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ORANGEMEN WILL PETITION.

Opposed to Amendment of the Coronation Oath.

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Political Platform Voted Down-Against Liquor Dealers.

Peterboro' despatch: "A move worthy of a Jesuit," was the manner in which the Correspondence Committee of the . Grand Orange Lodge of British North America characterized the amendment of the land laws of Manitoba, Saskatallocation of the proceeds of the sales of school lands. The committee endorsed the attitude taken by the Grand Master Dr. T. S. Sproule, M. P., in his address with regard to the legislation, and commended the action of the Ontario Government in insisting on the withdrawal of the Racine and McGarry bills at the last session of the Legislature.

At to-day's session of the Grand Lodge it was decided that a monster petition should be promoted against the proposed amendment of the coronation oath. The petition will not be confined to members of the Orange order, but copies of it will be sent broadcast through the country and the various Orange lodges will be requested to assist in obtaining the signatures of as many Protestants as possible.

One item of business transacted by the Grand Lodge to-day which is of particular interest to members of the order was the decision to restore the blue and purple degrees to the ritual. At a comparatively small meeting held in Vancouver in 19.7 it was decided that these degrees should be dropped. Since that action was taken, however, there has been constant agitation for their restoration, and this was accomplished to-day by a majority vote of nearly three-quarters of the delegates.

At the afternoon session a resolution was passed protesting against an article on the Orange order appearing in the London Times' edition of the Encyclopedia Britannica. The various delegates who entered into the discussion of the matter waxed warm in their expression of disapproval. The article was described as a grotesque misrepresentation of the order. It was also claimed that its statements weer almost in identical terms with a ludicrous description which has been common among the Roman Catholic community for a century, and that the author had apparently gone to a Roman Catholic source for his in-

formation. Regret was also expressed that a newspaper of the standing of the London love, Ald. Edward Cox Negley, who Tirles should have lent itself to such a soured the ironmaster's life for sevmisrepresentation, and a special commitrotest, to be forwarded to the day.

NO POLITICAL PLATFORM.

After a discussion that waxed warm and kept the Grand Master's gavel going frequently, the proposal that an Orange platform should be drawn up for submission to political candidates was snowed under to-night.

Deputy Grand Master Lieut.-Col. J. H. Scott moved that a committee consisting of the Grand Master, himself; Controller Hocken, Toronto; J. Whiteley, Grand Organizer of British Columbia; W. G. Weblock, Grand Master, Alberta, and J. H. Delamere, Supreme Grand Auditor, should be appointed to draw up the platform for consideration at the next meeting of the Grand Lodge.

Col. Sam Hughes, M. P., opposed the proposal strenuously. Political candidates should be dealt with, he contended, on their record. Personally, he objected to having any platform thrust upon him.

A delegate pointed out that in the case of Col. Hughes and Dr. Sproule they had established records, but it was desirable to bind down new men to some principle.

The discussion wandered somewhat from the point, and a delegate attacked the Ontario Government for allowing too many Roman Catholics to hold office in one department, In the department referred to nearly every employee was a Roman Catholic, while there should only be one to each seven Protes-

The Grand Master advised the Grand Lodge to reject the motion. It would be impossible to frame a platform which would meet all the versified political conditions prevailing in the different Provinces. They would, he thought, by adopting a platform, be placing a lever in the hands of their enemies.

This statement brought up the Duty of the Hour, and some strong remarks were made with regard to the use of that famous pamphlet in the last general election. It was pointed out by several that the Roman Catholics made no bones about approaching condidates and endeavoring to bind them down. Finally the motion was rejected by an overwhelming majority.

As a result of a resolution adopted to-night any one engaging in the liquor business after joining the order will be expelled. The resolution was submitted by the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, and, contrary expectation, was carried by two-

MEDAL FOR SHACKELTON.

Italian Geographical Society Confers High Honors on Explorer. Rome, May 31.—The Italian Geographical Society has conferred on Lieut. Ernest H. Shackleton, the Antarctic explorer, the greatest distinction in its gift, namely, the society's gold medal, in-stituted by the late King Humbert.

The medal is given in consideration of the important scientific results of Shackleton's late expedition in the South Polaz region.

PRIZE FOR ESSAY.

Strathcona Trust Competition Open to Teachers and Normal Class.

Ottawa, May 31 .- A militia order has been issued announcing that the executive council of the Strathcona trust for Encyclopedia Article That Reflect physical and military training schools has decided to offer six prizes of \$250, \$150, \$100, \$75, \$50 and \$25 respectively, for the six best essays on the following subject: "The best method of introducing and developing a general system of physical and military training in the public schols throughout the Dominion upon the principles set forth in the rules of the Strathcona trust for the encouragement of physical and military

training in public schools." The essays are confined to school teachers or Normal students; must not exceed 5,000 words, and may be in French or English.

They must be sent to the executive council on or before August 1.

FIRE ON STEAMER.

Passengers and Crew Have a Lively Fight.

Vancouver, May 31.-With her saloon and staterooms gutted by fire and one man dead from his injuries, the steamer Coquitlam put back to port at 9 o'clock this morning, after an exciting experience from Roger Curtis Point, ten miles out. The crew and passengers fought

the fire for two hours. The Coquitlam is owned by the Union Steamship Company. She left Vancouver for Massett, Portland Canal, at 2 o'clock this morning, carrying ten passengers, a crew of eighteen and a full cargo of cannery supplies and settlers' effects. One of the crew, opening a paint locker, met the flames. The locker opened on an alleyway running between the engine room and the port staterooms. tire spread rapidly. Second Engineer Black stuck to his post in the engine room, and was badly burned, and had

to be dragged out by the crew. Abucket brigade saved the steamer. Hans Larsen, a deck hand, ran back for money and clothing and perished in the flames. Second Mate C. W. Watts was overcome by smoke. Fireman Sato, a Japanese, was badly burned, and Engineer George Black is in a critical condi-

CARNEGIE'S RIVAL.

Man Dead Who Stole Iron King's Sweetheart in Old Days.

Pittsburg despatch: Successful rival of Andrew Carnegie in the court of past due bills and bills payable, which

tiful Miss Crawford, sang in the Central Presbyterian Church during the made to cover money stolen from it. closing days of the civil war. Carnegie was a devout attendant at the church and a warm admirr of the belle of the choir. Although Le was a poor young man, the earnestness and capable qualities of the iron man apparently won the young woman's false returns made to the Government. admiration, and they were much together. It was considered a settled med up the evidence and addressed the fact that they were shortly to be mar-

Then home from the war came young Negley. He wore the uniform of a lieutenant-colonel and he was dashing and gallant. When he began to appear at the Central Church and pay open attention to the pretty choir singer the stock of Carnegie noted an immediate decline. The iron man would not retire without a contest, and the two suitors were neck and neck in the race for a time, until they agreed to put the matter to a final test at the hands _ 2 girl herself. She listened to both and

chose Negley.
Carnegie, bitterly disappointed, never attended the Central Church. nor any other church, for many years. It is also recalled that he remained single until late in life. The girl as Mrs. Negley is still alive.

KILLED BY LIGHTNING German Company to Have 30

A Wyoming Tailer Struck While Standing at Barn Door.

Wyoming, May 31.-During a thunderstorm this afternoon about 4 o'clock the barn of Wallace Williams, near this village, was struck by lightning. Mr. Williams' brother-in-law, Mr. Charles Elstone, was instantly killed while standing in the stable door. The deceased conducted a tailoring business here, and had been a resident of Wyoming for many years. He was married, but had no family.

ROY SINGER SENTENCED.

Found Guilty of Stealing at Strathroy -Housebreaking Charge.

Strathroy despatch: Roy Singer, the nickel theatre artist, who pleaded guilty to robbing Mr. Robert McIntyde, proprietor o fthe Queen's Hotel, of \$24,50 and \$1.30 from a Chinese last month, was sentenced by Police Magistrate Noble to-day to six months on the former charge and three months on the latter, the sentences to sun concurrently. Singer was also charged with robbbing Stepler's drug store, but got

clear of that, as the Crown had not sufficient evidence to convict. Singer is also charged with house breaking here last mouth. On this sufficient evidence was produced to cause the Police Magistrate to send Singer for trial. He will appear before Judge Macbeth in London on Saturday.

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ROGER'S WILL.

Leaves Most of His Property to His Own Family.

\$100,000 Willed Fairhaven to His Native City.

New York, May 31.-The will of the late Cenry H. Rogers was filed for protate here to-day. The testator leaves ail his property to his widow, children and relatives, with the exception of \$100,000 willed to the town of Fairhaven. Mass., for the use of the primary and grammar schools of that community. The will gives to the widow the use of the New York city residence, and sets aside a trust fund of from \$2,500,000 to \$3,000,000 to provide an annuity for her of \$100.000. At her death this trust fund is to be returned to the residuary

there to his son, Henry H. Rogers, jun. Various trusts ranging in amounts from \$10,000 to \$200,000 each, and altogether aggregating \$550,000, are created for the benefit of Mr. Rogers' collateral relatives. The income from these trusts is to be paid to the various beneficiaries during their lives, and upon their deaths the principal of the trust funds will revert to the residuary estate of

estate. Mr. Rogers leaves his residence

at Fairhaven, Mass., and his real estate

No estimate of the value of the estate was given with the filing of the will further than a statement that the real estate is worth more than \$10,000 and the personal estate exceeds \$10,000.

ROY GUILTY.

OF ST. JOHN'S, QUEBEC.

Making False Returns-Us- the Funds to Bolster Up H. Own Enterprises-Include. Worthless Notes and Other Paper in the Returns to the Government as As-

Montreal despatch: Hon. P. H. Roy, ex-Speaker of the Quebec Legislature and ex-President of the Bank of St. John's, was found guilty to-day of wilfully making false returns to the Gov-

This verdict is the result of one of the most sensational trials in the history of this province. During the three weeks the trial has been in progress some remarkable evidence was submitted in reference to Mr. Roy's action. It was shown that he had made false returns polies, to the Government involving some \$500,-000. This consisted of worthless notes, Mr. Roy, his brother and their friends had discounted, pocketing the cash. In their reports to the Government all this s appointed to draw up a resolu-heart, died suddenly at his home to-lar to be forwarded to the lar. Alar cluded an item of \$5,000 represented by a note of the bank itself, which was

At to-day trial Mr. Girard, counsel for Mr. Roy, made a plea for the accused, and in the face of the damaging evidence it was a remarkably able plea. He was followed by Mr. Demers, for the Crown, who dwelt particularly upon the At the conclusion Judge Monet sumjury, who then regired, and in twenty minutes returned with a verdict of

guilty. Crown Prosecutor Hibbard then asked for the pronouncement of sentence, but Mr. Girard asked for a reserved case. It was decided to hear the argument in this to-morrow morning, but it is almost a foregone conclusion that the

objections of Mr. Girard will be rejected, and sentence will be pronounced to-morrow. Only two days ago Mr. Roy tried to shoot himself in the head, but only succeeded in wounding himself in the foot. As a result of the wrecking of the

AIRSHIP LINE

bank the depositors, most of whom are

farmers and working people, will be

heavy losers.

Cities on Its Route.

Washington, May 31.-That it will soon be cheaper for the gerat mass of the German people to ride in airships than in automobiles seems assured from reports to the State Department from the United States Consul at Brunswick, which says that the German Aerial Navigation Company has established permanent airship lines in Germany and that they appear to be assured of success. The report gives the following details: "It is the purpose of the company at the start to connect fully thirty cities. It has already received patents for its turnhalls for motor balloons and it will erect its first halls in Berlin, Munich and Strassberg, in Alsace. The extensive plans of the company have aroused the liveliest interest on all sides and their execution seems to be financially assured."

Five lines are planned connecting the largest cities in Germany, including Hamburg, Bremen, Cologne, Frankfurt and Leipzig. The consul also sends map showing the several routes.

A NO-TOBACCO RESOLUTION.

Passed at Session of General Assembly at Denver, Col.

Denver, Col., May 31.-At to-day's esion of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, Rev. Ellis Worth Rich, of Watsonville, Cal., introduced a resolution declaring that ministers should not use tobacco. A layman arose and declared Mr. Rich should include laymen. This was done, and the resolution was adopted amid cheering.

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New York, May 31. Patrick Searson, aged four, is the luckiest little frishmu in New York, in spite of the fact that he is the youngest of thirteen children. He fell five storeys yesterday, and escaped with a slight gash in the head. He was playing on the fire escape of his mother's flat, five flights up, at 1995 Second avenue, when he fell off. He hit the railing of the fire escape two storeys high water to-day. Tests of her forward pany, Second Field Corps, C. E. eity second and bounced from there to a compartments showed them to be tight, tion, Corps of Guides Attachments, clothes line, a storey lower still.

His next stop was another floor be low, where he tumbled into a woman's skirt hung out on the line and inflated by the wind. The skirt was too big for Patsy, and he slipped through, but his fall was broken and no ill results fol-

DEAKIN'S SUCCESS.

Defeated.

Free Traders, Protectionists, and Anti-Socialists Against It.

Melbourne, Australia, May 31 .- The Fisher Government was defeated in the House of Representatives to-day on a motion to adjourn. The vote was 39 to 30. The Free Trade, Protectionist and anti-Socialist parties of the Commonwealth joined forces under Mr. Alfred Deakin, the former Premier, to

Mr. Deakin and others avow that Minister of Defence, from going as a tion delegate to the Imperial Defence Conference, which the fusionists believe will probably develop into a confidential discussion and settlement of the strategy of Imperial defence.

Parliament was opened yesterday by the Earl of Dudley, who announced the introduction of legislation providing for the progressive taxation of to immigrants the inducements necesamending the constitution to enable away any of his tools. Parliament to protect the interests of the consumer, while insuring a fair wage to every worker, to extend the jurisdiction of the Legislature with regard to trusts and combinations, and to provide for the nationalization of mono-

GOT HIM.

Outlaw, Wanted For Murders, Was

Victoria, B. C., May 31.-Twice a murderer and suspected of being one of the three hold-up men who entered a saloon of Charles Thomas, of Midway, B. C., killing the proprietor and robbing the cash till Charles Phillips, alias Chas. Benton, has been arrested near Quesnel, B. C., by the provincial police for the Washington State authorities, and will be sent to Victoria pending instructions. Phillips murdered James Wells, a constable, in Seattle in 1897, when the policeman was removing him from a patrol wagon. Phillips slipped a revolver from his clothing, shot and disappeared. He was not heard of again until the midsummer of the following year, when the authorities of Republic Wash., got on his track. They hunted him down, but the half-breed eluded capture, killing Deputy Sheriff Rawlsiburt

at Lerio on June 27, 1898. The outlaw escaped and his trail was lost until a few months ago. Superintendent Hussey, of the British Columbia provincial police, heard that a one-armed nalf-breed answering the description of Phillips was in Caribou. Steps were taken to capture him, and after a chase through northern British Columbia, Constable Anderson, of Quesnel, took him on

the west side of the Fraser. He will be brought here, and if wanted for the Washington murders, will be handed over, following extradition pro-

STEEL PLANT.

Algoma Co. Has Placed Orders For \$500,000 Worth of Machinery.

Pittsburg, Pa., May 31.-Another move toward centering the iron and steel industry of the United States on the borders of the Great Lakes was made to-day, when a contract was closed by the Algoma Steel Company for \$500,000 worth of heavy steel machinery to be delivered at Sault Ste. Marie, Canada, as quickly as possible. It is the intention of the Philadelphians and the Londoners back of this plant to have two immense steel mills in Canada turning out bars and other steel products by Nov. 1 next.

TIE-UP AT MARSEILLES.

Fifty Vessels Unable to Move Owing to Strike.

Paris, May 31.-The strike of the

sailors, stokers and stewards of the merchant marine is extending. The men demand a weekly day of rest and equalization of pay on passenger and freight boats. The tie up is complete at Marseilles, where fifty vessels are unable to move, and it is partial at Havre, Dunkirk, St. Nazaire, Toulon and Bordeaux. Passengers at these ports are delayed. Torpedo boats are being employed for the con-veyance of the mails to Algeria and Corsica. The companies have asked the Government to lend them crews from warships to ensure the movement of the mails.

Rocks at Staten Island.

Floated Off, Grounded Again and Floated Off Again.

New York. May 31. Apparently undamaged after resting all night with her bow on the rocks near the Staten Island shore, the North German Lloyd steamer Prinzess Alice was floated at and Captain Moeller, of the line, declared that the steamer was sound and would resume her voyage to-day. Ten tugs and steamers aided in drawing the big vessel off the rocks after the water ballast had been shifted from the bow to the stern compartments, bringing her bow lup five feet. While lying at anchor off Stapleton. Staten Island, restoring the cargo and ballast, the Prinzess Alice was swung by the tide against the hull of the steamer Marten, but neither vessel was damaged by the slight blow. Shortly after 9 a. m. the Pringess Alice passed out of the harbor for Plymouth. All her passengers remained on board.

CALGARY SCANDAL.

Suspicious Work in Regard to City Hall Contracts.

Calgary despatch: A bad scandal is being unearthed in connection with the erection of the \$300,000 City Hall here. The Council met in secret session THE WRECKING OF THE BANK bring about the Government's downfall. and reporters of all the city papers last evening to discuss the situation, managed to secrete themselves where their votes were given with the ob- they could get verbatim reports of ject of preventing Mr. G. F. Pearce, the proceedings, and created a sensato-day by publishing the incriminating details. Many people who were not suspected have been shown to have profited by the crooked work. which, according to the engineer, began with the letting of the contracts when, it is alleged, Contractor Davev had been permitted to alter his tender for his share of the work from \$142,000 to \$147,000, after inside information had unimproved land, with the object of been secured. It is alleged that he breaking up large estates and offering and the architect packed the estimates to the extent of several thousand dolsarv to attract them in large numbers. lars. The city has taken over the work, Proposals are to be submitted also and will not allow Davey to even take

MAY KEEP CHINESE.

Eight Men Smuggled Into the United States.

Ottawa, May 31.-The Trade and Com- careful consideration the merce Department has been notified pared a report exone that the United States inspectors in him, and expressing New York State have captured at teaching. Burke, a few miles south of the border, The report came a covered carriage driven by a French-Canadian, and containing eight Chinese. after considerable disc The party were conveyed to Malone, where they were incarcerated and the Canadian authorities notified. The driver admitted that the Chinese were being smuggled into the States from Athelstan, Que. They were offered back to the Canadian authorities, but they refused to accept them, with the result that the Chinese will have to remain in Malone jail, unless deported to China at Uncle Sam's expense.

WIFE STRICKEN.

Children Returning From Father's Funeral Find Mother Dead.

Toronto despatch: F. H. Atkin, who was 76 years of age, died of paralysis Monday at his home, 124 St. Clair-avenue. The funeral was held from the home to Prospect Park Cemetery yesterday afternoon. Just before the coffin was carried out, at the close of a service conducted by Rev. (Dr.) Hazelwood. Mrs. Atkin, aged, but apparently in good health , bent over and touched the lips of her dead husband. Her eyes were dry and she seemed to be bearing the

strain wonderfully well. Then the cortege departed and the bereaved woman went upstairs. But a few moments later she was stricken. Dr. McNamara was called and shortly after Dr. Harrison, Before he arrived, and before those who had attended the body of the husband to its last resting place returned to the house, the wife

LUTHERAN SYNOD.

Project For a College Will be Seriously Carried Out.

Toronto despatch: It has been decided to proceed with the building of the Lutheran (English) Theological Seminary in Toronto, to be affiliated with the University of Toronto. Two new conferences were organized

at the conclusion of the Synod's annual convention yesterday morning and officers elected as follows : Eastern Conference-President, Rev. L. M. McGreery, Morrisburg; Secretary-

Treasurer, Rev. G. A. Fechner, Williams Western Conference—President, Rev. J. A. Miller, Gait; Secretary-Treasurer,

Rev. H. J. Kroushore, Brantford. The Synod will make application to join the General Council representing the Church in North America, which meets at Minneapolis in September, Rev. M. J. Bieber was chosen delegate to the General Council, and also to the Synods of New York and New England, which meets the first week in June. man) meeting at Proston next weke.

DATE OF TRAINING

for Rural Corps in Teresto and Hamilton Distric's.

Ottawa, May 31.—The dates for camp training of rural corps in the Toronto and Hamilton districts are announced. The following corps are to train at Niagara on June 15: Royal Canadian Dragoons, B squadron, and Dragoons A, B and D squadron, 9th Mississauga corns, Second Brigade C. R. A., Royal Engineers, right half and Fortress Com-Royal Canadian Regiment, No. 1 company, and the 12th Regiment, 20th Regiment, 34th Regiment, 36th Regiment, 37th Regiment, 39th Regiment, 44th Regiment, 77th Regiment, 47th Regiment, Signalling Corps, No. 2 section: Army Service Corps No. 2, No. 9 and No. 12 companies; Permanent Army Medical Corps, No. 2 detachment, No. 10, No. 11, No. 12 and No. 13; Field Ambulance Corps, ordinance companies, No. 2 detachment; Army Pay Corps, half of No. 1 detachment.

NOT A HERETIC.

PROFESSOR MATTHEWS ACQUIT-TED OF HERESY CHARGE.

Students Have a Strong and Inspiring Teacher-Professor Matthews Holds Firmly to Inspiration and Supernatural Character v. Scrip-

Toronto despatch: The charge laid by Rev. Dr. Elmore Harris against Professor I. G. Matthews, of the chair of Hebrew and Old Testament exegesis of McMaster University, of teaching heretical views of the Old Testament, was found not proven by the Senate of Mc-Master University last night, after a session lasting over six nours. In an official statement issued to the press by the Senate it was declared that Professor Matthews, though accepting many of the results of modern critical scholarship, holds firmly to the inspiration and supernatural character of the Old and New Testaments. It is further declared that McMaster University stands for freedom, for progress and for investigation."

Dr. Harris based his charges upon shorthand notes taken by a student in Professor Matthews' case, the general allegation being that the professor was unorthodox in many of his views regarding the interpretations of the Old Testament by higher critics. In view of the publicity given to the charges it was decided at a meeting of the Senate on May 11 to appoint a committee to investigate them, and to defir the attitude of McMaste towards modern schola

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adopted, and this state "The Senate, after tion, finds the charges a ing of Professor Matthe The Senate is assured that Matthews is regarded by his a strong and inspiring teacher; that he is a man of humble and devout spirit, sound on all the fundamentals of the Baptist faith, and that he is highly respected as a Christian and a gentleman by all those who know him best. In matters of biblical criticism he is con-

"The chair of Old Testament exegesis is, in the opinion of the Senate, one of the most difficult in the whole university to fill, because of the critical problems that are necessarily raised in dealing with the religion and literature of the Semitic peoples. There are different ways of facing these problems. One method is to ignore them altogether; another is to recognize them, but to seek to deal with each individually as it arises in the mind of the student: and a third is to state the problems frankly, face them, and then seek to find some solution that will stand the severest strain that may be put upon it. Professor Matthews adopts the last of these methods, believing that it is better for the students to face the problems in the privacy of the class room under the sympathetic guidance of their teacher than to meet and solve them alone and unaided, as they are bound to do in after years in the course of their ministry. And in this Professor Matthews has the hearty endorsation of the Senate.

"McMaster University stands for freedom, for progress, for investigation. It must welcome truth from whatever quarter, and never be guilty of binding the spirit of free inquiry. As a Christian school of learning under Baptist auspices it stands for the fullest and freest investigation, not only in the scientific realm, but also in the realm of biblical scholarship. Holding fast their historic position on the personal freedom and responsibility of the individual, refusing to bind or be bound by any human creed, rejecting the authority of tradition and taking their stand on the word of God alone as the supreme and all-sufficient rule of faith and practice, the Baptists have ever been ready to accord to all students of the sacred scriptures the largest possible measure of freedom consistent with loyalty to the fundamentals of the Christian faith."

FIGHT IN U. S. SENAT.

Senator Bailey and Bewspaper Man Exchange flows Washington, D. C., May 31 Senator

Bailey, of Texas, and W. S. Manning, representative of the New York Times in the Senate press gallery, exchanged blows just as the Senate adjourned today as a result of a conversation they had in reference to an article printed by the New York newspaper questioning Rev. J. A. Miller was appointed frater the New York newspaper questioning and delegate to the Canadain Syond (Ger. the sincerity of the senator in his