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FIFTEENTH YEAR

OPPOSED BY THE CHURCH.

Sherbourne-Street Methodists Against Exemptions.

THEY EVEN CONVERT THEIR PASTOR

The Quarterly Official Board Favor Dr. Ryerson's Bill

And Three Clergymen Who Were Present

at Sherbourne-Street Methodist Church

on Wednesday night the pastor, Rev. Thomas

Manning, requested all members of the

quarterly official board who were present

to remain for a few minutes after a com-

mon prayer meeting was dismissed, as he had

some important matters to discuss.

When the officials were ready for business

Mr. Manning informed them that he wanted

to discuss the question of abolition

of church exemptions and appoint a com-

mittee to form part of the Government and

will report to the next meeting of the

board which will be held on Monday

next. The pastor himself was bitterly

opposed to the taxing of churches and he

expected the members of the board to

be of the same mind. One after another

of the officials expressed their views and

the pastor felt lonely, as he was

opposed to the measure. One of the

officials who were present afterwards

said: "I had been on some committee

appointed to look into the matter of

abolition of church exemptions. I had

been on the committee for some time

and I had been in favor of it. But

now I am in favor of it. I have

been converted. I have been

converted. I have been converted.

SMITH AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR HIS, BUT IT DID NOT

pass. Rev. G. M. Milligan and he moved

to the Toronto Presbyterian Council, while

expressing no opinion on this subject, is

opposed to bill No. 65 now before the Legis-

lature. Speaking to the motion Mr. Milligan

stated that the bill was unfair and

opposed to churches, leaving out other ex-

emptions. The present was the

proper time. Rev. Mr. Turnbull said that

while he was in favor of the abolition of all

exemptions, he was opposed to Dr. Ryerson's

bill. Amendments offered.

There was more talking of a wandering

king and much desultory cross-firing

between the friends of the motion and the

amendment. The general trend of the

speeches was in favor of abolition of all

exemptions, save those on church buildings

and the grounds actually in use.

A vote was then taken and after

the usual delay Mr. Milligan's

amendment was defeated by

33 to 29. Mr. Milligan moved the

previous question and the chairman was

tangled up with the red tape of parlia-

mentary procedure. Rev. Mr. Long

proposed that the bill be carried

in the resolution which was finally carried,

condemning the bill on general principles.

This was carried after much wrangling by a

vote of 41 to 15.

Rev. Dr. McLaren and Milligan and

J. A. Peterson were appointed as the

deputation to wait upon the Government and

will journey to the Parliament Buildings at

4 o'clock this afternoon. J. K. McDonald

was named, but declined to act.

Cities and Towns in Line.

The following cities and towns have

written to City Clerk Blevins signifying

their approval of Dr. Ryerson's bill to

abolish all exemptions on church property:

London, Paris, Owen Sound, Palmerston,

Norfolk, Toronto, Toronto Junction,

Toronto, Durham, Napames, Thorold and

St. Catharines.

Instant Death of a Well-known Niagara

Falls Character.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., March 8.—While

James Ford, better known as Long Jim,

was on his way home this afternoon, he

stumbled into a hole, falling about 8 or 10

feet over the embankment of the Muddy

Creek. He struck his head on a rock, break-

ing his neck. Death was instantaneous.

Deceased stood 6 feet 7 inches and was

well known in the neighborhood. Relatives in

England deposited him.

STREET CLEANERS TIED UP.

New York Streets Will Be Dirty Until the

Hoistlers' Objections are Removed.

NEW YORK, March 8.—The entire force

of hoistlers, numbering 750, connected with

the street cleaning department of this city

strick this morning. As present the street

cleaning department is tied up, not a man

or horse connected with it being at work.

Revival of the Stock.

Coming here from the United States one

is struck by the quietude of Toronto by

the comparative absence of loud droning

so common to American cities. Nobody but

the stock market men and the few who

deal with the market seem to be

concerned with the market. The rest of the

city seems to be in a state of comparative

quietude. The market men, however, are

very busy. The market is very active

and the market men are very busy.

North Westworth Patrons Try Again.

Dr. A. G. Macdonald, the Patron of

Industry of North Westworth, has

again today, when R. L. Biggs refused the

nomination. Several candidates were

proposed, but John Nicholson, news of East

Flamboro, was the choice of the meeting.

He will be given two weeks to decide

whether he will accept the nomination. A

prohibitionist and a Conservative Patron.

The Conservatives will likely endorse him

if he stands as a candidate.

Longhri, M.L.A., Renominated in Ni-

agara and Agincourt.

NORTH BAY, Ont., March 8.—The Liberal

convention was held in the town hall here

today. William McKenna was selected

chairman. Nearly 100 delegates from all

parts of the district attended. Mr.

Longhri, the present member, was unani-

mously selected as the next member. Mr.

Davis, M.L.A., addressed the meeting in

French and Mr. Evans, M.L.A., in

English.

Nominations in Nova Scotia.

HALIFAX, March 8.—Nominations took

place today for the provincial elections,

which take place on the 15th.

Nominated by Frontenac Reformers.

KINGSTON, March 8.—The Reform Club

of Kingston of Frontenac met here

today and nominated the following as

candidates for the local house.

ATTRACTION NOTICE IN LONDON.

A NEW BOOK THAT IS ALL THE RAGE IN

ENGLAND AND AMERICA.

A book that combines the best points of

"An African Farm" and "Dream Life,"

is now for sale by John P. McKenna, book-

seller, 30 Yonge-street. The title of it is

"The Story of the Night." The author

has developed the thought that as ships pass

each other with only a glimpse, so the

human beings pass each other with only a

glimpse, and the result is a life of

darkness and silence. The story is

set in a remote part of the world, and

is a story of love and tragedy. The

author is a famous European

novelist, and this story is one of his

best. It is a story of the human

condition, and is a story of the

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