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METHODISTS APPLAUD CENSURE OF EVANGELISTS

"Peripatetic Pedlars of a Rag-time Gospel," They Are Called---Hot Discussion on Plan to Divide Missionary Work---Dr. Sutherland Threatens to Resign---Important Changes.

MONTREAL, Sept. 20—A large congregation assembled last night to hear the Rev. Dr. McCoy, representative from the M. E. church of the south. Dr. McCoy is a young man of about forty with the gift for ready and effective speech. He spoke appreciatively of the union of the Methodist churches in Japan and referred to them as "our children" and said "as mothers-in-law, we on this continent should be very friendly. We have heard," he said, "with unalloyed joy of the optimism with which you face the problems of the development of this vast country. I have read with thrills of joy of the conquests of your early circuit riders. There was a time when they were denied the honors of this world. There never will be a time when they will be denied the honors of the world to come. He carried the first circulating library the world ever saw in the pockets of his saddle-bags. All time will yield honor to the Methodist church for the stand she took with regard to ecclesiastical equality in the state. Egerton Ryerson as the pioneer in the movement that secured these rights deserves the highest and most enduring favor. The spirit that has placed your church in the lead of the Protestant churches still abides in you. There are some questions upon which debate has closed and one of them is that the church must help higher education. Methodism is committed to the task of education." Referring to the projected union of the churches he said that nothing clarifies the ecclesiastical air like love and in that air we see much to admire in others we never saw before. He spoke of the necessity resting upon each minister to do his own work rather than importing professional evangelists, who go through the land corrupting the tastes of our people by their sensational methods. He created spontaneous merriment by characterizing such men as "peripatetic pedlars of a rag time gospel."

Touching briefly but pointedly on the higher criticism he warned against a too ready acceptance of untried and unproved theories, but cautioned against the tendency to refuse to learn new truth. "Remember," he said, "that higher criticism is much like Mr. Dooley's negro contented and happy and easily lynched."

No report of such a limited nature as this can give any adequate idea of the sustained faultlessness and literary finish of Dr. McCoy's oration and the sheer beauty of his exquisite imagery and poetry drew forth uncontrolled applause from the listening multitude. The Rev. G. Salton of Ottawa moved the vote of appreciation, which was seconded by Mr. Anderson.

The Temperance and Moral Reform Committee held an interesting session this morning, and grave differences of opinion came out as to the best way to treat the liquor question. Prominent among the speakers were the Revs. Dobson, Brown, Cooley, Marshall and others, of whom Brown and Cooley favored the passing of a clause in the report stating in very strong terms that it was the duty of every elector to vote against a candidate who would not pledge himself to favor prohibition. This was opposed as an effort to bind the conscience of the voter and was lost by a large majority. One very earnest member of the committee said their report was now like a bulldog that had been to the dentist and had his teeth pulled. At a meeting of the book and publishing committee this morning it was resolved to ask the conference to divide the western book committee into two committees, to be known as the central and western committees, thus making three book committees—eastern, western and central. It will also be recommended that the four western conferences beginning with Manitoba, publish a new connexional paper in Winnipeg.

The matter of personal responsibility of a minister for assessed funds, which is of interest to members of the N. S. conference and which came forward through the Liverpool district, was brought up by the Rev. B. Hills today in the committee on memorials. Mr. Hills supported his contention by saying that the method of assessment is entirely contrary to the genius of the whole Methodist Church, which is a voluntary one, and moved that the memorial asking for the removal of the system be concurred in and the responsibility be made a moral one and that it rest upon the people. The proposal met with sympathy in the committee, though it came as a surprise and the only consideration of weight put forward against it was that it would not be expedient to destroy a system already observed in the church. The dangerous possibility of some determined minister contending in the legal courts against his obligation to pay the funds, carried weight with many who would like to see the responsibility made a moral one and shifted to the congregation. The vote of non-concurrence in the memorial stood 16 to 9.

At the afternoon session the report of the missionary committee was taken up and an animated discussion ensued. The committee favored the policy of conducting two departments—home and foreign—under the control of two secretaries, with two sub-secretaries.

Dr. Sutherland opposed separating the department, but favored the idea of one fund, one board, and one policy, with one head to the whole department.

H. W. Rowell, K. C., of Toronto is the chief lay advocate of the change that gives two heads to the department. He said that Dr. Sutherland had no right to the responsibility of managing the church's missionary policy. That belongs to the mission board, and not to any individual. He said that the missionary board spent its time in dealing with matters of detail instead of matters of general policy, whereas matters of detail should be left to officers appointed for that purpose. What does a board want to do with questions as to whether this man or that man should have medical expenses of a few dollars paid. He said he hoped that in the event of a change that Dr. Sutherland would still remain in the missionary department.

Dr. Ryckman seconded Mr. Rowell's motion for the change.

Dr. Sutherland spoke again to the question. He regretted that those who started this change had not taken him into their confidence a year ago. He regretted the political methods of those desiring a change. He said that his attitude had been misrepresented. The General Conference outlines the policy of the church and the committee, and the general secretary carries it out. No secretary may dictate, but no board may interfere with a secretary who remains within the limits of his orders. Let a sub-head in the book-room step over his duty and see how quickly he'll be brought to order. (Dr. Briggs—"Hear, hear.") He said that he knew what the outcome of the sub-committee's deliberations would be for their opinions were known. ("No, no.") They had at any rate told others. It had often seemed to him that the sole policy of many members of the missionary board had been to antagonize the secretary and oppose all he said. He had held his position during years when he had offers of double the salary elsewhere. Unless he was allowed to manage the details of his office, the church could take back the commission given him 32 years ago.

Mr. Flavelle wanted no government by an autocrat but by co-operation. When a work grows so large that a head loses touch with the worker it is time to call a halt.

Dr. Allison in an able speech said that it would be exceedingly unwise to change the policy of the church at this juncture. The only proposal is to have two autocrats instead of one. (Laughter and applause). He moved that the whole matter be referred to a committee to bring in a report. He deprecated all personalities. This new proposition is for a hybrid and mongrel product and will destroy the whole work of the missionary department. Dr. Crothers seconded Dr. Allison's motion.

Mr. Hilliard moved that there be a general secretary and two under-secretaries. Dr. Young supported the committee proposal. Dr. Crothers supported the idea of a commission of inquiry. He favored having a head of affairs and drew a parallel from the civil government.

Dr. Sutherland suggested as a compromise that there be two general secretaries who in consultation with the board shall divide the work, one of these to be the secretary-treasurer, and that there be two assistant secretaries to visit the fields. The conference referred the report back to the committee to harmonize this suggestion with the committee's former report.

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C. P. R. GET SHORE LINE

Persistent Report Current to This Effect

Trustees of Sage Estate Await Confirmation of Their Action—Col. McLean's Statement

(From Friday's Daily Sun.)

There is a persistent rumor that the C. P. R. have obtained possession of the Shore Line road and that in a very short time the branch road to St. Stephen will be operated as part of that big system.

It is said that the trustees of the estate of the late Russell Sage to whom the road belonged, await their action to be confirmed in the probate proceedings tomorrow at New York.

Col. McLean, whose firm are solicitors in this city for both railways, said last night that he had just returned from Montreal and was ignorant that any such negotiations had taken place and did not think that any steps could be taken towards the disposal of the road before tomorrow.

A MAINE HOTEL BURNED LAST NIGHT

PHILLIPS, Me., Sept. 20. — The Phillips Hotel was burned tonight and the thirty guests had some difficulty in escaping from the burning building. Fire which started near the stable at noon today, and which was apparently extinguished, rekindling itself tonight at ten o'clock, burst through the three story wooden hotel. Most of the guests had retired and the flames and smoke spread through the building so quickly that it was necessary for many to plunge through the smoke-filled hallway in night clothes. A man named Bailey was severely burned, but others escaped with practically no injuries.

The building was owned by E. H. Shepard and E. M. Parker, and their loss is estimated at about $6,000. C. Mahoney was proprietor of the house.

UNION VOTED DOWN AFTER ANGRY AND EXCITED MEETING

Waterloo Street Supporters of Proposal to Join Forces With Brussels Street Congregation Failed to Secure Two-Thirds Majority—Rev. Mr. Cohoe Asked to Retire From Meeting—Displeased at Action of His Congregation, Rev. Mr. Prosser Will Retire.

(From Friday's Daily Sun.)

There was not the same harmony at the meeting of the Waterloo Street Baptist congregation as marked the meeting of Brussels St. Baptist Church on Wednesday evening. After a warm discussion the vote on amalgamation stood 47 in favor and 33 against. A two-third majority, however, was necessary to bring about union and so the resolution was lost. As a result of the meeting last night, Rev. A. J. Prosser will soon send in his resignation, while a number of the main supporters of the church are likely also to sever their connection.

The meeting opened with Rev. Mr. Prosser presiding, and about seventy of the church adherents present. Besides these Rev. Mr. Cohoe and a delegation from Brussels Street were present.

Rev. Mr. Prosser after giving the reasons for the calling of the meeting, called upon Rev. Mr. Cohoe, who commenced to state to the meeting the position which his congregation had taken on the previous night.

His remarks were, however, interrupted by E. H. Duval, who said that a congregational meeting had been called and that Rev. Mr. Cohoe had no right to be present, nor had he any right to speak to the meeting, influencing them in their decision.

Rev. Mr. Cohoe and those with him, together with the other strangers present, thereupon retired.

George A. Earle asked that the minutes of the last meeting of the advisory board, where a resolution was passed in favor of union with only one dissenting, be read. He said that the meeting wished to know how many were present and the position they took. The request, however, was not acceded to.

The following resolution was then introduced: "Whereas the recently consummated union of the Free Baptist and Baptist churches of New Brunswick so alters the relation of the Waterloo and Brussels street churches that they now represent the united denomination in the same district in the city, and

"Whereas, such work could apparently be better accomplished by the union of the two congregations.

"Resolved that we, the members of the Waterloo street United Baptist church express our willingness to effect, in conjunction with the Brussels street Baptist church, a new organization under a new name and we agree to place the present Waterloo street plant in the hands of the trustess of the new organization and abide by the decision of the united congregation as to the place of the church home."

The resolution was moved by Wm. Peters and seconded by Jas. Patterson, the two senior deacons of the church. These gentlemen stated at some length the advantages of amalgamation. Formerly the Waterloo street church was the only church representing its denomination in the city proper. Now after amalgamation of the two Baptist bodies, Waterloo street church was surrounded on all sides by Baptist churches and had only a few blocks from which to draw its congregation.

E. H. Duval was the principal speaker against the resolution. He opposed the union on sentimental and also on financial grounds. Their church, he said, was practically free from debt after a hard struggle and now some of the congregation would unite with Brussels street church with a debt of thousands of dollars.

At the conclusion of his speech, the chairman said that the opinion of all present was probably already formed and further discussion was useless. He therefore said to proceed with the voting.

The ballots had previously been distributed among the congregation, upon which the question was asked whether or not the vote was favorable to union, to which an answer yes or no was required. The slip was to be returned to one of the undersigned, who were Wm. Peters, James Patterson and Thos. Robinson.

The votes were taken as the names were called from the church ledger. The votes were immediately counted, with the results given above.

The motion was then at once made to adjourn, but while the resolution was being put a disturbance took place, due to members of the congregation to the number of twenty, to whom ballots had been distributed, finding that their names had not been read. These twenty were, it seemed, all opposed to amalgamation and claimed that they had been unjustly deprived of their privilege.

Reuben McIntyre voiced the sentiments of these and called upon the chairman to give reasons why they had been left out.

The answer was given to him that it was one of the by-laws of the church that only those had a vote who contributed towards the church's support and were regular attendants.

Mr. McIntyre claimed that he was a contributor to the church funds and while he had not been present at service for the last few Sundays, asserted that there were others who had not been present for months.

The meeting, however, adjourned without taking any proceedings in the matter.

Rev. Mr. Prosser after the meeting stated he himself was favorable to the union, as were the deacons of the church. He said that as a result of the meeting he would retire from the pastorate in the immediate future. Practically, he said, all the representative people of the church were in favor of union.

The prominent members of the church, favoring union said after the meeting that those opposing union would not themselves be able to pay the minister's salary for a week.

The members of the church were also likewise considerably stirred up last night and one of the strongest opponents to the union said last night that Mr. Prosser's resignation was now in order. In fact, said this member, according to the regulations of the church, Mr. Prosser should have handed his resignation at the first of July, and that he had not done so because he knew that he would not be reappointed.

BOSTON, Sept. 20 — Congressman Robert R. Hitt, of Illinois, died at Narragansett pier, R. I., today, aged 72. Hitt attained notoriety sixteen years ago as an ardent supporter in Congress of Erastus Wiman's commercial union movement which figured prominently in Canadian politics.

CALAIS, Me., Sept. 20.—J. M. Johnson, Republican, today gained 6 votes in a re-count of ballots for representative from Calais cast in the election Sept. 10th. His majority over Brene Kallah, Democrat, who asked for recount, is 35.

HONG KONG, Sept. 20—Another storm less violent however than the typhoon, broke here at midnight and blew for six hours. The damage apparently was not great.

CHATHAM FAIR A BIG SUCCESS

Attendance Large---Judging Nearly Finished

Presence of German Gunboat Adds Interest—Officers and Crew Join in Celebration

(Special to the Sun.)

CHATHAM, N. B., Sept. 20.—The fourth day of the exhibition was as fine as the preceding ones, and the attendance was large. The total for the past three days is 6,300, and today about 3,000 more passed through the turnstiles. The grand parade of the prize cattle was held today, and all the amusement features were well patronized.

The German gunboat Panther arrived in port this morning, and this afternoon Consul Neale paid his official call on Commander Timme. This was returned and calls were made on the governor, premier and Mayor Nicol.

Tonight the German band gave an enjoyable programme in the exhibition building. The parade was formed at 7.45 p. m. and a large contingent of sailors marched to the grounds.

Tomorrow night the consul, F. E. Neale, gives a reception and dance in honor of the visitors and Premier Tweedie gives his official welcome on Monday.

The judging is going steadily forward and will probably be finished tomorrow.

CHATHAM, N. B., Sept. 21.—The prize list so far completed is as follows:

Pekin ducks—John Dee, 1st.

Pigeons—Arthur McKenzie, 1st; Oloff Ruddock, 2nd.

Improved Berkshire—M. H. Parlee, boar, 2 years, 1st; boar, over six months, 1st; sow over 2 years, 1st.

Sow, under six months—Hardnig Bros, 1st and 2nd; M. H. Parlee, 3rd.

Breeding sow with litter—M. H. Parlee, 1st.

Boar, over 2 years—Geo. E. Fisher, 1st.

Boar under 2 years—A. G. Dickson, 1st.

Boar, under 6 months—M. H. Parlee, 1st; Geo. E. Fisher, 2nd; A. G. Dickson, 3rd.

Sow, under 2 years—Geo. E. Fisher, 1st.

Sow, under 6 months—Geo. E. Fisher, 1st; M. H. Parlee, 2nd and 3rd.

Breeding sow with litter—Geo. E. Fisher, 1st.

Cut flowers, bouquets, carnations, best collection—John Bebbington, 1st.

Hollyhock—John Bebbington, 1st.

Gladiola—John Bebbington, 1st.

Sweet peas—John Bebbington, 1st; R. A. Snowball, 2nd.

Phlox—John Bebbington, 1st.

Cut flowers—John Bebbington, 1st, best collection; Geo. E. Fisher, 2nd.

Bridal bouquet—John Bebbington, 1st.

Table and hand bouquet—John Bebbington, 1st and 2nd.

Floral ornament—John Bebbington, 1st.

Cut Roses—John Bebbington, 1st.

Pansies—John Bebbington, 1st; R. A. Snowball, 2nd.

Cut flowers, best display—R. Gordon, 1st; F. E. Danville, 2nd.

Honey, best display—John H. King, 1st; J. W. Vonderbeek, 2nd.

Bee hive in operation—J. W. Vonderbeek, 1st.

Honey in glass—John H. King, diploma.

Section super by bees—John W. Vonderbeek, diploma.

Sow, over 1 year—A. G. Dickson, 1st; John Dee, 2nd.

Sow, over 1 year and under 2 years—Keating Bros., 1st.

Sow, under 12 months—A. G. Dickson, 1st.

Sow, under 6 months—Geo. J. Dickson, 1st.

Sow with litter—A. G. Dickson, 1st; Geo. E. Fisher, 2nd.

POULTRY.

Barred Plymouth Rock—John Dee, 1st; S. C. Dickson, 2nd; Geo. E. Fisher, 3rd.

White Plymouth Rock—R. A. Murdoch, 1st.

Buff Plymouth Rock—R. A. Snowball, 1st and 2nd.

Buff Wyandottes—1st, Walter McMonagle; 2nd, R. A. Murdock.

White Wyandottes — 1st, Hugh McMonagle.

Leghorns—1st, 2nd, 3rd, John Dee.

Pair brown leghorns—1st, E. C. Dickson.

Light Brahmas—1st and 2nd, Henry Gordon.

Red Games—1st, Thomas Carnish.

Pair game bantams—1st John Dee; 2nd, Garnet Archibald.

White Wyandottes—1st, John Dee.

Buff Wyandottes — 1st, R. A. Snowball.

Brown leghorns—1st, Warren Loggie.

White Mimorcas—1st, Warren Loggie.

Orpingtons—1st, E. C. Dickson, 2nd, Henry Gordon.

Light Brahmas—1st, John Dee.

Cross Bred cockerels—1st, Keating Bros.

Cross bred cockerels—1st, R. A. Murray; 2nd, Wm. Tenton.

Turkeys, bronze—1st, Milton Gallaway.

Young bronze turkeys—1st, 2nd, 3rd, G. S. Testin.

Pekin ducks—1st, John Dee; 2nd, Geo. J. Dickson.

Stallion, 4 years old—1st and 2nd, Chas. Henry; 3rd, R. A. Snowball.

Stallion, 2 years old—1st, Michael Byrnes; 2nd, James Kain.

Stallion, 1 year old—1st, W. B. Snowball; 2nd, H. H. Carvell.

Yearling, filly—1st, W. H. MacLachlan.

Foal, 1906—1st, R. A. Snowball.

Mare with foal—1st, W. B. Snowball; 2nd, R. A. Snowball; 3rd, H. H. Carvell.

Brood mare—1st, C. DeWitt.

Stallion, and three of his get—1st, R. A. Snowball.

Brood mare, with foal—1st, R. A. Snowball; 2nd, E. C. Dickson.

Filly or gelding—1st, G. S. Searle; 2nd, James Parks; 3rd, W. H. Topher.

Filly or gelding, 2 years old—1st Geo. J. Dickson; 2nd, R. A. Snowball; 3rd, G. S. Searle.

Yearling filly or gelding — 1st and 3rd, R. A. Snowball; 2nd, R. A. Murdock.

Foal of 1906—1st, E. C. Dickson; 2nd, W. B. Snowball.

CARRIAGE HORSES.

Mare—1st, C. DeWitt; 2nd, W. B. Snowball; 3rd, R. A. Snowball.

Gelding—1st, C. DeWitt.

Matched team—1st, R. A. Snowball.

Saddle horse—1st, W. B. Snowball.

Lady's saddle horse—1st, J. W. Vanderbeck.

AYRSHIRES.

Bull, 3 years old—1st, M. H. Parlee; 2nd, C. A. Archibald.

Bull, 2 years—1st, Keating Bros; 2nd, Geo. E. Fisher.

Bull, 1 year—1st, M. H. Parlee; 2nd, and 3rd, C. A. Archibald.

Bull calf—1st and 2nd, C. M. Parlee; 3rd, C. A. Archibald.

Parlee, 3rd, C. A. Archibald.

Cow, 3 years—1st and 3rd, M. H. Parlee; 3rd, C. A. Archibald.

Heifer—1st and 2nd, M. H. Parlee.

Heifer, 1 year—2nd and 3rd, M. H. Parlee; 1st, C. A. Archibald.

Heifer calf, under six months—1st and 2nd, M. H. Parlee; 2nd C. A. Archibald.

Bull—1st, M. H Parlee.

Female—1st, M. H. Parlee.

Bull, and three of get—1st, M. H. Parlee; 2nd, C. A. Archibald.

Herd, bull and 4 females—M. H. Parlee, 1st; C. A. Archibald, 2nd.

Breeder's young herd—M. H. Parlee, 1st; C. A. Archibald, 2nd.

Bull, 3 years—Robt. Robinson, 1st; W. McMonagle, 2nd.

Bull, 2 years—W. McMonagle, 1st.

Bull, 1 year—W. McMonagle, 1st.

Bull calf, under 1 year—Robt. Robinson.

Cow, 4 years old—1st and 2nd, C. M.

Cow, 4 years—Robt. Robinson, 1st; W. McMonagle, 2nd and 3rd.

Cow, 3 years—Robt. Robinson, 1st; W. McMonagle, 2nd and 3rd.

Heifer, 2 years—R. Robinson, 1st; W. McMonagle, 2nd and 3rd.

Heifer, 1 year—Robt. Robinson, 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

Heifer calf, under 1 year—R. Robinson, 1st.

Bull calf, under 6 months—Robt. Robinson, 1st; W. McMonagle, 2nd.

JERSEYS.

Bull, 1st and 3rd; W. McMonagle, 2nd.

Heifer calf, under 6 months—W. McMonagle, 1st and 2nd; R. Robinson, 3rd.

Bull, any age—W. McMonagle, 1st.

Female—W. McMonagle, 1st.

Herd, 1 bull and 4 females—W. McMonagle, 1st and 3rd; R. Robinson, 2nd.

Young herd—W. McMonagle, 1st and 3rd; R. Robinson, 2nd.

GUERNSEYS.

Bull, 3 years—R. Robinson, 1st and 2nd.

Bull, 2 years—W. McMonagle, 1st.

Bull, 1 year—W. McMonagle, 1st.

Bull calf, 1 year—W. McMonagle, 1st.

Bull calf, under 6 months—R. Robinson, 1st; W. McMonagle, 2nd.

Cow, 4 years—R. Robinson, 1st; W. McMonagle, 2nd and 3rd.

Cow, 3 years—W. McMonagle, 1st; R. Robinson, 2nd.

Heifer, 2 years—W. McMonagle, 1st; R. Robinson, 2nd.

Heifer, 1 year—W. McMonagle, 1st and 2nd; Robt. Robinson, 3rd.

Cow, 1 year—W. McMonagle, 1st and 3rd; R. Robinson, 2nd.

Calf, 6 months—W. McMonagle, 1st; R. Robinson, 2nd.

Bull—W. McMonagle, 1st.

Female—W. McMonagle, 1st.

Bull and 3 of his get—W. McMonagle, 1st.

Herd—R. Robinson, 1st.

Young herd—R. Robinson, 1st.

HOLSTEINS.

Bull, 3 years—Keating Bros., 1st.

Calf—Keating Bros., 1st.

Cow, 4 years—G. E. Fisher, 1st.

Heifer, 2 years—Harding Bros., 1st.

Heifer, 1 year—Harding Bros., 1st.

Heifer, 6 months—Harding Bros., 1st and 2nd.

Bull—Harding Bros., 1st.

Female—Harding Bros., 1st.

Bull and 3 of his get—Harding Bros., 1st.

Young herd—Harding Bros., 1st.

MILKMEN'S MEETING

Price Per Pint to be Four Cents—Want all Dealers In

(From Friday's Daily Sun.)

The milk dealers held a meeting in Bowman's Hall yesterday afternoon. They decided to sanction the increase in the price of milk, the new rates being six cents per quart wholesale and seven cents retail. The price per pint is four cents retail.

Committees were appointed to look after the progress of the association and to learn if the dealers who were not present at the meeting are in sympathy with the action taken.

The following officers were then elected: James Morland, president; Alex. Macaulay, secretary; R. McLean, S. Creighton and S. Carpenter, vice presidents; J. Donovan, treasurer.

An executive committee composed of Messrs. Wigmore, Macaulay, Davidson, Barrett and McLean was also appointed.

Another meeting has been called for two weeks hence, when the reports of committees will be received and other matters of interest to the milk dealers discussed.

If there is one fact about advertising that is well established, it is that its effect is cumulative.—Printers' Ink.