Dr. Pidgeon Challenges Parliament's Right To Interfere With Church Control

STATE IS DENIED RIGHT TO CONTROL CHURCHES AS UNION DEBATE OPENS

Dr. Pidgeon Condemns Action of Governments When Addressing Assembly.

REPLY BY FRASER

Antis Introduce Amendment To Delay Action Until Courts

Special to The Advertiser by a Staff Reporter.

Owen Sound, June 7. - The first ound of the church union battle was fought out in the form of a fairly mild verbal fray before the Presbyterian General Assembly yesterday afternoon. It is to be resumed to-day, and there is a possibility that a ote may be reached before the week-

Anti-Unionists here, as in the Anti-Unionists here, as in the private bills committee at Ottawa, are seeking delay until the union bill may be tested in the courts. Principal D. J. Fraser of the Presbyterian College, Montreal, has moved to that who

and the justice of it, though here and there he worked a piquant phrase such as his quotation of Sir Robert Falconer's illustration of Sir Robert recalcitrant members of statements and the instance of recalcitrant members of statements and statements are recalcitrant members. church. Robbed of its right to restate its faith or amend its statement of its beliefs, the church would become like the dead cities of bygone like the dead cities of bygone we accommunity of hypocrites assenting to expressions of belief which they knew to be out-worn in order to hold inherited property."

church here what the church has won in the Motherland or in the United States, the battle for spiritual independence must be fought over again on Canadian soil. We may win or lose in this or that particular petition, but there can be no doubt as to our ultimate success. The appeal of anti-unionists to courts and parliament to frustrate the will of the

Would Yield Rights.

He began with a resume of the vain effort to arrive at a basis of conciliation or agreement with the foes of to be understood to be acknowledged. union. They had refused even to listen to the amendments suggested "Behind this appeal for the intervention of the state is the claim that second Dr. Fraser's amendment. at the private bills committee to meet their objections. If the main principle of the bill remained they

in working order, the courts of teaching of the Westminster Confesgeneral council of the United Church the different churches are to carry strengthening of the clause in regard

the simple statement that "all men are born with a sinful nature," are actually specified in this writ as instances which prove that in entering this union on the basis of doctrine prepared, the Presbyterian Church in Canada violates her trusts under the law and must be restrained from the me by the courts of the land. Justifies Conclusion.

'Where does all this lead us? Does t not justify Sir Robert Falconer,s conclusion?" This would mean the absolute permanence of constitution and doctrinal positions as laid down at the origin of the church, Human

generation is faced with a new world demanding changes in thought and hurch felt herself free to issue new

thought, however, is not static. Each

He sketched the manner in which union has already been carried into practical effect in many ways, and among the small crowd present. Great care should be shown it seen the policy of the colleges of selection of immigrants was unique to the colleges of selection of immigrants. Presbyterianism and Methodism.
Ministers of one church were teaching and preaching to the people of another. Was there no breach of trust here? Yet this had been the settled policy of the church for years.

e, Montreal, has moved to that who made an appeal for spiritual or hesitate is to betray our trust, in amendment to the resolution freedom for the church, and denied he said. He did not question the sin-

and 1922, that in consenting to discuss the question of thin they constitution, it was made by Ronald debate the speakers would avoid hard terminal thanks to the private bills committee and allow no appliance but the committee and the same seems and the committee and allow no appliance but the same seems and the committee and allow no appliance but the state governs only its relations with other buddes and matters of the work but has been committee and allow no appliance but the fall of the committee and allow no appliance but the committee and allow no appliance

civil courts to decide a question in ton., Ont.

"After this I suppose the premier will send for the union committee chairliament to frustrate the will of the church has broadened out the fight

Raise Objection.

There was an answer of "Oh" and groans and cry of "personalities." but Dr. Mackinnon called for order.
As Ronald McVicar, K.C., of Sydney, N. B., ascended the platform to commissioner inquired in what respects the union bill was unconstitu-

The substitution of the in the basis of union that "God in the basis of union that "God in the Gospel freely offers his all sufficient salvation to all men," for the teaching of the Westminster Confession that Christ died only for the sion that Christ died only for the sleet an experimental contended that the amendment simply negatived the said, holding up the basis of union. "It doesn't mention the Word of God." A shout of dissent went up at this. To preach a universal gospel in a Presbyterian pulpit, to fail to teach intending missionaries that a loving amendment simply negatived the ne said, noticing up the pasts of union. It doesn't mention the Word of God."

A shout of dissent went up at this however, that it was in order.

"I'm afraid you'll have all this

ELGIN FARMERS PROVIDE FACTS

Agricultural Committee Holds Session in St. Thomas Yesterday.

PROBLEMS CITED

Special to The Advertiser.

St. Thomas, June 7 .- Farmers of The church has never accepted s as her position. The church is Elgin County, represented by eight this as her position. The church is Elgin County, represented by eight a living spiritual organism able and of their number, showered informafree to fulfil the purposes of her baing. It is the church that believes, and it is therefore the church that states her belief. It is not true that the church is made by the creed and confined within its limits. The early church felt herself free to issue new. sex, and M. M. McBride, Brantford, church felt herself free to issue new statements of belief to meet new situations."

were the other members of the committee present. M. McKnight, M.L.A.. East Elgin, and District Agricultural Representative C. W. Buchanan were

Great care should be shown in the selection of immigrants was urged by W. A. Galbraith of Iona. Boys and girls, just reaching maturity, were leaving or had left farms all over the county. Immigrants were coming in and it was highly prob-"There are times in the church's life when strong and steady action becomes a sacred obligation. To halt or hesitate is to better the change of the changed hands. Selection of the right type of newcomers to the changed hands. type of newcomers to the country would insure Canada's agricultura

AUTO DAMAGE ACTION DISMISSED BY JUDGE

God decees certain of his creatures Judge John Mackay of Port Arto damnation, to dilute the Calthur cited the case of a cultural been a curse to the world," he asthur cited the case of a cultural been a curse to the world," he asthur cited the case of a cultural been a curse to the world," he asvinistic doctrine of total depravity city in Fort William that was serted, amid laughter.

The Minute That Seems A Year By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



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of the commissioned with the production of the commissioned with the public utilities pay some ferward before the voic comes.

An otter quainst Dr. Fraser's An otter quainst Dr. Fraser's

tette, four sisters at the Methodist unionists went to parliament," he said. He objected to being termed as in revolt, and quoted John Calvin that no human expedient should be forced on people against their consciences,

"The one fair way is to ask the civil courts to decide a question in the modern of the sister. Miss Agnes Wilson, at Clinton. Ont.

"The one fair way is to ask the civil courts to decide a question in the methodist church.

"His widow died in London nine years ago, and three daughters Miss live its busy life under temporary buildings. For the January on its business and civil such and the civil courts to decide a question in the "goldfish room."

"He was beaten with a rubber hose until it was torture for him even to breathe. Of course, during this time rebuild, and he is determined that the civil courts to decide a question in the "goldfish room."

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Which we are laymen."
Cries of "No, no."
He referred, to Mr. Lafleur's opinions and the fact that he had been asked to become chief justice.
"After this I suppose the premier will send for the union committee chairman instead," he said.

Raise Objection.

Civil courts to decide a question in which we are laymen."
Tokio will be rebuilt with wide streets and proper modern sewage to consultation with expert city planters, and will rebuild a city which will measure up with the best.

Coroner James Burgess will hold inquest and the homicide squad will send for the union committee chairman instead," he said.

Raise Objection.

Tokio will be rebuilt with wide to consultation with expert city planters, and will rebuild a city which will measure up with the best.

So Kato San is anxious to see the great town of barracks, which will meet her eye when she arrives home against the driver on charge of Raise Objection.

Raise Objection.

against the driver on charge of negligent homicide.

She will find the Y. W. C.

A. buildings, destroyed at the time of the earthquake, rebuilt again in barracks form. And the work progressing as before the disaster.

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Hundreds of girls are reached through the work of the association in that city. The educational classes are crowded with Japanese girls anxious to learn English, typewriting and American cooking.

How Carl Mandel of Mine."

Seven days of this—days so filled with horror for the victims that even King Philip of Spain must have turned in his grave in jealousy of this new inquisition—and then the three suspects were released and forgotten.

Like the met defeat was in 1917, when he had a majority of 500 at home, but was defeated by the overseas soldier vote.

Mr. Kyte is a brilliant speaker, and will be in a position to give London Like and the control of the country of the country of the suspects were released and forgotten.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

Of Excitement Chicago, June 7.—Excitement, accompanying Babe Ruth's homerun in yesterday's game between New York and Chicago, was be-

Luigini; Abide With Me; God Save the King. Sided score of 18 to 3.

Quite the bright feature of the exhibition which was of an interesting nature, was the fine twirling of A.

FAVORS UTILITIES

Wenige Believes Step Would Aid in Reducing Tax

That the plan followed under the direction of City Manager Yorath in the city of Edmonton, Alberta, by which the public utilities pay some the report which I checked for Mrs. Hughes the other day, which showed a surplus of \$1.23. My final report will show several variations from that statement. I will let you

George W. Kyte, K.C., Comes to City on Saturday, June 14.

career, first entering the Commons in 1908. The only time since then that he met defeat was in 1917, when

principle of the bill remained they would never agree to it. That principle was that the church as an entity should so into union. We could never should never the church as an entity should so into union. We could never the could never in the same to the church the second to the church the secon

This is in keeping with an aggressive campaign, which has as its object the establishment of tourists' dealt with by a federal board.

ASHPLANT GIVES SURPLUS OUTLINE

Denies "Juggling" of Figures in Victoria Hospital Statement.

PRESENTS LETTER

In answer to an article in The Free Press on Thursday, accusing the city auditor of juggling the figures in the annual financial statement of Victoria Hospital in order to show a \$20,000 surplus. City Auditor Ashplant makes the following reply:

"In this matter, while I do not initiate a press discussion, I certainly do not hesitate to meet any such issue, if it is opened up, as the charge of 'juggling with figures' to produce a Actitious surplus. I am fully prepared to defend my report to the city council. The importance of the issue at stake lies in the fact that the taxes for the shareholders account are based on the total ex revenues are credited. If a \$15,000 known and admitted asset is not credited, as it should be then the proper credit being taken before the credit in his 1923 report, and why not? That is not 'juggling with figures—that is only putting figures where they properly belong and giving the taxpayers the relief they report is given credit for 1922, as well as 1923, government grant. But why did not the 1922, and 1921 (and so on back to where the error began) get into its proper place? That is not

"May 26, 1924.
"City Treasurer J. S. Bell.
"Dear Mr. Bell—Re Victoria Hos-

"HENRY B. ASHPLANT.

British Mails

Parcel post and newspapers only via S.S. Melita, from Montreal June 11, 1924. 10 p.m.—Letters and registered matter only S.S. President Roosevelt, New York, June 12, 1924.

Wednesday, June 12, 1924.
Wednesday, June 11, at 3 p.m.
—Parcel post and newspapers
only, via S.S. Caronia, from Quebec, June 12, 1924. Thursday, June 12, at 3 p.m.

Friday, June 13, at 3 p.m.-Parcel post and newspaper's only via S.S. Megantic, from Mont-real, June 14, 1924.

SIX OUT OF 90 ITALIAN IMMIGRANTS ARE HELD

Adoption of a uniform sign for official tourists' camps is being considered by the Ontario Motor Leagus. This is in Jaconic with an expension of the remainder by the passports of the remainder by the steamer Reginal passports of the remainder by the rem

ject the establishment of tourists' camps throughout the province.

Most of the municipalities look on the tourist camps as a wholly municipal enterprise, but they should be looked on as a provincial enterprise, in the opinion of officials.

Although the amount of money guaranteeing to satisfy the immigration all have been released, last of them having qualified yesterday. They paid their bond of \$500 guaranteeing to satisfy the immigration all have been released, last of them having qualified yesterday. to measure, corsetiers; will call and demonstrate. Phone 2224F.

LOST—Child's blue reefer coat, 7 years, Grafton's, at Springbank Park or Talbot St. school section. Phone 4349W.

Lawrence, who was on the mound for the mound for the winners. His battery mate was the battery for the losers. E. Heighway was the umbot St. school section. Phone 4349W.