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The annual District meeting of the Mount Forest district was held in the Methodist Church, Mount Forest, Thursday and Friday the 18th and 19th inst. All the ministers of the district were present and all the circuits were represented by laymen except Durham and Grand Valley.

Rev. Thos. Colling, B. A., of Durham, Chairman of the District, presided. Rev. W. R. Archer, B. A., of Cedarville, was elected as journal secretary. Rev. W. D. Masson, of Varney, Statistical Secretary. The reports of the Circuits showed...

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very encouraging progress for the year. The following laymen were elected to attend the Annual Conference at Hamilton, beginning June 1st. G. R. Gilroy, Mt. Forest; J. Skerritt, Arthur; W. G. Varcoe, Grand Valley; P. F. Thair, Holstein; A. Leversage, Cedarville; R. J. Matthews, Durham; J. A. Dixon, Draw Station; Herbert Doyle, Colbeck; Hollis Turner, Damascus. Rev. Wray R. Smith, of Arthur, was elected Stationing Committee.

A very strong and unanimous resolution against any interference by the Federal Government with the rights of the new Provinces about to be formed was passed, and the Secretary was ordered to send a copy to Thos. Martin, M. P., H. H. Miller, M. P., and Dr. Barr, M. P., whose constituencies embrace part of this district.—Confederate.

Spring Bank. Mr. Editor.—As the busy rush and push of spring work is over, I once more take time to draw a good long breath and to send you a few items. Although news is like hens teeth scarce or hard to find. Now that leap year is past we wonder some of our young men do not take a leap into the front ranks of the benedicts in order that we might have something to write about. Mr. Geo. Myers sold a driver for a good figure lately. Some of our farmers complained of too much rain but never the less the grass is and everything is having a flourishing appearance. A. Watson of Holstein spent Sunday at home and of course was accompanied by a lady friend. A trick quite customary for A. to be at. Mr. Thomas Harrison of Glenmont is engaged with Mr. Samuel Lawrence for a term. Miss Kate Whitmore of town spent Sunday at home. Master Goldwin Lawrence son of Mr. John Lawrence Jr. has been under the Drs. care lately. We hope to see him speedily restored to his usual health and vigor. The Union S. S. in Lawrence's Hall has been reopened for the summer months, with Mr. Alex Firth of Business, again at his post acting as superintendent. Too much credit cannot be given Mr. Firth who for the past number of years has shown great energy and zeal in bringing forward and advancing the youth of neighborhood into purity and usefulness. G. A. Watson is again making his rounds collecting cream for the Holstein Creamery.

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WORSE THAN RUSSIA.

A Friend of Tolstoi Testifies That This is So of England—A Victim of Tyranny.

"It is not a whit better in England," declared Count Tolstoi, comparing in a recent interview the conditions of life in Russia with those in this country. "Why," exclaimed the famous novelist-philosopher, "my friend Tchertkoff, who lives outside the Town of Christchurch, is compelled to pay a tax for the maintenance of a band which plays inside the town, and which he himself would much rather never hear at all." The Russian victim of British bureaucracy thus referred to is M. Vladimir Tchertkoff, who seven years ago was banished from the liberty-rejoicing country of the Czar, and now resides in a handsome house, surrounded by picturesque grounds near the quiet and pretty Town of Christchurch. Unfortunately, the band towards the upkeep of which M. Tchertkoff has to contribute compulsorily, performs at Bournemouth—a pleasant walk of about five miles from the Russian's house. When visited by a representative of The Daily Mail, M. Tchertkoff did not manifest excessive resentment against this tyrannical treatment of English-governing authorities. Time, indeed, has begotten a cheerful resignation to his fate; and the collector of the band rate no longer calls in vain.

M. Tchertkoff has suffered perhaps even greater hardships than this at the hands of the bureaucrats of his own country. When the Doukhobors, a Russian sect, originally numbering 12,000, refused to serve in the army because their religion forbade the shedding of blood, their lands were confiscated, their homes destroyed, and the people themselves scattered in starving groups throughout the barren plains of the country. Hundreds died of hunger. M. Tchertkoff, who was then an officer in the Imperial Guards, interested himself on behalf of these ill-treated peasants. He took a prominent part in bringing about the emigration of 7,000 Doukhobors to Canada.

In this and other ways, M. Tchertkoff made himself disagreeable to Russian bureaucracy, and he was banished. Nor when he believed Leo Tolstoi was on the point of death would they allow him to visit his friend. M. Tchertkoff has done as much to make the great Russian novelist understood and appreciated in this country; it is but a small return for these services that Count Tolstoi should take an opportunity to point out how a strange country is treating his exiled friend by making him pay for a band he cannot hear.

In more important respects it would appear that the much vaunted freedom of England is not the real thing that a misguided people has imagined it to be for some centuries. Such a pronouncement from a victim of Russian oppression will no doubt be adjudged distinctly exhilarating. "And yet," observed M. Tchertkoff, "I do not find in general that the state of England is very much better than the state of Russia. There is the same combination of oppressors and exploiters on the one hand, and the oppressed and exploited on the other. The laws in this country, as in Russia, protect the wealth of one man while allowing another to die of hunger.

"Indeed, I believe there is a disadvantage in a Government like that of England in comparison with a state of crude autocracy, such as exists in Russia. Whereas in Russia the evils produced by the Government are self-opposed, and the Government are opposed by people enlightened in the least degree, in England, on the contrary, while the Government supports and encourages the same evils, they are not so obvious, and consequently not combated by the people. There is a kind of a show of justice.

"In Russia the evil is wrought with bare hands; in England, with kid gloves. Therefore, there is less hope of the evil being recognized and dealt with." M. Tchertkoff instanced the unemployed and slum life as examples of these evils. Another was the exploitation of our colonies and dependencies by British commerce. "Thousands of natives in India hunger," he declared, "because the food they produce is exported to the United Kingdom."

"One great illusion," added the Russian exile, "is that England is self-governed. This is not the case at all. Members of the House of Commons are not the representatives of the people, but of the moneyed classes. The voting of workpeople is influenced by their employers. A man cannot venture to become a Parliamentary candidate unless he is prepared to spend several thousands of pounds on his election.

"The favorable impression at first made upon a Russian who comes to reside in England is not maintained when the foundations of things are examined." In matters of detail, so it would appear from M. Tchertkoff, "more liberty of action and choice is afforded in Russia than in England. For instance, English people are afraid to shock their neighbors by manifesting any of the originality in dress, and I find doctors who are atheists attending places of worship in order to keep their practice."

"In fashionable circles in St. Petersburg, the interests, especially of the women, take a more serious form than their prototypes in the west end of London. I would affirm, in fact, that women in Russian high society are more cultured than women of like position in England. For example, these intelligent, fashionable ladies in St. Petersburg do not, and could not read the 'trashy' superficial literature devalued in the drawing-rooms of London."

As a parting shot, M. Tchertkoff declared that 'freedom' in the English fashionable world is a mere matter of etiquette.

Dover's Chalk Cliffs. The white chalk cliffs of Dover, renowned in poetry and history, are said to be slipping slowly into the sea that for many thousands of years has dashed at their base. A portion of the cliffs fell some time ago, and recently a further portion at St. Margaret's Bay, Dover, has given indications that it is also slipping seaward. Cracks in the land have opened, and some portions of the cliffs have already fallen into the sea, where they form at low water a long causeway seaward. It has been suggested that the blasting operations at the Admiralty Harbor, Dover, may have loosened the outer portions of the cliffs.

THE PRODIGAL.

A prodigal, he said, "I will arise and seek my people ere they end their days." But when he came unto his native place, With heart that feared that all would recognize The wayward son, he found it otherwise, And none did mark him with a conscious gaze.

The tropic sun had swarthened the once fair face, And time had mapped its walls around his eyes. And then the fear that all would know him grew To fear that none might know him, and he sought His home with faltering steps and found there one Whose eyes had lost the brightness of their hue.

In weeping for him, but who straightaway caught The wanderer to her heart and cried, "My son!"

"SONG OF THE ROAD."

How Engine Drivers Find Their Bearings in Fog. During a deputation to the President of the British Board of Trade, statements were made attributing recent railway accidents to engine drivers having "lost their way" in the fog.

The theory is tenable, as all drivers and guards who have learned "the song of the road" will admit. "When I was a guard," said Mr. Richard Bell, M. P., "I could sit in my van with my eyes shut and tell where the train was at any moment. Working one section continuously, one gets to learn the rhythmic song of the road and how it varies at each signal-box, station, curve, gradient, tunnel and bridge."

The sixth sense, which is more than mere hearing, is of the utmost value to a driver during fog. Denied the use of his eyes, he still does a familiar road. But, and here is one of the grievances of railway men which Mr. Gerald Balfour was asked to remove, when a driver is not allowed to "learn the road" properly. He is put on to stoke for a few days with a driver who knows the road.

"We contend that a driver cannot learn a new road when he is stoking, which should occupy all his time," said Mr. Bell. "He should always be allowed to travel as third man on, and in footplate, unfettered by work, and in two or three days, by keeping his eyes and ears open, he would learn the road."

Old Age Pensions in Australia. Advocates of old age pensions will be interested in a return which has been published by the Treasurer of the State of Victoria showing the experience of his Government of the system of pensions inaugurated in 1901.

In 1901 the maximum rate of pension was fixed at 10s a week, which was granted to everybody who could make good claim to it. After twelve months' experience the rate was fixed at 8s a week, and the children of pensioners were compelled, if at all able, to contribute towards the pension granted. Reviewing the Victorian Government finds that, whereas, in 1901, it had to pay 16,275 pensions, on June 30, 1904, when administration was restricted, and the rate generally reduced, only 11,609 people were entitled to pensions. The average rate of pension, with the maximum at 10s a week, worked out at 7s 5½d per pensioner. The present average rate with the 8s maximum is 6s 8d per pensioner.

Some idea of the closeness with which the financial standing of pensioners' relatives is examined will be gathered from the fact that whereas only £19 2s was recovered from relatives within the first three months in the financial year, ending June, 1904, no less than £3,485 was so recovered. The Victorian Government now pays away to pensioners about £2,000,000 a year, at an administrative cost to the state of only £17,000.

An Unwilling Chesterfield. It was a crowded tram car. Amongst those who could not find seats was a young lady. Close to where she stood an old man was sitting. He struggled as if to rise. The young woman cast a glance of scorn at one or two men hiding behind newspapers. "Please don't get up," she said to the old man. "I beg you won't." The conductor rang the bell and the car went on. The old man's features worked convulsively, and he mopped his face with his handkerchief. At the next stopping place he again tried to rise and again the young woman tried to stop him. "I would much rather stand," she said, continuing to block his way. "I don't care whether you would, or not," said the old man, crimson with fury. "I want to get out. You've made me come half a mile too far already. Here, you, stop the car." But it was too late, the bell had already rung, and he had to wait until the next stopping place was reached.—The London Tatler.

A Royal Romance. The London Daily Express' Paris correspondent says: The Liberté, which is in touch with the political friends of Prince Napoleon, asserts to-night that, notwithstanding the denial issued by the Belgian court, there is a formal engagement between Prince Napoleon and the Princess Clementine, thought it is not yet officially recognized at the court. King Leopold alone is hostile to the match, because he fears to offend the French Government, but both the Princess and the Prince are determined to get married in spite of all obstacles. In accordance with the Belgian law, where a parent refuses his consent, three respectfully worded notices will be sent to King Leopold at intervals of three weeks. After this delay the couple can get legally married, even if the King still withholds his consent.

Shares Record With Pitt. An interesting incident of a recent sitting of the House of Commons was the promising maiden speech of Viscount Turnour, who is not yet 21 years of age. He was warmly congratulated by many members, including Sir Edward Grey, who complimented him on sharing the record with the boy Premier, William Pitt.

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