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Another Set Back.

In the chequered course of the Sunday Street Car question have been some suggestive facts. First, the effort to spring a vote during the holiday season, in which the motive was hidden under the hollow plea that that season was chosen as the one when the greatest benefit could be conferred upon the working men by a Sunday service. Then came the question of an agreement with the city, which the advocates of Sunday Cars urged should be hurriedly pushed on. The company it was said would agree to anything that was reasonable, and indeed their attitude early in the movement would indicate that they would have Sunday Cars at any price. The question of a mileage charge was the point in the draft agreement which proved the first snag. That, however, was met by opinion of counsel that the city should not charge special additional mileage for special additional service, and this absurd, and unjust position was boisterously accepted and flourished about by the pro car men, until, for the sake of peace, the opinion was provisionally accepted although it differed from that given by two eminent counsel in opposition, and the other terms of the agreement were considered. The season was now well advanced, the charms of the parks began to fade with their foliage, and the company's interest in an immediate vote, began to wane. The first sign of lukewarmness was the refusal to concede a cheap ticket and since then there are signs that the advocates of the Sunday car have made up their minds to shirk, if that be possible, the taking of a vote at the municipal elections, the fear evidently being that the large vote which would then be polled would be effectively turned against them. And finally, comes Sir Oliver Mowat's opinion, published this week, on the mileage question. Sir Oliver believes that "in making an agreement with the railway company the City Council is not limited to dealing with such matters as the hours of service; that the rights of the city, and of the Council as representing the city, are much wider; and that the Council is not legally prevented from seeking, by the agreement or otherwise, a compensation for the Sunday service, either by an increase in the mileage allowance or by compensation in any other form that the public interest or their duty to the citizens may seem to them to require." Here there is a very material obstacle in the way of a vote at the next municipal elections. What the citizens should insist upon is, that a vote must not be taken at any other time and if the company is not prepared to make a satisfactory agreement in time for the elections this winter, then that no vote be taken until the end of 1897. This holiday season agitation must cease and now is the time for a clear understanding on the subject.

Rev. Principal Caven Honored.

It was a well-bestowed honor that Princeton University conferred on Rev. Principal Caven, last week, when it bestowed upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity and

if anything could add to the appropriateness of the distinction it was the time selected for its bestowal, the red-letter day in Princeton's history, when it became a university. Among the many distinguished men whose names grace the honor roll none will appear, to Canadians who know him and his worth, to be a fitter recipient than the beloved, respected head of Knox College. Retiring and modest as he is, he does not court academic or public distinctions; his it has been to give of his best to the church of his choice, in a quiet way, for very many years. Yet the church has been served better by none than by him, her faithful son, and the college over which he presides has had the advantage of ripe, enlightened scholarship, and wise administration from him to an extent known best to those most closely connected with the college and who have felt his influence and benefited by his gifts in class and board room. That he may be spared long to wear his new distinction is the sincere wish of his many friends.

Twenty Year's Service.

The tie between pastor and people ought to become stronger, the affection deeper, as the years roll by. When such is not the case something is wrong; when years bring their reward of love, that fact may be taken as proof of spiritual growth and pastoral success. Twenty years' service has been given to Old St. Andrew's Church, Toronto, by Rev. Dr. Milligan, and to judge by the esteem in which he is held by his people that long period has been bedewed by blessing from on High.

On Sabbath last when special anniversary services were held in the church the congregations were unusually large, many of the old members, who on account of change of residence have joined other congregations attending, to renew sweet memories of former years. Dr. Milligan's own testimony is that despite the loss of many friends through death or removals during the period of his incumbency, the pews are now fuller and the people more attentive to the Word than ever before—a testimony which proves that the congregation is flourishing. The anniversary services were conducted by Rev. Principal Caven, D.D., in the morning, while in the evening Dr. Milligan preached the same sermon which he had preached to the congregation twenty year's ago. On Monday a reception, over which Rev. Prof. MacLean, D.D., presided, was held in honor of Dr. Milligan who has well-earned these marks of the esteem with which he is regarded by his people and in the community at large.

Princeton University.

The College of New Jersey is now enjoying its new name and will henceforth be known as Princeton University. The change took place last week on the occasion of its 150th anniversary. The ceremonies celebrating the auspicious event took place on the 20th, 21st and 22nd of this month, and were worthy of the great institution which Princeton University has grown to be. It is said that the college of New Jersey had its origin in the expulsion of David Brainerd, the sainted American missionary to the Indians, from Yale College on account of his decided stand for liberty in religious belief. The authorities of Yale refused to give Brainerd his degree for his inflexible adherence to what he deemed to be his duty in matters of religion. There was much dissatisfaction, and among those who appeared before the authorities of Yale and pleaded for Brainerd were Jonathan Dickinson, Aaron Burr and Jonathan Edwards, who afterward by singular coincidence, became the first three Presidents of Princeton.