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THE METHODIST CONFERENCE.

Yesterday's Report of the Stationary Committee Not Brought Down.
The conference met at 9 o'clock yesterday morning in Elm street church. Permission was granted to the trustees of Methodist church to collect aid on its behalf. James G. Mills, of British Columbia was re-elected as being appointed a lay delegate to the general conference. Rev. S. Savage and Rev. Thos. Brock of London a conference was introduced. The resolution introduced by Rev. John Langtry and passed by the Anglican synod lately in session in this city meant the reading and study of the bible in public schools was read, and heartily approved of by conference. The communication of the Upper Canada bible society, which has been forwarded to all the religious bodies was read and referred to a committee. The report of the memorial committee recommended that the time of a minister in Ontario be extended to five years under certain restrictions. This recommendation evoked a warm discussion and is finally carried. Rev. T. S. Keogh read the report of the scrutineers of ballots for delegates to the general conference. The following were declared to be duly elected on the first ballot: Dr. Sutherland, Dr. Jeffers, W. Briggs, J. S. Luff, J. S. Clarke, Dr. Dewar, Dr. Shaw, Dr. Nelles, S. J. Hunter, J. Broad, Dr. Burwash.

THREE YONGE STREET STORES GUTTED.

A Blaze During the Election Excitement—A Narrow Escape.
At 9:45 last night a lamp hanging in front of the "Esthetic," a fruit store at No. 355 Yonge street, occupied by Mr. Seale, exploded and fell to the door-step. The flames spread rapidly, and before the firemen arrived had gained considerable headway. Mrs. Mary Craddock occupied 353 as a millinery store, and W. O. Littleford 357 as a hair jewelry establishment. The whole three stores were completely gutted, and the goods that escaped the flames fell a prey to water. An old lady named Mrs. Maltman, who lived over the fruit store, was in bed at the time the fire started and she had a very narrow escape from suffocation, having to be carried out through a rear window. Mrs. Maltman is very old and feeble and was almost helpless. Mrs. Craddock's loss is about \$2000 and she carries an insurance of \$500. Seale's loss is \$2000 on stock with no insurance, and Littleford's loss is about \$400, with no insurance. The buildings, which are of frame, are owned by Miss Caldwell of No. 301 Queen street west. Miss Caldwell informed a World reporter that she thought she was fully insured, but as her brother held the policies she did not know what companies they were in or what the amounts were.

DEATH OF J. O. WORTS.

One of Toronto's Millionaires and Most Useful Citizens Passes Away.
At 11:30 yesterday morning Mr. J. O. Worts passed away after a lingering illness of nine weeks. His death will not be a surprise to his numerous friends and acquaintances, as he has been sinking slowly ever since he was taken ill two months ago with malarial fever.
A LONG AND USEFUL CAREER.
Another of the pioneers so intimately connected with the history and progress of Toronto during the last fifty years has passed to his final rest, and though not an old man at the time of his death, he has left but few behind him who were such important factors in its progressive development from a struggling town of about 3500 to its present dimensions of a city with over 90,000 inhabitants, and the metropolis of a wealthy, populous and enterprising commonwealth. Mr. Worts was born in the town of Yarmouth, county of Norfolk, England, on the 4th June, 1818. When 14 years old he came to Canada in company with his father, James Worts, who settled in Toronto and engaged in milling. Mr. Worts, who built the windmill, which was a feature of the Toronto of forty-five years ago. His son, the subject of this notice, soon after his arrival here, attended a private school kept by a James Hamilton, now a resident of London, and under the able tuition of this gentleman completed his education. In 1834 his father died, leaving the sole charge of the milling business in the hands of William Gooderham, sr., his brother-in-law, who formed a partnership with him some time previous. Soon after the death of Mr. Worts, he was engaged in an active part in the business, and delivered orders all over what was then merely the nucleus of the present city. In 1840 Mr. Worts married a Miss Sarah Bright, being one of many sisters who all married prominent residents of Toronto, some of whom are still living. This lady died in 1876, deeply regretted by her numerous friends, her sorrowing husband and her five daughters and two sons. In 1845 Mr. Worts became a partner in the milling and distilling business with William Gooderham, sr., the firm being named "Gooderham & Worts." An unusual success attended the partners, uncle and nephew, in their future business, until it now has assumed a magnitude truly astonishing when contrasted with its proportions 37 years ago. Now there is in the employ of the firm over 1000 men, 100 being employed at the distillery alone. Last August William Gooderham, sr. died, and since then the business has been conducted by Mr. Worts and G. Gooderham. At the time of his death Mr. Worts was warden of Little Trinity Episcopal church, of which church he was a consistent member for 30 years. For over 30 years he acted as vestry clerk, giving during that period his services gratuitously. It is his connection with the church he was distinguished for his liberality, and contributed largely to the general and special schemes of the denomination to which he belonged. On the last occasion of altering and improving the church he gave \$1000 towards defraying the expense, and he and Mr. Gooderham, deceased, contributed \$1400 to pay for the enlargement of the Sunday school. At the time of his death Mr. Worts was president of the Bank of Toronto, in which institution he was largely interested. He was also a member of the board of trade, of which he was at one

SPORTING TALK.

The Shamrocks of Tilsonburg have made arrangements to play at Norwich on Dominion Day.
Paul Zeigler has deposited \$50 as a forfeit as agreement to spar with John L. Sullivan for the sum of \$350 any time inside of thirty days.
Henry Whitney, 13 years old, took all the prizes at the late glass ball shooting tournament at Syracuse, N.Y., amounting to \$275.
The Independents of Toronto play the Athletics of St. Catharines lacrosse at the latter city on July 1. The Hamilton Spectator advises the Toronto boys to wear suits of boiler plate, steel riveted, to which the St. Catharines Journal replies that all they will require is the cheer of a Spectator local.
BASEBALL GAMES YESTERDAY.
At Buffalo: Buffalos 1, Troy 5.
At Chicago: Chicago 13, Worcester 3.
At Cleveland: Cleveland 5, Boston 3.
At Detroit: Detroit 3, Providence 12.
THE VIENNA CHESS TOURNAMENT.
The chess tournament at Vienna draws to a close to-day. The contest is the closest on record. Mason had the lead but failed to maintain it. The game in which he defeated Winawer was the most brilliant of the tournament. The play of Mackenzie, the Canadian, has been of the highest order. He lies for first place. The following is the score of the competitors after 31 rounds: Mackenzie, 21½; Winawer, 21; Mason, 21; Zwickert, 20; Blackburn, 18½; Ware, 10.
THE TWO HOUR LACROSSE PRINCIPLE.
The match played on the Montreal grounds Saturday last between the Indians and the Canadian Indians was the first instance in which the two hour principle of play has been conclusively shown. In case the Toronto were to travel to Montreal to play the Shamrocks on the two hour system and the match result in a draw the trip would be a useless one as far as the money was concerned, and the club put to considerable expense and trouble.
BRIDGE JUMPERS.
James Dillon of New Haven has challenged Robert Donaldson, the champion, or any other jumper in America to jump from the Brooklyn bridge on July 4 for \$500 a side. The conditions are that both men are to jump at the same time, and the first man to rise out of the water to win. He has deposited \$50. Dillon stands 5 feet 7 inches in height, weighs 133 lbs., is 27 years of age, and was born in New Haven. As so much has been said about Donaldson it may be interesting to give the record of his opponents. In 1867 he jumped from the Mirgat bridge, near Algiers, height 125 feet. In 1868 he jumped from the masthead of the ship Cassin, at pier 17, North river. He has jumped from a railway bridge at Florence, Alabama, 140 feet high, and also jumped from the Cincinnati bridge.

CRITICISING THE QUEEN.

Royal ways that are Unsatisfactory to Society.
(London Correspondence New York Sun.)
The queen has once more given a proof of her overweening tenderness for her Scotch dominions, and of that irrepressible sympathy which renders it utterly impossible for her to disappoint even the lowest of her subjects beyond the border. A feeling of indignation had been very evident when, in spite of respectful solicitations from high quarters, her majesty insisted on holding the late drawing-room of the season on the very same day, almost at the very hour, when the mortal remains of the Irish victims were receiving (usual) honors. When it was found impossible to move the queen's resolution, and to obtain a postponement of the state ceremony, not only the numerous relatives, connections, and friends of Lord Frederick Cavendish and Mr. Burke protested by their absence, but few of the royal household or ministers were in attendance; the day was one of general mourning throughout the land, and this ill-timed display of fact and courtesy has hardly been redeemed from the charge of heartlessness, when it was known that the all-important reason for maintaining the day originally fixed was that the queen must start for Scotland to grace with her presence a servant's ball. Unable to remain more than a few short moments at any ceremony, unwilling to act the part of hostess at the fetes given in her name, doing more of her social duties by proxy, disdaining and ignoring the receptions offered to her by the most loyal and high born of her subjects, the queen is ever ready to assist at a gillie's gathering, to be sponsor to a game-keeper's child, or to remain for hours at the infant's dance of the society of those incidents is laid in Scotland. She, the most popular sovereign who ever ascended a throne, is recklessly imperiling her prestige as a monarch and as a woman by a want of thought and tact which exasperates the people, and often wounds them in their national pride and honor.
Claridge's hotel, however comfortable, hardly appears to the nation at large a meet residence in which to return to foreign potentates the hospitality they extend to British princes in their own palaces abroad. It is an insult to every precedent of courtesy that when a foreign ambassador is summoned to present his credentials at Windsor, he arrives unprepared at the station, finds no royal carriages to convey him to the castle, and has no choice between walking up to it in full uniform and opera, taking a common cab, or availing himself of a friendly offer, as in the case of the Belgian minister who was picked up by Darnley and brought in his carriage to his destination. Sometimes the discourtesy is flavored by an admixture of meanness more repugnant still to the generosity of a large nation. It was always thought a slightly inadequate return for the oriental splendor of the shah of Persia's gifts to the queen, that she should present him in return with her own photograph in a morocco case. Priceless as the intention was in its touching cordiality, still it did not represent much—indeed, not more than the rickish purse, price 1s 9d, which the prince of Wales literally showered over India, while whole shirts were laden with the costly presents heaped on him by the rajahs and nabobs of that distant province.
It is hardly pleasant to remember that when the Empress of Russia came to be present at the birth of the first child of the wizard Duchess of Edinburgh, although the Gas exceptionally a guest at Buckingham

TO COMPOSITORS.

PRINTERS ALL.
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STRIKE
for Just and Equal Rights. Do not take the bread and butter from their families by accepting their situation. W. H. PARR, Sec. T. U. No. 91.

DIVINE WORSHIP DISTURBED.

Extraordinary Conduct of a Woman in a Hamilton Church.
(From the Hamilton Spectator.)
While divine service was in progress at B. M. E. church, John street, Sunday evening, a middle-aged white woman very much excited, entered the church as if carried by a tornado, advanced to the pulpit and demanded the minister to stop, as she wanted to settle a difficulty that existed between herself and some of the congregation assembled. She said her daughter was in the church in company with a loose girl named Nellie Green, who was not long ago the inmate of an ill-famed house in Lunville. Just as the woman began her story—told in a voice loud enough to be heard outside of the church—a white girl whose name is supposed to be Mathews got up and left the church. When the infuriated woman became aware of this she followed and chased the girl up John street, down Gore, and caught her near Cannon street, where another exciting scene and argument, in which hard words were exchanged on both sides, took place. The girl Mathews went to church with the alleged crooked girl Green and William Douglas, a colored man. It is understood that Miss Mathews, who is rather inclined to be wayward, has been associating with Miss Green since the latter came to the city, in direct opposition to her mother's wishes. Great excitement prevails in the church while the scene lasted.

Robbing a Room-Mate.

Robert Neil and Andrew Brown came out from England together about a month ago and went to work in a saw-mill near Bradford. Both of the men boarded in the same house, and last Sunday Neil stole the key of Brown's trunk, abstracted twenty sovereigns therefrom and came to this city. Brown sighted him on Queen street yesterday and after an exciting chase ran him down, when a policeman arrested him. When searched by police headquarters twelve of the sovereigns were found on Neil's person; the rest he had bought a wistful and other articles with.

Bound to Die.

ELM, Pa., June 20.—William Reed, 32 years of age, yesterday struck himself three times with a hatchet, severed his wind pipe with a knife and then hanged himself.
...Two young couples of Cuckoo, Ohio, thought it would be a romantic idea to slope down the river to Marietta by moonlight in a rowboat. The trip was only arrested for sealing the boat, and the girls were sent home alone and unmarried.
...An ingenious Strasburg dentist lately extracted a molar, and finding it sound with the exception of the joints of the root, he sawed them off, filled the cavity with gold and replaced it. It has reestablished itself, and is now said to be doing business at the old stand in a most satisfactory manner.

A Scandal Ended by Marriage.

LONDON, June 20.—Earl Streshbury has been married to the divorced Mrs. Mundy. The ceremony was performed by special licence on Sunday.
The Arch Priest at Washington.
WASHINGTON, June 20.—Julian, when first informed that Justice Bradley denied the application for a writ of habeas corpus was somewhat taken aback, but by a desperate effort he regained his feelings. He afterwards declared if he were hanged he would come to this country.

The Maiden's Prayer.

In all humility I ask
A blessing on my lover;
A bath tub has a Jersey haque
And terra cotta gives!
Give me this day my cannula,
My bangs and hair, and take
My curls and not my hair!
Give me my boots with shot lower heels,
My new back hair, and take
Good care to give me six square meals
Of candy, cream and cake!
Give me a ride this afternoon,
The theatre to-night,
And then a stroll, if there is a moon,
And fix me up a light!
I know to sin I am a slave,
And should ask naught, but then
Pass list of things I've got to have,
So whoop 'em up! Amen.

DEED.

Worts—On Tuesday morning, the 9th inst., at his residence, Lindenwood, James Gooderham Worts, aged 64 years.
Funeral at 5:30 o'clock, p.m., Friday the 23rd inst.

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