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COUNVY COURT.

The Regular March Term Opened by Judge Wilson--The Docket.

The March term of the York County court opened at eleven o'clock this morning. Judge Wilson presiding. The barristers in attendance included J. H. Barry, K. C., clerk of the court, A. J. Gregory, K. C., H. F. McLeod, R. B. Hanson and Walter Limerick. Following is the docket as made up by the respective attorneys.

JURY CAUSES.

David Essensa vs. Charles Anderson--Slipp and Hanson file record. John E. Meade vs. Robert Aiken A. J. Gregory files record. Charles Carlisle vs. James Colter--A. J. Gregory files record. Dominion Bank vs. Solomon Kern--A. J. Gregory files record. There is also a bastardy case against Frederick Boone of this city, but on account of the absence of the clerk of the peace, it was allowed to stand over. The list of the petit jurors is as follows: Wesley Clowater, Charles Wesley, A. A. Grant, James W. Smith, B. W. Fox, H. T. Smith, Henry Burtt, Joseph E. Smith, Wellington Boone, Albert Miles, Albert Neill and Havelock Wheeler. The case of Essensa vs. Anderson is being tried this afternoon. It is an action for a breach of warranty on a horse. Slipp & Hanson for plaintiff; M. N. Cockburn, K. C., for defendant.

CHURCHES BOARDED UP.

Canon Montgomery Gave Some Startling Information at St. John--Anglicans Want More Money for Home Missions.

The great need of more money contributions for the support of Anglican churches in the country districts of this province was strongly emphasized Sunday evening in St. John's church. St. John, by Rev. Canon Montgomery of Kingsclear, York Co. The congregation was very large, and what was said evidently created a deep impression.

The speaker deplored lack of interest in religious matters shown by too many professing churchmen, and said it was essential that if one believed himself earnest and sincere he should, in the spirit of Christ, commence his work in his own town and among his own kinsfolk.

He regretted that the church was not progressing as it should, for he could mention many instances where, through lack of interest and money, churches in the country had been closed, thus depriving hundreds of devout members from the privileges of attending service.

"I desire to congratulate this church," he said, "upon the zeal you have shown in missionary work for the Canadian northwest. That part of the country needs your efforts, but will you send your contributions there at the expense of those nearer home? The northwest is certainly in need of all that we can do, but I don't want to see God's work here neglected and not helped as it should be."

"Suppose a letter reached you from your late pastor stating that there were 700 or 800 people of the Church of England faith in one of the few western districts and that, because of difficulties in obtaining funds, there were no means of worship, would you not be impressed and would you not respond?"

"Do you know that up on the banks of the St. John river, between Fredericton and Woodstock, there are eight churches locked and with the windows boarded up? There are 1,200 people of our church in this province who have not the ministrations of the church. In the parishes of Douglas and Bright there are 800 church people who are without clergymen."

Canon Montgomery also said the churches in St. Martins and Upham are without permanent rectors. "There is no money," he said, "to pay ministers to go to all of these neglected places and work."

He alluded to a certain family he once visited and was surprised to have the mother assure him, that he was the first Episcopal clergyman she had seen for nine years. There were five children, none of whom had been baptized.

"I baptized them," he said, "and I recall another time when, during a single service, I baptized twenty-

seven. We hope you will see to it that at least a fair portion of the money now being sent to the Northwest missions will be diverted into channels nearer home. It is not the fault of the country people that the churches are empty and the families without ministers. They are not able themselves to procure clergymen, and must appeal to you. The settlers in England, but from that country we ourselves cannot expect any financial aid. We received it once, but at that time these provinces were younger than they are now. The people in England consider that we in eastern Canada are now sufficiently old to depend upon ourselves, and that we need no further help."

Canon Montgomery read a report for 1904, showing that the people of St. James' Church had donated for mission work in the Northwest \$226.86, and for the same work in the Fredericton diocese \$79.80.

"We want to reverse this," he concluded; "you are asked to give in 1906 the sum of \$196 to missionary affairs in this province, and \$107 to the Northwest, and I don't believe that you will consider this unfair."

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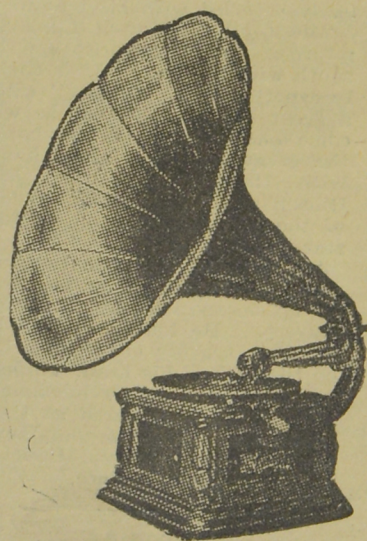
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