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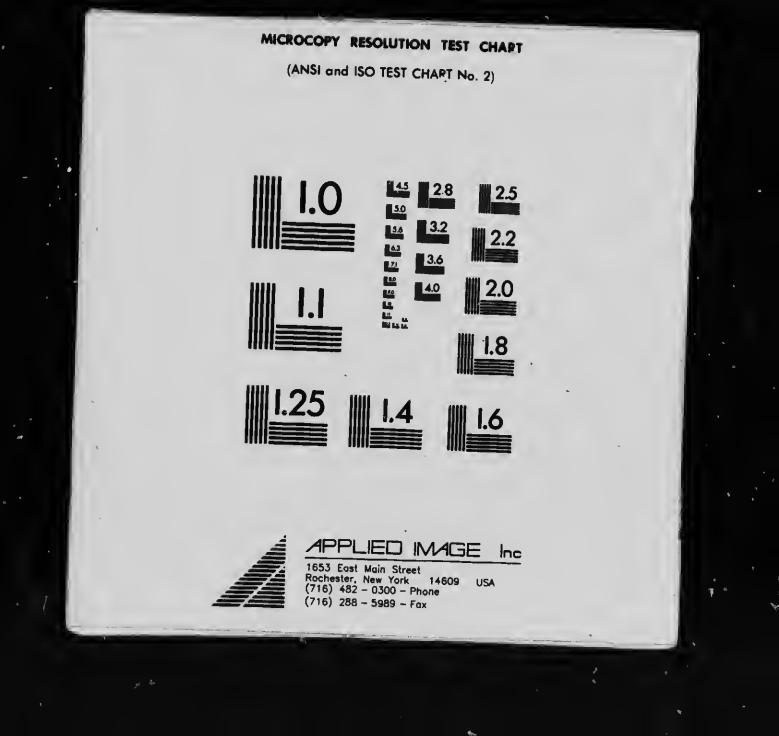
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THE Provincial Conventions to be held in Western Canada in October promise to duplicate in power and influence the great Congress held in Toronto, <u>April, 1909</u>, from which is dated so much of the advance in missionary interest and service by the churches of the Dominion. They should prove a much greater force, because of the much larger number



John R. Mott, F.R.G.S., LL.D.

of points touched and the greater body of men in attendance. No such force of speakers and leaders has participated in any of the series of missionary gatherings in Canada, and few single meetings have brought together such a group of leaders.

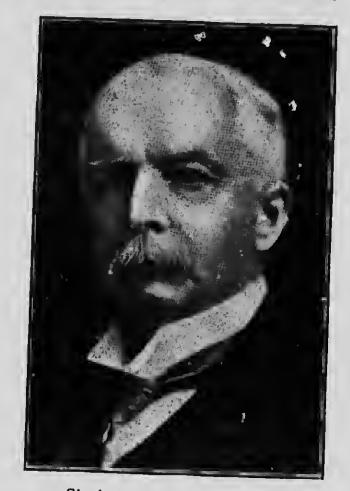
Among the speakers scheduled for each of the Western Conventions is Mr. John R. Mott, F.R.G.S., D.D., LL.D., the chairman of the World Missionary Conference and ehairman of the Continuation Committee appointed by that conference.

He is the outstanding man in missionary eireles of the world, has not been heard in Western Canada at all, and will probably not visit these cities again for many years. THE Programme Committee has fortunately secured the help of Sir Andrew Fraser, K.C.S.I., formerly Lieut.-Governor of Bengal, India. He was a vice-chairman of the Edinburgh Conference and is also a member of the Continuation Committee. He was the most notable figure at the National Missionary Congress in Toronto in the spring of 1909, and his services in that connection will always be remembered

with peculiar plcasure by those who heard him.

His wide experience as one of Great Britain's great pro - consuls his genial disposition, deeply spiritual nature, and simple but forceful way of stating facts from his own experience of more than thirty-five years in the service of the Crown in India, give him a unique and commanding place in mission circles.

Hecomes to Canada especially for



Sir Andrew Fraser, K C.S.I.

these meetings, and since the arrangement has been made, leading universities in this country and the United States have been endeavoring to secure him for series of addresses on India. A<sup>S</sup> these conventions are under the joint auspices of the Laymen's Missionary Movement and the Mission Boards, all the missionary boards will be represented by leading men, who will participate in the general programme



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parish--What ought to be done, What is being done, and What can be done by any congregation? The unusual strength of the Denominational representatives who will attend the convention and participate, especially in their own Church Conference, will make this feature a very striking one, and ought to be sufficient to justify the attendance of any man who is anxious to see his own communion taking advance steps in the great problems that confront the Church to-day.

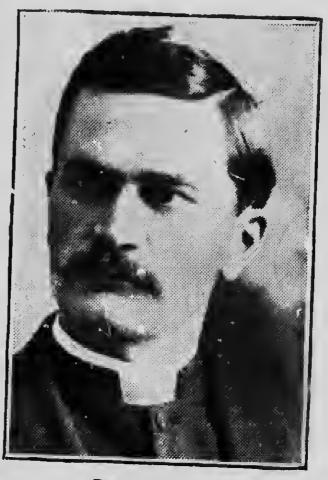
and especially in the conferences on methods.

Rev. S. D. Chown, D.D., General Superintendent of the MethodistChurch will represent that communion, as will Rev. A.C.Farrell, Assistant Secretary of Foreign Missions, Rev. James Allen, M.A., General Secretary Home Missions, and at least one missionary from the foreign field.

The second afternoon will be given up to Denominational Conventions entirely, the general theme being, "Our Church's Share of the Task." There will be addresses by men from the Home and Foreign fields, and a general study of the problem of Missions as related to the individual **D**<sup>R.</sup> SYDNEY GOULD, General Secretary of the M.S.C.C., will spend several weeks in the Western Provinces, preparing the way for the conventions and the conferences of Anglican churchmen, and will speak in the conventions on "The Central Place of

Missions in the Life of the Church." Mr. R.W. ALLA, formerly Seeretary of the Laymen's Movement in the Angliean Church, will be associated with Dr. Gould in all this preparatory work, will attend and partieipate in the conventions, and Mr. J. Miller McCormiek, Superintendent of the Church Camp Mission, will attend all of them. The Bishops in each Province have given hearty assurance of support, and it is hoped they will partieipate in each programme.

Mr. James Ryrie, of Toronto, will be present and speak on what he saw and heard on his recent very inceresting tour of



Rev. Canon Gould

mission lands, and will assist in the Baptist conferences. W. C. Senior, Esq., Acting Secretary of the Baptist Laymen's Movement, and Rev. D. B. Harkness, of Winnipeg, General Secretary of the Baptist Union of Western Canada, will give several weeks to visiting different points in the interests of the conventions, which they will later attend.

The Baptist Provincial Superintendents will each eo-operate in the preliminaries and in the conventions. THE Presbyterian Church will be represented by Rev. R. P. Mackay, D.D., Moderator of the General Assembly; Dr. Andrew S. Grant, newly elected Superintendent of Home Missions; Rev. J. G. Shearer, D.D., Secretary of Social Service and Evangelism; A. E. Armstrong, Assistant Secretary for Foreign Missions, and F. W. Anderson, Secretary of the Presbyterian Laymen's Missionary Movement.



Rev. R. Mackay, D.D.

The Missionary Education Movement will be represented in all the conventions by its General Secretary, Rev. H. C. Priest, who will have on sale the most recent and desirable publications along missionary lines. Laymen and clergymen desiring to provide themselves with the best books for study or reference as to conditions at home or abroad, or on methods of work in the local parish, will find the best that is available at the bookstands in the convention halls.

Canada'sgreat Home Mission problem will be a conspicuous feature throughout these conventions, with the leading address given by Mr. Justice Brown, of the Supreme Court of Saskatchewan.

<u>Rev. W. T. Gunn</u>, of Toionto, Missionary Secretary of the Congregational Church in Canada, will represent that communion in all the conventions, and V. E. Ashdowne, Esq., of Toronto, will participate in two or three. R ECOGNIZING the absolute uselessness of both preparaticn and Convention without Divine guidance, the different Communions are each issuing a "Call to Prayer," and it is hoped that the Christian men d women of Canada will be united in earnest prayer for the Conventions until they have closed.

Other Conventions in the series will be as follows :

LONDON,			November	6-8.
HAMILTON,				8-10.
OTTAWA,			••	13-15.
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HALIFAX,	•	•	**	22 - 24.
Sydney,	•	•	**	26 - 28.

# Suggested Programme

General Convention i neme, "The Church and Her Task."

#### FIRST DAY.

4.00 p.m.-Service of Intercession.

Address, "The Central Place of Missions in the Life of the Church."

8.00 p.m.—Devotional Exercises.

Words of Welcome.

Response.

Address "The Canada of To-day and To-morrow, (The Home Task)."

Address, "The Unfinished Task in Non-Christian Lands."

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#### SECOND DAY.

10.00 a.m.—Theme for the Day, "The Equipment for the Task."

"How Can We Create an Intelligent Home Base?"

"The Missionary Leadership of the Pastor."

"The Primary Method of Solving the Missionary Problem."

"Effective Methods of Enlisting Men in Missions." "Are Missions a Success? A Business Man's View."

2.00 p.m.-The Local Church.

"Is a Men's Missionary Committee Essential?"

"An Educational Programme for the Local Church." "A Financial Programme for the Local Church."

"How Can We Best Reach the Local Church in the Rural District." Question Drawer.

8.00 p.m.-Devotional Exercises.

"Canada's National Missionary Policy. 'Our Response."

"This Province, Its Opportunity and Responsibility."

"The Significance of the World Missionary Conference at Edinburgh."

### THIRD DAY.

DENOMINATIONAL CONFERENCES.

General Theme, "Our Church's Share of the Task." 10.00 a.m.-"The Missionary Responsibility of Our Church." (A) In Canada.

(B) In Foreign Field.

Noon-Luncheon for Denominational Groups, City Groups, Sunday School Workers and others.

2.00 p.m.-"How Can Our Church Discharge This Responsibility?"

CLOSING MEETING.

8.00 p.m.-Devotional Exercises.

Adoption of Convention Policy. "The Task, and Its Challenge." "The Sufficiency of God."

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