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The Rev. C. H. Huesig, M. A., secretary for Alberta and British Columbia, then gave his report of the year's work, which had been strenuous and fairly successful. In some cities there was need for a better enforcement of the act as regards Sunday trading, and for this police commissioners were wholly responsible, as the government had shown itself ready to support enforcement. There was still a considerable amount of infraction of the law in country districts, and, at the request of the alliance the attorney-general had lately instructed provincial constables to report promptly violations of the act to his department. Appreciation was expressed at the action of the government in introducing legislation making it impossible for moving picture shows to operate on Sunday.

The secretary pointed out that the work of the alliance was to deal with the Sunday question from the standpoint of physical rest, and not from the standpoint of religion. It was, however, a matter of supreme importance to preserve Sunday as a day of religious devotion, and for the alliance looked to the church, the home and the conduct of individuals. The question of a revival of interest in the preservation of Sunday as a day of religious devotion was thought to be so important that a committee consisting of Rev. Dr. Clay, Dean Doull and the secretary was appointed to prepare a resolution on the matter to be published in the daily press.

The financial report indicated a considerable deficiency. It was felt that the public was ready to support generously this important work when opportunity was offered, and in this connection a resolution was adopted.

The general secretary, Rev. Dr. Rochester of Toronto, then addressed the meeting, and showed the work the alliance had accomplished throughout Canada in initiating and guarding legislation dealing with all cases of violation of the act reported to its offices. He called attention to the fact that the war had not only lessened the financial support of the alliance, but had also greatly increased its problems. It was to be hoped that certain practices which had begun under stress of conditions might not become national habits, and pointed out that the Sunday newspaper in the United States was the outcome of the civil war. He also stated that the Prince of Wales refused a contribution to the patriotic fund from Sunday entertainments.

Resolutions of appreciation of the splendid work of the secretary and of the general secretary were adopted unanimously.

The following officers were elected: Honorary president, Lieutenant-Governor Paterson; president, Rev. W. Leslie Clay, D. D. Victoria; secretary, Rev. O. M. Sanford, Vancouver; treasurer, John S. Bain, Vancouver.

MINISTER VISITS CITY

Hon. Thomas Taylor Takes Up Departmental Matters.

Hon. Thomas Taylor, familiarly known among his colleagues as "Good Roads" Taylor, minister of public works and railways, in the Provincial Cabinet, was a visitor in the city for a few hours today, coming from Victoria this morning on the early boat and leaving again at noon after attending to a number of departmental matters that required his attention. He stated that despite the general depression of the early part of the year and acute financial stringency subsequent to the outbreak of the war his department had been continuing its programme of improvements, having spent approximately \$3,000,000 on roads, bridges and trails and another \$2,500,000 on buildings during the season.

In view of the activity in railway construction the government had been expending most of its money this year in the districts requiring facilities to connect with the new lines, he stated, giving special attention in this connection to the needs of the northern districts and the territories to be served

JURY DISAGREES IN BELA SINGH CASE

Four Hours of Deliberation
Leaves Hindu Awaiting Another Trial.

After being out for four hours the jury in the case of murder against Bela Singh could not reach a verdict last night and were discharged, the accused man being remanded into custody to await another trial.

Mr. Justice Morrison, who followed the counsel for the crown and defence in addressing the jury, charged strongly for the accused man, saying that if the evidence of the defense was to be believed the man must surely be acquitted. If there was such a conflict of evidence between the two stories as to create a doubt in the minds of the jurors as to which party was telling the truth, then, his lordship said, the prisoner must be given the benefit of the doubt and be acquitted. It was not a favor on the part of the jurors to do so, but it was their bounden duty to give the accused the benefit of any reasonable doubt.

His lordship, Mr. Justice Morrison, clearly defined the law in regard to homicide and shooting in self-defence. A person is justified, he said, in repelling force with force if he be in reasonable fear of death or actual bodily harm by reason of the violence with which the attack upon him is made.

Commenting upon the evidence, his lordship said that the jury must apply various tests to determine which story to believe. They should weigh the testimony, having regard to who the witnesses for the crown and who the witnesses for the defence are. What are their antecedents?

"It is at a time like this," his lordship remarked, "that a person's previous character counts." He referred to the evidence given earlier in the day to the effect that Bela Singh was an officer of the law, and as such was entitled to carry a revolver. His conduct as an officer of the immigration department had been good.

It had been suggested that Bela Singh had no right to go to the temple at the time he did, but his lordship remarked that he thought that he was quite justified in believing that at such a solemn occasion as a funeral he would be free from attack in the sacred precincts of the temple. The desire for worship was not a thing to be scoffed at, but rather one to be commended. A white man in the city who wished to worship could go to half a dozen different churches, but with Bela Singh there was only one edifice of his faith, and it was there that he had to go to carry out the duty imposed upon him by the death of his friend.

After having been out for over an hour the jury returned for instructions upon the law in regard to the killing of a person in self-defence. His lordship again clearly defined the law and again commented upon the evidence in an effort to aid the jurors in reaching a conclusion. He said that it was better to err on the side of mercy. If any man were holding out to convict on the grounds of racial prejudice, his lordship declared, he was guilty of a terrible offence. He hoped that the jury would not be insulted at his having referred to this case. There should be no difference in considering the evidence in this case than if the man in the dock were a white man.

SPECIAL SERVICES

Bishop of New Westminster at Christ Church Tomorrow.

Special services will be held in

UNUSUAL OPERATION OF BONE GRAFTING

Ounce of Bone Replaced in
Bridge of Nose by Van-
couver Surgeon.

After trying in vain in most of the large cities of the United States, including New York and Chicago, Mrs. Georgia Dorsey of 2038 McDonald street, came back to Vancouver to have performed an operation of bone grafting in her nose, which is declared by surgeons to be unprecedented. Two weeks ago a piece of bone an inch and a half long was taken from her leg and grafted into the bridge of her nose by Dr. J. H. Hogle at the West End Hospital at 1447 Barclay street.

More than two years ago Mrs. Dorsey was riding on horseback south of the boundary, in Washington, and had alighted to adjust the girth. In doing so she dropped her glove and her dog ran forward to it as she stooped to pick it up. Just then the horse struck out for the dog, but its hoof hit Mrs. Dorsey on the bridge of the nose, not only breaking the bone, but crushing it.

Since then the accident has troubled her severely and in order to have her nose restored to normal she travelled over most of the United States. In New York, Chicago, Paterson, Rochester and other places she appealed to surgeons in the best hospitals and to specialists. In Los Angeles, San Francisco, Denver and other cities in the west she similarly tried to have the injury remedied. None, however, would undertake to replace the bone except by the use of a silver plate. Believing plates to be unsatisfactory, Mrs. Dorsey still sought help in Vancouver. It was declared to be impossible to graft bone on such a large scale.

Two weeks ago Dr. J. H. Hogle performed the operation and Mrs. Dorsey declares that it has been entirely satisfactory. In a week or two more there will be no trace of an operation having taken place.

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