

## Will Choose His Own Sermons.

REV. D. B. HEMMEON DOES NOT PROPOSE TO PREACH ON SUBJECTS SUGGESTED TO HIM.

(Morning Chronicle.)  
WOLFVILLE, Nov. 27.—Rev. D. B. Hemmeon, pastor of the Peace Church in the Wolfville Methodist Church yesterday morning, said he deplored a growing practice which tended to produce a minister of a particular type by suggesting to him his subject, and in too many cases even the lines upon which he should treat it. Personally he always would reserve to himself not only the subject, but also what he had to say about it. The request on behalf of the promotion of Universal Peace was a glorious exception, however, and he gladly accepted the invitation to preach on this given subject, but he hoped that freedom from the charge of an attempt at producing particular types of ministers, will always remain the glory of the Methodist Church. Quoting from Psalms, "He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth," he said this was only partly true inasmuch as God had limited His own power. The solitary case where He had given man a will of his own. Those therefore who pray that wars shall cease must realize the truth that God can only answer their petition when they undertake to contribute their part towards the answer. This was true of all prayers.

History though for convenience divided into three periods, was not a series of links joined together, but rather a continuous rope in which it could not be discerned where the twisted pieces began or ended. The political and other problems resulting from the last Great War had their counterparts in ancient ages, such as land ownership, levying of taxes, and the like. The duty of the people today was to ascertain how individually they can contribute towards the permanent solution of present-day problems so as to make wars impossible in the future.

Resuming his theme in the evening, Mr. Hemmeon ventured to say that the practice of uttering and publishing bellicose statements such as recently marred the headlines of the two papers coming daily to Wolfville should be suppressed. Writers of such headlines were a menace to peace prospects. Let every individual reflect how the peace of the home and of the community is ensured, and let the same principle of give-and-take be religiously observed in regard to international and world affairs. When Huxley and Spencer once casually met it is reported that they discussed improvements in civilization. Spencer said why should we worry about these things, and Huxley reported that it would be a satisfaction to him to know that his "push, however small, was in the right direction. Let it be remembered that Peace has its price and that no Peace is possible without a sacrifice. Only in proportion as each individual does his "little bit"—however small and insignificant that may be—that the lasting Peace, universally prayed for will be realized.

## Charged With "Attempted Murder on High Seas."

SEAMAN OF SCHOONER MARY ELIZABETH CHARGED WITH ATTEMPTED MURDER.

(Morning Chronicle, Nov. 30.)  
The seaman James Ashton, who was brought here on the steamer Pro Patria from St. Pierre, Miquelon, where he had been landed from the schooner Mary Elizabeth, charged with attempted murder of Capt. Horsewill, of the schooner on the high seas was before Stipendiary O'Hearn in the Police Court yesterday and was remanded until Friday. While no warrant had been issued against Ashton he was arraigned on a charge brooked by Deputy Police Chief Palmer, based on the written statements of Capt. Horsewill and the master of the schooner as forwarded by the British Consul at St. Pierre.

Ashton gave his age as 41, occupation as a seaman, and birthplace as England, and said he was unmarried. He was not required to plead and the Stipendiary said that he had no jurisdiction to try the charge, but could hold a preliminary examination. The accused was transferred here at the request of the British Consul at St. Pierre and the British Shipping Act gave authority for trial of such cases at the first British port reached. The charge as read was attempted murder on the high seas on or about November 1st. As there might be some question of jurisdiction he advised Ashton that he should have counsel to act for him.

The mate of the schooner is here, as are also a couple of members of the crew, who secured their discharges but as it is suspected the alleged assault occurred at or about a time when some rum running activities were or had been taking place off New York, there may be some difficulty in securing evidence of the happening.

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## Mutiny on High Seas is Alleged

HALIFAX POLICE HOLDING FROM ST. PIERRE, QUEBEC, TAIN, SENDS STATEMENT BUT LETS IT GO AT THAT.

(Morning Chronicle, Nov. 30.)  
The police authorities had on hands yesterday a prisoner who were puzzled to know just what with. The man's name is J. Ashton and he had been a member of the crew of the schooner Mary Elizabeth, which some time ago came from St. Pierre, Miquelon, and was supposed to have made one or two trips since between St. Pierre and the United States. It is understood the vessel in question is not a dry cargo ship. The allegation against Ashton outlined in a written statement by Captain Horsewill, master of the Elizabeth, amounts to a charge of mutiny and attempted murder on high seas, but there was an information against the man, who denied the charge. Ashton was taken off the schooner off St. Pierre and brought to Halifax on the steamer Pro Patria there came with him some other who had secured their discharges from the vessel and against whom there was no allegation.

The trouble which led to the action against Ashton seems to have occurred off the United States, and the statement of Captain Horsewill, here by the British Consul at St. Pierre, alleges that on the night of Nov. 1st, Ashton demanded of the bottle of whiskey, which he was thinking the man had had on board, and saying he had none. Ashton, according to the statement, was going to get it, swore and caught the captain on the back of the face, grasped him about the waist, forced him to the side of the ship, and had him on the rail, where he interfered. The captain, further, that the man rushed at him and had at the time a knife, which was taken from him. Attached to the captain's statement was a short corroborative statement by the mate. But they could not be taken in evidence in toto and there was a body on hand prepared to take responsibility of laying information proceeding to prosecute on the matter, which the accused contravened. The lieutenant-governor has officially notified by the consul at St. Pierre of the coming of the man to the police were in communication yesterday with His Honor and the Attorney-General's department, remaining in custody in the meantime.

## Tonnage of Oil Burning Vessels

VASTLY INCREASED.  
LONDON.—The total tonnage of merchant vessels afloat at the end of June, 1922, holding the classification of Lloyd's Register, exceeded 25,000,000 tons, the highest figure ever recorded, according to the annual report of "Lloyd's Register of Shipping." To these figures should be added 296 vessels of "class unclassified," which brings the total to 25,296,000 tons. On the first total 5,878 vessels of 724,562 tons are British, and of 13,606,567 tons belong to other countries. It is stated that the stagnation of international trade and the disorganization of exchanges have provided adequate explanations for the continued falling off in shipbuilding. Vessels of all types of construction tended for bulk oil carrying, and in the last 12 months, according to the report, 629,339 tons. The programme of oil carrying vessels is largely by the fact that the registered tonnage of these vessels has increased 1,478,988 tons in July, 1914, to 1,480,988 tons in July, 1922. Some 208 tons of 1,395,929 tons were fitted for carrying oil fuel during the year, whereas in July, 1914, the vessels fitted totalled 1,310,209 tons. In July, 1922, were 14,464,138 tons. The continued development of the internal combustion engine has been mented on. In July, 1914, there were 297 motor vessels of 234,287 tons; in July, 1922, there were 297 motor vessels of 1,542,160 tons, including over 6,000 tons.

## New Thermometer

Electric pyrometry, as the measurement of temperature by electric means is called, has been so far from that it is applicable from near absolute zero—about 490 deg. Fahrenheit below the ordinary zero—up to temperatures of melting point, more than 3,000 deg. Fahrenheit. There are two methods of measuring temperature by electric means, one depending upon the increase of electric resistance of metal with increase of temperature, and the other on the production of electromotive force in a circuit of metals when one junction is kept at constant temperature and the other is desired to measure. Many pyrometers give a continuous record of the temperature on a drum.—Washington Star.

## Boxes of Fruit

Boxes of fruit, such as apples, pears, grapes, lemons, oranges, and bananas, are being shipped in large quantities from the United States to Canada. The fruit is packed in boxes and shipped by rail and water. The fruit is fresh and of high quality. The boxes are made of wood and are strong and durable. The fruit is shipped in large quantities and is available in all parts of the country.