

UNION OF CHURCHES. A Great Meeting in Toronto This Month.

DEC. 20, 21, 22.

Strong List of Delegates From Manitoba and the Territories—Many Well Known in St. John.

(Winnipeg Telegram)

The eve of a momentous period in the history of three great evangelizing churches may be at hand with the opening at Toronto of the convention of delegates representing the Canadian Presbyterians, Methodists and Congregationalists for the purpose of discussing and arriving at a basis for organic union of these bodies.

In April delegates from these churches met in Toronto and other places and considered this proposal, but no decision was arrived at. Then however, delegates were named to convene in Toronto on December 20, 21 and 22, when the whole question is to be gone into thoroughly and the terms of the prospective union agreed upon. The delegates who are to meet on this occasion are clothed with a broad authority to make terms for the churches which they represent, and it is anticipated that the discussions will be exceedingly interesting and instructive.

When this important meeting convenes in Knox church, Toronto, on December 21, there will be 140 delegates present, representing the highest intelligence in the clergy and lay departments of the three great bodies from all parts of the Dominion, from Victoria, in the west to Halifax, in the east. The committee consists of 60 Presbyterians, an equal number of Methodists and 20 Congregationalists. The inaugural gatherings are to take place in Toronto on December 20 when the delegates representing the respective sects are to meet separately to discuss plans by which they are to proceed in the general meeting, and to get their views in shape for presentation in the general gathering.

The Congregationalist church will get its representation from British Columbia and Eastern Canada principally. There are not many churches of this denomination in Manitoba and the Territories, but in the extreme West and East it has a large membership, and it is not likely that the territories or Manitoba will be represented either.

The Presbyterians will send a very representative committee from the west, and Winnipeg will predominate in the roll of delegates as will be seen by the names of those who are to conduct the deliberations on behalf of that denomination. They are as follows: The Rev. Dr. Patrick, Dr. Bryce, Dr. DuVal, Dr. Carmichael, Dr. Farquharson, Dr. Herdman of Calgary, the Hon. Col. H. Campbell, attorney general of Manitoba, the Hon. David Laird, Indian commissioner, William Whyte, second vice president of the Canadian Pacific railway and Mr. Clay of Victoria, B. C.

The Methodists will be represented by the following delegates: The Rev. Dr. Sparling, principal of Wesley college, Dr. Woodworth, Dr. A. Stewart, the Rev. F. B. Stacey of Roland, J. A. M. Atkins, K. C. James H. Ashdown and Mr. Hunt of Calgary.

THE LITTLE ONES.

Christmas Cheer Needed for the Free Kindergarten on Waterloo Street.

The free Kindergarten committee acknowledged the following contributions:—C. F. Kinnear, \$2; Mary and Marjorie Robertson, \$1.00; a friend, fifty cents; McGovern, a load of coal. There will be a Christmas tree at the Kindergarten, and those who wish to remember the little ones are asked to send their donations next Tuesday or earlier, to the school in Waterloo street. Books, toys, fruit and candy will be very acceptable.

Contributions of money are needed to carry on this missionary work, and may be sent to Miss Gunn, the treasurer, at 204 King street east, or to the secretary or any member of the committee.

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THIRTY BELOW ZERO

Grand Falls, Dec. 13.—(Special)—A cold wave struck Grand Falls on Saturday, and since then regular Arctic weather has prevailed, the cold being intense. At daylight this morning, the thermometer registered thirty (30) degrees below zero—the coldest yet. The cold still continues, and the worst is yet to come. W. W. Steever and James Johnston, St. John, are in town today. J. H. Pope, Montreal, is a guest at the Curless House.

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THEY CHOSE A. O. SKINNER. He Will Be the Provincial Government Candidate For St. John City.

At the provincial government convention, held last night, A. O. Skinner was nominated as the party's candidate in the forthcoming election for St. John city. His was the only name before the convention and about 200 electors were present.

Thomas McAvity took the chair and requested Heber S. Keith to act as secretary. In a few introductory remarks the chairman said the meeting had been called at the request of the executive to select a candidate for the provincial legislature to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Hon. H. A. McKeown and to appoint an executive committee. Mr. McAvity then declared the convention open to receive nominations.

F. J. G. Knowlton proposed A. O. Skinner and this was seconded by Edward Lantalum, M. P. P.

There being no other names brought forward, the chairman declared Mr. Skinner nominated as the liberal candidate for the forthcoming election. The declaration was received with cheers.

George Robertson, M. P. P., moved that a committee be selected to wait upon the candidate and announce the result of the convention and request his attendance. The chairman accordingly nominated Mr. Lantalum, J. Fraser, Gregory and Mr. Knowlton.

Mr. Skinner, in accepting the nomination was given a warm reception. This, he said, was a contest between liberals and conservatives and every liberal was expected to come out and fight the same as he would in a dominion election. The wards would be organized at once, and many before him would be asked to work. He hitherto had always worked for someone else and now that he was a candidate for the first time he hoped all his friends would assist in forwarding his election.

There had been some little talk about Dr. J. M. Smith, being a candidate but with all respect for that gentleman he (Mr. Skinner) first knew of the doctor's intention to run the day before. Had he known the circumstances he might have held a consultation. When in Montreal Dr. Smith came to him and told him that if he (the speaker) became a candidate he (Dr. Smith) would not be in the fight and would do all he could to help to secure his election. Mr. Skinner said he made this statement to set himself right with the friends of Dr. Smith. The gathering before him was a representative one and prepared, he felt, to stand by the candidate chosen at the convention.

Geo. Robertson endorsed the nomination of Mr. Skinner and hoped he would be the city representative in the legislative assembly.

D. J. Purdy, M. P. P., also hoped that Mr. Skinner would be sent to Fredericton.

J. Fraser, Gregory spoke of his long acquaintance with Mr. Skinner and thought it an advantage that they had chosen someone from among the merchants; it would be better if they had more members from that class.

R. O'Brien was glad that the convention had selected such a strong candidate. He hoped and believed that Mr. Skinner would be elected on Dec. 30th.

The meeting broke up with cheers for the King and the candidate. Dr. J. M. Smith, when seen last evening said, with reference to the forthcoming election, that he was in the hands of his friends, and his further action would be governed by their decision.

With reference to Mr. Skinner's statement of an interview with him in Montreal, as mentioned in Mr. Skinner's speech at last night's convention, Dr. Smith said he had never spoken to Mr. Skinner on that occasion, and referred to Edward J. Armstrong, who was present, for corroboration, which was given.

OBITUARY.

John Devine.

John Devine, who died in Roxbury (Mass.), last week, formerly lived at Hillsboro. Death resulted after ten days' illness of pneumonia and typhoid fever. Mrs. Devine and seven daughters survive. The daughters are: Mrs. M. J. Dunn, Mrs. George Litchfield, Mrs. Wm. H. Rust, Mrs. H. V. Alward, Mrs. H. P. Stimson, Mrs. Maude Dockrell, Miss Maude Devine.

THE LATE M. A. FINN.

Referring to Mr. Finn's death the Halifax Recorder says:—"The news of Mr. Finn's death was heard with the deepest regret by his many friends in Halifax. The deceased was as well known here as one of our own citizens, and was most highly esteemed. Halifaxians who had his acquaintance, and who visited St. John always found him ready to extend them a glad welcome to the sister city, and did everything he could to make their visit pleasant. While his loss will be greatly felt in St. John, the bereavement will not be greater than by his friends in Halifax, and his family will have their deepest sympathy.

The Chronicle says:—"M. A. Finn was particularly well known and esteemed in this City and the news of his death was received with many expressions of sorrow. Mr. Finn visited Halifax very frequently and his sad death is keenly felt here."

MANUFACTURERS' INSURANCE.

A meeting of the Manufacturers' Committee on insurance will be held in Toronto this afternoon, to launch the new department of fire insurance in connection with the Canadian Association. J. Hendrie, of Vancouver B. C., is coming east specially to attend this meeting and there will also be present in addition to Ontario representatives a delegation from Montreal and the maritime provinces.

Morning News in Brief.

Local.

At a meeting of St. John Council, No. 133, Royal Arcanum, last night the following officers were elected: Regent, F. E. Wetmore; V. R., W. T. Peters; Orator, L. P. D. Tilley; B. R. Thomas Finley; Sec., D. McNally; Collector, W. S. Clawson; Treas., Geo. A. Kimble; Chap., R. E. Coupe; Guide, Henry Pout; Warden, Geo. D. Martin; Sentry, J. N. Wetmore; trustees, Dr. Draper, A. D. Barbour, John Henderson.

A meeting of Court St. John, No. 470, C. O. F., was held last evening in the Forsters' Hall. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year, Chief ranger, J. L. Kerr, vice-chief ranger, J. A. Brown; financial secretary, J. H. Scammell; recording secretary, R. Willis; treasurer, M. W. Galley, chaplain, Rev. A. G. H. Dickie; auditor, B. A. Dennis; trustees, A. W. Gay, F. E. Kelchum, A. L. Martin; senior woodward, E. Shaw; junior woodward, J. Speight; senior beadle, R. A. Hamlin; junior beadle, C. A. Murray; examining physician, J. H. Scammell.

Opponents of the local government will meet on Friday evening of this week at the York Theatre to select a city candidate for the coming by-election.

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of the New Brunswick Historical Society held last evening:

President, Rev. W. C. Gaynor.

First vice president, Col. J. R. Armstrong.

Second vice president, W. M. Jarvis.

Secretary, C. Ward.

Corresponding secretary, D. R. Jack.

Treasurer, H. H. Pickett.

Librarian, G. A. Henderson.

Council—P. R. Inches, S. D. Scott, Rev. W. O. Raymond, Jonas Howe and T. O'Brien.

The Scot's company of the Boys' Brigade gave a fine concert in the school room of St. Stephen's church last evening. Exhibitions of physical drill and Indian club swinging were given by the boys.

The Y. M. A. of St. Luke's church enjoyed a concert and supper last evening in the Sunday school room of the church. The toast to the King, the dominion, the city of St. John, Y. M. A. of St. Luke's and the ladies were honored; and those taking

part in the musical programme were Mr. Rawlings, Miss Rubins, M. Goudie and W. A. Steiper. Rev. R. P. McKim spoke briefly.

At a meeting of the St. John Presbytery yesterday afternoon in St. Andrew's church, the call from St. Stephen's church to Rev. A. Wicher was sustained, and arrangements made for the induction on the 29th inst. Rev. A. H. Foster will address the minister and Rev. H. R. Road, now of Bathurst, but under call to Carleton church, will charge the people.

A young swede named Anderson who came out here on the steamer Lake Champlain and went out to Winnipeg, was yesterday brought back here, and will be sent home on the steamer Lake Erie. The officials here do not seem to know what is the trouble, but suspect there has been something wrong either at home or in Winnipeg. At any rate he is classed as an undesirable immigrant and must be deported.

Provincial.

At Fredericton last night a communication was received by the board of health asking that the board appoint a physician to inspect the scholars in case of an outbreak of a disease in the schools, and thus do away with the necessity of closing the schools. Action was deferred.

The Fredericton board of Health in connection with alleged impure ice has decided to have the inspector notify the cutters of ice that the ice to be used to supply that city must not be cut any farther down river than Smythe street.

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DR. ROBERTSON AND HIS BRIDE.

In St. John on a Uisit...Description of the Wedding in Pembroke, Ont.

Dr. Robert D. Robertson of Wetaskiwin, Alberta, arrived in the city today with his bride, who was Miss Grant of Pembroke, Ont., and will visit Mr. Robertson's mother on Wentworth street.

A Pembroke, Ont. letter of Dec. 10th. thus describes the wedding:—"Last evening the home of Mrs. Hugh Grant had a very festive appearance, the occasion being the marriage of her youngest daughter, Miss Katie, to Dr. R. D. Robertson of Wetaskiwin, Alta. At half past nine of the bride took her place at the piano and played Mendelssohn's wedding march, as the bride, leaning on the arm of her brother, Dr. Arthur Grant, of Potsdam, N. Y., entered the parlor, which was decorated with holly, red roses and carnations. The bride looked beautiful gowned in white crepe over white taffeta with trimmings of white passementerie and pearls, bridal veil and orange blossoms and carried a shower bouquet of white roses, lily of the valley, maiden hair fern and smilax. Miss Ida Morris assisted as bridesmaid and looked lovely gowned in yellow Gros Grain silk with trimmings of velvet and lace and carried a bouquet of yellow roses and maiden hair fern. Mrs. Henwood of Montreal assisted the groom. Little George Rowell, nephew of bride, acted as page and wore a suit of white serge, while little Helen Stewart, cousin of the bride, was flower girl and wore a dress of white silk. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Bayne. After the ceremony the party, about 75 in number, repaired to the dining room, which was decorated with yellow and white chrysanthemums, where an excellent supper was served. Twelve of the bride's school mates were waitresses. Miss Dunlop, Lila Beatty, C. Metcalfe, B. Kennedy, M. Kennedy, H. Fraser, A. Gordon, N. Miller, L. White, E. Bayne, and Miss MacLachlin. The bride was the recipient of a large number of beautiful and costly presents. Dr. and Mrs. Robertson left on the 12.45 train for New York and St. John, N. B., amid showers of rice and good wishes of their many friends. The groom's present to the bride was a pearl earring. Her trousseau suit was brown broadcloth with trimming of mink and hat to correspond.

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With the lee shrouds curved and weather shrouds strained, Quivering leech of main and stay, With her crew content when naught is gained, She sweeps like the wind away.

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