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OBSTRUCTION SLACKENS; COMPROMISE IN THE AIR

Leaders Endeavoring to Reach Satisfactory Agreement on Election Bill

Five Hours' Talk Yesterday Resulted in Voting of \$217,000 for Astronomical Surveys -- Civil Servants Making Trouble

OTTAWA, June 3.—At an opposition caucus this afternoon it was decided that the obstruction policy would not be enforced against the item in the militia estimates for holding annual training camps this year.

The growing feeling in the country against the withdrawal of time in the commons and the blocking of public business, is beginning to have an effect on the members to the Speaker's left, and the wisdom of resisting all offers of compromise is now doubted by many members of the opposition.

Mr. Oliver said the statement was partially correct. Parties had not left Ottawa because the government did not feel justified in sending them but would be equally effective as by passing only a small amount of supply each day the session could be indefinitely prolonged.

SHORT IN ACCOUNTS AND SHOT HIMSELF

N.Y. Teller Wouldn't Face Disgrace

Behind Nearly \$10,000—Left Note Explaining How it Occurred

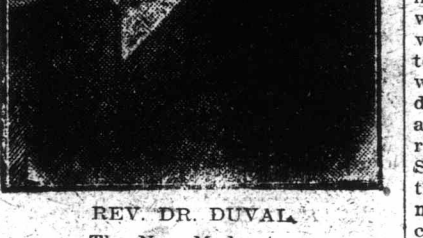
NEW YORK, June 3.—Questioned by the bank's officers today about an apparent discrepancy in his accounts, Chas. T. Muir, paying teller of the Forty-second street branch of the Corn Exchange Bank, asked to be excused until he could obtain a deposit ticket to explain the matter, went to the basement, and after writing a brief statement and confession that his accounts were short, shot himself in the head. He died within an hour at the hospital.

PRESBYTERIAN ASSEMBLY IN WINNIPEG

Church Union to the Front Again

SOME BIG QUESTIONS Delegates Note Many Changes in Western Metropolis—Retiring Moderator's Sermon

WINNIPEG, June 3.—This city welcomed the general assembly for the third time in its history. In 1887 just before the Queen's jubilee, the commission met here when they saw a city which had barely survived the strain of boom and speculation.



REV. DR. DUVAL, The New Moderator.

KNIFED COMPANION IN ROW IN CAMP

Murder Committed Near Haileybury, Ont

Victim Left to Die in Open Boat During Rain Storm

HAILEYBURY, June 3.—Murder was committed at Reynolds' construction camp, Trochu Falls, about 120 miles north of here, Saturday night. Fritz Young, a boatman, of Stanhope, Quebec, is dead of his wounds, and Thos. A. Wright, foreman, in the employ of the Reynolds Company, is under arrest, charged with the murder. Two other men from the camp, Michael Morris and James Quinn, are also charged with aiding and abetting Wright in the murder of Young.

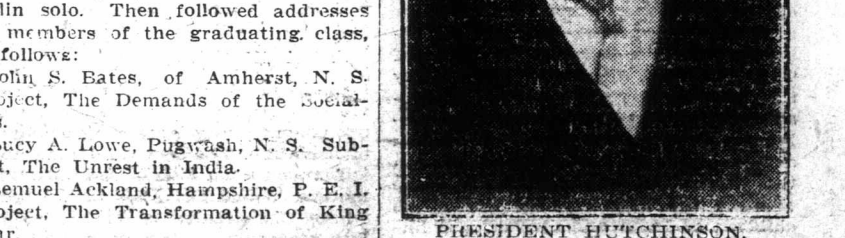
SEVENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF ACADIA UNIVERSITY

Year Just Closed Most Successful in the History of the Institution

Prospects for Next Year Still Brighter—Distinguished Educationists Present

The Prizes Awarded

WOLFVILLE, June 3.—The seventieth anniversary of Acadia University was held in College Hall this morning. A brilliant audience that more than taxed the seating capacity of the hall were present. It might be here intimated that the time has come when the building capacity must be extended to accommodate the increasing number of those who annually attend the closing exercises.



PRESIDENT HUTCHINSON.

These addresses were certainly above the average college essays, and a solo given by Miss Jean Kempton was much enjoyed.

The graduates are as follows: Bachelor of Arts. Lemuel Ackland, Hampshire, P. E. I.; Robert F. Allen, Avonport, N. S.; Herbert S. Bagnall, Hazel Grove, P. E. I.; John S. Bates, Amherst, N. S.; Mildred W. Daniels, Chester, N. S.; Kelsey C. Denton, Little River, N. S.; Malcolm R. Elliott, Clarence, N. S.; W. Bernard Foster, Torbrook, N. S.; John H. Geldart, Moncton, N. B.; Helen A. Haley, St. John, N. B.; Joan S. Haley, St. Stephen, N. B.; Percy R. Hayden, Jordan Falls, N. S.; Helena C. Keirstead, St. John, N. B.; Lucy A. Lowe, Pugwash, N. S.; Jennie A. MacLeod, Summerside, P. E. I.; Clarence R. Messenger, Wolfville, N. S.; Bertha M. North, Canaan, N. S.; Harold S. Nowlan, Havelock, N. S.; Fred I. Sout, N. S.; Allan LeM. Purdy, Westchester, N. S.

Avard P. Goudey, Port Maitland, N. S.; Leslie G. Jost, Guysboro, N. S.; Judson S. McGregor, Kingston, N. S. Certificates in the Partial Engineering Course. G. Gordon Hughes, Charlottetown, P. E. I.; Edward DeW. King, Wolfville, N. S.; Fred E. Mallory, Jacksontown, N. B.; Allan LeM. Purdy, Westchester, N. S.

Master of Arts in Course. James A. Armstrong, philosophy and pedagogy; George D. Blackadar, French; L. Etta Brown, Latin; Statira F. Caldwell, economics; R. D. Colpitts, economics; C. M. Harris, church history and economics; Alberta, Mackinnon, economics; Edith M. Spurr, Latin and French.

The Prizes Awarded. The prizes were awarded as follows: Ralph Hunt oratorical medal, won by John Geda of Moncton. Mr. Cummings' prize of \$25 for the student in the freshman class who made the highest standing, won by Cyril Locke, Lockport, N. S. C. H. Dimock prize for essay work, won by Dora Manning. Governor general's medal for the best standing in sophomore, junior and senior years, won by John Bates, Amherst, N. S. Honorary degrees awarded were: Rev. A. F. Dykeman, master of arts, Roxbury, U. S. John Bogart, Brooklyn, master of arts. Professor Edward Sawyer doctor of civil law. Rev. C. T. Phillips of Hartland, N. B., doctor of divinity. Rev. Rufus Sanford, India, doctor of divinity.

A reception in honor of Dr. Hutchinson took place this evening at the College Hall and was crowded. After the reception the alumni banquet was held in the seminary dining room, which was beautifully decorated. The guests of the evening were Lieut. Gov. Mac-

Mr. Lancaster urged that in the boundary survey a particular case should be taken in Niagara river delimitation. Canadians in Niagara district feared that Americans were laying plans and building up evidence with a view to demanding a great deal in order that by a compromise they might get more than readily belonged to them on that part of the river usually known as Niagara Falls district and which was very valuable because of its splendid water powers. He feared the Canadian section of the international waterways commission had not proper evidence to warrant them in making a recommendation on this subject as compared with Americans, who for three years had been at work to strengthen their case. It would not be wise that the Canadian section of the commission should not be allowed to say where the boundary should be.

Mr. Oliver answered that the waterways commission was not in his department, but in that of public works. He believed it would be found that Canada's interests were being safeguarded in every possible way. The item finally carried. An estimate of \$220,000 for immigration was under discussion when the house adjourned at six o'clock.

ON HIS WEDDING DAY SERIOUSLY STRICKEN

Young Man From Shelburne Taken to Grace Hospital With Epileptic Seizure

TORONTO, June 2.—Choosing the first day of the wedding month for their most profitable regard, Mr. and Mrs. McCrea of Shelburne, Ont., met an untoward fate. The couple were married at Shelburne yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. They were escorted to the train by a host of congratulating friends. The trip to the city was a merry one, and they took a carriage at the station for the Rossin House. On their way there the groom was stricken with an epileptic seizure. He was hurried to the hotel, where Dr. Bruce Riordan attended him. His condition was so serious at 7 o'clock last night that he was removed to Grace Hospital. His condition is pronounced serious. Meanwhile the bride is on the verge of collapse at the hotel. Mr. McCrea is hotel steward at Shelburne. He is 26 years of age.

INDIAN CHIEFS INTERVIEW MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR

OTTAWA, June 3.—A deputation of fifteen British Columbia Indian chiefs arrived here last night and interviewed Hon. Frank Oliver and Frank Hedley, superintendent of Indian affairs, this afternoon to present a number of grievances. They were assured the government here would protect their timber rights on the reserves. On the question of giving greater freedom in fishing and hunting by a relaxation of the present regulations, they were told that the issue was provincial or federal control of Indian lands in the province of British Columbia would be decided by the privy council. Meanwhile the government would consider all their requests. The deputation included Capt. Lano and Chilietoh, the two Indians who went over to London a year or so ago to lay their grievances at the foot of the throne.

The inquiry by Judge Cassels into the charges made against the Marine Department in the civil service commission's report, will probably be resumed in a week or so on Judge Cassels' return from holding court in the Maritime Provinces.

before the Queen's jubilee, the commission met here when they saw a city which had barely survived the strain of boom and speculation. Then again in 1897, just before the diamond jubilee they came back, but through Winnipeg taking a fresh grip on things and preparing for the commercial advancement which has since contributed toward making her the market place of the west. Today they find her firmly established in the control of the great trade of the prairie dominions, and they are, and without giving added changes that are making in this metropolitan city.

Of all the changes which have taken place during the years which are most gratifying although the most natural is the remarkable growth of the church and the extension of the activity of its work, but throughout the whole western country, the church is in a strong position and realizes its strength. It realizes also, however, that the growth and strength which made it powerful being increased necessities and sterner duties. The necessity of meeting these responsibilities and sterner duties, and the commissioners have no light burden. It is theirs to do, and they are called upon to transact within the ten days an amount of business in which would occupy the attention of a legislature for at least a month.

There are many big questions that will come before the present commissioners. Church union will be one of these. It is predicted that it will cause a keen discussion. The position of Queen's University and its future relations to the church will be the basis of another debate. Social and moral reform has become more an important branch of work in Canada during the past few years and the report of Rev. Dr. Sienner, general secretary of that department, will be decidedly interesting, especially on account of the advances which have taken place in connection with the preservation of the Lord's day and the extension of temperance. The theme of the sermon of the retiring moderator, Rev. Dr. Robert Campbell, preached tonight, was "The function of the ministry." His discourse was based on John xviii., 37-38; Acts, i., 28. He declared that the business of the church of the living God, which the apostle described as the pillar and ground of truth is "to ascertain what is true, to proclaim it and maintain it."

We accept the New Testament writings as affording an adequate account of the Person and work of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the duties of his followers. Their genuineness such as can be proved in favor of no other ancient document whatever. It is a notable fact that the trust beside which that of during the lifetime of the apostles seems attested by the literary form it took when it was written word. It will not do for us, therefore, to deprecate the truth together, to deny its undoubted influence or even its right to the consideration in framing our creed. John assures us that all was not written that might have been written concerning Jesus Christ, and we may go so far as to admit that the Church of Rome really prove that the deposit of truth which has never been written in its keeping, there would be no help for us but to believe that it is the author of the third gospel in its signifi-

DESERTION, ONE OF HER DIVORCE PLEAS

Yet Mrs. Murphy Deserted Husband For a Whole Year Defendant Was Unaware of Wife's Whereabouts

Havelock Murphy, whose wife is suing for divorce in Providence, R. I., had received no word concerning the outcome of the suit up to a late hour last night. The grounds for the suit are desertion, which Mrs. Murphy left her husband in this city in the winter of 1905 and until August, 1906, in several instances. At the latter time it was ascertained that she was living in Providence, where she desired her husband to locate, as she informed him later. Soon after this the police at Salem, Mass., asked the St. John police for proofs of marriage between Havelock Murphy and a woman who in Salem went by the name of Mrs. Murphy. At the time that Chief Clark received the letter from the St. John police it was thought that the inquiries of the latter might have arisen from the fact that Mrs. Murphy had married again. Whether or not there was any truth in this conjecture is unknown, but Mrs. Murphy's suit for divorce would seem to indicate that she has not already formed a second union she is contemplating such a step.

Mrs. Murphy's maiden name was Christina Theodore. She was the daughter of a Greek sea captain who met his death by drowning. She was reared in this city by a Mrs. Albon, of St. James street. Her marriage took place in 1900. In 1902 Mr. Murphy and his wife moved to the States, but returned two years later.

The outcome of the divorce suit in Providence is awaited with interest by many people in the city.

Recent introduction gives it as a reason for writing it that his friends might know the certainty concerning the things he was taught about Christ, implying that the period had come when it would be no longer safe to trust to tradition. Two other remarks are in order here—the first that tradition shall not teach anything contrary to the written word; and, secondly, that the Church of Rome, assuming its tradition has been increased to its duty in falling sooner to disclose what Christ had committed to its ears, one important dogma authoritatively seeing the light only in 1864, and another in 1870.

Rev. F. B. Duval, pastor Knox church was unanimously chosen moderator and the formal announcement of election was received with great enthusiasm.

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SUPREME COURT

FREDERICTON, June 3.—The supreme court held but a short session this afternoon. The case of Chute et al v. Adney et al was stood over until 15th. The case of McKeith v. Eastern Steamship Co. was taken up in the morning.

In the court court today evidence in the case of the crown against Syme and Chase, charged with theft, was concluded. Counsel will address the jury in the morning and the case will probably go to the jury by noon.

WASHINGTON, June 3.—John C. Schofield was today appointed assistant and chief clerk of the war department, to take effect July 1st next.