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PUGSLEY FAILS TO KEEP HIS PROMISE THAT HE WOULD MAKE STATEMENT FROM HIS PLACE IN PARLIAMENT AT YESTERDAY'S SESSION

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, April 13—The principal event of the day in the House of Commons was what did not happen. Interest ran high as to what the attitude of the government on the Pugsley case would be. No special declaration was expected from the Premier, but **IT WAS CONFIDENTLY ANTICIPATED THAT DR. PUGSLEY WOULD VOLUNTEER A STATEMENT.** Speculation ran on the question whether he would bring the matter up on a question of privilege, thus heading off discussion or the orders of the day, the way to comment. In the end nothing happened. Mr. Pugsley sat quiet in his seat. The Premier when questioned had nothing to say, and the House went peacefully into a discussion of the woolen industry.

Nothing to Say

On the order of the day being called Mr. Foster asked if in view of the fact that the report of the Royal Commission in St. John affects to a certain extent two of the officers of the Government, the Premier had decided on a course of action or had anything to communicate.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier replied that he had not seen the report of the Commission. He had only seen extracts in the press. At the present moment he had no communication to make to the House.

The Woolen Trade

A discussion on the woolen trade followed. The Government moved to go into supply and Mr. Haughton, Lennox, brought up the woolen trade. His thesis was the need for the upbuilding of a woolen industry from the farm to the factory. In support of this he quoted some interesting statistics.

Farming Industry

First, he noted the importance of the farming industry in Canada. The farmers number 575,000; their investment is $3,788,000; the field crops are worth $432,000,000; the exports of crops, animals and products last year was $129,000,000.

Next he noted the immense value to a country of a textile industry. In Great Britain five millions are employed, and fifteen millions are dependent on the textile industries of the country. That means one ninth of the population is actually employed by, and one third is dependent on the industry. So also in France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. The textile industry is by far the most important in each country, while in the United States the industry has assumed enormous proportions.

Decrease of the Flocks.

Mr. Lennox then described the farmers' end of the situation. Great Britain, where this enormous textile industry is situated, had thirty million sheep; Canada has only two millions, and the number is decreasing. Ontario is the only province for which statistics are complete. In 1884 it had 1,690,733 sheep; in 1895 it had 2,022,735 sheep; in 1907 the number had dropped to 1,106,083; a shrinkage since 1895 of 45 per cent. This decrease in the face of a large increase in the number of other animals. For the same years the figures were:

	Pigs	Horses	Milch Cows
1884.. ...	916,158	535,953	710,519
1895. . .	1,299,072	647,696	888,228
1907. . .	2,049,666	725,666	1,152,071

Thus horses and cows have increased 30 per cent and pigs have increased 58 per cent.

Discussing the way in which the farmer is going out of sheep raising Mr. Lennox noted that mutton is the safest of the animal foods. In the United States for example, for every sheep afflicted with tuberculosis, there were 555 cattle and 2390 hogs.

A Disappearing Industry.

He then noted the heavy decline in the manufacture of woolens. In 1899 Canada had 270 mills, there now are about 190, a loss of 80, or 30 per cent.; while the loss of output is half. Yet Canada imports $21,000,000 worth of woolens.

Canada, Mr. Lennox, argued, is peculiarly adapted to sheep raising. There are immense areas of semi-waste land, there is immunity from disease, the quality of mutton and wool produced is good and conditions are similar to those in the United States where a successful industry is established. And as to the American precident, the American industry had been built up on a close harmony between the sheep raiser and the manufacturer.

Must Raise Wool.

In conclusion he argued that we must build up woolen industry so long as we export our fleeces and buy them back as manufactured goods. We must not only raise wool, but spin it and card it, and weave it, and wear it if we are to establish in Canada a great and profitable woolen trade.

The maghificent woolen trade of Great Britain and the United States secured a foothold and was fostered and built up by means of trade and tariff laws.

Should Encourage the Sheep.

The conditions of Canada are eminently adapted for the development of a large and profitable woolen industry. The present unsatisfactory condition of our woolen industry, both as to the farmer and manufacturer is in the main, the result of existing tariff conditions.

The shutting down of Canadian factories and the diminished output of those still in operation has dwarfed the market for Canadian wool and the industry of the farm, discouraged sheep raising and occasioned great loss to Canadian farmers.

A successful national industry in Canada involves the profitable production of wool as well as the profitable manufacture of woolens. It should be the aim of the Government to harmonize and unite these two great interests.

It is the immediate duty of the Government to adopt such measures as will encourage sheep raising in Canada, and so to adjust the tariff as to secure a profitable home market for Canadian wool and its manufacture into clothing and other woolen goods by our own people, including mills and workshops.

Mr. Thoburn.

To Mr. Lennox succeeded Mr. Thoburn, North Lanark, (Con.) a practical manufacturer. After a reference to the advantages which British manufacturers possess he brought up the fact that northwest can produce an exceptionally fine quality of wool. This western wool he said, is of special value in making flannel blankets. But existing tariff conditions are so adverse that in his own town of Almonte, two flannel mills have recently been closed. He placed the loss in wages at $78,000. A few years ago farmers were paid 52 cents a pound cash for wool, today it is worth 16 cents at the highest. He advocated an increased ad valorem duty and a specific duty on shoddy.

Mr. Owen.

Mr. Owen (East Northumberland) Con., the manager of a woolen mill, followed. We cannot, he said, manufacture all classes of goods which we import, but there are some classes which we can make. Confining himself to the cloth aspect of the case, he

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PUGSLEY IS OVERRULED BY PREMIER

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, April 13—Late this evening Mr. Pugsley gave out the following statement:

"I have concluded that as the report of the commission does not in any way relate to my conduct as a member of the Federal Parliament or as a member of the Dominion Government it would not be appropriate for me to introduce the subject here. I have asked one of my friends in the New Brunswick House to ask the government of that province to have the evidence printed and as soon as I get a copy of it I will prepare a statement in answer to the findings of the commissioners."

He added that if reference was made to the subject in the House he would defend himself.

Overruled by Premier

When we couple with this the fairly explicit statement by Dr. Pugsley that he has changed his mind it becomes apparent that he has been overruled by the Premier and that the question of his retention in the cabinet is still open. Mr. Pugsley began with a defiant announcement of his decision to remain in the Government, an announcement which will make his fall, if the Premier does throw him down, very hard indeed, and he apparently reckoned on making a statement on the subject at once, so as to secure Sir Wilfrid's acquiescence. The plan of operations has been recalled and the next move remains with the Premier.

MR. GEO. HAM HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION

Among the visitors in town yesterday was Mr. George Ham of the C. P. R. head office, Montreal, who left last evening for Fredericton, accompanied by Mr. A. B. Wilmot, provincial superintendent of immigration, to secure additional information from the government for publication in a booklet to be issued by the C. P. R. Co. This booklet, which will be illustrated, will be chiefly devoted to the advantages which the St. John Valley offers to settlers, and will be widely distributed in Great Britain and the Continent by the company's agents. To the Standard representative Mr. Ham said:

"The Dominion Government has just issued an excellent pamphlet on the resources of New Brunswick, and this, with the one the company is preparinfi, should give this Province some prominence among the intending emigrants from the old world, and be an assistance to the Provincial Government in carrying on its campaign across the Atlantic.

"It is not to be expected that great results will immediately follow. It takes time to educate people on the advantages of any country, but there is every reason to anticipate that, once the good work is started—and a fair commencement has already been made—settlers will come in yearly in increasing numbers. New Brunswick's many resources should be attractive to those from the Old Country seeking new homes.

MAYOR BULLOCK AND ALDERMEN VANWART CHRISTIE AND M'GOLDRICK RETURNED BY ACCLAMATION; SCOVIL WAS NOT QUALIFIED

The nominations for the civic elections to be held on Tuesday next closed at 4 p. m. yesterday with the result that Mayor Bullock and three aldermen have been returned without opposition. The aldermen are Ald. Vanwart of Dukes Ward, Ald. McGoldrick, of Stanley Ward and Ald. Christie, of Wellington Ward. All were members of the old board and it hardly augurs success for the "Citizens' " Ticket that three of the men who were marked for defeat have been returned by acclamation.

It may also be noted that two of the aldermen so returned have decided Conservative leanings. They are Ald. Christie and Ald. Vanwart. The latter, according to the "shy suggestion" of a morning paper politically opposed to him, was considered to be worthy of retirement to private life.

Thirty-Four Candidates

Including His Worship Mayor Bullock there are thirty-four candidates in the field.

The nominees and their nominators are as follows:

Mayor

Thomas H. Bullock, nominated by L. G. Crosby, Fred C. Jones, J. A. Tilton, J. Hunter White, Geo. E. Barbour, and others.

Aldermen-At-Large

James W. Montgomery, nominated by A. F. Cassidy, L. L. Sharpe, W. Vassie, G. F. McLean, Chas. K. Cameron and others.

J. King Kelley, nominated by James Elliott, B. R. Macaulay, Geo. A. Weldon, Wm. F. Roberts, J. L. Thorne and others.

James V. Russell, nominated by W. E. Foster, R. B. Emerson, D. J. Purdy, Joseph Court, A. Sydney Spragg, W. Hawker and others.

James H. Frink, nominated by W. E. Foster, W. B. Tennant, John A. Sinclair, J. M. Robinson and W. G. J. Watson.

William Edward Scully, nominated by H. Colby Smith, Thos. Rippey, Chas W. Brannen, T. Donovan, D. F. Grady, and Alex. Wilson.

Frank Leslie Potts, nominated by E. M. Sipprell, John Russell, Jr., John A. Sinclair, J. J. Porter, Amon A. Wilson and others.

John Sime, nominated by Andrew Jack, A. A. Wilson, F. J. Wilson and others.

Henry L. McGowan, by John M. Robertson, Chas. T. Francis, John Johnson, Wm. Cameron and others.

DUKES WARD.

John W. Vanwart, nominated by Donaldson Hunt, Alex. W. Baird, John Jackson, Andrew Malcolm, Chris. J. Kane and A. D. Smith.

WELLINGTON WARD.

William A. Christie nominated by John H. Case, John A. Sinclair, ames Keenan, Richard Ratchford, K. J. MacRae and others.

STANLEY WARD.

John McGoldrick nominated by Patrick Kiervan, Fred Hector, Geo. Seely, Geo. E. Holder, Jr., J. C. McCluskey and others.

GUYS WARD.

William D. Baskin, nominated by H. Colby Smith, J. R. Webb, W. E. Emerson, H. L. Lingley, L. C. Prince and others.

James Frederick Belyea, nominated by C. E. Colwell, T. G. Allan, Beverley Belyea, John W. Giggey and A. N. Harned.

BROOKS WARD.

John Babington Macaulay Baxter, nominated by Norman P. McLeod, William J. Smith, E. R. W. Ingraham, Isaac Duffy, and Daniel Fitzgerald.

Frank Lincoln Kenny, nominated by C. H. Brannen, Alex. Wilson, S. J. Aide, Chas. J. Hayes, John Russell, Jr., W. E. Foster and others.

SYDNEY WARD.

Francis Kerr, nominated by C. Connolley, Wm. Shortis, Robt. Atchison, John McCluskey, H. C. Dalton and others.

William Lewis, nominated by R. G. Haley, H. Doherty, J. H. Wasson, W. A. Barnes and others.

PRINCE WARD.

George A. Knodell, nominated by Edmund Owens, T. J. McPherson, D. Monahan, E. S. Ritchie and others.

James Sproul nominated by James Garnett, W. L. Walsh, W. Knowlan and others.

DUFFERIN WARD.

John Willet, nominated by George W. Fleming, L. D. Millidge, Mitchel Farrell, W. A. Munro, Hugh Campbell and others.

Howard E. Codner, nominated by George Young and W. George Gray.

LANSDOWNE WARD.

Alexander M. Rowan, nominated by Wm. P. Court, D. J. Purdy, M. D. Sweeny, James Boyd, W. H. White, W. E. Gunter and others.

A. E. Havelock Wilson, nominated by F. A. Secord, W. A. Spence, Martin Duffy, J. C. Johnston and others.

VICTORIA WARD.

Robert R. Patchell, nominated by T. B. Robinson, Josiah Fowler, John Hannah, Wm. Young, W. E. Foster and others.

James Millican, nominated by Percy B. Evans, G. F. Matthew, H. H. Schaefer, H. H. James, H. C. Page and others.

Robert T. Hayes, nominated by H. B. Schofield, J. B. McLean, E. W. Patterson and others.

Wellington Green, nominated by Wm. Young, Jacob Wood, John Ferris and Robert McPherson.

LORNE WARD.

Isaiah W. Holder, nominated by E. A. Pidgeon, J. H. Colwell, B. Vanwart, W. A. Erb, Fred L. Corey and others.

Geo. E. Day, nominated by Chas. McDonald, C. F. Price, James Gault, D. H. Nase and others.

QUEENS WARD.

Edward C. Elkin, nominated by D. J. Brown, Alex. Macaulay, Fred A. Jones and R. M. Smith.

John Burley, nominated by Joseph Finley, W. B. Campbell, F. Fales, R. H. Sancton and others.

KINGS WARD.

Frank S. Purdy, nominated by Geo. H. Collins, R. W. Wigmore, E. P. McDonald, W. P. Dole, Chas. A. Clarke and others.

Timothy O'Brien, nominated by Harold Climo, E. J. McLaughlin, M. E. Grass, D. Fitzgerald and others.

J. A. Likely, nominated by Allan Rankine, W. A. Maclauchlan, Jas. M. Magee, H. C. Wetmore and others.

Ald. Vanwart.

Ald Vanwart last evening when interviewed by a Standard reporter stated that he was much surprised at the spirit of hostility to himself which a section of the press had displayed. He did not think that he merited such treatment. While at the Board he had always devoted himself to what he considered to be the best interests of the city. As head of the Department of Public Safety, he had kept the expenditure of that department within the estimate, a thing which had not been done for some time before he had assumed the position of chairman. During his term of office in the Common Council he had never been benefited in a business way by any city trade. Although a Conservative, party politics had never influenced his vote for the appointment of city officials. Engineer Murdoch, Chamberlain Lingley and Comptroller McIntyre and all received his support in their appoint-

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HUNDREDS HOMELESS, TOWN TERROR-STRICKEN, AS RESULT OF BAD FIRE IN ROCHESTER, N.Y.

Rochester, N. Y., April 13.—Fire, which broke out at 11 o'clock this morning in the Palmer Building, a four story brick structure devoted to manufacturing interests at Main and Gibbs streets, was the starting point of a $500,000 conflagration in Rochester today. The fires spread over a wide area, at one point jumping nearly a mile and starting a second series of fires of such proportions that the local fire department was for a time unable to cope with the situation.

Aid Summoned.

Aid was summoned from Buffalo and Syracuse, and both of these cities rushed companies to Rochester. By the time they arrived, however, the local firemen were masters of both fire areas. The outside companies were held on reserve duty in the centre of the city, every Rochester company having been called out by the long series of alarms.

Hundreds Homeless.

Hundreds of Rochester people were made homeless and tonight camped out near the scenes of the fires with whatever property they were able to save from their homes. Over them the local companies of militia stood guard having been ordered out in the afternoon by Major Edgerton.

Buildings which were destroyed include, besides the Palmer building and the Temple Berith Kodesh, the First Reform church of America, the Ward apartments, on Grove street, the First German Lutheran Zion church, and fifty residences. St. Patrick's Presbyterian church suffered some damage and there was heavy loss also in the Palmer lumber yards and to several small firms on Main street, eastward, joining the main Palmer buildings.

No Loss of Life.

There was no loss of life. Several firemen were injured by falling walls or overcome by smoke but none was seriously hurt.

The origin of the fire has not been determined. It was first seen from outside the Palmer building, sweeping across the third story, half of which was vacant. There was delay in sounding the alarm and when it came the firemen were busy with a small blaze at State street. Ten minutes more elapsed, it is said, before the firemen arrived and in that time the flames had spread from cellar to garret of the Palmer building. A twenty-five mile gale sent the sparks in a northwesterly direction over the city.

Girls Escaped.

On the second floor of the Palmer building, many girls were employed. Their escape was shut off on the stairways and the elevator shaft was a raging furnace, but the girls came down the fire escape in good order and passed on to safety.

There were many scenes of panic among the residents. One woman, Mary Kirschnamsky, of 119 Kelly St., went violently insane and was removed to the Rochester State Hospital. Draymen reaped a harvest removing goods to places of safety.

It was the last day of the Feast of the Passover and many of the Jewish residents of this part of the city interpreted the situation as the outward visible sign of the second coming of the Messiah. Men, women and children tore their hair and knelt in the street to pray.

Fires broke out so frequently in various spots in the Northeastern part of the city that companies could not be despatched to all of them. Volunteer brigades were formed and answered many of the calls, armed with garden hose or chemical apparatus.

Rochester Terror-stricken.

Tonight Rochester was terror-stricken. Today's fires are a culmination of an uninterrupted series of fires lasting for weeks, many of which have been charged to incendiarism.

Although both of today's fires were under control by three o'clock this afternoon, the flames were still smouldering throughout the evening in dozens of places. The wind continued to increase in velocity, and both firemen and police were compelled to do all night duty, assisted by the three companies of local militia. All were fearful that a fresh outbreak of the flames might come at any time.

LT.-GOVERNOR DENIES THAT HE WAS AWAY

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, N. B., April 13.—Lieutenant Governor Tweedie returned to the city today and later ordered the following self-explanatory telegram sent:—

"To the Editor of the Star, Montreal. —I am instructed by His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor of New Brunswick, to call your attention to an article in the Star of the 12th instant, alleging that he was in Montreal on that date or the previous day.

The Lieutenant Governor went to his home in Chatham on Thursday last to spend the Easter holidays returning to Fredericton today and was not out of the province during that time.

(Signed) R. S. BARKER.
Private secretary.

A ST. JOHN SCHOONER IS TAKEN OFF

Chatham, Mass., April 13—Taking advantage of a boisterous sea, and without the use of any motive power, the schooner Annie A. Booth, St. John, N. B., for Fall River, was floated from the furrow on Nauset beach sands in which she has rested since running ashore Saturday. An anchor attached to the schooner's windlass was the sole appliance which effected the schooner's release, although the revenue cutter Gresham had tried for three days to pull the vessel off. The schooner had been lightered of all the cargo of lumber. She was thus in a position to respond to each breaker which rolled up to her. As a wave hit the schooner, she was eased from the sand and lifted, and through means of the anchor, the wreckers were enabled to make her "walk to her cables" until she was soon in sufficent depth of water to float her.

The Booth is anchored tonight off Nauset beach bar, and will proceed tomorrow to Fall River. It is believed she will be able to make the trip under her own sail, although it is known that minor leaks have been sprung.

NEWSPAPER WINS SYDNEY LIBEL SUIT

Special to The Standard.

Sydney, April 13—In the Supreme Court today, before Judge Longley, the jury brought in a verdict for the defendant in the case of Dr. Kendall, M.P.P., against the Sydney Daily Post for alleged criminal libel. The action arose out of an article which appeared in the Post previous to the Dominion election, which contained the following:

"Dr. Kendall was induced to forego the nomination for the south riding of Cape Breton for a consideration."

THE COURT CONSIDERS.

Cambridge, Mass., April 13 —After hearing arguments, Judge Chas. U. Bell, of the Superior Court, late today, took under advisement a motion made by counsel for Chester S. Jordan, of Somerville, indicted on a charge of having murdered his wife, Hon ora, that they be permitted to view various exhibits in the case. District Attorney John J. Higgins, opposed the motions. It is expected that Judge Bell will render his decision tomorow.

WOMEN OF SIX COMMUNIONS IN BIG MEETING

Women of the Church of England, Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, Congregational and Christian churches of the city united in a missionary mass meeting which was held in St. Stephen's Presbyterian church, last evening. Representatives were present from Women's Missionary Societies in each of the city churches of the denominations mentioned.

It was formerly the custom of this interdenominational organization, the same which holds the afternoon meetings during the week of prayer, to meet once in each quarter of the year. An annual meeting only will be held in the future. The Easter meeting will, however, be continued.

Mrs. (Rev.) W. E. McIntyre, president of the union, presided at Tuesday's meeting, which was marked by a very large attendance.

Mrs. Robert Jameson read a paper entitled "Acceptable Offerings."

Mrs. (Rev.) David Hutchison read a paper on "Woman's Work for Woman."

Miss Johnson contributed a vocal solo. The musical portion of the programme was under the direction of Mrs. (Rev.) Gordon Dickie.

To Discuss Civic Affairs.

Alderman Baxter will hold meetings on the following nights this week for the purpose of discussing civic politics. Thursday at City Hall, West End; Friday at Keith's Assembly Rooms and Saturday at the Temple of Honor Hall, North End. Dr. Kenney has been invited to speak also at the City Hall West End on Thursday evening.

JOE MARTIN WILL RUN.

London, April 13.—Joseph Martin, ex-Premier of British Columbia, has been nominated as the Liberal candidate for the Stratford-on-Avon vacancy in the House of Commons caused by the resignation of Malcolm Kincaid Smith.

SKULL FOUND ON BEACH AT ALMS HOUSE

A gruesome find was made on Good Friday by two young men named James Sullivan and Harry Andrews while they were strolling along the beach near the Alms House. In a pool Sullivan observed a curious looking object which on examination proved to be a human skull. The upper jaw with teeth still in it adhered to the skull, but was broken off when the latter was moved.

On Sunday the two young men again went to the spot, and found that the tide had swept the skull some distance from the place where they had left it. They brought it to the city and yesterday Sullivan exhibited the find to a Standard reporter.

There is some conjecture as to where the skull would come from. That it is a relic of some shipwreck seems out of the question. Mr. Clarence Ward, Mayor's Clerk, informed the Standard that in the early days of St. John paupers were sometimes buried at this spot. It is possible the skull was from a pauper's grave destroyed by the sea.

CHAMPLAIN STEAMS FIRST; THE RIVER ICE

The steamer Champlain was the first of the river boats to sail this season. She got under way yesterday afternoon and went on a short trip to test her engines, after which she steamed through the falls and to Hilyard's blocks, where she will lie until she has her bottom painted. Her engines worked well and after her bottom is attended to she will be ready for steady work on the river.

Public to Devil's Back Solid.

Unless there is rain heavy enough to raise the river heavily within a very short time, it will be the 20th of the month, or later, before the river is open.

Mr. Wagner, of Sand Point, who sailed to Indiantown yesterday, told The Standard that the lower line between ice and water extended from Carter's Point, on the east side of the river, to Public Landing, on the west side.

From Public Landing to the Devil's Back there is six miles of very solid ice which has not moved as yet.

REVOLUTION BREAKS OUT IN TURKEY; BLOOD IS SHED; THE SITUATION IS SERIOUS

London, April 13.—Turkey's pathway towards constitutional government will apparently, not be traversed without bloodshed. Today's news from Constantinople reports another successful revolutionary movement, which, so far as the obscure nature of the despatches thus far received allows one to judge, has been directed primarily against the new despotism of the committee of union and progress and in the second place, against the demands of the Young Turks party for freedom in religion.

Revolution Sure.

London, April 14.—The Times says: "Late despatches from our correspondent at Constantinople show that a revolution of the most formidable sort has broken out. Not only has the ministry been overthrown one minister being killed and another wounded, but the life of the President of the Chamber is in extreme danger and the leaders of the Committee of Union and Progress itself are hiding.

"The place of the latter body has been taken by the rival organization, to which able Ulemas men learned in sacred law, belong. The Jamyet I. Mohammedieh, the Mohammedan union are now masters of the capital and have behind them the whole rank and file of the First Army Corps and a large majority of the armed Moslems of the populace.

Deputy Killed.

Constantinople, April 14.—Deputy Emir Arslan was killed on his way to the house in mistake for Mussein Jahid. Reports of the killed places the number as high as 17 and the wounded at 30 or more. There is a report current also that the Minister of Justice, Refik Pasha, has been murdered and the Minister of Marine and the Minister of War have been taken prisoner by the murderers.

COMMISSION WILL VISIT BARROOMS

Yesterday's meeting of the License Commissioners was so quiet compared with similar meetings of other years that the chairman, Col. Blaine remarked upon it. Only two gentlemen appeared before the commissioners to protest and they departed perfectly satisfied.

Will Visit Bars

After the public session the commissioners held a meeting in private at which the applications were talked over. It was decided to defer further consideration until April 20. In the meantime Inspector Jones and the commissioners will visit the various bar-rooms to see what alterations will have to be made in them to comply with the provisions of the new license law. The visitation will begin today.

The commissioners at the meeting were, Col. Blaine and Mr. Florence McCarthy. Commissioner Linton was away from the city. Martin Dolan, Dr. A. W. MacRae, H. B. Schofield and Mr. McLaughlin were also present.

Protest Re M. Harding

H. B. Schofield and Mr. McLaughlin protested against granting Matthew Harding a license for the second saloon at the corner of Millidge street and Paradise Row. They appeared on behalf of the Mission church.

Col. Blaine said that all protests should have been in four days before the meeting.

Mr. Schofield argued that provision for verbal protest was contained in the license act.

Dr. MacRae explained that Mr. Harding was not applying for a second saloon license. He was merely moving from his present premises to a building owned by him. The liquor business at Mr. Harding's present stand was to be discontinued.

The explanation was satisfactory to Messrs. McLaughlin and Schofield.

SUDDEN DEATH OF A FORMER HALIFAX MAN

Special to The Standard.

Halifax, N. S., April 13—A cable was received tonight from Scotland announcing the death of Rev. Thomas Fowler, a former well known clergyman of this city. Mr. Fowler was for 17 years pastor of St. Matthews church. He resigned in September, 1908, and in company with his sister returned to his home in Scotland and while continuing in active work of the church there, was taken suddenly ill and died this morning. When Lieutenant Governor Fraser, who was a member of Mr. Fowler's congregation visited Scotland with the Canadian curlers, he spent a pleasant day with his old pastor. Mr. Fowler was 60 years of age.

WAS ELECTED PRESIDENT.

New York, N. Y., April 13.—Judge E. C. Gary was elected president of the Automobile Club of America, at its annual election held tonight.