

## TALBOT ST. CHURCH IS FLOURISHING

Annual Meeting Held On Tuesday Night When Reports Were Presented.

### OFFICERS WERE ELECTED

Work of the Pastor Has Been Very Successful and Is Highly Appreciated.

Last night the annual meeting of the Talbot Street Baptist Church congregation was held in the assembly room of the church, and was attended by a large number of the members and adherents. Rev. H. H. Bingham, the pastor, presided.

The various reports were most optimistic and encouraging both from financial and spiritual standpoints. The general financial report was the best that has been presented during the last four or five years, \$7,755.72 being contributed for all purposes, \$2,237.51 being towards the mission schemes.

The Sunday school report was very gratifying, the contributions amounting to \$780.54, which includes \$390 for missions. The membership of the Sunday school is 644, of whom 27 joined the church during the past year.

The reports of other organizations



REV. H. H. BINGHAM, Pastor of the Talbot Street Baptist Church.

of the church were read and were very promising. Mr. J. B. Campbell, the church clerk, stated that the present membership is 676.

The year has been one of progress in all the departments, and the work of the pastor has been much appreciated. Greater unanimity has never been in evidence than at the present time. Mr. Bingham has been highly successful since coming to London, as the work at Talbot Street clearly shows.

**The Officers.**  
The officers elected for the coming year, as elected last night, are:

Finance Committee—Messrs. N. Mills, A. Dale, W. A. Finch, A. M. Overholt, A. J. Clark, J. W. Westervelt, sen., J. M. Norman, H. W. Peel, and J. D. Adams.

Deacons—Messrs. A. Dale and H. W. Peel (re-elected).  
Clerk—Mr. E. R. Harwood.

Associate Clerk—Mr. John Holman.  
Roll Clerk—Mr. Andrew Dale.  
Treasurer—Mr. Nathaniel Mills.

Associate Treasurer—Mr. Melville Dale.  
Promote Card Clerk—Mr. Nathaniel Mills.

Weekly Offering Clerks—Messrs. Frank Miller and Frank Carns.

Teller, Current Account—Mr. Henry Oldershaw, convenor; Messrs. Charles Miners, Frank Miller and Geo. Ruthenford.

Tellers, Missionary Account—Messrs. James A. Peckham and Joseph Good.

Missionary Envelope Clerk—Miss Josie Jeffery.

Press Correspondence—Miss Charlotte Jeffery.

Auditors—Messrs. A. M. Overholt and Leon Johnson.

Plate Collectors—The Messrs. W. Walters, H. W. McGill, J. Dobson, H. P. Rosset, Chas. Tomlin, Walter Young, James Scoyne, George Ruthenford, W. McFadden, Walter Richman, Will Scott.

Missionary Committee—Mr. H. W. Peel.

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Relief Committee—Mr. J. W. Westervelt, chairman; Messrs. W. Tichbourne, Reuben James, Rev. H. H. Bingham; Mesdames George Jeffery, W. Tichbourne and M. E. Hazelgrove.

Baptism Committee—Mr. E. H. Harwood, chairman; Messrs. R. G. Willis, Thomas Raney, Angus Campbell; Mesdames Burch, Ellis, Miss Cochran and J. M. Thompson.

House Committee—Mr. Geo. Ruthenford, chairman; Messrs. H. Wooster, F. C. Westman; Mesdames A. Dale, Burch, Buttery, F. C. Westman and Lawrence Clark.

Music Committee—Mr. W. H. El-Hott, chairman; Messrs. H. W. Peel, A. Dale, W. A. Finch, Rev. Jas. Hamilton; Mesdames J. W. Jones, D. McDermid and J. Holman.

## BISHOP SPEAKS OF THE TITANIC

His Lordship of London Referred to the Awful Loss of Life in the Atlantic.

### A C. M. B. A. BANQUET

Hon. M. F. Hackett, K.C., of Quebec, Was the Guest of Honor at a Notable Affair in St. Mary's Church.

"I feel, as I am sure you all do, that the joy of this celebration has been overshadowed by the appalling tragedy that has within the past few days marred the homes of this continent and of Europe. For all these hundreds of our fellow beings we may breathe at least in private a heartfelt prayer, and may add a supplication that we ourselves may be spared from the horrors of the sea against which the science of man has proven so unavailing. I am confident that I may express also the sorrow of that great apostolic father, who, as he heard the story unfolded to him, felt the deepest pity for those alone, helpless and hopeless, in the mighty grasp of the ocean."

In this manner His Lordship Bishop M. F. Fallon prefaced his response to the toast to His Holiness the Pope at the banquet held in St. Mary's Hall, East London, last evening, in celebration of the tenth anniversary of the formation of Branch 371 of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association in St. Mary's Parish.

The banquet was preceded by an initiation ceremony, at which a dozen new members were admitted to the branch.

The guest of honor was the Hon. M. F. Hackett, K.C., of Quebec, who, as president of the C. M. B. A. in Canada, who replied to the toast to the order.

**The Catholic Church.**  
Catholics are not expected to look upon the papacy as the greatest matter of importance in their lives, declared Bishop Fallon, but he said, as a matter of fact the institution, while others stand tottering, is still in possession of its youthful vitality, and may and will see the end of them all.

The Catholic Church, he continued, has been the greatest force for civil and civic righteousness, and has been the greatest power for political good, for king or president could make the cheek of the pontiff blush when the rights of the people were imperilled.

Each pope upon his ascendancy to the head of the Catholic Church takes upon himself the performance of some certain work, and that of Pius X has been the condemnation of errors of modern days, particularly the promulgation of matrimony by divorce.

**Pope Pius X.**  
His lordship, who during his studies in Rome, has had several audiences with the present pontiff and his predecessor, until as he said, he could almost claim personal acquaintance with the man described Pius X as a simple, kindly, paternal gentleman, whom he hoped would be long spared for the performance of the work of the church.

Hon. M. F. Hackett, K.C., alluded to the marvellous advances in scientific research during the past century, but serfdom and slavery have gone and ignorance and bigotry is fast vanishing. Man's inhumanity to man is becoming less apparent, chiefly as a result of the endeavors of the fraternal societies through whose efforts the poor, the widow and the orphan are being protected and cared for.

**Fraternal Societies.**  
The Hon. Mr. Hackett traced the formation of fraternal societies back to the pagan days of Rome. The ancient Greeks and Jews had societies, the members of which visited the sick, buried the dead, and cared for the widows and orphans, long before the days of Christianity, so that the present system of fraternal societies is merely an adaptation of the plans of the middle ages.

The first branch of the C. M. B. A. was organized in Niagara Falls, N. Y., in 1876. Two years later the movement spread into Canada, when the Catholic men of Windsor, Ont., formed a branch, and since that time the movement has developed so rapidly in this country that there are now five hundred branches, having a total membership of 26,000.

Mr. James McDougall replied to the toast to Canada, Mr. M. P. McDonagh to "Sister Societies," and Dr. Claude Brown to "The Ladies." Dr. P. J. Morgan presided.

**BIG CANAL PROJECT IS TAKING SHAPE**

Plan To Give Rhine Traffic on German Coast of North Sea.

Berlin, April 16.—The project for building a canal which will give the traffic of the Rhine an outlet on the German coast of the North Sea at Emden, is taking practical shape. A committee has been formed in which the town council of Emden, the chambers of commerce of Cologne, Hamburg and Altona, and one of Germany's prince-bishops, are taking part. The canal, which will lie wholly within German territory, are being planned for submission to the Government and Reichstag. They will also be sent to all corporations and persons interested.

The canal, as at present projected, will start from Wesel, on the Rhine, run toward the Dutch frontier, and turning away at Leer, come out eventually in the River Ems. The cost of the canal is estimated at \$57,250,000.

**LINE FROM LONDON TO PORT BURWELL**

London and Lake Erie Co. Are Favorable to Pushing Road Right to the Lake.

**TWO ROUTES PROPOSED**

One is by Way of Nilestown and Belmont—The Other a Line to Aylmer East of St. Thomas.

At a conference in London between the directors of the London and Lake Erie Traction Company and representatives from Aylmer, Malahide and Yarmouth Townships on Tuesday afternoon regarding the construction of a line from either London to Aylmer and Port Burwell, or the extension of the traction line from St. Thomas to the points mentioned, it was decided to name committees representing the various divisions of the municipalities to meet the directors in Aylmer some time in the future to decide on the route, and arrange the details.

When the conference opened, there were about forty representatives from the district to be benefited present. Mr. W. K. George, of Toronto, was chairman of the meeting.

The Aylmer representatives, headed by Mayor Wright, were J. B. Hambridge, C. R. Christie, John R. Summers, A. W. Pierce, W. S. Caron, D. C. Davis, A. H. Backus, O. McKenney, W. Powell, Harley Wrightman, Geo. Sears, Albert Train and H. Finch.

**What Aylmer Wants.**  
Mayor Wright declared that Aylmer wanted connection with London direct. It would be to the advantage of both London and Aylmer if a line were run by way of Belmont to Aylmer, and then to Port Burwell. That would be the most satisfactory line to all concerned, and he was confident that it would be a great revenue-producing line.

"We are cut off from London," said ex-Mayor Christie. "There is no service worth mentioning between this city and Aylmer, and we think we should have it. We will agree to any reasonable proposition to have a road. We want a trolley line, and we want it as soon as we can get it."

"We do not want a stub line into Aylmer," said Mr. A. H. Backus. "We would like connection with Port Burwell. Such an extension would be excellent in every particular. We will be satisfied with good connections, but we are a trifle dubious about the success of a stub line."

**The Yarmouth Claim.**  
The representatives from Yarmouth Township, Messrs. Geo. Westlake, Ostrander, J. Imrie, Dr. Marlett, A. Caughell, W. Caughell, Geo. Mills and E. Mills favored an extension of a line from St. Thomas to Aylmer.

"We think that would serve the whole district," said Mr. Westlake. "I live in the southern portion of the township, and there we know the benefits of an electric road. We are willing to assist the remaining portion of the township in obtaining what we know is a good thing."

"Representing the township of Malahide, I would say that we are willing to give any reasonable assistance in constructing a road," said Mr. S. Rogers. "Nine-tenths of the residents of our township are in favor of such a line."

**Going to Port Burwell.**  
"I want to assure the delegates that we will do all in our power to extend the line," said Mr. George. "In the first place I assure you that we will not stop at Aylmer, but will continue it to Port Burwell. There may be some delay in working out the details of the latter branch, as we would have to get our charter amended. However, we have no desire to give Aylmer a stub line. It would be like Aylmer to discuss details of the proposition today. I would suggest that a committee from each portion of the riding be appointed to meet in Aylmer some time soon, and go over the ground. We can then decide what is the best proposition."

**Another Meeting.**  
This was agreeable to the delegates, and the Aylmer Board of Trade will make arrangements for the meeting. Later some of the delegates discussed informally with the directors of the company the possibilities of East Elgin.

"East Elgin will be an orchard from the northern limit to the lake in a very short time," declared Mr. Wrightman.

## SCHEME TO MERGE WESTERN ONTARIO MILLS

Flour Men Held a Meeting in London and Discussed Plan

An effort was made in London on Tuesday evening to merge practically all the flour mills in Ontario west of Dundas into one company.

For some time negotiations have been under way, and yesterday representatives from the various companies

were present, when the whole matter was discussed at considerable length. No definite conclusion was arrived at, and another meeting will be held in London or Toronto within a few weeks.

The session was held behind closed doors at the Tecumseh House. However, it was learned that the delegates were not unanimous in the views of the question.

"It is rather a big proposition," one of the millers present stated. "The Advertiser today. It does not seem to me that the scheme will go through, although I may be mistaken. There are a number of mills included in the arrangement that cannot be made."

A mill that is paying now would not be bettered by adding that class to the merger. On the other hand, it cannot be said that the merger will be a success. The details will be arranged at the later meeting, but I am doubtful that the proposal will be carried through."

According to this miller, there were about 50 mills represented in the meeting here yesterday.

**Lost Control of His Temper**

Once there was a man whose liver was not working right. When dressing in the morning he had trouble with his collar. Then he lost the collar button. Then he said something.

By the time he got to breakfast he was so irritated that he had no appetite and quarrelled with his wife. He went to the office with a headache and when he had some important business to transact he neglected it.

When you find yourself easily irritated and lose control of yourself and your temper, look to the condition of the liver, and take one of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills at bedtime.

The dark-brown taste will not bother you in the mornings, the tongue will clear up, digestion will improve and you will not have the tired, worn-out feeling which accompanies a sluggish condition of the liver.

# GOOD TIME NOW TO RENEW YOUR HANDKERCHIEF STOCK

Ladies' Hemstitched Pure Irish Linen, 75c Dozen

SEE WINDOW DISPLAY.

Our spring shipment of these extraordinary Handkerchiefs has arrived, and customers who have had them before will only require to know that they are the same pure Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, such quality as is only obtainable through buying in immense quantities from the manufacturer in Ireland. Customers realize this fact when they see the quality, and this is the reason we do not price these Handkerchiefs singly, but sell them as we buy them at a close price for dozen lots, also giving you the privilege of taking them in one-third dozen quantities. But most people are not satisfied with less than a dozen of such Handkerchiefs. Many buy more than one dozen as they are a splendid Handkerchief for children, being pure linen, at the price of ordinary lawn. And besides, we cannot guarantee to have them always in stock, as our contract is for so many hundred dozen each season. The hem is 1/4-inch, hemstitched, and we positively guarantee them to be all pure Irish linen, good size for ladies and children. Now on sale at Handkerchief Counter, and tomorrow should dispose of the greater portion of this shipment of 200 dozen. See window display, Dundas street. Dozen .....75c

PHONE OR MAIL ORDERS will be filled for these while they last, and delivered by post free to any address in the world. If you are not pleased with the Handkerchiefs, return at once and we will pay all charges .....4 for 25c, or 75c dozen

## Women's Cream Serge Suits and Coats

NEW MODELS KEEP COMING IN.

Despite the superb array of styles in Women's Coats and Suits in our famous display of Cream Serges, additional new models keep pouring in. Some fetching new Top Coats have come, and charming Suits, too, of beautiful cream serge. The Ready-to-Wear Section grows more interesting each day, and more helpful to the woman who has yet her new spring outfit to buy. Within the list and price range we do not believe there is a woman in London who cannot find garments to her liking.

## Lisle Hosiery for Ladies and Children

Specials at 25c and 50c Pair

Ladies' Fine Plain Black Lisle Hose, with reinforced white lisle sole and wide elastic top, which is easy and comfortable to wear. Specially fine Hose, for pair .....50c  
Children's Lisle Hose, with lace ankle, in sky, pink, cardinal, tan, black or white, all fast colors and extra good value. Priced according to size, pair .....25c to 30c

Main Floor.

## Basement Sale Today

MOTHERS' DAY.

## Display and Sale of Children's Ready-to-Wear Goods

CHILDREN'S HATS AND BONNETS, BOYS' FELTS AND TAMS, GIRLS' DRESSES AND WHITEWEAR, ETC., all assembled in one great children's store in basement. Many clearing lines are tabled at about half price.

Come and see how easy and how well you can clothe the children at this store, and also see what a fine assortment of children's goods we carry.

Basement—Today.

## Cream Serge Coats, \$12.50 to \$15. Suits, \$19 to \$35

Pretty Cream Serge Coat, semi-fitted, full length, lined to waist, has large sailor collar and sleeves with turned-back cuffs, collar and cuffs trimmed with self covered buttons and straps. Price \$12.50

Smart Cream Serge Coat with hair-line stripe, semi-fitted, full length, sleeve with cuff, sailor collar, collar and cuffs faced with green or black broadcloth, hip pockets, 3-button closing. \$12.75

Cream Serge Coat, semi-fitted, full length, lined to waist, fancy sailor collar of white satin, faced with cloth. Sleeves with cuff. Price \$15.00

Ladies' Suit of Cream Serge, coat silk-lined and semi-fitted with breast and hip pockets, notched collar and lapels, tailored stitched cuffs, edge of coat finished with solid stitching; skirt has high waist-line, 4-gore panel back, hem of skirt solid stitched. Suit \$19.00

Fine Cream Serge Suit, coat semi-fitted and satin-lined with shawl collar, sleeves with cuff, two-button cutaway front, collar and cuffs faced with green silk veiled with lace; skirt Princess waist, two-piece model. Price \$32.50

Smart Suit of fine cream serge, coat semi-fitted and satin lined, two-button cutaway front, collar and cuffs trimmed with white satin, embroidered in blue. Skirt high waist-line, two-piece model, made in new drape effect. Price \$35.00

## Demonstration and Sale of "Omo" Dress Shields This Week

Come and have the properties and construction of the different Dress Shields explained, and the advantages and disadvantages of the various styles and makes demonstrated by an expert who understands the manufacture of same.

Demonstration Circle—Opposite West Elevators.

FOR 10c IN RESTAURANT, STRAWBERRIES AND ICE CREAM, 3:30 TO 5:30.

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## CANDIDATES WAITING FOR THE MINISTRY

Methodist Examinations Being Held in Wellington St. Church.

The examination of the candidates for the Methodist ministry in the London Conference is now being held in Wellington Street Church.

The examinations commenced yesterday morning, and will finish tomorrow, when a public meeting will be held which will be addressed by Rev. Jos. Philp, of Essex, and Rev. F. E. Malott, of St. Mary's. The announcement of the results and the presentation of diplomas will also take place at the meeting.

The candidates who are waiting are: Second Year—A. W. Brown, Benlimer.

First Year—C. L. L. Couzens, Staffa; R. S. Lackland, Staffa; A. J. Love, Staffa; S. Davidson, Florence; F. W. Crank, Newbury; S. J. T. Fort, Newbury; J. L. Foster, Orwell.

Preliminary—J. A. Basset, Berville.

W. J. Rooke, London Junction; E. W. Jewett, Old City; R. E. Moore, Union; W. J. Huston, Pine River; C. L. L. Couzens, Staffa; Sidney Davison, Florence.

The examiners are: Rev. G. N. Hazen, who is presiding; Rev. R. I. Warner, Rev. W. G. H. McAllister, B.A.; Rev. W. J. Ford, Rev. T. Manning, Rev. F. E. Malott, Rev. J. Philp, and Rev. C. P. Wells.

THIS FOR 10c: Salmon Salad, Bread and Butter and Cup of Tea or Coffee 3:30 to 5:30.

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GRAVEL RHEUMATISM BRIGHT'S DISEASE DIABETES BACKACHE

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## \$3,000,000 IN JEWELS

Mrs. John Jacob Astor—Lost Great Fortune on the Titanic.

Paris, April 16.—It is reported here that Mrs. John Jacob Astor had with her on the Titanic diamonds of the value of 15,000,000 francs, or \$3,000,000, which she bought from Cartier, the Paris jeweler. The latter refuses to confirm or deny the report that he sold that amount of diamonds to her.

**HELD AS SUSPECTS**

Two Youths Had Flashlights and Revolvers When Arrested.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Sarnia, April 17.—Two youths who gave their names first as Earl and Gordon Hurst, of Hamilton, and later as George and Albert Draker, and their ages as 16 and 18 years, were arrested here today as a result of the police discovering that they had in their possession flashlights and revolvers. A number of cases of house-breaking have been reported lately, and the youths are held pending an investigation. Their stories are so contradictory that the police will make a rigid inquiry.