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METHODIST SPEAKERS SEE ORIENTAL INVASION

Canadian Churches Must Be Prepared to Christianize Them As They Come

Ringed Addresses at Missionary Meeting of Conference-- Rev. Samuel Howard Chosen President--Rev. Dr. Craman's Address--Standing Committees Appointed.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Moncton, June 18.--The missionary anniversary which is always one of the most interesting of Methodist conference meetings, was held this evening. Pres. Howard occupied the chair and the speakers were Miss Stewart, representative of the Women's Missionary Society; Rev. C. E. Manning and Dr. Campbell. Rev. Thomas Marshall, superintendent of Missions in the Maritime Provinces, read the report of receipts as follows: St. John district--\$2,116.38. Fredericton--\$1,160.12. Woodstock--\$616.38. Chatham--\$824.85. St. Stephen--\$570.71. Charlotte town--\$1,219.48. Summerside--\$1,133.80. This is an increase of \$365.65 over last year.

The grants to mission fields within the conference territory amounted to \$12,560, which is \$2,625 in excess of the sum raised. Large grants to Missions accounted for the difference. Practically the conference has come up \$2,000 in contributions.

Miss Hattie Stewart spoke on the work and said the first representative of the women's missionary society came before the conference twenty-one years ago in the person of the late Miss Palmer, to whom she paid a womanly tribute. The society was organized in the interests of the church and their mission was to the women of foreign fields and that was its justification. The history of the society, during the last twenty-seven years, was given by Miss Stewart. They had missions in China and Japan and among the nationalities of our own land. They had forty-eight missionaries in the fields and raised last year about \$90,000. The general society and women's society stood shoulder to shoulder.

Can't Stop Yellow Invasion. Rev. C. E. Manning, associate secretary of missions, was the next speaker and he referred to the significant movements in missionary enterprises during the past twenty-five years; among them the Students Forward Movement, originating twenty years ago with Dr. F. C. Stephenson. Another significant movement was the Laymen's Missionary which started in New York less than a year ago.

It was a time of unrest in the east among the great races. The Chinese and Japanese and people of India were becoming conscious of their power. The Orientals had been flocking into the United States. Parliament and legislatures may do what they like but they cannot arrest the invasion. They are coming and will come to Canada. In the nature of things they should come. They must be prepared to solve the problem. They must be viewed from the standpoint of the cross. He, the speaker, was an Anglo-Saxon, and was proud of his race but there were other races who had a place and country. Another reason why the Orientals would come to this country lay in the fact that it was in the nature of things for people to follow the sources of wealth. This was an impulse in the races of mankind.

We must expect a large number of people to flock, during the coming years, in to our growing country. Population always follows wealth. Nearly 300,000 came in last year and such immigration creates grave problems and these problems will not be solved only by the people of the west. To meet the conditions required by this immigration would require the energies of ecclesiastical statesmanship to the utmost. Every effort must be made to educate this mass for enlightened citizenship. Some of the worst conditions of European society existed in our fair dominion. Rev. Dr. Campbell briefly addressed this morning in the Central Methodist Church. Eighty-two clergymen and thirty lay delegates responded to the roll call. Conference opened at nine o'clock with a half hour's devotional exercises, the chair being taken by Rev. James Crisp, president of the conference.

After the formal opening the general superintendent, Rev. Dr. Craman, took charge and after roll call gave a brief address along earnest and practical lines. He was warmly received by the conference and in his opening remarks he referred with great feeling to the loss conference had sustained during the year by the death of Rev. Ralph Brecken, M.A., D.D., at Toronto; Rev. William Dobson, D.D., of Charlottetown; and Rev. Chas. Pasley, M.A., D.D., Dean of the diocese at Sackville.

Rev. Dr. Craman made an earnest appeal to young men coming into the conference. He urged them to fidelity and loyalty to the church and country of which he said they are chosen members and citizens.

He referred to the death of Rev. Dr. Potts, of Toronto, and to the great loss thereby sustained in the Methodist Church connectionally of the Dominion.

TAFT THE REPUBLICAN STANDARD-BEARER



WILLIAM H. TAFT, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Chicago, June 18.--For President of the United States, William H. Taft, of Ohio; Taft on the first ballot; Taft by 702 votes; Taft by the unanimous choice of the convention. Such is the record of the culminating day of the Republican national convention of 1908, effected amid scenes of untold enthusiasm and after a nerve-racking continuous session lasting nearly eight hours. With the president named, the right and left, below and above, the platform enumerated, there remains only the nomination for vice-president to complete this momentous work. Tonight the whole city is given over to wild exultation in honor of the new candidate whose name goes echoing through the city.

The picture within the walls of the vast amphitheatre as the presidential candidate was named today was one truly grandiose in its magnitude. In the right and left, below and above, the billows of humanity, restless after hours of waiting and stirred from one emotion to another, was in a fever of expectancy for the culminating vote.

The favorite sons of other states had been named, save Knox and LaFollette and now on the roll call came Ohio. As the buckeye state was reached the tall, gaunt form of Theodore E. Burton, with stentorian voice and severe black clerical garb, advanced to the platform to nominate Ohio's candidate. He spoke with the ringing voice of an evangelist, being well-remembered through the great building.

Wild Demonstration. The close of his speech of nomination was the signal for losing the long pent-up feeling of the Taft legions. Instantly the Ohio delegates were on their feet, other Taft states following while the convention hoisted in gallery and on floor, sank into mad delirium.

"Taft, Taft, W. H. Taft," came in a roar from the Ohioans. Megaphones seemed to spring out of concealed places and swell the Taft tumult into thunder. A huge silk banner bearing the familiar features of the statesman-secretary, was swung before the delegates, awakening a fresh whirlwind of enthusiasm.

All semblance of order had been abandoned and the delegates made a mad dash for the platform. The band was inaudible, a mere whisper was above the deafening volume of sound. For ten, fifteen, twenty minutes, this uproar continued. It was when the name of Roosevelt threw the convention into a frenzy, repeated in intensity and almost of the duration. But there is a limit to the physical resources of throats and lungs. Rhythms had been established and at last the tired voices died down to a hoarse shout and at last subsided.

Taft Resigns Office. Washington, June 18.--Secretary Taft's resignation as a cabinet officer will be received by President Roosevelt tomorrow. It will take effect on July 1st.

Senator Domville Wants Trade Returns of St. John and Halifax. Refers to Rumor That C. P. R. is to Be Given Running Rights Over I. C. R. to Help Nova Scotia Capital.

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SENSATIONAL EVIDENCE IN MARINE INQUIRY

Official Testifies That Superiors Ordered Him to Sanction Graft

Declined to Comply and He Was Removed From His Post --Deputy Minister Declares He Got His Wealth Honestly-- Supt. of Lights and Buoys Defends Paying Exorbitant Prices and is Raked by Judge Cassels.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Ottawa, June 18.--The inquiry which Judge Cassels is making into the marine department came to an abrupt halt this afternoon and will not be resumed until September 2 and then only in the event of the judge being relieved of his exchequer court duties.

The main examination of the inside officials of the department was concluded and curiously enough the most dramatic incident of the enquiry, so far, was in connection with the examination of the last witness called. This was W. H. Noble, a hard-headed Scotchman of twenty-five years' service in the department who for some years past has held the position of assistant commissioner of lights.

When asked if he knew of any irregularities in the department he rather astonished everyone present by answering without hesitation in the affirmative. The deputy minister, he said, had through his immediate superior, J. F. Fraser, commissioner of lights, sent him word that if he would not agree to certify to certain accounts he could send in his resignation. In further explanation of this statement Mr. Noble said that a deputy had arisen because of his refusing to certify that the prices paid for certain goods of which he did not know the origin, were fair and just. The matter was referred to Auditor General Fraser, who suggested that Mr. Noble be supplied with a stamp marked "Certified correct, prices arranged by department."

Defies Deputy. Mr. Noble said that he had defied the deputy and since then had felt that he was suffering from persecution. The deputy had ignored him and he felt that Mr. Fraser had little use for him. Quite recently Mr. McPhail, a younger man, had been placed over him as acting commissioner of lights. He had had no promotion or advance in salary for three years. Mr. Noble said that he had in a general way complained to the deputy about exorbitant prices at Prescott. The goods over which the trouble occurred were purchased from George T. Merwin and from Brooks & Co. He had complained to Mr. Fraser but he had been too excessive and had also reported the matter to Mr. Owen the accountant of the department. Mr. Noble said he had used the new stamp for six months or until he ceased to be in charge of the Prescott depot. He considered that it relieved him of personal responsibility.

The hint that he sent in his resignation came when he had declined, on Mr. Fraser's instruction, to revert to the use of the regular stamp marked "Prices fair and reasonable." Mr. Noble said that he did not know of any misconduct on the part of Mr. Fraser and he had no grounds to suspect secret relationship between him and people dealing with the department.

Cross-examined by Mr. Godfrey, counsel for Mr. Fraser, he said that he had never complained directly to the minister as he did not get an opportunity to do so. "No Use to Complain." "But you could use the post," suggested Mr. Godfrey. "I thought it would be of no use; it would be butting my head against a stone," replied the witness. "Do you mean to insinuate that the minister would not have paid any attention?" "I do not mean to insinuate anything," he answered. When asked by Judge Cassels to give instances of extravagance at Prescott, Mr. Noble said that the whole system of new buoys was extravagant, wharf and pier, which were unnecessary had been built, likewise a \$2,000 bathhouse.

J. F. Fraser who gave his main testimony earlier in the afternoon was recalled and examined by Mr. Godfrey. His explanation of the trouble with Mr. Noble was that the latter had declined to certify to the price of goods delivered at Prescott, the origin of which he did not know. The arrangement did not prove to be satisfactory and after consulting with the deputy minister he told Mr. Noble to revert to the regular stamp and to satisfy himself as to the price of goods. To Judge Cassels Mr. Fraser remarked that he would take the same stand again under similar circumstances.

"I think you would take a wrong stamp," remarked the judge. Judge Cassels remarked that it seemed an absurdity that Mr. Noble should be asked to certify to prices when contracts were made and prices fixed by the powers at Ottawa. Mr. Fraser explained that the \$2,000 bathhouse was for government launches. Found Prices Exorbitant. In the marine enquiry this morning, A. W. Owen, accountant of the department, was under examination. While deposing that he knew no officials he cited cases where he doubted the certificates of fair prices sent in by agents Gregory at Quebec, Parsons at Halifax, and Harding at St. John.

Commander Spain, accused by the Auditor General of having padded a travelling account, explained it by the fact that he was away two years and lost a coat containing his diary. He made up the bill when he returned and made an affidavit. When the auditor kicked the amount was refunded to the extent of \$400. Col. Goulet, Deputy Minister of Marine, was next called, got after examination by Mr. Godfrey. He read a statement denying completely many of his structures and a report showing that when asked not to tear the files he was examining, Fysha had replied, "I don't give a damn for the minister who does not know what I am after." Fysha had gone on to describe as "damnable, outrageous and rotten" the system of bookkeeping in the department.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ABOLISHES TWO OFFICES L. B. Knight, Chief Game Commissioner, and John Robinson, Chief Game Warden, the Sufferers--New Draughtsman in Crown Land Office--H. A. Powell Comes to Central Railway Commission--Police Commissioner Chosen for Fredericton.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Fredericton, June 18.--At a meeting of the local government here this afternoon, a delegation of citizens, headed by Revs. Joseph McLeod and J. H. McDonald were heard in reference to the appointment of police commissioners for the city under the act of assembly passed last session. They proposed the names of L. W. Johnson, H. C. Coy, and M. Tennant for the commission and requested that they be appointed. The government, after due consideration, decided to accede to the delegation's request and the three named were appointed.

An order in council was passed abolishing the position of chief game commissioner held by L. O. Knight, of St. John, and that of chief game warden filled by J. Robinson of Newcastle. The province is to be divided in four game districts, each to be in charge of an officer to be appointed by the surveyor-general. W. E. McFarlane was appointed chief draftsman and compiler in the surveyor-general's office in succession to Col. Loggie. In addition to his ordinary duties, he will have charge of the maps and plans of the province. Mr. McFarlane has been employed as a draftsman with the C.P.R. A York County Council delegation urged the government to pay a portion of the expense of the trial of Tom David. The trial cost the county about \$1,000. The premier said that while the government would consider the application, it was being urged by Albert county to bear a portion of the cost of the Collins trial which had cost that county upwards of \$5,000. H. A. Powell, ex-M.P., has been engaged as counsel for the province in the case of the royal commission to investigate the Central Railway affairs. The commissioners will meet to organize in St. John tomorrow evening. One of the first meetings of the commission will be in this city for the purpose of obtaining information from the government records. At the board of education meeting last evening a letter was read from Miss Louise Irwin, asking that kindergarten be established in connection with the public schools system. Consideration was deferred.

The Scott Act case against the proprietor of the Barker House was before the police court this morning. After the evidence of two witnesses had been taken an adjournment was made to procure further evidence. A. B. DeMille and bride arrived from St. John last evening and are staying at the Barker.

THINK LAURIER IS FOOLING OPPONENTS

No Agreement Yet on Election Bill, Supply is Passing Rapidly

Feeling Now is That Premier Will Dictate Terms to Annuitants Bill Passes to Third Stage.

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By the will, Lady Reid becomes the recipient of all revenues to the time of her death, when the estate will be equally divided between the children, W. D. Reid, H. D. Reid, R. G. Reid and Miss Nellie Reid. Meantime Mrs. Reid will receive an annual income of \$10,000. The outside bequests include \$5,000 to Queen University, of Kingston, and a number of Montreal charities received similar sums.

Sir Robert Reid was a director of the Bank of Montreal and held 3,000 shares of C. P. R. stock. A Mount Washington Hotel Burned. Bridgetown, Me., June 18.--The Tip Top house, a small hotel on the very top of Mt. Washington, was burned last tonight. The building was built in 1870 and had been used by thousands of tourists and others who have ascended the mountain and is the only building of any size above the base. It was built twenty years ago, and had accommodations for about 150. It was chained to the mountain for safety. The damage cannot be estimated tonight.

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LeBlanc Beaten by Four Votes. Montreal, June 18 (Special).--The result of the election in the riding of LeBlanc, the conservative leader, was beaten by a former street car conductor, after representing the seat for twenty-five years, ended today with the result that the Liberal was declared elected by four. The original majority was seventeen.