THE TRADES' CONVENTION

First Session of Twenty-second **Annual Convention Was** Held Monday

IMPORTANT BUSINESS

A Series of Strong Resolutions Presented---the Initial Proceedings

Victoria International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths and Helpers, Local, No. 82, Frank W. Jeeves. Victoria Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers, No. 5, Decorators and Paperhangers, No. 5,

G. F. Gray, president of Vic toria Trades and Labor Council, occu-Dec pied the chair, and on the platform F. Gilligan F. Guligan.
 Victoria Brotherhood of Boilermakers and Iron Shipbuilders of America,
 No. 119, W. W. Gabriel.
 Duncan Federal Labor Union, No. 7, with him were Alphonse Verville, M. P., Montreal, president of the trades gress; James Simpson, Toronto vice-president; and T. E. Rickert,

fraternal representative of the Ameri-can Federation of Labor.

an Federation of Labor. Mr. Gray in opening the proceedings extended a cordial welcome to the delegates to the city and hoped that they would transact much business, as well as enjoy themselves. In his re-marks he said that he was of the opin-ing that the mesting marked a new marks he said that he was of the opin-ion that the meeting marked a new era in labor circles in the Dominion. He referred to the assistance that had been received from the Provincial Gov-ernment. City Council, Tourist Asso-ciation and Board of Trade, and took that occasion to thank them. He stated that the two most important questions to come up for discussion would be the position of the congress in politics and the Asiatic question. He thought the work of this conven-tion was very important, and, while all was very important, and, while all taken their places as units, it was rable that they should be more units and all work together for

Iphonse Vérville, M. P., president the congress, then took the chair, in making his announcement said while in the chair he would have friends, and all must abide by the t the congress. He then de-he twenty-second annual con-open for business.

report of the credentials com-was then received, which the following delegates quali-

R. P. Pettypiece, Vancouver, desired b have the delegates from the Allied rinting Trades Council given a seat Fraternal Delegate

rican Federation of Labor, T. erally Hamilton, W. Rollo. Ottawa, E. Empey, P. M. Draper. Toronto, R. Hungerford, F. Rane-ft, J. H. Kennedy. Trades and Labor Councils ntreal, J. C. E. Tardif. nipeg, J. F. Grassick, W. H

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all measures coming before the House of Commons, and to introduce and promote legislation for the immediate benefit of the working classes, while also paying attention to legislation of general application.
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3. A full report of the doings of the Dominion parliament so far as they af-fect labor will be found in our solicit-or's report. The wisdom of the Con-gress in maintaining an experienced re-

Technical Education 12. This subject has become one reat and immediate importance. R

presentative at Ottawa has been amply demonstrated. The Provincial legisla-tures are covered by the reports of the Provincial executives. great and immediate in Intions advocating the International Relations a commission to collect data subject of technical educatio preliminary to the foundation

liminary to the foundation of techni-schools by the Dominion of Condu-4. While some success has attended the effort to have Canadian local unions affiliated from international headquar-ters, there yet remains much to be have been passed by trades unions, and combined efforts are being made by the representatives of your Congress and of the Canadian Manufacturers' asso-ciation to induce the government to act. and representations should be to the Executive council of the ican Federation of Labor in this regard with a request for further as-sistance from that body. While the ef-

Juncan Federal Labor Union, No. 7, J. Elliott. Nelson United Brotherhood of Car-penters and Joiners of America, No. 524, E. Kilby. Vancouver Journeymen Barbers In-ternational, No. 120, Joseph Bruce. Vancouver Bookbinders' Union, J. F. forts of the Congress enure to all, it is hardly fair that a few should be left to bear the expense attaching to the maintenance of the Congress. McConnell. Vancouver Federal Labor Union, No. 23, J. Nesbit. Prison-Made Goods 5. It is a matter of sincere regret hat the Ontario government has seen

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23, J. Nesbit. Vancouver Builders Laborers' Union, No. No. 32, A. H. Dutton and H. Sellers. Vancouver Journeymen Tailors' Local, No. 178, F. Williams. Vancouver Bollermakers and Iron Shipbuilders, No. 194, A. Fraser. Vancouver Brotherhood of Carpen-penters, F. McGraw, C. K. Forrest, S. Kernyhan and T. Beamish. Vancouver Wood, Wire and Metal Lathers' Union, Albert Surgess. Vancouver Bricklayers and Masons y International Union, No. 1, Edward b Bragg.

Bragg. Vancouver Printing Pressmen Union, No. 69, Geo. F. Pound. Vancouver Beaver, Lodge. No. 182, chair, said have the de-con-vancouver Beaver, Lodge. No. 182, International Association of Machin-ists, Wm. Abbott. Vancouver Typographical Union, No.

Vancouver Cigarmakers' Union, No. 357, G. Thomas, jr.

301, 0., Thomas, jr. P. M. Draper, in referring to the Allied Printing Trades Council, said he had no objection to seating a delegate from that body; but at the convention of the central committee in Berlin it was decided that representatives should only be members of central or. should only be members of central

ations. He suggested that the ntials of the Allied Printing s Council be not received. R. P. Pettiplece said it was not g rally known what position the Al rinting Trades Council occupied occupied in

ciation to induce the The question will be ight up early next sessi 12a. In this connection mittee desires to draw the attention of the Congress to the action of the board of education of Toronto with reference to a new Technical school. At the early part of the year it was proposed that a special committee be appointed to re-port ways and means to improve the present Technical school. This commit-

The density of the solution of period and the infurition of period and the indicatory of the solution and the comprese interest for them and his great desire to better their condition, and the Congress is anged to express by resolution its resters the solution and the Congress is and the solution. The solution and the Congress is and the solution and the Congress is and the solution. The solution its resters for the consulties appointed to solution its resters for the consult of the solution. The solution its resters for the consult of the solution. The solution its resters the solution, and the Congress is and solution. The solution its resters the solution, and the Congress is and the solution. The solution its resters the solution, and the Congress is and the solution. The solution is seen the seesing the solution its resters the solution, and the Congress is ang

Young, state organizer of the Orego Federation of Labor, were given sea President Verville, in introducing the gentlemen, referred to them as some of the most important men in Canada. Hon. R. McBride, in addressing the

Senate Reform

Vancouver, and he was of the opinion that the constitution was not so hard and fast that it could not be arranged to have the delegates admitted. He said that the work of the Allied Printcongress, said he considered it a great privilege to participate in the pro-ceedings of the afternoon. He said he understood that there was lots of is every reason to believe that he will take advantage of the invitation. beautiful and tasteful arr reflected the greatest the proprietors of Flewin's take advantage of the invitation." The General Field T. The great struggle of the year has undoubtedly been the successful fight by the International Tryographical Union for the Shour day, and too much, can not be said of the acumen, determina-tion and wisdom displayed by the offi-cers having the struggle in hand, as well as the fidelity, the courage, and the sources is one that and file, upon whom the brunt of the battle fell. Their success is one that it was this fact that prompted employwhile laws were being made agains the "little brown man" on the b and E. A. Wallace, their on to victory, and in the am, J. L. Walker. ing Trades Council was to give the all towns in the province representused to lower the living w ntime the "little brown man" was ons of graceful of the labor class of America. It was not at present that his presence woul be felt, but when hard times came th Ison, F. Philips.
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Igary., A. Henderson, J. Burgess, lidates shall be firmly pledged. pson, Toronto, was not in of the le J. C. Simpson, foronto, was not in favor of admitting the delegates. He thought the rules of the constitution was elastic enough, and they should not be more elastic. He said it was not right for any credentials to be ac-cepted if the council were not duly without hiding its ies; and flags and dr By Delegate George F. Gray, oria Trades and Labor council. want of work would be bad illy arranged, con <text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text> mitted by instruction from the Victoria Trades and Labor council: "That a He thought it was tim m. their Exceller for everyone to rise up and say stor and Countess, accompany lonor the Lieutenant-Go to was greatly interesting both Canada at and the United States. He hoped that at the description of the des of this labor and there are enough working-men to take their places. He urged all delegates from this province, as well as others, to send delegates to their convention, as he thought it would re-sult in great good to all labor organ-"Dominion Parliamentary Election, ment, heralded by the strains of national atthem from the exce stringed band stationed in the s stringed band stationed in the s bule. The vice-regal party proof to the dais, which was gaily deco with flags and flowers. The mil and naval officers drew up in facing the dais, leaving a passag tween for approach, and the press tions commenced in the usual ms and continued for the space of an or so, after which His Excellency gaged in conversation with va citizens and ladies of the company 1908," "We the undersigned financial mem-bers of the C. L. L., do hereby nomin-at Mr. 'A. A. ..., Carpenter, Douglas street, Victoria,' as a Labor candidate for the 'Victoria Constituency' at the "Dominion parliamentary election 1908" such meminstion and candidature to be for the Victoria Constituency' at the Dominion parliamentary election 1908; such nomination and candidature to be accordance in every particular with the rules of the C. I., L." (Signed) B. B. Branch No. 1, C. L. L. (Signed) C. C. Branch No. 2, C. L. L. (Signed) D. D. Branch No. 3, C. L. L. (Signed) E. D. Branch No. 4, C. L. L. Candidate's Pledge I, A. A., ..., the candidate above mentioned, do hereby pledge my word and honor: d in conversation with v ans and ladies of the compar To the Refreshment Rooms which were adorned and provision the best style. The function was brief and brill the lovely dresses of the ladies, bined with the brilliant uniforms, bined with the orimant uniforms, ing lustre to the scene that, other than in numbers, no capital in the pire could readily surpass; and regards the physique of the men the beauty of the women, few of and honor: (a) "That I am a financial member of the C. L. L." "That I have freely and willingly accepted the 1906 platform of the C. L. L., and will strictly adhere to this platform, and will fight loyally for the adoption of the measure therein contained and generally for the cause of Labor." "That, if I am selected as the Labor candidate for this contest. I will (b) All was concluded soon aft o'clock, and the Government H party with their vice-regal guests the buildings, returning by the route. Those presented were as candidate for this contest, I will fight honestly and fairly to win; and if not selected by the prelim-inary ballot, I will retire from the Captain R. Angus, Miss Adair, The V. Baugh Allen, Mrs. W. Baugh Lev. G. K. B. Adams, Margaret Arbi ames R. Anderson, J. A. Anderson. contest and throw the whole weight of my support in favor or the candidate selected." в B Canon Beanlands, Mrs. Beanl Miss Butchart, Mrs. R. Pim Butc Miss Mary Butchart, Miss Brae, J Brae, H. R. Beaven, Bishop of C bia, Miss Blakemore, Miss Zoe I nam, Sydney Booth, Mrs. E. G Burke, Miss Browne, Mr. Go Booth, Mr. Beaumont Boggs, Nina Bouter, Mrs. Gavin Han Burns, W. Blakemore, Mrs. C Baker, M. Bellasis, Mrs. Bridg Miss Bell, Mr. J. J. C. Bridgman, Gavin Hamilton Burns, Mrs. V "That if elected as a member I will not accept any office; either minis-terial or otherwise, without the consent of a majority of the recog-nized members of the C. L. P. in the legislature." "That if the fate of the government in either the Provincial or Domin-ion legislature is at stake, I will be guided in my actions and vote by a majority vote of the Canadian dian Labor party in that particular legislature." legislature." "That if, after election as a Labor member, I find that I cannot keep my pledges to the Canadian Labor league, I will tender my resigna-tive or Municipal body, and also as a member of the Canadian Labor league." (Signed) "A. A." Candidate legislature. vorth Bell. (f) C C Mrs. H. Mackenzie Cleland, Josephine Crease, Rev. Hermon A, son, Mr. Wm. Christie, Captain J D. Curtis, R. N., Mrs. Cobbett, Cobbett, Mr. Hugh Cobbett, Dr. H Carter, Mrs. Crawford, Mr. and J. W. Church, Miss Kathleen Cro Dr. R. V. Crawford, Rev. Dr. C bell, Mr. Maurice Cane, Mr. Gee Courtney, Rev. W. Leslie Clay, Chas. E. Clarke, Capt. Chas. E. C (Signed) "A. A." Candidate mess: "B. B." Branch No. 1. Witness: By Delegate Adam Anderson, Amal-(Continued on Page Three.)

made clear to your executive that there is pressing need throughout the whole of the Dominion for general organizers appointed and directed by the executive of the Congress. This is a subject of paramount importance that deserves keen attention. that there were many in British cu-lumbla who were anxious to see the tax removed, and asked that the con-gress consider the matter fully. T. E. Rickett, fraternal delegate of T. E. Rickett, fraternal delegate of

the American Federation of Lab In conclusion your executive expresses the belief that the deliberations of the Congress will operate for the good of the worker throughout Canada, and we hope that the delegates will lend their organization. He said that he was to every energy to solving the many intriaddress the congress later in the ses

Conclusion

Montreal. JAMES SIMPSON, Toronto, PATRICK M. DRAPER, Ottawa. Executive Officers Trades and Lab Congress of Canada.

on why the limit of speakers should

should have the power to say when the delegates should be muzzled. James Simpson, Toronto, suggested that when the political question came

This course was agreed to. An adjournment was then taken

Afternoon Session

resuming after the inter

Morley; F. A. Pauline, vice president of the board of trade, who, with Mr.

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cate problems presented to them during the sittings of the Congress. The re-sponsibility upon each delegate is a heavy one that calls for his best atten-tion. The Congress is truly the parlia-ment of Labor and deep and sincere consideration for the interests of all con-cerned should be given to acch watten Mr. Young, state organizer of the Oregon Federation of Labor, said he was delegated to attend the meeting, not to make speeches, but to get acnsideration for the interests of all cou-rned should be given to each matter alt with. We trust every success will allow your efforts in couserving the elfare of the working people. ALPHONSE VERVILLE, M. P. Montreal. JAMES SIMPSON, Toronto. R. Hungerford, Toronto; J. F. Grass ick, Winnipeg; J. C. E. Tardif, Mont real; E. Empey, Ottawa; E. J. Ste he tried to tell them what to do. There was no line, between the labor organ-izations, but for the Washington state federation he brought greetings and would be glad to have delegates from this country visit their convention that ary. He said that the labor organiza-iton was a fraternal organization and it would be etter if all the organiza-tions were fraternalized. He referred because the single strike that means the single strike strike strike strike strike strike strike strike strike velfare of the working people. ALPHONSE VERVILLE, M. P. venson, Moose Jaw; F. Phillips, son; G. F. Gray, Victoria; R. P. Francy, Montreal; A. H. Dutton, Van-couver; and F. McGraw, Vancouver, Committee on report of executive of-It was then decided that the sittings of the congress should extend from 9 wou a. m. till 12, noon, and from 2 p.m. till ary. Winnipeg; T. H. Sherman, Fernie; W. Rollo, Hamilton; A. Johnson, Vic-toria; A. G. Perry, Vancouver; E. Kilby, Nelson; Christian Sivertz, Vic-5; and that a mover of a resolution should be allowed ten minutes and all others five minutes. it would be better it and the referred tions were fraternalized. He referred to the shingle strike that recently took place in Washington, and said that for five months there was a hard struggle, ive months there was a hard struggle, R. P. Pettipiece, Vancouver, wanted longer time for discussion. toria. R. Hungerford did not see any rea

W. R. Trotter, Winnipeg; J. H. Barand he was sorry to say that the unions were the losers. He said the conditions that existed at that time nett, Toronto; J. D. McNiven, M. P. P., Victoria; G. Beamish, Vancouver;

and he were the losers, He said the conditions that existed at that time were not to the advantage of the union. He thought that strikes were not conducive to the good of labor or-ganizations and he hoped the time would soon come when strikes would be few and far between. There were anay "rainbow chasers," but they were also few and far hetween. He thought that the organization of labor would go on forever, and it was use-less for politicians to talk about solv-ing the labor question. The Wash-ington organization was interested in the question of inmigration, as well as all immigrants should be educated to the proper standard of living, and to the to as they lived in their own country, but in the country they come

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apey, Ottawa; E. J. Ste

A. Henderson, Calgary

Thompson, Vancouver:

By Delegate Gus France Jacques Car-tier, Typo. Union 145, Montreal.-Resolved: That this Congress endorses with pleasure the nominating of Bros. Jas. Ainey, member of the Brofherhood of Carpenters as a Labor candidate for Federal election in St. Mary's division of Montreal country, but in the country they come to. The people of America had ar-rived at the conclusion that the only lon that the way they could get the legislators to recognize their claims was to elect Federal elect of Montreal.

nen of their own class, with pards in their pockets. Regardin mmigration question, he said By Delegate George F. Gray, Vic-toria Trades and Labor council.—Sub-mitted by instruction from the Victor-ia Trades and Labor council: "That a Canadian Labor party be at once form-ed with a combined National and Pro-vincial and Municipal platform to which all joining members and all can-didates shall be firmly pledged"



and Government streets to the ient buildings was ablaze illuminations, the .tr es, banks and post office, as the electrical establishment on & Co., being particularly c The government building elves were a marvel of the an's art, every detail of the cate architecture being clearly in brilliant outline against the darkness of the ; whilst looking no southern da Olympians; he scene was one of lering Beauty and Magn

the long-drawn, glittering visi minating in the splendid Chines itself a blaze of light and color streets and approaches m an early hour in the ev ctant multitude, await of the illustrious guest ted by Within the littee of the la ay, had made The ministers m had been prepared as a was placed at The the d The private roon was devoted smuir and her om was se of Mrs. Du rs; the Maple room to the wiv room as a general clo adies attandin m was located in the id floor beneath the tiring rooms were most ntly and Elaborately Furn ssrs. D. Spencer, Limite corations, which were