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DEADLOCK AT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OVER NAMING OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Trustees Wrestle With the Matter for Hours—Every Vote a Tie, and Adjournment Is Finally Made—Mr. W. T. Strong Elected Chairman for the Year.

For well on to four hours the board of education last evening wrestled with the simple matter of selecting committees for the year, and when an adjournment was made a short time before midnight, no decision had been reached.

question, without the vote of the chairman, then he shall be required to give his casting vote.

The Liberals promptly replied that it is not within the power of the board of education to override the act, and they quoted the following subsection of clause 11:

WITTE HAS ENOUGH; QUILTS IN SPRING

The Russian Premier Decides to Withdraw Upon Assembling of Douma.

London, Jan. 5.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Times cables: The bureaucratic organs announce that Witte has no intention of resigning before the Douma assembles, but has decided to withdraw whenever that happens, which, according to Witte, will not be before April.

BABY-KILLERS GARKOTED

Cuban Witches Who Murdered White

Havana, Jan. 5.—Domingo Bocourt, an old negro, and Victor Molina, a mulatto, were garroted at the prison here this morning. Both men were regarded as witches by their associates. Their crime was the hideous murder of a white baby, whose body was found, smoked and salted, weeks after the crime. The executions passed off promptly. There was no special incident, and no witnesses, excepting those officially designated to be present. A dozen other men and women are imprisoned in connection with the crime.

Great Catholic Seminary Promised for Chicago

Chicago, Jan. 5.—The Record-Herald today says: An ambition cherished for many years by the Roman Catholic Church dignitaries of Chicago, in a plan by which this diocese becomes the center of the best Catholic education and religion in America, finally has assumed definite shape. With the opening in the suburb of Austin of an immense seminary for the priesthood, plans of which have just been completed, the first step towards the realization of the great project will have been completed.

BOY CONFESSES TO KILLING FRIEND

Laid Corpse on Track Hoping Train Would Destroy Murder Signs.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—William L. Moran, 19 years old, confessed today to the killing last night of Robert Collier, 17 years old, during a quarrel, after which Moran says he placed Collier's body on the railroad tracks, in the hope that a passing train would hide evidence of the crime. The accidental discovery of the boy before a train had passed disclosed the fact that Collier had been shot. The body had first been taken from Moran's barn, where the murder occurred, to a vacant barn nearby, and then Moran carried the corpse of his erstwhile friend to the railway track. Fifteen companions of Collier's were rounded up by the police. Among them was Moran, whose clothing was bloodstained, and who confessed.

Losses Sleep While Mayor.

Valley Junction, Ia., Jan. 5.—Because he was worried too much over municipal problems, and especially over the street car franchise question, Mayor Bellairs, of this city, has resigned. His resignation takes effect tomorrow. Mr. Bellairs is 72 years old, and claims that the boy before a train had passed disclosed the fact that Collier had been shot. The body had first been taken from Moran's barn, where the murder occurred, to a vacant barn nearby, and then Moran carried the corpse of his erstwhile friend to the railway track. Fifteen companions of Collier's were rounded up by the police. Among them was Moran, whose clothing was bloodstained, and who confessed.

Favors Conservative.

Calgary, Jan. 5.—The recent in High River before Chief Justice Sifton has resulted in the election of A. J. Robertson (Conservative), by 23 majority, reversing the decision of the returning officer, who had declared Wallace (Liberal) elected by this gives the opposition two seats in the Legislature.

LOST THUMB IN MACHINE

Accident at the Bennett Factory to Louis McCarthy. Mr. Louis McCarthy, who resides at 462 Maitland street, met with a very painful accident while at work in the factory of the Bennett Furnishing Company today.

NOTED EXPLORER DEAD

Francois Mercier, of Alaska Fame, Passes Away in Montreal.

Montreal, Jan. 5.—Francois Mercier, the famous Alaskan explorer, died at his home in this city yesterday in his 68th year. Mercier, who was a French-Canadian, born in Montreal, had an adventurous and exciting career. He went to Alaska over forty years ago, and acted as intermediary between the United States and Russia to the interest of the French Geographical Society. He discovered that the North American Indians had come over from China. Mercier also traversed the Yukon long before the gold discoveries were made, and passed over miles of land which carried the ungodly riches which later explorers unearthed. He amassed a comfortable fortune and spent his latter days in his native city.

SANTO DOMINGO'S TUMULT

General Supporting Defeated Rodriguez to Play a Lone Hand.

Cape Haytian, Hayti, Jan. 5.—Further advice received here today from the scene of the hostilities between the troops of the temporary president of Santo Domingo, Gen. Ceceres, and the forces of the fugitive president, Gen. Morales, show that the defeat of the latter before Puerto Plata, Jan. 3, during which Gen. Demetrio Rodriguez, the Morales commander, lost his life, was complete. About 150 men were killed or wounded. The remainder of Morales' followers embarked on board the gunboat Independence, off Puerto Plata, after the vessel sailed for Monte Cristi. Gen. Gulleto, who with his troops had declared himself in favor of Morales, on being informed of the death of Gen. Rodriguez, decided to fight in his own behalf, and is preparing to attack Santiago, south of Puerto Plata.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Mostly Fair. Sun rises 7:41 a.m. Moon rises 3:11 p.m. Sun sets 4:55 p.m. Moon sets 2:55 a.m. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria 44-46; Edmonton 20-46; Calgary 32-44; Winnipeg 16 below-16; Port Arthur 22-26; Parry Sound 26-38; Toronto 26-40; Ottawa 10-36; Montreal 18-24; Quebec 6-22; St. John 4-46; Halifax 12-48.

FORECASTS.

Friday, Jan. 5-8 a.m. Today—Fresh to strong westerly wind; fair today; light local snowfalls during the night. Saturday—Mostly fair; not much change in temperature.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations. Weather. Calgary 20 10 Fair Winnipeg 20 26 Snow Parry Sound 26 38 Rain Toronto 30 20 Snow Ottawa 32 30 Rain Montreal 24 32 Rain Quebec 28 30 Fair

Provincial Banquet To the Premier

Toronto, Jan. 5.—The proposal to tender a banquet to Sir Wilfrid Laurier in this city next month has met with so much favor that it has been decided to give it the character of a provincial rather than a Toronto affair. To that end the Liberal organizations are being asked to send representative members to a meeting in the office of the General Reform Association for Ontario on Tuesday next afternoon, when further arrangements will be made. Sir Wilfrid has already accepted the date of Feb. 21 for the event. The Literary and Scientific Society of Toronto has received a letter from Sir Wilfrid consenting to attend their banquet on Feb. 19.

MRS. JACOBY FINED \$20; MRS. RICE GOES FREE

Women Who Figured in Christmas Day Fight Over a Bottle of Whisky Disposed Of. Mrs. Elizabeth Rice and Mrs. Euretta Jacoby, who were the principals in a fight over a bottle of whisky on Christmas afternoon, at Mrs. Jacoby's home on Maitland street, appeared in the police court this morning to answer a charge of disorderly conduct. Both were much the worse for their scrap. Mrs. Rice's head being completely hidden in bandages and Mrs. Jacoby's left hand being also bound up. Mrs. Rice is 75 years of age, and her physician said that she had a very narrow escape for her life.

WANT MORE BIBLE READING

Sunday School Association Ask for Wider School Selections.

Toronto, Jan. 5.—The Minister of Education was waited upon this morning by a deputation of the Sunday School Association, which asked that more of the Bible be read in public schools. They urged that in paragraph 98 the words be inserted, "or the selections of the International Bible Reading Association." This is meant to supplement what is known as the Ross Bible. Mr. Pyne expressed his sympathy, but said he would have to consult his colleagues. He said the time, however, was opportune, as changes were to be made in the near future.

CIGARMAKERS BAN CIGS

Members Caught Smoking Cigarettes To Be Fined Five Dollars.

Worcester, Mass., Jan. 5.—An unprecedented stand in the matter of smoking has been taken by the local Cigarmakers' Union, who voted last night that any member of the organization found guilty of smoking a cigarette should be fined \$5 for each offense. The new rule of the union was taken it is said, to protect the sick benefit fund. An investigation by the sick committee showed that of the members who drew sick benefits, the cigarette smokers were the majority, and it was also argued that more death claims were paid to the families of cigarette smokers than to the families of men who had not been addicted to the habit.

ROCKEFELLER GIVES \$100,000 TO ACADEIA COLLEGE, NOVA SCOTIA.

Halifax, Jan. 5.—The canvass to raise \$200,000 for Acadia College, the Baptist institution at Wolfville, has succeeded. Two years ago a pledge for half the amount was obtained from John D. Rockefeller, conditional upon the raising of the other half from the contributors. Mr. Rockefeller's pledge required that the contributions of others should be pledged by Jan. 1, 1906, and paid by Jan. 1, 1908. On the last inst. the governors were about to report to Mr. Rockefeller that the conditional \$100,000 had been pledged in full by contributors other than himself, with something over, and that \$40,000 of the amount had already been paid.

HIT WIFE WITH FLINTROUS.

Lowell, Miss., Jan. 5.—Following a quarrel in their home, yesterday, a laborer, assaulted his wife, and struck her on the head with a flintstone. Mrs. Chiklis died.

COMPTON GOES LIBERAL

Government Candidate Hunted Elected by 400 Majority.

NO QUARTER GIVEN.

Turkish Authorities Tell of Casualties in War With Rebels. Salonica, European Turkey, Jan. 5.—A return issued by the Turkish authorities shows that 1,022 casualties resulted from the fighting in Macedonia between Turkish troops and Bulgarian, Greek and Servian revolutionary bands during 1905. Altogether 119 casualties took place in the vilayets of Salonica, Monastir and Eskub, in which the insurgents lost 820 men killed and 1,200 wounded. In addition the troops captured 225 prisoners. The troops lost 127 killed and 165 wounded. A comparison of the number of men killed with the number wounded shows that no quarter was given.

JOHN D. AIDS BAPTISTS

Mr. Rockefeller Gives \$100,000 to Acadia College, Nova Scotia.

PRESBYTERIAN FUNDS

Three-Quarters of the Revenue Must Be Made Up in Two Months.

Toronto, Jan. 5.—The receipts in 1904, from March 1 to Dec. 31, for the funds of the Presbyterian Church, were \$38,921.21, and for the same period in 1905 were \$57,751.81, over \$8,000 less than last year. As the receipts for the first ten months of the year have only reached the above figure, it will be necessary during the months of January and February to receive \$307,218.19. That is more than three-quarters of the revenue of the year. The receipts generally are in excess of the requirements of the corresponding period of the previous year. The church year ends on Feb. 28.

WINDSOR LICENSE BOARD.

Windsor, Jan. 5.—The new board of license commissioners for this city has been appointed by Dr. Heaume. It consists of Dr. H. R. Casgrain, G. E. White and S. K. Peck. There was trouble last year, because the board refused license to four hotels which had to close.

HERE'S ODD EXPERIENCE FOR IRISH; NO CONTESTS FOR THE ELECTIONS

Dublin, Ireland, Jan. 5.—"The only part of the kingdom where there is no electoral excitement is Ireland. Hitherto the experience has been otherwise." The foregoing was William O'Brien's comment yesterday on the strange situation presented in Ireland, which has no precedent in the history of parliamentary elections. The campaign organization is still incomplete, but the number of boroughs in which contests have no opposition is without parallel. It is believed that in the whole Province of Munster there will be a single contest. Throughout the island contests between Nationalist candidates by the Nationalist convention being everywhere accepted.

SWEEEPING REFORMS IN LIFE BUSINESS

Recommended by Legislative Inquiry Committee.

PUBLICITY AS TO MANAGEMENT

A Uniform System of Audits—Standard Forms for Policies—Profits To Be Apportioned Holders.

New York, Jan. 5.—The Times today says: Upon authoritative information, the Times is able to say that the principal objects which the legislative insurance investigating committee will seek to accomplish in the legislation it commends to the Legislature are: 1. Effective participation of policyholders in the administration of the companies. 2. An extension of the powers of the insurance department, so that there will be no question of its rights to supervise the entire administrative management of insurance companies. 3. A degree of publicity that will enable policyholders to keep informed regarding the management of their companies. 4. Requirements that the insurance companies shall keep their accounts in such a fashion that illicit relations with financial enterprises of various kinds will not be possible without detection. 5. A uniform system of audits. 6. Standard forms of policies which will not permit of ambiguous and elusive provisions. 7. The prohibition or rigid limitation of deferred dividend policies of the Tontine form. 8. Additional safeguards against forfeiture. 9. A requirement that the profits accruing from the different departments of the business shall be justly apportioned to the policyholders entitled to receive them. 10. Prohibition of the control of subsidiary financial institutions by life insurance companies. 11. Restrictions as to deposits carried with and loans to banks and trust companies. 12. Restrictions regarding investment in corporate enterprises in process of promotion, the success of which is a matter of speculation. 13. A requirement that insurance directors or trustees shall not have business affiliations which will interfere with their judgment in passing upon financial proposals submitted to their insurance companies. 14. A requirement that a greater portion of funds shall be invested in real estate, bond and mortgage that now is turned from these channels by the larger companies.

KILL OFF INSANE AND THE TORTURED

An Eminent Harvard Scholar Approves the Agitation.

MISS BOOTH STARTS CRUSADE

Hold That the Hopelessly Diseased and Those in Agony Should Be Deprived of Life.

Philadelphia, Jan. 5.—Dr. Charles Elliott Norton, of Cambridge, has joined forces with Miss Anne S. Hall, of Cincinnati, and with Mrs. Maud Ballington Booth in their campaign for the killing off of the hopelessly insane, hopelessly diseased and victims of accidents. His views are expressed in a letter written to Miss Hall, and made public here today. Dr. Norton was formerly professor of literature at Harvard. He was a friend of Longfellow and Lowell, and with them made the famous translation of the "Divine Comedy." He heads his letter, "An appeal to reason, as well as compassion," and writes: "The principle that it is a duty to prolong every human life as long as possible, at whatever cost, has hitherto been generally accepted. Its maintenance has been the doctrine of the sacredness of human life. "The doctrine and the practice have both been pressed too far. There is no ground to hold human life as inviolably sacred, and to be preserved, individual or to others. On the contrary, there are cases to which every reasonable consideration urges that the end should be put. Setting aside all doubtful cases, no right-thinking man would hesitate to give a dose of laudanum sufficient to end the suffering and life to the victim of an accident, from the torturing effects of many hours of misery, which might be added to conscious life by stimulants or surgical operations. "Nor should a reasonable man hesitate to hasten death in the case of mental disease, such, for example, as cancer, when it has reached the stage of incessant, severe pain, and when the patient desires to die. The prolongation of life in such a case, by whatever means, is mere criminal cruelty. Or take another instance of an old person whose mind has become a chaos of wild imaginations productive of constant distress, not only to the sufferer, but to all who live with it at all. The plain duty in such a case is not to prolong, but to shorten life. "It is not to be hoped that a superstition so deeply rooted in tradition as that of the duty of prolonging life at any cost will readily yield to the arguments of reason or the pleadings of compassion, but the discussion of the subject in its various aspects may lead gradually to a more enlightened public opinion, and to the consequent belief of much misery."

A MONTREAL MAN VICTIM OF MURDER

Found Dead in a Filthy Basement With His Head Battered In.

Montreal, Jan. 5.—The police are engaged investigating the suspicious circumstances surrounding the death of Wm. Regg, aged 65 years, who was found dead in the basement of a building at 217 St. Charles' Borromeo street, yesterday morning, and they fear that a murder has been committed. Albert Rignou, a neighbor, who had not seen Regg leave his home for several days, suspected that he was ill, and on visiting the place he made a gruesome discovery. Regg was found lying dead on the floor, which was strewn with every kind of filth. His head presented the appearance of having been badly battered. His skull was fractured. A few feet from the body were several empty bottles, some broken, and bearing whisky labels, and still smelling strongly of alcohol.

LIBERALS MAY LIFT THE EMBARGO

Earl Carrington Will Have Question Treated From Imperial Standpoint.

London, Jan. 5.—Earl Carrington, the new president of the board of agriculture, received this afternoon a deputation of advocates of the removal of the restrictions on the importation of Canadian cattle, and promised that so soon as the election is over he will immediately take up the question and urge his colleagues to treat it from an imperial as well as a national point of view. The earl's reply raised the hopes of those who are interested in prevailing upon the new Government to introduce the legislation necessary to permit the importation of cattle from Canada.

Silver in Quebec.

Quebec, Jan. 4.—Another valuable discovery has been made north of Quebec, on the line to St. John, that may turn out a bonanza. A further investigation made since has brought to light what appears rich silver and copper deposits and another mineral which resembles antimony and marks like lead.