

This is the crowning inspiration of human life, with all its uncertainties, its weaknesses, its disabilities, its seeming discrepancies, that a man cannot fail of his truest & best good if he have but God with him & but do his best. Nowhere, perhaps, do we find a better example of such a character than in the life of the late Cornelius Vanderbilt, as expressed in the words of his pastor, the Rev. D. H. Greer: "Mr. Vanderbilt, as we all know, was a man of many & varied interests, & yet I think I am stating the exact truth when I say that there was one interest which pervaded & dominated all his other interests, & that was his interest in religion. He was a business man, he was a railway man, he was a rich man, & in these several aspects & relations of his life he was well & widely known. But above all these, or rather in all these, he was a Christian man. That was the distinctive trait & characteristic of him for which he was respected most while he was

#### General Passenger Agents' Meeting.

The annual meeting of the American Association of General Passenger & Ticket Agents was held at Buffalo, Oct. 16 & 17. The principal address was delivered by J. R. Wood, of the Pennsylvania. H. C. Townsend, of the Missouri Pacific, was elected President for the ensuing year, & it was voted that the next meeting be held at Asheville, N.C.

President G. H. Daniels, in opening the first session, made a happy address, alluding particularly to the good work which general passenger agents are doing in advertising American railroads throughout the world. He was presented with a gavel made of wood from Palestine, the givers being H. Gaze & Sons, the excursion agents.

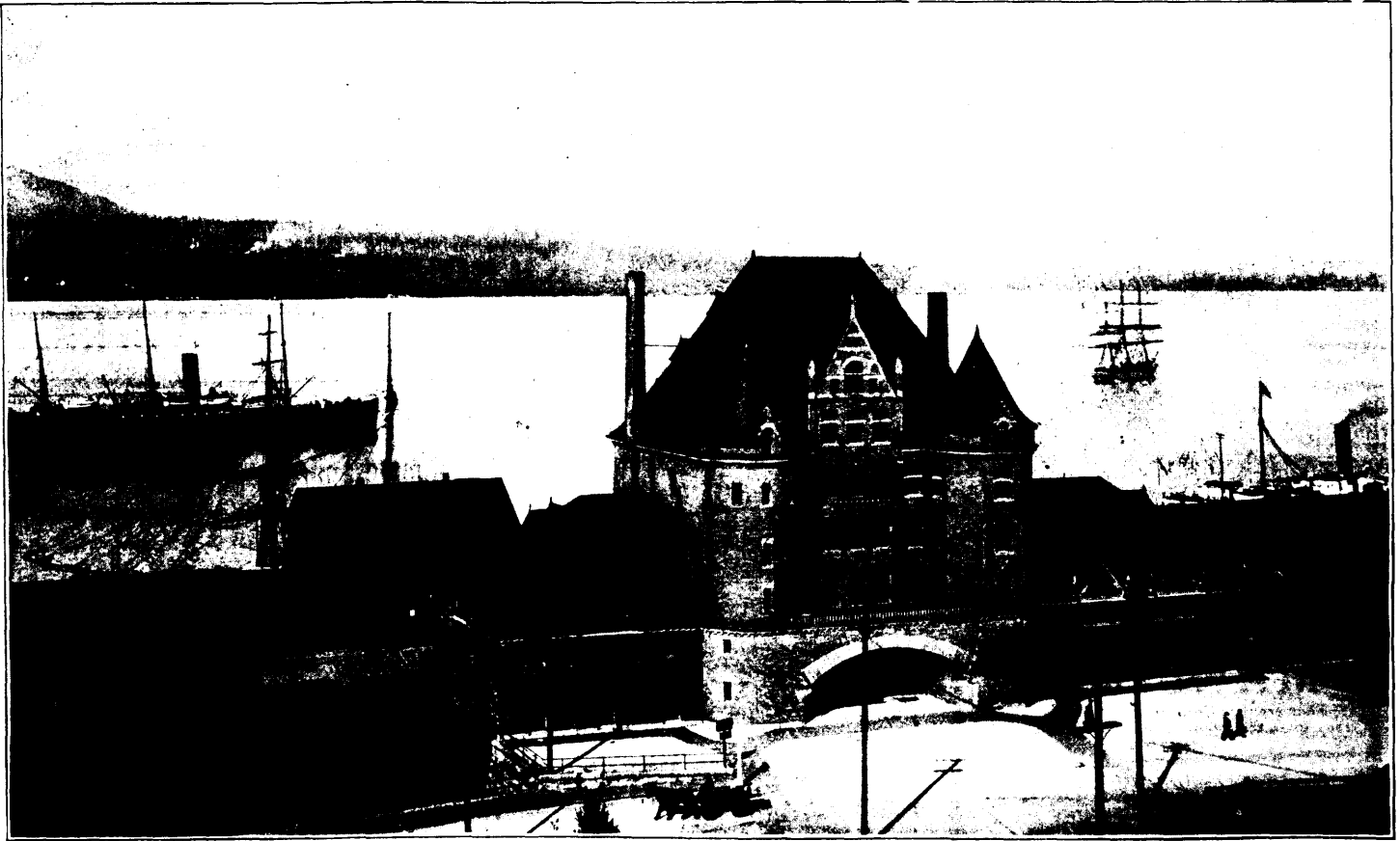
The Committee on Anti-Scalping Legislation made a report recounting several successful prosecutions of ticket forgers during the past year. The committee recommends

E. Davis, G.T.R.; H. G. Elliott, G.T.R.; B. W. Folger, Thousand Islands Steamboat Co.; J. Foy, Niagara Navigation Co.; H. H. Gildersleeve, Lake Ontario & Bay of Quinte Steamboat Co.; A. Hardy, Quebec & Lake St. John Ry.; A. C. Lytle, Orford Mountain Ry.; G. F. Marsh, Huntsville & Lake of Rays Route; C. E. E. Ussher, C.P.R.; J. H. Walsh, Quebec Central Ry.

During the meeting the following from Canada were elected members:—A. L. Baker, Tilsonburg, Lake Erie & Pacific Ry.; T. Henry, Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Co.; H. W. Wilson, Lake Ontario & Bay of Quinte Steamboat Co.

C. E. E. Ussher was elected a member of the Executive Committee.

**London & Port Stanley Ry.**—On Nov. 8 President Walker & General Manager Woollett, of the Lake Erie & Detroit River Ry.,



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living, & by which he is remembered best now that he is gone, & will be remembered always. Christianity with him was something else than a creed & something more than a form; it was a life to be lived, & he lived it, or tried at least to live it, & to cause it to appear in every position he occupied, & in every office he filled, in every social duty or task which he undertook to discharge. Of him I think it was literally true that in all the relations of life, no matter what they were, social or commercial, he carried himself—and was not ashamed of it—as a Christian, & sought first the kingdom of righteousness & truth."

**Locomotive Tonnage Rating.**—The American Railway Engineering & Maintenance of Way Association has issued a bulletin on locomotive tonnage rating on the Southern Pacific Co.'s Pacific System. It can be obtained from the Secretary, L. C. Fritch, 1562 Monadnock Block, Chicago, Ill.

the continuance of effort on the part of the railroads to secure anti-scalping legislation by Congress. The meeting again discussed the question of safety paper for joint tickets, & the date on which all roads should use the safety paper prescribed by the Association was changed to Jan., 1902. Over 78% of the railways in the Association are already using this paper or have determined to use it.

The proposition to have an insurance department in the Association was laid over until next year, as were the questions of selling orders for tickets, the discontinuance of brass baggage checks, the issuance of rate sheets on May 1 & Nov. 1, standard method of printing time limits in round trip tickets, & several other subjects.

The following members were present from Canada:—F. F. Backus, Toronto, Hamilton & Buffalo Ry.; C. Cameron, Northern Navigation Co. of Ontario; A. P. Cockburn, Muskoka & Georgian Bay Navigation Co.; W.

met a committee of the London city council, representing the board of the L. & P.S.R. respecting the renewal of the lease of that line by the L.E. & D.R.R. After considerable discussion the representatives of the L.E. & D.R.R. revised the Co.'s offer by offering to pay \$17,500 a year for the balance of the present lease for 13 years from Jan. 1, 1901, in lieu of the present rental of \$10,000 a year, with interest on the bridges over the ravines near St. Thomas, & 10% on the gross earnings over \$80,000 a year. After the 13 years the Co. to pay \$20,000 a year for 20 years. (Oct., pg. 312.)

The design of the medals awarded to the C.P.R. & G.T.R. Companies at the Paris Exposition has reached this country. The obverse side of the disk bears the inscription: "Republique Francaise." The reverse shows allegorical figures, a view of the principal structures, the inscription being "Exposition Universelle Internationale, 1900."