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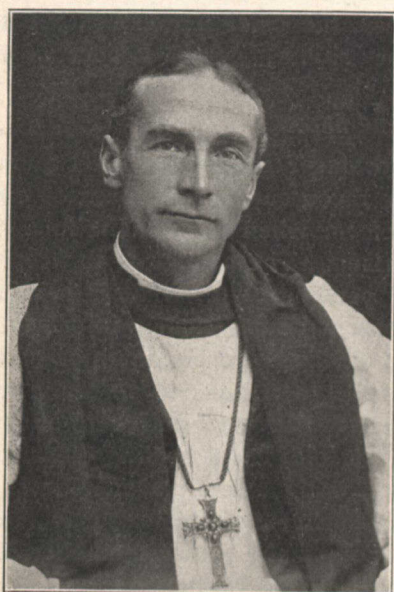
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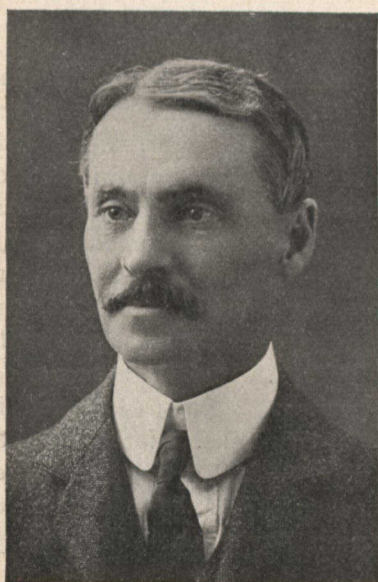


The Bishop of London

THE Bishop of London has given a rude jolt to the world's metropolis. Last Saturday he headed a vast procession of clergy and church workers into the heart of the worst slum in Westminster. The procession was headed by a surpliced choir who sang the hymn "Onward Christian Soldiers." The slum is the worst in London: which is why the Bishop decided to march into it. He has always been out against the powers of darkness in the darkest places. Those who saw and heard him in Canada last summer will remember that he passed as a man of original courage; a man who carried no side or ceremony, but shot his energy straight into the heart of a subject, said what he meant and meant all he said. His courage is in rather inverse ratio to

the retiring disposition of his farmer brother up near Aylmer—the brother whom the Bishop visited last summer when he preached in the Anglican Church at Aylmer. This brother began to learn Canadian farming some years ago in the County of Elgin. Being engaged one day in spreading some dirt about the premises he suddenly discovered that he had missed one heap. "Ah—I beg pardon!" he said politely and went back to finish the work.

MR. C. M. HAYS, President of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, has added himself to the list of those who having been abroad in the money markets of the world return with the news that Canada's credit is all right among the financiers. Having succeeded in floating fifteen millions of bonds for his transcontinental road, Mr. Hays is happy to state that with the opening of spring and the passing of a hard winter, British investors have keen eyes on this country as a field for investment. His company has now, he says, funds enough to last it for the next two years, and as twelve thousand men are reported having gone or going to work on the western section of the Grand Trunk Pacific, it will easily be seen where a good deal of the money will go.

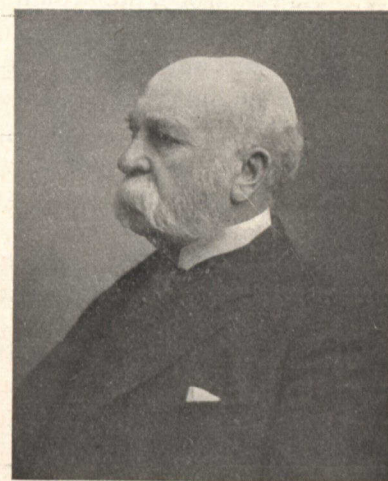


Mr. F. W. G. Haultain

MR. F. W. G. HAULTAIN, leader of the Saskatchewan Opposition and city solicitor for Regina, is into a fight with the C. P. R. This is no new thing for Mr. Haultain, who is one of the ablest fighters in the West and has always been at least mildly opposed to the big railway corporation. The present issue is one of taxation. The corporation of Regina claim that the company should pay taxes on street improvements running along part of their property. The company is averse to taxation of that sort.

BEARDING the western lion in his den, Mr. James D. Hyndman boldly comes out in Edmonton as candidate for the House of Commons against Hon. Frank Oliver. There are those who consider this as very foolhardy in Mr.

Hyndman. The Mayor of Edmonton states that no living man could possibly beat Mr. Oliver. Mr. Hyndman thinks he knows better. Mr. Oliver has always been a hard man to beat. He has had enormous majorities; but they were in the former days when everybody knew "Honest Frank," as he was then called. Since that there have arisen people who know not Joseph; the new-timers from east and south. It is probably to many of these that Mr. Hyndman looks for support in his fight against Goliath. He is a very young man; born in Charlottetown on the fighting little island by the Atlantic in 1874; studied and practised law in the east before going to Portage La Prairie in Manitoba. In 1903 he went to Edmonton and is now head of the firm Hyndman, Dawson & Hyndman. He has also been president of the Conservative Association. Among those who declined to enter the lists against fighting Frank is ex-Mayor Griesbach of Edmonton, who took a try at the election game during the last provincial election in Alberta, when he came out against Attorney-General Cross.

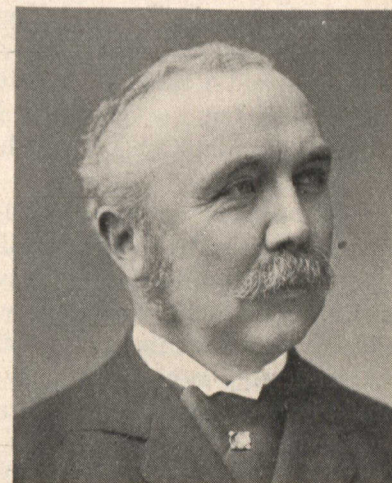


Dr. Andrew Smith
President Ontario Veterinary College

BEFORE the opening of the 1908-1909 term of the Ontario Veterinary College it is expected that some vital changes will have taken place in the conducting of that institution. Not only will students have to take a three-year instead of a two-year course before graduating, but it is anticipated that the College will be under the direct control of the Provincial Agricultural Department and be in closer affiliation with the University of Toronto. As Dr. Andrew Smith, the venerable principal, said at the closing exercises last Saturday, this change would put the College on a firmer and better basis than ever, notwithstanding that under the forty-six-year guidance of the revered doctor its success has been phenomenal. Last Saturday's graduating class was the largest that was ever turned out, numbering nearly 200 and including students from Australia, the Argentine, the West Indies, Great Britain, nearly every state in the Union and every province of Canada. President Falconer, of Toronto University, who was present, was evidently much impressed by the appearance of the class and with the intelligence of its members.

ON Sunday last it was flashed around the world that Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman had tendered his resignation as Premier of Great Britain, and that "His Majesty has graciously accepted it." Emperors, Kings, Dukes, Archbishops and statesmen the world over were interested as well as much more common people throughout the British Empire. It was an event. The Premiership of Great Britain is one of the great positions of the world, for the man who occupies it makes war or peace as he wills, and may at any time profoundly affect the welfare of millions of people who are not British.

C.-B., as he was familiarly known, was not a great man judged by the tests usually applied to statesmen and political leaders. He was not a great orator, nor a great scholar, nor a great administrator. He had little magnetism. Nevertheless he worked his way to the front rank among the men of the Liberal Party by long and continuous political service of a fairly high grade.



Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman