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## Appointment Of Garrison Chaplain Stirs People Of St. George's

### REV. W. E. KIDD WAS NAMED THEN SOMETHING HAPPENED AND APPOINTMENT CANCELLED

**Bishop of Ontario Temporarily Appointed Till New St. George's Rector Selected--Mr. Kidd Deeply Hurt Over Slight Offered to Him As An Overseas Chaplain Who Served at the Front With the 21st Battalion.**

The announcement of the appointment of the Bishop of Ontario as acting Anglican chaplain of the Kingston garrison, pending the selection of a new rector of St. George's cathedral, has aroused a stir in cathedral circles, for it had been pretty well understood that the chaplain vacancy caused by the death of the late Dean Starr was to go to Major Rev. W. E. Kidd, M.C., the assistant rector, who had three years service overseas with the 21st Battalion of Kingston. Officials of St. George's told 'The Whig' on Friday that their acting rector and veteran of the Great War had been most unfairly treated, as he had been practically appointed to the position on recommendation of Headquarters of No. 3 District, Kingston, and they could hardly conceive why this appointment had been cancelled and the position temporarily placed in the hands of the Bishop of Ontario.

"There was no reason why the idea that it should go to whoever was selected as rector of St. George's and Dean of Ontario. They pointed out that the late Dean Starr had been Anglican garrison chaplain before he was made rector of St. George's or Dean of Ontario, and there was no reason why the assistant rector, Major Kidd, should not be Dean Starr's successor in that position, when his war service was so brilliant and when he had been doing the work for some time past."

"Is there any reason why the rector of St. George's should hold the position?" Major Kidd was asked.

"No, there is not," he replied. "My late colleague, Dean Starr, held the post of garrison chaplain when he was curate of the cathedral and no question was raised."

"Do you know what could have transpired after your selection by the commanding officer of the district to cause the change?"

#### Deeply Hurt.

"No I can hardly say that I do," Major Kidd said. "It looks, however, as if the position was being made a kind of perquisite for the new rector who may be appointed. Really, I cannot say what could have actually occurred. One has to form his own conclusions. I may tell you, however, that to-night I am mailing a letter to the officer commanding the district and am sending a copy of that letter to the Bishop of Ontario, stating that I have been deeply hurt over what has occurred, and pointing out that one's war service had been very lightly recognized by the cancelling of my appointment after the post had been offered to me and I had accepted it. That is all I can say just now."

An official of St. George's told 'The Whig' this morning that the matter would not be allowed to drop by any means. "There are in St. George's men who served overseas with Major Kidd and they are determined that he will be the Anglican garrison chaplain whether he happens to be appointed rector of the cathedral or not," he said. It is their intention to find out why Major Kidd's appointment was not put through.

It is understood that Major Kidd has a following in the cathedral for the position of rector, and that his name will be one that will be submitted to the Bishop of Ontario for appointment. It is the practice to submit three names to the bishop, who makes the choice. With the rectorship of the cathedral will go the position of Dean of Ontario.

The Whig had a telephone conversation with Major-General J. H. Elmsley, officer commanding the district, on Friday afternoon, and he stated that the Bishop of Ontario had been temporarily appointed as chaplain pending the appointment of a new rector of St. George's. It had been arranged that the position of chaplain should go to the rector, whoever he might be.

#### FEZ TO TOPPER



Mustapha Komal, President of Turkey, abolished the fez in his country and ordered use of European head-gear instead. Now he has gone a step further and decreed use of the silk top on formal occasions. Here he is setting the example.

#### THREE NEWBURGH BOYS CAUGHT SHOP-BREAKING

**Arrested by Chief Barrett of Napanee--They Made Too Much Noise.**

Napanee, Jan. 23.—On Thursday last Chief Barrett of Napanee arrested three Newburgh youths for shop-breaking and theft at Newburgh. The youths were aged sixteen to twenty years. They entered W. W. Adams' store, but made so much noise that they awakened neighbors, who gave the alarm. They were remanded for a week for further investigation.

#### FIVE PEOPLE KILLED WHEN HOTEL BURNS

Many of the Guests Jumped to the Streets.

#### ELEVEN ARE MISSING

And a Score or More Are Injured--Burned Hotel a Fashionable One.

Allentown, Pa., Jan. 23.—Five persons are known to have been killed, eleven persons are unaccounted for and a score or more were injured here early today when fire destroyed the Lafayette hotel, a four-story brick structure on Seventh street one of the oldest hostels in the city.

Fire broke out shortly after 2 a.m. and spread so rapidly that it cut off the escape of most of the guests, many of whom had to be carried down ladders by firemen. Twenty of the guests, all suffering from burns or injuries received when they jumped to the streets, were at either Allentown or Sacred Heart hospitals. Three of them, the doctors said, probably will die.

Frantic in their desire to escape from hotel, many of the guests, the exact number of which could not be determined, jumped to the street.

#### SPECIAL BOAT FOR CANADIAN CATTLE

Will Enlarge Cattle Export Trade.

St. John, Jan. 23.—The first boat ever designed solely for the transport of cattle sailed from Saint John today with a cargo of 1,168 Canadian cattle for Glasgow. The sailing of this steamship the SS. Ontario marks not only the inauguration of an entirely new type of cattle boat and the advent of a new steamship line plying between Canadian and British ports but also in the opinion of export cattlemen present a significant movement towards enlarging the cattle export trade of the Dominion and the placing of the Canadian exporter in a position where he will be able to compete on more equal terms with his Irish competitors.

#### TO BE LIBERATED

With Warning Not to Return to Ulster for Five Years.

Belfast, Ireland, Jan. 23.—Forty Irish political prisoners in Northern Ireland will be liberated with warnings not to return to Ulster for five years as a result of rehearsals instituted after the recent boundary settlement and just concluded.

#### Request Refused

Toronto, Jan. 23.—The Ontario Church Property Commission yesterday declined to grant the request of Bowmanville Presbyterians, represented by Norman MacDonald, who asked to be given possession of St. Paul's Church, which they valued at \$80,000, where the congregation voted, 11 to 74, to enter union. The minority, represented by Mr. MacDonald, numbered ninety members and fifty adherents.

#### Buses for Peterboro

Peterboro, Jan. 23.—Peterboro street cars are to be supplanted by buses on Sunday. Instead of the prevailing seven cent fare the rate will be, after Sunday, ten tickets for 50 cents, with ten for 25 cents for children under 12.

#### The Best Broadcasting Station of Them All

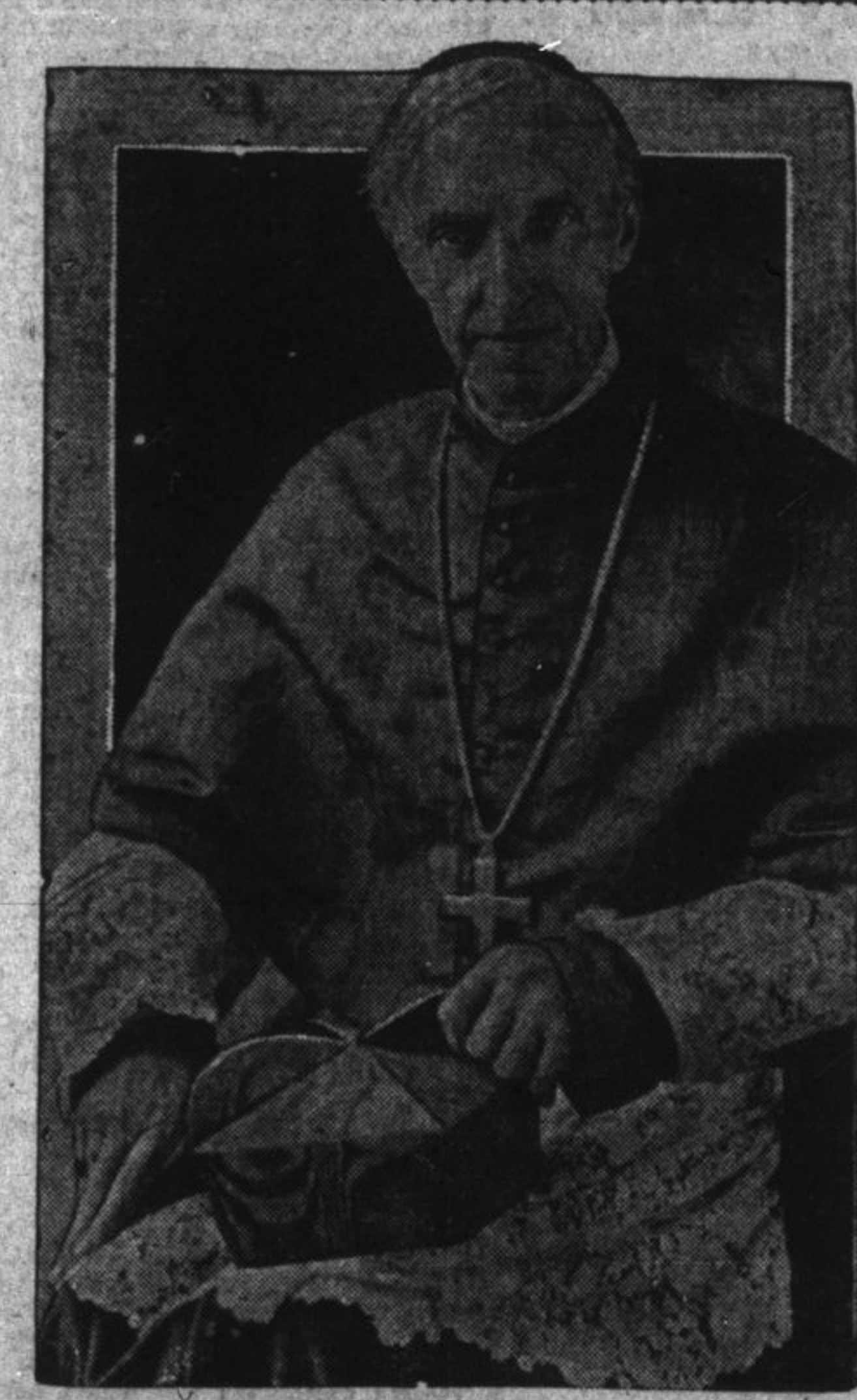
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#### The Late Cardinal Mercier



Brussels, Jan. 23.—Cardinal Mercier, Primate of Belgium, and one of the heroic figures of the Great War, died today at the age of 74, leaving his long battle against the foe, that set in after an operation on December 23rd.

Cardinal Mercier, bade farewell to his relatives this morning at Mass said at his bedside. At 10:10 his life was maintained by administration of oxygen.

Death came at 3 o'clock this afternoon, an hour after the aged prelate had lapsed into unconsciousness. Previously he had retained full possession of his faculties and followed the Mass with composure making the sign of the cross with an effort. When the Mass ended, he turned towards the company at his bedside with a significant look of farewell. He had tried to pronounce the Benediction, but was too weak to conclude it. The prelate refused all medicine today.

"There is nothing to do but wait," he remarked to the doctor.

At midday the Cardinal's relatives gathered around his bed, and in spite of his great weakness he gave his blessing to each in turn.

#### A World Figure

Desire Mercier, Cardinal of Malines, Primate of the Church and "Apostle of Peace," was one of the most striking figures brought prominently before the world by the most ruthless war of all times.

#### Enjoyed a Fine Banquet at Queen's Cafe on Friday Evening

A very successful banquet was held in Queen's Cafe on Friday night by the Kingston Sea Cadets. The banquet was under the sponsorship of Mrs. Constantine, Mrs. J. S. N. Leslie and Mrs. Fraser. The following were the guests of the Sea Cadets: Col. J. S. N. Leslie, Col. G. Constantine, Dr. L. J. Austin, Capt. J. McDonald, Mr. Harrington, Mr. Whalley, Percy Hall, Arthur Raven, Harry Hunt, Mr. Sutton, Sergt. Campbell, R.C.H.A.

During the evening Miss Jean and Miss Nellie Duncan rendered two beautiful solos. These numbers were followed by a Scotch reel by Dr. Austin and Sergt. Campbell. Vocal numbers were rendered by Sea Cadets R. Fulton, W. Newman, T. Bridgen and G. Ashley.

Dr. Austin told the cadets some funny stories, following which addresses were given by Percy Hall, Dr. Austin and Col. Leslie. A demonstration of the Ju-Jitsu was given by Mr. Harry Hunt.

Col. Leslie presented the following Cadets with a box of chocolates for efficiency in the use of the rifle: D. Patrick, L. W. Smith, J. Taylor. Assisted by ten Sea Cadets, Miss Jean Duncan gave a fine exhibition of the sailor's horripole. After the toast to the King, a very enjoyable evening was brought to a close.

#### Government Statement to Be Made Monday Regarding Chicago Water Diversion Question

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Dr. Manion asked if the government were aware of the ill-feeling that was being engendered in both countries by the continued diversion and the consequent lowering of lake levels. Was the government doing anything to prevent it? Would there be a report, and was the Government represented at the recent meeting at Chicago?

Mr. Stewart said the Government was not represented because, "I had a pretty good idea who was interested in it. There are some matters in connection with this that I do not think wise to make public at the moment. We are very closely in touch with it."

#### THE DEBATE IS CONTINUED BY COMMONS

On the Address in Reply to the Speech From the Throne.

#### GOVERNMENT BACKED

By Four-Fifths of the Independent Vote of the Country, Says Mr. Rinfret.

Ottawa, Jan. 23.—When the debate on the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne was resumed yesterday, Fernand Finfret, (Liberal, St. James), said that in his opinion the Government in existing circumstances had received sufficient authority to go on with the business of the country and to retain office. He pointed out that on the first division the Government had received the support of practically four-fifths of the Independent members of the House, and probably about the same proportion of the independent vote of the country.

A. U. G. Bury, (Conservative, Edmonton East), criticised the Australian treaty and said that but for three cents a pound cheaper meat nothing if people had not wages to buy it. H. J. Barber (Conservative, Fraser Valley), also attacked the Australian treaty and declared that it would ruin the dairy industry in Canada.

"The majority of people in Canada favor a lower rather than higher tariff, I believe," said F. W. Gershaw (Liberal, Medicine Hat). He suggested that all Canadian flour be milled in Canada.

John Miller, (Progressive, Quesnel) speaking of the National railway problem said that although annual deficit continued, Canada was getting the lowest freight rate in the world. He advocated tests for strength of wheat.

#### MINISTERS MAY BE TAKEN FROM SENATE

Quite in Order to Recruit From Red Chamber, Suggests Mr. Lapointe.

Ottawa, Jan. 23.—The House had been waiting for over two weeks for the Government's announcement respecting departments and portfolios, Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen, Opposition leader, said in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon. Mr. Meighen enquired if there was any announcement yet. The Government had nine ministers without seats, as well as those who had gone to the Senate. He had noticed that in the printed seating plan of the House, only three vacancies had been left on the treasury benches. He was not sure whether or not this was significant, but in view of the fact that four provinces were without representation, a statement from the Government was long overdue.

Hon. Ernest Lapointe thought that Mr. Meighen had perhaps exaggerated the case. It was perfectly in order to have ministers in the Senate.

Mr. Meighen interrupted to say that the Prime Minister had promised that these two portfolios (Health and Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment and the Post Office) would be transferred.

Mr. Lapointe replied that any such changes would be made in due course, and no doubt there would be an announcement in the near future.

#### Fees Are Increased At Western University

London, Jan. 23.—As the result of adoption at a special meeting by the Board of Governors of the University of Western Ontario of a revised fee schedule for students at the University College of Arts, fees of students in pass courses will be raised about fifty per cent. and in honor courses approximately seventy per cent.

The new schedule follows out a demand made by Premier G. Howard Ferguson about three years ago since put in force by Queen's, McMaster and Toronto, that fees be raised in Ontario's universities, with special emphasis on honor courses. The raise in fees will mean about \$20,000 more a year added to the income of Western.

The subsidy of \$25,000 voted last session for moving Alberta coal east is still available.

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#### News in Condensed Form Off the Wires

L. E. Ross, former terminal agent of the C.N.R. at St. John, N.B., died in Bermuda.

Walls playing golf at Pasadena, Cal., W. S. Davidson, of Sherbrooke, Que., collapsed and died.

Fatally burned with carbolic acid the fifteen-month-old child of a Mrs. Monte, died in Hamilton Hospital.

In order to avoid a split in the organization, the Lake Erie Fishermen's Association to call deferred action at the request of the gill net men for a reduction of the limit at the west end of the lake from ten to six miles.

Ontario's passenger motor cars showed an increase of 32,395 in 1925; trucks, etc., an increase of 1202, a total increase of over 35,000 in these two types of motor-driven vehicles, excluding motorcycles, buses, etc.

#### Spreading Epidemic Of Poisoning Dogs

Smith's Falls, Jan. 23.—A rapidly spreading epidemic of strychnine poisoning among the canine population of this town is causing much concern to dog owners, and every effort is being made by the police to trace the person or persons who are indiscriminately spreading poisoned meat throughout the town. Twelve casualties within twenty-four hours was the record up until Thursday night.

#### Frank Purdy Auditor Of Kingston Township

Frank Purdy, county treasurer, was appointed auditor of Kingston township at a special meeting of the township council, held on Friday afternoon. Mr. Byron Gordon, who was appointed to the position at the inaugural meeting of the council, resigned a few days ago.

#### Wentland Fire Loss During the Year Was the Lowest on Record.

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#### Advocates Murdock Farm For Fair Grounds; Opposes Any Expenditure on Present Site

A reader of 'The British Whig' called at the office on Friday to tell us that he was glad to see that the question of using the Murdock farm for fair grounds was mentioned on Thursday. He believes that this site is much to be preferred to the present one. As a fairly heavy taxpayer he does not favor spending a dollar on the present grounds.

This citizen favors the Murdock farm because it is near both railway and would be a continual advertisement for both the city and the fair. It is easily accessible. The city already owns the property, and the street railway would probably build another belt line, which will be necessary anyway, if the C.N.R. take off the suburban train. The gentleman believes that the growth of the city should be encouraged toward the outer station, where, he thinks the C.N.R. will before long build a fine new station.

The Whig was glad to have the interview with this gentleman, and while he desires his name withheld we present his views for the consideration of the ratepayers.

#### Weather Probabilities

Cold, with local snow flurries to-night and Sunday.