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MARITIME BAPTIST CONVENTION

The Maritime Baptist Convention which held its sessions of this year in our city from Oct. 16th to 20th, was remarkable in a number of ways. The attendance was unusually large. This was not expected. No one thought that as many would attend as was the case last year at Amherst, which is thoroughly central to all the provinces; and it was felt, too, that the war would operate against as large an attendance as usual. And yet the enrolment this year was 281 while the number at Amherst was 278. A few delegates did not take the trouble to enrol and others were present without the official appointment as delegates, so that the actual number of delegates was three hundred or more, and the attendance from outside Fredericton very much beyond the three hundred mark.

The Convention was marked by very close attention to business and the work was accomplished with unusual despatch and thoroughness. This was due in no small measure to the efficient presiding of Rev. W. F. Parker, B. A., of Sussex, and his assistant, the first vice president, Mr. J. A. Christie, of Amherst. Very often the work is completed only through a crowded session on Wednesday morning; but this year, the work was all done by Tuesday evening.

The most outstanding feature of this Convention was the series of devotional services conducted by Dr. J. A. Francis, now of Boston, Mass., who will shortly go to Los Angeles, Cal., to take the pastorate of the great Baptist Temple in that city. Dr. Francis was known to be an eminent pulpit orator, but few anticipated such a magnificent intellectual and spiritual treat as was offered them in the address of the distinguished guest. At every devotional service the attendance was unusually large, and the interest increased at every occasion. Indeed those who had been in the habit of attending the Convention for years remarked that the address as a whole was of a high order, so that an unusual feast of good things was furnished to the delegates and to any other who chose to avail themselves of the privilege, for all the sessions, both of the Institute to the public as had been announced, and the Convention were entirely open.

The Convention of 1914 will be remembered as the best that has been held. This is a great gratification to the churches inviting the Convention, and indeed the lavish remarks of appreciation of the unbounded hospitality cannot but furnish gratification to the whole city of which the guests of the occasion spoke so well. And the splendid welcome of His Worship Mayor Mitchell, will have no small place among the pleasant memories of those who attended this gathering representing the 60,000 Baptists of representing the 60,000 Baptists of the Maritime Provinces.

AN NATIONALIST HOLDUP

The appointment of Hon. P. E. Blondin to the portfolio of minister of Inland Revenue in the Borden Cabinet came as a great surprise to the people of Canada. Mr. Blondin first came into prominence as a fiery nationalist agitator during the by-election in Drummond-Arthurs in 1910. Speaking at St. Louis de Elandford on October 25 of that year he was reported by Le Devoir, Mr. Bourassa's paper to have said:

"You are intimidating the people in waving the English flag and adding that we must contribute always and everywhere to the defence of that protector of our constitutional liberties, but we will not be made to forget that in 1837 it was necessary to bore holes in it in order to breathe the air of liberty."

In a speech delivered in the same constituency on a subsequent occasion he is reported to have said:

"The only liberties which we enjoy have been snatched. England has not conquered Canada for love or to plant the Cross of Christ as did

France, but to establish trade posts and make money. She has sowed the world with hatreds, quarrels, and wars. We have had enough of England and the English."

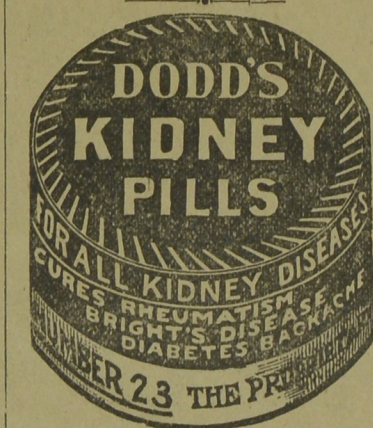
This same Mr. Blondin is now a minister of the Crown sitting at the elbow of Hon. J. D. Hazen who boasts of his imperialism. How did he get the appointment? He got it because the Nationalists of Quebec demanded it. Sir Robert Borden was weak-kneed enough to surrender to them. Sir Robert can always be counted upon to do the wrong thing at the wrong time.

If the game laws of the province were properly enforced the chances are that the regrettable shooting accident of Wednesday by which a young life was snuffed out would not have occurred. It must strike many people as singular that a boy of the tender age of twelve years of age should be permitted to wander about the woods armed with a high power rifle. What was he doing with a weapon of that kind in his possession? A high power rifle is not used for bird shooting therefore it is to be presumed that he was out to shoot big game. Licenses to shoot moose or deer are not issued to boys therefore it is also to be presumed that he was on an illegal hunting expedition. It is only when an accident occurs that matters of this kind are brought to the attention of the authorities. So long as the government appoints political henchmen wardens we may expect a lax enforcement of the game laws. If game wardens performed the duties for which they are paid from the public treasury boys of twelve years of age would not be prowling about the woods armed with rifles. The acting surveyor general should make it his business to find out what the game warden for this district does to earn his salary.

The appointment of Premier Fleming as a member of the provincial committee on the patriotic fund, goes to show that there is a determination on the part of some people to keep that discredited politician in the limelight. There is no objection whatever to the provincial government being represented on the committee but it should be represented by a combatant member in whom the public has some measure of confidence. There could have been no possible ground for complaint if Acting Premier Clarke had been named as a member of the committee, but for some unexplained reason he had to be passed over in order that Mr. Fleming could be rehabilitated to some extent. Mr. Fleming's appointment, under the circumstances, created astonishment and there will be still greater astonishment if he is permitted to act. New Brunswick has had enough of Fleming and Fleming methods and it will add greatly to the peace of mind of many excellent citizens who are taking a most active and praiseworthy interest in the patriotic fund—to say nothing of the thousands of others who came across with the cash—if he is quietly restored to the political grave which he dug for himself.

If New Brunswick is to raise a regiment for foreign service what is the matter with having this city made the recruiting station. The war has deprived Fredericton of its regular troops. We have the barracks here, at present unoccupied and no other city in the province can provide the same accommodation for troops. The fact that our federal representative has gone to the war is no reason why Fredericton's claims should be overlooked. This is a matter which should engage the attention of the Board of Trade. Fredericton should be made the recruiting station for the New Brunswick contingent.

People are wondering why there should be so much delay in making public the contents of the report of the royal commission on the Dugal charges.



LOCAL NEWS

GOVERNMENT MEETING.

A meeting of the local government is to be held in St. John on Tuesday of next week.

RECEPTION DAYS.

Mrs. T. D. Bell will receive at the parsonage, Lower Prince William, on the afternoon of Friday, October 30th.

ELECTED A DIRECTOR.

At a meeting of the Bangor and Aroostook Railway Company at Bangor yesterday, Hon. Charles E. Oak, manager of the New Brunswick Railway Company, was elected a director.

FIRE AT MINTO.

A large store, owned by Messrs. Crawford and Fother, and a pool-room, owned by Messrs. Farrell and Welton, at Minto, were today destroyed by fire yesterday morning. There was no insurance.

HIS SECOND TRIP.

Major C. W. Hinman of Winchester, Mass., is at the Queen today en route to the Miramichi woods on a hunting trip. This will be his second visit to New Brunswick since the season opened. Mr. Wilfrid Norrad will be his guide.

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THIRTY DAYS IN JAIL

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THE WRATH OF THE GODS.

The great spectacular production "The Wrath of the Gods, or The Destruction of Sakura-Jima" in six parts will be the feature attraction at the Gaiety Theatre today and on Saturday. This wonderful photoplay shows a volcanic eruption so close and realistic that it seems absolutely incredible. The first evening performance starts at sharp 7.15 and the second show about 8.45. Special matinees will be given on Saturday afternoon when all children will be admitted for five cents.

THE WATERWAYS COMMISSION.

Mr. H. A. Powell, K.C., of St. John, a member of the International Waterways Commission, is in the city today. Talking to The Mail, he said that there was nothing in the statement in a morning paper that the commission would shortly meet to elect a new chairman to succeed Hon. T. Chase Casgrain. The commission he said, elected its own chairman, but the government would fill the vacancy. He added that the commission would meet shortly to deal with a matter affecting the St. Croix River.

WEDDING OF LOCAL INTEREST.

At the home of the bride's parents, Gordon street, on Wednesday evening Miss Josephine Lister, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Walter Lister formerly of Fredericton, was united in marriage to Mr. Elroy Lewis, in the employ of the N. B. Telephone Company in this city. The ceremony was performed by Canon Sisam, rector of St. George's church. The wedding was a quiet affair, only the families of the contracting parties being present. The bride was given away by her father. The young couple are well and favorably known and their friends wish them happiness in their married life.—Moncton Times.

TO THE POLICYHOLDERS OF THE PRUDENTIAL INSURANCE CO. OF AMERICA:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the policyholders of the Prudential Insurance Company of America will be held at the Home Office of said Company, in the City of Newark, New Jersey, on Monday, the Seventh Day of December, A.D. One Thousand, Nine Hundred and Fourteen, at Twelve o'clock Noon, to consider the purchase by the said Company, for cash out of its surplus for the benefit of its policyholders, of such shares of its capital stock as may be offered for sale at the price of \$465 per share, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 99 of the Laws of New Jersey, 1913, and the order of the Chancellor of said State, made July 28, 1914.

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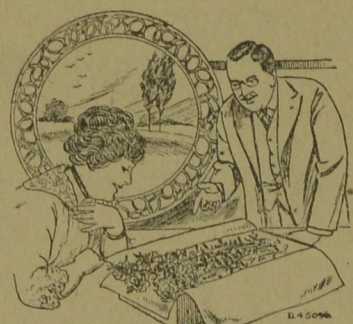
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