

Western Guardian

WESTERN AGENT—Mr. O. J. Gallant is Guardian Agent in Howland, and will be pleased to receive new and renewal subscriptions. 1-84

HOME FOR BURIAL—The remains of the late Eric Victor MacLean of Northam, who died in St. John, New Brunswick on Jan. 28th., 1929, arrived in Summerside on Wednesday, Jan. 30th. Funeral was held on Thursday at 2 p. m., from Compton's Undertaking Parlor to St. John's Church, St. Eleanor's, Arch Deacon White, Rector of the Parish, officiating at rooms and church. The pall-bearers were as follows: Messrs. Leopold Compton, Horace Andrew, Harry Andrew, Frederic Mills.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS.—The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Hector F. Morrison, Kensington, waited upon them at their home to celebrate Mr. Morrison's sixty-fourth birthday. The fleeting hours were beguiled by varied engaging amusements that all too quickly hastened the crowding moments. Music, vocal and instrumental was most efficiently rendered and inspired the guests with thoughts that ripened into action. Interesting conversation both pleased and instructed the guests, and gave a variety to the genus of amusement, while, impromptu speeches gave a literary flavor to the celebration which was also immensely enjoyed. When the musical and the literary tastes had been thus honored, the physical man was duly satiated by a most delicious lunch which freed the subdued appetites of homo intus. While the final scenes were enacting, the women decreed that they would make an impression on Mr. Morrison's facial area with something that is too much for one, just sufficient for two, and not enough for three. Departing they all wished Mr. and Mrs. Morrison many more year of wedded bliss.

REOPENING OF SUMMER-SIDE LIBRARY—The Summerside Public Library was reopened in its splendid new quarters in the Town Hall on Saturday afternoon by Mayor Arnett, with a large number of citizens in attendance. Miss Hunt, Regent of the I. O. D. E., presided and called upon the Mayor to declare the library open. In doing so, His Worship said that it had given him and his colleagues of the Council Board great pleasure in being able to allot such convenient and suitable rooms to the Daughters of the Empire for what he considered one of the most necessary and helpful institutions of the town. In a brief review of the history of the Library he recalled how it had been started in a small way in 1892 with about 100 volumes but made little headway until it was taken over by the I. O. D. E. and had since been so efficiently managed and supported by the Daughters that at the present time it has grown to a library of upwards of 2500 books of which any town of the size of Summerside might be justly proud. His Worship pointed out that after it had been arranged that these premises should be occupied by the Public Library the matter of redecorating and fitting up the rooms was placed in the able hands of Councillor Robinson, chairman of the Property Committee. He had much pleasure in declaring the Library open for the use of the public. Miss Hunt on behalf of the Daughters of the Empire, thanked the Mayor and Councillors for their courtesy and good offices in presenting these handsome new quarters for the public good. Afternoon tea was then served by the I. O. D. E., at which the Mayor and Councillors were the guests of honour and an enjoyable social hour brought the proceedings to a close.

PERSONALS

Ven. Archdeacon White, of Summerside, left on Monday for Halifax to attend a meeting of the Synod Committee. He expects to return on Friday.

Mr. A. E. McLean, M.P., and Mrs. McLean, of Summerside, left this morning for Ottawa, to attend the opening of parliament on Thursday.

Mr. Russell Phillips, formerly of the staff of Brace, MacKay and Co., Summerside, has taken up a position this week in Messrs. T. E. Eaton & Co.'s Groceries, in Moncton, N. B.

Miss Freda Bowness, of Summerside, is visiting Charlottetown this week.

Eastern Guardian

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SEVENTH SON—To Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. McAulay, Souris Line

Oratory Championship, 1929

Canadian and International Oratorical Contests

Canadian winner, as in previous years, will be given a travelling scholarship in the form of a trip to Europe, with all expenses paid.

This Canadian winner will also represent Canada in the International Championship.

The Charlottetown Guardian, in conjunction with newspapers and committees in other provinces of Canada and in other countries of the world, is again conducting the Canadian and International Oratorical Competitions which were so outstandingly successful in 1927 and 1928. In individual School Competitions in this Province, any subject may be used, but in the District, Provincial and Canadian Championships one of the following four subjects must be used—"Canada Among the Nations"; "The Unification of Canada"; "The Peoples of Canada"; "Canada's Economic Development."

The contests will be open, without charge, to pupils, boys and girls, in high schools, Grades Nine and Ten, secondary schools, collegiate institutes and other recognized educational institutions below University grade.

The Guardian again is fortunate in having the co-operation of the Director and Department of Education, the Principals and Faculties of Prince of Wales College and St. Dunstan's University, and The Teachers Association.

The first step in the contest is for each school to hold a contest to determine its own champions. The province will be divided into districts. There will be a competition at a point in each of these districts to determine the district champions. It is at these district competitions that the champions of the individual schools will compete.

The winners of each of the districts will come to Charlottetown, as guests of The Charlottetown Guardian and at its expense, to compete for Provincial championship. The winners of this contest will receive suitable prizes from The Charlottetown Guardian.

Similar competitions will be held in other provinces of the Dominion. Following these provincial championships, the winner from each province will go to a selected city to compete for the Canadian Championship. The Prince Edward Island winner will go to the Canadian Contest as guest of The Charlottetown Guardian, with all expenses paid.

The Canadian champion will be given a travelling scholarship in the form of a free trip to Europe, as guest of the newspapers and committees in the various provinces which are conducting the contests.

The Canadian winner, after his European trip, will go to Washington or some other selected centre to compete in the International Championship.

WHO MAY ENTER

Boys and girls who on February 1, 1929, are less than 19 years of age and who are enrolled as pupils in a high school or collegiate institute or other recognized educational institution below University grade including grades nine and ten.

HOW TO ENTER

In the Province entries may be made, either direct to The Charlottetown Guardian or to the principals themselves.

THE ORATIONS

Orations must be original and must not take more than 10 minutes in delivery. They may be delivered in English or French.

THE DATES

School competitions not later than March 15.

District finals—Not later than April 20.

Provincial finals, in Charlottetown—By May 3.

Canadian finals—About May 15.

European trip—Begins early in July.

International finals—in October.

OFFICIALS

National Chairman for Canada—Main Johnston, Toronto Daily Star.

Canadian Committee—Miss Myrtle Patterson, Vancouver Sun; C. A. Hayden, Calgary Herald; C. R. Morrison, Edmonton Journal; Hon. R. A. Hoey, Minister of Education, Manitoba; Hon. Cyril F. Delage, Superintendent of Education, Quebec; Prof. A. Stanley Walker, representing Halifax Herald; Frank Walker, Charlottetown Guardian.

Department of Education—Professor H. H. Shaw, Director; Principal Robertson, Principal Murphy, Professor Lloyd Shaw, Mr. Braden Jelly, President of the Teachers Association.

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PERSONALS

Road, a baby boy, the seventh son in the family. All well.

SURVEYING AND MOVING—Angus L. McDonald, Charwood, preparatory to moving on to his brother's place, had the land surveyor opening up the lines around it Friday. The situation of this farm-home is very pretty, commanding a splendid view of Souris Harbor, the village and the big stone church, a mile and a half away.

THE MARITIME CHAMPION HAS A LITTER OF 18 PIGS—The Maritime Champion Yorkshire sow, owned by Mr. Frank McAulay, Souris Line Road, which swept the boards last fall at all the Maritime shows, Charlottetown, St. John, Halifax Amherst, Woodstock, N. B., had a litter of 18 pigs on Thursday last and succeeded in saving nearly all of them. More than she can accommodate. Mr. McAulay had the pig-gery-house heated by a stove, and was as comfortable and warm as a kitchen for her ladyship to farrow in.

New Zealand housewives are taking to American electric appliances.

president of the organization.

"To expedite matters," Mr. Beattie said, "we have retained the services of one of Canada's foremost lawyers, who has in the past been instrumental in bringing to a successful termination several issues of an international character similar to our own. Our committee has appointed a representative in every large centre throughout the Dominion. Members of Parliament representing every province of Canada have been approached with a view to enlisting their support."

"It is a fact," Mr. Beattie continued, "that in Great Britain and the United States similar claims to ours have been paid long ago, in full. Our government claims that no claimant has a legal right to his claim."

"We know that Canada has received by way of the reparation scheme some \$12,000,000. Canadian claims total approximately \$2,500,000. It should be no hardship for the government to settle in view of the fact that the money is not coming out of the national exchequer, but has been deposited by Germany for such a purpose."

Horror of Gas War Vividly Described By British Earl

LONDON, Feb. 4.—Quoting responsible statements made in Russia and Germany as proof of the inevitability of the use of poison gas in future wars, the Earl of Halsbury painted a lurid picture in a speech here tonight, of the effects of a gas attack on London.

Lord Halsbury, who was assistant inspector of high explosives in the Ministry of Munitions during the war, and engaged during the war's closing months in planning long-distance bombardments on Germany, urged Londoners to get in a panic now about gas instead of waiting until an attack is made.

From Responsible Sources.

"I am not quoting from the chauvinistic press," he said, "but from the statements of responsible people in Russia; for instance, of the active

head of the Gas Research Department, and of Piazow, who has been studying defense against gas and now admits that he can bring forward nothing but vague ideas. Doctor Hanson, head of the Chemical Warfare Department of Germany, has said: "We are going to be the first nation in chemical warfare. The nation that is first will have the best weapon ever forged and have the most complete empire in the world."

Tons of Gas Used

Lord Halsbury recalled that during an attack on a ten-mile front in France, 350 tons of phosgene gas was used, which canalized up two valleys and produced fatal effects in two villages 21 miles away. The same thing, he said, could happen in the Thames Valley. He envisaged attack after attack on London at two-hour intervals, possibly for two or three days. As a chemist, he is sure that a gas has already been discovered much worse than anything used in the last war. There was no use relying on gas masks, since a mask which kept out one gas would not keep out another.

FORMER ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY IS SUGGESTED AS POSSIBLE MEDIATOR

LONDON, Feb. 6.—The name of the Most Rev. Randall Thomas Davidson, former Archbishop of Canterbury, was suggested by friends of the Salvation Army as a possible mediator to clear up the Army's difficulties. It was understood that an effort would be made to enlist his aid in settling the difference of the Army's high council and General Bramwell Booth, its aged commander in chief. His selection for such a role would be welcomed by the Booth family also, it is said. Lord Davidson, himself, when questioned regarding the possibility of such action on his part, said he had no statement to make.

Tourists Adopt Babies

Many visitors to England this year went home accompanied by babies that had taken their fancy while touring the country. Tower Oressy, London headquarters of the National Children Adoption Association, reports that from 10 to 12 adoptions were made each week by tourists

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during the summer season, and little ones went to homes in Canada, Australia and other parts of the Empire. Adoption in England is also becoming more common, and twins are among the most popular. At times there is a greater demand for pairs than can be supplied, and often applicants ask for a boy and a girl of the same age. Most of the little ones go to childless couples and many to unmarried women.

The Irish Free State will at once plant trees on 3,435 acres of land.

French people are just becoming more and more enthusiastic over the radio.