FORMER PRINCIPAL OF HURON COLLEGE DIES IN VANCOUVER

Rev. H. G. Miller Took Part in Extensions.

WAS BORN IN ENGLAND

And From Charge There Was Invited To Come To London.

Rev. Herbert G. Miller, word of whose death in Vancouver was received today, was principal of Huron College here from 1890 until 1897. It was during his term as principal that the new sections were added to Huron College, almost doubling the capacity of the residence.

The following sketch of his life is taken from an article written by Rev. E. C. Wright of Huron College.

"The Rev. Herbert Gordon Miller, M.A., third son of the late Rev. George Dempster Miller, born at Woodchurch Vicarage, Wakefield, Yorkshire, in 1855, was educated at Blundell School, Tiverton, Devonshire, whence he passed in 1871 with a mathematical scholarship to Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, where he graduated in 1875. During the next three years he became form master in Felstead School and Dover College successively, and then went for special training in theology to St. John's Hall, Highbury, the principal at that time being the Rev. Dr. Boultbee, and the senior tutor being the Rev. Dr. Walker, father of the present principal of Huron College.

"Ordained to the curacy of Cheltenham in 1879 by Dr. Ellicott, of Gloucester and Bristol, he served two years under the popular poet preacher, Canon C. D. Bell.

"He had been asked to join his friend, Rev. T. Howard Gill, nephew of the famous Evangelical leader, Hugh Stowell, in the important parish of St. Margaret's, Whalley Range, Manchester, and pending Mr. Gill's return from a health-seeking visit to Italy, Mr. Miller went to Northampton, then under the influence of Charles Bradlaugh, its senior M. P., and had temporary charge of St. Giles' Church in that town. On Mr. Gill's return to Manchester, Mr. Miller joined him, but renewed illness compelled Mr. Gill's almost immediate resignation, and Mr. Miller soon after became curate at St. Peter's, Chester, after which he temporarily joined the new vicar of Bordsley, Birmingham, and entered upon the difficult and dangerous task of an "Evangelical," succeeding to the dispossessed Mr. Enraght. Mr. Miller passed next to the curacy of Eastbourne Parish Church, of which he was in practical charge for five years under the aged vicar, Canon Pitman.

"Then came an urgent request from the vicar of Clifton, Bristol (Rev. Talbot Greaves), to take charge for him during a six months' absence in South France. Mr. Horace Meyer, vicar of Christ Church, Clifton, meeting ill, asked Mr. Miller to undertake his preaching duties. Bishop Hellmuth was at that time staying in Clifton and attending Christ Church congregation. The principalship of Huron College becoming vacant, the Bishop recommended Mr. Miller to Dr. Peache, the patron of that chair, who, knowing Mr. Miller and his family, nominated him to the council. The nomination was accepted, and he came to Canada in September, 1890."

AMERICAN CROP VALUES EQUAL $13,449,000,000

New High Level Reached by Produce Prices In 1916.

Washington, Jan. 18.—American farm products attained a value of $13,449,000,000 in 1916, making that year the greatest in point of value of any in the nation's existence. That estimate of the year's crops and farm animal products, announced today by the department of agriculture, exceeds by $2,000,000,000 the total of 1915, the previous record, and by more than $3,000,000,000 the value in 1914. The crop production for the year was comparatively low and did not reach record figures except in a few minor instances but high prices sent total values up.

Crops were valued at $9,111,000,000, and animal products at $4,338,000,000. The crop value exceeded that of 1915 by $2,204,000,000.

PERSONALS

Mrs. F. Geo. Dicks, formerly Mamie Pettigue, will receive for the first time Wednesday, January 24, from 4 to 6:30 at her home, corner Ridout and Viscoe streets, and after that on the first Wednesday of each month.

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Walter S. Thompson of Montreal, connected with the press bureau of the G. T. R. and G. T. P. systems, was in the city yesterday.

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C. E. Horning, district passenger agent of the G. T. R. at Toronto, was in the city on Wednesday.

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Miss A. T. Edwards left today for a visit with friends in Toronto, Hamilton and Brantford.

LOCAL NEWS

MRS. SHAW ILL.—Mrs. George Shaw is very ill at her home, 581 Princess avenue.

TRUST MEETING.—The hospital trust will meet this afternoon to organize for the year. Lieut.-Col. Gartshore will be chosen chairman again. There is little business to be done.

MET FOR LUNCHEON.—The London advisory committee for co-operation in boys' work met today at noon for luncheon at Smallman & Ingram's. The work of the standard efficiency tests in the various churches was discussed.

BANK CLEARINGS.—London's bank clearings this week were $434,000 greater than those in the corresponding week of 1916. The total this week was $2,029,772. In the corresponding week of 1916 it was $1,595,772.

MEETING CALLED OFF.—The utilities commission meeting scheduled for this afternoon has been called off, owing to the illness of Mrs. Mitchelll, wife of Commissioner F. G. Mitchell. The session will be held next Thursday.

CLEARING AWAY SNOW. — The London Street Railway, following orders from City Engineer Brazier, is cleaning the snow off the down town streets. The work will be finished by Saturday.

TEA ROOM CONTINUES.—Notwithstanding the fact that the Women's Emergency Corps has federated with the Associated Kin of Canadian Expeditionary Forces, the tea-room in the Red Cross rooms on Richmond street, is being continued every week day from 4 to 6 o'clock. Last Saturday was one of the biggest days since the tea-room was opened early in November.

GOT CHRISTMAS BOX.—Secretary R. M. McElheran of the board of education has received a letter from his son, Corp. Archie McElheran from France. He was wounded some time ago, but recovered sufficiently to be sent back to the trenches. He states that his Christmas box came all right, and he had the pleasure of cutting the Christmas pudding in the first line trenches on Christmas day.

ECONOMY TALKS.—On Friday morning, the heads of the various civic departments will meet the board of control to discuss methods of reducing expenditures, etc. The various spending bodies of the city will meet on Monday evening to talk over estimates and expenditures for the year. The object is to keep the expenditure at as low a rate as possible.

LONDON UNABLE TO OFFER INDUCEMENT TO RETAIN INDUSTRY

Commissioner Philip Says Defeat of Industrial Scheme To Blame.

"Had we been able to carry out our industrial scheme, as submitted to the people, we would have been able to offer inducements that would have kept Hunt Bros. in London."

This was the comment made by Gordon Philip, commissioner of industries, today, after learning of the announcement that the big mill would move to Windsor. This is the second big concern that has moved out of London of late, and established in Windsor. Brener Bros., with a big factory on Horton street, where 200 hands were employed, purchased land in the Border City, and have plans prepared for a new establishment, capable of looking after 500 employees. Work will commence on the building at once.

"The difficulty is that we are not in a position to offer the inducements that we should be able to offer," said Mr. Philip. "When outside cities outbid us, we must take the consequences. We can do nothing until such a time as we are able to make offers that are attractive."

HELD GROUP SUPPER

Boys Also Heard Fine Address on Art.

About 70 boys attended the weekly group supper at the Y. M. C. A. on Wednesday evening. It was one of the largest group meetings ever held here and an excellent talk on "The Place of Art in the Boy's Life" was given by J. T. Wallace, principal of Simcoe Street School.

Mr. Wallace illustrated his talk by some fine sketches. He traced the history of art from the Babylonian period, through the Egyptian, Greek, Roman and mediaeval periods to the present day. His talk was very much enjoyed.

Following the address, the boys went into their various groups and proceeded with their Bible study and observation tests.

WEDDING BELLS

CONFIELD—PINCHER.

A pretty wedding took place Wednesday afternoon at the Talbot Street Baptist parsonage, when Miss Phoebe Helen Pincher was united in marriage to William Tennet Confield of London. The bridesmaid was Miss Mary Pincher, sister of the bride, while the groom was supported by Russell Winston of Adelaide street. The bride and groom left on the afternoon train for Detroit, where they will spend a few days, and later will reside at 509 King street.

CONSERVATIVE CAMP SUPREMACY BATTLE DUE ON JANUARY 29

Nomination of Candidate To Be Held Then.

MANY NAMES MENTIONED

T. G. Meredith, K. C., Is Believed To Be Party's Strong Man.

The Conservatives will nominate a candidate for the House of Commons on January 29th, according to information received today. The gathering will be held in the auditorium. The annual election of officers for the association will be held prior to that, and on the result of this session, much will depend. The Gray faction has been in control for some time, much to the disgust of the Beck faction, and there will be a battle for supremacy. The Gray faction claims to have the hold. The others say that such is not the case. Without the dominant force of William Gray, things may take on a different hue.

Efforts are being made to induce T. G. Meredith, K.C., to become a candidate. The Conservatives claim that he is their strong man at this hour, and they are urging him to stand. So far he has resisted all efforts to get him into public life.

E. R. Dennis of the utilities commission, is ambitious, and his friends claim that he must be considered. He would accept undoubtedly, and he will not be forced into the background without a struggle.

Ex-Controller J. P. Moore is also a claimant. A. H. Marshall Graydon has a large following of friends, who desire to see him carry the Conservative banner to victory, as all the great candidates say.

Then there are others. They all say that the fires of ambition are stirring within the bosom of Controller R. W. Shaw.

E. T. Essery, K.C., will have something of a pointed nature to say, and he will provide a pleasant evening for a lot of folks.

There will be quite a session unless the gum shoe politicians are able to stop the trouble. It seems to be quite a task.

COURTEOUS HEARING FOR DEPUTATION ON HOSPITAL QUESTION

The deputation from the city council, composed of Mayor Stevenson, Controller R. W. Shaw and Ald. J. J. Dyer, presented to Premier Hearst and the officials of the Dominion Hospitals Commission at Toronto yesterday a request that proper hospital accommodation be provided for returned soldiers here. The delegates received a most courteous hearing, and the premier promised to look into the matter at once.

Mayor Stevenson outlined the proposition. He explained that London's accommodation was taxed to the limit, and that more must be provided. The Isolation Hospital, now used as a military hospital, could accommodate only a few more patients. It was suggested that a new hospital be erected on the asylum grounds, at some distance from the regular buildings, for this purpose. A structure with 1,000 beds would be a good enough one, and after the war the building could be utilized for asylum purposes, as it would be needed then. Temporary shacks could be erected on the grounds of St. Joseph's Hospital for the time being, and later when the hospital was completed, the patients could be moved.

Controller Shaw stated that there was not sufficient room here now for contagious and infectious diseases, and the construction of a proper hospital would afford much relief. Money now being spent in England for hospitals could well be spent in Canada.

Premier Hearst agreed with the delegates, that more accommodation was needed. The matter was one for the Dominion Government to handle, in his opinion. However, a building might be erected on the asylum grounds, later to be used for asylum purposes, if the Dominion Hospitals commission would take it over and manage it. This was a feature that he would have to go into later.

It is expected that official of the hospital commission will come to London shortly and look the ground over.

AGRICULTURISTS ELECT OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR

At the annual meeting of the East Middlesex Agricultural Society, held in the county buildings today, reports of the secretary and treasurer were submitted, in addition to the president's address.

Following the reports, the election of officers for the year took place. D. Douglas, Ilderton, is president for the year; James Murray is fist vice-president; W. H. K. Talbot is second vice-president.

Following the general meeting, a meeting of the directors took place, when J. H. Wheaton was re-elected secretary, and R. Oke was re-elected treasurer.

HOW PRICES WERE KEPT AT TOP NOTCH

Montreal, Jan. 17.—Ten carloads of frozen potatoes, on the Turcot flats, three miles west of Cote St. Paul, beside the Grand Trunk Railway tracks, where they had been dumped into the discard, were found by three civil engineers of Montreal, while surveying the flats in connection with a sewer project. It is surmised that the potatoes were thus wasted in the attempt to keep up the market price to $2.25 a bag.

WOODSTOCK STATION ROMANCE ENDING IN COURT PROCEEDINGS

Supposed Former Londoner Sued by Wife For Alimony Payments.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Jan. 18.—To the surprise of the defence, Robert P. Cromarty did not go onto the witness stand today, when the action in which he is being sued for alimony by Catherine M. Cromarty, was concluded before Mr. Justice Middleton in the assizes today.

Judgment was reserved.

Second Marriage.

The story of this romance that somehow failed to run smoothly was told yesterday. This was the story of a woman's second marriage to a man who, she said, made her acquaintance by offering to carry her grip at Woodstock railway station when the train was two hours late.

This was Robert Reid Cromarty of the Cromarty Book Company and his wife, the validity of whose marriage he now asks the judge to declare upon. She was first married (and this was when Mr. Cromarty first met her) to George W. Lampkin, now of Seattle, Wash., but who was for some years in London, Ont. Mrs. Cromarty's maiden name was Catherine Holden, and of the first marriage there is one daughter. The action is one by Mrs. Cromarty for alimony.

Her First Marriage.

Mrs. Cromarty's evidence was that she was first married when 19 years of age, and Lampkin, 21, in 1886. He went to Chicago in 1892 while Mrs. Lampkin stayed in Canada and kept boarders for partial assistance. She followed him next year.

Romance of Woodstock.

In 1894 she made a trip to Canada, and it was in February that the meeting took place at Woodstock. The friendship developed, Mrs. Cromarty said, by Mr. Cromarty desiring to write to her. This was done and on one occasion Mrs. Lampkin, as she then was, and Cromarty stayed at the same hotel in Toronto, according to her evidence. Soon after this divorce from her first husband was proposed, and in November, 1895, she and Mr. Cromarty went to Chicago to see a solicitor about divorce.

In April, 1896, a decree of divorce was granted her, and she was married to Cromarty at Toronto by Rev. Dr. W. H. Hicks on April 27 of the same year. They separated in 1914, and alimony was agreed upon, but is now being contested. The matter revolves round the validity of the divorce proceedings. An expert on American divorce law is to be called today, and Mr. Justice Middleton may have to decide whether American divorce applies in Canada.

George Lampkin and his wife are remembered by many residents of London. He was a salesman in a Dundas street store, while Mrs. Lampkin kept a rooming house on Talbot street.

CONSTABLE ALLEGED TO HAVE USED HIS "BILLY" ON HEAD OF A BUTCHER

Fellow Officers States This Was Done, and Doctor Tells of Injury.

William McDougall, a wholesale butcher on St. James' street, was discharged in police court today on a charge of drunkenness, after the evidence of four members of the police department and one defence witness had been called.

Evidence was submitted to show that Patrolman Papworth, who arrested McDougall on Friday night at 8:20 o'clock, had struck McDougall over the head with his billy.

As a result of injuries sustained McDougall has under consideration the laying of information charging the patrolman with assault.

If such a charge is preferred it will be dealt with by the police commission and not in police court.

The evidence of the one defence witness was that the accused was as "sober as a judge," and had demonstrated that fact to the patrolman by walking in a straight line for several yards.

Patrolman Singleton testified that Constable Papworth, who made the arrest, had struck McDougall over the head with his "billy."

Dr. Wilson was in court to testify as to the injuries sustained, but was not called. McDougall was defended by E. W. M. Flock.

The other case heard was against a young man who was convicted in spite of a "Not guilty" plea, of his second breach of the act. He must pay $20 or go to jail for one month.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]

Chicago, Jan. 18.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Prev. Close.
Wheat—					
Sept.	136	137⅛	135¾	136⅞	136
May	188¼	190¼	187¾	190¼	187⅞
July	151	155⅝	150⅝	153⅝	150⅞
Corn—					
May	101	102⅞	100¾	102½	100¾
July	99⅝	101⅜	99⅜	100¾	99¼
Oats—					
May	53¼	59¼	58⅛	59⅛	58⅛
July	55½	56½	55⅜	56¼	55½

WINNIPEG GRAIN MARKET.

[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]

Winnipeg, Jan. 18.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Prev. Close.
Wheat—					
May	188⅝	190	187¾	190	188¼
July	185½	187⅛	185¼	187	185¼
Oats—					
May	61⅛	61¾	61⅛	61½	61⅛
July	60¼	60⅞	60⅜	60⅞	60
Flax—					
May	271¾	271¾	271¾	271¾	270

MINNEAPOLIS GRAIN MARKET.

[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]

Minneapolis, Jan. 18.—Wheat—Close—May, $1 92⅞; July, $1 34⅞.

KANSAS CITY GRAIN MARKET.

[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]

Kansas City, Jan. 18.—Wheat—Close—May, $1 86⅞; July, $1 49⅞.

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE.

Montreal, Jan. 18.—Sales: Brazilian, 125 at 46@45¾; Civic Investment, 63 at 82@81¾; Detroit, 45 at 125; Quebec Railway, 85 at 31½@31; Shawinigan, 10 at 129¼; Toronto Railway, 198 at 91½@82; Canada Car, 275 at 31@28; do., pfd., 130 at 66@65; Canada Cement, 235 at 68; do., pfd., 45 at 94½@95; Canada Forgings, 110 at 200; General Electric, 35 at 112; Smelting, 25 at 33½; Dominion Bridge, 230 at 153; Dominion Textile, 75 at 81; Laurentide, 15 at 190; Wayagamack, 30 at 95; Steel of Canada, 480 at 66¾@67; do., pfd., 60 at 96; Scotia, 25 at 117; Ames-Holden, pfd., 40 and 59; Steamships, pfd., 8 at 93@92; Scotia, pfd., 10 at 112; Tucketts, pfd., 50 at 83½. Bonds: Asbestos Corporation, $25 at 70; Canada Cottons, $500 at 83; Cedar Rapids, $1,000 at 90; National Breweries, $3,000 at 87; Ogilvie (series A), $2,000 at 103; Wayagamack, $700 at 87; Montreal Tram Debentures, $300 at 76; War Loan, 1925, $15,450 at 98½.

TORY TREACHERY IS SHOWN TO ELECTORS OF QUEBEC RIDING

Use Truce As Germans Do the White Flag.

SEVIGNY RETURN DANGER

Would Be Humiliation, Declares Liberal Candidate in Dorchester County.

Montreal, Jan. 18.—Hon. Albert Sevigny, minister of inland revenue, and Lucien Cannon, chosen by the Dorchester County Liberals to oppose his re-election, got into the swing of their campaigns yesterday by issuing statements outlining their policies.

Mr. Sevigny referred to the fact that he had been invited to run in another constituency but had considered it his duty to remain faithful to the county of Dorchester. After referring to the war and the part of Canadians in it, he says: "We should thank God for having spared us hitherto the lot of the German colonies, and let us hope that no similar misfortune befalls our country."

Danger to Canada.

Mr. Cannon has issued the following statement: "The election of Mr. Sevigny in Dorchester would be a humiliation for that county and a danger to Canada. To show the people of the Dominion that the electors of this province will not stand for Mr. Sevigny's nationalist policy, I have decided to accept the nomination."

"The truce has been broken repeatedly by the Conservatives of this district. Their organs have bitterly attacked Liberal views when there was no need. The Tories have used the truce as the Germans used the white flag in Flanders. When cornered, they cry "Kamarad!" but if we lay down our arms or turn our backs they shoot us without mercy. This treacherous work must be ended."

Defends Shell Grafts.

The Conservatives have distributed an election pamphlet which defends Mr. Sevigny's vote for the Borden naval proposals on the ground that they were an effective remedy for protecting Canada and Quebec and because he foresaw the catastrophe which has been witnessed since 1914. Those who are inclined to think the Germans are well disposed towards the French-Canadians are reminded of the misery which Dr. Beland, formerly Canadian postmaster general, has endured as a prisoner. The pamphlet defends the Conservative government from charges of graft on shell contracts. It concludes by denying that the national-service cards are a preliminary to conscription and points out that Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Sir Lormier Gouin and Cardinal Begin had counselled that they be filled in.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS

FUNERAL OF MRS. BATTINSBY.

The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Battinsby, who died on Sunday, took place today at 2:30 o'clock from the family residence, 792 Lorne avenue to Woodland Cemetery. The service was in charge of Rev. R. W. Norwood, of Cronyn Memorial Church.

FUNERAL OF J. A. SCOTT.

The funeral of John A. Scott, whose death occurred on January 14, took place at 2:30 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon from the residence of his son-in-law, W. H. Udy, 386 Eva street to Woodland Cemetery. Rev. H. Ferguson conducted the service. The pallbearers were Messrs Wood, Taggart, Cole, Golding, McFadden and McGugan.

BURIED AT WOODLAND.

The funeral of Mrs. Thomas Brown, whose death occurred in Sarnia on Sunday, was held from the residence of her father, Peter Duckworth, 90 Inkerman street, on Wednesday afternoon. The service was in charge of Rev. G. A. MacKenzie. Interment was made at Woodland Cemetery.

DEATH OF S. THREAPLETON.

The death occurred on Wednesday night of Samuel Threapleton, at the family residence, 253 Ridout street. Mr. Threapleton was 68 years of age and was born in Rudsey, England. He was a weaver by trade and was well known in this city, having resided here for about 50 years.

Besides his wife, he is survived by four sons, Charles of Windsor, James of Battle Creek, Michigan, Simon at home, and Joseph, who left here with the 135th Batalion and is now in France. Two daughters, Hannah at home and Mary of Toronto, also survive him. The funeral will take place on Saturday to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

BURIED AT WOODLAND.

The funeral of Mrs. Jessie Sadler, wife of Arthur Sadler, was held today at 2:30 o'clock from the family residence, 199 St. James street. The funeral was largely attended. Rev. James MacKay of New St. James Presbyterian Church conducted the service. Interment was made at Woodland Cemetery.

DEATH OF MRS. McCALLUM.

The death of Mrs. Jeanette McCallum, eldest daughter of the late Robert Gunn, a former resident of this city, occurred on Tuesday after an illness of several years.

She is survived by a daughter, Miss Minnie, and a son, Stuart, both of this city, as well as by a sister, Miss Bella K. Gunn of Aylmer.

TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE.

[Reported by Edward Cronyn & Co.]

Toronto, Jan. 18.—The local stock market was even quieter this morning than has been usual of late. The total trading comprised 979 shares in listed stocks, 25 shares of Dominion Steel Foundry, and 2,100 shares mines; no bonds. Mackay, Brazilian, Russell Motors, Nova Scotia Steel and Toronto Railway were the only issues which attracted attention. Brazilian was nearly stationary, closing at 45¾; Mackay declined a half to 88½, and Toronto Railway a half to 81. Nova Scotia Steel opened and closed at 116, with a high point of 116½. Quotations:

	Ask.	Bid.		Ask.	Bid.
Am Cy..	27	25	Rogers..	..	75
do pfd.	54	49	do pfd.	93	90
Barcel...	13¾	13	Russell.	82	78
Brazilian	45¾	45¼	do pfd.	104½	100
B C Fish	60	..	Sawyer..	..	20
Bell Tel.	147	..	do pfd.	86	60
Burt, c..	79	75	STWheat	139	..
do pfd.	92	..	Spanish.	17	15
C Bread.	17	10	do pfd.	58	55
do pfd.	90	83	Stl Can.	67	66
C Car...	27	25	do pfd.	97	95½
do pfd.	67	65	T Paper.	..	75
Cement.	64	62½	Tor Ry.	82	81
do pfd.	95	94	Tucketts	..	22½
C S L...	36	35	Tw City.	96	94½
do pfd.	92	91	Win Ry.	85	73
CG Elec.	112¾	112½	Banks—		
C Loco..	58	57	Comerce	185½	184¾
do pfd.	..	88	Dom....	..	212
C P R...	161	160	Hamil'n	195	192
C Salt..	140	120	Imperial	200½	..
ConLife	335	320	Ottawa.	202	..
Coniag.	460	440	Royal ..	214	211½
C Smelt.	33⅞	33¼	Standard	..	2'4½
Con Gas.	165	164½	Union...	..	138
Cr Nest.	73	..	Loans, etc.—		
Canners.	20	19½	C Land.	..	158½
do pfd.	87	84	C Perm.	..	170
Detroit.	126	124	C Invest	..	75
D I & S.p	..	93	H Prov.	..	141
D Steel C	67	66¼	H & E..	..	209
Dom Tel.	..	90	20% pd	..	196
Duluth..	..	46	L Bank.	..	145
La Rose.	..	53	OntLoan	..	173
Mackay.	89	88½	T Trusts	..	211
do pfd.	68	67	T Mort....	..	140
M Leaf.	102½	100	Bonds—		
do pfd.	95	93	C Bread.	94	93½
Monarch	40	39	C Loco..	95	..
do pfd.	82	..	Mex Elec	30	..
NStl Car	20	18	M L & P	45	35
do pfd.	73	70	Pennants	..	84½
Ntl'st'r.	860	825	Quebec..	69	67
NsSteel	116	115	Rio Jan.	..	86
P Burt..	30	29	Spanish.	88	..
do pfd.	..	80	Stl Can.	..	97
Petrol.	1150	1080	War Loan,		
P Rico..	..	55	1925...	98¼	98¼
Quebec..	33	31	War Loan,		
Sherden	121	112	1931...	99½	99½

COMMONS ELECTS SPEAKER, STARTS SEVENTH SESSION

Hon. E. N. Rhodes Picked To Succeed Sevigny.

20 VACANCIES IN HOUSE

Extension of Term May Not Come Up Till Premier Returns From Abroad.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Jan. 18.—This afternoon Parliament made the preliminary motion toward opening the session.

Sir Charles FitzPatrick, deputy to his excellency the governor-general, at 3 o'clock summoned the Commons to the Senate Chamber, and finding them without a head, sent them back to elect a speaker to take the place of Hon. Albert Sevigny, who is fighting for his life in Dorchester, Quebec. The Commons returned, and on the nomination of Sir Robert Borden, Hon. E. N. Rhodes was elected speaker. Friday his excellency will read the speech from the throne.

The first business sitting will be Monday, when the address debate will start. This is expected to last a week or ten days and provide a review of the whole Canadian situation, war, taxation, Ross rifle, Sam Hughes' exodus, Davidson report, John Wesley Allison's title, the imperial conference and the departure of Sir Robert Borden; for it will all be touched upon by the procession of speakers, who can be counted upon not to forget the high cost of living and the national service cards.

After the debate on the address legislation will begin, and it is expected that one of the early proposals will be for four to six months' supply to allow parliament to adjourn for two months to allow Sir Robert Borden to spend March and part of April at the imperial conference in London.

Defer Extension Proposal.

There is little likelihood of proposals for the extension of parliament's term being dealt with until Sir Robert returns from the motherland.

Though there are fifteen vacancies in the Senate, none have yet been filled. Next week, however, an announcement may be looked for of the fortunate ones who get soft places for life in the Upper House.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Sir Robert Borden will both begin the session in splendid health. Sir George Foster is on his way back from England, and his arrival will leave the Government with only one absentee, Sir George Perley.

Majority Will be 33.

There are twenty vacancies in the Commons, but one of them will be filled January 27, likely by the defeat of Hon. Albert Sevigny, the new minister of inland revenue. With vacant seats and members at the front the Government's majority in the Commons is reduced to 33.

In the Senate the Borden Government will, for the first time, find itself with a majority of five.

This will be the first time any parliament has ever gone to a seventh session and the first time the speech from the throne has been delivered on a Friday.

LIEUT. BEESTON ARRIVES IN CITY ON HIS WAY HOME

Lieut. John Beeston of the 18th Battalion, C. E. F., was in the city today, en route to his home in St. Thomas, having been discharged as unfit for further service because of nervous exhaustion.

Lieut. Beeston went to England with the 18th, but was unable to accompany it to France. He joined it there, however, on November 6, 1915, and was with it continuously until March, 1916, when he was invalided to England, suffering from asthma and bronchitis. Since that time he has been in England, until finally discharged just prior to leaving for Canada.

Some foolish stories were circulated at one time about Lieut. Beeston having disappeared and the war office not being able to get in touch with him. It is presumed that his orders to report in London, Eng., were muddled in some minds, and inquiries in London, Ont., having been made for him, without result, by friends, they jumped to the conclusion he was missing. The fallacy of such stories is proved by the fact that his pay continued steadily during his whole time overseas, and the war office does not pay men who disappear.

Lieut. Beeston gives high praise to the treatment of soldiers on their sea voyage back to Canada. He says they have first-class accommodation and meals, and the best of everything.

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RUSSIAN FIRE

sumed the offensive on one of the heights 6 2-3 miles south of the Pneva Mountain, but was thrown back by our fire."

The statement reports conditions on the Caucasus front unchanged.

BOMBARDING ALLIES' SHIPPING ON DANUBE.

Berlin, Jan. 18.—Via Sayville.—Bulgarian artillery has been vigorously bombarding from the Dobrudja side of the Danube hostile shipping in that stream and Entente military positions on the opposite side, in the vicinity of Galatz, according to the Bulgarian headquarters reports of January 16, which reads:

"Our artillery on the right bank of the Danube set on fire the railway station at Barbochie, and also shelled the road from Galatz to Dzudzulesh ti, on which large columns of troops and carts were observed. Near Isakcha our artillery up to this time has sunk seven tugboats and one small torpedoboat."

ADMIT SUCCESS OF RUSS AT KIOSHIN.

Berlin, Jan. 18.—The text of the official statement today says:

"Eastern Front, Front of Prince Leopold: The weather being clear, the artillery activity on both sides was considerably livelier in many sectors of the front.

"North of Krashin, Russian raiding detachments of tenfold numerical superiority entered an advanced outpost. The outpost is again in our possession. At other places raiding detachments and patrols were repulsed.

Of the operations on the Macedonian front the statement says:

"There have been minor fighting activities at isolated points."

Say 230 Prisoners Taken.

Regarding the Rumanian front, the statement reads:

"Front of Archduke Joseph: While south of the Oituz road an attack, made by strong Russian forces, broke down under our artillery and machine-gun fire, we, by a surprise attack between the Suchitza and Putna valleys succeeded in taking from hostile positions one officer and 230 men prisoner and one machine gun.

"Front of Field Marshal von Mackensen: In Dobrudja, for some days past, Tulcha and Isakcha have been shelled by Russian artillery. Several inhabitants, mostly women and children, have been killed."

Big Stock-Reducing Sale

Saturday Next, Jan. 20

150 DOZEN 50c NECKTIES..... FOR 25c EACH

$1.00 AND $1.25 WHITE PLEATED SHIRTS..... FOR 79c

ODD LINES OF WINTER UNDERWEAR, BOTH COMBINATIONS AND TWO-PIECE SUITS, AT AND BELOW COST.

HAT BARGAINS

All This Season's Samples

$2.00 BLACK STIFF HATS.....FOR 95c

$1.50 COLORED SOFT HATS.....FOR 69c

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GRAHAM BROS.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

ST. ANDREW'S.

A protest against the publication by so many Ontario newspapers of liquor advertising, as "subversive of the beneficial effects of the prohibitory law, which became effective last September," was registered in the kirk session report read at the first session of the annual meeting of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Wednesday evening by Alexander Fraser. At the same time, warm commendation was expressed of the papers which, regardless of financial loss involved, have insisted on standing true to their moral convictions and declined such advertising. While in the past year, the greatest substantial forward movement has been made in temperance in the history of the province, a warning was sounded that vigilance must not be relaxed on the part of those who have the cause at heart.

Scores Sunday Motoring.

A call was sounded for "the setting of faces against the allurements of Sunday motoring and pleasure seeking," interfering, as these diversions do, with church attendance in the summer months particularly, a decline in the spiritual life of the community must be the inevitable result, declared the report.

A warm tribute was paid to the "devoted, inspiring and unselfishly helpful leadership of the minister, Rev. D. C. MacGregor and his gifted wife," and also to the deaconness, Miss Russenholt, and the choir, conducted by Charles E. Wheeler. Touching reference was made to the death of the assistant minister, Rev. Dr. Gustavus Munro.

Record Givings.

In the matter of missionary givings, a record year was reported, these totalling in the neighborhood of $11,000, the church doing a little better for missionary objects outside its own bounds than for its maintenance.

St. Andrew's Sunday school has the proud position of leading all the Presbyterian Sunday schools of Canada in missionary giving with a total of $1,370.07 for 1916.

Owing to the fact that the church contributes enough to foreign missions for the support of two missionaries at at $1,200 each a year, a request is being sent to the foreign mission board in Toronto for the allotment of two missionaries to the church, which will become responsible for their salaries.

Children's Work.

An interesting report was that of the "Children's Church," held each Sunday morning in St. Andrew's Hall at the time of the regular service of the grown-up congregation. Principal S. J. Radcliffe of the Normal School is the superintendent of this new department, which has power for 60 children on the roll.

The Sunday school reported the election of the following officers: Honorary superintendent, Rev. D. C. MacGregor; superintendent, G. W. Hofferd, M. A., who is also leader of the morning Adult Bible Class; secretary, Miss Rowena Gardener; treasurer, K. Casselman.

The Chinese school reported the conversion of one of its members during the year.

Among other organizations which also reported were the Women's Missionary Society, the Ladies' Aid, Pastor's Aid, Ross Memorial Bible Class, Young People's Society, Business Girls' Club, Senior Girls' Club, Marian Keith Club, the Outlook Mission Band Band and the Order of the King' Own.

The missionary association budget was presented, as follows:

The missionary association budget for 1917 was presented, which calls for the raising of $8,571 during the year, to be expended as follows: $7,871 for general mission purposes as the contribution of the church, $100 for the Lord's Day Alliance, $100 for the Dominion Alliance, $100 for the Bible Society, $200 for city missions, and $200 for general purposes.

CHALMERS CHURCH.

Secretary T. A. Atkinson, on behalf of the board of managers, reported the best year in the history of the church at the annual congregational meeting of Chalmers Presbyterian Church Wednesday evening. Reference was made to a growth in all departments and on increase in the finances.

The Sunday school report was especially encouraging, commenting upon the increased attendance and the active interest manifested.

Associated with the reports of the Women's Missionary Society Auxiliary and Ladies' Aid, reference was made to the work accomplished for the Red Cross. Among reports presented were those of the Young People's Society and Christian Endeavor, the Adult Bible Class and other organizations.

New members of the board of managers: James Dickson, A. S. Webb, Ed. Sutherland, J. A. Eadie and John Watson; treasurer, T. A. Atkinson; secretary, H. A. Findlater; pew steward, A. N. Webb; interest fund secretary-treasurer, H. A. Findlater; convener of ushers to appoint his own assistants, William Michael; auditors, W. A. O'Dell and Bert Brown; committee to prepare annual report for publication, J. H. Langford, W. A. O'Dell and Rev. G. S. Lloyd.

NEW ST. JAMES'.

The financial reports presented at the annual meeting of New St. James Presbyterian Church Wednesday evening recorded a gratifying increase, especially pleasing in view of the fact that there had been a decrease during the previous two years of war time. The obligations of the church were fully met by the contributions amounting to $6,068.38, the budget for the coming year calling for the raising of $6,981.15

The mortgage of $11,400 on the church falls due this year and an earnest plea was made by the board of managers for liberal contributions on the occasion of the next anniversary offering.

A recommendation of the Ladies' Aid Society that a manse be built for the minister, Rev. James MacKay, was favorably received and a committee appointed to consider the suggestion.

The meeting adjourned until next Wednesday evening, when the business will be concluded.

ADELAIDE STREET BAPTIST.

The pastor, Rev. J. H. Boyd, presided at the annual business meeting of the Adelaide Street Baptist Church, held on Wednesday evening, when a financial report of more than ordinary interest was presented by A. E. Brown, showing receipts amounting to $7,221.15, an increase in contributions to both missions and the general expense accounts.

The membership clerk, John McLean, announced a total membership of 516, an increase of 10. Frank Pierce presented an encouraging report from the Sunday school, stating that the number on the roll is 380, exclusive of those attending the Lorne Avenue Mission, and the aggregate attendance was 13,824.

Other Money Raised.

The money raised for all purposes, exclusive of the Good Cheer Fund, amounted to $636.67. Other organizations reported were the Willing Workers' Mission Band, by