

DISCUSSION ON QUEEN'S.

Assembly's Amendment to the Committee's Report.

Discussion Over Suggested Liquor Legislation.

Race-track Gambling—Pringle and Black Commended.

Winnipeg despatch: By working vigorously until the approach of midnight, the thirty-fourth General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church came to a conclusion to-night. An immense amount of business was transacted during the day, and many heavy topics were passed in review, including the temperance issue. The report on it favored prohibition wherever possible, and where it could not be secured, the elimination of the element of private gain from the liquor traffic.

The report of the special committee appointed to consult Dr. Wilbur Chapman on the subject of evangelism was received. It was suggested that a committee be appointed to consider the question of evangelism at length and report at the next Assembly; that a letter of thanks for the offers of co-operation and assistance be sent to the Evangelistic Committee of the Presbyterian Church of the United States, and these recommendations were approved. The committee will be divided into three sections, representing western, central and eastern Canada. Dr. D. McAvish, Toronto, is Convener of the central section. A recommendation that the Assembly approve officially simultaneous campaigns to be undertaken in Vancouver, Hamilton and Halifax was voted down.

Ministers From Other Countries.

The committee to consider applications of ministers from other churches gave a report, and twenty-four of these were accepted. Most of the balances were held over for further information. Those accepted included Revs. W. Black, Ottawa Presbyterian; J. R. Black, Kingston; J. F. Malcolm, Whitby; John Gray, W. B. Cooper, H. S. Kerr, Toronto; A. Shepherd, Barrie; A. E. Mitchell, North Bay; M. V. Campbell, Owen Sound; M. P. Cray, Sarnia.

Relation of Queen's.

On resumption of the Queen's debate Rev. M. Knowles, Galt, was granted permission to displace the amendment moved by him last night, and also the amendment moved by Dr. Campbell, with a new amendment, which read as follows:

"The General Assembly having heard the memorial of the Senate transmitted by the Board of Trustees of Queen's University and the report of the special committee on the subject, reaffirm the position taken by the Assembly in 1904, and remit the memorial to the trustees to consider what steps may be taken to provide retiring allowances for aged and infirm professors as the case may arise."

Professor McNaughton, who leaves Queen's for McGill, and Rev. Thurlow Fraser, Portage la Prairie, pleaded earnestly for the adoption of the report as it stood.

Dr. Herridge, Ottawa, denied firmly that there is any serious proposal to separate Queen's from the Church. They would not do it if they could, he said, and they could not if they would.

Dr. Milligan also supported the report, pointing out the enormous financial difficulties which now beset the institution. The charge must come, but Queen's would be as Presbyterian in genius as ever.

Several other commissioners spoke, and then Prof. Laird, financial agent of Queen's, offered arguments against the report. He contended the increasing revenue would take care of the retiring allowances as well as the work of the institution, while the acceptance of the Carnegie proposition meant that all Presbyterian control should be removed.

Principal Patrick closed the discussion and maintained strongly the position taken in introducing the report. He regarded the Assembly as a most unamiable body in which to settle the question, and the value of the report lay in the fact that the Assembly was not committed to any course. Queen's, and Queen's alone, he said, should solve the whole problem. The Presbyterianism of Queen's was not dependent on the wording of the charter, but drew inspiration from its men. The committee insisted that the connection between the Church and the theological faculty should be as strong as ever.

On a vote being taken the amendment offered by Mr. Knowles was carried by 65 to 47.

The main motion, as amended, was then carried by 67 to 53.

Principal Gordon, of Queen's University, presented the report of the endowment of that institution. Gratification was expressed at the progress made in the efforts to raise a fund of half a million dollars.

The rest of the report of the Committee on Social and Moral Reform approved the formation of a social and moral reform council for the Dominion, and the committee's association and co-operation with it, commended the idea of a patriotic Sunday and urged its general observance, authorized the committee to call itself the Board of Social and Moral Reform, and appeal to the Church for \$100,000 for the current year and spend the sum so raised. It also deplored the prevalence of the gambling spirit and the encouragement that spirit received from the interpretation put upon the criminal code in a recent decision by which professional race

track betting was declared legal, and rejoiced to learn of the probability that the Dominion Government is about to ask Parliament to amend the code so as to prohibit the said betting, and urged that this be done before the close of the present session.

The only discussion created was in connection with the Social Moral Reform Council of the Dominion, made up of a number of bodies, religious and otherwise.

The constitution was carefully explained by Dr. Shearer and the clauses were adopted.

The final report of the committee, which was unanimously adopted, was as follows: "The General Assembly gratefully acknowledges the fearless stand for purity and righteousness of life taken by our missionaries on the frontier, and especially Drs. Pringle and Grant in the Yukon, and expresses its continued confidence and esteem for the brethren who are thus rendering noble service to the Church and country for their fearless denunciation of vice and fight for righteous government. Further, the Assembly rejoices at the improved conditions of the Yukon as revealed by the report of the committee."

The report of the Sabbath Observance Committee was received and cordially approved.

Rev. Alfred Gandier made an excellent address in presenting the report of the Committee on Systematic Giving.

A large number of reports were considered rapidly during the evening session. These included the widows and orphans' fund (western section), church and manse building fund, Presbyterian Record, Hymnal Committee, method of appointing standing committees, protection of Church property and uniformity of worship.

PRESIDENT JAILED.

Latest Move in the Bank of St. John Affair.

Montreal, June 15.—An important move was made in the Bank of St. John affairs to-night when Hon. Philippe Roy, former President of the bank, was arrested on a charge of making false returns to the Government. It is alleged that in the current loan columns of the returns sent to the Government were found promissory notes long since outlived, which are without any value whatever. The arrest was made through Crown Prosecutor Hibbard, who acted under instructions from the Attorney-General.

Mr. Roy was allowed out on bail of \$2,000, and will be tried as soon as the necessary steps can be taken. It is said that the liabilities of the bank amount to over \$500,000, and the assets to not more than \$200,000. Mr. Roy is personally very wealthy, being the owner of the St. John's waterworks and electric light plant, and other industries in the town and Province. He was Speaker of the last Provincial Legislature, and ran for Mayor of Montreal last February, being defeated by Mr. Louis Payette.

THE TAFT BOOM.

Hughes Also Has a Boomlet Before Convention.

Chicago, June 15.—To-night will see the end of the long drawn out series of contests waged for seats in the Republican National Convention before the National Committee of the party. Despite the action of the committee, which has already resulted in the seating of at least 539 delegates favorable to Taft, there was a revival of presidential "booms" to-day. The friends of Governor Hughes, of New York, showed especial activity.

HIS SECOND ESCAPE.

Frank Carter Gets Away From Cornwall Jail.

Cornwall, June 15.—Frank Carter, a diamond thief, who was recently sentenced to six months in the Central Prison for the theft of a ring, escaped from jail a couple of weeks ago, but was recaptured at Newington and had four months added to his sentence. This evening about 7 o'clock he made another successful break for liberty. Along with another prisoner he was outside the walls, spiking the Court House lawn with a garden hose.

CABMAN MURDERED.

Found Dead in Lock Near Ottawa With Wounds on Head.

An Ottawa despatch: Alfred Bonenfant, a middle-aged man, cab driver for Medrie Landreville, this city, was found dead in his cab on the Aylmer road, near Hull, at midnight, under circumstances which point to murder. The man was called to get a load at a well known resort about 9:30, and after that nothing is known of his movements, until he was found in the back, with the horse travelling back towards the city, two hours later. The man's skull was fractured and his face gashed.

The police theory is that he was attacked and wounded by some parties, and then thrown into the back, and the horse started off towards Ottawa. He leaves a widow and three children.

DEAR MEAT IN BRITAIN.

Prices Advanced From a Penny to Two-pence Per Pound.

London, June 15.—Owing to the depletion of the cattle supply in the United States and Canada and the shortage in the United Kingdom, the Federal Meat Trade Association have given notice of an increase in retail prices from a penny to two-pence per pound.

SHOT WIFE, THEN HIMSELF.

Murder and Suicide Near New Linkeard.

Shooter's Wife Died in Her Father's Arms.

She Had Decided to Part From Her Husband.

Earlton despatch: A shocking tragedy occurred in this vicinity when a man named Jas. Marshall shot his wife through the heart and then put a bullet through his own brain. The murdered woman fell lying into the arms of her aged father. The details are harrowing. The victim was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Absalom Gray, who lived with their son, Mr. Nathan Gray, on his farm in Armstrong Township, about a mile from the town of Earlton. Mr. Gray is 66 years of age. He is prostrated with grief. Mrs. Gray, who is 67 years of age, is visiting in Niagara Falls. Other members of the murdered woman's family are: Jas. H. Gray, a brother, who lives some three miles distant from the scene of the shooting in Beauchamp Township; Edwin J. Gray, of Niagara Falls; Mrs. M. E. Meaney, of Tillsonburg; Mrs. S. Shortt, who lives in Beauchamp Township, two miles away, and Nathan M. Gray, who owns the farm upon which the deed was committed.

The late Mrs. Marshall was only 24 years of age. The couple were married in Lewiston five years ago next August. The engagement was not a happy one, however. Marshall was attached to an American regiment at Lewiston, and he has never had a home really of his own. They came to this country something over a year ago, and the man did prospect work or farmed in the neighborhood. The wife lived with her relatives, the Grays. Then they went to the Falls, returning on December 17th last. Marshall worked with his brother-in-law, Jas. Gray, and the old people, Absalom Gray and Mrs. Gray. Quarrels were frequent. Marshall told Jas. Gray not to be surprised if there was murder committed some time at Nathan's place, and frequently talked of taking his own life. There was little intimacy attached to his words, however, for he was a nervous, irritable man.

About a week ago the trouble reached a crisis, and the late Mrs. Marshall told her husband to "save, that she would have nothing more to do with him. Marshall went to the Falls. It was there that he evidently planned the desperate deed. He wrote his wife from North Bay that he would turn over a new leaf, and that if she would take him back he would be a better man. On Tuesday Mrs. Marshall received a letter, in which her husband stated that he would not be back for a year. Already he was on the train, with a loaded revolver in his pocket. Marshall arrived in Earlton on the Cobalt special at 10:30 o'clock, and loitered about until the noon. He was evidently waiting till the men would have left the house.

About 1 o'clock when Absalom Gray was working in the field logging he noticed Marshall stealing along the bush line towards the house. The old man was convinced that Marshall's return was for no good purpose. He left his work and followed him to the house. When he was within a few feet of the house four shots rang out in quick succession. The old man rushed into the house to find his son-in-law dead on the floor, and to receive his dying daughter in his arms. "He's killed me, father," she cried. "No, no," answered the poor old man, "you are not killed." "Yes, I'm killed. Kiss me, father; I'm dying," said the daughter, and she sank to the floor as the aged father imprinted his farewell on her forehead.

LOST HIS JOB.

Captain of Gladiator Dismissed From His Ship.

Portsmouth, Eng., June 15.—After a lengthy consideration to-day, the naval court-martial into the loss of the British cruiser Gladiator, as a result of her collision with the American liner St. Paul last April, found Captain Lumsden had hazarded his ship by a default, but not by neglect, and adjudge him to be reprimanded and dismissed from his ship.

CARRIED OFF BY KITE.

Boy Dragged From Roof of Four-Storey Building.

New York, June 15.—While flying a box kite yesterday from the roof of a new four-storey building at Howard avenue and Dean street, Brooklyn, George Earl, twelve years old, was carried over the edge and fell, unhurt, on a pile of sand. Several boys were with him on the roof, and when they saw he was being slowly dragged to the edge by the kite they tried in vain to save him.

ROBBED OF HIS BRIDE.

Young Man's Wife Kidnapped While Pair Were on Honeymoon.

Spartanburg, S. C., June 15.—W. F. Burns, of Jackson county, N. C., while on a bridal trip across Panther Mountain, in Greenville county, says he was robbed of his young bride by a gang of six men, after he had been bound, beaten and robbed.

HEIRS OF COL. BECKER.

Great Gathering in Woodstock to Consider Action.

A Woodstock despatch: One hundred and fifty supposed heirs of Col. Henry Becker, gathered from all parts of western Ontario and farther, met here this evening to take steps to secure the estate of over one hundred million dollars, which, it is claimed, belongs to them. It was decided to energetically prosecute the investigation of the claim. The claim is that Col. Henry Becker, who fought on the American side in the war of independence, secured property and estates which have since become of vast value.

A TRAITOR'S DEGRADATION.

French Naval Officer Degraded Before Immense Crowd.

Attempted to Sell Secrets to a Foreign Power.

Suffers a Fate Similar to That of Major Dreyfus.

Toulon, June 15.—A pitiable spectacle, the degradation of the traitor, Charles B. Ulmo, formerly a naval officer, occurred at St. Roch Square here to-day, in the presence of an enormous crowd. Ensign Ulmer was arrested at Toulon last October charged with being a spy. An examination of his effects showed him to be in possession of many valuable documents. Last February he was found guilty by a court martial of attempting to sell naval secrets to a foreign power, and sentenced to life imprisonment in a fortress and to be degraded in rank.

"Brain excursions were run into Paris and thousands of people from the surrounding country came to witness the ceremony. Ulmo, wearing his uniform and sword, was led into the rectangle where the commandant read the order that Ulmo had betrayed his country, and was not worthy to wear its uniform. Two substitutes then took off his sword and stripped him of his chevrons and buttons. One of the substitutes broke the sword across his knee and threw the broken blade at Ulmo's feet. In this plight Ulmo was compelled to march at the head of a squad of soldiers around the rectangle amid the booms and jeers of the crowd. He walked with his bare head sunk upon his breast and his eyes staring straight in front of him. Tears were streaming down his face.

Several thousand recruits who witnessed Ulmo's degradation were greatly impressed by the ceremony. Ulmo will be deported to French Guiana.

BIGGER WARSHIP YET.

New Leviathan Ordered by the British Admiralty.

London, June 15.—The Admiralty, having eclipsed the Dreadnought class of battleships by the St. Vincent, will, according to the Telegraph, start in September to eclipse the latter, laying down at Portsmouth a new leviathan with heavier armament and greater displacement. The St. Vincent, which will be launched in October, 1909, is of 19,250 tons and cost about £1,500,000. The new battleship will probably be of 21,000 tons and will cost £2,250,000. She is intended to be completed for sea in 18 months after her keel is laid.

It is stated she will have two novel features. Instead of 12-inchers, which are now the largest guns used in the fleet, she will mount weapons of the new 13.5 type, which have been for some time the subject of experiment. The same type, the Telegraph understands, will be her equipment with gas engines, by using which no smoke will be made, and therefore the new ship will have no funnels.

The paper recalls that Mr. McKee, of Vickers Sons & Maxim, announced some time ago that his firm had developed the gas engine to such a stage that it could be employed on a warship. It says the Admiralty engineers have since been considering this engine and apparently have adopted it.

CRISIS IN INDIA.

ESTRANGEMENT BETWEEN THE NATIVES AND GOVERNMENT.

A Wicked and Ugly Moment, But the British Government Will Go Through It Without Quackery, Says Viscount Morley.

London, July 15.—Viscount Morley, Secretary for India, in a speech to-day, took a serious view of the situation in India, where for the moment it is critical. It could not be denied, he said, that rather heavy clouds had suddenly risen. He might have taken strong measures, but with right qualifications he had to face the fact that there is now a certain estrangement between the natives and the Government. The first duty now was to keep order. If they could not reconcile order with satisfaction or native aspirations it would mark the breakdown of what had never yet broken down in any part of the world, namely, British statesmanship.

He justified the India Council's recent enactment of the acts curbing the press and suppressing outrages by explosives. They ought, he declared, to have been passed twenty years ago. He contended there was no interference with the liberties of the press. It was admitted that seditious articles in the Indian papers were written to promote murderous outrages. It was wicked moonshine to talk of freedom of the press in connection with such articles. It was a dark and ugly moment, but the Government would go through it without quackery or cant.

SHOVED FROM PLATFORM.

"Ben, the Metal Man," Resented Reference to Scrap Dealers.

Toronto despatch: No member of the Foundrymen's Convention has more friends than "Ben, the Metal Man," of Chicago. In fact, if you find a delegate who doesn't know Ben—well, he isn't a foundryman. Ben's real name—the one he never gets—is Emile Benjamin, and he has been buying up scrap iron in Chicago for over twenty years without making a single enemy. His friends call him "The Animated Metal Encyclopedia," and it is no idle boast. Ben has a standing challenge to the whole metal fraternity to ask him a question about the business which "beats" him, and he has never been floored yet.

Now, as an engineer was calmly telling the convention of his railroad experiences in an unguarded moment he allowed an uncomplimentary allusion to escape his lips.

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Toronto, June 15.—Mr. Justice Teasel approved of the sale of the interest of the late Mr. Gurney in the Gurney-Tilden foundry at Hamilton to Mr. John Henry Tilden, for \$135,700, at Osogood Hall this morning. The order was granted on the application of Messrs. Oswald Gurney Carcaillon and Edwin Donaldson (Cahill), executors of the late Mr. John Henry Tilden, at present manager of the foundry, and Mr. John Craig Eaton, of the T. Eaton Co., Toronto, who is understood to have furnished bonds for the completion of the sale, were named as parties to whom liquidation is to be formed, and a new company is to be formed by Mr. Tilden to carry on the business of the old firm.

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