

## CHURCH UNION AT ASSEMBLY

Will be One of the Important Subjects Discussed.

WOODSTOCK, Ont., June 2.—One of the outstanding questions to be discussed at the Presbyterian general assembly which opens in Woodstock today will be the problem of church union. At last year's meeting of the assembly in Toronto it was decided on a vote of 3 to 1 to continue the union committee and instructions were issued that it should continue negotiations with the Methodist and Congregational Church representatives in the hope that union might be consummated.

Since this resolution was adopted, the joint committee has held several meetings and a sub-committee has taken a survey of the whole dominion seeking to find out where there is any overlapping and what the saving would be in men and money in the event of the union. This information will be presented to the assembly. While it is impossible to forecast with certainty what the recommendation of the union committee will be it is probable that they will recommend that the whole matter be sent back again to the Presbyterian congregations and sessions for their final judgment under the Barrier Act. It is known that the Methodist and Congregational bodies are just a little impatient at the seeming delay in the councils of the Presbyterian church, but the opposition among the Presbyterians is very active and although a large majority favor church union, there is no desire to hasten matters, as long as there is a possibility of carrying into the union any considerable section of the anti-unionists. There will be a minority report from the anti-union members of the assembly and the debate on the subject will be a notable one. The union committee is called to meet in the assembly church to-night, when it is expected that their report will be prepared for the assembly.

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Rev. W. J. Clark, D.D., of Westmount Church, Montreal, is chairman of the committee. The choosing of a moderator will also occupy considerable time at this year's assembly, it is expected. It is probable that four men will be nominated this year, the aspirants being Rev. Dr. Herridge, D.D., of Ottawa; Rev. John Neil of Westminster Church, Toronto; Rev. D. D. McLeod, D. D., of Barrie and Rev. Dr. Scrimger of Montreal College. There is a feeling in a large section of the church that Dr. Herridge will be chosen, although this feeling is by no means universal.

Woodstock has made extensive preparations to handle the assembly and local church officers were busy to-day putting on finishing touches.

A program of out-of-town excursions, garden parties, etc., has been arranged for the entertainment of the delegates, while here, and a feature will be a trip to the famous Knowlton Church at Embro in the heart of the Zorras. Rev. Murdoch McKenzie, moderator of the assembly, has been here since Thursday and he will officially open the assembly to-night, when he will preach his closing sermon.

Many delegates, members of the union committee, have already arrived.

### CLOSING EXERCISES OF THE ZION GUILD

Were Held on Monday Evening and Proved of Very Pleasing Nature.

The closing meeting of Zion Church Young People's Guild for the season of 1913-14 was held on Monday night. After the opening exercises reports were read by the retiring officers dealing with the work of the various departments for the season. The following officers for 1914-15 were inducted in office by Mr. Woodside: President, Mr. H. T. Watt; first vice-president, Membership, Mr. Charles Hall; second vice-president, Devotional, Mr. G. Pickles; third vice-president, Missionary, Mr. Cook; fourth vice-president, Educational, Miss Annie Pringle; fifth vice-president, Social, Miss Isabelle Thomas; secretary, Mr. Clifford Joyce; treasurer, Miss Elsie Fraser; pianist, Miss Ella Moffat; assistant, Miss Ruth Hat. After the induction of officers, Miss Jessie Mitchell gave a very enjoyable reading and Miss Aileen Hart rendered a solo very acceptably. The balance of the evening was devoted to a social time and refreshments were served by the members of the Social Committee. During the evening Mrs. Bean was presented with a bouquet of American beauty roses as a slight token of the Guild's appreciation of what Mrs. Bean has done for them.

**SIX SCOUTS DROWNED.**  
LONDON, June 2.—The only accident of the Whitsuntide holiday was a boating disaster, which cost the lives of six boy scouts. This was singularly reminiscent of previous disasters to the Boy Scouts and raises questions regarding the necessity for stricter supervision of such parties and the requirement for greater seamanship efficiency on the part of those participating therein.



Mr. HENRI K. JORDAN

## Farewell Was Said To Popular Musician

Many Friends of Mr. Henri K. Jordan Gathered Last Night To Say Good-bye—Leaving For Winnipeg.

Some seven years ago, Mr. Henri K. Jordan entered the little musical world of Brantford and now, after having entranced and enlarged in every way developed the musical circle of the city he takes his departure, a figurehead, a man as Judge Hardy said, to the great regret of his numerous friends. This regret was sincere, as the splendid gathering at the farewell banquet in his honor at the Y. M. C. A. testified. Mr. Jordan has already been the recipient of a handsome purse of \$300, and last night he would have been presented with a magnificent illuminated address but for the fact that it was not quite finished at the time of the banquet.

Congregating by 8 o'clock a royal repast provided by Caterer Crumback was done justice to, and then a program after Mr. Jordan's own heart was put on. It was principally vocal with two exceptions, Miss Marjorie Jones and W. J. Feldkamp, the latter displayed skill and versatility with his novel mouth organ and guitar, while Miss Jones was called upon three times. Her exquisite touch and magnificent execution of the difficult compositions chosen enthralled all. She rendered a concert waltz, by Drigo, Bacarole from the Tales of Hoffman, an Oriental by Cui. Among the others who contributed superbly, Miss Alda Shultis, and Mr. Feldkamp and Messrs F. Horton, George Sweet and Capt. McLean.

Giving a brief history of the choir, the chairman and president, Mr. C. Varey, said it was in 1902 that the old choir was started and the first concert realized \$200, and since that date a series of successful concerts had been held and many celebrated soloists and orchestras had been brought to Brantford, for which the citizens were indebted to the choir. All appreciated the degree of excellence attained under the able leadership of Mr. Henri Jordan. The speaker felt that the good work could not be abandoned, and the board would see that it was kept up.

**Address Presented**  
Judge Hardy, a member of the old male chorus, which afterwards became the Schubert Choir, then read the address to be presented in illuminated form to Mr. Jordan. It was as follows:  
To Mr. Henri K. Jordan:  
Some are doomed to disappointment—only see failure or partial accomplishment of life's task; but few of us are permitted to see the fruition of our labors. You seem to belong to the last mentioned class and now as we see tangible results of your undertakings the disappointing message comes to us that you are to leave this city.

Eulogies on departing without recognitions while present are vain. Having given you the latter we cannot allow you to depart without the former so we now wish to express our appreciation of you—that you may carry away with you these words, which may remind you of happy associations here in Brantford.

For a number of years you occupied the position of organist in an important church during which time you imparted a degree of reverence and sanctity to the service bringing those under your charge to a high standard of excellence. Your abilities in execution and technique were

not cramped to one side of your work. You have done much in furthering your classic art by bringing to this city men and women of continental reputation thus affording us privileges and advantages we would otherwise have been denied. You have shown a keen insight into those themes which swelled in the hearts of the great masters. Taking sometimes the crude material by careful training you have produced marvellous results. Yourself able to interpret such masters as Schubert Mendelssohn and Tchaikowsky you were able to lead us to understand them. For seven seasons you undertook with great success the training of the Schubert choir a success shown by the faithfulness of those taking part, and the keen appreciation of packed houses to greet your choirs.

Your manly bearing, your wonderful self-control in most trying circumstances, your inspiring optimism, and combined with these qualities, your musical genius, these virtues have been stamped on those who have come under your influence. Your painstaking work has not been in vain. You leave behind you in the hearts of all, a memory of you, of which any man could be justly proud. Now as you are about to leave, we assure you that you will not be forgotten. Your life will still go on in our memories and we will ever retain—  
A strange and beautiful music,  
Tender and sweet and slow,  
A song that heart hears only,  
In the voice of the long ago,  
Signed on behalf of Schubert choir,  
President,  
Secretary.

After the address, Judge Hardy said he could not set down without enthusiasm upon the merits of the recipient. He had great joy in being identified with the old organization and to-day as he looked round he saw very few of the old members. Yet the work had gone on and it was a great success and that he said was owing to the efforts of the guest of honour to-night. It was with keen regret that they celebrated his departure. His musical successes had not been superseded by his success as a man. He had sterling qualities which must ever be the pride of man, therefore the loss to Brantford was all the greater. In making a move to Winnipeg, he was happy to think Mr. Jordan would find a wider field for his abilities. He would create a circle in that city which would add glory to his name. He uttered the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community when he spoke of regret at the departure from their midst of one who had taken such a deep interest in their affairs. The work which had been done by Mr. Jordan could not be left at a standstill. It must be carried on and be a lasting emblem of the memory of the departing musical director. The eloquent testimony to the worth of Mr. Jordan was closed by another expression of regret.

Rising modestly, the guest of honour began in a manner of once characteristic: "I would indeed be ungrateful if I did not take this opportunity of thanking you for all the kindness you have shown me not only now, but for years back." His mind had been carried back to years past when the choir was in its infancy. He had the pleasure and the honor of being a member from the beginning. He remembered concerts held in the old Y. M. C. A. Since then they had gradually improved and he was glad the male quartette had formed into a society. They had reached the climax last year when a very successful concert was given in the Opera House. The success of the work was due to the loyalty of the choir. "If one had the material to work with, the rest was easy." He could not say enough of the faithfulness of the various committees. They were persistent and hopeful and had never failed to carry their plans through and to them he owed his deepest thanks. He was indeed grateful to them and to them he felt that the present choir owed almost everything. They had been the backbone of the organization.

He paid tribute to the late Mr. Robinson who had helped him very much. The speaker had ever enjoyed work with the choir, and under all conditions they had proved faithful. He greatly regretted that it was necessary for him to leave the work at its present stage and he sincerely hoped the work would continue even if they had to wait for someone to carry it on. Again expressing his most sincere and earnest thanks for past kindnesses,

Mr. Jordan resumed his seat. He was no sooner seated than a hearty round of cheering broke out and the familiar old chorus was heard "For he's jolly good fellow". This was followed by a tiger.

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PARIS, June 4.—The stirred to its very depths afternoon, when all that was of Mrs. Fred Blackhurst and Jeffs was laid to rest. All business were closed from 10 o'clock. All work was suspended. At 2 o'clock the St. James' church was held Blackhurst. The chance as family pew was draped for the occasion. The impressive lull of the Anglican church was followed by the large gathering. The favorite hymns of ceased were used: "Jesus, Pilot Me," "Peace, Perfect" "At Evening When the Sun" The rest of Rev. Mr. Pur Society. The vested choir of the deceased, as also to the able character. As the rime leaving the church, the feelingly rendered "Abide W A large body of the Sons of headed the cortege, while im following the hearse were of the members of St. Jam Society. The vested choir James' church were kindly to St. James' cemetery by automobiles, where they c last resting place of one them in life and sang one of orite hymns, "On the Res Morning." The heartfel of the community goes out reared husband and daughter and sister in the Old Land, number of floral tributes b but touching evidence of the which the deceased was hel

The Baptist Church at was filled to overflowing zens who had gathered to last tribute of respect to M lam Jeffs, another victim of press of Ireland disaster. T loft and pulpit had been d loving hands and the eask amidst a wealth of floral trib favorite hymns of deceased ate for occasion were sung: "My God to Thee," "Peace, Peace," "Lead Kindly Light pastor, Rev. Mr. Reid vering referred to the earn the deceased and her active the Master's cause. He al for the prayers of all prese bereaved husband who had his wife and son—all dear on this earth. The e trusted the body of the yo would soon be taken from of the St. Lawrence and lai by the side of his mother in cemetery. The choir that been conveyed to the em automobiles, rendered very

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By Special Wire to the PEKING, China, June 4. Wolf, the Chinese brigand, ing the past few months h rsted the provinces of Hu Nan and Shen-Si, is now lo burning towns and vill province of Kan-Su.

After eluding the great troops sent to capture him Chinese Government, he set fire to the town of and his followers to-day Tao-Chow, in the extreme

**Mr. Rowe Go**

By Special Wire to the OTTAWA, June 4.—The relations between the late government and N. W. C., leader of the Ontario were brought down yesterday in view of the on a similar case in the