

SIXTEENTH STUDENT CONFERENCE OF THE Y. M. C. A. Now in Session at Wolfville, N. S.—Continued Till Tomorrow Night.

WOLFVILLE, N. S., Oct. 26.—The sixteenth student intercollegiate conference of the Young Men's Christian Association of the Maritime Provinces convened at Acadia University, Wolfville, on Thursday, Oct. 26th. The conference was called by the Maritime college work committee, F. S. Kinlay, Acadia; W. R. C. Anderson, U. N. B.; C. A. Whitmarsh, Mt. Allison; and J. A. McLellan, Dalhousie. The object is the fostering of fraternal religious work among college students, preparatory schools and normal schools. In 1888 John R. Mott visited the Maritime provinces and as a result of his visit the first student association was called to meet at Acadia. The fifteen conferences, already held, have been full of deep significance to the best life of the universities in Bible study, mission interest and all-united labor. This year is an especially attractive one. Some of the papers to be discussed are Bible Study, by William Girwood, U. N. B.; Federation: The Membership Problem, by W. R. C. Anderson, Acadia; Treatment of New Students, J. A. McLellan, Dalhousie; Religious Education, H. H. Moore, Mt. Allison; The Whole Brotherhood, Dr. F. McDonald, chairman of students' work committee, Westville; The Perils of Student Life, Rev. T. K. Grant, Parrsboro; The Demand for Trained Leadership, Prof. W. H. Anderson, Westville; Northfield Conference, Mount Allison; U. N. B., Dalhousie and Acadia Delegates; Special Buildings for Student Work, J. A. McLellan, Dalhousie; A Country Policy for Each Association, W. T. Tinker, intercollegiate secretary of New York City and international committee; Some Facts Regarding Student Movement, W. H. Tinker; Possibilities of the Spiritual Life, Rev. L. D. Moore; The Questions of Life and Service, W. T. Tinker; Conference Sermon, Rev. H. F. Waring, Halifax.

The first public function of the association was a brilliant reception, given by the Young Men's Christian Association and the Young Women's Christian Association, in honor of the visiting students, in assembly hall, on Thursday evening. The delegates present are: U. N. B.—Wm. Girwood, Malem Orchard, Waldo Machum, Arthur Eastman, W. McNeil, G. R. Ruggles, M. Burke, Mr. Firth, M. Cronkright, M. Hayward, W. C. Anderson, C. P. Wright. Dalhousie—J. D. McKeegan, W. P. Grant, B. Hittie, R. Mansel, G. G. M. Manuel, W. S. Lindsay, W. R. Reid, A. Lawrence, E. A. Munro, A. A. McLeod, G. Farquhar, J. A. McLellan, H. D. McKelvey, D. A. McAulay, J. Fraser, Mt. Allison—Geo. W. Gillies, W. Taylor, H. W. Outerbridge, H. G. Blank, W. H. Anderson, J. M. McDorman, L. M. Smalley, G. A. Colpitts, A. Robinson, George Morris, H. H. Irish, J. C. Pincodes, J. W. Hobbes, H. Hicks, W. H. Davidson, C. A. White, Marsh, B. A. Westwoodland.

NORWAY AND SWEDEN. Prince Charles Will Accept Norway's Throne.

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 27.—King Oscar has definitely and formally declined the offer of the Norwegian throne to Prince Charles of Sweden, Bernadotte, and in a letter to the president of the Storting finally severs his connection with Norway. The letter follows: "After having, in the name of Sweden, renounced Norway as a state completely separated from Sweden, I inform you of my decision to relinquish the crown of Norway, which, notwithstanding all my good intentions, has given me in the course of years so many bitter cares. Moreover, I could no longer wear it to the benefit of the country nor that the illegal decision of the Storting has rendered illusory even the suspensive veto of the king. But I desire only the welfare of the country and the nation towards which I have entertained a sincere affection ever since my youth, and to the happiness of which I have been heartily in accord with in my position of king of both countries. In view of the turn the mutual relations between the two countries have taken, I cannot think it would be conducive to the happiness of either Sweden or Norway that a prince of my house should accept an election to be King of Norway. Assuredly there would not fall to arise in both countries a feeling of distrust which would operate as much against him as against me. This distrust might only too easily become an obstacle to the improvement of the mutual sentiments of the two nations, unfortunately separated henceforth, whereby I hope to see pacific relations assured between them in a not too distant future. I cannot therefore accept the Storting's offer. I thank with all my heart those who during my reign of thirty-three years have faithfully served me and Norway and who entertain affection for their former king. In now bidding them farewell I cherish sincere good wishes for them."

FOLTAVA, Russia, Oct. 27.—Cossacks today dispersed a meeting of many thousand persons, several of whom were wounded. The newspapers have ceased publication.

THE HUMORS OF POLITICAL MEETINGS

To the man in search of humor elections are an unending source of joy, for the stream of good stories is never allowed to run dry. One of the latest is told of a certain elector in a West-Loon constituency, who, in addition to being a keen politician, has been confined in a lunatic asylum. On each occasion when discharged from durance he obtained a formal written statement from the proper authority declaring that he was once more in his right mind. At a recent political meeting he was extremely excited, and constantly interrupted the speakers. The chairman attempted to bring him to order by gentle means, which failed, and then by stern and dignified reproof, which also failed. At last the chairman lost his patience. "Look here, sir," he said to the excited one, "you're behaving more like a madman than the elector." "Madman!" roared the elector, with crushing scorn. "I've got two certificates of sanity in my pocket, and I'll bet the chairman is like that he hasn't got one."

Not in his right mind? "Madman!" he had ever before addressed an audience on politics, placidly replied, "No, but I am practicing."

But Mr. Birrell, who loves a joke, even if it is at his own expense, tells a good story of his candidature for West Fife, where his opponent was Mr. Erskine Wemyss, whose father and grandfather had been members of the cabinet. Poor Mr. Birrell was quite at a disadvantage in this connection, until he had the good fortune to discover a moss-covered tombstone which revealed to him the fact that a remote ancestor of his lay buried in the neighboring churchyard of Abbots-hall. This discovery was worked for all it was worth. In time the tombstone crumbled up, and Mr. Birrell's meeting, "No, sir," said a heckler, "two paragraphs in your address which seem to me to contradict one another. In the first you say that your father and grandfather were members of the cabinet, and that you hope to follow in their footsteps. In another paragraph you say that you are utterly opposed to the hereditary principle in legislation. Now, are you not at present engaged in trying to ride into parliament on the backs of your father and grandfather?" The candidate was not upset by the suggestion. His reply was instantaneous. "Well, I was fifty times rather ride into parliament on the backs of my father and grandfather than on the tombstone of my grandmother's second cousin."

YANKEES LOSING GROUND IN SOUTH AMERICA.

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—The United States is facing a critical epoch. The next five years will determine whether this country or Europe is to be the dominating force in South America. Germany, England, France, Spain, Holland and Belgium, are making tremendous efforts to capture the South American markets. Unless we change the attitude quickly we shall wake up to find we have been distanced. John Barrett, United States minister to Colombia, who is now in this city spoke this at a reception given in his honor by the Ibero-American Club last night. "The question of American trade with the Orient," continued Mr. Barrett, "I consider of much less importance at the present time than that of our trade with South America. The foreign trade of all Japan was no greater last year than that of either Argentina or Brazil. "The hour is a critical one and European countries recognize it by establishing steamship lines and by sending out high class consuls and confidential agents. They are doing everything in their power to capture the trade supremacy. South American development will astonish the world, and it is very near."

LITTLE GIRLS GOT HOLD OF A GUN And When It Was Accidentally Discharged One of Them Was Killed.

MILLINOCKET, Me., Oct. 27.—A message received here tonight from Medway, 14 miles from Millinocket, states that Celia Vance, six years old, granddaughter of J. A. Thompson of that place, was accidentally shot and killed at Thompson's home yesterday. While Mr. and Mrs. Thompson were away four young children, one of whom was the Vance child, found a rifle in the home and while playing with it, it was discharged and the Vance child was shot in the shoulder. She died in three hours. It is not clear which child discharged the rifle, and no official action has been taken.

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FREDERICTON EN FETE FOR PRINCE LOUIS.

FREDERICTON, Oct. 27.—Prince Louis of Battenberg received a royal welcome from the people of Fredericton today. Beautiful weather prevailed and the city was gayly decorated. The stores along the front streets, Queen Hotel and other buildings were covered with flags and flying streamers. The scene recalled the days of the victories in South Africa. At 1.45 the special train consisting of Sir William Van Horne's and Supt. Downie's private cars arrived at the L. C. R. station. A large crowd had gathered, and as the prince stepped from the private car, followed by Prince Alexander and staff, he received a most cordial reception to the capital of the province. About 3.30 His Worship Mayor McNally accompanied by City Clerk McCready drove to the Queen and were officially received by his highness. The latter returned the call at the mayor's office at 4 o'clock. After an exchange of greetings the party proceeded to the opera house, where a public reception was held. The opera house was beautifully decorated with flags and bunting and presented a most attractive appearance. A flight of balloons had been erected from the main auditorium to the stage and covered with a carpet of greenish shade. The gallery front was draped with red, white and blue bunting and numerous flags were arranged about the stage. The hall was crowded to its utmost capacity long before the hour announced for the reception and the prince was given a magnificent ovation as, accompanied by his nephew, Prince Alexander of Battenberg, A. D. C., Gov. Snowball and the mayor and aldermen of the city, he made his way up the aisle and ascended to the platform. On ascending the platform the Prince turned and faced the audience and bowed gracefully to all around him. Mayor McNally then stepped forward and read the civic address. His highness, after taking the address and thanking his worship, turned to the vast assemblage and spoke in a clear and distinct voice. He said that before reading his reply, which on such occasions as these was considered a matter of form, he wished to say a few words extempore. He desired to convey to the citizens of Fredericton his thanks for their presence and the kind reception he had received from the city. It was a great pleasure to him to visit the capital of the province and meet with such a reception as was manifested by the vast audience present. He was peculiarly pleased to see many children in the audience, and he was happy to meet them all and make their acquaintance. He regretted that the shortness of his stay, on account of his shalldown, prevented him from bringing his ships to Fredericton, otherwise he would have been most pleased to have brought them here. His highness then turned to his worship and read the formal reply to the address.

HE OWES A DUTY TO THE PUBLIC

TELLS OF BENEFIT DERIVED FROM DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS. Cures of Rheumatism and Dropsy by Canada's Great Kidney Remedy. YELLOW GRASS, Assa, N. W. T., Oct. 27.—(Special.)—I think should let the public know the benefit I derived from Dodd's Kidney Pills. The speaker was Mr. John White, well known here, and he voices the sentiments of many a man on those who have been relieved of his pains and misery by the great Canadian Kidney Remedy. "I have been afflicted with Rheumatism for years," Mr. White continued. "I tried doctors and medicines, but never got anything to do me much good till I tried Dodd's Kidney Pills. What they did for me was wonderful. I also know the Harris family, and I saw their little girl, Edith, who was cured of Dropsy by Dodd's Kidney Pills. I know that to be true. I tell you a few facts recommending Dodd's Kidney Pills even stronger than I talk. There is no Kidney Disease that Dodd's Kidney Pills cannot cure."

DIED IN FREDERICTON

FREDERICTON, Oct. 26.—The death occurred this evening, at her residence, Northumberland street, of Mrs. Thomas Thompson, Mrs. Burpee, wife of D. V. Burpee, civil engineer on the C. P. R., is a daughter of the deceased.

EXPLOSIVE DIAMONDS.

(London Chronicle). It is not uncommon for a diamond to explode soon after it reaches the surface; some have been known to burst in the pockets of miners or when held in the warm hand, and the loss is the greater, because large stones are more likely to explode or fly in pieces than small ones. Valuable stones have been destroyed in this way, and it is whispered that cunning dealers are not averse to allowing responsible clients to handle or carry in their warm pockets large crystals fresh from the mines. By way of safeguard against explosion some dealers imbue large diamonds in raw potatoes to insure safe transit to England.

Dear Mother Your little ones are a constant care in Fall and Winter weather. They will catch cold. Do you know about Shiloh's Consumption Cure, the Lung Tonic, and what has done for so many should be to the only reliable remedy for all diseases of the air passages in children. It is absolutely harmless and pleasant to take. It is guaranteed to cure or money is returned. The price is 25c per bottle, and all dealers in medicine sell. SHILOH This remedy should be in every household.

THE OWNERSHIP OF HORSESHOE FALLS

Another Interesting International Question. Does the Boundary Shift?—Canada Will Benefit If Question is Answered in the Affirmative—Experts Studying Matter.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., Oct. 27.—Who owns the larger part of Horseshoe falls? This is a question that is now agitating the international waters commission and the United States geological survey. In 1822 Anthony Barclay, commissioner for Great Britain, and Peter B. Porter, commissioner for the United States, fixed the international boundary in Niagara river and described it as running "up the middle of the river to the Great Falls, thence up the falls through the point of the Horseshoe, keeping to the west of Iris (Goat) Island, and following the bend of the river." Since this agreement was made the falls has cut its way back about 300 feet, and the "point of the horseshoe" has shifted considerably. Now the question arises whether the boundary shifts with the "point of horseshoe" or remains where it was located in 1822. As the boundary follows the bend of the river above the falls, and the "bend" is almost a right angle, a slight change in the location of the line at the Horseshoe causes considerable variation in the line farther up. If the point of the horseshoe continues to shift to the east, taking the boundary of the river to the Great Falls, to Goat Island and will own practically the whole river a short distance above the falls. With one power tunnel, that of the Electrical Development Company, of Ontario, already having an outlet near the centre of the horseshoe, it is not difficult to imagine that this question might easily involve material interests as to franchise and other rights of future power companies. W. Carvill Hall, of the United States Geological Survey, has investigated the matter and made a report, and now professor J. C. R. Lafamme, of Laval University, is here investigating on behalf of Canada.

STUDENT FOUND DEAD ON RAILWAY TRACK.

College Men Suspected of Having Something to Do With the Case.

GAMBIER, Ohio, Oct. 26.—While awaiting initiation into a Greek letter fraternity last night, Stewart L. Pierson, a freshman at Kenyon College, was struck by a Cleveland, Akron and Columbus train. There was no witness to the accident so far as known, but no blame thus far attaches to the fraternity.

INSURGENT LEADER SHOT BY TROOPS.

MANILA, Oct. 26.—Troops under Captain McCoy of the Third Cavalry, aide-camp to Major General Wood, have surprised the Datto Ali, head of the Moro insurgents of the island of Mindanao, who has been on the warpath for some time past, and killed him, together with his son and ten followers. Forty-three wounded Moros were taken prisoners and many arms and a large quantity of ammunition was captured. Three enlisted men of the infantry were killed and two wounded during the engagement. Heavy fighting is also reported by the constabulary and Moro insurgents near Lake Linguanen, Mindanao.

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NEGRO LYNCHED IN THE SOUTH.

Shot Sheriff Who Attempted to Arrest Him For Murder of Colored Woman.

RAINBRIDGE, Ga., Oct. 25.—Gus Goodman, a negro, was taken from the jail at an early hour this morning by a mob of 200 and lynched on the banks of the river a short distance from the town. Earlier in the night Goodman shot Sheriff Stigall, who was attempting to arrest him for the murder of a colored woman a few minutes before. Although wounded, Sheriff Stigall shot Goodman twice, and the prisoner was placed in jail. A special train was sent to Thomasville for a physician, and after his announcement that the sheriff could not recover, the mob went to the jail, relieved the deputy of his keys and dragged Goodman from his cell. Goodman was strung up with a rope and fully 100 shots were fired into his body.

FIREMAN KILLED BY EXPLOSION

Locomotive of Freight Train Blew Up With Serious Results.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Oct. 26.—One man was killed and two others were badly injured by the explosion of the boiler of the locomotive of a west bound freight train on the Pennsylvania railroad this afternoon. The man killed was C. H. Eschelman, fireman, Philadelphia.

ANDOVER FARMER KILLED.

J. M. Queen, manager of the Canada Life Assurance Company, received a telegram Thursday from Harry W. Beveridge, Andover, to the effect that the latter's brother-in-law, Jonathan Bridges, of Aroostook Junction, was accidentally killed near that place yesterday afternoon.

TIGERS PROTECT FARMS.

In India They Save Cultivated Land From Invasion.

Last year 1,255 tigers, 4,870 panthers and leopards, 2,000 bears and 2,084 wolves were killed; of snakes—the real scourge of India—no record is possible, and, unfortunately comparatively few are destroyed. However deplorable and costly is the taking of human and cattle life, on India's last year's death list 2,619 deer and pigs and monkeys were more or less serious to India, and more expensive to the natives, were it not for the tiger, panther and leopard. This formidable trio of the cat family practically police agricultural India where it pushes into the jungles and makes it possible for the poor native to exist through cultivation of his fields.

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