

HAMILTON URGES CENSUS AND DRAFT

Recruiting League Passes a Strong Resolution

MRS. PANKHURST SPEAKS

Former Premier Miyatovich, Also Ad-
dresses Meeting in Aid of Serbian
Relief—Highway Entrance to be
by Bridge—Grand Black Chapter.

(Special Despatch to The Globe.)

Hamilton, March 7.—The Hamilton Recruiting League this evening passed a resolution calling upon the Government to take a census of all males in Canada from eighteen years upwards, indicating married and unmarried, and classifying them according to fitness or preference for certain kinds of work; also to classify industries, with ultimate elimination of such as are non-essential, it being understood that the foregoing is urged with a view to immediate application of some just and comprehensive draft whereby the men necessary to fill the expeditionary forces may be readily secured. There was difference of opinion as to whether the resolution should be sent at once to the Government or whether it should first be sent to other recruiting leagues, with the object of getting support from the whole country. The method of presentation to the Government was left in the hands of a sub-committee, but probably a mass meeting to approve it will be called. It was also proposed that the Government issue passports to all men leaving the country, so that shirkers crossing the borders may be stopped.

For the Serbians.

Mrs. Pankhurst and Mr. Cheddo Miyatovich, former Serbian Minister to England, and Premier, addressed a large audience this evening in First Methodist Church in aid of Serbian relief. Mayor Walters presided. His Worship said Hamilton was the first city in Canada that organized a Serbian Relief Society, and it had sent larger contributions than any other Canadian city.

The Board of Control to-day disposed of the Highway entrance matter by deciding in favor of a bridge over the Valley Inn. It is estimated that this will cost \$250,000, with \$75,000 additional for land that will have to be acquired. The Railway Board will be asked to apportion the cost, it being felt that, as it will be of general benefit to the Highway, others should share in the expense. The bridge will carry the roadway into the city at a grade, and thus do away with the steep climb at that point.

Magistrate Jelfs to-day acquitted Thomas Stephenson, charged with manslaughter in connection with the death of Elizabeth Dougherty, with whom he resided. The Coroner's jury found that her life might have been prolonged had she received proper medical attention. The Magistrate held that, as she was not his wife, he was not responsible.

Mrs. Grafton Dead.

On Monday night Charlotte Sydney-Smith, relict of J. B. Grafton, died at her late home in Dundas, in her eighty-third year, after a brief illness. She was one of the best-known women of Dundas, and her many charities and benefactions endeared her to all who were in need. She is survived by one son and four daughters—Lieut.-Col. J. J. Grafton, Dundas; Mrs. John Herald, St. Thomas; Mrs. (Dr.) Albert Dickson, Hamilton; Mrs. (Dr.) A. Orr Hastings, Toronto, and Miss Nellie Grafton, Dundas. Mrs. Jean Grafton, Toronto, widow of Dr. Charles Stewart Grafton, is a daughter-in-law.

The meeting of the Grand Black Chapter of Black Knights of Ireland, of West Ontario, opened this morning in the I. O. O. F. Temple. Rev. Canon Welsh of Brampton, Grand Master, presided, and in his annual address, said: "We must be firm against any extension of bilingual schools." The report showed membership 4,658, gain 133, and all reports satisfactory. This evening Duke of York Chapter tendered a banquet to the delegates. The following were the speakers:—A. A. Grey, Deputy Grand Master; J. S. Williams, Grand Registrar; Rev. Dr. Knowles, F. Parnell, Lieut.-Col. Belcher, Rev. H. A. Fish, Ald. Plunkett and Sheppard.

Presbytery Approves Union Remit.

Though Hamilton Presbytery approved the General Assembly's remit on the basis of union with the Methodist and Congregational Churches, it decided that under existing circumstances union is impracticable, but recommended a conference with the other Churches on the whole subject, with special reference to union churches and some mission work, colleges, and a uniform standard for ministerial candidates, and that the Presbyterian Church take into consideration the revision of its doctrinal standards and procedure in the settlement of ministers. At the morning session of the Presbytery the resignation of Rev. J. B. Paulin, who is chaplain of the 56th Battalion, was presented and tabled till May. His congregation desires him to continue as pastor, even though he intends to go overseas.

Harry Peters, charged before Judge Manoh with having attempted to secure military information, was acquitted to-day. It was shown that he is a British subject and was carrying on a lawful business when he came under suspicion.