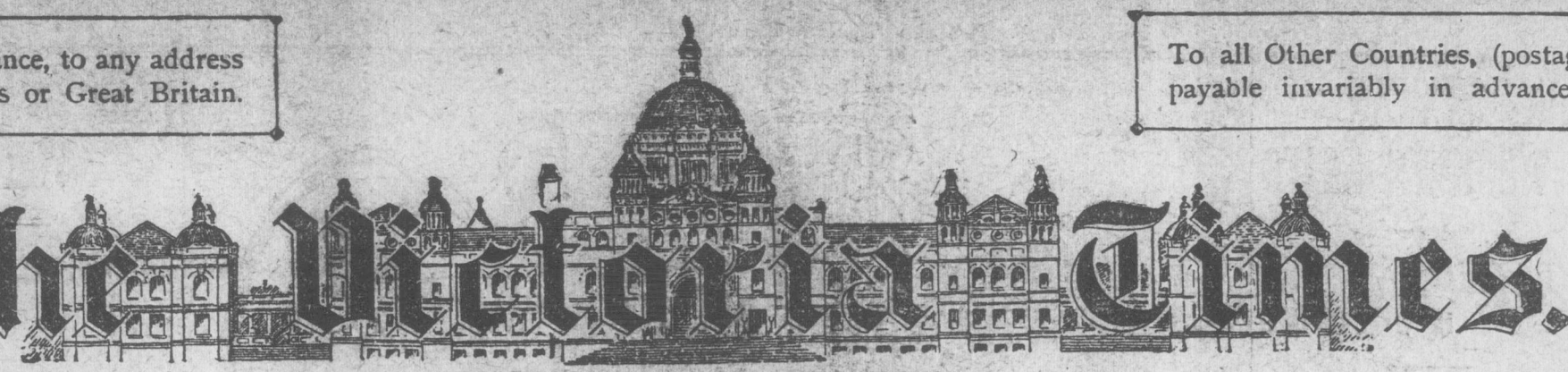


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SYNOD HEARD MANY REPORTS

DELEGATIONS FROM OTHER BODIES THERE

Missionaries Told of Work in Home Missions and in India—The Synod's Needs.

(From Monday's Daily.)

The theological conference following the annual meeting of the synod of British Columbia is in session at New Westminster to-day. The synod closed on Saturday last, with several devotional exercises on Friday an overture from the Presbytery of Victoria seeking the abolition of the billenting system in connection with the meetings of synod was voted down. The next meeting is appointed to be held on the first Wednesday of May, 1908, in St. John's church, Vancouver.

Overtures asking the general assembly to appoint a superintendent of foreign missions in the West were transmitted simpliciter.

The Presbyteries of Kamloops and Westminster submitted overtures asking that another superintendent of some missions be appointed to share the growing work of Dr. Herdman. These overtures were endorsed by the synod and transmitted to the assembly.

The committee on university education reported that the work assigned to it had been performed, and that the legislature at its late session had passed a bill setting apart a large section of the public domain as an endowment for a provincial university.

Fraternizing greetings were received from Rev. W. H. Maracloough, representing the Ministerial Association of New Westminster; Rev. Dr. Rugg, of the Baptist church; and Rev. Dr. Sippell, president of the Methodist conference. These brethren were afterwards asked to sit as corresponding members of the synod.

The Sabbath school report, submitted by Rev. J. A. Logan, convener of the committee, showed on the whole a very decided increase, although on two Presbyteries decreases were noted. The general secretary of the Sabbath school, Rev. J. C. Robertson, is to visit the synod this summer and hold conferences on Sabbath school work at the various centres. The matter of a Sabbath school secretary for this synod was sent down to Presbyteries for their consideration.

Rev. J. D. Gilliam presented the report on Young People's Societies. It would seem that a vast sphere for work among people of this age in the synod remains yet to be occupied.

An excellent review of the life and work of the church was given by Rev. J. M. Millar, of Nanaimo. This report so full of the most vital matter led to an earnest discussion, although the time was all too short for the full examination of all facts and tendencies therein noted.

The home mission report was given in by Rev. G. A. Wilson, who reviewed the growth of the work since the opening of the late synod of British Columbia and Alberta. He outlined the present needs and indicated some of the difficulties and discouragements as well as the encouragements of this great work.

Dr. Inglis, the medical missionary at Telegraph Creek, in a few graphic, nervous sentences, told the story of his romantic mission at the head of the Stikine. He was followed by Mr. W. J. Allen, of Quesnel.

On Thursday Dr. Herdman, convener of the augmentation committee, submitted a very full report of the progress of the work under that committee. It was shown that while this synod has received large sums from the general assembly's committee, the contributions from this synod have been very small. Steps were taken to increase the amount contributed.

Rev. W. A. Wilson and Dr. Nugent, returned missionaries from Central India, were present and asked to sit as corresponding members.

J. Knox Wright submitted a report on statistics and finance. This carefully prepared report showed a very general, though not sensational growth on all lines of work. There are 106 congregations and mission halls in the synod, the offerings of this synod last year were 10 per cent. per communicant more than the average throughout the whole church, and 70 per cent. per family more than that of the whole church. The value of property among the synod was set down as \$461,388.

The foreign mission committee's report was given in by Dr. Campbell, of Victoria. This elaborate report traced in detail the work carried on among the Indians of the West Coast and the Chinese province. Work has also been undertaken among the East Indians, with Dr. Nugent in charge.

At the evening session Dr. Lyle, convener of the general assembly's committee on augmentation, delivered a very interesting address on the needs of the synod, and the necessity of having conferred on the congregations of the church, in the present condition of the fund was shown

GOVERNMENT GIVES ANOTHER GRANT FOR THE ERECTION OF A SANITORIUM

Hon. Dr. Young Makes Interesting Announcement in Opening Football Match on Saturday.

(From Monday's Daily.)

Preparatory to setting the ball in motion at the football match at Oak Bay on Saturday, the Hon. Dr. Young made a brief speech to the teams in which he announced that within the past few days the provincial government had decided to make a further grant of \$10,000 to the anti-tuberculosis fund.

Dr. Young has taken a keen interest in the work of the society and when asked to kick-off at the football match arranged with a view of augmenting the funds, he willingly consented. It was expected that he would make a brief address, but the announcement of another government grant was not anticipated.

Surrounded by the footballers in the middle of the playing field, Dr. Young alluded to the fact that he had once been an ardent follower of the game himself. It gave him great pleasure to be chosen to set the ball in motion, and the account of the worthy object towards which the gate receipts were being given. "No one," he said, "so well as an athlete can realize what the terrible deprivations of the disease of consumption can mean." He expressed the hope that the gate receipts could not be too large for the purposes of the society.

It gave him great pleasure to announce that the government of which he was a member had within the past few days denoted a further \$10,000 for the purpose of erecting a tuberculosis sanatorium at once.

This announcement was received with applause by the players, and the provincial secretary saying he would not detain them any longer, the teams lined up, the ball was kicked, and the match was on. The doctor was in the excitement of the game, and withdrew from the field of play.

This grant of \$10,000 made by the government supplements the \$10,000 previously set aside for this object, and the sitting of the legislature in 1906 a vote of \$5,000 was made for the purpose. At the session just closed the government brought down in the estimates an appropriation of \$5,000 more. There were several in the House who thought that this sum was altogether too small. The ministry, however, would not increase the grant, stating that the \$5,000 supplemented by the same amount set aside the year previous would, it was expected, serve the purposes intended.

There will be few in the province probably who will object to the expenditure of the money in this cause, but there will be many who will want to know why the appropriation was not made \$15,000 when the House was asked to pass upon it and not \$5,000. When the House was in session the government had all the facts in the matter which it had a few days later or if it had not it should have had them.

The money now promised, it is explained by members of the government, will not be available until passed by the legislature. The intention is to first utilize the area given by the society by the Dominion government. Tents will be erected at Fish Lake and there will also be some huts put up there which will be inexpensive and which will serve the immediate needs for the summer, preparatory to work beginning in the main building of the sanatorium.

Dr. Fagan says that with this increased grant a second institution will be undertaken for advanced cases. In many instances these might be cured if given the proper treatment. The removal of them from the homes in which they are now forced to live would be of the first importance as tending to prevent the spread of the disease. This sanatorium will be built at a comparatively low altitude, the location to be decided upon later.

The main sanatorium for incipient cases will be at a medium altitude.

OLIPHANT SISTERS.
Successful Sunday Services Conducted by Evangelists.

(From Monday's Daily.)
The Y.M.C.A. of this city, are deeply grateful to the Oliphant Sisters for a most successful Sunday yesterday.

At the first appearance of the sisters at the morning service, the Emmanuel Baptist church, Spring Ridge, was well filled. Miss Minnie Oliphant spoke on the "Shepherd's Psalm." The discourse was most interesting and instructive and was replete with incidents of her world-wide travel and ten years' experience in international lecturing and revival work.

In the afternoon service at the New Grand theatre, the building was filled despite the warm weather. Miss Oliphant gave an address on the "Unpardonable Sin," after which the sisters sang four duets, the favorite being

their famous "Rail-Road" song. After the service a large number remained to shake hands with the sisters and express their appreciation, and many to express their desire for a better life.

At the evening service held in the Metropolitan Methodist church, the large auditorium was crowded to the doors and chairs had to be brought in.

Miss Oliphant gave a beautiful address on "Heaven" and the sisters sang four times. Half of the auditorium remained to 15 minutes, these meetings as a large number there expressed desire for a new life.

The day was conspicuously a success. Tuesday between 12 and 1 o'clock the sisters held a farewell meeting in the Y.M.C.A. hall, which was well attended.

They depart this evening for Seattle in company with Mr. Oliphant, their father, and Mr. Jackson, business manager and husband of the younger sister.

SEEKING PROTECTION.

Ottawa, May 6.—A. MacLaren, of Buckingham, was in Hull yesterday asking the sheriff for protection for his sawmill and property, as he had received an anonymous threatening letter.

SAYS SWETTENHAM WAS JUSTIFIED

Visitor in City Was in Jamaica Shortly After Earthquake—Terrible Scenes.

(From Monday's Daily.)
J. Douglas, agent for Canada and the West Indies, for Gilbey & Sons, the great British whiskey manufacturers, is in the city at present on his semi-annual tour of the west. Mr. Douglas has but lately returned from Jamaica which he also visits twice yearly.

He arrived in Jamaica just a short time after the earthquake. He found the country a desolate memorial of that catastrophe and most of the mansions ruined. The better class of whites sympathize with Governor Swettenham in his attitude and declare bitterly that he has been most unfairly used by the imperial authorities. In the first place the earthquake occurred on Monday. Prompt measures were taken to prevent looting and to put down crime, and the governor had force sufficient at his command to do this. Then, and not until the Saturday following the Monday of the earthquake, the American squadron, under the command of Admiral Davis arrived, Mr. Douglas states.

Without waiting to consult the governor, a party of marines and blue jackets was landed, and the governor was placed in, "Mr. Douglas remarked.

"Here are American citizens on British soil, their own initiative to assist in restoring law and order. In the course of so doing they might conceive it necessary to shoot British subjects."

"With that you must couple the well known hostility of the average citizen of the United States towards the Negro and remember that nearly the whole of Jamaica's population are blacks."

Mr. Douglas tells of some terrible incidents during the disaster—of men burned alive in the sight of their friends, who were powerless to help them, as perhaps tons of debris rested on top of their bodies.

Mr. Douglas will remain in the city some days.

LICENSE BYLAW IS NOT QUASHED

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Mr. Higgins contended among other things that the by-law attempted to make restrictions as to the licensed premises themselves, which was beyond the statute. He also argued that it was in conflict with the statute, inasmuch as it provided that for the first offence the license should be cancelled, while under the statute this cancellation only followed after a third offence. He further took exception on the ground that the provincial act gave the commissioners a discretion as to imposing certain penalties, while the by-law took this discretionary power away and made it imperative.

Mr. Higgins contended against Mr. Higgins on all points and reached the conclusion that there was no conflict shown between the by-law and the statute, and that the city authorities had no right to apply with costs.

He therefore decided against the application with costs.

FAIR OF NATIONS BEGINS TO-MORROW

Preparations Complete For Entertainment in Aid of Y. M. C. A. Building Fund.

(From Monday's Daily.)

Great and extensive preparations are under way for the "Fair of Nations," which will commence to-morrow, Tuesday, in the Assembly hall, (recently on King's street, and will continue during Wednesday and Thursday, and the proceeds of which will go directly to the new Y.M.C.A. building fund.

The various churches of the city are responsible for booths representing six different nations, which will be appropriately decorated and in which various and refreshments peculiar to the various nations will be obtainable. There will also be an exhibition of products and curios of the different countries represented, making altogether a most elaborate display. Refreshments and meals will be served continuously, but the great event in the evening line will be an old English dinner between 12 and 1 o'clock on Wednesday. Arrangements have been made for a large turnout.

Mr. Douglas states.

CHINESE LEPERS WERE ALL DEPORTED

Arrangement Between Dominion and Chinese Authorities Does Away With Leper Colony on Darcy Island.

(From Monday's Daily.)
The entire leper colony on Darcy Island, consisting of eight Chinese, were shipped aboard a steamer this morning to be conveyed to China. This comes as a result of an arrangement between the Chinese and the Dominion governments.

The Dominion government has long sought for a satisfactory solution of the problem of how to deal with the Chinese lepers. It was considered both unfair to the Canadian authorities to call upon them to treat foreigners for a loathsome disease contracted in a foreign country, where the disease is comparatively common, and where adequate facilities for its treatment are provided.

Hence the Canadian authorities have long sought to arrange an agreement with the Chinese authorities. This has just been effected.

This morning the eight lepers, in charge of a Chinese attendant, were placed on board a barge and towed out to the steamer, which was lying in the Royal Roads.

The lepers were conveyed on board and placed in quarters specially prepared for them.

By the arrangement the Dominion government pays the owners of the ship \$2,700 for the passage of the lepers and their one attendant. They are relieved of all further liability in the matter, and there is no longer a leper colony on the Canadian Pacific Coast.

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The arrangement with the captain of the vessel for the immediate transfer of the lepers was brought about through the agency of Senator Riley. Some hitch had arisen in the matter, the captain demanding cash in advance, which would have necessitated communication with Ottawa. Senator Riley made himself responsible, and the captain received his money this morning.

REV. J. H. MORGAN DIED IN WINNIPEG

PRESIDENT OF MANITOBA METHODIST CONFERENCE

Supreme Court of Appeals Will Open at Ottawa on Tuesday—Canadian Notes.

Winnipeg, May 6.—Rev. J. H. Morgan, president of the Manitoba Methodist conference and pastor of Fort Rouge Methodist church, died this morning in the general hospital. He was operated on for appendicitis on Saturday. He was forty-one years of age, and a graduate of the Wesleyan college, and had charge of Lethbridge, Kenora, Holland and Keewatin during the past few years.

Court of Appeals.
Ottawa, Ont., May 6.—The May term of the Supreme Court of Appeals of Canada will open to-morrow. On the list is the appeal of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company vs. the Ottawa Fire Insurance Company. There are two exchequer appeals, Spencer vs. the King, from Manitoba, and Kirwan vs. Cohen, from Ontario. British Columbia cases are: Norton vs. Fulton; Elk Lumber Company vs. the Crown's Nest Pass Company.

May Play in Montreal.
Montreal, May 6.—It is about settled that Lester Patrick, formerly of the Capital lacrosse team, will be here for the season of 1908. Although his family have gone to Vancouver, Patrick will remain here until fall, although he would not speak definitely, says he may remain till next spring.

Married Sixty Years.
Petersburg, May 5.—Sixty years' married life is the record of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCutcheon, Sydney, and their friends and neighbors gathered in large numbers at their diamond wedding. Mr. McCutcheon, who is in his eighty-fifth year, has lived in Scotland since 1848. Mrs. McCutcheon is eighty-seven. Five of their seven children are still living. Both are hale and hearty, although Mr. McCutcheon has to use crutches because of a fall he had a few years ago.

VOLUMINOUS EVIDENCE.
Acquappan Committee's Report On Labor Situation Here.
(From Monday's Daily.)
The board of trade committee which has been inquiring into the labor situation on the Island will report at the annual meeting of the board, which takes place at 1 o'clock Thursday afternoon of this week. The evidence upon which the board's finding is placed fills over two hundred typewritten foolscap pages.

The committee was in session all Friday afternoon and the most of Saturday and their report has been finally completed. It was presented to the board, the future action of that body with regard to it will be decided upon. It is probable that it will be forwarded to the Ottawa government with such recommendations as the board sees fit to adopt.

The council of the board will meet Wednesday morning.

GRAVEL PITS ACTION.

Ald. Fullerton To Introduce Resolution Seeking Summary Settlement.
(From Monday's Daily.)
Should the city fathers decide to pass a resolution which will be moved by Ald. Fullerton at to-night's council meeting, the long-standing complaint about the alleged dangerous condition of the Spring Ridge gravel pit will be settled. It is understood that the pit will be closed by the city and the cost be recovered through the courts.

FOUR CHILDREN PERISHED.
Burned to Death in House While Their Parents Were at a Dance.
West Branch, Mich., May 6.—Four small children were burned to death in the home of Martin Campbell, seven miles from here. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell had gone to a dance, leaving their six little ones locked in the house. They left a big fire in the stove and in some manner this set fire to the house, which was destroyed. The children were awakened by the flames and the two eldest, aged 8 and 10 years, managed to escape. The four smaller ones perished. The parents of the children are prostrated.

TOOK CARBOLIC ACID.
Vancouver, May 6.—A new arrival from England, whose name was evidently Oman, committed suicide yesterday morning by taking carbolic acid. His body was found in a vacant lot facing Beach Avenue.

An evil reputation has long been borne by the weed tree. It is still a common belief that it is fatal for animals or men to rest beneath its poisonous shade.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCK.

London, May 6.—Prof. John Milne, seismologist, from the Isle of Wight, and Prof. Belera, an authority on seismic disturbances at Laibach, Austria, report to the Daily Mail, records of an earthquake shock of two hours' duration yesterday morning. The distance is given as between six and eight thousand miles from the points of record.

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