

BAPTISTS WILL GATHER THURSDAY AT WOODSTOCK

Maritime Convention to Open Then — Represents Constituency of 180,000 People — Distinguished Speakers.

The eighty-first annual meeting of the United Baptist Convention of the Maritime Provinces opens at Woodstock on Thursday morning and continues till the following Sunday night. The Convention proper will be preceded by the Baptist Institute which begins its sessions on Wednesday morning.

It is five years since the Convention assembled in New Brunswick. On that occasion it met in the Brunswick Street Baptist Church of this city. For the past four successive years its sessions have been held at Wolfville, N. S., that Mecca of Maritime Baptists, the seat of Acadia University, and historical ground where the first permanent Baptist organization in these Maritime Provinces took place in 1778. The rule is that the convention shall hold its sessions at Wolfville every alternate year, and in the event of no invitation coming from a church in New Brunswick or P. E. Island it will continue to meet at Wolfville. This year the Woodstock church has graciously extended an invitation to the Convention, which was gladly accepted.

The Maritime Baptist Convention embraces 591 churches with a total membership of 62,035 and a Baptist constituency of approximately 180,000. It is expected that between 350 and 400 delegates from these churches will gather at Woodstock this week.

The Officers.

The list of officers is as follows:
President—W. C. Cross, Esq., Saint John.
Vice-President for N. S.—Rev. L. F. Wallace, Lawrencetown.
Vice-President for P. E. I.—Dr. A. W. Leard, Summerside.
Secretary—Dr. S. S. Poole, St. John.

Distinguished Leaders.

Distinguished Baptist leaders from beyond the bounds of the Convention will be in attendance and deliver addresses. Among these are Dr. W. W. Weeks of Richmond, Virginia, a former pastor of the First Baptist Church of Moncton; Rev. H. E. Stillwell of Toronto, Secretary of the Canadian Baptist Foreign Mission Board; Rev. M. L. Orchard of Winnipeg, General Secretary of the Baptist Union of Western Canada.

CITY AFFAIRS

Picnic Was Successful

The picnic conducted last week by the Church of St. Vincent De Paul, at Oromocto under the direction of Rev. Father Allen, was a marked success. It is reported that the proceeds were \$700.

Visiting in England.

Recent registrations at the Office of the Canadian High Commissioner, London, include N. S. Fraser, Sussex; R. S. Hawkins, Fredericton; Miss M. B. Jones, Fredericton; Miss B. MacNaughton, Moncton; Miss E. Murphy, Moncton; C. H. Turner, Meductic, and Miss A. K. Woods, Fredericton.

Harvest Excursion.

Winnipeg Harvest excursion tickets are now on sale at F. B. Edgcombe's Store. An excursion train leaves Wednesday, August, 25th. The fare from Fredericton to Winnipeg will be \$20.00 via the Canadian Pacific Railway or the Canadian National Railway.

Late Miss Alice T. McGoldrick

The funeral of the late Miss Alice T. McGoldrick took place Saturday afternoon from her late home, 510 Brunswick street. Solemn service was conducted at St. Dunstan's Church at 2.30 by Rev. Father Carney and interment was made in the Hermitage. The mourners were Charles McGoldrick and Mr. Bohan and his son from Bath.

Had a Good Time.

Judge and Mrs. Crockett, their daughter Muriel, Miss Mary Jones, Frank G. Bridges, Miss Kathleen Woods and Clarence Burden of this city who were members of the teacher's party who toured Great Britain as the guests of Lord Beaverbrook returned home on Saturday. They all report having had a most delightful time, but of course are glad to be at home once more.

FOREST FIRE SMOKE FROM TWO FIRES IN WEST

Magundy and McAdam Both Report Fires in Pulpwood Slashings—The Conditions Again Favor Fires.

The forest-fire situation which had been very favorable for some time developed badly during the week-end. Citizens of Fredericton had the fact brought to their attention unmistakably Sunday when the brisk westerly wind brought with it late at night the odor of forest-fire smoke. The smoke set in quite heavily and the sunset was very red.

Two Fires in West York.

The smoke was from fires which had broken out in old pulpwood slashings near Magundy and north of McAdam. Both fires are in York County west of this city. No serious financial loss had been caused by either fire according to the advice secured by the Forest Service. The fires are on private lands that at Magundy being owned by an American company.

Councillors Active.

This morning councillors in the Parish of Dumfries and Prince William took steps to organize fire-fighting crews to fight the fire at Magundy. At McAdam similar action was taken. Along the Pokiook stream it was feared that the fire might assume serious proportions.

Rain Greatly Needed.

The rains of more than a week ago which produced great benefit in some parts of the Province were light in the western sections. Rain is urgently needed now not only to check forest-fires but also to aid agriculture. Some potatoe sections are reported to be very dry. No other fires are reported in the Province but the warm windy days are expected to produce conditions which will favor more fires.

UNSEASONABLE FROSTS HAVE DONE SOME DAMAGE

Potatoes Have Escaped But Buckwheat and Garden Produce Was Nipped—High Lands Affected.

The unusually cool summers which have been experienced in this section for some years past have produced unseasonably early frosts and this summer is no exception as within the past week several places in the rural sections reported frosts which did considerable damage. The sections affected are located on high land but even in low lying sections frosts occurred. The potato fields as a general thing escaped serious damage but buckwheat is reported to have been nipped in some localities and such garden produce as cucumbers and squash also suffered. Many localities which might be expected to have frosts if they occurred, escaped them.

Southern parts of the Parish of Kingsclear, the Keswick Valley and the upperparts of the Nashwaak Valley all experienced frost.

Disturbance at Gaol.

A resident of Minto who visited the county gaol during the week-end was insistent that he be allowed to see a prisoner. He was refused and became so demonstrative that he was threatened with arrest if he did not leave. Later his car got into trouble in Lower St. Mary's losing a wheel. After repairs were made the owner was able to proceed home.

Visitors from Massachusetts

Seymour Nealis of Waltham, Mass., has been spending a vacation in this vicinity. He is a guest of his sister Mrs. Leonard Hubbard of Oromocto. Mr. Nealis who is now in business in Waltham, is a son of the late Simon Nealis of Fredericton and a brother of Hugh Nealis who practiced law here some years ago.

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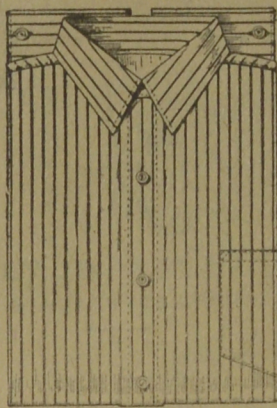
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