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**GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN LIVELY DISCUSSION**

**CHURCH UNION; IMPORTANT RESOLUTIONS**

**MOVED; STIRRING ADDRESS OF PRIN. FOREST**

Special to The Standard.

Hamilton, Ont., June 7.—The General Assembly had a lively time of it today. During the discussion on Church Union, it was moved by Principal Patrick, seconded by Rev. Dr. Duval:

"The Assembly desires to recognize the guidance of the Spirit of God in the proceedings that have taken place as evidenced in the harmony of the deliberations of the joint committee, the increase of mutual confidence and the great unanimity of their conclusions as to the line along which the negotiating churches, if they are disposed to do so, may come together to organize union."

The Assembly are profoundly thankful for the measure of success achieved in a task of such magnitude and difficulty, and they recommend that on the second Lord's Day of the month of October next, or the nearest convenient day thereto, ministers bring before their congregations the history of the negotiations, the chief proposals contained in the documents embodied in the report, the historic position of the Presbyterian church regarding union with other Christian churches, and the unique place occupied by the present movement in the history of Protestant Christianity.

Inasmuch as the joint committee have expressed their conviction that the voting on the question of union should take place simultaneously in the three negotiating churches, and inasmuch as the general conference of the Methodist church will not meet until the month of September, 1910, the Assembly agreed that the judgment of the church at large on this important subject be not sought until after that date.

Send Out Copies of Report.

They direct, however, that copies of the report be sent down to Presbyteries, sessions and congregations for their use, in order that they may be fully informed as to the whole question, and be prepared to deal with it when it comes before them for disposal.

The Assembly suggest to the executive of the joint committee the advisability of preparing a brief summary of the main contents of the report for popular use.

The Assembly express the hope that members of union committee will hold themselves ready to accept invitations from Presbyteries or congregations desiring to receive information or explanations.

"Finally the Assembly commit the whole position to the intelligent, sympathetic and prayerful congregation of the church."

**DR. PUGSLEY**

**LOSES VALUABLE PAPERS**

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Ont., June 7.—Fire broke out in Hon. Wm. Pugsley's office a few minutes before one o'clock this afternoon. Mr. Pugsley was in his office during the noon hour. About a quarter to one, he went into a small private office which opens off his central office, to consult some papers. A few minutes later he returned to his office during the noon hour. About a quarter to one, he went into a small private office which opens off his central office, to consult some papers. A few minutes later he returned to his office during the noon hour. About a quarter to one, he went into a small private office which opens off his central office, to consult some papers. A few minutes later he returned to his office during the noon hour.

**ONE THOUSAND PEOPLE HOMELESS AS RESULT**

**OF FIRE WHICH SWEEPED PRESQUE ISLE, ME., LAST NIGHT; C.P.R. STAT'N DESTROYED; MANY INJURED**

Presque Isle, Me., June 7.—The entire northeastern section of this village, comprising the district where were situated the most pretentious residences, was swept by fire this evening, a high wind carrying flame and embers from street to street until between thirty and forty dwelling houses, the Congregational Church, Masonic Hall and several other structures had been reduced to ashes.

Ordinarily the high pressure water system of the town has been sufficient to take care of fires but against the conflagration tonight this fire-battling equipment was entirely inadequate. Assistance was asked for and was sent promptly from Houlton and Fort Fairfield, but volunteers from these places found most of the buildings in the district destroyed, and little left for the fire to feed on when they reached the scene. It was fortunate that the wind carried the flames toward the open country, else the business section of the village would have been wiped out.

Started in Dwelling.

The fire started in a dwelling house in North Main street and destroyed many houses on that street, Blake street and Third street. The local volunteer firemen struggling vainly to arrest its progress. New fires, set by sparks, started in many places quite remote from the main blaze and threatened to prove the destruction of the whole town.

While the townspeople worked desperately removing their goods to places of safety and doing their utmost to subdue the flames, telephone messages for help were sent to Houlton and Fort Fairfield, each of which responded with a steamer and fire companies. It took the special train from Houlton over the Bangor and Aroostook R.R. only a little over 40 minutes to cover the 42 miles between this city and Presque Isle. Both the out-of-town companies were of great value in affording relief to the tired local fire-fighters and as the wind had carried the blaze to a comparatively open section, and away from the thickly settled business and residential district, the worst danger was soon past.

On one side of the burned area was the yard of the Canadian Pacific R.R. Here the railroad station and two large storehouses for potatoes were burned.

Five Places Destroyed.

Among the finer residences destroyed in the vicinity of the church were those of the following:—

Former State Senator E. E. Parker. Chas. Richardson, first selectman and representative in the Legislature. A. E. Maquire. M. P. Cook. Baptist parsonage, occupied by Rev. E. L. Gates. F. B. Thompson.

A thousand people are homeless. The high school building was threatened but was saved from destruction by one of the visiting steamers.

Among the storehouses burned was one owned by A. M. Smith and containing a large quantity of valuable hardware and a storehouse owned by S. L. Black in which there were many tons of potatoes. Most of the other potato storehouses were nearly empty.

Several persons were reported injured in various ways during the fire but there were not any fatalities. Miss Ethel Scott was injured in an automobile collision while assisting the fire sufferers. She was thrown from her machine, suffering severe contusions and possibly internal injuries.

Every able-bodied man in the village turned out to assist in fighting the flames. All the stores and all the factories closed their doors and proprietors, clerks and operatives worked together to save property and to avert the disaster. It was feared for hours that a shift of wind would turn the flames back upon the principal business portion of the town, but this calamity was happily averted. Late tonight the breeze died down and except for an occasional leap of flames from smouldering embers, the fire was subdued. In the woods in the out-

**FOREST FIRES DESTROY MILLS OF**

**D. FRASER & SONS AND NEARLY**

**ONE-HALF OF ST. FRANCIS VILLAGE**

Special to The Standard.

Quebec, June 7.—Details of a disastrous bush fire in Temiscouata county have reached here. The fire originated on Friday from a cause, as yet unknown and developed very rapidly in the neighborhood of St. Francis. On the line of the Temiscouata Railway twenty miles from Fraserville, seventeen houses, nearly one-half of St. Francis Village, were destroyed. D. Fraser and Sons, the Mitcheson saw mills were also destroyed, causing a heavy loss, as well as the saw mills of J. L. Damour. A southerly gale drove the fire in the direction of St. Hubert and St. Francis Xavier, destroying all timber on both shores of Long Lake, burning thousands of cords of pulp wood and many thousands of railway ties. While the fire was raging in St. Francis the locks of the dam gave way under the rush of water. The booms were broken and all the logs sort to loose. The fire is still raging in the wealthiest part of the timber lands of the province.

Woodstock, N. B., June 7.—Fire has been raging in the woods around the town till yesterday when a two hours' storm extinguished the blaze. All the dwelling houses escaped with the exception of one being built on the Beardsley Road. The fire at McKenzie Corner which burned for two days, owned by Coun. John H. Hay, Mrs. Karlin and Jas. Martin, is out. The houses of Walter Beabrooks, George Flewelling and Benjamin Hawkins, just back of the trotting park, have been saved after a hard fight. The fire is practically extinguished in the neighborhood and all danger has passed apparently.

Wind Drops; Blaze Eases Up.

Fredericton, June 7.—Forest fires have eased up considerably owing to a few and its system had been controlled and gave under control and that on Keswick river is now confined to land burned over several years ago. Chief Game and Fire Warden arrived here tonight and will go on to several of the Keswick fires tomorrow morning.

**DUCHESS WAS**

**THE SAHOUR OF**

**THE HOLBEIN**

London, June 7.—It is reported in the London colony of artists this afternoon that the donor of £40,000 (\$200,000) to save the Holbein portrait of Christina of Denmark to the British nation was the Duchess of Devonshire, formerly Countess Vanderbilt. The gift is said to be due to her love of art.

The name of the donor of the £200,000 is withheld, but it is expected that in the course of time the fact will become generally known that the Duchess is the person who intervened at a critical moment and saved the picture for the National Gallery.

**EX-ALD. HAMM PASSED AWAY**

**SHORTLY BEFORE MIDNIGHT;**

**LONG A MEMBER OF COUNCIL**

St. John has lost one of its most prominent citizens, in the death of ex-Alderman Joseph B. Hamm, who passed away at the General Public Hospital, at 10:30 o'clock last evening.

Mr. Hamm had been in failing health for some time and went to the hospital a little over two months ago. His condition however, was not critical until a few days ago when he took a turn for the worse, and since then his end was rapidly approaching. His wife and his son, Arthur G., were at the bedside at the time of his death. The ultimate cause of his death was due to a stroke of paralysis, but for some time he has been suffering from kidney and other internal troubles.

Born at Grand Bay.

The late Joseph B. Hamm was born at Grand Bay in 1830. At an early age he came to St. John and resided in this city until the time of his death.

Ex-Alderman Hamm was engaged in the livery stable business for many years giving up active participation in it but a short time before his death. His place of business for some years was on the corner of a building built and owned by him. A few years ago this property was purchased by the McLaughlin Carriage Company which erected its present building on the site of the late Hamm's Stables. The late Mr. Hamm then moved to the premises on Germain street occupied by him until the time of his recent illness.

In the days when stage coaches were the sole means of conveyance in the province Hamm's stables were the headquarters for the coaches running between this city and Fredericton. The deceased gentleman himself had a great reputation as a driver having covered the distance between St. John and the capital in record time. He was also in prominence at the time of the Trent Affair, when thousands of British were transported by means of sleighs from St. John to Quebec by way of the St. John valley.

A Distinguished Career.

The late Mr. Hamm had a long and honored career as a public man. In 1870 he was first elected to the common council, and with the exception of a few years occupied a place on the council until the last civic election. He was twice Deputy-Mayor, and also occupied the position of Warden of the Municipality.

He was twice married. His second wife who survives him, was Miss Currie, of Montreal. By her he had no children. His first wife there are three children living. They are Mrs. Ada J. Denton, of Montreal, Arthur G. of this city, who was associated with the deceased in business, and William, now in the South-ern States.

**CALLED PONTO**

**WITHDRAW FROM**

**THE MINISTRY**

Chicago, Ill., June 7.—Professor George B. Foster, of the University of Chicago, whose writings, denounced by some as a "hitter indictment of the Christian religion before the bar of skepticism," have harrowed the clergy of Chicago, was called upon today at a meeting of a group of members of Chicago, by Rev. Johnstone Myers, pastor of Emmanuel Baptist church, to withdraw from the Baptist ministry and to yield up his ordination papers. The withdrawal was directed chiefly at Professor Foster's recent book "The Function of Religion." The objection of Professor A. K. Palmer, also an instructor in the University of Chicago, caused a postponement of the case until June 14.

It was charged that in his book Professor Foster declares that one who calls himself a believer in the Bible is a "knave;" that God did not make man in his own image; that we are not fallen angels, but developed animals; that Jesus was a child of His time, and that to copy Jesus into the soul of the Bible it is said, is also styled the "petrified remains of the Christian religion."

**DAMAGES ARE**

**PLACED AT**

**\$76,000,000**

Boston, Mass., June 7.—Unusual incidents continued today in the trial of the libel suit of Judge Henry S. Dewey against certain officials of the Good Government Association in which the damages are placed at seventy-six million dollars, on the ground that Judge Dewey was libelled in the majority campaign of 1905. Today in the course of the trial Judge Dewey is conducting in his own behalf, a long statement, which the court declared was an essay, was read to the jury by consent of the defence and was found to contain Judge Dewey's opinions on Plato, Cicero, poetry, rhetoric, music, politics, religion, weather, stars and the unwritten law.

A dozen witnesses were called during the day, but as all of the questions asked by Judge Dewey were excluded, very little evidence was reached. In fact, the trial was a continual legal contest between Judge Dewey and Judge Sherman who presided, questions being ruled out and exceptions taken in each case.

Mr. W. A. Mott, of Campbellton, is at the Royal.

**MANY THERE TO**

**ATTEND C.O.F.**

**CONVENTION**

Special to The Standard.

Moncton, N. B., June 7.—About three hundred delegates from several and other points in Quebec, arrived here this afternoon by special train to attend the convention of the Catholic Order of Foresters, which convenes here tomorrow and will probably last three or four days.

The delegates tonight attended a French play put on for their benefit by the Order of Foresters, which was the local Catholic Foresters. Among those in attendance are E. A. Grise, Provincial Chief Ranger, T. A. Combe, Vice High Chief Ranger, Three Rivers, Que., F. X. Blodoue, High Chief Ranger for Canada, J. A. Lalonde, High Medical Adviser, W. J. Proulx, General Secretary of Montreal and a large number of other high court officers.

Tomorrow morning the delegates will attend St. Bernard's Church when Mr. Lepailleur will preach in French and Father Savage in English. In the afternoon the delegates will meet to arrange the work of the convention and the evening there will be an address of welcome from Mayor Whitte to be followed by a band concert and fire works.

**\$600,000,000**

**FOR FRENCH**

**BATTLESHIPS**

Paris, June 7.—The naval programme approved by the cabinet involves an expenditure of 600,000,000 francs covering a period of ten years. Six battleships of the Danton type, six of the République type and four armed cruisers. The Gambetta type are included in the estimates.

**CHINAMAN**

**ARRESTED FOR**

**CONSPIRACY**

Boston, Mass., June 7.—The campaign of the Government inspectors to end the smuggling of Chinese into this country in the vicinity of Boston, where it has been said to have flourished for many years, resulted tonight in the arrest of Chin Shue, a prominent Chinese merchant of the city and the only notary public of that race in this country. The warrant upon which officers arrested Shue charged him with "conspiracy to defraud the United States Government in illegally smuggling Chinamen into the country."

It is understood that the specific case against him is connected with the landing of nearly two score of Chinamen at Marblehead on August 24, 1906.

**FIRE IN ATTLEBORO.**

Attleboro, Mass., June 7.—A loss estimated at \$20,000 was caused by a fire resulting from an explosion of chemicals in the jewelry manufacturing plant of Smith and Richardson on the top story of Robinson building No. 1, one of the oldest factory buildings in the town, today. Louis Blair, an employe of the Smith and Richardson plant, was severely burned about the face by an explosion which followed his attempt to extinguish the blaze by throwing a bucket of water on the burning chemicals. The fumes of the chemicals temporarily incapacitated Chief H. R. Packard, of the fire department, who was found unconscious in one of the hallways of the building.

**COLLIDED WITH**

**ICEBERG; NOW**

**AT BOTTOM**

St. Johns, N. F., June 7.—A collision with an iceberg, fifty miles off shore today sent the schooner Geisha to the bottom. The schooner had previously collided with another ice pillar, and when the second struck their vessel, the crew of six men had their boats in readiness and lowered them. The sailors reported little lessening in the extent and solidity of the ice floes. They reported meeting the first ice nearly 100 miles off shore.

**ROBERT BACON**

**AMBASSADOR**

**TO FRANCE**

Paris, June 7.—Private advices received here from Washington say that Robert Bacon, ex-secretary of state, has accepted the ambassadorship to France, and that he will succeed Henry White at the end of the year. According to the advices, Mr. Bacon, when he was first offered the post, declined to accept it, preferring that Mr. White should be retained as ambassador, but, finding that President Taft has resolved in any event to replace Ambassador White, he finally agreed to accept the position.

**JUDGE LONGLEY CHAIRMAN.**

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, June 7.—Hon. Justice Longley has been appointed chairman of the Board of Conciliation and Investigation established under the Lomieux Act to adjust the differences between the Cumberland Railway and Coal Company and its employees. The other members of the board are Mr. Charles Archibald and Mr. E. B. Paul, M. P. P.

**INSTITUTIONS BENEFIT.**

Warwick, R. I., June 7.—Public institutions and church organizations are benefited by the will of the late Mrs. Henry G. Russell, a wealthy Providence resident to the amount of \$383,000, filed for probate at the office of the town clerk late this afternoon. The will also disposes of money bequeathed to individuals amounting to \$1,015,200 more.

**WILL TAKE UP IMPORTANT MATTERS.**

Special to The Standard.

Montreal, June 7.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier, accompanied by his private secretary, arrived here today by mid-day train from Ottawa, on his way to Quebec, where he will discuss several matters affecting the province and the party with the provincial premier and members of the ministry.

**WEALTHY MAN DEAD.**

Terrington, Conn., June 7.—George D. Workman, one of the wealthiest and most prominent manufacturers in this part of the state, died at his home here today at the age of 74. Mr. Workman was president of the Warrenton Woolen Company.

**PRESIDENT OF COTTON EXCHANGE.**

New York, N. Y., June 7.—George Brunneek was re-elected president; Arthur R. Marsh, vice-president, and James F. Naurey, treasurer, at the annual election of the New York Cotton Exchange today.

**PETITION DISMISSED.**

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Ont., June 7.—The petition against the election of G. F. Hogins, M. P. for Pontiac, on the grounds of bribery and corruption, has been dismissed by Judge Champagne at Bry-

**WORK ON CHATEAU LAURIER.**

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Ont., June 7.—Work is now proceeding on the Chateau Laurier, as if there had been no strike. The laborers who struck for higher pay will not be taken back, on any account, say the Grand Trunk.

**THIEF CHARGE DISMISSED.**

Special to The Standard.

Port Hope, N. S., June 7.—E. I. Kenen of St. Stephen, has succeeded today in having the charge of theft against him dismissed and the goods he got January twelfth last from R. Koory and Company, of Inverness, under a search warrant were today returned to him. Kenen will leave for New Brunswick Wednesday.