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DENTAL CONVENTION

London, Mar. 26.—The Executive of the Western Dental Society met on Wednesday afternoon at the office of Dr. H. R. Abbott to complete arrangements for the society's annual convention. The officers present were:—H. R. Abbott, hon. president; Dr. A. W. Thornton, Chatham, president; Dr. E. F. Kennedy, St. Thomas, secretary; Dr. T. C. Jones, Woodstock, treasurer; Dr. Bentley, supervisor of clinics; Dr. Trigger, St. Thomas, and Dr. Hicks, Chatham, members of executive. By the decision of the meeting the convention will be held at Chatham on June 30th and July 1st. It is expected that the program for the two days will include thirty papers and clinics.

PREFERENCE TO BRITAIN.

THE DECISION OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN COLONIES.

The News Has Caused a Disturbance in Berlin—Germany is Likely to Retaliate.

New York, March 27.—The Times has the following special to-day from London:—The Berlin correspondent of The Times says the news that the customs convention signed by the South African colonies provides for preferential treatment of imports from Great Britain has flattered the doves in the German capital. It is maintained in some quarters that if the news is confirmed Germany will be compelled, as in the case of Canada, to resort to reprisals. It is asserted that since Canada imposed differential duties German exports to the Dominion have actually increased, while German imports from Canada have materially diminished, imports of cereals almost ceasing. The correspondent says consolation is found in the further reflection that since the Boer war German industrial exports to South Africa have already decreased to such an extent that their unfavorable treatment at the customs offices would not make an appreciable difference.

FOUR MEN DROWNED.

Serious Boating Accident on Bass Lake.

Presque Isle, March 27.—Four men were drowned while boating in Bass Lake, five miles from here. One man, named Smith, swam ashore. The boat never appeared. The lake is very deep, and none of the bodies were recovered. The boat belonged to Mr. John Nicol, whose son William was one of the drowned, with James McLellan and one other, name not recalled. The men all worked in Asam & Middle Bros' lumber camp.

JAMAICA AND THE U. S.

Proposed Reciprocity Convention Abandoned.

Kingston, Ja., March 27.—At a session of the Legislature the Governor, Sir Augustus Hemming, announced that the proposed reciprocity convention with the United States had been abandoned, owing to representations from Washington that it was hopeless to expect its ratification by the United States Senate. The Jamaica reciprocity convention is one of the conventions made by the United States with the several British West Indian colonies, and, although the life of the treaties has been extended several times, they have never been brought to a vote in the United States Senate.

AN ORPHANAGE FIRE.

Inmates of St. Joseph's, at Winnipeg, Narrowly Escape.

Winnipeg, March 27.—The children and sisters in the St. Joseph's Orphanage had a narrow escape from cremation and suffocation at 1 a.m. yesterday, when fire broke out in the children's playroom. This caused damage to the extent of several hundred dollars. All the children were removed from the building in safety.

MASKED MAN'S MISTAKE.

Attempted Hold-up at Tweed—The Robber in Jail.

Tweed, March 27.—A masked man entered the C. P. R. station here about 4 a.m. yesterday, while Operator Murphy was lying on the counter. He told Murphy to throw up his hands. Murphy kicked the revolver out of his hand, sending it to the ceiling, and jumping up, clinched him and called for help. Baggageman Thompson came to his assistance and telephoned for the police, when he was handcuffed and taken to the cells. The man is a stranger here, about twenty years old, and well dressed.

The conduct of the man leads to the belief that he is insane. The stranger was attired in a white nightshirt over his street garments, and had his face covered with a piece of white cotton. Constable Beatty was summoned, and handcuffed the man, who refused to give his name or speak of the affair.

Woman's gentleness sometimes will break down the most perverse disposition.

"BLUE RUIN" JOHN LEE PEDDLING THE SPEAKERSHIP

Says he did not Mean Anything by offering it to Dr. Reaume—Mr. Auld Says Everybody Only Takes Mr. Lee as a Huge Joke, anyway—Several Scenes in the House.

Toronto, March 25.—Dr. R. A. Pyne, member for East Toronto, stirred up a hornet's nest at this afternoon's session of the Legislature, when he alluded to the "degradation" of the office of Speaker, and stated that it had been offered to half a dozen members of the Opposition. This brought the Premier to his feet in great wrath, with a challenge to Dr. Pyne to name anyone, except the member for North Essex, who had been offered a bribe of this description.

The Speaker took a hand by insisting on the withdrawal of the charge, and Dr. Reaume made a very straightforward statement, alleging that the offer had been made in all seriousness.

Mr. Eventurel entered the arena to explain away the charge, and was requested by the Speaker not to forget the rules of the House, with which no one was better acquainted than he. The member for East Kent (Mr. Lee) declared that the offer had been made in a jollying mood, and looked the typical "jollier" as he made the statement. His assurance was considerably discounted, however, by Dr. Reaume, who stated that the incident to which he had reference occurred months before the date alluded to by Mr. Lee. The discussion waxed warm at times, and concluded by a challenge from Dr. Reaume to appoint an investigating committee and see who was speaking the truth.

THE INSTRUCTIONS.

Before the debate on the Gagey charges was continued the Attorney-General asked whether the bill to amend the instructions was acceptable to the Opposition.

Mr. Whitney replied that he was not prepared to say that until there had been further discussion. Mr. Gibson said he would be glad to receive suggestions from the Opposition at the present stage, and that the bill should go to its second reading at once.

Mr. Whitney thought that in the past they had been in too much of a hurry to put through bills of importance, but agreed to its going to a second reading.

THE DEBATE RESUMED.

Dr. R. A. Pyne (E. Toronto) resuming the debate, congratulated the Speaker on his elevation to the office. He could hardly feel the same pride in it as he did prior to March 12, because, from statements made in the House, it appeared that his appointment to the office might almost be considered as a degradation, considering the manner in which it had been offered to half a dozen members.

The Premier—who were they?—Dr. Pyne replied that the hon. member for North Essex was one.

The Premier hotly insisted that Dr. Pyne should be more specific and name some other of the half dozen he spoke of. Several members on the Government benches called out "It was only a joke."

Mr. Ross said it was intolerable that such charges should be made across the floor of the House. They were not a gang of brigands, and had some reputation to lose. The honorable gentleman should withdraw his statement.

Mr. Eventurel said the Speakership had been offered to Dr. Reaume because he was a "jolly good fellow."

After some further cross-firing the Speaker said that, in view of the fact that the "degradation" of his office had been alluded to, he must ask the member for East Toronto to withdraw his charges, unless he was prepared to name the four or five he had alluded to.

Mr. Whitney pointed out that no charge had been made that members of the House had made the offers, and that there was consequently nothing to withdraw.

The Attorney-General said there had been some explanation away that there was perhaps nothing to withdraw of the charges referred to. Responsible persons outside the House, they were so much contemptible twaddlers.

Dr. Reaume (North Essex) said that his name had come up in the discussion and he desired to inform the House that if he had mentioned no name, it was at the personal request of the man who had approached him, and he had promised not to do so unless put to the test. It had been said that the offer was only meant as a joke. He certainly did not take it as a joke, and if it came to a question of veracity he was prepared to hold up his end—Opposition applause.

Mr. Eventurel rose to give his version and Dr. Pyne objected that the discussion was altogether out of order.

The Speaker, however, ruled that as his office had been attacked, the matter should be further ventilated.

Continuing, Mr. Eventurel read from the "Programme," a French paper, printed in Essex, which he claimed was edited by a former member of the Legislature, and now a Government official. This paper had supported Dr. Reaume in his campaign, but had subsequently criticized his action in making the charge he had. He accused the member for North Lanark of prompting Dr. Reaume to make the charge. He had been leaning over his desk for a long

THAT WHISTLE AGAIN

R. S. Dunlop says he hasn't the least objection to the Chaplin wheel works whistle blowing at six a.m. "It would be a good thing if it did 'bother some people,'" said the genial R. S. to The Planet this morning. "It would just be a fine thing for Chatham if it had a few more whistles like that with the same good factories behind them. It's a pretty sure thing that St. Kits misses the Chaplin wheel works whistle."

KING IN GOOD HEALTH.

Will See Grand National Steeplechase To-day.

London, March 27.—It is officially announced that the King, accompanied by Queen Alexandra, will make a visit to Scotland in May. Their Majesties will arrive at Dalkeith Palace, the seat of the Duke of Buccleuch, six miles from Edinburgh, May 11, and will remain until May 15. The vague suggestion of The Liverpool Post that King Edward is in poor health and suffers from depression does not find confirmation in well-informed quarters. The King frequently is seen in public and apparently in excellent health and spirits. He left London to visit the Earl of Derby at Knowsley Park, Lancashire, and to see the Grand National Steeplechase at Liverpool. His Majesty will start on Monday next for Lisbon, and thence will go on a yachting tour. Queen Alexandra is to leave the same day to spend three weeks at Copenhagen, which is hardly compatible with the suggestion that King Edward is in ill-health.

BURIAL IN SCOTLAND.

Decision Regarding the Late General Macdonald.

Paris, March 27.—The body of Major-General Sir Hector Macdonald, who committed suicide at the Hotel Regina here Wednesday, was removed to the British Mortuary Chapel, where it will await shipment to its final resting place in Scotland. The French law requires that the bodies of suicides be taken to the morgue, but owing to the urgent desire of the British officials that the body of the distinguished officer be not deposited in the public morgue, the usual requirement was waived. It was said at the British Embassy that no orders have been received from London concerning the disposition of the body, and it is expected that the family of the deceased General will make the funeral arrangements. Both the officials of the British Embassy and the Consulate-General of Great Britain disclaim any knowledge of the existence of letters which were reported to have been found in the room.

New Chinese Minister.

San Francisco, March 26.—Sir Chen Tung Liang, the new Chinese Minister to the United States, arrived here to-day on the steamer Korea.

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