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NEW CLASS ROOMS FOR THE METHODIST CHURCH

Alterations Soon to be Started will do Away With old Church Basement Altogether and Give Greatly Increased Accommodation.

The Guardian understands that extensive improvements are about to be made in the basement of the Methodist Church in this city. For more than forty years the entire space under the church was used for Sunday School, class rooms and social purposes in connection with church work. After the erection of the Heartz Memorial Hall these rooms were vacated and have since remained unoccupied.

It is now found necessary, however, to secure larger Sunday School accommodation and it has been decided to raise the entire floor of the basement some three or four feet to a height of nine feet from the ceiling, leaving the floor but one foot from the level of the ground. Class rooms will be erected on both sides, leaving in the centre space for a large room for social gatherings. This central room will be about 35 feet by 60 feet, and the class rooms flanking it will be eight in number, roomy, well lighted and well ventilated. The whole interior will be finished in British Columbia fir, with hardwood flooring.

In addition to the entrances on Prince Street these rooms will also be reached by a brick corridor which will be erected between the church and the Heartz hall, so that classes will have no difficulty going and returning from opening and closing exercises to their individual rooms.

The contract for the building work has been let to Messrs. Cudmore & Webster. The work is to be started immediately and is to be finished by May 15th.

Will Protest Against Export of Electric Power

(Special to The Guardian.)

OTTAWA, Feb 8—A resolution urging the paying of a prohibitive duty against the export of electric power from Canada to the United States is to be brought before the House of Commons by Dr. H. Deslauriers, Liberal St Marys. Dr. Deslauriers in his resolution argues that the export of power is building up the United States to the detriment of Canada.

President Harding Welcomes Sir Henry As Native of U. S.

(Special to The Guardian.)

NEW YORK, Feb 8— Sir Henry Thornton was a guest at a dinner given in the Ritz Carlton last night by Dudley Field Malone. President Harding sent a message in which he said of Sir Henry. "A native of our own country his service in England during the world war was one of the ties which drew the two nations together and now that he is returning to America to bear a distiguished part in the railroad service of Canada he will continue to carry on the good work. People of the United States are proud to give in the interest of understanding and friendship among all the English speaking nations."

U. S. Troops Arrive From Germany

(Special to The Guardian.)

SAVANNAH, Ga., Feb 8— The transport St. Michiel with the United States troops from Germany arrived at quarantine here at noon.

Merchant Marine Will Reduce Freight Rates

(Special to The Guardian.)

MONTREAL, Feb 8—Reduction in passenger rates by the Canadian Government Merchant Marine is announced on the route between Canada and the West Indies. The new rate is to take effect on March 1st, with the sailing of the Canadian Fisher, from Halifax. The cut extended from 25 to 30 per cent of the present rates.

Bank Manager Gets Five Years for Embezzlement

(Special to The Guardian.)

THREE RIVERS, Feb 8—Jos B. Lafreniere, ex-manager of Lacaisse Populace Savings Bank was this morning sentenced by Mr. Justice Desy to five years in the penitentiary on a charge of misappropriating $50,000 of the institutions funds.

German Railwaymen Cause Disturbance

(Special to The Guardian.)

DUSSELDORF, Feb 8— Railway labor disturbances have broken out at Muenchen, Gladbach, Rheydt. A Laborer's council similar to Russian Soviet has been formed.

The Weather, Etc

TORONTO, Feb. 9.—Maritime southwest to west winds fair and milder.

The temperature at 9 o'clock last night was 15 above zero. During Wednesday night the mercury had been down to 2 below and at 9 a.m. yesterday it registered 1 above.

High tide this afternoon at 4.41 and tomorrow morning at 6.14.

Sun sets this afternoon at 5.18 and rises tomorrow morning at 7.10.

New moon Thursday, Feb. 15th, at 3.07 p. m.

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AMENDMENTS TO ADDRESS CAUSE SOME SPECULATION

Government Embarassed and Ways and Means Proposed to Ward off Untoward Consequences. Division may Come Shortly.

(Special to The Guardian.)

OTTAWA, Feb 8— There is a possibility that the debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne may be terminated by a division tomorrow. The Conservatives, who have contributed only one speech to the tide of oratory in the last two sittings may also put up some speakers to discuss the Hoey tariff reduction amendment and the Shaw subamendment in the closing stage of the discussion. In the sentiment embodied in the amendment to the amendment, the official opposition could concur That motion expresses alarm at the increase in the public debt, and urges the government to economize in public expenditures and to endeavor to lighten the burden of taxation borne by the people. Rather a curious situation, however, is created by the manner in which the sub-amendment is worded in the records of the House. The motion as re-ordered proposes that Mr. Shaw's proposition "be added to the amendment" that proposition read by itself does not necessarily negative or modify the Hoey tariff reduction amendment and will be put to the House before the motion of the Progressive member for Springfield, Manitoba. If Mr Shaw merely asked the House to add his declaration to the address in reply to the speech from the throne he would be justified in expecting support from the Conservatives ranks. The fact that the motion as recorded asks that Mr. Shaw's declaration be added to the Hoey amendment raises the question whether or not members who vote with Mr. Shaw will regarded as asquiescing also in a general request for a downward revision of the tariff. To such a request Conservatives could not be expected to subscribe.

TURKEY EXTENDS ULTIMATUM FOR TWENTY FOUR HOURS

Meanwhile British and French Warships are Held in Readiness and will Deliberately Defy the Turkish Ultimatum. France will Play her Full Part in Near East.

(Special to The Guardian.)

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb 8 — Turkey today extended by twenty four hours the ultimatum sent to the Allied powers demanding withdrawal of all foreign warships of more than 1,000 tons from Smyrna Harbor' In the meantime a French cruiser went at full speed for the forbidden waters and two British battle cruisers the Resolution and the Emperor of India were held in readiness at Mitylene. The French indicated they would follow the British example of deliberate defiance of the Turk ultimatum.

PARIS, Feb. 8— France will play her full part in the Near East if the Turks attempt to enforce ultimatums such as that ordering all warships from Smyrna harbor. It was stated authoritatively today that the government ordered its Mediterranian forces to take all measures to protect Allied citizens.

PARIS, Feb 8— Papers today stress the gravity of the situation and denounce the Turkish demands.

Nine Killed by Gas Explosion In Toronto

(Special to The Guardian.)

TORONTO, Feb 8— Nine men were asphyxiated and twenty one overcome by gas fumes when the Gas Valve Consumers Gas Company blew up this afternoon badly damaging and wrecking buildings.

The explosion caused great excitement near McGee Street. Scores of men rushed to aid the trapped men. Many were overcome while attempting rescue.

Civil Service Act to be Discussed in House of Commons

OTTAWA, Feb. 8—The order in council removing large numbers of civil servants from the jurisdiction of Civil Service Commission is likely to come under fire in the House during the present session. Hon R. J. Manion, Conservative Fort William has given notice of a question asking what civil service commissioners signed their names to the recommendation on which this order was based.

Will Form A Composite Ministry

(Special to The Guardian.)

MELBOURNE, Australia, Feb. 8 Mr. Stanley M. Bruce, the prospective premier in succession to Mr. W. M. Hughes announced today that the negotiations between himself and Dr. Earle Page, leader of the country party, have resulted in a satisfactory arrangement for the formation of a composite ministry drawn from the Nationalist, Liberal and Country parties.

Liberal Member Dies of Pneumonia Since Election

(Special to The Guardian.)

SHERBROOKE, Que., Feb 8 — Mr George E Denault of Asbestos, the successful Liberal candidate in the provincial election in Richmond County died of pneumonia this morning in the Sherbrooke Hospital without having been informed of his victory. His condition was considered too critical for him to be informed of the election results.

Warships Will Not Leave Smyra

(Special to The Guardian.)

PARIS, Feb 8—The French, British and Canadian Governments, in reply to the Turkish ultimatum that all warships quit Smyrna harbor by midnight tonight, ordered their ships to remain and to defend themselves if necessary in case of attack. The warship commanders also were instructed to take any measures necessary to protect Allied subjects reported to have been menaced by the Turks. Warships can land rescuing parties and at their discretion embark the entire foreign colony.

Son Born To Princess Mary

(Special to The Guardian.)

LONDON, Feb 8—It was announced that at Chesterfield House the residence of Viscount and Viscountess Lascelles Princess Mary that a son had been born to them.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS TABLED IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

Surplus of Ordinary Receipts Over Ordinary Expenditure $34,391,696.36, but National Debt Increased by $81,256,818.04. Many Interesting Special Expenditures.

(Special to The Guardian.)

OTTAWA, Feb. 8— Receipts on account of Consolidated revenue Fund for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1922, amounted to $381,952,386.99, and the expenditures $347,560,690.63, according to the public accounts tabled in the House of Commons. There was thus a surplus of ordinary receipts over ordinary expenditures of $34,391,696.36.

Included in the special expenditures over and above the ordinary disbursements were the following: Demobilization $9,171,626.11, less refunds of previous years expenditures of $7,627,376.45. The cost of loan floatations totalled $82,636.26 and the net amount of special expenditures was $1,526,582.23. As has already been announced Canada's net debt at the end of the fiscal year of 1921-22 was $2,422,135,801.73, an increase of $81,256,818.04 over the fiscal year ended March 31, 1921.

OTTAWA, Feb 8—The general federal elections of 1921, when the King government was returned to power cost the Dominion of Canada a total of $1,739,988.92, according to the auditor general's report for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1923.

Fur Sales Ran Over Half Million In Montreal

(Special to The Guardian.)

MONTREAL, Feb 8—Total value of the fur auction sales here yesterday was stated to have reached well over half a million dollars. Mink skins reached record prices, red fox strains were higher also. The buyers were mostly from the United States.

Court Says Lusitania Sunk By Act of War

ALBANY, Feb. 8.—The sinking of the Lusitania was an act of war, the Court of Appeals held here recently in deciding the case of the estate of Alfred G. Vanderbilt against an insurance company.

A clause in the policy held by Mr Vanderbilt, who was drowned when the Lusitania went down, automatically nullified it in case death was caused by war. Today's verdict upheld the action of the insurance company in refusing to make payment on the policy.

Russia Decides to Keep Out of War

(Special to The Guardian.)

MOSCOW, Feb 8— Soviet leaders in a series of conferences held during the past fortnight have definitely decided against Russian participation in any European or Near Eastern war growing out of the Ruhr or the Lausanne situation The correspondent learns Russia will defend herself if attacked but will take no active part in a conflict outside her own territory even to aid German workers should a revolution develop in Germany.

Acquiring Lands for Returned Soldiers

(Special to The Guardian.)

GUELPH, Ont., Feb 8—An important real estate transaction has recently been concluded by which what has been known for a great many years as the old Sorby Farm on the Waterloo Road, passes into the hands of the Dominion Government for the purpose of putting returned soldiers on the land. It is understood that options have been obtained on some 35 acres belonging to Mr. George McAllister adjoining the Sorby Place as well as on a small section to the south of it belonging to a gentleman at Hespeler. There are some 329 acres in the Sorby, or Baltagh farm, and it is understood that the purchase price was close to $30,000.

Germany Buys Rye From Russia

(Special to The Guardian.)

AMSTERDAM, Feb 8—Information reached here that Germany has purchased 2,400,000 bushels of rye from Russia for immediate delivery.

JOINT MEETING OF MENS CLUBS

Interesting Meeting Last Night at St. Peters School Room

A joint meeting of the Men's Club of St. Peters and St. Pauls congregations, held last night in St. Peters school room, was largely attended by members of both congregations and a very instructive and pleasant time was enjoyed.

Mr. J. O. Hyndman, president of the St. Peters Men's Club, presided and with Rev. Mr. Malone, priest incumbent, welcomed the visiting members of St. Pauls.

Mr. A. Irwin, president of the St. Paul's Club read an interesting paper, drawing attention to the fact that of late years the church has been the target of a good deal of criticism and has been assailed by the charge that it has failed in service to the community. The speaker contrasted system of morals offered as substitutes for Christianity, maintaining the point that nothing could supplant the religion of Jesus Christ.

Judge Warburton spoke of the early settlers of America and referred very interestingly, among other things, to the mound excavations of Mexico.

Brief addresses were made by Rev Mr Raymond, Messrs. A. A. Pomercy, Geo. DeBlois, W. L. Cotton, ex- Coun. Miller, Geo. S. Inman, K. C., MacNutt and others Church work and matters affecting church organizations were discussed.

During the meeting solos were rendered by Messrs R. Dingwell, Chas. Earle, Rev. Mr. Malone and Mr. Hayward which were warmly received. A recitation by Mr. Geo. Beers of the Post Office staff was also well received and encored.

The evening closed pleasantly with an enjoyable supper given by the ladies of St. Peters congregation, a hearty vote of thanks being tendered the ladies before adjournament.

Dominion Surveyors Hold Luncheon

OTTAWA, Feb 8—With some of the leading members of the profession as guests of honor the Dominion Land Surveyors Association in convention here gathered for luncheon at the Chateau Laurier.

New York Exchange Rates

Noon exchange cables in New York Feb. 8:—

Sterling	4.67.24	cents
French Franc	6.36	"
Italian Lira	4.83	"
Dutch Guilder	39.55	"
German Mark	.0030	"
Canada	98.685	"
Argentine Gold Peso	84.15	"
Japanese Yen	48.40	"
Shanghai Tael	71.38	"
Indian Rupee	31.96	"

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT NEAR NORTH WILTSHIRE YESTERDAY

Workman, Caught in Railway Cutting and Unable to Gain the Bank, was Instantly Killed by Oncoming Express.

Mr Wesley Brant Stewart, Hampshire, met with a terrible accident on the railway yesterday morning near North Wiltshire. He was engaged in snow shovelling on the track and had left home in the morning a little later than the other workmen. While passing a cutting he was overtaken by the morning express and instantly killed, being unable to gain the bank to escape the train. The accident occurred mid-way between Colville and Wiltshire.

A snow plough being ahead, none of the train men saw the unfortunate victim of the accident. A passenger standing on the rear of the train saw the body when the train had passed and gave the alarm. The train was stopped and the remains taken aboard and taken to North Wiltshire station.

Dr. Rogerson, coroner, of Hunter River was sent for and after taking the statements of other workmen decided that the terrible event was purely accidental. Accordingly no inquest was held.

The deceased was thirty-two years of age and leaves a wife and three small children. The sympathy of the province will go out to the family in their overwhelming bereavement. He was a son of Mr. Donald M. Stewart, who was one of the shovellers at the time of the accident.

The funeral of Mr. Stewart takes place on Saturday at 2 o'clock from his home at Hampshire.

THE WORLD'S LATEST NEWS SUMMARIZED IN BRIEF

(BY OUR OWN WIRELESS.)

WILL OPEN U. S. SEAMANS GRAVE IN SEARCH FOR RUSSIAN CROWN JEWELS. FRENCH CRUISER AND U. S TORPEDO BOAT COLIDE. FIVE PERSONS KILLED AND MUCH PROPERTY LOSS IN EARTHQUAKE. FREE STATE TROOPS SEIZE ARMS AND MUNITIONS. BIG SEIZURE OF OPIUM BY CUSTOMS OFFICIALS.

LONDON, Feb. 8.— Princess Mary wife of Viscount Lascelles gives birth to son, first grand child of King George and Queen Mary.

RIO JANEIRO, Feb. 8.—Lieutenant Walter Hinton, American aviator arrived here today, completing his seaplane flight from New York to Rio Janeiro.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 8.— Captain Alfred Walton Hinds, commanding battleship New York has been named marine Superintendent of Panama Canal.... ... .

COBLENZ, Feb. 8.— French authorities in Ruhr give specific orders to kill on the spot any Germans caught in acts of railroad sabotage.

NORFOLK, Feb. 8.— Steamship Glen White, went aground off naval base while bound out of harbor for Boston with 9,000 tons of coal.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—A protocol has been signed by United States and Costa Rico eliminating difficulties dating back many years and effecting possible future development of Nicaraguan interoceanic canal route.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Freighter Winnebago which called for help Tuesday off French coast reported today as in no immediate danger and expected to reach Brest tomorrow.

MOSCOW, Feb. 8.—Soviet leaders in a series of conferences here during last fortnight have definitely decided against Russia's participation in any European or Near Eastern war, growing out of Ruhr or Lausanne situations, correspondent learns..... ... .

MANILA, Feb. 8.—Custom officials today seized opium valued at 125,000 dollars in a warehouse The durg the officers declared had been shipped from Hong Kong, concealed between layers of dried fruit.

SMYRNA, Feb. 8.—France and England definitely refused withdrawal of warships from Smyrna and Allied commanders are directed to defend themselves if vessels are attacked, unconfirmed report says, British send heavy warships to Smyrna.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 8.—Allied commissioners here warn Kemalist government that it will be held strictly responsible for hostile acts.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—Authorization to open grave of James Jones, American seaman buried in Brooklyn Cemetery, whose coffin is reported to contain some of Crown jewels of Russia was telegraphed by War Department today to Quartermaster General at New York.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8. —Republican leaders in Congress forecast ratification of British debt settlement plan formally submitted by President Harding.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 8. — New steamship route operated by Australian despatch line which will connect ports of Pacific Coast and Africa will be begun March fifteenth when steamer Atlantic City sails from San Francisco.

SOFIA, Bulgaria, Feb. 8.— Advices from frontier declare the activity of Irregular band in Thrace is on increase and that several Greek military posts along Maritza and in interior were attacked.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—Constantinople despatch to Exchange Telegraph says French cruiser Ernest Reman was in collision with an American torpedo boat destroyer in Turkish waters. American boat was damaged but French warship was undamaged..... ... .

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.— House rules committee today voted to give privileged status to administration bill carrying 6,500,000 dollars for modernizing battleships to meet similar work done by Japan and Great Britain.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—Situation at Smyrna was considerably easier, and according to British official quarters here it was thought it was extremely unlikely that any trouble would occur. Believed Turks would withdraw ultimatum when Angora government understands the Allies are firm in resisting demands that Allied war ships quit Smyrna harbor.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8— Turkish orders for allied warships to depart from Smyrna Harbor were interpreted today by naval officers here as having no application to American destroyer Edsall, now in that port.

Announcements, Coming Events, Meetings, Etc

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**Don't miss the "Children's Concert" and sale of candy at West Royalty school Friday, February, 9th, at 7.30. If not fine, will be held on following Monday. 8-2i

**A Valentine Tea under the auspices of the True Blue Institute Hunter River, will be given at "The Taylor Hotel" on Wednesday, Feb. 14th. Tea served from 7 to 11 p. m. A good time assured to all. 7i

TODAY! CURTAINS at HALF PRICE--BEER & WEEKS