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U. S. CONGRESS AND SENATE WERE OPENED THIS MORNING

Crowds Attracted to the Capitol by the Opening—Washington "Smart Set" Were Present in Droves.

Washington, Dec. 7—The ever interesting spectacle of convening of a congress today brought to the Capitol building the usual throngs bent on gaining admission to one house or the other where the opening exercises of the second session of the sixtieth congress were held.

For many days the demands for cards for seats in the respective galleries has been so great that when the doors were thrown open at 9 o'clock a crowd more than sufficient to take up the entire seating capacity of the two chambers had assembled. From that time on they came in droves, the corridors on both floors being filled with people swaying back and forth while long lines of men and women stood outside each gallery door awaiting an opportunity to get even a peep into the senate or house. In both bodies among the most interested spectators were the members of the diplomatic corps who were present in goodly numbers. Numerous high officials of the government likewise occupied seats and they, too, displayed the keenest interest in the proceedings.

CONDEMNED BY THEIR FRIENDS

Conservative Protest Against Sir Wilfrid Laurier Does Not Meet With General Party Support

Ottawa, Dec. 7—(Special)—The protest entered against Sir Wilfrid Laurier in Ottawa appears to be the work of a wing of the Conservative party whose action in this matter is not approved by the party as a whole. The Citizen, Conservative, editorially condemns the protest as uncalled for and trivial.

There was very little change today in the condition of Very Reverend Father Chapman, V. G., who is critically ill with pneumonia. Dr. J. M. Barry who is attending him reported that he was a little easier, if anything.

The regular monthly meeting of the common council is being held this afternoon in the court house.

Cullom L. O. B. A., No. 36, meets tonight in the Simonds street hall for election of officers.

T. M. Nairn, marine superintendent of the Donaldson line, came in from Montreal at noon.

No. 3 storm signal was hoisted at noon, indicating a heavy easterly gale.

NEWS FROM FREDERICTON

The Bill of Particulars in the Election Petition Against Hon. Wm. Pugsley.

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 7—(Special—The election petitions against Hon. Wm. Pugsley and Dr. J. W. Daniel will be tried by Justices Hanington and White.

In the case of Dr. Pugsley the petition besides alleging the usual charges of bribery alleges that the respondent as a minister of the Crown made and promised contracts with a view of influencing votes and also used his position to extort large sums of money from contractors for political purposes.

The Chief Justice and Judge Gregory will try the York County petition and Judges Landry and McLeod that for Kings-Albert.

At the service in Brunswick street Baptist church last evening over $700 was pledged for the Laymen's Missionary Movement.

Two inches of snow fell here this morning and there is sleighing for the first time this season.

A Scott Act case against James Humphrey of Morrison's Mills is being tried at the police court today.

MONCTON NEWS

Well Known Young Man to Marry—Engine Drivers Wanted in Chili.

Moncton, N. B., Dec. 7—(Special—Invitations are out for the wedding to take place on December twenty-eighth, of Robert L. MacKay, of I. C. R. baggage department, to Miss Jennie Watson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Watson. The propective groom is a former St. John young man, well known in athletic and sporting circles. He was formerly member of the M. A. A. A. ball team, and was at one time a fast sprinter as well as a boxer of more than exceptional ability. He was manager of J. W. Humphrey, the local sprinter at the time of the well remembered Humphrey-Eatman and Humphrey-Kiley races.

W. B. MacKenzie, chief engineer of the I. C. R., has recived a communication on behalf of the Trans-Andine Construction Company, of Chili, South America, asking for two locomotive drivers who have had experience driving under snow conditions.

P. E. ISLAND HAS TWO ELECTION PROTESTS

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 7 (Special)—On Saturday a petition against the return of L. E. Prowse, one of the successful Liberal federal candidates for Queens, was filed by L. P. Tanton. This makes only two for the island, the other being against A. L. Fraser, Conservative for Kings.

BICYCLE RACERS AHEAD OF RECORD

Some Terrific Riding Marked the First Eight Hours of the Big Six Days Grind in Madison Square Garden.

Madison Square Garden, N. Y., Dec. 7—Smashing all hour records except the fifth sixteen teams kept up a terrific gait all night in the six days' international bicycle race which began four minutes after midnight at Madison Square Garden this morning.

The racers slackened up a little at the fifth hour and were five laps behind the record, but by continuous sprinting during the seventh hour they established the new figures of 163 miles, 5 laps which is nine laps ahead of Elkes and MacFarlane's record made in 1900. In a wild sprint started just before the end of the eighth hour and continued for 27 minutes the standing of the leaders was given a severe shaken up. Faber and Lafourcade lost 12 laps, being outridden all the way. Brocco and Labrousse who had already lost one lap, lost six more. Downing and Hollister lost four, and Devonvitch and Debrach and Galvin and Wiley lost one lap each during the sprint. Every man in the sixteen teams was on and off the track a dozen times during the 27 minutes.

COULD NOT GET A FRESH START IN LIFE'S GAME

English Ticket-of-Leave Man Tells a Pathetic Story to Police Authorities.

A poorly clad middle aged man visited the Central Police Station at noon today and exclaiming that he was famished from hunger, and being unable to secure employment, desired to give himself up to the police, asserting that his name was John Davis, and that he was a ticket-of-leave man from the penitentiary at Southampton on the Isle of Wight in England. He expressed his desire to return to the shores of Merry England from whence he departed seven months ago. He claimed that he was sentenced to four years penal servitude for stealing in Hurfordshire, and after serving three years was liberated under the parole system.

The clause accompanying his release provided that he must report monthly to the police on pain of forfeiture of his freedom, but he disregarded this injunction and left the country. He hails from Birmingham, and for some weeks past has been sojourning at the Salvation Army Home on Water street. Despite rigorous inquiries, his search for a position has been unsuccessful, and he seeks to return to the Old Country to better his condition, even if he is apprehended on landing.

He was advised to book passage as a cattleman on one of the steamships due to depart soon. The unfortunate man's resources amount to only ten cents.

BOARD OF TRADE

Annual Meeting is Being Held This Afternoon - - - Board Secured Eighty New Members During Year.

The annual meeting of the St. John Board of Trade is being held this afternoon. The annual report of the secretary, W. E. Anderson, has been printed and distributed to the members. It deals with the following subjects which have received attention during the year: Steamship business, harbor improvements, aids to navigation, channel dredging, pilotage, street improvements, taxation, fire insurance surtax, dogfish nuisance, matters relating to the fisheries, improved bill of lading, dominion exhibition, and other matters.

During the year 80 new members were added to the roll, making the membership now 280.

The financial statement shows a balance on hand of $1,508.72, as compared with $1,154.06 at the beginning of the year.

It is probable W. E. Foster will be again chosen president. Among matters to be discussed will be a suggestion that the meetings of the board in future be held quarterly instead of monthly. Another matter which will receive some further attention will be the condition of the streets of the city and the appointment of a director of public works.

POLICE COURT

Though he had sworn out a warrant for Everett Barlow a fellow boarder on Saturday alleging assault Alexander Mayes, a motorman was extremely anxious this morning to withdraw the complaint. Barlow was arrested on Saturday and deposited $20 for his appearance this morning. The magistrate declined to permit the proceedings to drop and eventually Barlow pleaded guilty to the allegation and was fined $20. It is said the dispute originated over a young lady primarily. Early Saturday morning in a dispute Mayes was struck on the bridge of the nose with a bottle and the nasal organ somewhat injured. One eye was also discolored. The fracas occurred in a north end boarding house where the three principles resided.

John Leonard, William Nolan and William Estey were fined $8 or 30 days for intoxication on Saturday and Fred Daly was fined $4 or ten days.

Estey, who was arrested between one and two on Sunday morning was reprimanded caustically. Leonard who entered port on a schooner on Saturday betook himself to a saloon on Water street where schooners abound.

Two boys reported for quarreling on Prince William street were instructed to be present in court on Saturday.

Frank Greaney was a passenger to the city on today's Montreal train.

SEVEN MEN WENT DOWN WITH BARGE

DeB. Carritte Received Telegram This Morning Telling of Loss of Barge 101 Off Seal Island on Thursday Night.

The tug John A. Hughes, of Boston, which arrived in Shelburne, N. S., yesterday, brought word of the foundering of barge No. 101 off Seal Island, on Thursday night last, when the seven men comprising the crew were lost. The tug was towing the barge from Boston to Halifax and all was going well, though there was a tremendous sea on. It was about 1.40 on Thursday morning, when the tug's progress was suddenly arrested with a jerk that brought every man on deck. At the same moment the strain on the hawser increased tremendously and the tug was dragged backwards. Looking astern nothing could be seen of the tow. She had plunged bow first under an extra big wave and foundered. At once the tow rope was cut and then the tug started to the rescue, but nothing was to be seen of the barge. Although the tug cruised around the spot where the barge had sunk no wreckage was sighted, and at last Captain Evans decided that every man on the barge must have perished.

When the accident happened the barge was two miles southeast of Seal Island and where she went down there is eighty-five fathoms of water. No signals of distress were made by the barge and the opinion of members of the tug's crew is that the barge must have been swamped by a sudden sea.

The barge had on board 215,000 gallons of coal tar for the Carritte Patterson Manufacturing Co., at Halifax. DeB. Carritte of this city, received a message from the captain at Shelburne this morning telling him of the tragedy.

Two members of one family perished in the barge, Capt. Nelson, who commanded her, and his brother with him as engineer. All the crew belonged to New York. Their names are Nelson, captain; Oscar Olsen, mate; —— Nelson, engineer; Albert Lund, steward; three deckhands, names unknown.

The barge was twenty years old and was built in Detroit. She was owned in Niagara Falls.

This disaster makes fifty-two lives that have been lost on the north Atlantic within the last two weeks.

JAP PAPERS HAVE A LIBEL ACTION

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 7th—(Special)—W. T. R. Preston, Canadian commissioner in Japan, has instituted an action against two of the principal newspapers of Japan for reprinting articles from the Colonist, regarding him during last election, which statements, he claims, were scandalously false.

FUNERALS

The funeral of Mrs. Teresa Gertrude Carleton, wife of Judge Carleton, of Woodstock, took place from the Union Depot today on the arrival of the Atlantic express. Among those accompanying the body were Judge Carleton and Rev. Father Carleton, of Petersville.

John Connor, a brother-in-law, and Louis Sharkey, brother of deceased, arrived from Boston to attend the funeral. The cortege to the Cathedral was a lengthy one. The burial service was said by Rev. M. O'Brien, and interment was in the new Catholic cemetery. The pallbearers were Daniel Mullin, T. Collins, Thomas Gorman, Michael Ryan, John O'Regan and Patrick Tole.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary Craig was held from her late home, St. Paul street, this afternoon at 2.30. Service was conducted by Rev. A. A. Graham, and interment was in Fernhill.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Dec. 7—Cotton futures opened steady. Dec. 9.19; Jan. 8.78; March 8.81; May 8.85; July 8.80; Aug. 8.70 to 8.71; Oct. 8.57.

The meeting of St. Joseph's Dramatic Club will be held on Sunday next.

His Honor Judge Barker went east at noon today.

ONE HUSBAND WHO DESERVES A MEDAL

He Looked Through Twenty one Pieces of Baggage on a New York Pier Yesterday to Find His Wife's Opera Gown

New York, Dec. 7—The Press today says: Twenty one pieces of baggage were opened on the French Line pier yesterday by one man in an effort to find one gown to be worn by his wife to go to grand opera in this city and by the time he was through he had exhausted the Spanish cuss words and drawn heavily on the supply of English. Both he and his wife knew the opera gown was in one of the twenty-one trunks they had brought with them. Neither knew, however, which trunk contained it. The burden of the search fell upon the man. Cold as the weather was, the perspiration was pouring down his face when finally the 21st trunk was opened and the beautiful piece of apparel was uncovered. The hero who made the search is Leopold Tanco of Bogota Columbia, brother of the Colombian minister to Brazil. He and his wife landed here yesterday on the French liner La Touraine.

The Tancos have been touring Europe, and are on their way home. The 21 pieces of baggage they have with them are marked to go through to Colombia in bond. For that reason the customs inspectors kept their hands off, and Tanco was congratulating himself that he would have no bother when his wife said: "While we're waiting here for a day or two, let's go to the opera."

"Certainly my dear," Tanco replied. "And that reminds me," Mrs. Tanco said, "that my opera gown is in my trunk, I simply can't go to the opera without it."

"Which trunk?" Tanco inquired.

"I'm sure I don't know, but it is in one of them," she replied and Tanco gazed with pale face and hopeless look at the 21 trunks before him. The heroic strain in his blood came to his rescue, however, and he unpacked trunk after trunk and delivered oration after oration until finally the 21st trunk was reached.

"I'm sure it's in that trunk," said his wife sweetly.

It was.

WENT ASHORE IN GALE

Schr. Citizen Had a Rough Time at the Entrance to Apple River on Friday Night

Nova Scotia schooner Citizen, Captain Hallowell, while on the voyage from this port to Advocate with a general cargo, went ashore near Apple River light during last Friday night's gale. The small bay steamer Mikado, Captain Lewis, went to her assistance and stayed by the schooner all night and succeeded in towing her off the rocks and into Apple River, where some repairs were made. The steamer then took her in tow for her port of destination. The tug arrived at this port this morning from Advocate. It is thought the schooner's hull is somewhat strained but her cargo did not receive much damage.

TUG KINGSVILLE SUNK

She Went to the Bottom of Five Fathom Hole in Friday's Gale.

The tug Kingsville while entering Five Fathom Hole struck some object during last Friday's gale and sunk. The tug went to look after some cribs of pulp wood and it is supposed she struck an anchor which punched a hole in her bottom. Captain McAnulty succeeded in getting his vessel up on the beach last night. She lost her houses and the smokestack, the latter was also recovered. If the weather is favorable the tug will be brought to this port for repairs. She is owned by F. C. Beatteay.

ELECTION PROTESTS IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 7th—(Special—Petitions have been filed against the return of G. H. Barnard, for Victoria and Ralph Smith, for Nanaimo.

DEALT OUT JUSTICE WITH A HEAVY HAND

Magistrate Ritchie Teaches John White That it is Poor Policy to Resist a Police Officer Making an Arrest.

The dream of bliss which has enthralled the minds of certain individuals since Friday, was abruptly dissolved in thin air by Magistrate Ritchie this morning, and as if by a feat of legerdimain, the police were just as suddenly restored to power as they may have thought themselves bereft of it.

Probably the man of many aliases John White alias Patrick Martin, alias James Murphy and alias James Robinson, feeling so elated over his honor's decision in the William White case, proceeded to partake of the contents of the flowing bowl, and after expending his finances, he took possession of the cabmen's waiting, and as if by a feat of legerdemain, waiting house at the depot. The efforts of several persons to dislodge White from his stronghold were fruitless and the services of I. C. R. policeman John Collins were requisitioned.

The giant officer entered the building without more ado and none too carefully assisted the intruder, who was a husky Irishman to the exit. Invigorated by the outer air and apparently imbued with a desire to terminate the policeman's existence, White tore at Collins viciously with his head lowered and led for the face repeatedly with his right fist, but the blows were not delivered with precision, the majority perforating the atmosphere, and some landing on the policeman's shoulders.

After locating White in a vital spot one great right caught him flush on the chin and he toppled to the ground, a vanquished man. His proclivities for a fray were still uneatisfied, however, and though on his back, he continued to struggle violently for freedom. When Policeman James Ross hove in sight his hands were encased in the steel bracelets and he was conveyed to the central police station on a truck—St. John's conventional patrol wagon.

In court this morning White pleaded guilty to intoxication, resisting a police officer, assaulting a police officer and also to escaping from the jail squad on October 12, while under commitment for breaking windows in the Salvation Army Home.

After his plea had been entered Magistrate Ritchie said: "Few people realize the seriousness of the crime of striking the police. Years ago when a man accused of this offence was not permitted to defend the charge a man was arrested in Woodstock on that charge. The police court there convicted him and would not allow him to take the stand on his own behalf, he claiming that it was a case of only common assault, as the officer was a man. Nevertheless the court held that it was not common assault, and the prisoner appealed from that decision to the supreme colrt. I was interested in the case and argued the policeman's side at Ottawa before the court. The former verdict was upheld.

"Now," turning to White, his honor continued, "I will be easier with you than you were with Collins. For drunkenness I impose a fine of $4 or 10 days. For striking Collins you are fined $20 or 2 months, and for resisting the police a penalty of $48 or six months in jail is imposed."

Whereupon White sarcastically queried. "Well, sir, what about the escapin' too. Yer might as well give me a little more and make it two years while you're at it."

"I could give you more for contempt of court if I wished," responded the magistrate.

John White, when arrested for breaking the windows in the Home gave the name of James Murphy, and in jail he was James Robinson.

SNOW STORM IN MONTREAL

Canadian Metropolis in the Grip of a Heavy Storm Today—Toronto Has it Also.

Montrael, Que., Dec. 7th—(Special) Montreal is in the grip of a snow storm today. The snow began falling last night and is yet falling steady and heavily. The Street Car Company has a big battle, but is keeping the service going fairly well. This morning the street car tracks were black with pedestrians, as they alone were clear enough for comfortable walking.

Advices from Toronto say that the Queen City had its first real snow storm of the season last evening, but that it changed to rain during the night. The Street Railway there was also able to prevent serious delay to the service by the use of the sweepers.

OTTAWA NEWS

Fredericton Delegation at the Federal Capital Today.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 7 (Special)—A deputation from New Brunswick, including Senator Thompson and Mr. Whitehead, of Fredericton, Messrs. Carvell, M. P., and Willard Kitchen had an interview with Hon. Geo. P. Graham, minister of railways, in reference to the Fredericton station building.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier had as guests at luncheon in the Russell today 25 of his constituents of St. Roch, who, headed by Dr. Turcotte, M. P. for Quebec county, and L. LaLorneau, M. L. A., constituted a deputation to the prime minister to request the erecting of a branch post office at St. Roch.

General Swayne, governor of British Honduras, is in consultation today with Sir Richard Cartwright in reference to the migration of Hindoos from British Columbia to British Honduras.

Trade Commissioner Jackson, of Bristol reports to the Trade and Commercial Department that trade between Canada and the north of England has greatly increased in the past few years and interest in Canadian affairs generally has greatly awakened.

EXPLOSION KILLS INDIAN SOLDIERS

Eleven Dead and Twenty-six Seriously Wounded by Explosion in Calcutta Magazine

Calcutta, Dec. 7—An explosion in the magazine at the military station here today resulted in the killing of eleven men and the wounding of 26 others. Most of the injured will die. The casualties were among native soldiers and non-commissioned officers. At the time of the explosion the men were engaged in converting ball cartridges into blank cartridges. It was at first reported that the accident was the work of agitators, but this rumor was quickly disproved.

DEATHS IN KINGS COUNTY

Sussex, Dec. 7—(Special)—Austin M. Keiver died Saturday morning at nine o'clock at the residence of Mrs. Emma Salone Gross at Penobsquis of pneumonia aged 43 years. His parents are dead. Two brothers and three sisters survive. Frank of Brighton, Mass., and Charles, of California. The sisters are Mrs. Fred L. Gross and Miss Annie, of Stoneham, Mass., and Mrs. Hopkins, of Boston. Mrs. A. B. Pugsley of this place is a cousin. The funeral takes place Tuesday at 2 p. m. from the residence of Mrs. Gross, Rev. Mr. Steeves officiating.

Minnie T. Blair, aged 36 years, died very suddenly this morning at three o'clock at the residence of Mrs. David Long. Deceased has been a great sufferer from rheumatism and on Friday last she was taken ill of peritonitis but was thought not to be serious until last night when she suddenly became worse and passed away at three o'clock. Her parents are dead and her brothers and sisters are abroad. The brothers are Rutherford, a fruit dealer of Lowell, Mass., Sterling A., a Pullman car conductor running between Boston and St. John, one sister, Mrs. Edward B. Neighton, of New Bedford, Mass.

The Canadian Order of Foresters will hold a pie social and dance in their hall Symonds street tomorrow night.

George Thompson

George Thompson, for twenty-five years messenger of the Bank of Nova Scotia, died at one o'clock today after a week's illness of pleuro-pneumonia. He is survived by a wife and three small children. Mr. Thompson was a familiar figure about the streets of St. John. His position brought him into touch with the business community generally, among whom he was deservedly popular, being a faithful and conscientious officer. He was 61 years old. By his first wife he had one son, who is residing in the United States. Mr. Thompson's father, George Thompson, preceded him as messenger of the Bank of Nova Scotia and lived to the good old age of 81. He was a prominent mason and was a past master of Hibernia Lodge, No. 1.

A meeting of the water and sewerage board will be held tomorrow, Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock to hear representatives of the various city churches regarding a reduction in their water assesment.

BRITISH CRUISER HAD HARD TIME IN STORM

H. M. S. Brilliant in Halifax After a Very Strenuous Voyage From St. John's Nfld.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 7 (Special)—With her wireless telegraph mast broken off at the heel, a petty officer fatally injured, doors broken in, a boat swept away and minor damages inflicted in different parts of the ship, H. M. S. Brilliant lies in the dockyard, her officers and crew thankful to be in harbor again. The cruiser left St. Johns, Nfld, for this port on Wednesday morning. With ordinary weather she would have been tied up at the dockyard on Friday morning. As it was she did not tie up until Sunday morning. The warship got along nicely till Cape Race was reached on Wednesday evening. Then her troubles began. A gale was blowing and mountainous seas swept over the heavy cruiser. The water was retained by the high rail and progress about the ship was attended with the greatest danger. The vessel rolled terribly and those on board declare that they never, for the most part experienced worse weather. Wednesday night the port cutter, a 14-oared boat, was broken by a heavy sea, as she swung in the davits. The shattered boat hung there through the night. Early on Thursday morning it broke away and was carried away by the sea. The same night the three great hand wheels in the after part of the ship were shattered by the force of the great volume of water which was swept over the deck. The spokes and parts of the rims were broken off all the wheels, in spite of the fact that they were all of massive mahogany. Then the doors in this part of the ship were badly shattered. Those leading to the officers' rooms and water-closets were broken in. A number of other fixtures were also broken in on the deck and some of the spindles of the guns were bent.

Petty Officer Watson had a narrow escape from instant death. He was in the vicinity of the hand-wheels and was swept from his feet in the midst of the storm by water which covered the deck. He was thrown against the bulkheads and sustained serious injuries internally. His head was badly bruised and the unfortunate man was carried away unconscious, being unable to account for the accident. He did not regain consciousness, and on the arrival of the cruiser yesterday, he was sent to the hospital. Slight hopes are entertained for his recovery.

In the height of the storm the topmast holding the wireless telegraphing yardarm broke off near the heel. It fell to the side of the mast but did not break away entirely. The ship was not in communication at the time. The rough weather continued on Thursday and on Friday. On Saturday the warship reached the mouth of the harbor.

The force of the storm is illustrated by the fact that the top-rim was broken off the stern funnel by the force of the heavy rolling.

Another event lent some excitement to the voyage. The electric wire got crossed and the short circuit caused a mat to ignite. The blaze was easily extinguished by them en. The fire was in the forepeak.

Ice encased everything and the rigging and clothes lines were bigger than cables decks and rails were also encumbered with ice.

Another "Lame Duck" In Halifax Harbor

Halifax, Dec. 7—(Special)—The disabled steamer Oriflamme, of London, bound from Philadelphia, to Cette, France, was towed here this morning by the steamer Valentia of Whitby, G. A., bound from Wilmington, N. C., to Bremen, Germany.

The Oriflamme, one of the Standard Oil company's fleet, 2,424 tons net sailed from Philadelphia for Cette, France, with a large cargo of oil in November. She got along all right till the 9th of November when her tail shaft broke near the end and the propellor slipped into the sea. The weather was moderate, and there was no immediate danger to the 33 men on board, so the "tow" signal was hoisted.

Three hours after the accident the steamer Valentia came along, a line was passed to the crippled steamer, then lying about 290 miles south of Halifax, and a start was made for New York.

Scarcely was the strain applied to the hawser, than it snapped. It was not till 11 o'clock Monday morning that the vessels could again approach and pass another rope. After steaming for a time towards ew York, it was seen that the progress was too slow, and the vessels were headed for Halifax. All went well till Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock, when the hawser again parted.

It was several days before the Valentia could get the Oriflamme in two. The two steamers arrived off the harbor last evening. They laid too till this morning, when the port was made.

The value of the Oriflamme and cargo brought in by her is about $70,000.

THE EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE HEARS INTERESTING PAPER

Rev. S. W. Anthony Discussed the Power of the Gospel at This Morning's Session.

At a meeting of the Evangelical Alliance held this morning routine business was transacted and Rev. S. W. Anthony read a paper.

The paper read by Rev. S. W. Anthouy was a very interesting one. It followed that read by Rev. J. J. McCaskill, last month and the title given was "The Power of the Gospel," the question being asked: "What power have the ministers to reach men and what authority they have."

"The Christian minister," said the speaker, "must speak with authority or speak in vain and he cannot do this work of helping men with literary essays or theological theosophizing or the exhibition of a belief, once living, now dead, and preserved like a mummy in the tombs of the past. That authority must be in some external standard or in the spiritual experiences which he has evoked in the souls of those to whom he is speaking. The fundamental question is then: Is the minister's authority without or within? Have we to go to a representative of God or to God Himself who is ever present? I am to commend my case that it is the latter.

"The real secret of authority must be in one's own consciousness of sin forgiven and life imparted by an ever present God and in his power to reproduce in other souls the light which God had produced in his own.

"To prove this I think we could not do better than to cite the apostle Paul who says that his preaching was in the demonstration of the spirit and of power. That is by the revelation of the spirit in man, which is able to percieve spiritual truth upon the bare presentation of it. Every man has this spirit in him that searches the deep things of God. It is all the time groping. If we so speak that we evoke the spiritual response, our words are with authority because they, themselves, see that it is true. Not because the church has told them, or because the Bible has told them, but because the truth of the Bible commands our allegiance only because its claims are certified by God in the soul of man, and because the foundation of the truths are firmer than their presence in any sacred book, even their correspondence with the requirements of reason and moral sense.

"In short," concluded the speaker, "the authority lies in the preacher, because it lies in the heart of the hearer. Because he is able to invoke in the heart of the hearer that same voice that has spoken within his own sould.

There was a general discussion on the paper in which Revs. D. Hutchinson, J. J. McCaskill, A. Gordon Dickie and Venerable Archdeacon Raymond took part.

It was decided at a committee meeting held afterwards to have the week of prayer programme as last year, holding the services in one church and having local speakers. Rev. Dr. Dawson who was invited to come for the occasion could not attend.

CURREY DIVORCE CASE WAS TAKEN UP TODAY

Dr. Thomas Walker on the Stand During This Morning's Session at Fredericton.

Fredericton, N. B. Dec. 7—(Special)—Hearing in the Currey divorce case stood over from last month was resumed before Judge Gregory in the divorce court this morning. The counsel in the case. C. N. Skinner for Dr. Currey and Mr. Teed and A. H. Hanington for Mrs. Currey were in attendance and Mrs. Currey and her son were among the spectators.

Dr. Currey, who was giving evidence when the hearing adjourned was stood aside this morning and Dr. Thomas Walker called to the stand. He swore that he had been the Currey family physician for ten of twelve years, and saw much of both parties during that time. The Currey household was not different from other homes and Dr. Currey seemed to treat the children all right. Anything the witness suggested in the way of medicine, nurses, etc., Dr. Currey would procure regardless of expense. Mrs. Currey frequently complained to the witness of Dr. Currey's treatment of herself and her children, and he regarded her as a mono-maniac on that subject.

On one occasion after her return from Chicago where she had attended the funeral of he father', teh witness met her on King Square and expressed his pleasure at seeing her home again. Her reply was that she was coming back to Hell on earth to live with a murderer. Asked for an explanation of her language she said it was Currey's treatment of her that had caused the death of her father.

There was some argument as to which of the parties was entitled to the custody of the children but nothing came of it. The witness was briefly cross-examined by Mr. Teed and stood aside.