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A REMARKABLE INTERVIEW.

Mr. Witte, the Famous Russian Statesman, is Pessimistic.

Nagasaki, June 14.—(Special.)—The Russian hospital ship Kostroma which was captured during the battle of the Sea of Japan, was released today and sailed for Shanghai.

The hospital ship Orel, captured at the same time, will be taken before the naval prize court at Sasabo for trial.

St. Petersburg, June 14.—Slovo this morning published a remarkably sensational interview, filled with the gloomiest forebodings of M. Witte, president of the council of ministers.

The Russian statesman's name is not mentioned, but the veil of his identity can be pierced by the veriest tyro.

He evidently spoke with the profound conviction that the affairs of state are going from bad to worse under the personal irritation produced by intrigues which compel him to sit idle during the present crisis.

Every word is black with pessimism. The statesman makes it clear that Foreign Minister Lansdorff, for one, opposed his having anything to do with the peace negotiations.

Asked concerning the report that he is going abroad charged with a mission in regard to negotiations for peace, M. Witte replied, his words being given literally, as they contain a hidden meaning: "No I certainly will not go on such a mission for three reasons."

"The last of them is that I shall do everything I can to avoid it. Even if the rumor of Lansdorff's resignation is true, I insist it is not a case in which the main situation could not be changed, and the first and third reasons would hold me."

"Nothing that Russia has gone through, is surprising. I gave warning in due time that only the matchwood of Rojstvensky's squadron would reach Vladivostok. In a word, I just earned the designation of a croaking raven."

"I do not see that affairs have yet taken a turn that makes my services desirable. I will say more. Even now I cannot observe a definite desire to change the direction of the current. The bed of a rushing stream remains the same. Many obstacles in its path grow more numerous and foaming rapids indicate danger points."

"As for peace, Japan will not be even willing to discuss a basis which would not ensure peace for at least fifty years. Her conditions doubtless have also considerably increased. She will, of course, agree to open negotiations on her own soil without mediators with a person whom Russia will clothe with social power. Herein lies the real source of dangers, originating in the Berlin and London cabinets."

"Yes, there is truth in what you say, but you see a different estimate is put on men abroad. People there are better informed, and appreciate more clearly the conditions prevailing in Russia than we do here."

Russia could prolong the war for five years in the hope of coming out victorious were it not for events in the interior to which they are closing their eyes and stopping their ears trying to know nothing."

Here lies the horror of the present situation in Russia."

Every hour of delay is fraught with danger. Down, down, lower, lower, step by step."

THE METHODIST CONFERENCE.

Preliminary Proceedings at the Charlottetown Gathering.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., June 14.—(Special.)—The ministerial session of the N. B., and P. E. I. Methodist Conference resumed this morning.

E. C. Hennigar, B. A., B. D., by St. John District; J. A. Sellar, B. A., by Charlottetown district; W. Rogers Pepper, B. A., by Summerside district, were recommended to be received into full connection and ordained.

Three following were recommended to continued probation: J. E. Shanklin, B. A., Ernest S. Weeks, B. A., Leon Fawcett, George A. Yeres, H. H. Marr, B. A., H. S. B. Stothard, B. A., and George Morris.

The following were recommended to be sent to college: Messrs. Shanklin, Jewett, Ayers and Morris.

Leave of absence for one year was granted Revs. W. W. Brewer and Levi J. Leard. The latter will continue his studies at Boston University.

A resolution regarding Rev. Dr. Wilson, of St. John, who retires from active work, was presented by the committee and a pastoral address read by Rev. J. Stothard.

YESTERDAY'S BUSINESS.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., June 14.—At the ministerial session of the N. B. and P. E. I. Methodist Conference yesterday afternoon fifty answered the roll call, including the following from New Brunswick: Rev. Messrs. Bell, Fleming, Crisp, Dainstadt, Estey, Blomington, Gough, Gregg, Hamilton, George Harrison, Harry Harrison, Heaney, Harvey, Hudson, Kirby, Lucas, Marshall, Paisley, Parker, H. Penna, Rice, Rogers, Spargo, Sprague, Steele, Strothard, Thomas, Turner, Watson, Young.

After devotional exercises Chas. K. Hudson was appointed conference reporter for the Wesleyan.

The following transfers were made: Rev. G. W. Fisher to Montreal Conference; Rev. W. J. Howard, J. A. Sellers to the Alberta Conference; Rev. W. J. Squires, B. A., from the Newfoundland Conference to this Conference.

Dr. Rogers, Revs. George Steele, R. Ople, W. W. Lodge, J. Strothard, J. Crisp and I. N. Parker were appointed a committee on conference relations.

Rev. J. B. Champion, supernumerary was recommended to be restored to active work.

BIG SUPERNUMERARY LIST.

Dr. Wilson, Rev. Chas. Comben, J. A. Clarke, M. A., E. Evans, D. D., J. A. Dickie, George B. Payson, F. W. H. Pickles, J. J. Colter, J. J. Teasdale, George Dawson, Charles Stewart, D. D., Douglas Chapman, D. D., S. T. Ford, Joseph Pascoe, Elias Slackford, Henry J. Clarke, Jos. Parkins, Alfred E. L. Page, John S. Allen and S. H. Rice were recommended as supernumeraries.

The brethren spoke feelingly and sympathetically regarding the retirement of Rev. Dr. Wilson and a suitable minute will be prepared in his case. Letters were ordered to be sent to the others who retire this year.

Rev. James Crisp and W. J. Kirby were appointed letter writers for the ministerial session.

Rev. H. Goring Alder, Andover, N. B., has resigned from the Methodist ministry to enter the ministry of the Anglican church.

Rev. Dr. Heustis, book steward of Halifax spoke on matters regarding papers and books of the ministerial book room and the splendid showing in patronage given by Sunday schools and ministers. He asked the brethren to help them more fully. The Wesleyan was shown to be holding its own during the year. The financial statement was very satisfactory. The Wesleyan had paid its way leaving a small surplus.

The book steward stated that he was completing his twenty-fifth year in office and forty-seventh in the ministry and intended to ask to be relieved of his office at the general conference.

Among the main business of the conference this year will be arrangements for supplying an unusually large number of vacant circuits owing to the large number of ministers going west. The names of Rev. William Dobson, W. W. Lodge and James Crisp are prominently mentioned as candidates for president.

At a meeting of the historical society on Friday a paper will be read by Dr. Archibald of Mt. Allison on Literature of Methodism in the Maritime Provinces.

Rev. Charles W. Squires, who was transferred from the Newfoundland conference recently, recently graduated from Mt. Allison and is now taking a course at Harvard which has offered him the Williams' fellowship for the coming year.

The ministerial session was continued today and on Thursday afternoon the real work of the conference begins.

ST. JOHN RIVER TRAGEDY.

Decomposed Body of a Woman Found in the Boom at Kingarth.

INQUEST HELD BUT IDENTITY OF VICTIM NOT ESTABLISHED.

Workmen employed on the booms at Kingarth, Kingsclear, fourteen miles above this city last evening discovered the body of a woman which had been washed into the boom near Mr. Edward Cliff's residence.

The body was much decomposed as though it had been in the water at least four or five weeks. Dr. Wilby, who examined the body found no marks of violence on the woman's person.

The body is apparently that of a woman about 60 years of age, with grey hair and brown eyes. She was about 5 feet 5 inches tall. She had artificial teeth the top row of which had been lost. The body was clad in a black cloth jacket, red dress with white figure, new boots and rubbers and coarse woolen stockings. From the stockings the impression prevailed that the woman might have fallen into the river before the cold weather broke up probably through the decayed ice.

Messrs. Edward and James Cliff, J. P.'s, summoned a jury of seven men who brought in a verdict in accordance with the above facts and ordered the body interred.

There is no clue as to who the missing woman was, as no word has come from any of the up-river parishes of any person being missing.

On the body inside the woman's corsets were found seven silk handkerchiefs, six napkins, and half a dozen silk ties.

RATTLING GOVERNMENT VICTORIES.

London and North Oxford Endorse Laurier by Rousing Majorities.

London, Ont., June 14.—Hon. Chas. Hyman, who was chosen to succeed the late Hon. James Sutherland as minister of public works, was returned yesterday by a majority of 330 over William Gray, who gave Mr. Hyman such a close run at the general election.

The school question was made the chief issue by the Conservatives. The city last night was in a state of turmoil celebrating Hon. Mr. Hyman's victory. The victor is receiving telegrams of congratulation from all parts of the dominion, showing the interest in the result.

When the result became a foregone conclusion both candidates made speeches. Hon. Mr. Hyman said that the verdict was amply justification of the government's policy on provincial autonomy and showed clearly that the people could not be swayed by appeals to race and religious prejudice.

The result by wards were:

Ward	Hyman	Gray
One	1,155	1,034
Two	945	736
Three	1,209	1,254
Four	1,274	1,229
Total	4,583	4,253

Majority for Hyman 330.

SMITH WINS BY 349 MAJORITY.

Woodstock, Ont., June 14.—North Oxford, the seat left vacant by the death of Hon. James Sutherland, remains Liberal. Yesterday's polling gave George Smith, the government candidate, a majority of 349 over the Conservative candidate, Mr. Wallace.

JOY AT OTTAWA.

Ottawa, June 14.—The triumphant return of two Liberals, had a very depressing effect upon Mr. Borden and his followers last evening. The followers of the government were jubilant.

A city and a country constituency in the strongest Protestant part of Ontario have stood by the verdict of the west. Mr. Hyman's majority was increased from about 20 to about 330, and Woodstock, which has an acknowledged Conservative

majority of 500, gave only a little more than 200 to Wallace.

When the returns were coming in from Woodstock, North Oxford, Hon. John Haggart said that if the Conservative candidate did not get 500 of a majority in Woodstock, the Liberal would be elected. When he was told that he had only 200, the ex-minister of railways replied that Smith would be elected by more than 300.

It was apparent from the very first of the returns that Mr. Hyman was going to carry London. The opposition saw this but some of them maintained that North Oxford was theirs. "Wait until Zorra is heard from," said one stalwart Conservative, and an enthusiastic Liberal retorted "Just wait." The return from Zorra showed that whatever happened the remainder of the constituency Zorra was not going to be drawn away from its old moorings.

Number 6, the headquarters of the Conservatives, was soon deserted. There was nothing but mourning there. Room 16, the Liberal headquarters, was crowded, and the excitement was intense. Telegrams of congratulations to Hyman and Smith were speedily despatched. The boys were in a jubilant mood and sent the following to J. S. Willison, editor of the Toronto News:

"Take Peruna for that tired feeling. The Cartoons did it. Give us Grey's Elegy in tomorrow's issue."

When the house met at 8 o'clock, the Liberals were present in large numbers, and were particularly enthusiastic. "What's the matter with London!" shouted Johnston, of Cape Breton, and the party responded, "London is all right." The same was said of North Oxford.

When the Premier arrived all the Liberals rose in their places and cheered heartily. "What's the matter with Sir Wilfrid!" and followed with "What's the matter with Clause 16!" and "What's the matter with room 16!" and they were in turn declared to be "All right."

There may be a chance now of the autonomy bills going through before July 1st and prorogation following soon afterwards.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

Will Purchase and Take Possession of St. John Cantilever Bridge.

St. John, June 14.—(Special.)—Within a few days the deal will be completed which will give the C. P. R. the ownership of the Cantilever Bridge over the Falls, now the property of the St. John Bridge and Railway Company.

The C. P. R. has been trying to get the bridge for some time to avoid the heavy tolls.

Another reason for the recent activity in this direction has been the fact that the bridge has been so weak, since last winter, that the C.

P. R. dare not run their heavy engines over it, but satisfactory terms could not be made.

A few weeks ago, however, Vice-President McNeill came here, and announced in the press that the C. P. R. proposed to build another bridge at once. This it is said, forced the bridge company to make a satisfactory agreement.

The bridge will be practically rebuilt as soon as the C. P. R. takes control.