

THE HAMILTON TIMES

TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 1909.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Tomorrow evening the Supreme Court of Canadian Presbyterianism begins its sittings in this city. The meeting of the General Assembly of such a Church is an event of some importance. It deals with vast interests, material as well as moral; and, for a few days to come, the eyes of Canadian Presbyterianism will be directed toward this city. The Church is in a prosperous condition, and there is nothing, so far as we are aware, to lead us to look for anything sensational in the business to be transacted. It is a time of national progress and development, and the Presbyterian Church has been very busily occupied in meeting the demands made upon it by the great inrush of settlement and the opening up of new territory. To fully do its duty in this respect makes great demands upon its ministry and membership. We have not beside us, at the moment any official figures of the proportion of Presbyterians in our population, but the figures of the census of 1891 and 1901 show a wonderful progress which has doubtless been more than maintained in the years that have elapsed since that time. The census of 1901 reported the Presbyterian population of Canada as 842,442, a figure exceeded only by the Methodists and Roman Catholics. According to the decennial figures of 1891-1901 the distribution of Presbyterians in the various Provinces was as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Province and Population. Rows include British Columbia, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Prince Edward Island, Quebec, N. W. Territories, and Unorganized.

In the last eight years there has been an unprecedented increase of Canadian population, largely by immigration, most of which has settled in the newer provinces. There the great field for missionary effort has been found, and we look for evidences of remarkable progress in the statistics to be presented to the Assembly from that quarter of the Dominion. The Church is in a healthy position, alive to her duty and opportunities, and determined to give a good account of her stewardship. Her field is indeed a large one and challenges to enthusiasm. Hamilton extends a hearty welcome to the delegates to the Assembly, and her people will try to make their stay a pleasant one. Much sympathy will go out to Rev. Dr. Duval, the retiring Moderator, in the bereavement which he has sustained in the loss of his wife, which sad occurrence will probably prevent him from participating personally in the work of the Assembly at this meeting.

AN OBSTRUCTIONIST'S BLUFF.

At a Tory meeting in Toronto the other night, George E. Foster, the great obstructionist of the last Parliament, showed how little he appreciated the forbearance of the Government in not compelling him to the reasonableness and courtesy which his duty as a sworn member of Parliament should make him yield to the country's service. He boasted of the obstructionists' harassing of the Government, saying, "I tell you the Opposition not only makes the menu for the Government, but it makes them eat it, and if they refuse, we shove it down their throats." Sir Wilfrid Laurier's consideration of a man like that is wasted. It seems to have been a case of throwing pearls before swine. The first work of the session has been the amendment of the rules of the House to suppress the Parliamentary hoodlum and to enforce that respect for the people's business which men of Foster's ilk do get seem willing to yield without it. In the goodness of his heart Sir Wilfrid was unwilling to recommend anything in the shape of a closure rule, preferring to appeal to the good sense and honor of the members. Just how much influence good sense and honor have upon some of these obstructionists is illustrated by this insolent boast of Foster. It is practically a notice that the Opposition intends to prevent the will of the majority of the people's representatives from being done, and that to accomplish this, it will resort to its shameful methods of last Parliament, of which, in its party cabals, it does not hesitate to express pride. Unrestricted debate is not for a Parliament composed of or directed by men like Foster. Almost every legislative assembly in the world now regulates its debates by some rule of closure. We think Sir Wilfrid Laurier made a mistake when he did not place the amendment of the rules as one of the first items to be dealt with by the present Parliament. Is he taking notice of Foster's bragging speeches on the subject?

A HOLLOW BLUFF.

The St. John Sun is not enamored of Sir James Whitney's stage patriotism. It will be remembered that when Parliament unanimously passed the resolution declaring for Canadian participation in Empire defence by moving toward its own defence in co-operation with the Imperial authorities and with their approval, Sir James Whitney seized the occasion to pose as a much more advanced Imperialist, to regret that Parliament had not gone much further, and to declare that we should have immediately offered to present the Imperial navy with one or two Dreadnoughts. It was

announced with much flourish of trumpets that Whitney and Roblin, and perhaps McBride, of British Columbia, were going to illustrate their superior loyalty to the Empire by contributing a Dreadnought or two on behalf of those Provinces. This windy loyalty seems to have effervesced; at least, it came to nothing. And, according to the St. John Sun, Whitney now explains that he wanted Canada only to offer Dreadnoughts to the British navy—not actually to contribute them. "In my humble opinion," he said at a reception in his honor this week, "better results would have followed if the Government at Ottawa had cabled that we were prepared to recommend to the house to appropriate the price of a Dreadnought or perhaps two Dreadnoughts. If they had done that, I am sure it would never have been necessary to send Dreadnoughts."

The Sun remarks, concerning this: "In other words, if he had been Premier of Canada he would have bet two Dreadnoughts as a little bluff, sure that it would not be called. Possibly this policy would have been a good advertisement for Canada, but it's a little too cheap to win the approval of self-respecting Canadians. We thought Sir James Whitney was a bigger man."

FEW WIN IN THE GAME.

The investigation conducted by Governor Hughes, of New York, into stock exchange speculation disclosed some facts of interest to the public. The committee found ample evidence of the fact that Wall street is not a sure road to easy wealth. In fact it was led to conclude that the successful ones are few, and that probably between 90 and 98 out of every hundred who make haste to get rich by resorting to speculation therein lose their money. One broker of many years' experience averred that every one who entered the street, except as a broker, lost money. He says that in a partnership contract to preclude a junior indulging in speculation he made a bona fide offer of \$5,000 for the name and address of every verified winning customer of any Wall street house—provided only that the customer had so traded for two years as to make his account an "active" one. He was not called on to pay. Another stated that in twelve years of large operations as a broker he did not know of a single customer who withdrew a dollar of net winnings. Similar statements were received from many brokers of experience. The fact that the average margin trader can stay but a brief time in the game is illustrated by the other fact that nearly every Wall street broker and every bucket shop has an entire new list of customers every three to five years. The gullible is a great crop, however, and the shores of today are crowded aside rudely tomorrow by the fresh supply of lambs bleating to be shorn. How would the sharp fellows live if it were not for the trusting fools looking for short cuts to riches?

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Now let the city dog-catchers show some discrimination in dealing with farmers' canines.

Keep your doggie in now in conformity with the by-law if you do not care for him to fall into the hands of the dog-catchers.

Ex-Mayor Stewart cannot charge these Hydro-Electric meeting expenses up to Hamilton ratepayers. Who is to pay the shot this time?

Let the Yankees raise the tariff walls against Canada. We shall just go along taking Yankee capital and industries to build up Canada. Oh, we can get even!

There will be an eclipse of the moon on Thursday next. The moon enters the shadow at 6.43, the total eclipse being at 7.58, the middle of the eclipse is at 8.29 and the moon leaves the shadow at 10.14.

The Toronto school cadets who went to England to compete for the Princess of Wales' prize do not appear to have had much success. But still, we think the Empire may hang together, even if they did not win.

The debenture debt of Saskatchewan is now \$820,821, or based on a population of 8,000, about \$103 per capita. It is a space with a future, and the people are determined to be ready to grasp the opportunities as they present themselves.

The United States immigration stream is decreasing. The steerage arrivals for the first five months of this year were 274,870 more than in the same period last year, but the arrivals for last week fell off heavily, and lighter immigration is looked for for the rest of the season.

Winnipeg street railway men are not satisfied with the award of the Board of Conciliation. They have not got everything that they wanted. The award was a unanimous one, however, and there are few disputes which are settled satisfactorily to the extremists of both sides.

Another strike in the Dominion Textile Company's mills is threatened. There are far too many threatened labor difficulties for the good of Canadian industry.

They are, however, an indication that trade is picking up—if we but give it a chance.

Roy, the St. John's bank president, is breaking stone in the penitentiary as convict No. 5,204. His punishment is salutary; but unfortunately, it does not give back to the wronged shareholders and depositors the money of which they were defrauded.

Patten, the wheat operator, expresses the opinion that high prices will prevail in the world's markets for a year to come. He says United States methods of crop cultivation must be improved, as the wheat lands are "cropped to death." A shortage in this year's crop might make good his prophecy.

"Stewart"? Where did he hear that name before? Is this the fellow who deals in tombstones, and who got \$2,500 for attending the session of Parliament at which he advocated higher duty on granite—which he uses—and on stoves and read a long attack on the Independent-Order of Foresters?

But the Fruit-Growers' Association would be well advised not to adopt the restrictive methods of the big trusts and combines. They are very far from indicated by the situation; they could not possibly succeed in any event. It has a big field in which to operate in preventing the terrible waste of fruit which is going on.

The immigration to Canada from British and European ports fell off to the extent of 117,081 in the year ending March 31. The decrease is chargeable largely to the restrictive legislation recently passed. There has been little falling off in the immigration of farmers from Great Britain and immigration of settlers from the United States has increased.

Canada has now 1,974 branches of chartered banks. They are distributed as follows: Ontario 933, Quebec 315, Nova Scotia 104, New Brunswick 45, Prince Edward Island 16, Manitoba 162, Alberta 111, Saskatchewan 161, British Columbia 106, Yukon 3.

Chicago's high license policy, introduced in 1905, has not resulted, as was feared in some quarters, in forcing many of the saloons out of business. When, on the first of last month, the licenses were renewed, every one of the applicants came forward with the \$1,000 fee, and not a single license was allowed to lapse. It is believed that Chicago's revenue from saloons will not again fall below \$7,000,000 a year.

The Council has approved of the proposed terms for the annexation of a portion of Barton township, but the matter has to be passed upon by the Railway and Municipal Board, before which the arrangement will have active opposition. Of one thing, however, the Council should make sure; Hamilton does not wish to load up with additional territory that will prove a burden upon the taxpayers of the older part of the city.

Rev. R. J. Treleven has good reason to be pleased with the gilt-edged complimentary resolution of his church. It expresses not only the sentiments of First Methodists, but it will be generally concurred in by a very large circle of acquaintances outside of the Methodist Church who think very highly of the retiring pastor and wish him a long and useful career and the enjoyment of "the best things" of the world.

Count Zeppelin's airship, of whose success the cable man did so much boasting yesterday, came to grief on its return trip to Friedrichshafen. It collided with a tree, and was severely damaged, and lies in a position which threatens its utter destruction. The crew escaped. The fact that occasionally an airship makes a flight without being smashed to pieces and killing the aeronauts hardly warrants the assumption that air navigation is soon to take the place of the navies which now ride the deep.

Toronto is within \$1,800,000 of her borrowing power. The city must pay her share of the cost of the viaduct, \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000, and \$700,000 is required for the sea wall. The total debt of 1909 with the additions already voted will be \$38,408,570. The best figuring possible cannot make more than about \$17,500,000 of that debt for revenue-producing purposes. The increase in population since 1901 has been 60 per cent.; increase in assessment 77 per cent.; increase in debt, 81 per cent. Since 1905 the annual debt charges have increased from \$813,499 to \$1,233,149, or 51.8-10 per cent. The city's plunge into electric speculation will involve it in considerable more debt and expenditure.

OUR EXCHANGES

WRIGHT AND WRONG. (London Free Press.) Montrose Wright says the police were on the wrong track in the Kinrade case. Results seem to confirm what Mr. Wright claims.

IN HAMILTON. (Toronto News.) How blest are they who take delight in sitting in the Gore at night, and noticing the looks of peace within the eyes of the police.

READING TO LITTLE PURPOSE. (Hamilton Herald.) We do not remember ever to have read either in Henry George's book or in those of any other exponent and champion of the single tax, any satisfactory

reason why the confiscation of unearned increment should be restricted to the increased in land values.

WORSE THAN SERFS. (Montreal Witness.) We have seen that in Pittsburgh some of the laborers employed in the highly-protected iron trade are not so well off as serfs used to be.

THE JUNE BRIDE. (Toronto Star.) Now let the June bride have her song, and likewise have her say, Thus wastefully our muses sing, She'd have it anyway.

A FORTUNATE BISHOP. (London Free Press.) Bishop Dowling, of Hamilton, gives thanks that among his people there are no child haters. Fortunately, indeed, is his lordship to live in a community on this order.

DOWN WITH THE MORMONS. (Brantford Expositor.) The Canadian Mormons seem to be attempting some high-handed proceedings in dealing with "Gentiles." The offenders should be promptly punished by the Canadian courts, and taught a wholesome lesson that will not need repetition.

HAPPY INSPIRATION. (Stratford Beacon.) What a happy inspiration it was which came to Mrs. Clementina Feasenden, of Hamilton, when she proposed the celebration of Empire Day. This is realized when the fact that 18,000 schools in Great Britain joined in its observance this year.

SENTENCED TO SUNDAY SCHOOL. (Toronto Mail and Empire.) In New Brunswick a lad convicted of burglary has been sentenced by Judge Forbes, not to the penitentiary, but to six years' regular attendance at church and Sunday school. This punishment is not ordered by the Criminal Code. Yet, it may do more good than the regular penalty.

HELP THE GOOD WORK. To the Editor of the Times: Sir,—I note with pleasure the revival of the Hamilton Improvement Society, and with additional pleasure that the old committee have it in hand. There can be no question as to the material good the society has done in the way of cleansing and beautifying the city, and in the awakening of our citizens as to their duty and possibilities in this direction; in fact, so far have their efforts borne fruit that we have on more than one occasion been held up as a model for other municipalities.

What has been accomplished thus far has been done by a comparatively few unselfish and devoted citizens, the present worthy president, R. T. Steele, being in the fore front as formerly. Now, Mr. Editor, so much having been done by those few good people, what can we not do by sending the modest fee of \$1 to our worthy, Mr. C. Peet, 155 Sanford avenue, Yours truly, Hamilton First. June 1st, 1909.

FREE SHOW.

Proved a Very Good Thing at Maple Leaf Park.

The big free show which was given in front of the stand at Maple Leaf Park yesterday afternoon and last night was witnessed by a large crowd, and nothing but praise was heard among the spectators. The Martell family of cyclists are among the best ever seen here, and much of their work is really marvelous. They ride everything from a buggy wheel to an up-to-date bicycle. Their acrobatic work while riding at full speed is sensational and very clever.

The three Norhans do some exceedingly dangerous feats on the flying trapeze, and were given a great reception and killing the aeronauts hardly warrants the assumption that air navigation is soon to take the place of the navies which now ride the deep.

The Grimsby Band, ran an excursion to the park this afternoon, and there will be plenty of music this evening, as the visiting band and the Ninety-First will both be on the grounds.

To-morrow is merchants' day, and as it is the first weekly half-holiday for the summer a large crowd is expected to witness the free performance, and the first of the weekly matinees of the Hamilton Driving Club.

Friday will be commercial travellers' day and every person passing through the gates will have a vote on who is the most popular traveller residing in the city. The winner will be presented with a diamond ring. Everything is in first class order at the park, and the management has booked several big picnics for the summer months.

OBITUARY.

Death of Mungo Paterson—Mrs. Greenly's Funeral.

Mungo Paterson died yesterday at his late residence, 219 Bay street south, aged 64. Deceased was retired and had been a resident of this city for the past three years. He leaves two brothers, Andrew Paterson, M. A., of the Collegiate Institute staff, and J. L. Paterson, Bay street south. The remains will be taken to Carlton Place, Ont., on the 7 p. m. T. H. & B. train, where interment will take place.

The funeral of the late Mrs. James Greenly took place yesterday afternoon from her late residence, 317 York street, and was largely attended by relatives and sympathizing friends. Rev. S. B. Russell officiated at the house and grave. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Wm. McLaren, J. S. Sanderson, Wm. Whaley, H. Dundin, W. Dundin and R. Buntington. Many floral tributes were laid on the casket.

ZEPPELIN'S HARD LUCK.

How His New Airship Was Damaged in Flight.

Must Postpone His Invitation to the Reichstag.

Struck a Tree While Maneuvering For a Landing.

Goeppingen, June 1.—After covering a distance of about 850 miles in 37 hours, Count Zeppelin's new airship, on its return trip from Bitterfeld to Friedrichshafen, came to grief in an open field near here yesterday. In maneuvering for a landing the airship came into contact with a tree, and its position last night was very dangerous.

The damage to the ship is more serious than at first thought. A cursory examination directly after the accident showed that the envelope had been torn, and it was thought that injury could be repaired and that the party would proceed to-night. A more careful examination, however, disclosed the fact that the propeller was broken and a considerable time must elapse before the journey could be continued.

The balloon's position is unfavorable, the ground being very hilly. The bows are about 65 feet in the air. A strong breeze sprang up toward evening, causing no little anxiety for the safety of the airship, which it was feared would be wrecked should a storm come up in the night.

With the assistance of some of those who had gathered at the scene of the accident, Count Zeppelin was able to shift the position of his airship a little and thus give better protection from the wind.

That the collision was a heavy one is indicated by the broken and bent strips of aluminum lying about the ground and the half-split branches dangling from the tree-trunk.

Enormous crowds soon assembled and it became almost impossible for vehicles to pass along the public highway.

When the accident occurred Count Zeppelin was landing to replenish his supply of benzine, which was nearly exhausted. The motors had already stopped and the airship was nearing the ground on a meadow, when a sudden strong puff of wind drove them from their course and against a pear tree. It struck with a great crash, smashing the prop and crushing the aluminum stays into a shapeless mass, which became inextricably enmeshed in the branches. Nearly 100 feet of the envelope and frame were destroyed.

Count Zeppelin came to Goeppingen in an automobile and telegraphed to Ulm for pioneers and to Friedrichshafen for workmen to make repairs. After resting for several hours at a hotel he returned in the evening to the scene of the accident, proceeding from there by automobile to Friedrichshafen. He will return here to-morrow morning.

Repairs are now being made, but these are of a temporary nature, whereby the airship may proceed to Friedrichshafen. Permanent repairs probably will require six weeks.

No one was injured in the accident, but Count Zeppelin has been much depressed over the mishap.

MUST WAIT. Berlin, June 1.—Count Zeppelin has sent a telegram to the Reichstag saying that he regrets greatly that he must postpone his invitation for members to make ascensions in his new model airship, inasmuch that the complete restoration of the damaged parts will require six weeks.

The airship sailed on Saturday night from Friedrichshafen and proceeded to Bitterfeld. On the return trip it made a landing near Goeppingen, and the forward compartment was seriously damaged by accidental contact with a tree.

\$5,000 OFF.

Frontier Realty Company Successful in Appeal in Barton.

Barton Township Council met in the township hall at 10 o'clock yesterday morning on court of revision and other business. All the members had been duly sworn in by the clerk. The following appeals were heard: A. D. Gill, to have eight dogs and ten hitches struck off assessment roll, he having taken a kennel license; appeal allowed.

Margaret and Richard Mackay, wrongfully omitted from assessment roll; to be added.

Mrs. J. Johnston, that she had got rid of her dog; appeal dismissed.

F. S. Horning, to have Austin A. Smith added as tenant; appeal allowed.

As Allison, to have eight dogs and ten hitches struck off assessment roll, he having taken a kennel license; appeal allowed.

Jas. Marshall, to have A. Minnett added as tenant; appeal allowed.

W. Benner, wrongfully assessed; appeal dismissed.

J. G. Clinton and J. Gathercole, that they are not legally tenants of a portion of the Cataract Power line property; appeal dismissed.

Frontier Realty Co., Limited, that they were assessed too high; \$5,000 off.

W. Farrell and Geo. Lush, to have their dogs struck off, as they had been poisoned; Mr. Farrell's dog taken off; Mr. Lush's appeal dismissed.

Court of revision then adjourned, and Council met at 1 o'clock. A license was granted the Mountain View Park, the fee being \$25. A grant of \$100 was given to the South Westworth Agricultural Society. The plan of Queen's Park survey, owned by Messrs. Pim & Turner, was accepted. Other routine business was gone on with.

SHEA'S

Wednesday, June 2, 1909

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SUICIDE FOR LOVE.

Wilkesbarre Man Throws Himself in Front of Engine.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., May 30.—His mind deranged by disappointment in love, Michael Watson, of this city, committed suicide this morning by hurling himself under the Central of New Jersey engine within sight of his boarding house. Two years ago Watson was engaged to be married and was on his way with the girl to secure a marriage license when they had words and she broke off the engagement. This disappointment so affected Watson's mind that a few weeks later he had to be taken to an insane asylum. There he remained until a couple of weeks ago, when he was discharged as cured. The return to his old home, the talk about the girl, who is now married to another, and the scenes of his courtship affected his mind, and during the last few days he has been talking of killing himself. This morning when he heard the whistle of a train on the railroad tracks he rushed out of the house and threw himself before the locomotive.

NEW STEAMER.

Twin Screw Launched at Collingwood This Morning.

Collingwood, Ont., June 1.—The latest addition to the fleet of the Northern Navigation Company is the twin screw steamer Wauke, which was launched at the yards of the Collingwood Shipbuilding Company, here, this morning, at 10 o'clock, in the presence of a large throng of people. Little Gladys McDonald, daughter of Mr. C. McDonald, controller of the Northern Navigation Company, broke the conventional bottle of wine across the bow as the steamer slipped from the ways. The Wauke is the third steel vessel built at this yard for the Northern Navigation Company, the Huronic and Hamonic being its predecessors. She will go into commission on June 15, between Penetanguishene, Midland, Parry Sound and Point AuBaril. The Wauke replaces the side wheeler City of Toronto, and is specially designed for the requirements of navigation among the thirty thousand islands of Georgian Bay.

DISTRIBUTION OF TRACTS.

Editor I Milton Times:

Please answer the following question: Am I allowed to give out tracts since the police court case, or is there any law to over it.

Ben Smith, 124 King William Street.

The magistrate's opinion was that the present by-law does not cover tracts.

When things go wrong the hand of fate generally has a finger in the pie.

Tragedy of Dicky.

Old Dicky was a singing bird.

A musical canary. And all day long his voice was heard in song extemporary.

A household pet was Dicky, too, A trusty bird, withal;

When liberated, off he flew, But came back at your call.

Alas! Alas! One fatal day (Now brace yourself, I beg!) He sang one loud, triumphant lay— And then he laid an egg!