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(By Rev. F. O.Stewart, Toronto, Ont.)

It would be impossible, I am sure, for any one of us to gather up the emotions of the hour and adequately express the gratitude which is in our hearts, and which is turning our thoughts in thankfulness to God. Most of us came to the seventieth annual and seventeenth general conference with large expectations. We have attended many conferences, and all have proved to be a great source of blessing to our ministry and laity throughout our entire connexion. As we gathered in Toronto church, it was with confident hope and earnest prayer that the week of Sept. 13th to 21st would be among the most inspiring and helpful days of our lives. And I am sure that I voice the sentiment of each heart when I say that our prayer to God has indeed been answered, and that our expectations have been surpassed. It was emihently fitting that our conferences should have as their guests such noble and distinguished prelates like Bishop W. T. ernon, A. M., D. D., and Bishop J. Albert Johnson, D. D., representing the A. M. E. Church, and Bishop G. C. Clement, A. M., D. D., with Rev. R. R. Ball, D. D., representing the A. M. E. Z. Church, all from the U.S. A. Thus to meet together and of the Kingdom has not only strengthened, but I a m sure has multiplied the ties which already bind us together in an international feeling of relationship and in an essential oneness in the great cause of Christ, and has given us a true conception of that unity which Christ had in mind when He prayed that we all might be one. We are truly garteful for the return to office for another quadrennial of Rev. S. R. Drake, to guide the destiny of our Church in Canada. For the past eighteen years his efforts in the interest of the church of his youth has been ceaseless and untirink.

We believe that every member of the connexion should co-operate in his endeavor to bring about a brighter future for our church in Canada. Let us lift our hearts in gratitude to God for His gift of such men as our general superintendent who has loved the church and gave himself for it. I am certain that the gathering together of the people from an parts of the

world will leave its imprint upon the citizens of Toronto, and all will treasure the sessions of these conferences as a vital force for good in their

Let us henceforth realize that we are indeed debtors, and that we ought to give. The accumulated power of these conferences ought not to be wasted; and if it be rightly distributed, I think it should not only revolutionize all our own lives but should affect the lives of hundreds and thousands of other people.

We wish to voice as well our earnest appreciation of the generous hospitality which has been so graciously extended to us by the menrbers and friends of the Toronto Church in which the meetings were held, an d also to the pastors and members of both the A. M. E. and First Baptist Churches, for their kindness exhibited in many ways during the week of our sessions. We cannot pass over lightly the fraternal visit of Dr. W. T. Gun, and Dr. J. H. Arnup from the United Church of Canada; we feel very much honored because of their visit. His Worship Mayor Thos. Foster, and Rev. J. Atkins are due their share of commendation for their presence, and timely words of encouragement. We shall not soon forget these strong messages delivered by these men of renown. In conclusion, may I add that I am thankful for those young women who so wonderfully prepared and served the reception dainties to the visitors at the opening of the General Conference on Wednesday, Sept. 15th, and also to the Ladies of the Jonquil Art consult regarding the great interest and Embroidery Club for the very beautiful way i n which the anniversary banquet was served on Monday

pendent.

evening, Sept. 20th.



REV. S R. DRAKE, who at the 71st conference recently neld in Toronto, was elected General Superintendent of the B. M. E. Church for the fifth consecutive time. He has the honor of covering 16 years of the conference's most aggressive and successful period.

COLORED FILM STAR MANAGER OF NEW RACE JOURNAL.

Oakland, Calif., Oct. 4 .- (Pacific Coast News Bureau).-The latest of the Race journalistic ventures on the Coast, "The Western American" of Oakland, has as its business manager a nationally known dramatic and motion picture actor, E. Richards Abrams, a former idol of the Eastern theatre-goers.

Star in Micheaux Pictures.

Mr. Abrams, best remembered by his leading part opposite Evelyn Until they were contaminated by Preer in the Micheaux film, "The Guncontact with the white man's civiliza- saulus Mystery," is a native of San tion, the Zulus were the most healthy Antonio, Texas, which by the way is people in the world, according to Sir also the home place of another nation-W. Arbuthnot Lane, noted British ally known movie star, Clarence A. surgeon .- From the Dearborn InIdle Brooks of the Lincoln Motion Picture Company.

The sinews and heart of man seem to be drawn out, and we are becoming tomorrow's desponding whimperers. We are afraid of truth, afraid of fortune, afraid of death and afraid of each other. We want men and women who shall renovate life and our social state, but we see that most natures are insolvent; cannot satisfy their own wants, have an ambition all out of proportion to their practical force and so do lean and beg day and night continually. rugged battle of fate, where strength is born, we shun.—Ralph Waldo Emerson.

(From The Dearborn Independent).

ASIATIC NATIONS ARE BITTER

Session of Nations Shows Undercurrent of Resentment Towards Racial Prejudice.

(By GEO. PERRY).

Tokio, Japan, Oct. 4-(Pacific Coast News Bureau).—Bitter resentment over the enactment of English and American immigration laws against the Japanese, Chinese, Hindus and other Asiatic nations of the "opposed nationalities" represented resulted as was predicted by one Japanese newspaper, "The Miyako," in a complete failure o f the recent Asiatic Congress held in Tokio, Japan.

An Attempt to Foment Discord.

Another paper, "The Osaka Asahi," declares editoriall yt hat the guiding principles of the Pan-Asiatic Congress were but a rehash of those underlying the League of Nations and asks whether tehse principles truthfully represent the spirit prompting the promoters or whether they really are not a blind behind which an attempt is being made to foment discord and foster revolt.

Immigration Laws "Unchristian."

Calling the American and Canadian immigration laws as "unchristian" the Japan Methodist Episcopal Mission, one of the most influential mission organizations in Japan, at their annual conference held at the mountain resort of Karuizawa, moved and adopted a resolution which raps the alien ban and seeks to pacify the Orientals "because of the Christian missionary's deep sympathy with the Japanese in their offended pride and disillusionment as to America's sense of interracial fairness, we have been somewhat able to assuage the indignation with the assurance that whatever unairness has entered into American legislation, will surely be rectified in time when the situation and the implications of the laww are more thoroughly understood."

Equality Cannot be Folerated.

The Mission's assurance that the English-American feeling will be rectified is hardly the concensus of opinion in these countries asstated byanother paper which sees behind the Pan-Asiatic Congress a reiteration of the cry raised at Versailles for racial equality and thinks that the "oppressed nationalities" are becoming afraid that the world is fast be-

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