the charge of manslaughter in the Supreme Court today, was tonight sentenced by Judge Fox to serve not less than ten nor more than fifteen years in state prison.

SIR ALEXANDRE LACOSTE IN ST. JOHN

Hon. Sir Alexandre Lacoste, of Montreal, Ex-Chief Justice of the Province of Quebec is in the city. Sir Alexandre is accompanied by Mr. J. A. Sieureuer, of Montreal. They are at the Royal.

Sir Alexandre informed a representative of The Standard last evening that his visit to St. John had nothing to do with business. He had come as far east as Rimouski to visit his daughter and had taken the opportunity to revisit St. John in which city he had not been since 1878.

"I see a great difference," said Sir Alexander. "Then you had just had your great fire. The city was being built again. Now things are very different."

Sir Alexandre and Mr. Sieureuer will leave for Montreal this evening. During the day if they follow out their intention they will visit the various points of interest in the city by automobile.

Sir Alexandre Lacoste was chief justice of the province of Quebec from 1891 until 1906. He was a member of the Dominion Senate from 1884 until his appointment to the bench. In 1891 he was chosen as Speaker of the senate. In the following year he was appointed a Privy Councillor and also received the honor of knighthood.

In politics Sir Alexandre is a Liberal-Conservative. He was organizer for the party in his native province, Quebec, until recently succeeded by Mr. Monk.

STOLE HER WATCH WHILE SHE TALKED

Newcastle, Me., June 15.—The thieving propensities of a nine-year-old boy were practiced today upon Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, of Portland, president of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, while Mrs. Stevens was delivering a lecture on temperance before several hundred children in the Congregational Church here. She had laid a gold watch, chain and charm and a gold pencil upon a table near which she was standing. The boy was sitting not far away and it is supposed that he edged near the table to pilfer the articles.

When Mrs. Stevens had finished her remarks she turned to pick up the jewelery, but it had vanished. A search of the nearby corners failed to disclose any of the articles. It was noticed, however, that the lad was missing, and with a knowledge of his traits, according to his teachers, they searched for and caught him.

LOUIS PRANG AUTHORITY ON ART, IS DEAD

Boston, Mass., June 15.—A despatch from Los Angeles, Cal., today announced that Louis Prang, of Boston, an art publisher and lithographer of world-wide reputation, died in that city of pneumonia last night. He was the husband of Mary Dana Hicks Prang, formerly of Syracuse, N. Y., the well known art educator and authoress.

Louis Prang was born in Breslau, Germany, in 1824. For taking part in the revolutionary movement of 1848 he was forced to leave Germany, arriving in Boston in 1850. His productions of color printing and reproductions of famous paintings made him known throughout the world. He also devised text books on art, drawing books and writing books which are widely used.

SOME FIERCE FIGHTING.

London, June 15.—It is reported, without confirmation, from Vienna, and Athens, that there has been a fierce fight at Djakovitch, Northern Albania, between 10,000 Albanians and twelve battalions of Turkish troops under Sabir Pasha. The Albanians were repulsed owing to the deadly fire of the Turkish artillery. The Ottoman Government is hurrying twelve more battalions to Djakovitch.

Nothing to confirm the foregoing has been received from either Constantinople or Salonica.

GAIN IN BOSTON IMPORTS.

Boston, Mass., June 15.—A gain in imports at the port of Boston for the first twenty-four weeks of the year of $4,228,992.72 over the corresponding weeks of 1908, is shown by the report of Collector George H. Lyman which was forwarded to Washington today. The value of goods brought into the port in that time was $26,635,949.

RECEIVERSHIP LIFTED.

Cincinnati, Ohio, June 15.—The receivership in the Cincinnati branch of the A. Booth & Company, of Chicargo, was lifted in the federal court today when Judge Thompson approved an entry of dismissal of the receivership proceedings. All of the matters in controversy were settled about two weeks ago.

76 TO WED 71.

New York, June 17.—A license for the marriage of Mrs. William Pierson Hazelton, 76 years old, of this city, and James Brown Hazelton, aged 71 years, of Westfield, Mass., was granted to the couple here today. Although their names are identifical they are not related, they said.

MAINE UNITARIAN CONFERENCE.

Biddeford, Me., June 15.—The 46th annual session of the Maine Unitarian conference was begun in the Second Parish church here tonight.

REV. DR. CARM NEW PAMP METHODIST

Toronto, June 15—"The Sup al" is the title of a pamphlet sued in which Rev. Dr. Carm eral Superintendent of the M Church in Canada, returns w siderable spirit to the attack er criticism. In part he says:

"Christianity is the master God, the paramount moral and al design, and the crowning the Infinite and Eternal Crea Maker of all things. Christi its essential unity and centra is supernatural; it is that, o stupendous fraud. The Chri ligion, peculiarly separate fro religions, is a system disti and dominated by the superna it is at once an insidious a tious delusion. It deals with moral responsibility, and with and souls and destiny of men

"There is No Middle Gro

"It is an orderly arrangem a firm, wisely designed con supernaturalism as clearly op naturalism and humanism in ritual domain. Its solid facts disputable relations, its su trines given of God, constitu pernatural fabric of stren beauty; and its inner life is natural light, a supernatural

"Otherwise its advocates postors, and its teachers and tors are weaklings, grossly or deliberate deceivers. The middle ground. It is not a half-true, half-false. It is G to man, or it is a gigantic f Its structure and essence are the honest, open vision. Its p are fixed in the moral and constitution of the eternal its nature, aim and energies h demonstrated tens of thous times in the relations of God

What the Bible Is.

"The Holy Bible is Chri book, Christianity's code, C ty's spiritual revelation from Bible is that book, or there Of course, there is, figurative ing, the book of nature open and intellect, the book of hu son, the book of the natu science, the book of huma ence, all universal books of ism, books of human civili we could only read them; bu best light they can furnish, nations have sunk into p heathenism, and, so far as h forts and means are concer the outer darkness.

Some Questions

"Even these wonderful b open and understood onl range of the light of revela issue is square and straight: given us a revelation from t ning? Was God in the beginn was He all through human h telligently directing and and revealing Himself to a fa in wisdom and love?

"Is the evolution taper o velation sun the light by read the Bible?

"With the taper the keene est men stumble in confusion themselves in the darkness. scores of proofs. With the men of common understand safely on with a steady tre critics invade the Scriptu their evolutionary preconcept lines and positions are strain en and misplaced to suit the and varying notions.

Wesley Saved Engla

"John Wesley struck at the fountain of life, and British Isles ring with th peal of supernaturalism. He lieved in the integrity and tru ness of the entire Holy Without this faith he had be less and easily defeated. claimed God created the hea the earth, created man up provided him a Saviour from from the foundation of the It is well said, he, by the God, saved England from t experiences and the calam France. By preaching Jesus resurrection, the regeneration salvation, he saved England much to save America. Aga been well said, "The arm of not wield the sword of th Can German rationalism sword of the Spirit? Can d criticism wield the sword of it? Can philosophic speculat the sword of the Spirit? C alistic evolution, to critics of interpretation, wield the the Spirit?

"Can proud, boasting, s wield the sword of the Spi imperious wealth and haug ization wield the sword of t Possibly we live in a time wh odism is sharply called to the rock from which she and the pit from which she

"Made in Germany.

"Who built up the Meth are enjoying? What forces men and women employ? W the temporal and worldly materialism or the spiritual forces of supernaturalism times require of us to stan theological goods 'Made in whether imported directly o ly by way of England? A famous as he lifted up the the thick trees; but now t down the carved wood the axes and hammers? Are we better axe and a mightier e

Some Back Number

"As I write and remem things my mind reverts to that have been with us a this Methodism as their leg ing to recent times, I cann call such names as S. D John A. Williams, Wellingt and John Carroll, Edward H wart, who vigorously expos sisted the critics, and John more than once said to m men were living in a certa paradise. But these men mighty compeers were all bers.' They could not sp nounce 'myth' or 'legend' and so could not rank wit and were no models for preachers. And might I n same of a George Douglas liam Morley Punshon? Yet or other, with all their def labored and built, and propa established; and we have and circuits and districts ferences and many and var tutions out of all this inca ignorance. Is it not str