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Out of town orders promptly attended to

Church, Montreal, for the appointment of a man to conduct a canvas in aid of that heavily burdened Church.

The report of the Church and Parsonage Fund of the whole Church was taken as read.

Rev. Mr. McEwen, of the Olivet Baptist Church, was introduced and heartily received.

Rev. Dr. Sutherland was formally introduced to the Conference, and came forward and happily addressed the Conference, especially referring to the Twentieth Century Fund. Over \$750,000 has been already subscribed, and, having passed the three-quarter point, the balance will easily be raised.

COLLEGE BOARD—GOOD REPORT.

The report of the College Board of Directors was presented by Rev. Principal Sipprell, and claimed the undivided interest of the Conference for the afternoon. Total number of students, 68; average, 36; residents, 23. The financial report was gratifying in many respects.

The Conference was addressed on the subject by Rev. Jos. Hall, Rev. J. H. White and Rev. J. F. Betts. Rev. E. E. Scott moved and Rev. Ladner seconded the following resolution; That the Conference has heard with great pleasure the report of the Columbian College for the past year, as presented by Principal Sipprell, B.A., B.D., and rejoice in the very marked prosperity, both financial and educational, attending the work of the past year. We desire to express our appreciation of the brilliant services and fidelity of the principal and staff. We beg to assure the principal, as well as the staff and Board, of our profound interest and love for the institution, and pledge ourselves to every possible effort to place the College upon the financial basis requested by the report.

The motion was carried by a standing vote:

The Principal then outlined the financial needs of the College. First, that the staff should be increased as needs may arise, but more especially the appointment of a bursar. Secondly, that the enlargement of the dormitories and class rooms and the raising of about \$3,000 to pay off floating debts. After a spirited debate, the Principal made an appeal for subscriptions, when \$2,200 was subscribed.

Rev. E. Robson was unanimously elected as College bursar, with the purpose of spending his whole time in the business of the College.

The veteran missionary and minister

of Methodism enters upon this new position with the hearty good wishes and pledge of support of the whole Conference, which wishes him the greatest success.

The ladies of the Queen's Avenue Church entertained the Conference to supper in the school room. The ministers of the city were also present, and it was the unanimous vote of all present that they never sat down to a more elegant supper.

FRIDAY EVENING.

Lecture by Rev. J. C. Speer.

In the evening a lecture was delivered to a large and appreciative audience by Rev. J. C. Speer, who already enjoys an enviable reputation as a lecturer. The subject is an unusual one and is bristling with authentic information, about what may be termed one of the wonders of the Western hemisphere. Nor is the lecture devoid of other matters of interest, for the speaker cleverly works in the traditions which surround the early history of this natural wonder, as well as numerous little romances, humorous, pathetic and tragic. By the aid of excellent limelight views, of which there is no lack, the lecturer illustrates his remarks as he guides the audience over the course which he himself travelled in his three days' tour in the great subterranean avenues. In those three days, a distance of fifty miles is covered, one-third of the extent already surveyed, and it is not yet known to what distance the unexplored portions extend.

Altogether, the lecture was most enjoyable and well worth the hearty thanks of the meeting and Conference, which was extended him at the close.

The lights having been turned on again for this latter pleasing formality, the pastor, Rev. J. F. Betts, announced that a collection would be taken up in aid of the "Sustenance Fund," and while this was being taken up the audience was treated to a vocal solo from Mr. J. B. Rushton, who gave a splendid rendering of "If, With All Your Hearts," from "Elijah." The audience then dispersed after singing of the National Anthem and the pronouncing of the benediction.

SATURDAY SESSIONS.

Saturday's sessions were largely taken up by reports from Committees and meetings of Committees. The Rev. A. M. Sanford, B.A., of Sandon, moved a resolution that, in the opinion of the Conference, no matter dealing with racial or political discussion should be

brought into the Conference. A lively discussion ensued, which clearly showed that the Conference had no disposition to restrict its privileges to such an extent. On the vote being taken the resolution was hopelessly lost.

A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the C. P. R. Company and to Mr. Marpole in particular, for courtesies to members of the Conference, and especially to Rev. A. N. Sanford, who had suffered heavily through the Sandon fire.

The suggestion of the General Conference regarding the Forward Evangelistic Movement in connection with the Twentieth Century Thanksgiving Fund, was referred to a special committee, consisting of Revs. S. J. Thompson and C. Ladner, and Mr. David Spencer, who were asked to bring in a resolution.

Rev. John Lewtas, the Evangelist, a member of the Dakota Conference, was introduced and made a few very appropriate remarks.

The report of the Temperance Committee was presented by Rev. A. M. Sanford.

The report was a very mild affair, advising the Conference to take all the necessary steps to enforce the provisions of the law relating to the sale of cigarettes and tobacco to minors, and also advising the people to see that no liquor seller be elected to any position on the Licensing Board, or as school trustee or postmaster in the Province.

Provision was made for the special ordination of Rev. Geo. K. Bradshaw, of Grand Forks. Saturday evening was occupied with the meeting of the Theological Union, the annual lecture before the Union being given by Rev. W. J. Sipprell, B.A., B.D.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

The Sunday services in the Queen's Avenue Methodist Church were very largely attended, the building being crowded in every part. The Conference Lovefeast was conducted by Rev. T. W. Hall, after which Rev. Dr. Sutherland preached an eloquent and powerful discourse on the text, "Speak to the children of Israel that they go forward"—Exodus, 14: 15. At the conclusion, the solemn ordination service was conducted by the President of the Conference, when W. C. Schlieter and G. K. Bradshaw were set apart, by the laying on of hands of the older ministers of the Conference, to the work of the ministry in the Methodist Church.

In the afternoon instructive addresses were given by Dr. Large, of Bella Bella.

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