

# REFUSED TO ACCEPT REV. DR. EATON'S RESIGNATION

(New York Herald.)

After much friction over the election of three trustees, the congregation of the Madison Avenue Baptist church, 333 Madison Avenue, in its annual meeting last evening, voted by a large majority not to accept the resignation of the Rev. Dr. Chas. A. Eaton as pastor. Only ten persons voted against the resolution. The ten persons were said to be members or close friends of two families.

Dr. Eaton read his resignation on Sunday morning, and it caused great surprise to the congregation. Only a few knew that in the Board of Trustees there was a minority who have opposed Dr. Eaton for some time.

The pastor was not present at the session, but he was on the floor above, and he showed himself, smiling, when all except a few had gone. Asked by a reporter for The Herald whether he would withdraw his resignation, Dr. Eaton said:

"I cannot take that matter up now because it has not been officially presented to me."

But he smiled and shook hands and asserted there never were such "fine people" in any church. The impression is that he will accede to the request. Mrs. Eaton and the two eldest of their eight children also were present. They hurried for a train to their home near Plainfield, N.J.

The meeting was adjourned until the evening of February 28. The resignation of Dr. Eaton was dated to take effect on February 29. It is, therefore, expected that at the adjourned meeting his answer will be presented.

## REASONS FOR REIGNATION.

Dr. Eaton in resigning, stated that he did so to devote all his time to "aiding in straightening out the world's present tangle." He said he wanted to be rid of the administrative duties of a pastorate so he could devote all his time by voice and pen to propagating the doctrine of preparedness. At the time close friends of Dr. Eaton felt there was some personal reason for his laying down this important Baptist pastorate.

Several officers of the church said after the meeting that Dr. Eaton would be informed he could do just that thing and remain pastor of the Madison Avenue church. They said in their opinion there was no pulpitis the utterances from which would have a more far-reaching influence and that he would have time off from church duties during the week to lecture and write.

One of the speakers in the meeting said:

"We have the biggest man of the Baptist denomination today in our pulpit and we should keep him there." The motion introduced by Dr. Free

man F. Ward, a physician and a deacon in the church, was:

"Resolved, that the resignation of the pastor be not accepted, as we feel it would be disastrous to the work of the Madison Avenue Baptist church at this time."

## SOME ANXIETY FELT FOR BRITISH FORCE

London, Feb. 9.—The British newspapers continue to express some anxiety for the British army at Kut-el-Amara. Today is the 63rd day since Gen. Townshend's force was isolated there. It is pointed out, however, that Gen. Townshend is in daily communication with the relief expedition by wireless, so that his position and his resources must be precisely known. Apparently the commander recently has been virtually unmolested, but his position, with hospitals full of wounded, in the resourceless little Arab town, must be full of hardships.

Despatches from the Tigris region emphasize the great natural difficulties in the way of the advance of the relief force and also described the formidable nature of the Turkish defences, which have been skillfully constructed under German advice. The Turks are known to have received large reinforcements, but it is assumed that Lieut. General Sir Percy Henry Noel Lake, commander of the British forces in Mesopotamia, has taken measures to similarly strengthen his relief column.

## WHY BEAUTIFUL WOMEN ARE SO ATTRACTIVE

Who does not envy and admire a lovely woman? The secret of her loveliness, of her perfection, is health. She sleeps well, eats well, digests well—vital functions are vigorous and regular. Of all woman's remedies, Ferrozone is the best; it vitalizes the functions upon which health depends—makes the purest, richest blood, gives perfect complexion and lots of vigor. Every girl and woman who seeks health, vitality, looks—let her get Ferrozone today. Fifty-cent boxes at all dealers.

Keep in the middle of the road—until you meet an automobile, and then dodge.

# DEMAND AN ENQUIRY INTO THE SHELL CONTRACTS

Ottawa, Feb. 9.—The Liberals in Parliament, despite the clear intimation given by the government during the debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne that no investigation of the work of the old shell committee would be granted, will make a vigorous effort to secure such an investigation.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has given notice of a resolution providing for the appointment of a special committee of the House to inquire into all purchases of shells or other munitions by the shell committee. The resolution recites that the committee was formed by the Minister of Militia, is stated in the Commons by the Prime Minister at the conclusion of the last session of Parliament.

It further provides that the committee asked for shall be given full authority to require the production of all documents bearing on all contracts let by the shell committee.

In case the Commons' majority

should not grant the committee asked for, it is quite possible that the Senate may take the matter in hand and do a little investigating on its own account. The Senate has power to carry on such an investigation, if it is deemed advisable in the public interest. The resolution will come up for discussion in the Commons within a few days and is bound to provoke a vigorous debate.

It may be noted that the specific charges made by Mr. Carvell and Dr. Pugsley do not by any means exhaust the cases of contracts given at excessive prices. Other members of the opposition have similar cases to bring before the attention of the House.

In connection with the work of the old shell committee and the charges already made, it may be noted that the new Imperial Munitions Board, under J. W. Flavell, has recently taken action to cancel a number of contracts let by the old board to compel contractors who have not been able to

give deliveries, as required under their contracts, to very materially cut down prices on the balance of the shells not yet delivered. This practically justifies the charges already made. The total of the reductions made amounts in some instances, it is stated, to upwards of \$100,000. The aggregate of the reductions in prices and of the lopping off of profits to contractors under the old board will run up into the millions.

In most cases it is understood that the contractors have agreed to the

cuts in prices, since if they had not agreed the contracts for all amounts undelivered within the time specified in the original contracts would have been cancelled.

**Wood's Peppermint Cure.**  
The Great English Remedy. Tones and invigorates the whole nervous system, makes new blood in old veins. Cures Nervous Debility, Mental and Brain Worry, Depression, Loss of Energy, Palpitation of the Heart, Floating Memory. Price \$1 per box, six for \$5. One will please, six will cure. Sold by all druggists or mailed in plain package on receipt of price. New pamphlet mailed free. THE WOOD MEDICINE CO., TORONTO, ONT. (Formerly Wood & Co.)

# Dollar Day Bargains.

We have started our Dollar Sale by offering you up to date Velvet Hats from 75c to \$1.00. Everything in Felt hats are moving out at 50 and 25 cents.

On our remnants of Silk table you will be quite sure to find the piece of Silk you have been looking for either for trimming or the Silk Jackets which are so very popular.

Sweeping Reductions in wings, feathers, flowers etc. Be wise and secure these Bargains Early.

## MISS MORGAN 476 Queen St.

NOTE CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

**NEW 1916 OVERLAND**  
Price \$850.00 F.O.B. Toronto  
MODEL 75  
FIVE PASSENGER TOURING CAR  
25 Horse Power, High Tension Magneto Ignition, Electric Starting and Lighting, 31x4 inch Tires (non-skid rear), Demountable Rims (one extra), Cantilever Springs, One Main Top, etc.  
Gas Engines **WM. C. BURTT,** Motor Boat  
Fredericton, N. B. Repairs

# -FEEDS-

Cornmeal, Cracked Corn, Whole Corn, Chop Feed, Feed Oatmeal, Middlings, Bran, Crushed Oats, Ontario White Oats, Feed Flour, Feed Wheat.

At LOWEST MARKET RATES.

Sold Wholesale by  
**G. W. HODGE**  
Fredericton, N. B.

## BUTTER PAPER

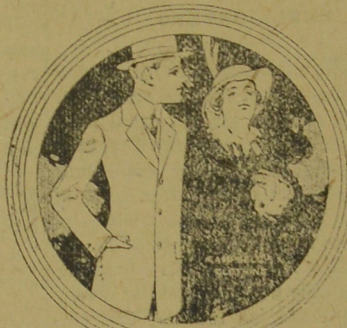
Bring your Butter Paper to the Mail office or if you prefer we will supply and print you 500 sheets 1 ream for \$1.75 or 2 reams 1,000 sheets for \$2.75.

We use a Special Blue Butter Paper Ink. It will not run or stain Butter.

SPECIAL FOR SATURDAYS ONLY  
1000 Butter Papers \$2.50. 500 Butter Papers \$1.50.

We also have in stock a quantity of Butter Paper without your name, just Choice Dairy Butter for 25c per 100.

**The Mail Publishing Co.**



After all—since a Suit is made to wear—the best of all Suits is that which wears the longest.

**MACKINNON'S  
CLOTHING**

not only wears long past the time the average Suit is cast aside, but yet keeps its appearance, and is good looking all the time you wear it.

**J. A. MacKINNON** YORK STREET  
TAILOR and CLOTHIER

# Opposition Platform

The following platform was adopted at the Opposition Convention held in St. John recently:  
In the event of the Opposition being returned to power, we pledge ourselves:—

## NO PARTIZAN CONTROL OF CROWN LANDS.

1. We pledge ourselves to completely reorganize the Crown Lands Department, so that its administration shall be entirely severed from politics and administered on sound business principles under systematic plans by a non-partizan commission specially appointed for that purpose, responsible to the Legislature and working in co-operation with the Dominion Commission of Conservation.

## TAKE THE HIGHWAYS OUT OF POLITICS.

2. We pledge ourselves to take the highways out of politics, giving the expenditure of the money collected from the people and the control of the labor, together with the Government appropriations, into the hands of supervisors, chosen by the people of each parish, to whom a detailed and audited account must be rendered every year at the annual meeting, and a duplicate thereof forwarded to the Department of Public Works, the work of the supervisors to be under the inspection of a competent provincial engineer.

We also pledge ourselves to set aside the money collected from the licenses upon automobiles and other motor vehicles, together with an equal appropriation from the revenues of the Province each year, to pay the interest upon the bonds to provide for permanent roads, which shall be constructed as rapidly as possible.

## PROHIBITION PROVINCE WIDE.

3. We pledge ourselves at the first session of the Legislature to pass a law prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors within the Province to the fullest extent allowed by the Constitution, and within three months after the passage of said Act to submit the same by referendum to the electors of the Province, and should the majority of votes cast be in favor of the said law, then to bring the same into force by proclamation within one year thereafter.

## ELECTION LAW.

4. (a) To amend the electoral law so as to make it impossible for members of the Legislature to traffic with the Government and still retain their seats.

(b) To make it possible for young men, when they reach the age of 21 years, to register their names and be placed forthwith upon the voters' lists, instead of waiting for the tedious machinery of revision as it now exists.

(c) To divide the counties into electoral districts which shall each be represented by one member.

(d) We will also consider amendments to the election law to make bribery in municipal as well as provincial elections impossible.

## PROVINCIAL FINANCES.

5. To obtain at once a correct statement of the financial condition of the Province in order that the people may have definite knowledge of the vastly increased public debt and the enormous obligations of guaranteed bonds they will be called upon to pay; and to so reduce the cost of the administration of affairs and the number of useless officials as to avoid the necessity for direct taxation now confronting us.

## AGRICULTURE.

6. To give the farmers all the practical assistance that the resources of the Province will permit, to improve agricultural methods and the quality and quantity of the stock upon the farm; to reduce the enormous salary list in the department, and to spend the educational grant received from the Federal Government without regard for political patronage.

## VALLEY RAILWAY.

7. To complete the Valley Railway from a point on the Transcontinental Railway at or near Grand Falls, to St. John, and insist upon the Dominion Government carrying out the terms of the original legislation and allow the Province forty per cent. of the gross earnings thereof.

## EDUCATION.

8. To always maintain and improve the educational service of the Province and to co-operate with the Federal Government in carrying out the recommendations of the commission upon technical education.

## IMMIGRATION.

9. The inauguration of a vigorous immigration policy to properly place before intending immigrants, whose number will be large after termination of the war, the advantages of the agricultural possibilities of New Brunswick.

# Dollar Day

List of Retail Merchants Participating in the Fredericton Retail Merchants' Association Dollar Bargain Day,  
To Be Held On

**Wednesday, Feb. 16**

Watch the List Grow From Day to Day, so as to Know  
Where to Look for the

## Dollar Day Bargains

GROCERS.	GENT'S FURNISHINGS
G. H. Burth Currie Brothers. M. E. Doohan E. G. Hoben G. W. Whelpley	Jas. P. Farrell G. H. Thomas & Co.
BOOTS AND SHOES	LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S WEAR
H. S. Campbell McManns & Co. McKay & Co.	R. L. Black
HARNESS, ETC.	FURNITURE AND CARPETS.
H. A. Burth A. B. Kitchen	Colwell & Jennings Lemont & Sons Howard Rogers
DRY GOODS	BOOKS AND STATIONERY
M. L. Block F. B. Edgecombe Co., Ltd. G. D. Holder A. Murray & Co. J. J. Weddall & Son.	G. W. Hall McMurray & Co.
DRUGS	JEWELLERS
G. Fred Chestnut Geo. Y. Dibblee Hunt & McDonald A. J. Ryan	Shute & Co.
5 & 10 CENT STORE	COAL AND WOOD
R. G. Lee & Co.	R. T. Baird
	HARDWARE
	R. Chestnut & Sons Lawlor & Gair Jas. S. Neill & Sons, Ltd.