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## BIBLE SOCIETY HELD MEETING AT HAMPTON

A Number of Addresses Were Heard and Officers Were Elected

HAMPTON, N. B., Feb. 1.—The annual meeting of the Hampton and North Branch of the British and Foreign Bible Society was held last evening in the Agricultural Hall at Hampton Village. The Rev. Mr. Waller in the chair. The singing of a hymn, reading of Scripture and prayer by Rev. Dean Hamming were followed by an address on "The Book," introducing the Rev. G. M. Campbell, D. D., travelling secretary of the Canadian Society, who spoke of the great work carried on in producing and distributing copies of the Word of Life. The Rev. E. S. Parker was the next speaker, his theme

being "The place the Book should hold in modern everyday life," and this part of the proceedings closed with a setting forth of the claims of the society and the duty of rallying to its support. An anthem, "Send Out Thy Light" by a large choir of mixed voices from the various churches of the village and station, under the leadership of Mr. Hamill Warfield, was well sung and much appreciated by the large audience present. There was no formal report from the secretary nor was the treasurer in a position to make a statement of the financial situation, the collectors not having been able to complete their work on account of prevailing sickness. The officers elected for the current year were:—Robert G. Flewelling, President; Ronald Seely, secretary; J. F. Frost, treasurer. The congregational singing of hymns by the audience was a noted feature of the gathering.

The Atlantic express was two and a half hours late in arriving in the city today. The Boston section of the train was delayed in Maine.

Stores Close at 8 p. m. St. John, N. B., Feb. 1st, 1907.

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## FIRE IN HARRISBURG DOES DAMAGE OF FULLY \$1,000,000

Exciting Rescue of a Man From One of the Burning Building—Cause of the Fire Was an Explosion in a Hat Store.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 1.—Eight buildings in the centre of the business district of Harrisburg were either destroyed or badly damaged by fire early this morning, loss estimated at \$1,000,000.

Grand Opera House building at 3rd and Walnut streets, in which there were five stores, were destroyed and nothing is standing but the walls. The Duncan building, on the opposite side of the 3rd street, occupied by three stores and a pool room, was also destroyed. The Park Hotel and the Columbus Hotel were badly damaged by water. The United Telephone building, the Security Trust building, the Bijou Theatre, Roshon's Photo Studio College block, the Harrisburg Gas Company building and the buildings occupied by the Harrisburg Cycle and Typewriter Company, the Philadelphia and Albany dentists and E. S. Hoover, jeweller, were also damaged.

The fire started from an explosion in Pynes hat store in the Opera House block, at 3 o'clock, and within an hour had destroyed the playhouse and stores in the building and had leaped across the street to the Columbus Hotel and College block. The Opera House was owned by a Harrisburg syndicate. On the first floor were John Pynes hat store, Wilson Hoffer's drug store, Miles Frey's cigar store and pool room. While thick clouds of smoke were coming out of the windows of the Opera House the firemen saw a figure at one of the big windows high up. Standing on the window sill he shrieked for a ladder.

"Send a ladder up here, hurry up, send a ladder up here," cried the man. More smoke piled out of the windows and slowly the ladder was raised. Its top came within several feet of the window sill. A small ladder was raised by men on the big ladder. The man on the window sill screamed, "Heaven help me," and swung his arm and the crowd thought he was going to jump.

"Don't jump, boy, hold on," cried the firemen. He was rescued by Edward Holbert, a fireman.

An hour after the fire started business at the post office had to be suspended. The fire was under control at 4:30 o'clock.

## WAS THE MOST VIOLENT EARTHQUAKE ON RECORD

The Solomon Islands Completely Upset by a Shock Which Fortunately Did Not Involve Loss of Life.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 1.—The Solomon Islands, in the South Seas, were visited by a fearful earthquake, several months ago, in which the earth was opened and deep gorges created. The entire appearance of the islands was changed. There was no loss of life. The news was brought here by Governor O. E. L. Moore, who arrived yesterday from Samoa. He stated that a trading schooner came into Apia with the news shortly before the earthquake was the most recorded then on the seismographs in various parts of the world. According to the instrument at Apia, Samoa, it lasted for several minutes and was said to be the heaviest shock ever recorded. It was figured that it occurred somewhere in the south but as no report came from any civilized island it was believed that it occurred at sea.

## LIFEBOATS RESCUE THE CREW OF A STEAMER

LONDON, Feb. 1.—Lifeboats from Hartlepool this morning rescued 21 of the crew of the British steamer Clavering, ashore at the mouth of the Tees, including Captain Scott. The bodies of nine Lascars, who died of exposure during the night, were thrown overboard, making the total number of deaths 12. The vessel is breaking up.

## REPORT THAT FOUR WERE KILLED IN TRAIN WRECK

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 1.—A Baltimore and Ohio freight train today broke in two near Blacklick and the rear part crashed into a Pennsylvania freight train. It is reported that four men were killed. Railroad officials here decline to give any information regarding the wreck.

BERLIN, Feb. 1.—The German government, recognizing the fact that some little feeling existed in Brazil against Herr Von Reuter, the German minister at Rio Janeiro, on account of the Panther incident in Nov. 1905, has transferred him to Christiana. Herr Von Reuter, hitherto minister to Chile, goes to Brazil.

## NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH TODAY

Andrew White's Sled Struck by an I. C. R. Express.

Moncton Victorias After the Starr Trophy—Scott Act Talk—Pastor's Salary Increased

MONCTON, N. B., Feb. 1.—Andrew White, of Inghamtown, while driving to Moncton this morning on a double hauled load with wood, had a narrow escape from death, his sleigh being struck by the incoming express at Lewisville Crossing, and cut in two. The rear part was struck loose from the front on which White was sitting and the terrified horses, dragging the front of the sleigh, ran away. Despite the force of the collision which hurled the sled into the ditch, White retained his seat, and brought the horses to a standstill. Beyond smashing the sleigh no damage was done.

The Moncton Victorias will go after the Starr trophy again this year. Moncton and Fredericton are the only teams at present in the New Brunswick Hockey League and it is probable that Moncton will play a game with the Celestians to decide the championship and then challenge for the trophy.

St. John's Presbyterian church at a meeting last night decided to increase the salary of the pastor from fifteen hundred to eighteen hundred a year. The sexton was also given an increase. This church recently adopted individual communion cup service and part of the old communion service will be donated to Dr. Annand, missionary to the New Hebrides.

There is much interest in the meeting of the police committee called for tonight. Aid. Crandall, chairman, was one of the candidates most strongly endorsed by the citizens' temperance league, and radical changes in the enforcement of the local Scott Act are expected.

## LOGAN WELCOMED BY MONTREAL SPORTS

St. John Boy Arrived There Last Night

A J Was Warmly Congratulated on His Success at Saranac Lake—Good Racing Expected.

MONTREAL, Feb. 1.—Among the crack skaters who arrived from Saranac Lake last night the most prominent member was P. Logan St. John, who yesterday defeated Morris Wood, the American champion, in three out of four events, a most wonderful showing. Fourteen of the fastest skaters in the country came last night and others are coming today.

Upon Logan's arrival he was met by a number of local skating enthusiasts who showered congratulations upon the St. John boy for winning the honors for Canada, and he was later called upon at his hotel, the Avenue House, by many others who wished to add their congratulations. Logan was to record-breaking, for naturally Wood will make a strenuous effort to regain his lost laurels.

## MURDER, NOT SUICIDE CAUSED DONOHUE'S DEATH

New York Coroner Comes to This Decision After Examining the Dead Assemblyman's Body.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—That William K. Donohue, assemblyman from the Fourteenth District, of Kings County, did not commit suicide but was murdered, was the opinion expressed by Coroner's Physician Charles August after performing an autopsy on Mr. Donohue's body today. Donohue was found yesterday with a bullet wound in his head, lying in side room of a saloon in Brooklyn and died without recovering consciousness.

It was said today that when he had left his home a few hours before his death he had \$600 in his pockets. The police found only \$22 in his possession after his death.

Dr. Wuest said:—If nothing else the location of the course taken by the missile refutes that Donohue had taken his own life. There was no powder mark nor discoloration by smokeless powder.

The police today began an inquiry in which they were aided by friends of the late assemblyman. It was said that Donohue left his home yesterday morning to meet a man with whom he had an appointment at a street corner near the saloon where he was shot. This man, who was a Pole, had performed some service for Donohue, and the assemblyman promised to find employment for him. Donohue told several friends that he was on his way to meet the man.

## P. E. ISLAND HOCKEY.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., Feb. 1.—The third game in the Prince Edward Island Hockey League series played last night between the Abergweth and the Charlottetown Summerside, was won by the former, 9 to 8. Tonight a hockey team made up of players from the newly formed Charlottetown Club not in the league, left here to cross to the mainland to play in Westville, North Sydney, and Sydney.

Captain D. McKinnon, Master of the Dominion Government Steamer Brant, died at Summerside this afternoon.

## LETTERS RECEIVED FROM PROVINCIALISTS IN KINGSTON

Mr. Rowley, of Fredericton, Tells of How the Bank of Nova Scotia Staff Were Saved—Other News from the Capital

CONTRADICTS STORIES TOLD BY AMERICANS

Sir Alfred Jones Says There Was No Cause for Complaint

He also Endeavors to Find Excuses for Swettenham's Peculiar Conduct

LONDON, Feb. 1.—Sir Alfred Jones, president of the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce, John Honnaker Heaton, M. P., and other prominent men, arrived at Bristol today on board the steamer Port Kingston, from Kingston, Jamaica, by way of Barbados. They give vivid details of the earthquake and protested against the charges widely circulated that Sir Alfred's party inhumanly treated Americans at Kingston. In an interview Sir Alfred said it was a monstrous statement, adding:—"The ship was crowded from end to end with dead and dying. In order to provide for these we had to keep all our own passengers ashore at a hotel for two days. Several Americans who were hurt were treated on board the Port Kingston and we provided other Americans who sought shelter under the shed of our wharf with mattresses and supplies from the ship, and an armed guard to insure their security. Several Americans came and asked us what they had to pay, but we told them they were welcome to everything we could do."

Sir Alfred said that he considered that Governor Swettenham did everything possible under the extraordinary conditions incident to the earthquake, and added:—"I do not think the correspondence was one the Governor thought would ever be made public by the American admirals, who, of course, was anxious to help and did his duty in offering aid, and when it was not wanted went away."

## THAW IS STILL WAITING FOR HIS TRIAL TO BEGIN

Little Hope of Any Marked Progress Being Made Today.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—There was more or less of an atmosphere of uncertainty in the court room today as the hour for resuming the trial of Harry K. Thaw approached. The reports which had held over from yesterday to the effect that there might be a further wedding of the jury were again in circulation as the 11 men now on the trial panel filed into their places in the jury box.

There was no indication on the surface of any further upheavals, as Justice Fitzgerald took his place and Clerk Penny began to call the roll of the jury panel.

The Countess of Yarmouth, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Carnegie, and Josiah Thaw arrived during the roll call. Mrs. Wm. Thaw, mother of the prisoner, remained indoors today because of the inclement weather. She was greeted at the end of yesterday's long drawn out proceedings.

Before any talesmen were called to the stand District Attorney Jerome K. Harbridge and Justice Fitzgerald had an earnest consultation at the judge's desk.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Harry K. Thaw, was the most disappointed man in the court room yesterday when, after another day of strenuous work counsel failed to complete the jury to try him for shooting Stanford White. Today another attempt will be made to complete the jury and while the prospects would be good were the men already sworn kept in the box, there were reports that another wedding would occur.

If the twelfth juror is chosen today and none excused, Assistant District Attorney Garvin will outline the prosecution's case briefly and witnesses establishing the fact of the tragedy will be produced. It is evident that while the selection of the jury is in progress the district attorney's office is making a close investigation of these already chosen and Mr. Jerome is determined to be sure that he has the best possible jurors from every point of view before the court proceeds to the hearing of testimony.

## MEMBER OF THE HALIFAX GARRISON SUICIDES

Alfred Ludwig, an Englishman, Shot Himself Self This Morning.

(Special to the Star.)

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 1.—Sapper Alfred Ludwig of the Royal Canadian Engineers suicided at the barracks this morning by firing two revolver shots into his mouth.

He was 29 years old and a native of England. He served in the Imperial service ten years and was transferred to the Canadians.

He leaves a wife in England. He was discharged from hospital last week. Brooding over spinal troubles was the cause of suicide.

## SWETTENHAM'S FATE WILL BE SETTLED TODAY

LONDON, Feb. 1.—The cabinet today held its first meeting since the prorogation of Parliament. Premier Campbell-Bannerman presided. The ministers besides framing the outlines of the speech from the throne to be delivered at the re-opening of Parliament February 12, will, it is understood, finally dispose of the incident involving Governor Swettenham of Jamaica.

## MCGILL GETS FIVE YEARS

TORONTO, Feb. 1.—McGill, of the Bank of Ontario, got five years for the case of Ingraham vs. Brown was concluded. Court considers.

## SUPREME COURT

FREDERICTON, N. B., Feb. 1.—At the supreme court this morning the case of Ingraham vs. Brown was concluded. Court considers.

The case of Fillmore vs. Town of Woodstock was then taken up and on adjournment at noon was still before the court. J. C. Hartley, town clerk of Woodstock, is moving for a noli prosequi or reduction of damages.