

VICTORIA A. A. A. ANNUAL MEETING

Report of President Dr. Reid—Election of Officers

The annual meeting of the Victoria Amateur Athletic Association of this city was held last evening in the Board of Trade Rooms. The meeting was very largely attended and great interest was evidenced throughout in the proceedings, while the different proposals put before the gathering as to the work of the coming year provoked earnest and enthusiastic discussion.

Dr. Arthur B. Reid, the president occupied the chair and after calling the meeting to order and hearing the minutes of the last annual meeting delivered his address. This was followed by the reports of the Secretary and the Treasurer, both of which were on motion adopted.

The President, Dr. A. B. Reid, in his address touched on the success attained by the Club, last season in hockey. The senior team was one of the fastest aggregations the club had ever had and in its winter's contests had but one defeat to record against it. Otherwise their season was characterized by a succession of signal victories and at the conclusion of the P. E. I. League they were rewarded by becoming the holders of the Trophy emblematic of the Championship of this Province.

But this was not all. At the conclusion of the series here they were sent abroad by the club and after arrangements had been made with the champions of the N. S. League two games were played in New Glasgow, the Victorias winning each game with comparative ease and capturing, for the first time in the history of Maritime hockey, the oft-coveted Starr Amateur Trophy. The splendid work of the team was a matter for congratulation—the honor naturally falling to the club by reason of their enviable success being properly recognized as an individual distinction for every member of the team. The reception tendered the boys on their return but in a small way expressed the pride which their clubmates and citizens generally felt over their achievements both on home and mainland ice. The Victoria Club felt deeply grateful to citizens whose generous response to the subscription list made the mainland trip possible.

The intermediate team too upheld the old "V." After a season in which they only met with one defeat they captured the Intermediate Trophy, playing two extra games with Montserrat at the conclusion and winning both. The young chaps played splendid hockey and well merited the silverware.

It was around the ice arena that the Club's principal activities had been centered during the past year. Basketball was indulged in to a small (Continued on page 7.)

WINDSOR HAS A SERIOUS FIRE

WINDSOR, December 7.—A serious fire broke out at one o'clock this morning, which resulted in the destruction of the fine residence of Miss Daniels, Gerrish street. The building was completely gutted. The loss will be over \$3,000, partly covered by insurance. It was one of the best residences in Windsor.

The fire department responded promptly, and by effective work prevented what otherwise would very probably have been a serious conflagration. There is no explanation as to the cause of the fire. It was under control at three o'clock.

RICH, BUT IGNORES DEBT

PITTSBURG, Pa., John Rees, a small contractor, filed suit today against Joseph C. Trees, millionaire oil operator and philanthropist, for the recovery of \$372 which he says he lent to Trees in 1896 when the latter was poor and had just married. In his complaint Rees says that after repeated attempts to collect the debt he met Trees on the street recently, and that Trees said: "I know I owe you the money and I would pay you, John, because you befriended me when I hadn't anything; but wants, and the Board of Control meets during the day. The Claude, my wife, won't let me."

GOMPERS MAY PERHAPS BE PROSECUTED

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 7.—(By Wire)—That the Federal Government has been closely watching the movements of Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor, was made known here last night, when U. S. Attorney Miller told of a secret Washington conference held between the labor head and Prosecutor Baker of this County.

Mr. Gompers can be assured that the United States attorney will not hesitate to prosecute any man if the facts and the law clearly justify the prosecution, said the District Attorney, after reviewing the attitude of Mr. Gompers since McNamara confession.

SECRET OF RIGHT AGE TO MARRY

LONDON, Dec. 6.—A number of prominent men and women contribute their opinions on what is the "right age for marriage" to one of the weekly papers.

Lady Warwick leads off with "Marriage at any age, so long as there is any real love."

Mme. Sarah Grand says: "The time to marry must vary according to temperaments."

"All should marry in their own class of life, in their own professions," is the advice given by Mrs. Kendall.

According to Miss Fanny Brough the best time is twenty-one.

Mme. Bernhardt would say to the man: "Look for a wife who will be your companion."

To a woman she would say: "Seek a man who you can trust to be a sympathetic protector."

Mr. Plowden is convinced "marriage is an experiment. The most that can be said is, that when it turns out happily, the age was not badly chosen; but even so, it might well have been earlier."

BIG REAL ESTATE DEAL IN SYDNEY

SYDNEY, Dec. 6.—An important real estate deal has been negotiated here. The new theatre on Charlotte Street, just completed by McCuaig & Kong was sold to a Jewish syndicate, the price being \$50,000. The land area is 112x56. Sydney's new vaudeville theatre will open in this building next week by R. J. McAdam.

FLESH MEET WHEN HOLIDAY ON FRIDAY

MONTREAL, December 6.—Roman Catholics all over the world are discussing this week, the dispensation of His Holiness Pope Pius the ninth which will permit of them using flesh meat next Friday (December 8th) upon which day the fast of Immaculate Conception is celebrated. Before the dispensation was granted by Pope Pius, relieving Roman Catholics of the necessity of fasting upon church holidays when such happened to fall on Friday. Christmas and New Years day were the only occasions upon which the fasting rule was suspended. Now by virtue of Pope Pius' action, all Fridays throughout the year which are also observed as feast days, church holidays, with the exception of Good Friday, will be the same as ordinary week days as far as abstinence from flesh meat is concerned. Next Friday becomes the first occasion upon which the dispensation of the holy father becomes operative since he assumed office.

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.

LIST OF NOMINATIONS WILL APPEAR TOMORROW

EARL GREY ADDRESSES CANADA CLUB

LONDON, Dec. 7.—(By Wire)—At the Canadian Club banquet last night Earl Grey was their guest and Lord Strathcona presided.

Earl Grey in responding to the toast of The Dominion, said: "The success which friends were kind enough to say he had achieved as Governor General, was only a fraction of the success which the Duke of Connaught would achieve."

"Canada was the Belle of the Ball and there was plenty of evidence that she was now receiving all the banquets."

"After seven years residence here, he had returned to England" and convinced that Canada, like her wheat, was Number One Hard.

PASSING OF MRS. J. G. STERNS

SOURIS, Dec. 7.—(Special by Phone)—There passed peacefully away at about 8 o'clock this evening at her home, Mrs. J. G. Sterns, at the age of 66 years, after a lingering illness of heart trouble.

Deceased had taken a severe attack last March from which she rallied and for a time hopes were entertained for her recovery, but for the past month, in spite of all that medical aid could do she continued to grow weaker and when the end came it was only what had been expected for some days.

She leaves to mourn two sons, R. H. of Charlottetown, and H. H. of Souris; four daughters, Mrs. G. D. Wright of Charlottetown; Mrs. Augustus White of Souris; Nellie and Gertrude at home; also, four sisters, Mrs. J. Kieham, Souris West and Mrs. Peter Stewart, Souris besides a number of grand children.

The Guardian joins with their many friends in extending sincere sympathy to the bereaved.

ASQUITH TELLS OF HOME RULE PLANS

LONDON, Dec. 6.—Premier Asquith announced in the House of Commons this afternoon that the Government would use all the constitutional means at his disposal to pass a Home Rule bill for Ireland during the life time of the present Parliament.



PREMIER ASQUITH

He declared this in reply to a question from William O'Brien, member for Cork City, who expressed concern at the recent report that Mr. Asquith was trying to get the House of Lords to throw out the Home Rule bill, when it reaches the Upper House. The Premier by his announcement today, means that he undertakes to force the Home Rule bill through three consecutive sessions, if necessary, thus making it become more effective in spite of the opposition of the Peers.

COMMUNICATION THROUGH PROVINCE AND WITH MAINLAND

The Northumberland left this port yesterday at 7.30 a. m. with passengers, freight and mail docking at Picton at 11.00 a. m. She left on return at 2.30 with passengers, freight, express and N. S. mail arriving here at 6 p. m. Yesterday the eastern express was on time, the southern accommodation was 10 minutes late, the Summerside accommodation was 10 minutes late, the eastern accommodation was 1 hour and 10 minutes late and the western express was 15 minutes late.

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Many Surprises in Store for All. Watch Tomorrow's Guardian For Full Particulars This is the Opportune Time to Win a Piano.

Decide Today And Be a Winner

We are going to make a prediction, perhaps it is premature but we will make it all the same and you can see whether it will prove true or not. Our prediction is that this Contest will eclipse in interest, enthusiasm and voting returns, all others previously held in this Province. We know it, we feel absolutely sure of it from the enthusiastic letters sent us by young ladies throughout the Province.

Every day the Contest Manager is kept busy answering inquiries, sending out subscriptions blanks, etc.

Our young ladies show by their ambitious spirit that they are not going to let such a golden opportunity to secure an elegant Piano slip by, but are going in to have some fun, some fame, and a Piano.

As we have before remarked few Contests in Canada have ever offered such a valuable prize list. Just think of it! \$2,300.00 in prizes for a little work! Was there ever such a chance to adorn your home with a beautiful piano for a little work among your friends.

Now is the hour to make up, your mind. Names of nominees will be published tomorrow, Saturday.

In soliciting subscriptions you must bear in mind that your friends are offering you a chance while this contest is on to renew at much less than regular rates. You also save them the trouble of remitting. With the above facts in mind you need not hesitate to call on any one as you are actually doing them a favor. You will find that the people are only too willing to renew, they appreciate this newsy paper and would not be without it for many times the price.

A last word to you. There is always a time in life when a big change comes to everyone. This is YOUR CHANCE young lady, of becoming the owner of a \$500.00 Piano. It is a chance that may not come for years and you would be very foolish not to take advantage of it.

Don't listen to the voices of the "Knockers." They never accomplished anything and never will. It is the optimist that wins out in life's race. Get your letters ready, send in your name today, in time to be published in Saturday's paper.

SCHOONER WITH SIX MEN MISSING

NORTH SYDNEY, N. S., Dec. 6.—Fears are entertained for the safety of the schooner Florence M. Smith, Capt. Strickland, which left North Sydney for Chatham, N. B., three weeks ago, and is still unreported. The vessel carries six men with Captain, and was 90 tons register.

WEATHER FORECAST &c.



LIGHT WINDS

TORONTO, Ont. Dec. 8.—Moderate to fresh southwesterly and westerly winds; fair and mild.

The temperature at three o'clock this morning by the Rexall Store Tested Thermometer was thirty-five degrees above zero.

The lowest temperature recorded yesterday was 30 above zero and the highest was 35 degrees above. The lowest recorded the previous night was 27 above. At nine a. m., it was 30 degrees above and at nine a. m., it was 35 degrees above.

The length of today will be eight hours and fifty-six minutes. The tide will be high this afternoon at 12.50 and tomorrow afternoon at 1.42; it will be high tonight at 11.50 and Sunday morning at 12.41.

The sun sets this afternoon at 4.20 and tomorrow afternoon at 4.19; it rises tomorrow morning at 7.25 and Sunday morning at 7.26. The moon rises this evening at 6.56.

CREOSOTING POPLAR WOOD IN THE WEST

TORONTO, Dec. 7.—(By Wire)—Hon. Mr. Calder, Minister of Education in Saskatchewan, says there is a serious lack of teachers in the West and that no matter how many they secure they were constantly going into other vacations.

In the expectation that the new process of Creosoting of poplar wood with creosote will make the material suitable for railway ties, the Canadian Northern are establishing a mill at Port Francis on their main line west of Port Arthur, where half a million ties will be treated next year.

Regular hardwood, ordinarily used for the purpose, is growing scarce at this part of the line and the Company hopes to make indigenous poplar give as good service by this treatment.

CANADA WON AT CHICAGO FAIR

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—(By Wire)—Canada carried off the highest sheep honors and got markings on short horn cattle exhibited at the International Stock Show yesterday.

SHOOT AT RABBIT HITS SIX WOMEN

MCLOUTH, Kan., Dec. 6.—When hunting rabbits on his farm near here, John Clemm accidentally shot six young women who were standing on the front porch of his home. A rabbit ran around the house and Clemm fired at it with a shot gun. He missed the rabbit but the shot struck the women, all of whom were wounded in the legs.

INSURANCE BILL PASSED THIRD READING

LONDON, December 6.—Chancellor David Lloyd George's National Insurance bill, passed its third reading in the house of commons tonight by a vote of 324 to 21. The unionists for the most part abstaining from



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voting for, as explained in the amendment moved by them, while approving the objects of the bill they considered it neither adequately discussed in the house nor explained to the country. Therefore, they argued, further consideration should be resumed at the next session. The bill passed its first reading in the house of lords today.

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS

(Too late for Classification.)

LOST, will the person who picked up a muff, Thursday afternoon, leave same at Carter's Bookstore. 12-833i.

REWARD, to the person who will return the angora cat, maltase color, to 17 Orlebar St. 12-6d3ipd.

LOST, either at Zion Church tea table or between Zion Church and Brighton Road, a ladies hand bag, black seal. Finder please leave at Cook's Studio. 12-8d1i.

FANCY WORK SALE—Miss Ethel Lorrain, 27 Alley St., has fancy work for sale, Dollies, White and Colored, centerpieces, fancy bags, etc., etc. 12-8d3ipd.

LOST, between Carter's Restaurant and Prince St. gold pocket watch and chain with brilliant setting, Monogram N. J. B. Finder return to 69 Prince St. 12-8d3ipd.

DARTING, wishing to have manicuring, face massage, shampooing or scalp treatment, gloves cleaned, etc., would do well to call on Miss Lillian Collings, 26 Great George St. or phone 227-L. 1-242w

SAUNSON'S SAUSAGES made fresh every day. Saunders, Newsum & Co. 11-1842mpd

FURS, I pay highest prices for mink, fox and muskrat, J. D. Jenkins, Charlottetown. 11-18d1mpd.

BOWLING, Burke's Alleys, under Market, open lawful days ten to

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MEAT PLANT HAS CHANGED ITS OWNERS

LONDON, Dec. 7.—(By Wire)—It is reported that the prospective purchase of Nelson and Co., Argentina meat plant by Armour and Co., for \$2,500,000 is generally credited here and has filled English salesmen with some apprehension as they foresee a complete manipulation of the British trans-Atlantic transporting trade by the American trade interests to the detriment of Canada and England alike.

BELIEVER IN DREAMS DECLINES \$8,000 PROFIT

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Dec. 2.—S. C. Pitts, county engineer, had a dream the night before, and that's the reason that he turned down an offer of \$13,000 for his farm in Choctaw County, which three years ago cost him but \$5,000.

Every foot of land in the neighborhood of Pitts' farm is dotted with oil leases, and Pitts has hopes.

Since Pitts bought the farm he has had several dreams of untold wealth on the property. Once he dreamed that he was boring for oil, and brought in a 2,000-barrel well. These dreams came every week or so.

Pitts declared he has an excellent reason for turning down the \$13,000 offer for the farm. Three or four years ago he dreamed that his old college had burned down and that a young man to whom he had loaned an old military suit saved it by pitching it out of the window.

A week later he received a letter from the young man which stated the college had been destroyed by fire and the only thing saved was the old military suit.

PREMIER FLEMING CALLS CONFERENCE

ST. JOHN, Dec. 6.—Premier Fleming told your correspondent today that he had wired the Premiers of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island asking them if they could meet him on December 19 to discuss immigration matters with Arthur Hawke. The object will be to discuss the manner in which the immigration policy of the Dominion has affected the Maritime Provinces. Effort will also be made to learn how Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island are offering objection to it from assisting the Maritime Provinces in securing a desirable class of settlers. Mr. Fleming says that the feeling is that in this matter the West has had all the show and the East has suffered in consequence.

JAPAN AND RUSSIA IN SECRET TREATY

LONDON, December 6.—The Peking correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says:

A secret agreement exists between Russia and Japan by which these two powers demand as an inalienable right 60 per cent. participation in all future loans north of the great wall and bind themselves to secure the cancellation of article 16 of the "Fourth national \$30,000,000 loan."

Article 16 has been the subject of wide discussion, both Japan and Russia offering objection to it from the first. In substance, it provides that the bankers making the initial loan shall have the option of undertaking further loans should the government desire to obtain money from other than Chinese sources. It also provides that "should the Chinese government decide to invite foreign capitalists to participate with Chinese interests in Manchurian business contemplated under the loan or to be undertaken in connection with it, the bankers supplying the original loan shall be first invited to so participate."

CIVIL SERVANTS

OTTAWA, Dec. 6.—Civil servants must not in future occupy civic offices which keep them away from their government duties. They may become members of public and municipal bodies which meet in the evenings.

This decision would appear to interfere with the candidature of Controller Himech, Mr. P. M. Draper and Mr. A. E. Carson for the Board of Control. They are all civil servants and the Board of Control meets during the day. The emolument is \$1,000 per annum.

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ON PATIENCE.

Few among us there are who are patience, which enables us to yield to our burdens and trials and be drawn nearer that rest place of the heart which none can wrest from us.

Great troubles have more power to subdue the spirit and to bring about resignation, which is, in some instances, akin to patience, but the small vexations of life tempt us to a show of ill-temper and impatience all unawares.

Therefore, it is of these we should beware; for it is un-Christianlike and unlovely to speak harshly to anyone. Patience teaches us to be gentle and kindly at all times. It teaches us charity for the failings of others and goes far towards making us exercise forbearance and justice towards the erring.

Patience is one of the most beautiful virtues we can possess, and therefore, we should strive unceasingly to possess it.

Important Notice to Advertisers

Xmas advertising is so great that it is almost impossible to bandlet. Customers wishing additional space will please arrange at once. Changes of ads must be in by 10 a. m. to insure insertion following day. Please, make note of this.

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