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# OPENS SESSION NEXT SUNDAY

Meeting of General Conference of Methodist Church to be Held Here Will be Largely Attended

## OPENING SERVICE SUNDAY MORNING

Many Questions of Great Importance and Interest to Come Up—Proposed Increase of Salaries

One week from today in this city the general conference of the Methodist Church of Canada opens. This, the most important assembly of that body, will be attended by 250 members who will extend over a period of two weeks and may even run into three weeks. The delegates will arrive next Saturday night on the evening boat from Vancouver. Many will come from the East on a special train which leaves Toronto tomorrow morning, through picking up other delegates all along the line. The conference opens in the Metropolitan Methodist church next Sunday morning, and at the opening service there will be a conference love feast at 8:30, led by Rev. Dr. Sparling, of Winnipeg. At 11 a. m. the Rev. Henry Halght of Newcastle, England, the representative of the British Wesleyan conference, will hold the pulpit. Dr. Cleaver was one of the most popular men who ever preached in Victoria and has since gained great fame throughout the whole of the Dominion.

**Important Questions.**  
The topics which will come up for discussion are of vital interest to Methodism not only in Canada but in the whole world. Besides the subjects which were given in the Colonies some days ago there are others which have since been brought up. Undoubtedly the Jackson controversy will come in for a prominent place in the discussion. The question of the training of students and testing of the belief of professors before their appointments and their supervision afterwards, is now to be on the order of the agenda for a thorough thrashing out. The question of the national conference extends far beyond the nation which it concerns.

**Increased Salaries.**  
The proposal that the four years' term of pastoral office be extended in a question which will be discussed in special interest of pastors throughout the church, and so does the question of the extension of the national conference to the annual church gatherings in Eastern Canada. This year the question of ministers' salaries was one of the subjects of discussion and it has been pointed out that as a result of the insufficient remuneration of the clergy members of the church was being "driven." Not only it was argued, were many of the ministers of the profession abandoning their charges and entering secular lines, but the younger men were being deterred from studying the ministry because of the lack of any financial future in it. Thus, the question concerning the salaries of the clergy, is sure to receive particular attention. Then connected with this there is also the question of the establishment of a firm basis for the superannuation fund.

**Case Looks Bad for Col. Cooke**  
Of particular interest to Toronto pastors, though of wide general interest to the church as well, is the proposal to establish a new church department to be called the Department of Financial, Educational, and Membership Leaving, with a paid general secretary. This scheme, which owes its origin to a plan put first into practice in Trinity Church, Toronto, is designed with a view to securing better and more systematic methods of raising money for church and connectional purposes. The plan on its original lines as carried on in Trinity church has proved so successful that it has been thought advisable to extend the movement.

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The selection and appointment of a land is another matter of particular interest. Rev. T. E. Egerton Shore, who was Dr. Sutherland's assistant secretary in the Methodist mission department, is regarded as his most probable successor, but as there is a question of re-arrangement of funds in relation to the management of the mission department, nothing definite can be said as to this important appointment.

**New Hymn Book.**  
Then there is the publication of a new hymn book. This is an important matter to be arranged for by this year's conference.

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**Denver Murder**  
DENVER, Aug. 6.—Kyo Mitsuura, the Japanese who is imprisoned in the Denver jail, charged with the murder of Mrs. Catherine Wilson, at her home in this city on May 7 last, made an alleged confession to Chief of Police Armstrong today. He says that a white man committed the crime and forced him to aid in placing the mutilated body of the woman in a box in the basement, where it was not found for several days.

**Australian Steamship Line**  
HALIFAX, N. S., Aug. 6.—Advice have been received here of the organization of the Merchants and Shippers Steamship Line which is being organized in Australia to operate overseas shipping company. The line is expected to land from Australia, Tasmania, and New Zealand and the eastern states of America, Canada and Great Britain. The service will be commenced with five large steel steamers. The vessels are to be among the most up-to-date cargo steamers trading with the southern hemisphere. Monthly sailings will be maintained, and Halifax will be one of the ports in the itinerary.

**King Alfonso Nearly Killed**  
COWES, Isle of Wight, Aug. 6.—While King Alfonso, a party of Spanish and English officers and Sir Thomas Lipton, host of the Spanish monarch, were standing amidships on Lipton's yacht, the Shamrock, one of the tourists broke and fell to the deck. King Alfonso became greatly agitated and uttered an exclamation that caused his hearers to believe that he thought the fall of the mast was not an accident. Those who saw the near drop declare it was a miraculous escape. The Spanish ruler has become extremely nervous following the accident, which is the second to occur since his arrival in England. At Southampton yesterday a landing boat on which the King was standing was nearly submerged by a wave that ran afoul of it.

## PROPOSALS FOR PEACE CONGRESS

Resolutions to be Submitted by American and Other Delegations to Meeting This Month at Brussels

WASHINGTON, July 6.—The American group of delegates to the congress of the inter-parliamentary union at Brussels Aug. 23 to Sept. 2 will submit a series of resolutions which will present several resolutions looking toward the establishment of permanent peace between the nations of the world. These resolutions were submitted to the state department by representative Richard Bartholdt of Missouri, chairman of the American group. One will ask the conference to request the government of the United States to the Hague peace conference and the London naval conference to sanction the American proposition that an international prize court be invested with the jurisdiction of international arbitration.

**End Near for Joe Gans**  
BALTIMORE, Md., Aug. 6.—This afternoon Joe Gans, the former lightweight champion pugilist, was resting weakly. While he is growing steadily weaker, his death is not expected for several days.

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**Decimals System For Empire**  
MELBOURNE, Aug. 6.—The House of Representatives by 35 to 3 adopted a resolution endorsing the decimal system. Australia has decided to endeavor to seek the approval of the imperial conference for the adoption of the system within the empire.

## C. N. R. TOWNSITE AT PORT MANN

Engineers to Proceed Immediately With Work of Laying Out Ground for Terminals and Car Shops

## LARGE AREA NEEDED FOR THE RAILWAY

VANCOUVER, B. C., Aug. 6.—Port Mann, the townsite of the Canadian Pacific Railway, opposite New Westminster, will be placed on the market this autumn. There the company will locate its car-building and machine shops, as well as lay out what the coast. Port Mann as a shipping centre figures more largely than Vancouver in the company's plans as formulated to date. This was the crux of the official announcement made to the Colonist prior to the departure for the east of Mr. Donald M. Mann, vice-president of the Canadian Northern.

Following an inspection of the townsite during the week by Mr. Mann and the other visiting officials, instructions were given Mr. T. H. White, chief engineer, to undertake immediately the work of laying out terminating plant and machine shops. Mr. White's assistants will be on the ground next week. The work is being done owing to the large amount of acreage required for railway purposes the residential and business portion of the townsite will have to conform to the requirements. There will be ample room for these purposes. The townsite embraces an area of about two thousand acres. A water frontage of two and one-half miles along the Fraser river, above the Fraser bridge, is included.

**Beaten by Thugs**  
Women in Seattle Suburb Maltreated by Two Men Who Demanded Money  
SEATTLE, Aug. 6.—Two thugs, described as Italian, brutally beat Mrs. Thos. Bourche, wife of a conductor on a logging railroad and robbed her \$170 at her home near Bothell town. The men entered the house when Mrs. Bourche was alone and demanded money. She denied having any, whereupon they sat upon her and beat her until insensibility. They found a pouch containing the money hidden among the woman's clothing, and after ransacking the house fled. A posse headed by a deputy sheriff is scouring the woods north of Bothell in search of the miscalcants. Mrs. Bourche was badly injured. She is suffering from bruises caused by the kicking in the side, has a black eye and numerous scratches on the face and body.

## SEVEN ARE DEAD IN BURNED HOUSE

Five Men and Two Women Unable to Escape From Tenement Destroyed at Jamaica, Long Island

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**Calgary, Aug. 6.**—Jane and Macdonald, owners of the Calgary, are across the Bow river three miles south of Esquimalt. They are putting up a bridge to carry materials and have a vessel and cars at work. The dam is to be of concrete and will be built and is being erected by the Canadian Pacific railway to facilitate irrigation of the district around Esquimalt.

**The Spokane Chamber of Commerce** is planning a large excursion to Nelson on the 15th and 16th.

## ROOSEVELT ON FIRE

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—Commander Peary's historic boat, the Roosevelt, was reported on fire at her berth in the East river early this morning.

## ALBERTA LANDS SELLING WELL

Canadian Pacific Railway Company Now Disposing of Much of Its Holdings in That Province

## MILLION DOLLARS MONTHLY RECEIPTS

Heavy Expenditure on Irrigation Work in Eastern Block—Generous Rain in Alberta Does Much Good

## THROWS LIGHT ON SONOMA MYSTERY

Discovery of Jawbone Thought to Establish Fact of Thomas Kendall's Murder—Found Far From House

SANTA ROSA, Cal., Aug. 6.—In a canyon three-quarters of a mile from the home of the Kendall family, a jawbone was found this afternoon an upper molar, apparently that of a young man. This jawbone, which was found secured to prove that Thos. A. Kendall had been killed by the district attorney Lee said that he considered the jawbone as the best yet secured in the identification of the victim. The back teeth on either side of the jawbone were missing. The front teeth are missing. The jawbone was found in a hole in the ground. The jawbone was found in a hole in the ground. The jawbone was found in a hole in the ground.

## YOUNG SWISS GIRLS CAUGHT BY FLOODS

Terrifying Experience of Two Young Men—Drowned

## GERMANY'S FLEET OF SUBMARINES

Government Secretly Diverts Torpedo Boat Funds to Construction of Under-Sea Vessels of Offence

**Berlin, August 6.**—The Prussian Ministry of War has decided to spend a considerable sum of money on building a fleet of submarines. The type of dirigible airship to be employed in throwing shells and other explosives. It is known as the Zorn type. The new type will be about 80 feet long, consisting of three parts, the separate and complete in itself. These parts can be disconnected while in the air.

**French General Drowned**  
PARIS, Aug. 6.—A French general, Paris General de Beylie, who was in command of the 3rd brigade in Cochinchina, was drowned in the rapids of the Mekong river below Leang Phrang. He was a boat with his staff officer of Laos and three native soldiers, and the bodies were not recovered.

## BASEBALL CHALLENGE ACCEPTED

CLEVELAND, Aug. 6.—President Charles Somers of the Cleveland club announces today that he has accepted the challenge of the Cincinnati National league club for a post-season series to decide the championship of Ohio.

## OLDFIELD MAKES RECORD

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 6.—Barney Oldfield, driving his 200-horse power Bend, today lowered the Point Breeze park mile track record 53.3 seconds. The former record of 1:01 was made by De Palma in a Fiat car. Oldfield made two trials, accomplished the distance in one minute flat on the first attempt.

## ROAD CONFERENCE ADJOURNS

BRUSSELS, Aug. 6.—The international road conference, which opened its sessions here on July 21st, finished its work today and adjourned. The members remaining for several days for the signing of the convention. The absolute necessity for the adoption of a uniform system of road building in the United States.

## SIMPLE ROUTE FORTIFIED

GENEVA, Aug. 6.—During the past month the Swiss and Italian military authorities have been strongly fortifying the Simplon route, above the Great St. Bernard, which is the only road on the other side of the Alps. The route has been cut up by the road and built a kind of drawbridge across it. This is worked by electricity from small forts on each side of the road. Military stations have been constructed on the flanks of the Alpine route and in future Italian troops will be stationed all the year round in the outposts commanding the pass.

## MAINTAIN SEARCH FOR MURDERER

No Solution Yet of Mystery In California—Inquest Is Held Over Remains of Kendall Family

CASADERO, Cal., Aug. 5.—The inquest over the few charred remains of a man, the rancher, and his wife and child, who were presumably murdered by Henry Yamaguchi, and the remains were then packed in pieces and burned in the kitchen stove, began here today.

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