

A PLEA FOR THE MINISTER SALARIES ARE INADEQUATE

Dr. Lyle, of Hamilton,
Speaks Plainly at Synod
Meeting.

MEN KEPT OUT OF THE CHURCH

By the Deplorable Fact That
They Cannot Secure a De-
cent Living.

At this morning's session of the Synod of Hamilton and London, an overture from Mr. W. N. Hossie, of Brantford, was considered, asking for changes in the rules of forms of procedure affecting representative elders.

It was transmitted by the Presbytery of Paris, Mr. Hossie, of Brantford, supported the overture. It was moved by Mr. Hossie, seconded by Mr. Ratcliffe, that the overture be received and transmitted to the general assembly.

Changes Suggested.

An overture from the Presbytery of London was read regarding changes in statistical and financial forms, and was supported by Dr. L. McCrae and Rev. James Rollins. The overture was unanimously adopted.

Dr. McCrae, speaking in support of it, said it was desired that in future the names of congregations in a pastoral charge should be printed in the assembly's blue book in order that the identity of each church might be preserved.

Standing Committees.

Rev. R. Pettigrew presented the names of the standing committees for the year as follows:

Church Life and Work—A. L. Budge, convenor; Messrs. John Bailey, F. A. Wilson, Dr. James Ross, J. W. Cameron, W. Henderson, Rev. F. Strachan, Bessels, Geo. Rutherford, Hamilton; Dr. Logie, Paris; R. A. Thompson, M. P. P., Lyndsey, P. W. Merchant, elders.

Young People's Societies—George Arnold, convenor; J. A. Wilson, J. J. Hastie, J. G. Inkster, G. M. D. In, min-
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LONDON CUSTOMS RETURNS TOTAL \$976,720 FOR YEAR

About \$75,000 Greater Than in 1907—The Figures Show That
There Was a Considerable Falling Off in March of This
Year, as Compared With March of Year Ago.

The customs returns for the year which closed yesterday are the largest in the history of London, and come within less than \$25,000 of being one million dollars.

The returns for March show a decrease from those of March, 1907, of \$12,054.62, the figures being \$87,371.42 for March, 1907, against \$75,316.81 for March this year.

The bad weather and the general slackness of things is accountable for the decrease this month, although there is considerable improvement to be noted over February, which was the lowest month of the year, traffic and business being completely tied up.

Collector Elliott states that there is a general improvement noticeable in the last couple of weeks, and expects that the returns from now on will show a steady increase.

The Returns.

	1906-7.	1907-8.
April	\$65,512.26	\$90,101.41
May	63,306.75	80,253.60
June	63,804.69	72,572.06
July	88,701.41	102,361.13
August	77,464.43	86,000.79
September	64,458.09	81,982.44
October	82,512.63	73,343.73
November	62,366.82	75,833.26
December	79,199.79	79,919.50
January	93,490.85	99,148.43
February	72,789.82	65,887.01
March	87,371.42	75,316.81
Totals	\$901,979.89	\$976,720.58

There is somewhat of a mix-up regarding the Hygienic Institute. Some time ago the contract was awarded to Jones Bros., and work was commenced. However, the site had not been deeded to the Government, and when some of the members of the Government were informed that work had commenced, a wire was sent to Jones Bros. last night to discontinue work until notified to begin again.

In the city of London bill was a clause giving the Government the right for the institute on the hospital grounds.

This came up in committee yesterday when inquiry was made regarding the work.

Hon. Adam Beck did not know that day are the stonemasons.

Three Million for Transmission Lines

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, April 1.—Provincial Treasurer Matheson stated this morning that of the four million dollar loan, which he proposes to raise at an early date, three millions will be applied to the construction of electric power

LIVELY ROW IN THE JUBILEE RINK

Young Man Hauled Into Court for
Ruffianly Actions.

A young man who has appeared in court several times caused no end of a disturbance in the Jubilee rink last night.

The officer in charge of the rink asked him to hand in his skates, as he was acting in a disorderly manner, and one thing leading to another, a fight was soon in progress.

It is stated by those who saw the affair that the young man handled the officer as if he didn't get anything, and threw him all over the place.

Incidentally, the stove was knocked over, and other articles damaged before the police arrived and took the youth to the station.

His case was adjourned until Friday when he appeared this morning.

OPPOSE THE MARRIAGE

Press of Rome Object to Alleged Ab-
ruzzi-Elkins Alliance.

London, April 1.—The Rome correspondent of the Globe says that the Italian newspapers have initiated a violent campaign against the proposed marriage between the Duke of Abruzzi and Miss Elkins.

This change of attitude is simply and so by due to the "extraneousness" of American journalism, against which a stream of indignation is poured out daily. Even the Elkins family is not spared, the newspapers taking the ground that they should have taken steps to shield the duke from "outrage and insult."

The Globe's correspondent learns that the provisional arrangements for marriage have been altered owing to the King's wish that it should be celebrated in Italy. It will be a purely private and even the press will be rigidly excluded.

AUSTRIA REJECTS.

Vienna, April 1.—The Neue Freie Presse announces that Austria has definitely rejected Great Britain's proposal for the appointment of a governor-general of Macedonia.

BISMARCK'S SISTER DEAD.

Berlin, April 1.—Frau Malvine von Arnim, the only sister of Prince Bismarck, died here yesterday, at the age of 81 years.

UNIVERSITY BILL PLEASES MEANS MUCH TO LONDONERS

Western Will Be Placed on a Proper Footing and Local Boys Will
Receive University Education in Their Own Town—
Government Aid Will Now Be Sought.

The recommendation that the city be allowed to make a yearly grant for the Western University in the committee at Toronto yesterday is meeting with general approbation in the city. Among educationists especially there is a great deal of enthusiasm, and it is now felt that the issue being a good university, that London needed, has been accomplished, and that the position of London as the central point in Western Ontario is now practically assured.

The university will now be under nominal, and a larger staff of professors and teachers will be secured.

Bishop Williams Speaks.

"I am very well satisfied with the action of the committee regarding the Western University," said Bishop Williams this afternoon to The Advertiser. "I would have preferred if the terms of the bill had been ten years instead of five, but still I am satisfied. At the end of five years, I am convinced that the citizens generally will be so im-

IF MEASURE IS AN INJUSTICE WILL NOT PASS, SAYS PREMIER

Sir Wilfrid Laurier Assures Leader Mackay That There Will Be
No Invasion of Provincial Rights by the Dominion Gov-
ernment—Legislature Passes Whitney's Resolution.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, April 1.—The second division of the session took place yesterday in the Legislature, the issue being the question of provincial rights, raised by the Premier in reference to the bill now before the Dominion Senate, to incorporate the Ontario and Michigan Power Company. The Premier moved the strongly worded resolution, which he had read to the House on Monday afternoon. To the Opposition, however, the resolution savored too much of a condemnation of the Dominion Government, and Hon. Mr. Mackay offered an amendment, which, while upholding the rights of the Province, imputed no sinister motives to the Dominion Government. It was upon this amendment that the actual vote was taken,

resulting in a tally of 59 to 19, a clear Government majority of 40. For this occasion only Mr. St. Denis voted with the Government, while Col. Rathbun, usually accounted an Independent Liberal, was paired against an Opposition member.

Mr. Mackay's Amendment.

Mr. Mackay's amendment, which was seconded by Mr. Harcourt, was as follows:

"That this House, while not unimpaired that the said bill is only a private bill, and not a public act to which the Government of Canada is committed, deems it advisable and timely to emphatically and unanimously express its disapproval of the said bill in some of its parts, and to assert and declare

Social and Moral Reform Discussed At Synod of London and Hamilton

Let State Ownership of Liquor
Traffic Finds Advocate—A
Missionary Evening.

Life which is becoming very common in many parts of the country.

He condemned this practice very strongly, showing the awful effect it would have upon lowering society.

Higher Standard.

He also spoke of the need of higher standards of honor in commercial life, and urged that attempts be made to insure integrity in politicians.

Gambling and Intemperance were condemned, especially the former, which is increasing very largely.

Dr. Shearer suggested that more stringent measures be taken for the protection of little children, also for

Tuberculosis Hospital Set Back City Council Now in a Quandary

Vote in the County Will Not
Likely Be Taken Till
January.

The deputation sent to Toronto to look after the interests of the city in the matter of the city of London bill, is very well pleased with the success of the trip. Although not all was obtained that was desired, nevertheless, the results are very satisfactory.

Tuberculosis Hospital.

"The tuberculosis hospital matter was thrown out practically," said Mayor Stevely. "It effectively prevents any hospital being built this year. The city's part of the agreement was approved on condition that the county obtain a vote of the people on the question. It was pointed out that it would cost about \$2,000 to take the vote—just half of the appropriation—and it was thought by the county members that it would not be wise to

CARBREKING CASE IN COURT ANOTHER MAN ARRAIGNED

Charged With Complicity in the Theft in Which Several Cases of
Whisky Were Removed From a Car in the Grand
Trunk Yards Here.

The trial of James Cotter, the Grand Trunk engineer, arrested at Windsor recently in connection with the car-breaking case in the Grand Trunk yards here some time ago, commenced this morning, when Cotter was charged with breaking into a bonded car.

Richard Blackwell, one of the most important witnesses, is ill in St. Thomas, and the case can not be closed until he appears.

An arrangement to this effect was made between Mr. Geo. C. Gibbons, K. C., who represents Mr. Cotter, and Crown Attorney McKillop.

IMPLEMENT CO. PURCHASE LAND

Big Plant at Port Stanley for the
Manufacture of Gang
Disk Plows.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

St. Thomas, Ont., April 1.—At a meeting of the shareholders of the Standard Implement Company, held in the Loney House, Port Stanley, last night, all but six shares of the stock were represented. J. B. Donald, the president, was in the chair. The immediate required stock of \$5,000 has been subscribed, and prospects for securing the other \$70,000 are bright. The company has purchased eleven acres of land on the line of the Pere Marquette west of the river, the price being \$1,000. It was effected through Mr. John Price, who had a fifteen-day option on the property at the same figure. The latter was elected a director of the company. The board will meet in London on Thursday. Ground will be broken at once for the building, which will be 50 by 100 feet. The capital stock of the company is \$75,000, in shares of \$100 each. Many orders for gang disk plows have already been received from the Northwest, that implement being the main one to be manufactured.

HASN'T SOLD OUT TO ALBERTA GOVT

But Bell Telephone Company Is Car-
rying on Negotiations.

Montreal, Que., April 1.—Mr. C. F. Sise, president of the Bell Telephone Company, denied most emphatically today that the company has disposed of its business in Alberta to the Government of that province. There had been a report to that effect, but it was not true that the company had sold. Hon. W. H. Cushing, minister of public works of Alberta, who has been in the city for some time conducting the negotiations, was credited with the statement that the deal had been closed for \$675,000.

ACQUITS CHANCELLOR DAY

Complaint Against Roosevelt's Baite
Ruled Out of Theological Court.

New York, April 1.—The charges preferred against Chancellor Day, Syracuse University, by the Rev. Geo. A. Cooke, of Brandon, Vt., were ruled out of court by Bishop David H. Moore at the opening of the one hundredth and ninth New York Methodist Episcopal conference today.

Bishop Moore, in dismissing the charges, said he regarded the complaint against Chancellor Day as a direct attack upon free speech and free press.

The decision was greeted by cheers and long continued applause.

DE SAGAN A SUITOR

New York, April 1.—That Prince Helld de Sagan is a suitor for the hand of Madame Anna Gould is announced by the prince himself in a statement, in which he added that Madame Gould would sail for France very soon after his own departure, which is set for April 5. The prince's announcement was made coincident with the circulation of reports that Madame Gould has quarreled with her family because of her determination to marry de Sagan. Madame Gould is quoted as saying that she shall not "lower" her position, and she has asserted herself and shall abide by her own decision. Madame Gould has left the home of her sister, Miss Helen Gould, with whom she has been staying since her arrival from France more than a week ago, and is living with friends.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—SLEET OR RAIN.
FORECASTS.

Toronto, April 1.—S. a.m. Today—Fresh to strong easterly winds; fair; heavy rain or sleet late tonight. Thursday—Occasional sleet or rain.

Local Temperatures.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. yesterday were: Highest, 40°; lowest, 34°; above zero.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	4	2	Cloudy
Winnipeg	10	8	Snow
Port Arthur	22	18	Cloudy
Parry Sound	16	12	Fair
Toronto	26	24	Fair
Ottawa	18	16	Fair
Montreal	18	16	Fair
Quebec	14	12	Clear
Father Point	12	10	Fair

The first column in the above table records the temperature at 8 o'clock this morning, and the second column records the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours previous.

WEATHER NOTES.

The pressure is low in the Missouri and Mississippi valleys, and high throughout the northern portion of the continent. Snow is reported from Manitoba and the Maritime Provinces.

Otherwise the weather in Canada is fair and moderately cold.

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 4 below—26; Atlin, 2 below—20; Vancouver, 34—47; Victoria, 38—52; Edmonton, 4 below—22; Calgary, 6 below—16; Battleford, 6 below—16; Prince Albert, 6 below—20; Regina, 4—14; Winnipeg, 2 below—16; Port Arthur, 8—22; Parry Sound, 2—10; Toronto, 26—40; Ottawa, 24—40; Montreal, 30—46; Quebec, 22—44; St. John, 24—40; Halifax, 24—46.

EDWIN COLEY KILLED ON C. P. R. DIED IN HOSPITAL OF INJURIES

It Was Good

Shawnee, Okla., April 1.—Boys playing near a half carload of giant powder and dynamite caps at the Missouri and Kansas stock yards yesterday became involved in a dispute as to whether the powder was good or bad. They determined to test it, and applied a match. An explosion followed that was heard for miles. The car was blown into fragments, and people passing were blown from their feet and across the road. Six people were seriously injured, one, Robert Gray, a negro child, having since died.

Walking on Tracks Slipped in Front of the Locomotive.

CHUM SAW HIS FRIEND KILLED

Mr. John Burgess Had Called for Him—Both Were Going to Port Stanley.

Evidently thinking that he was on the wrong track in the C. P. R. yards east of Adelaide street last night, Edwin Coley stepped in front of a yard engine going west. He was knocked down and run over, both legs being severed. He was removed to Victoria Hospital, where he died this morning at 6 o'clock.

Story of the Tragedy.

Early in the evening Coley was at his boarding place at Miss Davidson's Oxford street west, just outside the city.

Mr. John Burgess, of York street, a young friend of Coley's, called for him, and both left the house.

They knocked around town, both intending to go to Port Stanley today to get work on a boat.

About 11 o'clock Coley and Burgess went to the Adelaide street crossing of the C. P. R.

Coley wanted to see a friend of his who lived alongside the tracks a little distance. Burgess waited for him at the crossing.

After a short time he saw Coley returning.

Stepped in Front of Engine.

A yard engine was coming from the east behind Coley. Burgess saw him coming, and when the engine came close to him, Coley stepped out in front of it.

Burgess heard the young man scream, and, running to him, found him with both legs badly crushed, the engine having passed over him.

The ambulance was summoned and Coley taken to the hospital.

Mr. Burgess' Story.

"Coley had only gone a short distance up the track," said Burgess this afternoon to The Advertiser.

"I waited for him at the crossing. I saw the engine approaching with Coley this side of it. I saw him step over from one track to the other, and in a minute heard his scream. I rushed up to him, and found him with his legs cut off. I do not know how it happened, as I was too far away. I saw, however, that he was mistaken the track, thinking the engine was coming up the one he was on. Then he stepped over onto the other track with the result that he stepped directly in front of the engine."

Terrible Injuries.

Dr. Reason was summoned and was early on the scene of the accident. The ambulance removed the young man to Victoria Hospital.

On examination it was found that the right leg was cut off above the knee, and the left leg was cut off just below the knee.

Coley was operated on, the right leg being amputated near the hip, and the left just below the knee. He rallied from the shock of the operation fairly well, but the loss of blood was greater than the system could stand, and he succumbed this morning shortly after 7 o'clock.

Guthrie Home Boy.

Coley was a young Englishman about 30 years of age. He came to this country when about 11 years old, and was placed in the old Guthrie Home in Westminster.

He had worked in many places in the city and county as a laborer. When out of employment he made his home with Miss Davidson, where he was staying at the time of the accident. He came to this country from Brixham, England. So far as is known he had no relatives in Canada.

Coroner Ferguson was notified of the accident to Edwin Coley, and decided to hold an inquest. The jury will view the body this morning, and adjourn for a week.

MISS FEWINGS WILL SUE GRAND TRUNK

Miss Emma Fewings, who was injured at the Richmond street crossing of the Grand Trunk a few weeks ago, has commenced an action against the railway company for unstated damages.

Mr. C. F. Maxwell, of St. Thomas, is representing Miss Fewings.

DESTROYED HIMSELF.

San Diego, Cal., April 1.—The inquest held on the body of Guy Clive, who was found dead yesterday on the sea wall at Coronado, brought out the fact that his death was the result of a pistol bullet through the heart. The revolver was found in a crevice of the rocks of the sea wall.

Testimony was given to the effect that the deceased had resorted largely to narcotics, and that his mind was probably unbalanced. The coroner's jury returned a verdict of "death from a gunshot wound, self-inflicted."