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PRESBYTERIAN ASSEMBLY HEARS WARM SPEECHES

Rev. C. W. Gordon Dwells on Increase of Intemperance in the West

Declares it the Church's Duty to Take a Hand in the Evils That Prevail in Commercial and Public Life—A Hamilton Layman Strikes Out from the Shoulder and Says Graft is Rampant in Canada—Other Matters Dealt With.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Montreal, June 6.—At the Presbyterian General Assembly today, Dr. R. Douglas Fraser, of Toronto, was appointed to the joint clerkship rendered vacant by the election of Dr. Campbell to the moderatorship.

Dr. Falconer read the report of the emergency committee, dealing with the resignation of Mr. Warden, treasurer of the western section of the church, owing to his disagreeing with changes that had been made in his office. Although he had been asked to reconsider his decision, he had requested to be relieved of his post. Dr. Somerville had been appointed as temporary treasurer till this assembly met.

The committee's action was approved. The Rev. Henry Gracy, of Genoaque, proposed, and the Rev. W. J. Dey, of Simcoe (Ont.), seconded the adoption of the report of the committee of bills and overtures.

On the matter of the reception of ministers, an overture was received from Knox church, Calgary, suggesting that the mission committee shall have assembly powers to receive ministers.

This was supported by Rev. A. M. Gordon, of MacLeod, and Dr. Gordon, of Winnipeg, but opposed by Principal Forst, who characterized the proposal as dangerous.

The moderator ruled this out of order, and the question was referred to a committee, on motion of W. J. Paul, of Almonte (Ont.). Knox church, Hamilton, sent an overture asking that a committee to strike standing committees be appointed a year ahead.

church be ever on the alert to check such a tendency. G. M. McDonald, K. C., of Kingston, made a strong speech. "I object," he said, "to temperance being put first in this question. Canada today is not suffering from intemperance the one-hundredth part of a degree to what she is suffering from graft. Every man in business knows that and if this General Assembly has anything to say of moral reform let it deal with the first thing first. Our forefathers in Scotland were honest men, even if they took more whiskey than we do. We are not an honest people in Canada today. Don't you know it? Go to Ottawa and find out. Go to the election courts and find out. Look at the report of the insurance commission. Yet this high court of the Presbyterian church in Canada when it proposes a committee on moral reform puts temperance to the front. I protest against this. I am a temperance man. I have worked for temperance and I will work again, but I most emphatically declare that the thing we are principally suffering from in Canada today is not intemperance at all it is graft.

After further discussion it was decided to refer the question to a committee for report.

Home Missions Report. Tonight the assembly devoted itself to home mission work. The report on the eastern section was presented by Rev. D. McDermid, of Moncton (N. B.). Mr. McDermid, in giving a brief digest of the report, said that it showed eighteen ordained missionaries with sixty-six preaching stations with an average of forty-four of the previous year, of whom three were assistants to settled pastors. These supplied 113 preaching stations with an average attendance of 6,485, including 1,228 families including 1,743 communicants, of whom 199 had been added during the past year.

Mr. McDermid pleaded for efforts to increase the number of candidates to the ministry, arguing that surely there would be room in the growing country for a greater growth of men anxious to work for righteousness. He pointed out that pay for the catechists had been increased to \$1.20 a week instead of \$1, in each case with board, and it was hoped that ere long to further increase this to \$3.

Rev. Dr. Tutts, of St. John's (N. S.), seconded the motion for the adoption of the report and strongly urged the importance of the work which he pointed out kept 2,000 families, comprising 10,000 people in touch with religious work.

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KING EDWARD TO VISIT IRELAND



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London, June 6.—Coming on the heels of the widely published stories of disaffection in certain districts of Ireland, alleged to be more serious than in any period for the past twenty years, and provoking debates in both houses of parliament, the sudden official announcement was made last night that King Edward and Queen Alexandra will visit Ireland early in July.

The news has caused great surprise. Their majesties will cross in the royal yacht Victoria and Albert, and remain several days. Their sojourn will be marked by full state pomp and ceremony. It is significant that the king's visit to Ireland are invariably made during the times of alleged disaffection. He is, however, always received with the greatest enthusiasm.

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ORCHARD ADDS MORE MURDERS TO HIS LIST

Eighteen Victims Were Slain in His Carnival of Blood

Says Haywood, Moyer and Pettibone Planned the Terrible Work and Repaid Him With Cash and Praise—How Steunenberg Was Sent to Eternity—On Cross-examination He Admitted Deserting Wife and Child in Ontario, Fleeing With Another Woman and Committing Bigamy.

Boise, Idaho, June 6.—Harry Orchard crowned his admissions of grave crimes today when, continuing his case against William D. Haywood, he made a detailed confession of the murder of Frank Steunenberg by an infernal machine that directly opens the way for his own conviction and execution for the mortal offense. He swore that the assassination of Steunenberg was first suggested by Haywood, was plotted by Haywood, Moyer, Pettibone and himself, was financed by Haywood and was executed by himself after the failure of an attempt, in which Jack Sumpkins had participated.

Orchard lifted the total of his own murdered victims to eighteen, detailed the circumstances under which he tried to murder former Governor Peabody, Judge Goodard, Judge Gabbert, General Sherman Bell, Dave Moffatt and Frank Herne.

Then under cross-examination, Orchard confessed guilt of the sordid social crimes of deserting his young child and wife in Ontario, going to British Columbia with Hattie Simpson, the wife of another man, and committing bigamy by marrying a third woman at Cripple Creek.

Through the shocking details of murder plots, stories of secret bomb-making and tales of man-hunts with sawed-off shotguns and infernal machines as weapons, the witness went on in the same quiet, off-hand manner that marked his demeanor yesterday. His voice dropped to lower keys as the pitiful stories of the long hunt for Steunenberg narrowed down to the last day and he told of the race from the hotel to the home to beat the victim with the "death-trap" and the meeting in the evening gloom as the victim walked unconsciously to his doom.

Winced at Telling Family's Names. Through it all he winced but once, and that was when the defense made him name his six sisters and his one brother and give their residences in Ontario and New York.

The defense fought the story with a multiplicity of objections and succeeded in heading off an attempt to tell the story of the murder of Arthur Collins at Telluride and temporarily shrouded the contents of a telegram received and a telegram sent by Orchard after his arrest. Except for this the state managed to get in its story intact.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA TO ACCOMPANY HIM

Announcement of Royal Trip in July Causes Great Surprise in View of the Irish Troubles.

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Declares at London Banquet That It is Neither Desirable Nor Practical—Warns British Government Against Continuing Its Policy in Regard to Ancient Colony.

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NEW PREMIER MEETS MEMBERS

Harmonious Caucus of Local Government Supporters at Fredericton

BARRY MAY BE CHOSEN

It is Rumored That Fredericton Lawyer Has Been Selected for Attorney General—Dr. Pugsley Banquets Legislators and Heads of Department—River Drives All Safe.

(Special to The Telegraph.) Fredericton, N. B., June 6.—A caucus of members of the legislature supporting the government, held in the executive council chambers this evening, was presided over by Mr. Barnes, of Kent. The only absentees were Messrs. Young, of Gloucester, who is ill; Farris and King, at present in the old country, and Whitehead, of York. Premier Robinson came in for a most cordial reception and the proceedings were most harmonious.

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WARLIKE TONE OF JAPANESE PAPER

Tokyo, June 7.—The Hochi, which is supporting Okuma in his position on the American question, this morning says: "The San Francisco outrages are worse than the murder of a missionary in China, because it is the occupation of Kiaochow. Who would blame an appeal to the last measure if an impotency to protect treaty rights is proved."

AMERICAN MACKEREL FLEET CATCH OFF NOVA SCOTIA ISLAND

Halifax, N. S., June 6.—(Special)—A wireless telegram from Prospect, near the mouth of Halifax harbor, says: It begins to look now as if the American mackerel fleet would have a very small catch this year. So far no fish have been taken, and the season is nearly two weeks behind. A strong southeast wind has driven some thirty fishing vessels into here for shelter and many others are in different parts along the coast.

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BOSTON AERONAUT'S SENSATIONAL TRIP NEARLY HIS FINISH

Boston, Mass., June 6.—The breaking down of his motor, which allowed the airship to be navigating to be blown out to sea, came near resulting in a fatality for Lincoln Beachy, of Revere Beach today.

COAL WAGONS SAVED GOVERNOR'S LIFE

The passage of two coal wagons at the Governor's feet, which prevented Adams and Orchard from pulling the wire, and the bomb was thrown into the river. Attempts to shoot Peabody likewise failed. Orchard said Haywood also wanted him to shoot Frank Hearn, of the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company, and Dave Moffatt, president of the First National Bank, who were behind the fight against the federation. He and Adams had no chance to kill these men.

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