

## TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF GROWTH AND GOOD WORK.

Charlton Ave. Methodist Church Celebrates Its Semi-Jubilee, Beginning To-morrow.

Charlton Avenue Methodist Church has been making history with rapidity. A quarter of a century ago the congregation was organized. What it was in 1882 and what it is to-day are known pretty well to Hamilton people, for twenty-five years are not a long time in a city's history. Quarter of a century, however, is long enough to test a church's work and worth, and "Hannah Street," as it is still familiarly called, in spite of the more elegant "Charlton Avenue," has stood the test well. The church to-day stands as a tower of strength in the southwest; a fine representative of progressive Methodism, and what it is destined yet to be can only be imagined.



REV. R. H. BELL, B. A., PASTOR.

About 32 or 33 years ago, the growth of the southwest attracted the attention of the Methodists of the city and a mission was organized and placed under the care of Centenary Church. A small frame church was erected and in it the little congregation worshipped for a number of years. With the growth of that section of the city the mission prospered and in 1882 was strong enough to look after



GEORGE W. CAREY.  
At present a Steward, former Recording Steward and former Sunday School Superintendent.

itself. The little frame church was superseded by a plain brick structure, which, enlarged to probably double its original capacity, now serves as a Sunday School building. The present fine structure was built a few years ago and the enlargement of the original brick church for school purposes was undertaken last year. At the same time the purchase of a magnificent new organ was decided upon, and it was opened early this year. These are but a few of the epoch making events in the history of the church. Its spiritual progress has been in keeping with its material prosperity. During its 25 years it has had several pastors who have come into prominence in the greater church in Canada, and one of them, Rev. A. C. Crews, D. D., General Secretary of Sunday School and Epworth League work, is to conduct the anniversary services to-morrow.

Rev. R. H. Bell, B. A., is the present pastor. He is an earnest worker and active in all departments, and has the fullest confidence and the love of his people. Those officially connected with the church are:

Trustee Board—W. D. Flatt, Treas-



W. D. FLATT, Treasurer.

rer: Dr. Gillrie, Secretary; A. W. Semmens, Thomas Allan, Geo. W. Carey, Egerton Healey, Seneca Jones, Wm. Davidson, Richard Tope, Wm. Marsh, H. I. Frost, F. B. McKune, Burwell Griffin, Andrew Taylor and W. J. Turner. Quarterly Board—A. W. Semmens, Geo. W. Carey, W. D. Flatt, Wm. Davidson, R. W. Moore, Dr. M. E. Gillrie, (Recording Steward) Richard Tope, F. B.



PRESENT CHARLTON AVENUE METHODIST CHURCH.

## TRUCE IN WEST.

C. P. R. TELEGRAPH COMPANY RESTORE OLD RATES.

Recent Increases in Tolls Will be Dropped All Over the West—Relations With Western Associated Press Not Yet Adjusted—Premier's Message.

Winnipeg, Oct. 11.—Officials of the C. P. R. Telegraph Co. have notified the newspapers of western Canada that all the conditions which governed the transmission of press messages and supplying of news over their service in the months of July are again in force from here to the coast.

Newspapers taking the C. P. R. A. P. service will get the service at the rates in force prior to Aug. 1, that is at about 50 per cent. off the prices charged since that date. This will be a great boon to the coast papers.

The re-establishing of the former rates will affect all the newspapers in western Canada. The large increases put into effect on Oct. 1 have been abandoned, and the former conditions revived. This removes one of the main grievances of the western newspapers.

The only difficulty which still awaits adjustment is the fixing of relations between the C. P. R. and the Western Associated Press. This is to be gone into at a conference between the representatives of the two organizations, and with the resumption of amicable relations between the newspapers and the telegraph company it is expected that no difficulty will be experienced in reaching a satisfactory arrangement.

Premier Laurier, whose attention had been called to the trouble, telegraphed to-night to the effect that he had communicated with the head officials of the company and had been informed that they had previously no knowledge of the rupture between the press and the telegraph company, but gave him the assurance that it would at once be adjusted.

Man Who Defrauded Two Banks in Orangeville is Identified—Worked Guelph Institution Also.

Orangeville, Oct. 11.—William Hanlon, who was arrested at Stanberg, Ont., last Saturday morning and brought here for trial on charges of obtaining money by forgery and false pretences, pleaded guilty before Magistrate Pattullo this afternoon here.

The charges were obtaining \$100 and \$200 from the Orangeville branches of the Sterling Bank and the Bank of Commerce, respectively.

Hanlon was identified by Managers J. M. Duff, of the Bank of Commerce, and C. L. Nelles, of the Metropolitan Bank of Guelph, as the man who fled six months ago by obtaining the money under false pretences and forging cheques.

Hanlon appeared in Guelph under the name of John Giles, a wealthy farmer, residing about three miles out of Guelph. The following shows when and for how much he got in to the different financial institutions: Feb. 28, Metropolitan Bank, \$200; Feb. 28, Royal Bank, \$350; March 19, Traders Bank, \$200; March 19, Bank of Montreal, \$200; March 19, Bank of Commerce, \$200; April 5, Dominion Bank, \$250.

On Sept. 25 last Hanlon went to the Sterling Bank at Orangeville, and obtained a note for \$100 endorsed by Peter Garrity, a prosperous farmer of Caledonia township, and on Oct. 3 did the same thing at the Bank of Commerce, but for double the amount.

High Constable Hughes, Manager Commercial and Teller Smith were the only ones who gave evidence at the trial. Hanlon's counsel asked the court to sentence the accused immediately, but the Crown Attorney asked that the passing of sentence be deferred till Saturday, Oct. 19, to allow the accused's record to be looked up, and the crown's motion was granted.

## BUTLER COLLISION.

ENGINEER WRIGHTON SENTENCED TO THREE MONTHS.

Evidence Showed that He Received Two Orders and Failed to Act on the Second—Engineers at Kenora Worked Up Over the Sentence.

Kenora, Oct. 11.—At the District Court yesterday, the jury, after over three hours' deliberation, returned a verdict of "guilty, with a recommendation for mercy," in the case of Engineer George Wrighton. Judge Chapple sentenced him to three months' imprisonment.

The case was similar to the Hespeler case. It arose out of the collision of the second section of exp. No. 59, going east, and express No. 57, at Butler, in which thirteen people were killed, eleven Chinamen and their guard, O'Connor, on No. 96, and a Japanese on No. 7.

The evidence showed that two orders had been given to Engineer Wrighton at Raleigh, one annulling the other. He did not grasp the annulment and the accident occurred.

Counsel for the defence endeavored to show that both orders might have been the same. They also argued that the engine he was driving was old and troublesome, taking up most of his time looking after the defects.

## 10,000 AT CALEDONIA.

Great Fair of the Year Was Held This Week.

Immense Entry List—Show of Horses the Best Ever.

Some Fine Racing in Which Hamilton Horses Figured.

The Caledonia Fair is a thing of the past, for another year, but it leaves pleasant memories in the minds of those who attended this bright and progressive fair, on Thursday and Friday of this week. Friday was the big day, and when the crowd stopped coming into Caledonia, the town had the appearance of a busy city. Rigs there were in abundance, from all parts of the surrounding country—rigs of all descriptions, and sizes, and their occupants had on their best togs. The grounds and the track were in excellent condition, considering that a heavy rain on Thursday almost put the show out of business. The sun and the wind on Friday morning soon had things dried up, however. No new buildings have been added this year, but the grounds present the same attractive and busy appearance. A new grand stand has been added, accommodating nearly 2,000 people, and it was completely filled.

Nearly 1,000 people went to Caledonia on the regular and special trains on Friday from Hamilton, and enjoyed the day. The Caledonia Band supplied the music for the afternoon at the fair.

The entries in the poultry class were larger than in previous years, there being over 300. The ladies' work was again one of the features of the fair. There was not as large an exhibition of the heavy cattle, but in the dairy classes the entries were very good. The exhibition of horses was the largest that has ever shown at the fair during the past three years, and some of the directors were of the opinion that they outnumbered those of the last three years put together. The school children's exhibits attracted a lot of attention, and were well up to the mark. The midway was thronged with large crowds during the entire day, and money flowed freely. It is estimated that over 10,000 people paid admission to the park, which is the largest yet.

Special attractions, in the shape of an excellent racing card, were put up on both days, but on Friday the large crowd was treated to some excellent heats. The results were:

Green race—Fairview Bell, W. J. Anderson, Hamilton, 4 1 1; Lulu Hall, W. Smith, 1 2 3; Alandi Hall, H. Dorr, 2 4 2; Laddy B. F. Chapman, 3 3 4.

2.25 class—Miss Swift, W. J. Anderson, Hamilton, 2 2 1 1 1; Peachontas, J. Alward, 1 1 2 2 2; Major McGregor, A. Turner, 3 dr.

Time—2:26 1/4, 2:26 1/4, 2:31, 2:35, 2:35.

2.35 class—Major McGregor, A. S. Turner, Ancaster, 1 1 1; Roy T. J. N. Tunis, 2 3 2; Widner, W. Campbell, 3 2 4; John M. J. Whiting, 4 4 3.

Open class—Capt. Spinks, R. Kettle, 1 1 1; Tom Boy, D. S. Gillies, 2 2 2; Easter Sunday, W. Hunter, 3 3 3.

The efficient officers for this year of the Caledonia Fair are as follows: R. E. Walker, President; D. Z. Gibson, First Vice-President; W. Wesley Hull, Second Vice-President; J. W. Richardson, Treasurer; H. B. Sawie, Secretary.

Honorary Directors—James Madigan, J. J. Barrington, E. Walker, Wm. Douglas, M. Brown, Rev. I. Bearfoot, Alex. Dunnet, R. Creighton, David Smith, James Moore, Wm. Griener, W. J. Burch, James Moore.

Lady Directors—Mrs. M. Howard, Mrs. R. E. Walker, Mrs. T. Remond, Mrs. J. Parke, Mrs. James Old, Mrs. H. B. Sawie, Mrs. J. Richardson, Miss A. Walker, Mrs. J. Hudspeth, Mrs. W. J. Burns, Mrs. J. M. Forbes, Mrs. J. Lawson, Mrs. I. Wille.

Directors—J. Hudspeth, D. Young, James Parke, N. H. Wickett, Dr. Forbes, I. Weylie, F. Martindale, Jas. Douglas, M. Richardson.

General Superintendents—J. Hudspeth, R. E. Walker, W. J. Burch, Jas. Douglas.

## THIRTEENTH OUT.

Large Parade and Good Work Done Last Evening.

The 13th Regiment had one of the best turn-outs of the season last night, there being over 441 men on parade. It was a case of drill from start to finish last night, with no intermissions for rest, etc. Half battalion drill was included in at the Drill Hall for a portion of the evening, after which a march out took place to MacNab street, near the market, where some more battalion drill was held.

Col. Moore announced that the McLaughlin shelter trench competition would be held this afternoon, and said that he looked for a good turn-out of the men to help along this interesting work. A sharpshooters' match will be held shortly. An efficiency class for officers and non-coms. has been formed, under a sergeant-major, and it will meet on Monday and Thursday nights. The parade date was as follows:

Lieut.-Col. Moore, Majors Merburn and Lebart; Major Herring, paymaster; Major Lester, quartermaster; Capt. Carter, surgeon; staff-sergeants 11, buglers 40, brass band 30, bearers 15, Maxim 9, signallers 7, recruits 17, A 40, B 51, C 40, D 45, E 34, F 21, G 33, H 44, total 441.

## SQUIRREL PLAGUE.

NEW YORK OVERRUN WITH THE LITTLE RODENTS.

They Have Become so Numerous in Central Park that Many Are Being Crowded Out and Have Migrated to the So-called Gardens on Either Side.

New York, Oct. 11.—New York—or a considerable part of it—is threatened by a plague that is going to make the residents of the section affected sympathize keenly with the afflictions of rabbit-ridden Australia. Squirrels are increasing to such an alarming extent in Central Park that the sections on both sides are being overrun with the mischievous little animals; they appear in what pass for gardens in New York; they run, tame and fearless, over the sidewalks; they horrify gentlemen and women by getting in the way of automobiles and trolley cars and being ground up into hash and they bother every one for blocks in all sorts of ways.

No one wants to kill a harmless little animal like a squirrel, and, besides, the law protects them if they come from the parks of the city. Squirrels can find plenty to eat except in cold weather, and their numerous friends, young and old, see to it that they do not suffer when snow is on the ground. No squirrel ever seems to die, and as there are two litters a year as a rule in each squirrel family, it can be a decision as to where to put the overflow.

## WHO IS HE?

DECAPITATED BODY OF MAN FOUND IN NEWFOUNDLAND.

His Clothes Were Made in Toronto—Otherwise There is Nothing to Tell Who the Victim Is—His Comrades May Have Killed Him.

Halifax, Oct. 11.—Further details were received at Sydney to-day from the Bay of Islands, Newfoundland, of the supposed Canadian who is believed to have met his death by foul means while on a recent fishing excursion in the wilds of the ancient colony. There is deep mystery surrounding the whole affair, and, although most diligent inquiry has been going on for some time, no light has as yet been thrown on the identity of the murdered man or the exact causes which led up to his death.

The body was found by a man named Nott at Gull Marsh, Bonne Bay. It had been decapitated and the hands were missing, the members having been removed by some sharp instrument. The unfortunate man must have been about five feet six inches in height. He was rather stoutly built and dressed well. His clothes had been made in Toronto, the buttons bearing the name of J. H. Ames of that city.

Other than this there is absolutely no clue to identification, everything of a tell-tale nature having been removed from the pockets. A number of fishing parties from upper Canadian cities are known to have explored lately the region in the vicinity of Gull Marsh, and it is thought that the unknown victim met his death at the hands of his comrades.

It is understood that the authorities at Bonne Bay are determined to have the matter thoroughly investigated.

## HE IS SINKING.

SYSTEM OF AUSTRIAN EMPEROR ALMOST EXHAUSTED.

Physicians Becoming More Anxious About Condition of the Royal Patient—Five Times Yesterday His Majesty Relapsed Into a State of Apathy.

Vienna, Oct. 11 (midnight).—This night is a critical one for Francis Joseph, the aged Emperor-King of Austria-Hungary. His Majesty's physicians are visibly becoming more anxious. The fever which has lasted ten days seems to have exhausted the wonderfully trained system of the Monarch, and the symptoms of inflammation of the lungs are growing. Five times during the course of to-day his Majesty remained for half an hour in a state of almost complete apathy, while at other times he was in a state of somnolence.

Depression has taken hold of his Majesty's endurance, and he is watched with the greatest anxiety. The doctors are doing everything in their power to prevent more serious complications. They say that everything depends on how he passes the night. If he is able to rise as usual to-morrow morning it will be a hopeful sign, but otherwise the outbreak of a serious malady must be feared.

## APPEAL ALLOWED.

M. J. O'Reilly Successful in His Application.

Judgment was given at Toronto yesterday upon the application of Mr. M. J. O'Reilly, of this city, in the case of Rex v. Edmondstone and New. The motion was for leave to appeal from a conviction for assault and for an order requiring the Judge of the County Court of Westworth, before whom at quarter sessions defendants were tried, to state a case for the opinion of this court. The defendants were indicted for robbery and wounding. The jury found the defendants not guilty of robbery, but guilty of assault. The verdict was regarded as one of guilty of the assault as charged. Defendants were sentenced respectively to 30 months and 18 months in the Kingston penitentiary. Defendants contended that there was no evidence to found a verdict for assault; that no assault was charged, and that the assault, if any, was a common assault. Application granted and case to be stated raising the questions: (1) whether the verdict of jury was rightly returned; and, if so, (2) whether it was rightly interpreted and acted upon by the Chairman of quarter sessions. M. J. O'Reilly (Hamilton), for defendants. J. R. Cartwright, K. C., for the Crown.

## BEAMSVILLE BAPTISTS' CENTURY CELEBRATION

Notable Event Being Celebrated--The Congregation Has Been In Existence 125 Years

Beamsville Baptists take not a little pride, and justly so, in the oldest congregation of that denomination and one of the oldest of any denomination in this part of the Dominion. The congregation was organized 111 years ago, in 1796, but even before that, as early as 1782, or 125 years ago, services were held at the homes of Baptist residents, of which there were several families in the immediate neighborhood. The congregation was re-organized on Friday, October 10, 1807, and will celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of that event to-morrow and Monday.

Even before 1796 the Baptist people had a church—a log meeting house in which services were held at intervals, and which afterwards became the regular church. The church records go back over 100 years, but there is no authentic account of the building or dedication of the first church. Officials of the present church have prepared an interesting sketch from which the following is culled. In the year 1780 Jacob Beam, senior, left his home in New Jersey and with his wife and children, came to this province and settled at what is now Beamsville, but which was then called The Harbor. He was a staunch Baptist. Several other families came in about the same time, who were of the same faith, and in the years 1782 and 1783 a Missionary, Elder Wm. Holmes, came through the district and held meetings in the house of one Staats Overholt.

In the year 1796 Elder Holmes was prevailed upon to become the first minister. The names of the constituent members as given in the records are: "The Brethren—Jacob Beam, Christian Buchner, Arthur Gray, Samuel Corwin, Daniel House, Isaac Overholt, Staats Overholt, Robert Skelly, James Vantah, Sisters—Catherine Beam, Elizabeth Gray, Anna Corwin, Susanah Overholt, Alice Kitchen, Polly Root, Mary Overholt, Esther Stafford, Anna Overholt, Susanah Overholt, Mary Beam. These apparently were the only members when Elder Abel Morse, a Missionary sent out by the Shaftsbury Association, arrived among them, and to

worshippers used to tie their horses while attending service. Serious cracks in the wall developing, and many of the members fearing to attend meetings, the building lest it should collapse and they be buried in the debris, they resolved on erecting a new building. A committee was appointed, plans and specifications prepared, and on the 7th of November, 1855, the committee were authorized to go ahead with the work. The building was completed and dedicated on Lord's day, Nov. 28, 1855, three services being held; the morning one being taken by Rev. John Roberts; afternoon by Rev. Wm. Stewart, and the evening by Rev. Charles Walker.

Rev. G. B. Brown has just entered upon the pastorate of the church, and he came from Bloomsburg, Ont., and began his duties last week. Mr. C. E. Rignin is chairman of the Board of Deacons and Mr. R. Cruickshank is church clerk.

To-morrow morning Rev. Dr. Hooper, of Toronto, a former pastor, will preach, and in the evening Rev. J. O'Neill, of Paisley, also a former minister. Mr. J. Fawell will have charge of the music.

On Monday afternoon there will be a reunion. Rev. A. E. Quinn, of Almonte, another old pastor, will be the chairman. The programme will consist of reminiscences. In the evening there will be a tea at 6, and a musical and platform meeting at 8.

The First Brick Church.

The Present Edifice.

quote verbatim from the records, "look into consideration the state of those who had been baptised as they had formerly considered themselves a church, and looking into their state and inspecting their records and articles, he gave them his opinion that they were never a regular church in gospel order and that they were imposed upon by a man who called himself a Baptist minister, but

## MISSION TO JAPAN.

MR. JOSEPH POPE WILL ACCOMPANY HON. MR. LEMIEUX.

His Association With Prince Fushimi May Help Forward the Cause of Canada—Japanese Regulations Limiting Emigration Relied On.

Ottawa, Oct. 11.—The formal order in Council appointing Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux to be Canada's envoy to Japan to negotiate with the Japanese Government relative to an agreement limiting Japanese immigration to this country was passed to-day. It was also decided to send Mr. Joseph Pope, Under-Secretary of State, to Japan along with Mr. Lemieux. Mr. Pope accompanied Prince Fushimi on his recent trip through Canada, and the intimate acquaintance thus established will doubtless enable him to be of material assistance in forwarding Mr. Lemieux's mission.

One of the strong points in Canada's request for a limitation of immigration which Mr. Lemieux will urge will be that at the time the treaty was passed by the Canadian Parliament it was understood by the Government and extensions limiting immigration to Canada to 600 per year would be continued in force. This fact formed an essential part of the agreement entered into with Japan, and, though there was no written stipulation on Japan's part to continue this regulation in future, there was at least a tacit and well-defined understanding to that effect.

Berlin will make a strong bid for the technical school the Ontario Government proposes to establish in western Ontario. The trump card is the town's importance as a manufacturing centre.

## DAMAGE CLAIMS.

EX-EMPLOYEES OF YORK LOAN "WRONGFULLY DISMISSED!"

A Thousand New Claims Loom Up in Winding-up Proceedings of Defunct Company—They Will be Treated Individually.

Toronto, Oct. 12.—With the intimation given at yesterday's proceedings in the winding up of the York County Loan & Savings Company that a thousand or more ex-employees of the defunct corporation are to claim damages for "dismissal without notice," the chances for an appreciable dividend for the shareholders of the company seem to become more remote than ever. These damages were "sprung" on the meeting yesterday morning by Mr. W. J. Tremear, counsel for the employees, and who presented also a list of claims for wages, bonuses and commission due inspectors, superintendents, clerks and other employees of the company.

Mr. David Queen, formerly an inspector for the company, examined by Mr. Tremear, said he had worked for the York Loan Company for nine years, and on losing his work by the liquidation of the company, December 16, 1905, he was out of employment for over two months. At the end of a long examination, during which Mr. Queen told much of the methods of the company and the salaries of its employees, Mr. Kappel announced that he would not consider these damage claims as a class and they would have to be presented separately. Other former employees were questioned along the same line as Mr. Queen in the afternoon.

The troubles at Casa Blanca have caused the growth of a bitter anti-French feeling in Spain.