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DR. CARMAN FOR PURE POLITICS.

Stirring Address by Methodist General Superintendent.

No Party Whips When Great Social Questions Are Up—Statistics, Reports, Election of Officers and Missionary Rally Thursday.

A stirring address by the general superintendent, Rev. D. Carman, the election of a new president and other officers, transaction of a large amount of general business and a hearty meeting in the features of Thursday's session of the Methodist conference. There were eighty-two ministers and 35 lay delegates at yesterday morning's session and more arrived during the day.

At the morning session there was an address by Rev. Dr. Stewart and officers were then elected as follows: President, Rev. J. C. Berrie; secretary, Rev. A. D. McCully, B. D.; statistical secretary, Rev. Harry Harrison; journal secretary, Rev. G. M. Young; assistant secretary, Rev. H. E. Thomas and Rev. J. M. Rice.

A communication from the British and Foreign Bible Society regarding the celebration of the society's jubilee was referred to a committee.

A vote of thanks for the manner in which the duties of the president had been performed, was tendered Rev. Wm. Harrison on his retirement. Rev. Mr. Harrison replied briefly.

Business of Afternoon Session. At 3 o'clock conference resumed business.

Mr. A. N. Basson, of Toronto, corresponding secretary of the Dominion W. C. T. U., wrote relative to the anti-suffrage bill. Mr. Carman said the provincial acts on this question had proven worthless and said the American tobacco trust was opposing legislation at Ottawa. He asked the conference to take action.

This was referred to the committee on temperance and moral reform.

D. A. Morrison, secretary of the Maritime Union, Christian Endeavorers, wrote concerning a joint meeting here in September. This was referred to the Epworth League committee.

A letter from J. Roy Campbell relative to Simonds church property was referred to the church property committee.

General conference financial reports were read and filed.

H. F. Albright wrote offering to take a group picture of the conference. It was arranged to have the picture taken at 12:30 o'clock today.

J. Hunter White asked Dr. Carman to give a ruling on section 173 as to make up of the annual district meeting. In electing laymen, he asked, was there to be a layman to represent a supernumerary as well as a minister or probationer in active work?

Dr. Carman thought the proper officers should settle these points at their proper time. Continued on page 3, fifth column.

MARCONI WIRELESS SYSTEM SHARPLY CRITICISED BY EMINENT ELECTRICIANS

Sir William Preece Says That There Is Not a System in Existence That Will Carry Fifty Miles Overland—Alexander Siemens Thinks That the Scheme Will Be All Right.

Montreal, June 18—(Special)—A special London cable says: "Canada, being officially recommended for Italian farm emigrants, the Italian consul in London is being asked by numerous correspondents in Italy whether there is any opening for Italian emigrants in British agricultural districts. He sends a report to the emigration bureau at Rome that agricultural employment is too unsteady and too little paid in England and all farming too heavily handicapped by foreign competition. Italian emigrants, he says, should go to the British colonies.

"The house of commons' acceptance last night without division of Austen Chamberlain's motion approving the new Canadian Pacific mail contract to the far east for five years from April 7, 1901, indicates that the British government accepts the Canadian government's assurance that an Atlantic fast mail service will be established at the earliest possible moment.

"Mr. Caldwell alone spoke. He said he hoped the postmaster-general would take the first opportunity to terminate the contract. Austen Chamberlain made no reply and the motion was at once accepted.



REV. DR. A. CARMAN, General Superintendent of the Methodist Church in Canada.

METHODISTS OF NOVA SCOTIA IN CONFERENCE.

Twentieth Annual Session Opened at Sydney Thursday.

Report of Mount Allison Institutions Shows a Balance on the Right Side of \$1,064—Rev. W. H. Langille Elected President.

Sydney, N. S., June 18—(Special)—The first session of the twentieth annual conference of the Methodist church in Nova Scotia was held in Jubilee Methodist church here this morning, nearly 100 of the delegates, including ministers and laymen, besides a number of members of the church in this town, being present.

The first business of importance which came before the meeting was the reading of the address of the president, Rev. Mr. Hoeking. Referring to the work of the year, the president said we have nothing to boast of and many things to make us anxious. The increase in membership during the year as shown by his report was 270, the figures being 18,543 for this year against 18,273 for last.

After the retiring president's report was read the election of another president was taken up and Rev. W. H. Langille, of Halifax, was appointed to the senate, to take the place of ex-senator Masson. Mr. Davidson, of Bridgewater, was chosen for secretary. The next order of business was the report of the stationing committee.

Rev. Dr. Latham, chairman of the board of regents of Mount Allison College, presented the financial statement of that institution. The university expenditure was \$22,746, the receipts \$21,682, leaving a balance of \$1,064 in favor of the institution.

Dr. Latham said the department of theology was the cause of the deficit in university, for the endowment was not yet completed.

The rest of the day was spent in routine work. Two sessions are to be held daily, the first beginning at 9 a. m. and the second at 2 p. m.

L. A. DAVID SUCCEEDS EX-SENATOR MASSON.

Ottawa, June 18—(Special)—At a meeting of the cabinet today, L. O. David, city clerk of Montreal, and a gentleman of high literary attainments, was appointed to the senate, to take the place of ex-senator Masson. Mr. Davidson was also appointed to the senate.

He accepted it at the request of the premier and Mr. Prentiss.

There is still one vacancy in the senate to fill, the place made vacant by the death of Senator O'Brien, Montreal.

A. R. BALLOCH DEAD AT HORN COTTAGE

Was a Well-known Resident of the County of York.

A WILL CASE.

Two Operations at the Hospital—A Quiet Wedding—Death at Marysville—Authorized to Solemnize Marriage.

Fredricton, June 18—(Special)—In the circuit court today, in Fredericton, the executor of the will of William Gibson, deceased, was considered. The change was made under duress of law. The case was given to the jury at 3:30. They disagreed and were discharged.

Rev. Edwin A. Miller, of Chapman, Queens county, and Rev. J. W. A. Nicholson, of St. John, have been authorized to solemnize marriage.

Thomas Boyce, an employee of the Farmer office, was yesterday afternoon operated on for appendicitis at Victoria hospital. The patient is doing well today.

Mr. Nelson has suffered with this foot for some years, having had it frozen. A quiet wedding took place at the residence of Alfred Davidson, engineer at the shoe factory, on York street last evening, when his youngest daughter, Janie, was led to the matrimonial altar by Herbert W. Leslie, of this city.

The death occurred at Maryville last evening after an illness of about five months duration, of Grace A. M. Stephenson, wife of Alex. Stephenson, a well-known contractor and a short time ago deceased was 21 years of age and had only been married a short time. She was a daughter of R. H. Atkinson, of Harcourt, Kent county.

A very widely known and highly respected citizen passed away in the person of Alexander Rainford Balloch, whose death occurred early this morning at his home, Horn Cottage, Kingslear, after an illness of long duration. Deceased gentleman had been a sufferer for a long time with internal troubles and a short time ago underwent an operation in the hopes that some relief might be obtained in his suffering.

Deceased gentleman was born at Woodville, December 10, 1840, and was thus 63 years of age. He was a son of the late John Balloch, a former well known resident of Woodville. He was married to Elizabeth, who was a daughter of Mr. Thomson, who owned large lands in the province of Quebec.

After the death of Edward and Elizabeth Balloch, the late Mr. Balloch removed to Horn Cottage at Kingslear where he has since resided with his family. He still continued his business at Edmundston and looked after the Seigney until incapacitated by his recent illness.

Deceased was a brother of the late Sir John Balloch, who died in 1880, and also of William, who resides at Florenville. A half-sister, Mrs. Main, resides at Montreal.

Mr. Balloch married Miss Monson, of Queensbury, formerly a school teacher in this county and highly estimable, who survives him. Her sister, Mrs. Hodgson, of Edmundston, is with her in her bereavement. A family of four daughters and two sons also survive to mourn their loss. One daughter, Miss Rachel, is a recent graduate of the U. N. B. One son, Roy, is in the army and is looking after his father's business at Edmundston, and managing the Seigney at Quebec and for his several holdings he was complimented by his owner.

Lowell Strikers Sue for Terms.

Lowell, Mass., June 18—After a struggle of nearly three months, it appears that the Lowell strikers have won their fight for an increase of ten per cent. in wages in the cotton mills, and are willing to declare the general strike which was inaugurated March 20.

This afternoon at one of their regular meetings, the agents discussed a communication from the Lowell Council, which is regarded as an advance report for peace. Strikers are not inclined to discuss the message, referring to even acknowledge that it was sent, but the men, while unwilling to give the message, are willing to accept it on its merits.

The main purpose of the strikers' union is to secure a conference, but in addition to this it contains a suggestion that the operators be allowed to work for a week, but the strikers have refused to do so. This proposition meets with a flat refusal from the manufacturers, who say that they would not be willing to re-open a factory when the gates were re-opened a fortnight ago, and refused it.

King Peter Starts Holiday for His New Job.

Geneva, June 18—King Peter's departure for Belgrade has been fixed for next Monday evening. He will travel direct, without stopping at Vienna, and will arrive in Belgrade on Wednesday.

CLOSING BEGINS AT ST. JOSEPH'S

University's Thirty-ninth Annual Commencement Under Way.

MOST PROSPEROUS YEAR.

Best in the History of the Institution—The Alumni Dinner—Base Ball Games—1002-03 Dies Out This Forenoon—A Review.

St. Joseph, N. B., June 18—The skies are silver and gray over the Memramcook valley, but their threatening aspect causes no depression of spirits, or any other cultural incidents of the district, or the nine or ten score youths who for the past ten months have made their home at Memramcook's most famous landmark, the University of St. Joseph's College. The farmers have been praying for rain and will welcome a steady downpour of two or three days' duration; the students are in the happy frame of mind in which neither rain, hail, snow or even a genuine northwest blizzard could avail to dampen their spirits.

The beginning of the end of the academic year at St. Joseph's, and you can't by any combination of adjectives or terms, describe the exuberant joy with which the multitudinous undergraduate hails the advent of his annual vacation, two full months of delightful holidays.

So, as to whether the weather clerk is really resolved to drop sympathetic tears on the corpse of 1902-03, or is merely putting up a bluff, the student body seems practically indifferent. Rain or shine, they all go home tomorrow, and see has only to recall his boyhood days to realize that "going home" means far more than any such trifling considerations as adverse wind or weather. The home-thought is a mental delight, a heavenly process of the college boy's packing up. And the college boy at St. Joseph's, especially this year, is very much in evidence.

The terminal examinations at St. Joseph's were held at 6 o'clock last morning. The examination was held in the study halls where were deposited their formidable array of books, and rooms and dormitories were soon witnessing the diligent study process of the college boy's packing up. And the college boy at St. Joseph's, especially this year, is very much in evidence.

A Good Year.

In many respects, 1902-03 has been the most prosperous of the thirty-nine years of St. Joseph's institution. Not only has the number of students enrolled reached the unprecedented figure of 229, but the average last year throughout the school year has been notably in excess of that of previous sessions. While the fees for board and tuition at the university are so low (only \$10 per month), the school has not only met its expenses, but has a surplus of \$10,000.

It is possible, still, that the fact that the Fathers of the Holy Cross who conduct the institution are religiously minded, and that they are not in it for the money, is a factor in the success of the school.

Electrical Plant to be Installed.

During the present summer, for instance, there is to be installed an electric light plant. William O'Leary, an electrician at present doing business as an electrical engineer and contractor in Montreal, has the control of the work, and his plans are being carried out. The facilities for acquiring a practical, working, a speaking-a-well-reading knowledge of French and English are unrivalled here, and most students recognize the unquestionable advantages of being able to express themselves pleasantly in conversation or in public address in another tongue than their own.

The dramatic societies have done their full share in making the year an enjoyable one as well as a profitable one. Lefebvre hall during the past ten months has been the scene of several excellent exhibitions of histrionic talent. The hall itself is well worth seeing, containing what is, according to the unanimous verdict of visitors throughout the year has also been most elegant auditorium in the province, not excepting the St. John Opera House and the Halifax Academy of Music.

It is especially to be noted that the fact that, with entrance tickets at twenty-five cents, the theatre was filled to capacity.

Some of the "gems" of his speech yesterday were the following:

"I give the Americans credit for always speaking well of themselves, while detesting their very existence. If ever I say a word in favor of the United States I will expect my U. S. L. ancestors to rise up from their graves and tell me that I am a traitor to my country."

"The constitution of the United States is a jumble of tyrannies and I would prefer the tyranny of Algiers to that of the States. In Algiers you only have one tyrant, but in the States you have the tyranny of congress for two years, the tyranny of the senate for six years, the tyranny of the president for four years, and the Supreme court that bosses them all eternally and forever."

"I am glad to see that the government has got out a map which shows the immensity of this country. When my little boy says to me: 'Pa, the United States is gone now; we are sitting on it in Canada.'"

"God send Sir John Macdonald and Sir Charles Tupper like the prophets of old, but they were treated like John the Baptist and the people refused to take the bread of eternal life from them."

"I am very proud to be an Englishman, but it is of the English race of forty to fifty years ago. Thank God there is new vigor coming into the race today through Mr. Chamberlain's efforts."

"A most insulting thing never happened to a sea-loving people like the Anglo-Saxons than to have all our coast from 54.40 up to Alaska stolen by a lot of greedy Yankees. They call themselves statesmen, but I would be sorry to see them."

GOURLEY ON THE WARPATH AGAIN.

Member for Colchester Re-wives His Tirade Against Uncle Sam.

WILD STATEMENTS.

The Erratic "Scrap" Wants 50,000 Miles of Railroads Built in Next Ten Years, and G. T. R. Road to Portland Torn Up—More Serious Business of Thursday's House.

Ottawa, June 18—(Special)—In the house today Major Fowler asked if T. J. Schell, M. P., for Glengarry, was a partner in the firm of Matherson & Schell, who applied goods to the department of agriculture.

The minister of agriculture had no information as to the personal of the firm. The firm's name was mentioned as getting \$2.50 in the shipping charges for a report.

The Canadian Northern Railway resolutions were called for by a government guarantee of bonds to the amount of \$13,000 a mile the minister of railways announced a statement showing that the line to Edmonton, according to engineers' reports, will cost with the necessary equipment \$18,301 a mile and the branch to Prince Albert \$18,850 a mile. This makes provision in both cases for equipment and rolling stock of \$3,000 a mile.

Mr. Barker was afraid the resolution did not sufficiently protect the government in the event of its being called upon to pay the interest. He wanted a promise that the contract would be submitted to parliament before it was completed.

Hon. Mr. Blair did not feel justified in undertaking to do so. He expressed the opinion that parliament should deal with the matter, and that the government should not act too stringently in enforcing its policy of secure in case of default.

Mr. Gourley advocated a policy of building railways by the thousands of miles. He declared the country to be almost a desert, and that it was his duty to see that it was not so.

Mr. Gourley's remarks were met with a storm of protest. Mr. G. T. R. said that it was his duty to see that the country was not so desolate, and that it was his duty to see that the country was not so desolate.

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KINGS AND ALBERT IN ONE CONSTITUENCY.

Redistribution Committee Settles the Question.

Mr. Fowler, M. P., Objects to the Union—P. E. Island to Have Only Four Members, and Nova Scotia's Membership Reduced to Eighteen.

Ottawa, June 18—The redistribution committee met this morning for the first time in public. Mr. Hyman occupied the chair. There was a large attendance of the committee. Prince Edward Island was proceeded with.

Mr. Letourgue (Conservative) said that the island should not be divided according to its population. A mass meeting had passed a resolution to this effect. He understood that the idea was to divide the province according to county boundaries. Queens was too small for two members and Prince too large for one.

Mr. Mackinnon (Liberal) agreed with Mr. Letourgue. He asked that the island get the six members to which it was entitled.

Mr. Mackinnon (Liberal) supported the proposition that the island should have six members. He, however, proceeded to show what he thought should be done in the way of redistribution. He contended that the best way would be to adhere to county lines. It would suit all parties.

Mr. Hughes (Liberal) said that provisions for the island were carried on according to counties, and the fair and reasonable way was to follow this course in dividing out the political ridings. It would be in the political interest of the government to cut the province up so as to carry all the ridings, but he opposed any such course.

In reply to Mr. Hyman, Mr. Letourgue said it would be impossible to divide up the island without splitting up Summersville, and also Queens without dividing Charlottetown.

Mr. Mackinnon admitted this, but to do so would make rather peculiar looking constituencies.

Mr. Letourgue believed that it would be best to adhere to county boundaries, and that what Queens he was electing, should be split up into two members, and that Kings and Prince have one member each.

Mr. Borden acquiesced on the ground that it had been determined to adhere to county boundary lines.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Mackinnon then moved that Nova Scotia be taken up, which was done.

Mr. Mackinnon said that the province of Nova Scotia should have only one member instead of two, and that the county of Victoria be added to Cape Breton, forming the county of Cape Breton and Victoria.

Mr. Borden pointed out that it would be better to join Victoria with Richmond, although he admitted there would be objections to that at the time it did not join. However, he would reserve his objections and the motion was adopted, which gives eighteen members to Nova Scotia instead of twenty.

When New Brunswick was taken up, Mr. Borden said that it had been suggested to join Albert and Kings. He had suggested joining Albert to St. John county instead, to provide for the necessary reduction of one member in the province.

Mr. Fowler was heard in regard to this. He favored the joining of Albert to St. John county instead of to Kings.

Mr. Hyman pointed out that the community of interest would not be the same between Albert and Kings.

Mr. Fowler showed that as far as population was concerned it would be better to have the matter stood over and British Columbia was taken up.

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MAY SUCCEED LATE SENATOR O'BRIEN.

Ottawa, June 18—(Special)—It is reported tonight that H. J. Glavin, of Montreal, stands a good chance of the vacant senatorship, in place of the late Senator O'Brien.

GOVERNMENT MAY DROP IRISH LAND MEASURE.

London, June 18—Further consideration of the Irish land bill by parliament has been adjourned until June 29. There is some talk of convening another Irish convention to consider the future attitude of the Nationalist party towards the bill.

The Daily Mail understands that the government has threatened to withdraw the measure unless some agreement is arrived at with the Irish party on the vital points.

The free trade vs. protection fight is beginning to become active, both inside and outside of parliament. Both sides are organizing their forces. The Liberal papers this morning point to the enormous success of the Socialist party at the German elections as the direct result of the workmen's dissatisfaction with protection and dear food.

MANY NEW BRUNSWICK VESSELS DAMAGED BY STORM

Vineyard Haven, Mass., June 18—Schoner Victor (Br.), Post Johnson for Yarmouth (N. S.), before reported ashore on east side of harbor, was floated at high water this evening after lightening a portion of the cargo of coal and anchored in the harbor. She sustained no apparent injury.

The schooner Cuba (Br.), Edgewater for Yarmouth (N. S.) arrived here this morning and reports while getting under way near Handkerchief Shoal, yesterday, she broke casing to the windlass and will have to repair before proceeding.

Schooner Mary E. (Br.), Dorchester (N. B.) for orders, arrived here today and reports that on the 15th inst. she was driven at with the Irish party on the vital points.

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