

LADY GREY AT CONGRESS.

Important Addresses Delivered at the Opening Session.

The Congress Split Up Into Sections For Business.

Montizambert Would Stop Indiscriminate Kissing.

Toronto, June 25.—That in every walk of human life there is a place for woman to exercise an influence for good would seem to be the lesson promulgated by the International Congress of Women, which opened yesterday. It may be explained that the Congress has come to be recognized as an important corollary of the International Council of Women. As a matter of fact, it is a splitting up of the delegates attending the first gathering into sections dealing with the various matters in which women are interested. The gathering is held under the auspices of the Canadian National Council of Women, and its organization deserves at least credit for the comprehensive nature of the programme which the have framed. Each section the best available authorities on the questions dealt with have been secured to read papers and deliver addresses, and at the conclusion of the Congress a mass of matter as to women's work in the world will have been gathered which when reduced to a convenient form will form a valuable compendium of information.

OPENING CEREMONY.

That Canada has arrived at the point where the foundation of her future national life will be laid, and the part to be played by women in the building of that important structure, were thoughts emphasized by Countess Grey, in her address at Convocation Hall yesterday morning in opening the Congress. The chair was occupied by Lady Edgar, President of the Canadian Council, and she was supported by Countess Alden, President of the International Council, Mrs. J. M. Gibson, Lady Sybil Grey, and the various officers of the international organization.

AN OPPORTUNE VISIT.

Countess Grey, in declaring the Congress open, said that as Hon. President of the Canadian Council she felt it a privilege to be associated with Lady Edgar in offering a cordial welcome to the delegates from overseas, and especially to Lady Aberdeen, the invalid, President of the International Council. Their visit to Canada was paid at an opportune time, because they came at a period when the greatness of Canada's destiny was assured, and yet when the lines of national development were not so stereotyped as to prevent the adoption of the best methods of social organization which might be suggested by the experience of other countries.

REALIZE RESPONSIBILITY.

"We recognize," she said, "that responsibility which will rest on us as the guardians and directors of the childhood of the citizens of the future, and we are grateful to you, coming to us from so many distant countries, and giving us the benefit of your experience and convictions. We realize that it is in our power, if we have sufficient knowledge and sufficient heart to apply that knowledge, to eliminate from the life of the Dominion much of that preventable disease and death which constitutes such an appalling annual loss, exceeding the loss in actual warfare."

A PLEA FOR THE COW.

A plea for the character of the great Canadian cow was made by the Hon. Sydney Fisher, Minister of Agriculture for the Dominion, in his address to the section on public health and physical training yesterday afternoon. Mr. Fisher, on behalf of the Government, welcomed the delegates, and added as the nations acted and reacted on one another, therefore, the Government were intimately concerned in the public health of the nations. Mr. Fisher explained the manner in which the care of public health was divided between the Federal and Provincial authorities. In regard to education in these matters Mr. Fisher expressed the opinion that there was no greater agency for stimulating public opinion and arousing the people's attention than the various councils of women. Restrictive measures must be necessary for the prevention of diseases, but unless they were backed by public opinion they would never accomplish what they were intended to do. Therefore in carrying out the educational campaign the various councils of women could do a great work.

IMPORTANT QUESTION.

Passing on, he pointed out that in spite of the greatness of the river the pollution of the water supply has become an important problem, of which Toronto provided an example in Canada. That was one question in regard to which public opinion was required to be aroused, and another was that of tuberculosis. The section on public health and physical training yesterday afternoon. Mr. Fisher, on behalf of the Government, welcomed the delegates, and added as the nations acted and reacted on one another, therefore, the Government were intimately concerned in the public health of the nations. Mr. Fisher explained the manner in which the care of public health was divided between the Federal and Provincial authorities. In regard to education in these matters Mr. Fisher expressed the opinion that there was no greater agency for stimulating public opinion and arousing the people's attention than the various councils of women. Restrictive measures must be necessary for the prevention of diseases, but unless they were backed by public opinion they would never accomplish what they were intended to do. Therefore in carrying out the educational campaign the various councils of women could do a great work.

WOMEN IN MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS.

Miss Mary Dendy, the authority on the care of the female mind, spoke on Mrs. Gray's address, referring to the "country schools for town children," supported by the Manchester Education Committee, as being an improvement on the fresh air system of spending a great deal of money in sending children to the country for a day.

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Miss Beever, of Carlisle, and Mrs. Carlaw Martin, of Dundee, also spoke warmly of the assistance women might give to municipal officials, the latter advocating some sort of training for those women engaged in voluntary social work.

WORK IN THE HOME.

Dr. F. Montizambert, Director-General of Public Health, considered that the important sphere of woman's work in connection with public health

was in the home. They could train their children to breathe properly, teach their daughters not to squeeze their waists, and to protect the upper part of the chest, and use their authority against late hours. The many cases of nervous breakdown were due to turning night into day.

AGAINST KISSING.

Dr. Montizambert wants a campaign against indiscriminate kissing. Against the kiss of love no sanitarian could say a word, but as a greeting between women it was an absurdity, which would be better replaced by the masculine handshake. The indiscriminate kissing of babies by every visitor could be done away with without any overwhelming amount of self-denial on the part of the infant and a lessening of the danger of conveying tuberculosis.

MINISTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

Dr. Chas. A. Hodgetts, Chief Health Officer of Ontario, agreed with his fellow professional man with regard to the importance of women's work in

Such points as proper ventilation, sanitation, and cleaning and aesthetic culture belonged to a woman's province, and municipal government was to a great degree a part of larger housekeeping.

EDUCATION OF GIRLS IN PRUSSIA.

Dr. Alice Salomon gave a hopeful account of the progress of education for girls in Prussia, and looks upon the new regulations adopted last year as the triumph of the woman's movement in that country. In the continuation classes girls may study all the branches of domestic and political economy which will make the homes they establish centres of culture.

REFORMS IN SCOTLAND.

Mrs. Ogilvie Gordon presented a cheering report of advance in Scotland, where, under the new education act, many reforms have been effected, among them medical inspection, an elected School Board, and consultation with parents on the child leaving school as to suitable careers. Every facility is now provided for promising children to pass to the higher grades and on to the technical schools.

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In England and Wales the defeat of Mr. Birrell's education act of 1900, and of Mr. Runciman's act in 1908 had delayed advance. In Ireland, however, the new university act, given a new impetus to education. Women are now admitted to universities with full privileges. One new feature in England is the facilities now offered to teachers of study abroad. But on all sides, Mrs. Gordon reported, there is an aroused public sentiment.

BAPTISTE DAY.

Seventy-Fifth Anniversary of the Society Celebrated.

Great Parade in Honor of Event at Montreal.

Montreal, June 24.—Over 250,000 people witnessed the St. Jean Baptiste parade to-day. The day is a holiday among the French-Canadians and over half of the population lined the streets or took part in the parade.

Unusual interest was attached to the celebration owing to it being the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of the society. To-day's celebration was a striking manifestation of the patriotic mind religious devotion of French-Canadians to their patron saint.

More than twenty musical corps, about a hundred historical and allegorical cars—some of them, for instance, that representing the death of Wolfe and Montcalm, and of the heroic defence of Fort Chamblay by Miss De Vercheres and that of the siege of Quebec, really magnificent. There were 20,000 men and boys in the procession, including some of the highest dignitaries of the political and municipal world, constituting the most remarkable parade ever held by the French-Canadians in this city.

All through the procession the decorations were pretty and tasteful, and at times splendid. Many triumphal arches of maple leaves and evergreens decorated with patriotic inscriptions, quoted from the best poems of French-Canadian authors, Crematiste, Prochete and Chaplain, were erected on the line. Streamers bearing the official inscription of the society, "Notre Religion, Notre Langue, Notre Droits," were everywhere displayed.

A notable feature was the great number of priests who took part in the procession. Every society was accompanied by its chaplain, and representatives of every religious order in Montreal were walking in the ranks.

Sir Lomer Gouin, Prime Minister of Quebec, was among the officials of the St. Jean Baptiste Society, and walked with them from Place Viger to Lafontaine Park. Hon. Mr. Landry, Minister of Agriculture, New Brunswick; Mayor Payette, and many members of the City Council took part in the parade.

The sermon of to-day was delivered by Rev. Abbe Elie Auclair, of the Archbishop's Palace, one of the most eloquent of the younger clergy of Montreal. It was a strong appeal to his hearers to be true to the traditions of the past as the best way to be true to the motto of St. Jean Baptiste Association: "To make people better."

WHAT LA PRESSE THINKS.

In an editorial tonight on the St. Jean Baptiste celebration, La Presse has the following significant sentence: "It is our joy to belong to two supreme entities, that of the Church, which is the Kingdom of ideas, and that of Great Britain, which is the kingdom of good sense and of liberty."

BUYING CANADIAN ISLANDS.

Wealthy Americans Own Many in Rainy Lake.

Toronto, June 25.—The extent to which Americans are becoming interested in Canada may be judged from an account of conditions in the Rainy Lake district. A Toronto railway man who has been going over that part of New Ontario reports that 70 islands have been purchased by wealthy Americans in the last eighteen months. For seventy miles east of Fort Francis all the islands have been bought by Americans, who sold for \$70 last summer brought \$490 several days ago. Most of these American purchasers come from Minnesota.

GAVE FIREMEN A RUN.

Young Nova Scotia Mistook Ottawa Fire Alarm for Letter Box.

Ottawa, June 24.—A guileless and unsophisticated young man from rural Nova Scotia innocently called out a large section of the city fire brigade to-day. He tried to post a letter "in a box on the corner," and mistaking the fire alarm, he sent in a fire alarm. When the firemen from four different stations arrived the Nova Scotian was duly enlightened.

AN ENORMOUS AIRSHIP.

To Have Powerful Engines and Will Carry 54 People

Berlin, June 24.—The Siemens-Schubert non-rigid airship, which is now being built, will have engines of 500 horsepower, and will carry 54 persons. The same company has patented a searchlight of 180,000 candle-power, which it is claimed, is capable of revealing a torpedo boat on a clear night at a distance of more than seven miles.

A SPECIAL TORONTO CIVIC COMMITTEE.

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The Methodist Circuit Sunday Schools ran a fine excursion to Victoria Park, Niagara Falls, on Friday last, over the T. H. & B. Railway. An enjoyable day was spent.

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Sarkissian's many friends here wish her an enjoyable visit and a safe journey.

Church service in Saltfleet Presbyterian Church next Sunday, June 27th, will be at 11 o'clock a. m. Sunday School at 10.

Mr. Wm. McClusky expects to have his barn raising in the near future.

Sheffield

Mr. O. Reed has returned to his home in Windsor, after a pleasant three weeks' visit at Mr. A. C. Bond's.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Cox, of Harley, visited with relatives here over Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Cullum is visiting friends in Guelph to-day.

Mrs. Joseph High, of Muskoka, is visiting relatives here to-day.

Dr. Cole and family have returned from a week's visit with friends in Chatham.

Mrs. J. Cornell is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Grummett were in Hamilton this week.

Mr. A. Spittal and family, of Brantford, spent Sunday at Mr. G. Spittal's.

Miss Myrtle Cullum is attending the C. E. Convention at Elcho this week.

Mrs. Wm. Wedge, of Michigan, is visiting at Mr. F. Falkner's.

Fisherville

Mr. Henry Reichheld returned from his Dover on Monday, much improved in health.

Mr. William Smelser, of Hamilton, paid us a brief visit on Monday.

Mr. James Otterman returned, after a prolonged stay at the General Hospital in Hamilton, to his home here. He is recovering from the effects of a serious operation performed in that institution, and his many friends here hope to soon see him fully restored.

The Jugend Verein of the Lutheran Church will give an evening's entertainment in the Town Hall on Friday evening, the 25th inst.

Miss Gray and Miss Miller, two ladies prominently connected with the Women's Institute, will hold an afternoon and an evening session in the Town Hall on Tuesday, the 29th inst.

The mission festival on Sunday in the Lutheran Church was well attended. Proceeds by contribution totalled \$137.

Miss Clara Schnell, formerly of this place, but for a number of years living in Buffalo, died in that city on Sunday, and was laid to rest on Wednesday in Forest Lawn cemetery.

Attercliffe

Mr. Abe Sensabaugh has completed moving a fine field of Lucerne clover.

Commercial travellers are making frequent calls at this village, and always get orders.

Mr. J. Souter and wife, of Buffalo, are among the hot weather visitors with friends here.

Mr. Frank Appleford, of Port Dover, was a Sunday visitor with his family here.

A number of the A. F. and A. M. brethren from here attended divine service at Dunnville last Sunday morning.

Mrs. John Randall is making a two-weeks' visit with her daughter, Mrs. Curtis Clendenning, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Mr. James Kent, of Toronto, is making a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Miller and other relatives here.

Warner

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Lymburner and son, Ross, visited his mother and sister for a few days at Thorold.

Edward Merritt was the guest of his uncle, Wilbert Swayze, at Dunnville, on Sunday last.

Marshall Merritt is under the medical treatment of Dr. Pierce, Buffalo.

The High School students are home for their summer holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Tice and family spent Sunday at Palmer Merritt's.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lymburner were guests at Z. Silverthorn's on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Silverthorn and family spent Sunday at H. R. Johnson's, Dunnville.

Caistorville

The cheese factory in this place has looked up to making of twenty-one cheeses in one day—the most made here in one day for years. Over 4,000 lbs. of milk was taken in on one wagon in a day. This is a record breaker.

Rev. Mr. Springer and family are away on their holidays.

Gordon Grant took charge of the services in this circuit on Sunday last, and delighted every person with his discourse.

Carpenters of this place have finished F. Dennis' barn and are now at W. Sarge's, Caistor Centre.

Miss Phoebe Asher has left these parts for New York, where she will reside with her sister, Mrs. Christie.

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