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ANNUAL MEETING

Natural History and Antiquarian Society.

THE OFFICERS ELECTED

The Government to Provide The Society With The Necessary Rooms.

The annual business meeting of the Natural History and Antiquarian Society was held in the Y. M. C. A. Parlor last night. After formal opening the Secretary read the following report of the transactions of the past year.

A year has passed since "The Natural History Society" of this Province was reorganized as "The Natural History and Antiquarian Society of Prince Edward Island." The record of the organization during this period is most satisfactory and encouraging.

Eleven public meetings have been held, at which interesting and valuable papers have been read or lectures delivered. Upon each of these occasions the attendance was good, and in some cases exceptionally large, the audience including some of the most scholarly and prominent persons in the community.

The dates of the meetings and the subjects of the papers and lectures were as follows:

- Jan. 10, Re-organization.
- Jan. 24, Business meeting, followed by an impromptu address upon "Some of our Fungi," by Mr. John MacSwain.
- Feb. 7, "Rust of Wheat," by John MacSwain.
- Feb. 21, "Geological Reminiscences of Prince Edward Island," by Thos. May.
- March 7, "Floriculture," by James Tait.
- March 21, "An abnormal vegetable

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growth in the human throat," by L. W. Watson, M. A.

April 4, "Some Geological Evidences of The Nebular Hypothesis," by John Newson.

April 18, "Some Effects of Solar Radiation upon Organic Life," by W. J. Bulman, B. S. &c.

May 2, "Some notes on Man Primæval," by Charles Palmer, Q. C.

May 16, "The Colored Races of P. E. Island," by J. T. Mellish, M. A.

Nov. 27, (a.) "Notes on Fungi collected by Miss Pippy, 1899," by John MacSwain.

(b.) "Note on a piece of petrified wood found in the heart of a living tree," by J. M. Duncan.

(c.) "Explanation of an Abnormal Potato Growth," (Exhibited by Mr. W. Doull) Lawrence Watson.

Dec. 11, "An Introduction to the Study of Mineralogy" by Rev. T. H. Hunt, M. A., B. D.

The annual "outing" was held on the 24th June, when the society and many guests, having visited on the way the Miamae encampment at Rocky Point, walked to the ruins of "Ringwood," where Hon. F. St. Croix Brecken delivered a short address upon the life and times of Col. Cumberland. The ruins of Fort La Jolie were next visited, where Messrs. Brecken and Newson delivered very interesting addresses upon the history of the place. The position of many historic sites was pointed out by Mr. Newson as the party, after luncheon at the President's summer residence, proceeded on its way to Holland Cove. Here seated on the bank overlooking the beautiful bay, the privileged listeners enjoyed the reading by Mr. Brecken of a most valuable and interesting paper upon Captain Holland and his work, embodying much matter of rare historical value.

During the year a delegation from the Executive Committee interviewed the Premier and certain members of the Provincial Government praying for a grant of money (such as is annually given our sister societies in the other provinces,) and the use of rooms for the meetings of the Society and for Museum accommodation. The delegation was most kindly received, and the accommodation asked for was promised as soon as any suitable rooms at the disposal of the Government should become available. It is therefore very probable that during the present year the Society may be in occupation of suitable quarters for the conduct of its work and the founding of that great desideratum—a Provincial Museum.

Application was made to the Department of Geological Survey for a collection of mineralogical specimens which has been promised so soon as our society shall have a suitable place in which to store and exhibit the grant. We have received the publications of a few sister societies, and it is much to be desired that we may soon be in financial position to publish such bulletins as will enable us to secure a number of similar "exchanges," the educational value of which cannot be over estimated. In conclusion, it is gratifying to recognize on every hand, many evidences that the society enjoys the confidence, interest and goodwill of the community at large, that it is conceded that material advances has been made in the educational work of the society, and that the prospects of rapid growth and constantly-increasing usefulness are of the very brightest character.

LAWRENCE W. WATSON, Secy-Treas. The Society enters upon the new year with a membership of nearly forty and the list is steadily growing. The following officers were elected: Pres. Mr. Newson; Vice Pres. John MacSwain; Secy. Treas., Mr. Watson; Execu...

Pocket, Office and Home Diaries for 1900 at HASZARD & MOORE'S, Sunnyside.

DOGGEDLY PRESSING ON.

The War Office is Confident of Full Success.

CAPTAIN HENSLEY WAS KILLED

In Saturday's Battle Under Gen. Warren—Wauchope Did Not Censure Methuen—Col. Steele to Command Strathcona's Horse—The British Losses.

HALIFAX Jan. 22.—(Special)—Capt C. A. Hensley of the Dublin Fusiliers killed in the battle near Venter's Spruit Saturday, was a son of Albert Hensley of this city and a native of Charlottetown.

He was a graduate of Prince of Wales College and Kingston Military College.

He was in the battle of Glencoe at the beginning of the war and in General Uley's march from Glencoe to Ladysmith.

BRITISH DOGGEDLY ADVANCING.

LONDON Jan. 22.—(Special)—There is no new war news to day.

The British appear to be doggedly advancing, but nothing is yet known of what reserves the Boers have and many military men fear our troops being led into some trap.

THE WAR OFFICE CONFIDENT.

The War Office is convinced that the relief of Ladysmith is now certain.

They believe a dash to Kimberley will then be made, after which careful plans will be matured and arrangements be made for the invasion of the Transvaal in a way that no reverses can occur.

This means that the war will last some months yet.

WAUCHOPE DID NOT CENSURE METHUEN

The War Office and wife of Gen. Wauchope both deny that he criticized Lord Methuen. In fact he praised his work in private letters.

WHERE CAPT. HENSLEY FELL.

Gen Warren's flanking movement of Sunday, after fighting, captured a few ridges of Tabanyana Mountain. Capt. Hensley fell in this fight.

RECENT BRITISH LOSSES.

Eleven officers were wounded in the foregoing, with Misses Pippy and M. Dawson, Messrs May and Seaman. The remainder of the evening was spent in discussing the future work of the Society. The next meeting will be held Feb. 5 when Mr. Clarken will read a paper upon "The Wild Flowers of P. E. I."

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Saturday's battle, of whom Capt Hensley has since died.

The casualties among non-commissioned officers and men were 279 killed or wounded.

The supplementary list of the losses at Ladysmith in the battle of January 6 brings the total of killed and wounded in that engagement up to 488.

TO COMMAND STRATHCONA'S HORSE.

OTTAWA, Jan. 22.—(Special)—The general belief is that Col. Steele will command Lord Strathcona's 400 Horsemen, being sent to South Africa.

WEBSTER DAVIES HAS NO MISSION.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—(Special)—Officials here deny that Webster Davies has any diplomatic mission in South Africa and he will probably be notified that his course is embarrassing the government.

WARREN'S BATTLE OF SATURDAY.

In Saturday's fight Gen. Warren's forces assembled near an eminence known as Three Tree Hill, which forms the centre of a semi-circle of crests crowned with the enemy's works, which are some six miles long.

Steadily and with great dash the British infantry went forward in the face of a heavy fusillade of mauser rifles.

THE TROOPS ENGAGED.

Our troops were disposed as follows:

Woodgate's brigade on the right, Hart's brigade in the centre and Hildyard's brigade on the left.

Soon after midday the battle on the hills became furious and from 3 o'clock in the afternoon the fire of both cannon and rifles was extremely heavy.

CAMPED ON THE BATTLEFIELD.

Point after point of the enemy's position was seized by the British troops, and eventually the Boer right broke, and was forced back toward Spion Kop. Our forces bivouacked upon the ground they captured.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Closing Prices	Jan. 22.
American Sugar	118 1/2
American Steel & Wire	48
American Tobacco	100 1/2
Brooklyn Transit	72 1/2
Burlington	122 1/2
Continental Tob.	33
Federal Steel	51 1/2
Federal Steel Prfd	74
Louisville & Nashville	81 1/2
New York Central	134
Rock Island	nil
St. Paul	117
Tennessee Coal and Iron	85 1/2
United States Rubber	45 1/2
Union Pac Prfd	—
April Cotton per 100 lbs	7.52

THE WEATHER.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—(Special)—Fair, warmer, fresh southerly winds increased sing.



COLONEL PLUMER.

He is reported to have captured the Boer of War.

A Boer telegram from Pretoria announces that Colonel Plumer, with three armored trains, is at Gaborone. His intention, it is added, is evidently to relieve Mafeking.

Gaborone is a railway station 100 miles north of Mafeking. Colonel Plumer is on his way southward from Bulawayo in Rhodesia, and has already come 350 miles on his way.

THE GUARDIAN is glad to learn that measures are being taken to guard the gateways of this Province against the approach of smallpox from the mainland. The fact that six different centres in New Brunswick are infected, extending from Moncton to the Quebec border, renders it most imperative that all lawful precautions shall be observed.

LEFT HIM TO DIE.

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CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—(Special) The following are the closing rates:

January wheat, 65 1/2; corn, 30 1/2; oats, 22 1/2; pork, \$10.62 1/2.
May wheat, 66 1/2; corn, 33; oats, 23 1/2; pork, \$10.85.
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TARTE'S NEW SCHEME

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ST. JOHN, Jan. 22.—(Special)—Mrs. Pitt, an aged lady, mother of Capt. Pitt of Gondola Point, was burned to death on Sunday, her clothes catching while she sat in front of the fire.

HON. MR. TARTE'S NEW SCHEME.

OTTAWA, Jan. 22.—(Special)—Mr. Tarte announces a plan to deepen French River from Georgian Bay to Lake Nipissing, 50 miles, thus enabling the C. P. R. to carry 25,000,000 bushels of Canadian grain to Montreal and the Atlantic seaboard that now seeks an outlet through the United States.

The project will necessitate an expenditure of a large sum of money, including more harbor accommodation at Montreal.

CHINA YIELDS TO FRENCH DEMANDS.

TACOMA, Jan. 22.—(Special)—Mail advices say China has acquiesced in the French demands for the territory of Kwan Chan Wan Bay, after two more defeats.

Indemnity will be paid the families of the Frenchmen killed and China will make other concessions.

The French are delighted and want France to make greater demands while England is busy in the Transvaal.

WORKMEN BURIED IN A DRAIN.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 22.—(Special)—Eleven laborers and bricklayers were entombed by a cave-in on the street. All are alive but one and will be rescued.

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