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PROF. S. W. DYDE BEFORE KINGSTON PRESBYTERY.

Encouraging Report Received on Work Among Young People's Societies—Excellent Work in the Sabbath Schools.

At the evening session of the presbytery the usual questions for licensure were put to Prof. S. W. Dyde and he was duly licensed to preach the gospel and give the right hand of fellowship by the presbytery.

The report of the committee on Sabbath schools, which was presented by Rev. A. H. Drumm, Belleville, in reference to the excellent work which E. R. McLean had done, in visiting schools last summer. There are now eighty-seven schools.

Rev. J. E. Smith presented the report on Y. P. Societies. This was a most encouraging one, showing progress all along the line. There are now 366 more members than there were a year ago, and the contributions are larger by \$515.

W. Moore, Mainfield, reported for the Presbyterian union, which is composed of all the Sabbath schools and Young People's societies in the presbytery.

A committee, consisting of Messrs. Binnie, MacFavish, Boyd, McIntosh and D. A. Shaw were appointed to confer with Mr. Moore as to what the union would next undertake. This committee met after the meeting of presbytery closed and decided to hold a convention in Napanee on Good Friday.

Prof. R. Laird gave a most encouraging report on systematic beneficence. The duplex envelope is being generally introduced, and the result is that contributions to missions have considerably increased.

Napanee was fixed upon as the next place of meeting and the meeting will be held on the last Tuesday in June at 11 o'clock.

Dr. MacFavish gave notice that he would move or cause to be moved that a meeting of presbytery be held in December, as was the case last year.

Mr. Gracie, in presenting his report on augmentation of stipends, showed that the seven augmented charges were not paying the minimum stipend—\$850 per annum. Three self-sustaining congregations, which up till last year were paying only \$750, had each increased their minister's salary by \$100.

The resolution was passed by a unanimous vote, all the members being of the opinion that it should be carried out.

In view of the scarcity of candidates

ABOLITION OF BAR

ASKED FOR BY PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

Resolutions Passed by Kingston Presbytery—Children Should be Forbidden to Take Part in Picture Shows.

"Inasmuch as the electors, seven years ago, in a plebiscite, declared themselves in favor of provincial prohibition, by a majority of over \$1,000 and inasmuch as a few years later they, in a referendum, again declared themselves in the same way by a majority of 96,900, and inasmuch as there is now a majority of over 50,000, as expressed in local option contests against the bar room, this presbytery believes the time has come for the abolition of the bar by provincial legislation.

The presbytery having learned with pleasure that there is a petition now before the city council, of Kingston praying that pool rooms be closed at an o'clock in the evening, that boys under eighteen years of age be not allowed to loiter in these resorts, and that gambling be suppressed, he believes that the council will pass the system petitioned for, so that the youth of the city may be saved, in one measure from the demoralizing influence of the pool rooms.

"The presbytery, believing that the Lord's Day Alliance is accomplishing such in the way of securing a weekly rest day, for the toilers, commendable as an alliance to the churches, as an organization worthy of cordial support.

"The presbytery believes that children under fourteen years of age, should not be permitted to take part in performances connected with moving picture shows, and that they should not be permitted to enter unless accompanied by parents or guardians.

The foregoing recommendations of the committee on moral and social reform were adopted at the Wednesday evening session of the presbytery, the recommendations being brought forward by the convener of the committee, Rev. Dr. MacFavish.

Speaking for the abolition of the bar, Dr. MacFavish said that if this were carried, it would do away with the drinking over the bar, and the retail trade. He strongly advised the abolition of the bar.

Rev. Henry Gracie seconded the recommendation. The treating system he said was a curse to the rising generation. The bar must be abolished. The great danger was in the drinking over the bar, with the treating system. It was very hard to secure a bare-fifth majority.

Prof. Jordan did not believe it would be wise to force prohibition. He looked upon local option as the best instrument for bringing the desired change.

Rev. J. D. Boyd was of the opinion that local option should be allowed to be worked out. He agreed that the bar trade was doing a great evil, but it was a question as to which policy would be best to pursue. He believed local option was pressed in Kingston, it would be carried.

Speaking on the recommendation re children in the picture shows, Dr. MacFavish pointed out that the legislation of Quebec was acting on the matter. He believed it was time for the province of Ontario to move in the matter.

CELEBRATE ON JUNE 3. London, March 8.—It is the wish of his majesty the king that his birthday should be officially celebrated in his dominions beyond the seas on the actual date of the anniversary, viz., 3rd June.

BORDEN'S DESIRE

HE WANTS THE MATTER TO BE LAID ASIDE

Until the United States Has Ratified the Agreement—There Will be Quite a Few Amendments Offered.

Ottawa, March 8.—This afternoon the reciprocity debate in the commons will take a new form when Leader Borden will probably move that the resolution be deferred until after the United States has ratified the agreement. It is thought Mr. Fielding will answer this with the assertion that the Canadian government is bound to carry out its part of the agreement as matter what action is taken at Washington. The vote on this may be reached to-night but even if voted down there will be other resolutions of like import presented by the opposition who have evidently determined to fight the bill by all methods known in parliamentary usage. It would not be surprising if, next week saw the session lasting till one side or another gets out.

FACTS ON RECIPROCITY.

A Wolfe Island Conservative Favors the Agreement.

Wolfe Island, March 8.—(To the Editor): In reading the debate at Ottawa, along the lines of reciprocity, it seems to me that there is some unnecessary delay with regard to our member, Dr. Edwards, giving his views on the floor of the house when he has the ability to do so, he knowing that prosperity to farmers means prosperity in this great dominion as well. Then why does he hesitate to open up a free market for our farm products to 100,000,000 people, a few miles from our doors. This ought not to be a matter of politics by any means in my opinion. A member is justified in looking after the interests of the country he represents. I am a life-long conservative, just as good as Dr. Edwards or any member of the party, but, knowing the amount of money the American farmer receives for the produce of his farm over the Province farmer, it leads me to believe that our member should not hesitate to encourage this agreement between two great countries, situated side by side, and as the farmers of Canada are seventy-five per cent of the voters, they surely ought to have a say in the parliament at Ottawa—WOLFE ISLANDER.

Issue a Challenge.

Ottawa, March 8.—The young men of St. Anne's division, Montreal, all ardent sportsmen, feel hot over the reciprocity question, and, to-day, sent this challenge to Sir Wilfrid Laurier: "Resign your seat in the house. Let any of your ministers do the same thing, or any of your docile followers do it away across St. Anne's division, in Canada's commercial metropolis, and you will find that the wolves can bite as well as make a noise. Don't betray your country."

For Benefit of Employees.

Rochester, N.Y., March 8.—In celebration of his seventy-ninth birthday, Simon Adler, a retired member of the clothing firm of I. Adler, Bros. & Co., has given \$30,000 into the hands of directors of the company, who are to evolve a plan for a mutual benefit association among the employees of the company.

Col. Hemming reports that Thomas Manley has been awarded the contract for new rifle ranges at Belleville.

MEETING OF THE W.C.T.U.

Early Closing of Stores—Benefit of Woman Suffrage.

A cloudless sky, and just cold enough to make a brisk walk exhilarating with a bright room, made comfortable with a glowing coal fire in the open grate, ought to have been attraction sufficient to have drawn a larger crowd to the pleasant parlors of the Y.W.C.A., Tuesday afternoon, for the March meeting of the W.C.T.U. The attendance was fair and an interesting programme was carried out.

The president, Mrs. McCallum, was again in her place, after her brief illness. After the opening hymn, and prayer, by Mrs. Jas. Gardner, Mrs. McCallum gave an impressive exhortation on Isaiah LV. The comfort bags had been finished and sent to their destination, the solution, re pool rooms forwarded to city council, and several matters referring to union work discussed.

Members have understood that it was expected that early closing of stores Saturday night, ought to be encouraged by them. To do this they are required not to do any shopping after six o'clock Saturday evening for goods that have to be delivered. Those present were observing the rule. All thought that the stores should be closed by ten o'clock at the latest.

The White Ribbon social, held last Tuesday, was reported a success, there being fully ninety in attendance, and

STARTLING STATEMENT.

Winnipeg, March 8.—The Grain Growers' Guide, the official organ of the farmers of the west, is out to-day with a startling proclamation that a deepest suspicion has existed that a deliberate effort is being made by grain dealers in Winnipeg, St. Paul and Chicago to knock down the price of grain, thereby discrediting the reciprocity agreement, and urging all farmers to hold their grain till after seeding.

the financial returns were such as to give encouragement to the treasurer.

The denigration of women's societies, who presented their petitions, re woman suffrage to Premier Whitney, was briefly discussed. The president told of what some women had helped to do, who had recently gained the franchise. Quoting from the Congregationalist and Christian World: "The recall of Mayor Gill was a victory for the force of righteousness. For a year he had advocated a policy which offended the sense of public decency. Opposition in his policy early manifested itself. In his absence from the city, Acting Mayor Wardall called the attention of the city to the conditions. A few energetic citizens quietly started a movement for a recall. It was necessary to get the signature of 8,000 citizens on a petition, besides a candidate to oppose him. They made a wise selection in G. W. Billing, an upright, square business man against whose record the opposition has been able to find nothing. Seattle was stirred on election day, Feb. 7th, as never before. Automobiles were rushing up and down hills filled with women voters. Husbands and wives by the hundreds were seen walking to the polls together. The churches played an important part in the victory. The pulpits rang with appeals to make Seattle clean. Seattle woke up next morning with her moral backbone strengthened."

The last mother's meeting of the season will be held Thursday of next week at the usual time and place.—COM.

KILLED NEAR TAMWORTH.

Duncan Robb Died in Toronto of Typhoid Fever.

Tamworth, March 7.—Duncan Robb, formerly of Tamworth, left here about four years ago and went to live near Wellington. He took sick with typhoid fever and was taken to Toronto hospital, where he died, this morning.

A man by the name of Hains was killed at Horseshoe, north of Tamworth, to-day, while trying to put on a belt at a portable saw mill.

Miss Miller, of Winton, has come to take charge of the millinery department for Miss Carran.

A public meeting was called by the ratepayers of the township of Sheffield in the village hall on Thursday last to discuss the question of building a high school. Rev. Mr. Jones, W. J. Paul, M.P.P., A. B. Carscallan and others spoke. A vote was taken and carried by a large majority in favor of a continuation class.

FATHER TOOK HIS LIFE.

Because His Two Daughters Adopted Harem Skirt.

Rome, March 8.—The harem skirt is directly responsible for the death of one of the prominent men of this city. The victim was Maj. Rossi, a high municipal functionary, who committed suicide. His friends announce that he ended his life because he was filled with shame and disgust when his two daughters, aged twenty-three and nineteen, respectively, adopted the trousers skirt as a part of their every-day costume.

BOIL WATER TO-MORROW.

The Waterworks Intake Pipe to be Disconnected.

The water works committee and the board of health have issued a notice to the people to boil their drinking water to-morrow, for the intake pipe is to be disconnected, in preparation for the new piece to replace the old leaky portion inshore. For a while inshore water will be pumped, so the householders should take this warning and not drink anything but boiled water for the next two days.

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