

**DIED.**  
Oswellie, 60, son of Peter, 5th March.  
Peter M. Hartnett, wife of Henry Hartnett, died at her home Saturday.  
Henry—At 82 years old, Toronto, Tuesday,  
11th March, 1902. Mrs. Hyde, ex-Lester  
of Ontario, aged 74 years.

**The Action Free Press**  
THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 1902.

**EDITORIAL NOTES**

It is very evident that the Globe hit the mark very truly when it suggested that Mr. Whitney and his followers would have demanded a royal commission of impartial judges if the Government had declined upon an investigation before the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

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After a weary and fruitless debate the Legislature has adjourned for three weeks, and the public will shortly learn how much or how little there is in the charges made on the floor of the House on March 11th by Mr. R. E. Ganey, of Montreal. The Royal Commission, we are convinced will satisfy the public that, if Mr. Ganey presents his charges before them, "everything essential to the fullest judgment will be sifted without fear or favor."

The usage that it is in ill-will that blows nobody good is illustrated in the case of the liquor license holders. The present crisis has given them a respite from the further restrictions which were certain to come, for another year at least. To-morrow is the last day for making applications for licenses, and the custom is to grant them yearly on May 1st. It will be quite impossible to take up the promised legislation before the latter date, and therefore, the liquor men find cause for rejoicing.—Toronto News.

The committee appointed last fall by President Hartnett to investigate the anti-trust and strike laws handed out its decisions. The men receive a ten per cent. increase in wages practically all round, and with every increase of ten per cent. in the price of coal, there will be an increase of one per cent. in wages. The hours of engineers and other classes of workers are reduced, and a board of conciliation is to be formed for the settlement of future disputes. The Union is not recognized, but the awards generally are in favor of the miners and are taken as a vindication of their position during the strike. President John Mitchell of the United Mine Workers has declared his satisfaction with the findings of the commission.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION.**

Miss Kate Kennedy Engaged as a Substitute in the Midsummers.

**RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE.**

The Board of Trustees of Action Public School met Monday evening in regular session.

Members present: W. H. Kennedy, Chairman; Dr. S. A. McKeague, W. H. Donny, Rev. H. A. Macpherson and R. H. Johnston.

Application was made by letter by Miss Kate Kennedy for the position of substitute in Miss Allin's department until the summer holidays.

The Committee on Finance presented their annual report and recommended payment of same.

Wm. Eddington Miller, for High School Dept., \$2.70

King Church, 355 sq. ft. of walk..... 7.00

Action Free Press, printing, stationery and postage..... 10.25

10.68

The report was adopted.

The Committee reported to the Board in the matter of the engagement of a substitute for the primary department on Easter until the midsummer vacation, and recommended that Miss Kate Kennedy be engaged at the salary of \$70 a month.

Moved by W. H. Donny, seconded by Dr. McKeague that the engagement of the special committee to substitute teacher be adopted.—Carried.

Moved by H. A. Macpherson, seconded by W. H. Donny, and resolved, that whereas this Board having learned with profound regret of the death of the partner in life of Mr. Grindell, one of our most esteemed members, we, in regular session assembled, hereby unite in expressing to Mr. Grindell and his family our individual and united sympathy in the loss of a loving wife and an affectionate mother, and we pray at this hour of bereavement, that they may find how exceeding precious are the promises of God, and that the sorrow they may be to find in the assurance of her who is gone.—Carried.

Board adjourned at 6.15 p.m.

**TRIPLETS MARY.**  
HALIFAX, N.S., March 21.—A unique wedding took place here recently. John, James and Andrew Andrews, brothers, were married to Agnes, Elsie and Clara Maxwell, respectively, daughters of Hiram Maxwell of this place.

All six young people were born on the same day. They will live here.

**Tourist Calls to California.**  
A double-birth of a tourist sleeper Chicago to San Francisco, costs only \$2. The service via the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul and Union Pacific line is comfortable and safe.

Through tourist sleeper to San Francisco leaves Chicago at 10:25 p.m. daily.

Tourist car folder on request.  
A. J. Taylor, Canadian Freight and Passenger Agent, 8 King Street East, Toronto, Ont.

There is no road to success but through a clear, strong purpose. A purpose underlaid character, culture, position, attainment of whatever sort.—T. T. Munger.

**THE LEGISLATURE ADJOURNED.**  
A Royal Commission Will Investigate the Gamey Charges During the Next Three Weeks.

**THE DIVISION SHOWED THE GOVERNMENT MAJORITY TO BE FIVE.**

TORONTO, April 1.—After debating for nearly three weeks the question of how the Gamey charges should be investigated, the Ontario Legislature divided on the question last Friday night, and the division was on straight party lines. Not a vote had been influenced by the noisy torrent of talk. The Premier's motion to submit the charges to a royal commission was adopted, the government's motion being that in a full house, the vote being fifty-fourty-four, Mr. Gamey and Mr. Hartnett both voted.

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The two days' debate was a battle of the two sides. The Premier's speech was short and simple, and covered the whole situation. His speech was deliberate, argumentative and logical. He covered some of the ground previously exploited, and referred to the unsatisfactory history of some of the hollow cries of the Opposition.

Mr. Whitney spoke for two hours, reviewing some of the Premier's arguments and emphasizing the points previously brought out.

There were three divisions. Mr. Fox's amendment for a reference to the Committee on Privileges and Elections was first disposed of. Mr. Carnegie moved a motion of adjournment which was carried without any change.

Mr. Whitney wanted to consider the outcome bill and the question of adjournment, and promised to conclude on Monday if the members were there to vote.

The remaining business which the Legislature had to dispose of before adjourning to allow the Royal Commission to sit was concluded yesterday afternoon, and the members separated until April 22nd.

Mr. Henry Carscallen presented his amendment to the evidence bill, providing that the commission should make no finding, and argued that the instructions were ultra vires. The Attorney-General, in reply, taunted the Opposition with being afraid of a referendum, which was being held on the same day. The amendment was voted down by 41 to 40. Several minor amendments were declared lost on the same division, and the bill was carried, and subsequently assented to by Chief Justice Mass as adjourned.

The supply bill of \$145,000 for April was not opposed by Mr. Whitney by word, but Col. Matheson moved a want of confidence motion, censuring the Government for not holding the North Renfrew election. This was lost on the same division. A vote was taken on the motion to adjourn for three weeks, with a result similar to the first. The adjournment is in point of fact welcomed by many of the members, particularly by those from the rural sections. Premier Ross intimated that the commissioners would probably organize before the end of the week.

**CURRENT LITERATURE.**  
New Books and Magazines Commanding the Attention of the Reading Public.

The Wesley bicentenary received prominent treatment in a brilliant article by Dean Farrar in the April Methodist Magazine; carefully studied by the Editor on "The Beginnings of Methodism," also a strongly-written story of the days of Wesley, by Miss M. E. Braund. The strong Canadian of this oldest Canadian magazine is shown in an unillustrated article on "Montreal, Past and Present." "The Tragedy of Martinique" and "The Bermuda Islands" are also copiously illustrated. A fine study of Shelly's "Life of Service," by Miss E. E. Sprague, a sketch of Senator Cox, and Frank Bullard's serial will all be read with interest. Quite an Easter flavour is given the number by pictures and poems. Toronto: William Briggs, Montreal: C. V. Coates, Halifax: P. Housat. \$2.00 a year; \$1.00 for six months.

No recent volume issued has so fully appealed to the hearts of the people as "Mrs. Wig's of the Cabbage Patch." The author, Helen Rice, has delighted the reading public by writing a second volume entitled "Lovey, Mary" in which the scenes are again laid in the Cabbage Patch, and many of the familiar characters of "Mrs. Wig" are interwoven into the delightful tale. The common sense philosophy of Mrs. Wig, as expressed in her quaint sayings, has brought joy to the hearts of thousands. She is a gay challenger to every pessimist, a general banisher of blues, and a rebuke to grumbler. The new book, "Lovey, Mary," is in all respects the equal of its predecessor, and every reader of "Mrs. Wig's of the Cabbage Patch" will want it. It has eighteen full-page pictures. Cloth, \$1.00. William Briggs.

The tinted pictures and coloured cover of the Easter Canadian Magazine are attractive and indicate the rapid development of colour printing.

To issue a good magazine in this country was not long ago considered an impossibility, on account of the limited extent of our population. The Canadian Magazine has proved the correctness of this impression, and is now showing that Canadian engravers and printers are keeping pace with the world's progress.

**HOCKWOOD.**  
Mr. Wm. Ramsay, of Brantford town ship, had decided to retire from farm life and had rented his farm near Elgin Mills. Next week he leaves for New York, U.S., where he will in future reside.

Mr. Ramsay is a native of Brantford. He was a worthy citizen and his departure means a great loss to the township of which he was one of the oldest residents.

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**THE REV. DR. SCOTT, OF JAPAN**  
Delivered Interesting Missionary Address in the Methodist Church Last Sunday.

**LIBERAL LIBERTY OFFERED.**

This congregation of the Methodist Church, which I served last Sunday in having Rev. John Scott, D. D., Superintendent of Missions in Japan, as the preacher at the missionary anniversary. The congregation esteemed him a special privilege to listen to the interesting facts and thrilling truths presented by this godly and eloquent ploughman. Large congregations greeted him at the morning and evening services and also at the Sunday School in the afternoon.

After the pastor, Rev. A. E. Smith, D. D., had referred to the missionary work of the church; he introduced Dr. Scott. His topic was "What is the Kingdom of God?" He was well known to all of us, and he gave an interesting and detailed vivid word picture of Japan under the sway of Shintoism, Buddhism and the religion of Confucius; the cruel treatment meted out to the Roman Catholic Christians 220 years ago; the various forms of opposition to Christ and Christianity to-day and the great value to missionary evangelization of the new constitution of the empire, which grants the right of the belief and practice of Christianity. And the pride of the preachers to be known as Christians, given by Dr. Scott when he stated that Bishop H. H. Jones had 107,000 temples and 105,000 shrines and 11,753 temples and shrines in the flowing kingdom. But the gross immorality of Buddhism and the fact that Shintoism has no bibles, no sacred books, no code of ethics are elements which will surely tend to their downfall and which will be overcome by the power of Christ and his evangelism.

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The shock caused heart trouble and the doctors at the hospital recommended to him to remain in bed and not to go about.

He was taken ill with kidney trouble, and he was referred to Dr. Roe, who was not aware of the condition. McVeigh was in, gave the signal, and the train moved forward, causing the accident.

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