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CLERGY AND LAITY ARE ALIKE IN FAVOR OF ORGANIC CHURCH UNION

Question Discussed at a Representative Gathering in Wesley Hall Last Night.

The ministers of the Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational Churches, together with representative laymen from each of these denominations in this city, were unanimous last night in favoring the movement for organic union. The meeting was held in Wesley Hall, and a valuable discussion was provoked.

Rev. George J. Bishop, pastor of the First Methodist Church, was chosen to the chair, and Rev. James Rollins, pastor of the King Street Presbyterian Church, was chosen secretary. Prayers were invoked by Rev. J. G. Stuart and Mr. William Bowman. The chairman, in introduction, called the meeting a unique one, and one that marked an era in the history of the church. The idea of the meeting was to give expression to the common thoughts upon this subject of organic union. A committee had been named at the informal meeting at Dr. Eccles' last week and the chairman asked that the resolution drawn up be read. The report was presented by Rev. W. J. Clark, of the First Presbyterian Church, who was amazed at the rapidity with which the sentiment had spread; it showed there must have been thought upon it before. The resolution as drafted by the committee consisting of Revs. W. J. Clark, D. S. Hamilton and C. T. Scott, was concise and definite, and went as far as the committee could go at present, said Mr. Clark; when the matter went before the assembly and he gave vent to his much discussion which would be good, even if union was not consummated. The resolution was as follows: "That this assembly of ministers and laymen, members of the Congregational, Methodist and Presbyterian churches of the city of London, rejoice in the manifestations which have of late been made looking toward the organic union of these denominations; declare our wish that the churches be formally entered upon for the attainment of this object; and trust that the result of further deliberation will be the removal of any obstacles that may appear, and the consummation of such union; believing this outcome would be the greater blessing to the people of Canada, the advancement of the kingdom of God in the world, and the fulfillment of the will of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, the Great King and Head of the Church."

Dr. Eccles (Methodist), in seconding the resolution, said the movement would be fought with good. Some people wondered how it could be accomplished through methods of church government and creed, but if these

three churches would show personal enthusiasm and sacrifice a scheme could be worked out that would be a lesson the world over. Everybody admitted they had prejudices, but he hoped they would have broader views. Rev. D. S. Hamilton, of the First Congregational Church, had no hesitation in heartily agreeing with the resolution. He had attended the Methodist Conference at Winnipeg, and ever since was confident something would come from the movement. Some thought it would only go as far as federation. His own view was that organic union was possible. Modifications all around might be needed, but these had unconsciously been going on. The discussions by the leaders of the denominations would help in consideration of the movement.

Rev. T. S. Scott, of the Dundas Central Methodist Church, was of the opinion that the laity would have the most to do with the trend. The ministers were more attached to church polity, and with them it would be a serious matter. However there was no reason to give expression upon the common ground. The matter of church polity was not an insurmountable difficulty. One thing he thought great in Protestantism was the development of individual thought, and this would still exist. The only question he raised was, "Would overconfidence be created by reason of their combined strength?" If church union was desirable, he would be such that there would be a tendency to have offshoots. Personally he believed there should be organic union.

Mr. John Cameron (Presbyterian) said his theory was that union was desirable and he gave vent to his opinion. First there was no reason why it should not be consummated. As to doctrinal differences, he did not think they were of much importance. The differences were more of a nature of individual differences between the ministers of the same denomination. They had already been overlapping. But it was the new Canada that should be thought of, and there it was desirable to have a united church. The question of vested interests was not to be disregarded. They should make it manifest that the vested interests were not to be allowed to obstruct any great work. There had been a happy disintegration of denominationalism and there was less danger in going forward in a movement like this than backward. The necessary union of public opinion had already been effected, he thought. If that was so, all that really remained was the adjustment of details, and there was surely enough brains and energy in the churches to bring about that adjustment.

Mr. Moule (Congregational) had been delighted with the growth of the movement. He had been in the Congregational Church 33 years, and had seen good men go and take a leading part in other denominations, which showed that Congregationalists could unite with the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches.

Mr. Bowman (Methodist) had in his time noticed changes, and union now was a more practicable thing than years ago. He was thankful that things had changed, so that today obstacles could be overcome. The necessity of the hour demanded something like this. The Northwest was opening up, and the strength of the church was divided; they would be doing an injustice to the people of the Northwest and to themselves. In the mission field especially was there needed the union of the strength and piety of the church. They would have to give way

some, but by each doing so they would bring about organic union.

Rev. W. H. Clark, of the Southern Congregational Church, favored the resolution. He thought it the duty of Protestants to magnify and make apparent the points upon which they agreed. The principal thing to do was to speak of those things upon which they could agree. He had no fears from the doctrinal questions. Of course, the organic changes would be a matter for serious consideration. While he was not desirous of uniformity, it was a unity of spirit and purpose he prayed for.

At this stage Rev. W. J. Clark moved the following addition to the resolution: "And if the union of these bodies named should be a matter for God come to pass, is our prayer that it may be followed by a still larger union with other Christian bodies." It met with hearty approval.

Rev. J. Allan, of the Hamilton Road Methodist Church, said he believed the movement was due to the prayers of Christian men, and he trusted that God would carry them over the obstacles safely. He referred to the Northwest, where the churches were urgently needed. How much better would the church be equipped to do its work if it could take out the unnecessary men among them, and bring in millions into the North-west?

Rev. J. G. Stuart, of Knox Presbyterian Church, thought it was one of the signs of the times. There was the danger of uniformity, with which he had no sympathy. What was wanted was not organic union so much as unity of spirit. Let the workers be sure in carrying out this great movement. Some of the leading men had said that they could still conserve their doctrines, which would mean federation and not organic union.

Mr. Hollings, of the King Street Presbyterian Church, doubted very much whether they could save many men by union. It was unfair to the ministry for the impression to go out that the church had squandered men. Even in Ontario there were not too many ministers. At the same time he favored church union.

Rev. A. J. MacGillivray, of New St. James' Presbyterian Church, pointed out that the arguments had been for federation rather than union. They rejoiced in the spirit of unity and in its growth. He was not in favor of the clause that "organic union" was the goal—federation was what he favored at this stage, when it had not been discussed sufficiently. He believed, however, the day was coming when they would be closer together than they were today. The spirit of unity was growing. Then he had the fear that there would be a serious contraction by union, taking the experience of two Presbyterian churches in service expenses. They were not dealing with millennial conditions, but facts. While he approved of the spirit of unity he did not want to be committed to organic union.

Rev. George Howson, of the Askin Street Methodist Church, felt the same way as his predecessor, about which there was a spontaneity and enthusiasm which had spread all over the country. He was fully in favor of the resolution.

Rev. R. D. Hamilton was prepared to vote for the resolution. He was a unionist for years. Federation was all right, but union was a great deal better. While he wanted to cultivate fraternal feeling they wanted to do more, and bring about union. No steps would have more power among the unevangelized than this. Mr. Adam Ballantyne, president of the London Presbyterian Council; Ald. Matthews, Mr. Chapman and others, spoke in favor of the resolution. The resolution was put Rev. Mr. Clark explained that voting for the resolution was not a commitment to organic union. He could not see the slightest difficulty in voting for the resolution. By a standing vote the resolution, with added clause, was unanimously adopted, and the secretary asked to send it to the secretary of the joint committee.

THE Y. M. C. A. CONVENTION

Question of Control by International Committee Brought Up.

Buffalo, N. Y., May 12.—The presentation of the majority and minority of the committee of 21 of the International Y. M. C. A. furnished the feature of the second day's session of the association's international convention yesterday. The majority report favors the continuation of the present conditions relating to control of local associations and certain special departments of Y. M. C. A. work. The question, in a nutshell, is really whether the international committee shall have merely an advisory relationship over those bodies or whether it shall have definite authority. The question has been in dispute for years, and it will be settled at today's session, when the vote will be taken. A point made by those who support the majority report is that, if the minority report is adopted, the acceptance of Miss Helen Gould's gift of \$50,000 for the establishment of the Y. M. C. A. branch in Brooklyn impossible under conditions suggested by the minority report, because they maintain that it was stipulated by Miss Gould that the branch should remain under the control of the international committee, and that if local control is taken out of the international committee's hands, as suggested by the minority report, the gift would lapse. The contest in behalf of each report was begun at yesterday afternoon's session, when a number of addresses were made in behalf of both reports. Aside from that matter, and it is the most important with which the convention has to deal, the arrival of Miss Helen Gould and a demonstration in her honor at convention hall, where the evening session was held, were the other features of yesterday. The entire day, except for the time allotted in the afternoon for the presentation of the reports of the committee of 21 by Chairman Russ and McCormick, and the discussion thereupon was given up to addresses.

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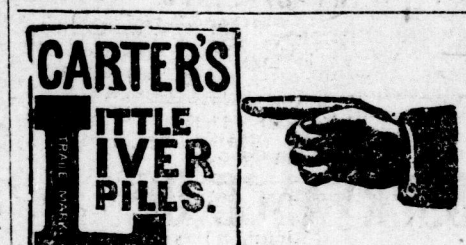
DEPOSITORS IN A PANIC

Lower Class Quebec Folk Start a Run on a Bank.

Montreal, May 12.—The extraordinary confusion of ideas prevailing among lower-class Quebec people on the subject of banking and saving institutions, is shown by an incident which occurred Wednesday in the industrial suburb of St. Roch, Quebec. The Notre Dame de Quebec Savings Society, which is a regularly constituted loan company, in the best of standing, was the victim of an extensive "run on the bank," which is ascribed entirely to public disquietude over the revelations in the Credit du Canada speculation. Nearly \$100,000 was paid out by the Notre Dame de Quebec, with the assistance of other loan societies and banks, which came to the rescue. The officials are confident that the whole will be redeposited in the course of a few days.

A Child Assaulter.

Morrisburg, Ont., May 12.—A tramp attempted yesterday morning to criminally assault the 3-year-old daughter of H. Weegar, who lives near the railway here. On the approach of the mother the man took to his heels, and jumped the eastbound freight train, which was just pulling out of the station. The child was not hurt. Search parties are now out in the woods here. The man is described as about 35 years of age, medium sized, spare face, clean shaven, dressed in a dark suit, and wearing a white hat.



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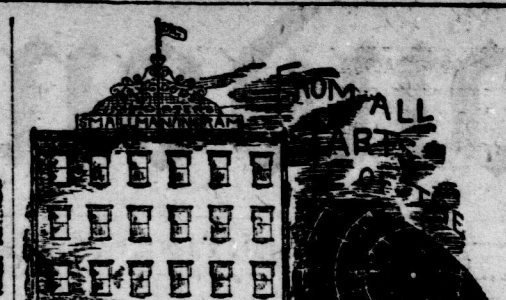
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