

TWENTY CHURCHES IN BELLS MINIMUM

Committee Plans Raising of \$4,000 to Help Baptist Congregations, Who Must Raise \$500 Themselves to Benefit

Thursday, June 8.
Further information in connection with the proposed minimum salaries for Baptist clergymen was given by Rev. W. A. Camp, chairman of the Baptist Home Mission Board yesterday. There are from twenty to twenty-five Baptist churches in New Brunswick at present whose pastors receive less than \$800. The sum collected is to be raised by the other Baptist churches, which can provide salaries up to \$800, and also to provide a parsonage for each church. In order for a church to qualify for the fund it must raise \$500 itself and each church member must subscribe four or five families of three or more to pay ten dollars. Probably from twelve to fifteen of the churches, which can benefit will take advantage of the opportunity. The churches affected are all in the rural districts, and are scattered well over the province.

Offerings in support of the movement will be taken in all Baptist churches in June and again in December. The money collected in the different churches will be paid to Rev. Dr. W. E. McInlyre, treasurer of the Home Mission Board, and will be spent under the direction of the board itself. The committee which formed this plan was composed of Rev. W. Camp, Rev. C. P. Wilson, and Rev. H. H. Soudiers.

TORIES KILL THEIR HIGHWAYS BILL

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members of his cabinet held him back. They had a "dread of the unapproved." The minister of public works preferred to "bear the ills he has rather than fly to others he knows not of."

The government, Dr. Clark concluded, had lost its sense of proportion. It has been devoting half an eye to the public interest and an eye and a half to the next election. Suppose, for the balance of its term, it exchanged the proportion? Hon. Mr. Graham, premier of the province, pointed out that "the murder of the highways bill at the government benches" regarding the premier's assurance that the bill could stop any misappropriation of the money granted in each year's estimates, he pointed out that it could do so by doing the justice of rejecting the entire supply bill. As to the "great disaster" of the highways bill, Mr. Graham argued that special conditions could not be met by general legislation, and that any supplementary grant from the fund to any province would be at the expense of the other and interfere with the general principle of the bill.

Mr. Broder declared that "the bill had been used, without any authority in the South Renfrew by-election it was because the Ontario Liberals had made the electors 'apt pupils at that kind of thing.' It was 'time they got some of their medicine.'"

"Then you cater to that kind of thing?" queried Mr. Graham, but got no response.

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Sir Wilfrid Laurier emphasized the constitutional aspect of the matter. Highways were under the jurisdiction of the provinces and the money would be turned over to the provinces rather than retained by the minister of railways, who had no jurisdiction nor any staff necessary for the proper administration of the fund. He pointed out that the legislatures of Saskatchewan and Nova Scotia had protested against the measure in its original form and that Sir Lomer Gougeon, premier of Quebec, had given a public interview on the same lines.

Premier Borden said it was true that representations had been made by the governments of Saskatchewan and Nova Scotia, but the government had heard nothing from Quebec and Alberta. All the other provinces had endorsed the government bill.

Mr. Nickle frankly admitted that it was the tendency of all governments to spend money where they thought it would do the most good politically. Only they must be careful of not shocking the people. His idea of the issue was that the Conservatives said they would spend the money themselves while the Liberals said "You can't because you're dishonest."

Mr. Bennett, Calgary, raised a small sized tempest and succeeded in obstructing real discussion of the bill for half an hour by advertising to the Alberta electors and to the alleged crookedness of the government there. He declared that one of the provincial employees was now standing trial for having attempted in the last provincial elections to bribe the electors into voting for the government by promising to do what would or could not be done for them in the way of constructing roads. His argument was intended to show that because of this alleged crookedness the federal government should keep control of the expenditure. He also dilated long and eloquently on senate reform and the thwarting of the will of democracy by an irresponsible body.

Hon. Frank Oliver related with references to Manitoba methods, noting particularly the MacDonald by-election in Alberta it was a case of an actual promoter being arrested and brought to trial, while in Manitoba innocent men were thrust in jail.

Hon. Robert Rogers at once protested, declaring that in electing that man on only "known crooks" had been arrested.

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Washed hides (green) per pound	0.10	0.05%
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