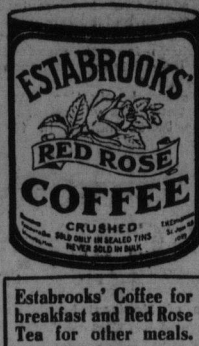


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## The Methodist General Conference

Large bodies, which are told, move slowly, which is as true of ecclesiastical as of other organizations. This is unavoidable as there are many preliminaries to be arranged and there is much to be done before the conference can be held. It was not until the 10th of August that the conference was held at the Hotel McRobbie, King Street, and the delegates were received by the Rev. T. Albert Moore, secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance to the office of the general conference, and the delivery of the address of the general superintendent, of which mention has already been made, work was entered upon by the nomination of sundry committees to which all matters pertaining to their special departments were sent. After running the gantlet they are returned to the conference to be accepted, amended or rejected.

### Fraternal Greetings.

A deputation from the Presbyterian general assembly headed by the Rev. Dr. Campbell, presented the greetings of that church, which were suitably replied to by Dr. Allison, of Sackville, the Rev. Mr. Bland and the general superintendent. Similar addresses in spirit, but in more of the denominational line, were made by the Revs. Henry Haight and William A. Bricken, the representatives of the British Wesleyan and Irish Wesleyan conferences, Bishop Honda, of the Methodist church in Japan, gave some interesting information concerning what was being done in that country and appealed for more men to enter the doors that were now being opened to them.

### Notable Receptions.

Among the noteworthy events of the week was the visit of Laurier's visit to the conference. He was accompanied by the Hon. Mr. Graham, who is the son of a Methodist minister, and by Mr. E. M. McDonald, who is a Presbyterian. All three addresses of the conference and the relations of the church to the problems of nation-building.

"I am glad to think that there is a broader spirit of Christianity in the world today," said Sir Wilfrid, in his address, "and in that I believe that Dr. Carman and myself are not far apart."

In the matter of doctrine he added: "We can agree to disagree, but in the work of building up a nation we are as one."

This visit recalls another of a somewhat similar character which occurred at the General Conference in Toronto in 1886, when the late Sir John A. Macdonald came to pay his respects to the High Court of Methodism and brought with him several Indian braves who had rendered Canada signal service in the second Riel rebellion under the circumstances connected with that wicked and foolish affair yet fresh in the memory and realizing how much the Indians had done to check the spread of the movement, it is not to be wondered at that the conference gave the Grand Old Man and his wards a right royal welcome.

### Premier McBride a Visitor.

Another event worthy of mention was the visit to the conference of Premier McBride. He was well received and as he spoke of the good done in British Columbia by Ebenezer Robson and Thomas Crosby and other pioneers of Methodism, and of Dr. Porter and his work among his own and his country's best friends he was loudly applauded and on retiring the conference stood and sang "God Save the King."

Still another was the attendance in a body of the conference at the reception given to the Federal Premier, which was brought about by Premier McBride. It is needless to say they were warmly greeted, for few men can do things in that line more gracefully than Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

An interesting circumstance occurred the other day when the secretary presented to the conference a cane made from the wood of the first steamer that disturbed the waters of the Pacific, at least in this part of it. This was called the Beaver. Was built in the Thames in 1835, and was christened by a member of the royal family, but her greatest honor was in being the ship that carried the first missionaries to Victoria. It is

suggested the cane, together with a suitable address be sent to the King.

### Expenses of the Delegates.

The committee having this matter in hand made its report, which was accepted by a unanimous vote, and which decided to pay the full railway charges, including sleeping car, and \$2.50 per day for meals and incidentals during actual travelling time. This will cost about \$3,000, but it is pleasing to know the general conference fund will be able to meet the demands without borrowing. Some of the delegates are of the opinion the chief officer of the church should be better paid, and a proposition is now before the house to raise the salaries of the General Superintendents and editors to \$2,000 with furnished house allowances of \$700 per year.

### Rev. Howard Sprague, D. D.

The News-Advertiser, which is edited by Mr. S. D. Scott, so well known throughout the Dominion, makes the following mention of Rev. Howard Sprague: "Among the early arrivals is Dr. Sprague, D. D., dean of faculty of theology at Mount Allison college, Sackville, N. B. Dr. Sprague has attended all the general conferences. He is a pioneer in the work of the denomination in eastern Canada and only a few years ago left the pastorate to succeed the late Dr. Paisley as head of the Sackville theological faculty. This is Dr. Sprague's first visit to British Columbia and before his return he hopes to see more of it, as he has a son at Port Essington. "The grandeur of the Rocky Mountains impressed me more than I had thought possible," said Dr. Sprague. "These peaks seem to overpower a man with a sense of human insignificance." Dr. Sprague is a member of a commission appointed by the last general conference to consider the matter of the famous footnote on amusements. This commission has held no meetings, but the members have exchanged views by correspondence and will make a report. Dr. Sprague will probably cross to Victoria on Saturday.

Rev. Dr. Heartz, of Nova Scotia, who arrived in this city yesterday, is a member of several of the conference committees. In his own conference and in the general body Dr. Heartz is regarded as one of the most sagacious advisers. He was elected three years in succession to the presidency of his own conference and has served for a quarter of a century as one of the regents of Mt. Allison university. Dr. Heartz is down on the list of appointments as the preacher next Sunday at Kitilano, but some of the conference authorities are insisting that he ought to be in Victoria Monday morning. He took two sons-in-law in this city, Cecil Kilgus, barrister and Dr. Johnston, the father of the latter is editor of the Wesleyan, and likewise a delegate to the conference.

### COTTON MARKET.

New York, August 24.—Cotton, spot, closed quiet, ten points lower; middling uplands 16.45; middling Gulf 16.70; sales 400 bales.

Galveston—Quiet, 15.

New Orleans—Steady, 15 3/8.

Savannah—Steady, 15 3/8.

Charleston—Nominal.

Memphis—Quiet 15 3/8.

Concluded—Net receipts for five days 36,974.

Exports to Great Britain 27,857; to France 9,989. To the continent 2,302. Stock 239,177.

### BANQUET FOR CONGRESS.

King and Queen of Denmark Entertain Delegates to Convention on Charity.

Copenhagen, August 24.—A state banquet was given by the King and Queen recently in honor of the members of the international congress on public and private charity. Among the guests were included ex-President Loubet, the Danish minister of the interior and delegates from foreign countries. His Majesty King Frederick extended a welcome to the members of the congress and wished them every success in their work.

## HASSAM PLAN IS ENDORSED FOR WATER ST. CONFLICTING EVIDENCE IN THE PAVING INVESTIGATION

**Council Yesterday Instructed City Engineer to Withdraw Order for Hand-Mixed Concrete on Water Street.**

A special meeting of the Common Council was held yesterday at eleven o'clock to decide what provision should be made to obtain legal advice during the recorder's illness, and just what action should be taken with regard to the resolution previously passed, to have the Hassam Paving Company requested to lay the remainder of the concrete necessary for their pavement by the hand-mixed method.

Those present were Mayor Frink, Common Clerk Wardropper and Ald. Wigmore, Sprague, McLeod, West, Elkin, Smith, Jones, Baxter, White, Hayes, Potts and Sculley and R. S. Low of the Hassam Paving Co.

The meeting was called to order by the mayor, who explained his reasons for calling it.

"I wish to refer to the illness of the recorder," said he. "And to say that I am glad to hear of his improved condition. It will be necessary to secure the services of some legal adviser during his illness and I desire to hear suggestions from the council."

Ald. Elkin asked if it would be advisable to allow an alderman to fill the position temporarily.

The mayor thought and said: "Ald. Baxter—"It would be best in my opinion to leave the matter in the hands of the mayor. We have enough confidence in him and trust him with the matter. Considering the recorder's condition, I would not care to see any resolution on the books to make even a temporary appointment."

Mayor Frink—"I am assured that in case of the recorder's recovery he will need a rest. There are many men in the profession whom we could trust. I could not go from any one to another but would have to do all the city's business through him."

Ald. Baxter—"We could not expect any lawyer to give up his regular practice for our business, and if it interfered with the business of his clients, we might have to change."

His Worship—"I considered Mr. Carter, but not without first obtaining the views of several aldermen. I think we could repose confidence in him. I think we should make some arrangements with regard to fees, etc. If there is no resolution I will employ Mr. Teed."

Ald. White—"I wish to refer to the reports in yesterday's papers and repeated this morning. On Monday night I was decided to call Mr. Carter to see and ascertain when the work could be done. The published report that the committee was to be on Main street yesterday was incorrect. I think there has been some confusion and the matter was unfairly stated."

The mayor thought that the matter was too trivial to be dealt with.

Ald. Jones—"The public have the impression that the committee refused to go to Main street. I have a memorandum of our conversation yesterday and would like to read it."

Mayor Frink—"The investigating committee will make its report in time. I will explain the matter to the reporters after the meeting."

Ald. Jones and White were satisfied.

Mayor Frink—"The other matter I wished to bring up was the matter of requesting the engineer to request the Hassam Paving Co. to do the work not already started in accordance with specifications. On Friday I talked the matter over with the engineer and that in accordance with the resolution of the council he was asked to see that the method was discontinued on Water street."

He did so and Mr. Low, talking to me later, said that he thought the rights of the Hassam Paving Co. would be infringed by such action. I obtained Mr. Teed's opinion then and as a result the engineer has told the paving company to discontinue the method on the southern end of Water street."

Mr. Teed's opinion was read in council.

As no resolution was passed the matter of securing legal advice when necessary was left to the Mayor's discretion.

While in private session it was resolved to request the engineer to withdraw his order permitting Hassam method on the southern end of Water street and also to instruct the company that that method would not be allowed on Smythe street.

When the reporters were again admitted to the council chamber, a petition was read bearing the signatures: T. McAvity & Sons, Ltd., Jas. W. McAvity, E. Leonard & Sons, Geo. E. Holder, Bank of New Brunswick, W. J. Spence & Co., who do business on Water street, requesting that the pavement on that street be finished, if possible, in the same manner as that portion of Main street work now completed, it producing in their opinion better results than the pitch filling specified.

Ald. Baxter moved that the council be resolved into general committee and the engineer be summoned, to give his opinion on the matter.

Mr. R. S. Low stated that as far as the company was concerned they would be willing to change the method, although it would not cost fifty per cent less, but actually a little more.

The engineer was not in the building, so Ald. Baxter moved that the matter be left to his discretion.

At this point Mr. Murdoch came in and Ald. Baxter withdrew his motion.

When the matter was explained to him, the engineer stated that both materials were of the same quality, a filler, and he had been anxious to give each a test, so he had specified pitch in one instance and concrete in the other. As far as he knew one material was just as good as the other.

His worship stated that pitch had been tried near the ferry, but had been unsatisfactory.

Mr. Murdoch then said he had no objection to make the change.

Ald. Baxter—"I beg to move that the engineer be empowered to make the change if it could be done for

The plot thickens. But whether the plot in the Main street stone will be "cooked" remains to be seen. The deeper the probe the more conflicting the evidence. At the session of the investigating committee last evening Geo. Palmer, general foreman in charge of the foundation work, swore that Mr. McLeod, of McDonald & McLeod told him that if it had not been for Mr. Carleton his firm would have got the contracts—that they had only failed to do so because they had raised their figures on the advice of Mr. Carleton.

R. S. Low declared his company was not responsible for the defective portion of the street, but was so satisfied that it was good enough that they would not accept a maintenance guarantee for that particular strip.

Assistant Engineer Hatfield stated that tests made from time to time revealed a greater tensile strength than the C. P. R. specifications for bridge work called for.

Ald. Sprout called.

In reply to the Mayor he said he was a member of the Board of Works last year. He said he and Ald. Jones were members of the sub-committee appointed to consider the specifications prepared by the engineer. They had submitted a verbal report, stating that they thought the specifications were of an iron clad character.

To Ald. White he said he had noticed the alternative clause, and considered it all right. A provision of a similar nature was inserted in nearly all contracts. As a mason he had often been told by architects that if an alternative method was good, he could use it. He had spoken to Ald. Holder about this clause, and they had agreed that the engineer could be trusted to see that an inferior article was not used.

The Assistant Engineer.

Assistant Engineer Hatfield was recalled. In reply to Ald. Jones he said his attention was called to the dumping of the stone at the corner of Hill Street on the first day by Mr. Carleton. His reply was to have it stopped.

Q. Did you do so?

A. I left that to him.

Continuing witness said the next day Mr. Carleton again called his attention to the matter, and he had spoken to Mr. Low, telling him to remove the stone to one side and have the sub-grade rolled. He told it was decided to do this. It was done, but he did not know whether Mr. Carleton had attempted to carry out the instructions.

The next day he had spoken to Mr. Carleton, who said the contractors had refused to roll the sub-grade. Witness then made a verbal report to Mr. Murdoch. After talking it over Mr. Murdoch had come to the conclusion that the earth had been sufficiently compacted by the traffic of 125 years. Witness thought this view was correct.

He called Mr. Murdoch's attention to the fact that the Hassam people ran the roller over the stone before grading, and that this was compacting any weak spots in the sub-grade. He had personally had the roller run over the spread stone once.

Next day Mr. Carleton complained to him that the concrete was not in the rolled stone, and that the whole mass had not been rolled sufficiently. Witness told Mr. Carleton to have it rolled to his satisfaction. He reported that he had seen Mr. Carleton giving directions to have the roller run over weak spots.

His Opinion Favorable.

Continuing witness said that he had a more favorable opinion of the concrete taken out at this place now than a few days ago. He had brought concrete from the city hall, and found that in the air with a chance to evaporate, it had set and become much harder than it was. That is, he meant, the three inch shell was a good piece of concrete, though it was not up to the specifications as regards depth.

The mayor—Where you present when the 10 foot square was taken out?

A.—Yes.

### HOTELS.

Royal.

Miss Lambert, Vineyard Haven, Mass; Miss Smith, do; Mr and Mrs A. Murray, Albany, NY; Mrs C G Bliss, New York; Miss L Bliss do; Mr and Mrs Albert Lipton, St Louis, Mo; F E Adams and wife, Worcester, Mass; Mr and Mrs Philip Sheldon, Pawtucket, RI; W Gromes and wife, Washington, DC; Mrs S E Wheatley, do; Dr and Mrs John L Adams, New York City; R C Ritchie, Upper Marlboro, Md; Summerside, C D Livingston, Yorkton, Sask; Mr and Mrs A S White, Chicago; J Woods and wife, Boston; L N Bourque and wife, Moncton; A L Bourque do; W A Mackay, N. Sydney; H Gilbert, Chicago; Margaret Durkin, Scranton, Pa; Mary P Davies, do; J D the same cost and is found satisfactory.

The motion was carried, and the council then adjourned.

Ald. Jones—"I desire permission to read my notes of the conversation between our Worship and Mr. Carleton yesterday, which was reported in a somewhat misleading way by the papers."

Mayor Frink—"Go on."

Ald. Jones—"About 10 o'clock your worship asked Mr. Carleton if he would go at once. Mr. White was not there, but the rest of us were ready to go to Main street at once. Your worship explained that you wished to point out the defective spots. Mr. Carleton refused to go, but would be willing to do so when the digging was to be commenced."

His Worship thought this was about what happened.

On motion of Ald. Baxter, the meeting then adjourned.

Q.—Was it taken out in a manner calculated to crumble it?

A.—While I was there no method was used as they were just trying to pry off corners.

Continuing witness said that in view of the fact that the concrete was laid on a damp sub-soil and covered in a day or two with wet sand and paving stones, he did not expect it to be as hard as if it had been exposed to the air.

To Ald. Jones he said he had heard Mr. Carleton complaining about the wall, and later stated that he would have his say when the work was finished.

To the mayor he said he could not tell whether the Hassam concrete was good as that laid under the railway tracks without knowing the mixture of the latter.

### Some Good Tests.

To Ald. Jones he stated that he had made several tests of the work. A briquette taken on July 5, after setting 24 hours, broke at 35 pounds pressure. On July 21, a briquette seven days old, broke at 165 pounds—15 pounds higher than that called for by the C. P. R. specifications. On Aug. 11 a specimen 21 days old, stood a pressure of 223 pounds over that called for by the C. P. R. specifications for that length of time.

To the mayor he said the Hassam Company used the Vulcan brand of cement, a Canadian brand.

To Ald. White he said that according to his tests the cement used by the Hassam people showed a greater tensile strength than that called for by the C. P. R. on their bridge work.

To the mayor he said Mr. Carleton appeared to be in charge of the men who dug up the strip near Mill street. He heard Mr. Carleton giving directions to the men.

An Interesting Witness.

Geo. Palmer, an employee of the contractors, was sworn. He said he was general foreman of the street work. He had been with Mr. Low since 1901, mostly engaged in concrete work.

Witness had some conversation with Mr. McDonald, of McDonald and McLeod about the work. McDonald said that if he had not been for Mr. Carleton he would have got this contract. McDonald had figured on \$3.85, but Mr. Carleton had told him \$4.88 was necessary, and he had followed Mr. Carleton's advice.

Ald. Hayes—Mr. Carleton swore that he had no conversation with McDonald and McLeod in reference to the contract.

Mr. Palmer—I had two conversations with Mr. McDonald, once in the presence of four other people.

Witness said it was his duty to see that the right proportions of sand and cement were used.

The mayor—it has been stated that the proportion of cement has been sometimes increased?

A.—Not on this job.

The mayor—You swear to that?

A.—Yes. It was never done at my direction.

Continuing witness said they endeavored to keep the grout at an average consistency. He then explained the process. He was present when the first piece was grouted. It did not take the usual amount of grout. He did not expect it to be good work, because there would not be the penetration, or thickness of solid concrete.

He had not reported that the usual amount of cement had not been absorbed.

Mr. Low (on being given permission)—Did you know that there was anything wrong about the amount of cement used till the records came in that evening?

A.—No, I could not tell.

Mr. Low's Offer.

Mr. Low said that if the work was bad it was through the fault of the inspector. But the Hassam Company was satisfied that the work would meet all the traffic requirements and would give a ten years maintenance guarantee for this particular portion, satisfactory to the recorder. At the same time he did not think the company could be held responsible.

The committee then adjourned.

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### AMUSEMENTS

NEW SKETCH AND MUSIC AT NICKEL TODAY.

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**SALVAGE WORK ON BEDFORD PROCEEDING**

Tokio, August 24.—Salvage work on the British armored cruiser Bedford, which was wrecked while on a tour of inspection in the Samarang Rocks, off Quelpert Island, while running at full speed through a dense fog on Sunday, was commenced today, according to information given out by the Japanese Admiralty. The heavy sea, running at the time of the wreck, had hitherto interfered with operations on the ship by the fleet of Japanese warships and salvage vessels, dispatched from Japan to assist in the raising of the British cruiser, which had anchored near the wreck, to raise anchor and put to sea. The weather is now fair.

K. of P. Notice.

Members of Cygnus Chapter No. 5 K. of P. are requested to assemble in full uniform at Castle Hall, Germain street, Thursday, at 1.30 p. m., for the purpose of attending memorial service and decorating graves. By order F. L. FOTTS, Captain.

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**DEATHS**

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Wood—In this city on Tuesday evening, August 23, Easter, widow of the late Charles H. Wood, aged 86 years leaving eight sons and two daughters to mourn. Notice of funeral hereafter.

Stewart—At Sackville, August 24th Rev. Charles Stewart, in the 84th year of his age. Funeral on Friday at 2.30 o'clock. No flowers.

Kain—At his late residence, 139 Elcott Row, on August 24th, Samuel Walker Kain, late of H. M. Customs, fifth son of the late John Kain. Funeral on Saturday. Service at 2.30

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