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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY VOTES FOR CHURCH UNION

The Final Vote Was 426 to 129—A Secret Ballot Was Refused.

How Ontario Presbyteries Voted—Friction Over Likely Split in Church May Be Reduced to Minimum.

Port Arthur, June 12.—The Presbyterian General Assembly definitely settled the church union question last evening when the closure was applied and the debate, which opened last Thursday afternoon, ended with large majority in favor of organic amalgamation with the Methodist and Congregational churches. The struggle to reach the platform was exceedingly keen all through the day, and there were many undelivered speeches when the vote arrived. Two votes were taken and the difference in the results were not as great as was expected. On both votes the assembly divided on the straight issue of union. The first was taken on an amendment involving delay in negotiations proposed by Rev. Dr. Drummond, Hamilton. This met defeat by 415 to 137. The second vote on the main motion to adopt the report of the union committee was carried by a vote of 426 to 129.

Barrie, 5 to 6. North Bay, 4 to 0. Owen Sound, 7 to 0. Saugeen, 6 to 0. Guelph, 9 to 1. Hamilton, 7 to 11. Paris, 8 to 0. London, 10 to 3. Chatham, 6 to 2. Sarnia, 4 to 2. Stratford, 5 to 2. Huron, 5 to 0. Maitland, 6 to 1. Bruce, 3 to 3. Timiskaming 4 to 0. Algoma, 4 to 0. Sudbury, 3 to 0.

Move Claimed Illegal Immediately following the vote those opposed to organic union issued a statement which intimated that eminent counsel were of opinion that the vote of the assembly which transferred the ministers, members, property and trust funds of the Presbyterian church into a new organization was beyond its powers, unconstitutional and illegal. Continuing, the statement said: "In any event, the Presbyterian church is to continue in Canada. We count on all who value civil and religious freedom to stand fast in this hour of crisis. We heartily assure all who may be called on to make personal sacrifice for our church at home, and abroad, of our organized comradeship, encouragement and practical help. We send forth this declaration in solemn dependence on the gracious favor of Almighty God." The statement was signed by D. J. Fraser, chairman, and J. W. McNamara, secretary.

Two incidents marked the closing of the debate. Dr. Scott, Montreal, made a hard fight to have the vote taken by ballot. Rev. Dr. Gandier said that the vote might be taken by secret ballot by unanimous consent, otherwise the ordinary rule of the church must be observed, which provided that the votes were taken by a show of hands unless a demand was made for the calling of the roll. Reply to calling of the roll would have to be made by word of mouth. Dr. Scott asked that the roll be called and that reply be made by depositing a ballot. This the moderator refused, and on an appeal from his ruling the chair was sustained. At another time, Judge McKay, Port Arthur, made a hard fight to get before the assembly an amendment to the main motion and to secure the opportunity to make a speech. The moderator ruled that he was out of order, but Judge McKay persisted and finally obtained permission to read his amendment. When this was rejected, he moved that the main motion be laid on the table. Defeat met this move again, and the vote on union was taken.

How Ontario Voted The Presbyterian of Ontario voted as follows: Glenora-Ottawa 9 to 2. Lennox and Renfrew, 7 to 1. Brockville, 5 to 2. Kingston, 11 to 2. Peterboro, 7 to 0. Lindsay, 6 to 1. Whitby, 2 to 1. Toronto, 22 to 12. Orangeville, 4 to 2.

THE COST OF LIVING

What were you paying Madam for HARD WOOD?

Ottawa says these were the average prices early in April:

Table with 2 columns: Per Cord \$10., \$20. and list of cities including Halifax, Charlotte, St. John, Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, Brockville, Kingston, Belleville, Peterboro, Orillia, Toronto, S. Catharines, Hamilton, Brantford, Galt, Guelph, Kitchener, Woodstock, Stratford, London, St. Thomas, Chatham, Windsor, Cobalt, F. William, Winnipeg, Regina, Edmonton, Calgary, Vancouver.

How do prices in your locality compare with other cities? Are you paying more or less than average? These prices are for average good quality "delivered" goods. Watch for the changes in this chart next month.

Tomorrow:—Rent of 6 Rooms

the world, have renounced their identity and their name that they might find themselves anew in a larger life. Laying aside all estimate of the merits of opposing principles and claims, the fact remains sublime in spectacle even to those who held aloof from it, that by a vote of 426 to 129, a church that glories in its noble history, its state lines of worship, its range of scholarship, its wealth of martyr lore, did lay it all aside, so far as titular preservation is concerned, to achieve a wider fellowship, to do a vaster work, to indulge a broader vision, and in effect if not in word, as the tedious balloting went on, did set its trembling lips to sing, "All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His Blood."

Emerges More Majestic. The Presbyterian church, in both the sections which now rest temporarily from battle, has emerged from the great struggle more majestic than before. In intellect, spirituality, generosity dignity she stands before men clothed with a fuller grandeur than ever in the days of yore. And the atmosphere that marked the scattering throngs after the great fight was ended, the restraint and courtesy and control visible as foes and friends met and mingled, the dignity amid the grief and the smile even through the tears, all seemed to promise that in coming days both sides alike will seek to extinguish animosity, to learn the will of God and try to do it to themselves, "With malice toward none, with charity for all and with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right" in the great days that lie before.

Germans Offer Reward. Berlin, Germany, June 12.—German authorities of Dortmund have offered a reward of five million marks for the identification of those responsible for the killing of two French officers.

HUSBAND FORCED TO GIVE BLOOD TO HIS WIFE

Transfusion Saves Life of Chicago Woman After He Slashes Her Throat.

Chicago, June 11.—Retributive justice swiftly overtook Theodore Marfy yesterday morning, when he was forced to contribute a pint of blood in transfusion, to save the life of his wife, whose throat he had attempted to cut, when she turned over her week's wages to her son for safe keeping. Marfy is 55 and his wife is forty. Marfy did not work and his wife had to go out and earn the living for the family, combining her earnings with those of her son. After she had given the son her wages, Marfy leaped upon her and slashed her terribly with a razor and then fled. The woman was rushed to a hospital, where surgeons said the only hope of saving her life was the transfusion of blood to make up the large quantity she had lost. About this time the police dragged in Marfy. "This man will furnish the blood," they announced as they began stripping him. "Have you his consent?" asked the surgeons. "Consent hell! He's responsible and must pay," the detectives said as they dragged him to the operating table, and held him. There were two quick incisions and a second later the blood was pouring into the veins of his wife. "She'll live," announced the surgeons, as the police took the weakened and thoroughly tamed husband to a cell.

Woman Takes Out \$2,000,000 Insurance

Chicago June 12.—Life insurance totalling close to \$2,000,000 said to be the largest ever issued to a woman in the United States, has been taken out by Mrs. Evelyn Marshall Field, wife of Marshall Field III., of Chicago.

Strikes Obstruction Off Ireland

Liverpool, June 12.—The steamer Baltic struck an obstruction, apparently a submerged wreck, two hours after leaving Queenstown, bound for New York. It is not believed that the Baltic is seriously damaged, but she is returning direct to Liverpool. The steamer has a light passenger list.

Heads Methodist Missions

St. John, N.B., June 12.—Rev. G. J. McConnell, of Windsor, N.S., has been appointed superintendent of missions of the Methodist church for the maritime provinces and Newfoundland. The position was made vacant by the death of Rev. George Steele, D.D., who had been superintendent for several years.



LATE DR. D. E. MUNDELL, One of Ontario's outstanding surgeons, who died on Monday night.

CRIES FOR PUNISHMENT FOR KILLING NURSE

Filipino Who Strangled Miss Blossom Martin, Troy, N.Y., Urges Quick Action.

New York, June 12.—Crying for execution as punishment for his deed, Elugo Lozade, Filipino houseman, was taken to West Side court yesterday for arraignment on a charge of strangling his sweetheart, Blossom Martin. Despite his plea for quick action his case was postponed until today.

Lozade, arrested at Elizabethport, Staten Island, when he attempted to cast the body, which he had bundled into a pair of portieres, into the river, was haggard and worn when taken from his cell this morning. He had paced his cell throughout the night, unable to close his ears to the jeers and curses heaped upon him by other prisoners in the same tier.

Lozade told the police he had killed Miss Martin with his bare hands. He was said to have confessed to them that he became angered because Miss Martin told him she did not think he was able to support a wife, and because he was jealous of her friendship with a married man. Miss Martin's mother, Mrs. Harvey Martin, of Troy, N. Y., arrived and claimed her daughter's body.

BROKE THE SKYLIGHT TO GET INTO PALACE

Prince of Wales Forgot His Latch Key—Escapes Arrest.

London, June 12.—How the Prince of Wales broke into St. James' Palace late one night last week after he had forgotten his latch key is told in the News of the World. He arrived at the palace early in the morning. A policeman saw him looking around for some means of getting in without waking the servants and was about to arrest the Prince when he recognized the heir to the throne.

The bobby then joined in the search for an open window. They separated in the search and in a few moments the policeman heard a crash. The prince had climbed to a low roof, smashed the skylight and dropped through into his apartments.

Bull Fights at New Orleans

New Orleans, La., June 12.—Bull fights will be held here beginning June 30th and continuing for eight engagements. The bulls will be imported from Piedras Negras, Mexico and a troupe of toreros are due from Spain. The society for the prevention of cruelty to animals will permit the fights, provided the proceeds will go to various city charities. The coliseum, used for staging boxing matches, is being converted into an arena.

Vesuvius in Eruption

Naples, June 12.—Vesuvius, which recently has given signs of renewed activity, is again in eruption now, with incandescent lava, stones, cinders and smoke being thrown up in a column which frequently reaches a height of several hundred feet. The eruption is causing violent local earthquakes.

Arrested in Toronto

Toronto, June 12.—John Clark and William S. Simmonds, Montreal, were taken into custody, one of them from the steamer Corona, the other from the Salvation Army, on charges of escaping from the St. Vincent St. Paul penitentiary. The two recently arrived in the city.

Canadian Cattle Sell Well

Montrose, Scotland, June 12.—The consignment of Canadian cattle to this port attracted an exceptional large number of buyers. An aggregate of 23,973 was realised, for 124 cattle of 82 shillings per cwt.

N.S.W. Laborites Vote "Red"

Sydney, Australia, June 12.—The New South Wales labor conference yesterday adopted on the chairman's casting vote, a policy urged by the "Red" element in the party.

AUSTRALIAN TAXATION

State and Federal Bodies to Share Levy on Incomes Melbourne, Australia, June 12.—On the re-assembling of the premier's conference, Hon. A. A. C. Cocks, representing New South Wales, announced that his state was not prepared to agree to the federal Government's scheme for the taxation of the incomes of companies, leaving the taxation of the incomes of individuals to the state governments.

Victoria, South Australia, West Australia and Queensland agreed to the federal government's proposal. Federal premier Bruce announced that his government will proceed with the scheme.

Grandmother to Receive Degree From College

State College, Pa., June 12.—A grandmother of twelve children is to be graduated from the Pennsylvania State college at the commencement exercises Tuesday. She is Mrs. Sarah Shoemaker Farley of Swarthmore, Pa., and has been certified for a bachelor of science degree in the botany course by the college senate after only three and a half years of study. She was past fifty years of age when she started studying in the two-year agricultural course while her youngest son was a student in the four-year course in horticulture. She was out of college for over a year and later became a special student, electing to specialize in the study of botany, due to her love for outdoor life.

Skin Milk Good Food, Contains Vitamin A

Berkeley, Calif., June 12.—Skin milk contains an appreciable amount of vitamin A, Dr. Agnes Fay Morgan, of the University of California, has just reported, which is contrary to the general idea current at the present time that most of this food factor is concentrated in the cream. The reports show that skin milk besides containing proteins of high quality, a sugar, and mineral constituents of importance in nutrition, also is a valuable food on account of the other food factors which it contains.

THE INCOME OF CANADA IS STEADILY GROWING

A Report Has Just Been Issued by the Bankers' Research Department.

New York, June 12.—The increased national wealth and increased national income of Canada are discussed in a new study "The Flow of Capital—Canada," by the Research Department of the Bankers Trust Company, of New York. This booklet, which has just been distributed here, says: "In 1919 the Dominion statistician computed the national wealth of Canada at sixteen billion dollars which may be compared with an estimate of eleven billion dollars made, or, at any rate adopted, by Sir Joseph C. Stamp in 1914 in a paper read before the Royal Statistical Society.

"The Dominion statistician in January, 1919, estimated the national income to have approached in 1911 two billion dollars and that the rise in wages and prices would probably have brought this to \$2,400,000,000 in 1918.

"The remarkable increase in the yield of income tax from \$9,343,000 in the year ended March 31st, 1919, to \$20,264,000 in 1919-1920 and to \$46,582,000 in 1920-1921 would appear to indicate that when a thorough study of the national income is next made it will be found that it is steadily growing.

"Savings deposits on March 31st, 1921, were \$94,677,000. They reached a maximum of \$100,356,000 on March 31st, 1917. Since then they have tended to decrease being only \$97,737,000 on March 31st, 1921, and \$91,943,000 on March 31st, 1922. The deposits in loan companies, however, were almost double on March 31st, 1921 (15,368,000) what they were on March 31st, 1914 (\$8,104,000), while the liabilities to the public of the trust companies stood at \$87,812,000 on March 31st, 1921, as against \$38,392,000 in 1914.

"If so these evidences of prosperity," concludes the Bankers Trust Company, "we add the fact that the people of Canada lodged their home government \$2,207,900,000 from 1914 to 1921, we cannot escape the conclusion that the wealth of the Canadian people has markedly increased since the beginning of the war. This increase in wealth would have come anyhow, but undoubtedly was greatly stimulated by the unusual demand for Canadian products caused by the war."

Trapped by fire on the second floor of a Long Branch garage, man jumps through plate glass window to save his life. At Winfield, Me., a student at Southwestern College was drowned when he attempted to wade across a flooded street. Poultrymen secure little reduction in express rates on eggs and eggs.

THE PENSION VOTE PASSED

House of Commons Discusses the Pension Board.

THERE ARE MORE CRITICS

Than Admirers of This Body—No High Cost of Living Enquiry.

Ottawa, June 12.—The House of Commons yesterday gave up the whole day to the very proper and serious duty of passing the pension estimates and discussing the problems of our veterans. If some Conservatives showed a disposition to make a little party capital out of the supposed frailties of the pension board, on the whole the discussion was kept at a good level and some useful information was forthcoming. Particulars were given of a number of very hard cases and there were more critics than admirers of the present pension board.

After dinner, the attendance was very thin as Mr. Robb was giving a dinner to which he had invited many members. Late in the evening, after he had given his estimates through, Dr. Boland moved resolutions preliminary to bills designed to give effect to the recommendations of the Ralston commission and after their passage got first reading for the bills based on them. The house adjourned at what is now the comparative early hour of 11 p.m.

Costs of Living.

When questions were being answered, the prime minister observed that a question put by Mr. Church about the cost of living was not of the kind that the government should be expected to answer, and the speaker upheld this view. However, later on, Mr. King answered two items of the question and told the member for North Toronto that the government neither intended to hold an inquiry into the cost of living nor to authorize the municipalities or grand juries to undertake it. Some time was spent in putting through a further installment of interim supply to which everybody was agreeable.

Mr. Baxter wanted to discuss the dismissal from office as post mistress of Matan of the daughter of a former Tory member, but at the request of the postmaster-general the matter was held over.

About Pensions.

The house then turned once more estimates and took up a vote of \$32,500,000 for the European war and militia pension, which is about \$400,000 below last year's figures. Mr. Boland stated that in the year ending March 31st pensions were paid to 43,263 disabled pensioners and to 19,794 dependents, apart from the expenditures on the treatment of disabled soldiers.

Dr. Toimie was disposed to be critical of the pensions administration and declared that there were many complaints both of the inadequacy and the inconsistency of pensions. There were cases known by him of two men suffering from the same degree of disability who did not get the same pension, and he knew of a man who had suffered in France but had done his best to keep himself without state aid. Now he had broken down and had no evidence to show that he had been under medical care overseas. He quoted further details.

The house later went into committee on a resolution amending the soldiers' insurance act amending the soldiers' establishment act and proposing changes in the pension act. All three resolutions carried, and the bills based on them got their first readings.

Fell Out of His Canoe; Peterboro Man Drowned

Peterboro, Ont., June 12. Orville Crowe, only son of Alderman Joseph Crowe, of this city, was on Sunday morning reported drowned in Lovecreek Lake, near Burleigh. It appears that Mr. Crowe fell from a canoe while crossing the lake to visit the summer cottage occupied by his brother-in-law. The body had not been recovered this evening.

Mr. Crowe was prominent in the business and social life of the city and was in charge of the export department of the Canadian Packing Company.

Ever Turned in Sewers.

Saskatoon, Sask., June 12.—Prohibition enforcement officers started dumping 160,000 bottles of real beer, valued at \$26,000 down city sewers. The task will occupy several days. The beer was seized in liquor raids during the past month.

Perth county council struck the tax rate at 4.5953 mills on the dollar, a cut on last year's rate, which was slightly under 5 1/2 mills. J. H. Taylor, veteran town clerk and magistrate of Weston, died after brief illness.

JURY FINDS NO NEGLIGENCE

On Part of Railroad or Highway Contractors.

DEATH OF JAMES WALLER

Resulted From His Trying to Cross Tracks Ahead of Speeding Train.

"We, the jury, find that James Waller came to his death by being struck by C.N.R. train No. 15 at Waterloo station, as a result of an accident, and that no blame may be attached to anyone." Such was the verdict brought in by the coroner's jury, summoned on Monday evening to investigate the death of the late Mr. Waller who was killed at the east, crossing, or Waterloo station, near Collin's Bay, about 3 o'clock on Monday afternoon.

The evidence brought out at the inquest was exceptionally clear, there being nothing to show any negligence or carelessness on the part of the railway officials, trainmen, or the contracting engineers at work on the causeway under construction there. It was clearly shown that the proper signals for the crossing had been given by the engineer, and that the signal bell, operated automatically, was in good order and had sounded previous to the accident.

The only two men who actually saw the late Mr. Waller struck by the engine were Robert Buster, an employee of the contracting firm, and Thomas H. Norton, the fireman in the engine-cab. Many of the other men who were on the scene of the accident were uncertain as to the whistling of the engine and the functioning of the signal bell.

The unfortunate victim of the accident had been unloading coal quite near the right of way, and apparently he had started to cross the track when the engine was almost upon him. Fireman Norton stated that he saw Waller a few seconds prior to the collision, and that the latter had whipped up his horses in an attempt to cross ahead of the speeding train, only to be struck while half-way across the track.

The statements of Engineer Seward Madenland and Fireman Norton were very clear, concise and simple, their evidence showing that everything humanly possible had been done to avert the accident. The inquest was presided over by Oroner R. J. Gardner, the jury being composed of the following: H. W. Marshall, foreman, W. Newlands, John Hughes, F. Berigan, T. Brightman, H. M. Johnston, C. W. Scott, Fred. Smith, F. Lindsay, J. B. King, F. C. Beaudry and F. D. Van Luven.

THE REDISTRIBUTION OF THE BRITISH NAVY

Mediterranean Fleet Will Again Become the Main One in Commission.

Malta, June 12.—The official announcement regarding the relief of the seventh destroyer flotilla, at present in the Mediterranean, by the third flotilla of the Atlantic fleet, which comprises the latest built destroyers, is interpreted here as the first step towards putting into effect the proposed redistribution of the fleets whereby the Mediterranean fleet will again become Great Britain's main fleet in commission.

It is believed here that the next step will be the sending out of battleships of the Royal Sovereign class to reinforce the present battle squadron, but this is not likely to take place before October. Other ships mentioned as destined for the Mediterranean from the Atlantic fleet, besides the second light cruiser squadron, are the newly-built Eagle which is the largest aircraft carrier, also the Argus, the aircraft carrier Pegasus now here is returning to home waters.

Little doubt is entertained here that the destroyer strength in the middle sea is likewise to be considerably increased. Other steps contemplated are believed to be the relief of the eighth flotilla by a more modern one and the sending out of an additional flotilla, making altogether two flotillas in the Mediterranean.

Big Confirmation Class

Belleville, June 12.—One of the largest classes which has ever been presented in St. Michael's parish for confirmation was confirmed Sunday at St. Michael's church by Archbishop Spratt of Kingston, former rector of St. Michael's. The class was presented by Father Killeen.

Edward Coleman, Hamilton, while working on a ship at the foot of James street, fell into the hold and succumbed to his injuries Sunday morning. His skull was fractured.