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SEEDING IN FULL SWING IN PROVINCE

Farmers Taking Advantage of Favorable Weather—Seeding is General.

(From Saturday's Bulletin.)

Seeding operations are now in full swing in the whole of Central Alberta and if the present fine weather continues next week, will see the greater part of the wheat sown in the district. According to reports received at the Bulletin office from reliable sources the acreage in crop this year promises to be greater than ever, notwithstanding the partial crop failure of last year. The early spring is taken as an indication of a good season, and with satisfactory weather an early and bountiful harvest should be the portion of the farmers. This will dissipate the few remaining mists of the much-talked-of financial stringency, and will cause a steady wave of prosperity to sweep over the country, which will benefit people in every walk in life.

Ex-Alderman Thomas Daly, one of the leading farmers in the Clover Bar district, reports seeding as general in that part of the country. The land is free from frost and quite dry, and ploughing is general and land that was fall ploughed or summer fallowed is being cultivated. Quite a number of fields of wheat have already been sown, and next week will see wheat sowing in full swing.

Farther east in the Beaver Lake district around Tofield, seeding is even further advanced. Ploughing, harrowing and seeding are general throughout the district, and a considerable area of wheat has already been sown.

West of Edmonton.

To the west of the city between Edmonton and Stoney Plain, contractors and others who have gone out through this district report the spring work on the land as having started. Farmers are taking every advantage of the fine weather to rush their farming operations in order that they may partake of the golden harvest resulting from opportunities to engage in grading on the G.T.P. during their spare time.

Similarly in the district around St. Albert and Morinville considerable wheat has already been sown. Several farmers were drilling yesterday on the higher land, and ploughing even on the low land is general.

Reports received from along the line of the C.N.R. in Alberta indicate that the fine weather conditions of the past few weeks have allowed the farmers to start seeding. It is estimated that twenty-five per cent. of the wheat is already sown. The chief drawback in this district, however, is the fact that very little ploughing was done last fall, thus delaying seeding operations this year. It is believed that the crop acreage will be larger than ever in this part of Alberta this year, and that a large percentage of the crop will be in wheat.

Finishing in the South.

South of Edmonton along the line of the C. & E. the farmers are also busy seeding, the work in some places being even farther advanced than north and west of Edmonton.

A representative of the Bulletin who has been in the south of the province during the week reports the seeding well in hand. There are very few farms where seeding has not commenced.

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(Established 1886)

LADIES' WATER PROOF COATS

In Cravanette Covert Cloth and Rainproof Tweeds.

$6.00 To $18.00

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DROWNED AT HARDISTY.

Three Men Lose Lives By Swamping of Ferry.

Hardisty, April 17.—The temporary bridge at the G.T.P. crossing of the Battle river has been swept away by an ice gorge. The scow used to ferry the men to and from the work, made two trips safely on Thursday evening, the 16th, leaving the third trip with a load of six; but three others jumped on board, with the result that the scow was swamped in mid-stream. Three swam ashore, two regained the scow, rescuing the third, while the other three were drowned. Foreman Readman dived in an effort to save one, but the victim grappled with him and both were drowned. Foreman Readman was engaged to be married to a Miss Brixton, who was going to meet him on the 24th. The dead are: Woodford Readman, Northampton, England; T. Kirby, homesteader, Alberta; A. Lemmons, St. Boniface. The bodies have not been recovered.

COAST PROVINCES WILL TAKE OVER FISHERIES

Agreement Made Seven Years Ago With Federal Government Rescinded and Province Will Now Assert its Jurisdiction.

Vancouver, April 18—Attorney-General Bowser announced today that the conferences with Mr. Bastedo, sent here by the Dominion government to adjust the fishery difficulties with the province, have proved fruitless. The provincial government, therefore, will take charge of fisheries under the decision of the privy council, and a legal clash with the Dominion is immediately expected. The Dominion government proposed shortly that the province should relinquish control of its fish to the Dominion—they to pass all regulations and to pay the alleged share of the province in the revenue under the agreement of seven years ago; the Dominion to recoup the province for expenditure in hatcheries, etc.

Mr. Bowser declined to agree to this and insisted that before a settlement could be considered payment should be made of the alleged share of the revenue due to the province. Bowser also wanted a local joint administrative board appointed with one provincial nominee, and also that more consideration be given to halibut. The Victoria government will immediately enforce its jurisdiction by the issuance of licenses to fishermen, five dollars each boat, good for the entire province. The present Dominion regulations provided licenses at eleven dollars per boat and good only on the river on which issued.

The open season on the Fraser river is from July 8th to August 5th, with closed season from August 5th to Sept. 15th. Bowser says the salmon industry is in great danger of depletion for in the last nine years there has been a steady depletion in the salmon run, ranging from 22 to 59 per cent. Mr. Bowser added:—

"Of course from now on the modus vivendi hitherto existing between the Dominion government and ourselves will be terminated, and we expect that monies collected from the sources of license fees will hardly be sufficient for the work we proposed to do in the way of properly maintaining our fisheries."

GIVES MUCH TO CHARITIES.

Baronne Adolphe de Rothschild Bequeaths Wealth to Aid Poor.

Paris, April 17.—The latest details of the will of Baronne Adolphe de Rothschild show the munificence of her bequests. She left to the poor of Mount Pregny, in Switzerland, where she passed the summer, $30,000; to Geneva charities, $69,000; the Comte de Allaitment Maternel received $200,000; the Refuge in the Avenue du Maine, $100,000; the Society for Females From St. Lazare Prison, $100,000; the Society for Work for the Unemployed, $200,000; the Refugees at Plessis, Piquet and Neuilly and five other charities, $500,000, and the committee for aiding indigent Jews, $400,000.

French Attacked in Algeria.

Colomb Bechar, Algeria, April 18—The French column posted at Talzaza Hill, which commands the plain of Tamlet, were attacked fiercely at daylight by a number of Berbers who had been concentrating for several weeks on the western frontier of Algeria. Although the French were surprised they fought desperately and not only beat off the Berbers but pursued them six miles. The French victory was costly. Twenty-eight men, including an officer, were killed, a hundred, including ten officers, were wounded. The Berber losses were heavier, 125 bodies being found. Darkness ended the pursuit.

Fowler Suing Union Trust.

Toronto, Ont., April 17.—George W. Fowler, M.P., has issued a writ against the Union Trust company, Hon. George W. Ross, Sir John A. Boyd, Elliott G. Stevenson and John I. Davidson. Mr. Fowler's claim is for $250,000 damages "for 'malfeasance' in office as directors, and for fraud, conspiracy, collusion, breach of duty and negligence, whereby plaintiff was deprived of moneys and profits which he would have received or been entitled to." The claim of the plaintiff is in connection with the formation of Kamloops and independent lumber companies. Fowler claims to be entitled to one dollar on every thousand feet of lumber sold by the former company to the latter.

SAYS MILLIONS BEING WASTED

Dismissed Engineer on G. T. P. Makes Vague Charges---Wants Investigation

Vancouver, B.C., April 17—Alleging broadly that millions of dollars are being wasted or stolen in the construction of the government portion of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway, Major A. E. Hodgins, C.E., has issued a letter, the object of which is to secure an administrative investigation. Major Hodgins is now a resident of Victoria. He is a son of Judge Hodgins, of Toronto, who has recently demanded an investigation from the government to enquire into the reasons for his son's removal from office. Major Hodgins, who came to Canada three years ago, after serving on the staff of Sir Percy Girouard in Africa and was appointed district engineer in charge of the four hundred mile section east of Winnipeg on the national transcontinental railway. Last October he was dismissed. He appealed to Sir Wilfrid Laurier and General Manager Morse, but says no investigation is so far proposed. The pith of his charges is that the Grand Trunk Pacific engineers' reports and those in the employ of the government do not tally; that the government is paying padded accounts for work done and that the Grand Trunk Pacific people are making no objection because they merely have to pay added interest.

Includes McArthur in Charges.

Following are portions of Hodgin's letter: "Changes in the location of the line were made at some points in the revision surveys. These improved the lines and also reduced the cost of the McArthur contract over one million dollars. I was able to make these revisions before Mr. McArthur started the work in earnest. The root of the trouble between the commission and myself was over classification. They wanted me to change my ideas, based on a good many years' experience on construction, to a classification that is allowed to contractors in Quebec. It was suggested that I should ignore the chief engineer and act independently; that the chief engineer liked to be ignored. I refused to be more liberal in my classification than I was then allowing, and suggested that the commissioners, not being railroad men, should leave the engineering department alone. C. A. Young, commissioner for Manitoba, then advised that I should go to Quebec and see how things were managed in that district where the contractors were not kicking and get an object lesson. I went and returned determined not to allow Quebec classification to be introduced into the western district as long as I remained in charge. This, of course, led to trouble, and I got no assistance from the chief engineers. I have appealed in vain for an investigation into the classification and have been told that it would be considered political interference with the management of the board of commissioners.

How He Accounts for Increase.

"If Mr. Poulin, engineer, appointed by Mr. Parent to replace me on the western district has allowed the introduction of classification, similar to that in Quebec, this will account for the increase in the estimated cost of the line. If this increase amounts to three or four million dollars, it is time the public demanded some explanation. The quickest way to find out if the classification allowed is extravagant or not will be for the minister of railways to ask for monthly reports of G. T. P. engineers who are stationed on Winnipeg and Quebec districts, Messrs. Mann, Heaman and Armstrong. Before I left Kenora, I said to the engineer, who knows a good deal about Quebec classification, that there surely would be a big scandal over it. He replied that an investigation would be blocked. Let the government ask for the reports and opinions of the engineers who are safeguarding the G. T. P. in this, and judge for themselves if Mr. Parent is correct in his standard of classification or extravagance."

Train Held Up at Minneapolis.

Minneapolis, April 18.—The westbound Northern Pacific was held up outside the city limits Thursday night, the burglars taking a couple of watches and forty-one dollars from the passengers. Two masked men entered the sleeper, and while one searched the passengers the other overawed them with a revolver. When the train slowed down at Northtown Junction, several miles further on, the hold-up men jumped off, making their escape.

Rioting Soldiers in Mexico.

San Francisco, April 18—While almost the entire population of Mazatlan, the largest city on the west coast of Mexico, were participating in a religious fiesta on last Sunday, twenty-five soldiers broke out of the garrison and began a wild career of rioting and bloodshed. Within a space of half an hour they had killed two policemen and one other citizen was waylaid and robbed by three men in the outskirts of the city.

Absconder in Cuba.

Toronto, April 18.—Detective Rogers leaves for Havana tomorrow to bring back Captain Colin C. Harbottle, the absconding secretary of Toronto, whose alleged shortage is between $17,000 and $18,000. Harbottle will probably be brought back by way of Halifax, and will not touch at any American port.

RUSSIA TO STUDY AMERICA.

Engineers Will Come Over and Study Street Car Systems.

St. Petersburg, April 18.—Octoberists and other members of the Duma will inaugurate a campaign against the growth of great corporations of Russia. They will question the government regarding the big metallurgical trust now in course of formation which will control sixty per cent. of the steel production in Russia as well as extensive coal and iron mines. They allege that this trust will drive outsiders into bankruptcy. The Minister of Communications is about to send a commission of engineers to study the construction and operation of street cars of the United States.

ENGLISH COMPANIES FACE SERIOUS CRISIS

Transportation Companies Are Losing Thousands of Pounds Weekly—Big Increase In Shipping Industry.

London, April 18.—England is threatened with a most serious industrial and commercial crisis, which is affecting the railroad and shipping companies, and likely will extend to every other branch of industry. Nearly every railroad company in England complains of lack of business and railroad managers admit that they are at their wits' end to get traffic. Some of the companies are losing thousands of pounds weekly and expenses are being cut down wholesale.

England's shipping industry is also in perilous straits, there being a decrease of no less than 439,000 tons in shipping under construction as compared with last year. For twenty-four years England has never experienced such a crisis in the shipping industry. Hundreds of big steamers are laid up or being run at a loss while sixty thousand tons of shipping is lying idle and the figure is mounting up. Poor trade and a big raise in the prices of coal are the chief causes both in railroads and shipping.

TEMPERANCE PEOPLE FAIL.

Deputation in Case Concerning $2,500 License Fee Fail in Object.

Toronto, April 18.—A Collingwood deputation waited upon the Hon. W. J. Hanna to-day, to ask that the government support an appeal against a judgment quashing the by-law raising the license fee to $2,500.

"It is the folly of those behind it that to-day has stamped that by-law as invalid," said Mr. Hanna. "It would be utter folly to carry this case any further either by the government or yourselves, because of the circumstances surrounding and preceding its passage. The first thing in appealing is to be sure of your facts, and that you are not handicapped by troubles of your own making. The fact of your holding mass meetings at which it was plainly stated that prohibition and nothing else was meant, and the carrying of banners with 'Abolish the Bar,' on them practically puts you out of court."

Expert Canoeist Drowned.

Fort Frances, Ont., April 18.—An accident took place this morning at Pitcher's Point where the steel bridge crosses to Ranier, whereby William Brack, American customs officer at Beaudette, Minn., was drowned. It appears that the unfortunate young man in company with Wm. Jones, bridge superintendent, was training a new canoe, while endeavoring to run the rapids, it upset in the strong current. Both of the young men grasped the overturned canoe, and, in a short time were swept down into an eddy close to the Canadian shore, when Brack, through cold and exhaustion, released his hold and sank in the icy waters. Jones managed to reach the shore more dead than alive. He was immediately cared for.

Annual Lacrosse Meeting.

Toronto, April 18—The Canadian Lacrosse association, at its 21st annual meeting, elected Jack Kearne, of Port Arthur, president, over J. D. Bailey, Toronto, by 17. The residence rule in the intermediate series was adopted, dating from January 1. The retiring president, Cameron, in an address, regretted that the association, which was the biggest lacrosse body in the world, had been ignored by the Olympic committee on lacrosse. Cameron declared that 25 of last year's 32 intermediate teams played professionals. The gate receipts had become such an important part of athletics that pure amateurs seemed a thing of the past. He introduced an amendment to allow intermediate professionals to play openly. It did not carry.

Makes Record By One Minute.

New York, April 18.— By a remarkably close margin of one minute the big Cunard liner "Mauritania" established a new record across the ocean over the long route in a voyage ended here to-day. Her time for passage was four days 23 hours and 59 minutes. The fastest previous trip was exactly five days made by her sister ship, the Lusitania.

Driving Out Spanish Anarchists.

Madrid, April 17.—The partisans of Premier Maura are using President Roosevelt's anti-Anarchist message as an argument in favor of the new government imposing severe penalties against anarchists.

The Liberals and Republicans, although they are claiming they are in favor of the suppression of anarchy, are opposing more stringent measures, fearing, they state, that the Conservative governments might use such laws against their political adversaries.

BREAK THROUGH ICE AND DROWN

Father, Mother and Child Lose Lives on the Athabasca River.

Bulletin Special.

Athabasca Landing, April 18.—A sad drowning accident occurred about six miles down the Athabasca River from the Landing yesterday, when Emile Cardinal, with his wife and child, broke through the ice and were drowned. Michael Des Jarlais, who was one of the party, arrived here yesterday. He stated that the party were on their way up the river, travelling on the ice with a dog train. The ice broke and the party were precipitated into the icy waters of the Athabasca. Des Jarlais barely escaped with his life, and Cardinal and his wife and child were swept away by the swift current under the ice and were drowned. The accident occurred at what is known as Six Mile Island.

Isaac Gagnon, proprietor of the hotel at Athabasca Landing, and J. A. Lessard, merchant, left here yesterday for Edmonton.

IS TROUBLE BREWING.

Believed in Washington That Emergency in Manchuria Caused Demand for Battleships.

Washington, April 18—That there has been some emergency in the international relations of the United States has convinced the administration of the urgent need of squeezing out of congress every dollar possible for the navy. It is believed by reason of recent developments that this emergency is so serious that President Roosevelt and Secretary Root fear to allow its extreme gravity to be known. This is inferred from the steps that have been taken to inform a very few public men. The president wrote a private letter to Speaker Cannon urging the four battleship measure.

It did not accomplish its purpose and no statement of its contents has been made public, despite much effort to discover the facts. This afternoon Representative Hobson, now the spokesman of the White house in the naval matter, held a conference with Senator Perkins, of California. After the discussion, Mr. Hobson said an effort would be made to induce the senate to insert the provision for money for the immediate commencement of work on two battleships, which are certain to be authorized.

It has been the custom to authorize battleships in one session and then to appropriate for them in next. Because of this it is considered a special interet at this time to have the money provided at once, so that these vessels may be laid down without delay. Probably $25,000,000 will be asked for at once. Although all authorities studiously avoid any such admissions, it is very well understood that the emergency, now giving concern to the president and state department, is in Manchuria, and that it is involved in a seeming co-operation of Japan and Russia, to force their own construction of the treaty of Portsmouth, to the disadvantages of China and countries which have interests in China.

TOOK ISSUE WITH CARDINAL.

Priest Says Gibbons Talked as Citizen Against Temperance.

St. Louis, April 17.—Several hundred members of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of St. Louis, and non-Catholics who gathered at St. Leo's Temperance Hall, heard Rev. Father James T. Coffey, take issue with Cardinal Gibbons, of Baltimore, on the question of prohibition and urged them not to look upon the high churchman's views as excathedra.

"The opinion of the Cardinal in this instance," declared Father Coffey, "is that of Mr. Gibbons, the citizen. When he says that prohibition will cause more lawlessness than saloons he is merely stating personal views and no Catholic is bound to hearken to his advice on secular matters. I am surprised that he should have made such a statement, especially since he lives in a town that is as graft and saloon ridden as St. Louis.

"Some Catholics may be under the impression that Cardinal Gibbons' words on the matter are from the church. They distinctly are not. We think for ourselves and no one can dictate our views of civic and sociological matters."

There was a visible stir in the audience over the remarks of the speaker and no applause greeted his words.

During the course of his extended remarks the brilliant churchman flayed the breweries, the House of Delegates, members of the Clergy, the Legislature, the Excise Commissioner's office and some Catholics who are speaking in favor of the saloon.

Unemployed Start Fires.

Copenhagen, April 18.—The city is in the grip of a fire anic. Nearly a hundred fires occurred the last three weeks, all of incendiary origin. In fifty instances iles of etroleum soaked wood were discovered in time to prevent damage. A campaign is in progress but no arrests were yet made. The police and fire insurance companies are offering large rewards. The crimes are attributed to persons out of employment in order to start a boom in the building trades.

Marion Crawford's Daughter Marries.

Naples, April 18.—The marriage of Miss Eleanor Crawford, the eldest daughter of Marion Crawford, the novelist, to Cavalier Pietro Rocca will take place on Eastre Monday.

MOVING PICTURES TEACH BIBLE.

Cinematograph Brings Church Services In France Up to Date.

Paris, April 17.—The latest use to which the cinematograph has been put in France is to teach Bible history to the peasants in a church in the south of France. Probably to add to the attractions of the religious services the cure of Condom has had cinematograph views of the Passion Play, which is enacted yearly at Roquebrune, a village half way between Monte Carlo and Menton, i which the episodes of Bible history are enacted on lines similar to religious dramatic productions at Oberammergau. The church services at Condom are now up to date.

Lumber Company in Saskatoon.

Ottawa, April 18.—The Burchard Lumber Company, of Saskatoon, has been incorporated with capital stock of one hundred thousand dollars. The directors are C. J. Burhcard (Saskatoon), E. E. Heiner, F. H. Stoltze, W. H. Pierce and G. H. Poirer, the four latter of St. Paul.

QUEER SECT ON TRIAL GOVERNED BY DREAMS

Their Leader Claims To Be the God Jacob—Another Potentate Is "The Moon."—Dreams Interpreted Influence Members.

Medicine Hat, April 18.—The preliminary hearing of the Dreamers promises to be a protracted one. The prisoners are naturally reticent in testifying against Nieman, their memories needing much jogging. Christina Lehr, the wife of the victim corroborated her husband and son on the difficulty of escaping from the burning home. She also said the prisoner had told her "that if the devil fired her house during the winter," the Dreamers would be blamed by stupid people.

Mrs. Schneider, an ex-Dreamer, gave sensational evidence. The sect believed in destroying all non-members and executing dreams, provided they were not discovered. She testified that against the rules of the order she had given a note for $60 for a purchase at an auction sale, and to rectify this offered to pay the note immediately. The holder, named Meyers, producing the note, Nieman snatched it and tore it up. He was arrested and had to pay $130 to settle.

Deliberately Decide To Burn.

The prisoner consulted Merkel, Sr., who told him to take revenge, and this was discussed at a meeting in Riebs' house, where the witness, Nieman, and his wife, and Otto and his wife were present. It was decided to burn the house and family while Meyer and his wife were absent. Nieman was to do it, he burned the barn and the cattle, using coal oil. He could get no material, and was afraid to go too near the house, as the light was burning owing to a sick child. He had to be carful to cover his tracks, as the snow was on the ground. The prisoner went from Reibs' house and returned there telling the story.

The Dreamers always carried arms. Aufort Nieman, a son of the prisoner, was called. He was not yet converted, and did not dream, so was excluded from meetings when dreams were discussed. He had heard Lehr and Mike Gill discussed, but could remember nothing. Jacob Reibs was head of the local church.

Queer Jumbled Evidence.

Karl Otto, a prisoner, followed, and said the previous witness had not been excluded from any part of the meeting. He could not remember dreams told, but one of his own that he had found dirt in the cellar. This was interpreted to mean that some member had done wrong. Schneider then confessed to misrepresenting the ages of a team of horses he had sold. The prisoner here was cautioned for shaking his head at the witness. The latter denied the dreams of shooting. He had seen no letters referring to Lehr, Gill or Diaz. Merkel had written to the witness that "He was the God Jacob and all the others were wrong."

He did not remember being advised to burn Eifert's barn. He had heard Nieman say he was suspected of burning Meyer's barn. He denied carrying arms at the trial at Martin's farm, but took the revolver and when told it was against the law never carried it again. Christian Gill, a prisoner, testified, denying any knowledge of the God Jacob or other head men in Dakota, but finally admitted receiving letters from David Haufmann, the Moon.

He denied that dreams were told at meetings or letters read, but he finally admitted that Merkel, Jr., read letters from his father God, and at times had written Merkel, Sr., himself. He finally admitted that Merkel Jr., Jacob Reib, Karl Otto and the prisoner had told of dreams, but he forgot their portent. They were discussed after Saturday meetings. Young Nieman, the former witness, had been at the meetings all through.

Paris Strikers Give In.

Paris, April 18.—The lockout affecting a great number of masons, bricklayers and allied workmen which began April 4th, ended today. The men generally deserted their leaders and signed the terms of the contractors. Work will be resumed on April 21st.

EPWORTH LEAGUE HOLDS SESSIONS

Successful Convention of Sunday School and Epworth League Workers.

(From Saturday's Bulletin.)

"What you would desire to see the church in the next twenty years; what depth of spiritual life you would see—what kind of social life and missionary interest—invest it in the Sunday school and the Leagues with the children now," said Rev. John A. Doyle, western secretary for Sunday schools and Epworth leagues, at the convention held in McDougall Methodist Church yesterday and Friday. F. D. Johnston, of Strathcona, presided.

This sentence of the Rev. Mr. Doyle was the keynote of the entire convention and of the earnest work it represented in this portion of the province. Delegates were present from various points in Edmonton, Fort Saskatchewan and Vermilion districts, and the convention's sessions were followed by a large number of earnest workers. Rev. F. J. Johnson, of Clover Bar, was appointed secretary of the convention and reporter for the Christian Guardian and Epworth Era.

Thursday's afternoon's session opened with devotional exercises by Rev. Jos. Coulter, B.A. A paper on successful methods in junior leagues was read by Rev. R. E. Finlay, of Ponoka. This paper, dealing with the subject in a capable way, brought out much helpful discussion. Rev. W. J. Howard, B.A., of Fort Saskatchewan, then gave a very interesting address upon "The Junior League," dealing particularly with the attitude of the church to the child, and bringing up an interesting point which may be presented at the next general conference by Rev. Mr. Doyle.

Evening Session.

The evening session, which was very largely attended, and opened with prayer by Rev. E. E. Marshall, B.A., had as its main feature an address by Rev. Mr. Doyle upon the League. Stress was laid by the speaker upon the need of more active work for the fallen and an impressing of the message of love.

On Friday morning Miss Patience Brincombe, of Vermilion, read an instructive and practical paper on "Lesson Helps," urging teachers to have their own hearts overflowing with the spirit of each lesson that it might more surely reach the heart of the pupils. In the discussion which followed, Dr. Riddell said that too lengthy explanations of lessons should be avoided, and Rev. Mr. Doyle advocated that Sunday school teachers might with benefit take a ten weeks' course fitting them for the work.

In an address upon grading systems, Rev. John A. Doyle gave a most helpful and detailed account of grading and supplemental work.

In the afternoon, when the session opened with prayers by Rev. J. B. Howard, an interesting address on the Christian Endeavor Department was delivered by F. D. Johnston, of Strathcona, president of the Northern Alberta Epworth League. Stress was laid by him upon the importance of the look-out committee, while in the discussion that followed Rev. Mr. Doyle suggested that the Christian Endeavor topic should come from the soul-experience of the one handling the topic. Having been thought out by the leader himself, it would be more convincing.

C. E. Race, B.A., of Alberta College, gave an interesting account of the strides made in mission work. Through the efforts of the Epworth League here, 56 missions are supported.

Friday evening's session, opened by Rev. A. S. Tuttle, M.A., was given over to consideration of the Sunday school. Rev. T. J. Johnston, of Stratheona, spoke convincingly upon the home in relation to the Sunday school, Rev. Mr. Doyle following with a helpful address upon "The Big Boy Problem." A Good Friday consecration service brought the session to a close, the convention throughout being most successful in its work.

The delegates to the convention were: F. D. Johnston, Strathcona; Rev. F. J. Johnson, CloverBar; A. E. Ottewell, Alberta College; Patience M.

A Minister Suicided.

Woodbury, N.J., April 18.—Rev. George Tomson, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of this place, was found dead today on the floor of his room in Newton Hotel with a bullet wound in his temple. Many elements of mystery are in the death of the prominent clergyman, who numbered among his congregation many wealthy Philadelphians who have homes in the fashionable suburbs. The verdict of the coroner's jury indicates suicide, but the theory that the minister took his life is only supported by the fact that he was in trouble with some women of the congregation.

Incendiarism in Victoria, B.C.

Victoria, B.C., April 18.—A deliberate attempt was made last night to fire the big Spencer store here. The incendiary got in his work at different points in the basement just before the closing up time, but it was quickly smothered. The man, whose name cannot as yet be obtained, is under arrest for the attempt. It is now believed the fire in the Mahon Block on Wednesday was also due to incendiarism.