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## PROPOSAL TO INCREASE REIMBURSEMENT OF CLERGY

### Bishop Anxious to Have Higher Schedule Intro- duced -- Draws Attention to Other Denominations.

### Resolution Shelved Until Tomorrow -- Commit- tee on Bishop's Charge Reports -- Bishop Held Reception.

Special to The Standard.  
Fredericton, Nov. 8.—It is a burning shame and a disgrace to the church, cried His Lordship Bishop Richardson as he hurriedly sprang from his chair at the synod meeting this afternoon; and it was evident from these remarks and his words that followed, that the Bishop was very much in earnest, and for about ten minutes His Lordship spoke out boldly and forcibly to the synod and struck straight from the shoulder.

The committee on the Bishop's charge had reported, and when the chairman found that that committee had made no decided announcement in reference to the policy of increasing the stipend of the clergy, His Lordship started up and uttered the words above. And continuing, he wished to know why the synod did not come forward and say boldly that the salaries of our clergy must be increased instead of beating about the bush and making recommendations. When he thought of the Presbyterians in Ontario paying a minimum salary of \$1,200, and the same body here paying that this church was lacking and wanting in its duty to its clergymen. This synod says that the minimum salary shall be \$800 and it will be paid. If the synod lacks the action it must be paid. There were parishes in this province which he knew could pay much more than they do, and they were now simply sponging on the church. The remarks of His Lordship met with the unanimous expression, judging from the applause that followed, that the Bishop had the sympathy of his entire audience, and had struck the nail on the head.

Speech after speech followed. The members of the standing committee endeavored to explain that they thought that the Bishop would understand that the opinion he had expressed was that of the committee, but did not think it necessary to set it out in a writ of error.

The Bishop—"It is necessary. Let the committee say it must be done; why can't it say so?"

H. B. Schofield, Col. Malby, Dean Schofield, Hoy Barclay Boyd, J. H. Fairweather, Canon Neale, J. P. Burdick, Mr. Nerle and others joined in the discussion and Mr. Nerle seconded by Canon Smithers moved a resolution to the effect: "That the minimum clergyman salary shall be \$800 and a house and that the board of missions shall pay this sum."

All were greatly pleased with the sentiment of the resolution and then the synod arose as to how the increased stipend shall be raised. The bishop said let the synod give the authority and the machinery would follow.

It was finally decided to lay the matter over until tomorrow. The idea that the resolution be dropped and its wording incorporated in an amendment to the committee's report.

After dinner the synod continued in discussion of the report of the committee on Sunday schools, the speakers mostly sought information and explanation. Those taking part in the debate included the dean, E. H. Hoy, Rev. G. S. Scovill, J. Roy Campbell, Col. Armstrong and others.

The report was finally adopted on the whole by the synod. The Very Rev. Dean Schofield next presented to the synod the new canon No. 12 to take the place of the old canon relating to Sunday schools. The canon was taken up and passed section by section with some slight amendments.

On motion of Mr. Neale the rules of order were suspended and the motion

## RECOVERY OF HANKOW IS ESTIMATED BY FIRE

### Four Hundred Thousand People Destitute \$50,000,000 Worth of Property De- stroyed.

### Hundreds of Corpses Strew Streets -- Wesleyan School Looted -- Barbarous Conduct of Imperialists.

### British Tug Commandeered but Rescued by Gunboat -- Considerable Fighting -- Few Revolutionists Still in Hankow.

Hankow, Nov. 5.—The city of Hankow has been destroyed by fire over two thirds of its extent. The lowest estimate of the loss is \$50,000,000. Four hundred thousand people are destitute. Hundreds of half burned bodies lie among the ruins. Many of them are the bodies of women and children.

The Customs House, the Post Office and the American Missions have been spared. The city has been looted, the imperialists taking a hand in the pillage. Imperialist officers tried to check this work and executed a number of the soldiers. Refugees were deprived of their loot on entering the British concession, and loads of valuable furs, silks, and jewelry being seized. It is suggested that the Red Cross receive the proceeds.

On Friday afternoon, the consuls appealed to the imperialists to cease burning the town. A proclamation which was issued immediately declared that the rebels were responsible for the fire and ordered that these be checked. The following day new fires started in various quarters. The David Hill memorial school, for the blind connected with the Wesleyan Mission has been looted while in the hands of the imperialists. In Wu Chang which is held by the revolutionaries has been protected.

On Nov. 3rd there was considerable fighting between the imperialist and the revolutionist. The imperialist battery behind Hankow moved to the southwest to shift the line of fire from the center to the rear. This battery and another stationed on the plains engaged in a duel with Han Yang Hill. The Wu Chang forts used powder occasionally and joined in the defence of Han Yang.

A few hundred of the revolutionists are still in Hankow. Shipping riflemen on opposite sides of the Han river fought all day Saturday and there has been some fighting today, but steadily decreasing in volume. There is much open revolutionary talk among the imperialists.

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## BALFOUR RETIRES FROM LEADERSHIP OF PARTY

### Opposition Leader Pleas Impaired Health and Advancing Age as Ground for His Retirement.

### Caucus on Monday to Choose New Leader -- Several Names Suggested -- Balfour Will Sit in House.

London, Nov. 8.—The Unionist party is to swap horses while crossing the home rule stream. Arthur J. Balfour at an emergency meeting of the City of London Conservative Association this afternoon announced to his constituents his retirement from the leadership of the opposition. Impaired health, increasing age and the desirability of the leadership passing into younger hands were the reasons which he gave for this step in a speech which was marked by much feeling. But no one doubts that the increasing attacks against him by the ambitious younger Conservatives particularly the tariff reformers were the principal factor inspiring his decision.

While a number of influential Unionists and would-be leaders notably Austen Chamberlain and F. E. Smith have been demanding his retirement from the leadership, few believed that Mr. Balfour would drop the helm in such an important stage of the party's fortunes.

The announcement was a sharp surprise to all parties and made an immense political sensation. It was reported that Mr. Balfour's withdrawal from the leadership was suggested by Lord Lansdowne, leader of the opposition in the House of Lords who shared in the attacks would accompany his colleague to the background. But Lord Lansdowne issued a denial of this tonight. Mr. Balfour will remain in the House of Commons although he would be elevated to the peerage if he so desired. While he is premier was recognized as the leader of the whole party the leadership will now be divided, his successor sharing it with Lord Lansdowne.

The successor doubtless will be the Right Hon. Walter Hume Long, who represents the Strand. A caucus has been called for Monday for the purpose of choosing a new leader. Mr. Long commands the confidence of the older and younger elements of the party.

Advanced tariff reformers favor Austen Chamberlain and Sir E. Balfour, F. E. Smith.

## DEPORTED TO BE COURT MARTIALED

### Archibald Johnstone, Bugler, Arrested at Dalhousie and Will be Tried at Fredericton for Desertion.

### OTHER DESERTERS WANTED

Special to The Standard.  
Dalhousie, Nov. 8.—On Monday evening two soldiers, Lance Corporal Lirlam and Pt. C. J. Connelly of H. Company R. C. R., Fredericton, came through on the local in search of deserters. Archibald Johnstone, a bugler of the school, deserted some three months ago and came to Dalhousie accompanied by a young woman who he had married. He was located by Chief of Police Geo. Seely and placed under arrest and handed over to the soldiers. Johnstone was placed in the lockup and the soldiers and Chief Seely went down country in search of other deserters who had left a short time before the arrival of the officers. Johnstone, accompanied by his wife, was taken to Fredericton today where he will be tried by court martial as a deserter.

## CENSUS MAY HAVE TO BE TAKEN AGAIN

### English System will Probably Be Tried if Count is Repeat- ed in 1912—Legislation neces- sary.

### THE FORESTRY REPORTS.

Special to The Standard.  
Ottawa, Nov. 8.—There is now every probability that the census of June last will have to be taken over again. Your correspondent understands that the question has already been informally considered by members of the government and the result is a very strong likelihood that a new count will be taken in 1912.

A decision will be finally reached when it is shown beyond question that the census machinery broken down in June and that the returns now in the hands of the chief commissioner are so hopelessly unreliable as to be useless. A thorough investigation will be made on the return of Hon. Martin Burrell to Ottawa.

The new census will likely be taken on the English system, in order to have such a recent it will be necessary to pass special legislation and vote money for the cost.

Reports of exploration parties along the route of the Hudson Bay Railway have been received by the forestry branch of the department of the interior and are very disappointing. The timber areas were found to have been burned over except in some isolated instances and careful conservation will be required to produce forests of appreciable timber.

## UNION BANK MAY HAVE TO WAVE TO WINNIPEG

### Project of Removal of Head Office from Quebec for Con- sideration at the Annual Meet- ing.

### EXPANSION OF BUSINESS.

Quebec, Nov. 8.—The transfer of the headquarters of the Union Bank of Canada from this city to Winnipeg will be considered at the coming meeting of the institution. In an official circular signed by the President, Hon. John Sharples, and which has been sent out to every shareholder, it is stated:

"The rapid expansion of the Bank's business necessitates ever increasing watchfulness and care on the part of its executive officers. We have now 245 branches, of which 159 are situated west of the Great Lakes, and the result of experience fully shows the desirability of having more central supervision than is possible under existing conditions. As we have only two offices east of Quebec, the head office is at present located at almost the extreme eastern end of the bank's chain of branches. Your directors have given this matter very grave consideration for two years past, and are unanimously of the opinion that the best interests of the shareholders will be served by removing the head office from the City of Quebec to Winnipeg, which is about midway between the eastern and western operations. Application will be made to the Federal Parliament at its next session for an act amending the charter of the bank, changing its head office to the City of Winnipeg, at such time as the shareholders, having signified their approval, shall authorize your directors to give effect to such change. A resolution will be submitted to the shareholders at their next annual meeting, to be held on the 18th of December, 1911, asking them to ratify the recommendation of your directors, and to empower them to take the necessary steps to change the head office of the bank to the City of Winnipeg, when they deem the time opportune."

## BEATTIE REMOVED TO PENITENTIARY

### Lawyers Make Move to Pre- vent Execution -- Appeal Case May Thus Obtain a Postponement.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 8.—Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., condemned to die on Nov. 24th for the murder of his own wife, was removed today from the city jail to the penitentiary to await his execution. He was locked in a cell in the condemned ward adjoining the electrocution chamber.

Lawyers filed with the Supreme Court of Appeals today a petition for a writ of error.

This constitutes an appeal from the judgment of the court at Chesterfield which sentenced Beattie to be electrocuted on Nov. 24. Unless the court gives a decision before the day set for Beattie's execution, this move will act as a stay.

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## HON. J. D. HAZEN ON TRIP OF INSPECTION

### Pays Brief Visit to Montreal -- Several Conferences Re- cently with Regard to New Brunswick Matters.

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## COCHRANE ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

### Nomination Proceedings Pass- ed off Quietly—No Informa- tion About Policy in His Ad- dress.

North Bay, Nov. 8.—Nipissing bye-election nomination proceedings passed off very quietly. Hon. Frank Cochrane was elected by acclamation and addressed electors in general terms carefully refraining from touching upon questions of policy beyond stating that the Borden ministry had not had time as yet to formulate a programme. Mr. Bellister, Postmaster General also spoke.

Tobacco trust.

New York, N. Y., Nov. 8.—The U. S. circuit court handed down a decision here today approving the plan of dissolution of the American Tobacco Company with modifications.

## SAILORS IN QUARREL WITH HALIFAX POLICE

### Station and one of them, probably the leader, demanded in a warlike tone, the surrender of his comrades in the name of the commander-in-chief. The request was not granted. Whereupon the mariners made an attempt to liberate their companions themselves. They evidently did not have a very high opinion of the Halifax police force, but within five minutes the police were upon the scene before long, however, and put an end to the justification arresting two of the men. A few minutes later the five sailors who had escaped went to the police

## BRIGHT IDEA OF GET RICH QUICK ARTIST

### Young Lady Solicits Funds on Behalf of Society and Finds it a Lucrative Business.

A bright young lady financier, who has been operating on the charitable impulses of the good people of the West Side is due for an engagement with the police. On Tuesday the young woman who gave her name as Miss Barton, called on residents on Prince street, soliciting funds for the anti-tuberculosis society. She had a charming manner, and a gift of gab, and her pathetic story of the needs of the society touched the hearts and purses of many of the residents. When she called on Mrs. Marr, of Prince street, Madame had nothing smaller in the shape of cash than a \$10 bill, but she thought her caller had a guileless manner and gave her the bill to take out and break up into smaller units.

The fair young thing departed with her most engaging smile, and that was the last Mrs. Marr saw of her or the \$10.

Yesterday Mrs. Marr made inquiries and was informed that the anti-tuberculosis society had no solicitor operating on the West Side. So she told her tale of the missing bill and the engaging miss to Sgt. Finley.

Miss Sandall is the only authorized collector of the society.

## NO VIOLATION OF THE RUSH-BAGOT AGREEMENT

### Washington, D. C., Nov. 8.—Naval officers here of the opinion that the debate in the British House of Commons regarding the "Naval activities" of the U. S. on Lake Michigan, was based upon a complete misunderstanding of what the navy department has been doing in those waters. There has been no increase in number or character of American warships on the great lakes recently such as would come under the Rush-Bagot agreement. The presence of the secretary of navy at the opening of the great lakes training station near Chicago, it is believed gave rise to the erroneous impression that the U. S. is receiving a fortified naval station there. As a matter of fact it is pointed out that the establishment is simply a station for the training of young men in the interior of the country for service on the high seas and is scarcely more than a recruiting station on a large scale.

## STEAMER ASHORE.

Key West, Fla., Nov. 8.—The British steamer Conway bound from New Orleans for Norfolk, Copenhagen, has gone ashore on Rebecca Shoals. Wreckers have gone to render assistance.