

Better be a half-baked secker after others welfare than a full-witted self-secker.

THE CHARLOTTETOWN GUARDIAN The People's Paper Read by Everybody

The touch of the sympathetic hand and the sound of the voice of sincerity slugs on in the soul forever.

Covers Prince Edward Island Like the Dew

CHARLOTTETOWN, CANADA, THURSDAY, JANUARY 31, 1929

Annual Subscriptions Delivered \$6.00 By Mail Canada and U. S. A. \$4.50

Annual Meeting of City Council Reports of Various Departments Presented—a Small Deficit of \$578.49 Was Shown by the Financial Statement.

The annual meeting of the City Council was held last night in the Council Chambers. His Worship Mayor Yeo presiding. Councillors Prowse, Kennedy, Reardon, Holman, Dougan, MacLeod and Foster were present, as were also the City Recorder, the City Health Officer, and the Milk and Meat Inspector.

Business was opened by the reading of communications by the City Clerk. The first communication was from K. J. and K. M. Martin, stating that the claim of James Trainor re construction of the culvert was not valid against the city.

There was also another letter from this firm regarding the claim for damages by Catherine Gorman on account of injuries received in a fall. This claim also was held to be invalid, in cases where accidents are caused owing to the condition of the sidewalk or obstructions thereon, the City is not liable, unless at least three months notice in writing after the date of the accident is given.

A letter was read from C. A. Beer, Secretary of the Board of Fire Underwriters in regard to the insurance of \$188,000 carried by the City. Owing to an amendment made with regard to item 4, the insurance of \$14,000 on fire fighting apparatus is not effective, except when it remains in the city building.

Councillor Prowse said that under the old schedule, when the apparatus left the building, it was still insured. It was not fair to the city to have any charge made.

Councillor Holman spoke strongly against the change. This is the first time the city has had a claim against the insurance companies, and the action of the underwriters is a strange and small one. If insurance is needed, it is when the apparatus goes on the street. The underwriters have gone to an unreasonable length. While insurance on ladders might not be expected, it was unfair to take it off the entire equipment. Moreover the agents have not complied with the law requiring fifteen days notice by registered mail. If these companies will not insure the apparatus when it is out of the building, the city must look elsewhere for fire protection. Of course, if other companies will take insurance that has been turned down by the underwriters, it is only fair that they get a share of the city's insurance business.

CITY OF CHARLOTTETOWN RECEIPTS

- The amount of money received for City purposes from January 1st to December 31st, 1928 was—\$287,241.97. Horse and Carriage Tax—\$261.00. Auctioneers' Licenses—\$25.00. Bank Licenses—\$775.00. Warehouse Rent—\$200.00. Wharf and Property Rent—\$712.50. Government Grant Fire Dept.—\$650.00. Market Rents—\$3,895.00. Market Tolls—\$1,030.54. City Weigh Scales—\$843.64. Total—\$5,769.13. Truck Licenses—\$390.00. Milk Vendors' Licenses—\$890.00. Insurance Company Licenses—\$5,635.00. Police Court—\$7,059.57. City Court—\$67.86. Dog Tax—\$1,046.00. Automobile Tax—\$5,770.00. Taxi Licenses—\$410.00. Gasoline Tank Tax—\$1,180.00. Investment Brokers' Tax—\$528.00. Miscellaneous Receipts—\$1,867.98. Street & Sidewalk Assessment—\$7,078.19. Transferred from Water & Sewers A/c for interest—\$11,756.25. Royal Bank of Canada (spec. loan)—\$90,000.00. Real Estate, 1922-27—\$4,975.40. Real Estate, 1928—\$80,866.19. Total—\$94,919.13. Personal Property, 1928-27—\$585.00. Personal Property, 1928—\$34,384.13. Total—\$34,919.13. Poll Tax, 1928-27—\$511.00. Poll Tax, 1928—\$4,069.00. Total—\$4,580.00. Bonds Issued—\$80,000.00. Less Discount—\$1,167.38—\$78,832.62. Total—\$287,241.97. Audited and found correct, T. M. McMillan, R. P. Forsythe, Auditors. Secretary, Edmund Larkin. 4241-1-29-21.

Comparison of Naval Strength

(Canadian Press) WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The naval man power of the nations in the Washington arms conference was considered by the house appropriations committee in allocating money for the expenses of the navy in the annual supply bill. Admiral Charles F. Hughes, chief of operations, submitted a table to the committee showing the comparative strength of the naval personnel in which Great Britain's forces exceeded the United States by more than 10,000 officers and men. Japan ranks third. Great Britain's strength was shown at 194,431; United States 93,636; Japan 61,595; France 60,834 and Italy 45,397. Admiral Hughes asked for an increase of 4,000 of enlisted personnel to fill out the complements aboard the vessels in commission which he declared were undermanned. The United States exceeds Great Britain, however, in the number of marines, the former having 10,807 and the latter 10,454.

TRANSPORT SERVICES

Car Ferry's Lost Propeller Hoisted Onto Pier at Borden.

Yesterday the car ferry ran on summer schedule, making her trips on time. Two freight trips were made, in addition to the passenger trips. The missing propeller was dragged by the steamer to the end of the dock, where it was lifted by the railway crane about 3 p. m. It was practically undamaged, and will be refitted to the steamer when she goes to the dry dock.

THE CAR FERRY

There is no further information regarding these vessels.

No Air Mail Yesterday

No flight by the aeroplane was made yesterday. Early in the morning a wire was received from Moncton reading that the weather conditions were bad and that the flight was postponed until 9:30 to see if the weather would improve, but at 10 o'clock another wire came through, reading: "Pilot regrets that weather renders any trip today impossible, all mail being forwarded by train."

Conference on Church Union

(Canadian Press) PITTSBURGH, Jan. 3.—Overtures of the Methodist Episcopal Church of America looking towards a merger with the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America drew leaders of both denominations to Pittsburgh today. The Pittsburgh conference was decided upon following receipt at the Presbyterian general assembly at Tulsa, Okla., last May by Bishop Edwin H. Hughes of a definite request by leaders of the Methodist Church for such a merger.

Making Plans for New Meeting

(Canadian Press) LONDON, Jan. 30.—The High Council of the Salvation Army, prevented from deposing General Bramwell Booth and electing a successor by an injunction granted in chancery court, this morning is making plans for a new meeting at which representatives of the general will be heard.

TRAVEL IS AN EDUCATION

The Winner of the Canadian Oratorical Championship is Going to Europe—Your Chance is as Good as Anyone's.

As an adjunct to an education nothing can equal travel—in fact one may go so far as to say that travel is an education in itself.

All of us, in our study of the masterpieces of English literature have been made familiar through the descriptive powers of great writers, with the places in Europe where history has been made. And many of us have longed to see them with our own eyes—to look upon the broken arches of Melrose Abbey; to visit Westminster, shrine of the great of our Empire; to see the majestic ruin of the cloth hall at Ypres—that monument dedicated forever more to those who have fallen in France and Flanders that we might live out our lives in freedom and in peace.

Well, it is to such places as these that the student will go who is so fortunate as to be the winner in the Canadian Oratorical Championship. He might as well be a Prince Edward Islander, for Islanders have a well established reputation throughout the land for prowess in the art of public speaking. And he might as well be YOU!

If you are under 19 years of age on February first, and are enrolled in Grade IX, or above in any school or college in the province, fill out the coupon you will find elsewhere in this issue, and mail to The Guardian at once.

Entries to date are as follows:

- KING'S COUNTY Murray River School Claire Brehaud, X. Helen Reynolds, IX. Benjamin J. Beck, X. Janet MacLeod, IX. Souris High School (Entered by Principal). Mt. Stewart School Margaret Martin, IX. Alice Martin, IX. QUEEN'S COUNTY Hunter River School W. Ira MacDonald, X. Eulalie M. MacLeod, IX. Sutherland MacLeod, IX. Frank C. MacMillan, X. Dorothy Dingwell, IX. Howard Houston, X. A. E. Wedlock, X. Irene Wedlock, IX. Dunstaffnage School Robert E. Cairns, X. PRINCE COUNTY Alberton High School Arthur O'Malley, X.

Will Hold Inquest

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Jan. 30.—Funeral arrangements for Hon. John H. Bell, distinguished Prince Edward Islander who died last night following injuries received when struck by an automobile Saturday night, had not been completed today pending word from eastern relatives, Mrs. Valentine Buehner, a niece said today.

FILL OUT AND MAIL TO THE ORATORY EDITOR CHARLOTTETOWN GUARDIAN, CHARLOTTETOWN CANADIAN AND INTERNATIONAL ORATORICAL CONTESTS Being Conducted in Prince Edward Island by the Charlottetown Guardian I am a pupil of.....college or school. I am interested in the Oratorical Contests and I would like to take part in them. On February 1, 1929, I shall be less than 19 years of age. Name..... Home Address..... Date of Birth..... School..... Grade..... Teacher's Name.....

BULLETIN IS SATISFACTORY

(Special to the Guardian)

LONDON, Jan. 30.—King George's physicians today issued a bulletin: "The King continues to gain strength slowly and His Majesty's progress is satisfactory." (Signed)—"Bigby, Dawson." This morning's bulletin, which was the first since Saturday night, was regarded in authoritative quarters as the most definitely satisfying yet issued. It was stated that further bulletins would now be given out at considerable intervals.

Opening of Ont. Legislature

(Canadian Press)

TORONTO, Jan. 30.—Considerable legislation of an important nature will be brought to the attention of the third session of the seventeenth legislature of Ontario, which formally opened at 3 o'clock this afternoon. This was indicated in the speech from the throne read by Lieutenant Governor W. D. Ross. The government's intention of launching a scheme for old age pension was announced in the speech, which said enabling legislation would be introduced. A revision of the tax on gasoline is anticipated in order that the cost of construction and maintenance of highways may be "borne by those who receive the advantage of this public service."

Legislation will be submitted on the following lines. For preservation of the pulpwood, of the province; dealing with frauds in real estate transactions; to amend the mining regulations; to amend the probate act; respecting the sale of Alberta coal in Ontario; respecting provincial forests; respecting widows and orphans; respecting the elections and registry acts.

Owing to the fact that public contributions to the research foundation which have exceeded the amount provided by the legislature, an increase will be asked. Extension of the work of the department of health to cope with disease in industry will be undertaken. A paragraph was devoted and a "rapid spread of the service throughout the rural parts of the province" was forecast. Immigration was mentioned.

The speech noted "negotiations have been carried on between the overseas settlement board and representatives of the federal government and my ministers with a view to the encouragement of British immigration of this province."

PRISONERS SENTENCED

Brydges Gets Five Years In Dorchester; Heron, Six Months in Jail.

At the Supreme Court, sentence was passed on William Brydges by His Lordship Chief Justice Matheson found guilty of attempted rape. Mr. Justice Hazzard sentenced Roland Heron to six months at hard labor in the Queens County Jail for stealing poultry from the warehouse of Mr. J. D. Jenkins.

The evidence for the defence in the case of Acorn vs. MacDonald was concluded yesterday with the testimony of Daniel A. Macdonald and his wife. At 4:15 p. m. the Court adjourned to meet at 11 a. m. today, when Counsel will address the jury, who will then be charged by Mr. Justice Arsenault before whom the case is being heard.

Meeting of United Church Presbyterial

The Prince Edward Island Presbyterial of the United Church of Canada met in Trinity Church, Summerside, yesterday with sessions, morning, afternoon and evening. There was a large attendance of delegates and visitors. The morning session which opened at eleven o'clock was devoted to the business of the executive committee. The afternoon session opened at 2:30 with a devotional service conducted by Mrs. (Rev.) George Ayers of Margate followed by report of the societies. The address of welcome was read by Mrs. T. M. Linklater of Summerside and replied to by the president, Mrs. W. A. Thomson of Charlottetown. Greetings were then conveyed from the Prince Edward Island Presbytery by Rev. A. J. Reynolds of Bedouque.

The speaker said that he felt a great honor had been bestowed upon him in being chosen as the member of the Island Presbytery to carry the greetings to the Women's Missionary Society. He felt that the auxiliaries were accomplishing a great work and proving themselves a vast help to the church. He referred to the important place that women held in the church and the sacrifice that womanhood was making in carrying on the great work the supreme sacrifice of their own personality. Rev. Mr. Reynolds concluded with the thought that in their work they had the prayers of the Island Presbytery. After a short and fitting reply by Mrs. Thomson and a beautifully rendered vocal solo by Miss Doris Mallett of Summerside. Reports were submitted from the different departments by the leaders of the various committees. These were all very encouraging and showed wonderful progress. Lunch was served in the Epworth Hall and the meeting adjourned until 7:30.

The evening session at which the church was filled to capacity, presided over by the president Mrs. Thomson, was opened by a hymn followed by scripture reading and a prayer by Rev. J. P. C. Fraser of Summerside, an anthem by the choir, Miss Jessie Strong presiding at the organ. The president then delivered her address. In scrutinizing the work of the past year she said it would be found to have been a year of many advantages. Nevertheless all must keep on so that the future bears fruit. Service to God means service to our fellow man. The spirit that bears no fruit withers and dies. We are standing on the threshold of a new year, a year of great opportunity is before us. Christianity is a layman's and a laywoman's work. The past year has been one of separation and there are many gaps to fill up. We must pray for more effort, more members, more funds, more prayer and more faithfulness.

Mrs. (Rev.) Boothroyd of York as corresponding secretary gave a report of interesting facts. There are 78 auxiliaries, about 2,000 members and 800 meetings. An interesting meeting was held last August in the Church at Dundas when some members of the executive met there to hold a W. M. S. farewell to Miss Beryl Morson who had given her

King's Monogram

(Special to the Guardian)

OTTAWA, Jan. 30.—The King's monogram, G. R. is likely to go on the mail waggons which do not carry it now. No such offers have yet been issued, but it is learned that representations have been made to the prime minister directly and that he is busying himself with the matter. When he does usually the source of a complaint is removed.

Mr. Veniot, the postmaster-general, says he didn't do it; it was the work of Hon. Charles Murphy he contends. As stated at the department the monogram is on the old waggons and the contractors waggons, but not on the newer ones. The term "Canada Mail" is used. It is likely to be put there although in the absence of the postmaster-general it has not been decided.

life to missionary work in India. This same girl is now teaching little girls in the missionary schools. We feel more girls would become workers in the missionary field if they realized that it meant teaching, helping and nursing more than public speaking. Our representative in India is making an appeal for money and workers.

Following the gratifying report of the treasurer, Mrs. Lucas Allen of Summerside and the singing of hymn number 287 a pageant "Not Exempt" was nicely presented by members of the executive and Summerside young ladies and a vocal solo "Jesus Lover of My Soul" was beautifully rendered by Mrs. MacPhail of Summerside.

The speaker of the evening was Rev. Andrew Thomson, M.A., B.D., from China. His subject was on the need of work among the women of China. This highly gifted speaker gave a very interesting description of life in the native villages of Honan, Northern China. The women are expected to spend their lives as homemakers and mothers. Although they all are farmers they live in group villages. All the needs of the family are furnished by the women. The cotton is raised on the farms and spun and woven into cloth for clothes. Hardly any of them can read. They are denied the inspiration of our family life, through not having the opportunity of hearing God's message. That is where the missionary is able to help so much. The ladies in living amongst the native women help in this evangelistic work. The use of tents to hold meetings in has been found to be very successful. The Chinese are very fond of children especially white children. Splendid work has been done by the hospitals and has been found a great help. A number of primary schools and high schools have been established. It has been proven that the Chinese women are just as cap-

(Continued on page 3)

HUDSON'S BAY CO. COMPLETE FUR SALE

Five Thousand Silver Fox Pelts Disposed of at Good Prices to European Buyers.

The following wire was received yesterday from Mr. W. Chester S. McLure, who is at present in London attending the fur auction sales of the Hudson's Bay Co.

"Hudson's Bay Company completed sale of five thousand silver fox today. Prices on fine clear full furred skins were good, but darks slightly silvered and flat unprime skins were not so popular. Top price was seven hundred dollars and second best price six hundred and fifty dollars. Both these skins were from McLure and MacKinnon Silver Fox Farms, Limited. Thirty skins from same branch averaged over three hundred dollars each. Being a choice lot they created much interest. The sale generally was good."

Noted Medical Doctor Passes

Word was received by telegram yesterday of the sudden death of Dr. F. H. Mewburn of Edmonton, from pneumonia.

The late Dr. Mewburn was one of the most noted surgeons in Canada and had a Dominion-wide reputation.

Dr. Mewburn was well known in Prince Edward Island and was married to an Island lady—a sister of Mrs. F. W. Hyndman and Mrs. Leslie MacNutt of this City.

Dr. Mewburn spent a holiday at the Cox Hotel, Souris, two summers ago, where he made many friends.

A great many Islanders included, will remember Dr. Mewburn by his marvelous surgery during his war service, when he rebuilt many Canadian boys who had suffered what was regarded as irreparable injury.

FORGERY CASE

The case against Bannerman W. Tanton, charged with uttering a forged document came up for trial before His Honor Judge Inman in the County Court yesterday, under the provision of the Speedy Trials Act. The Attorney-General was represented by Mr. C. St. Clair Trainor of Charlottetown, and the accused was represented by Mr. Heath Strong K. C.

The following witnesses were examined: On behalf of the prosecution, Mrs. Jean Taylor of Hamilton, Bennett R. Kelly, Assistant Registrar of deeds, George B. McNutt, registrar of deeds, William C. Clark, of Summerside, Basil S. Deacon, of Summerside, and F. Wallace Williams of Summerside. No evidence was given for the defense.

At the close of the case for the crown, Mr. Strong asked that an adjournment might be granted until Thursday morning in order that he might present his argument on behalf of the accused. He intimated that he intended to argue that the accused should be acquitted as there was not sufficient evidence that he knew the document to be a forgery as is provided under section 467 of the criminal code of Canada. The court adjourned until 10:30 this morning.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Advises here late today said that the Hawaiian-American Line steamer Alaska, carrying a full general cargo from the Pacific coast to New York, was ashore on the coral reefs of Castle Island, the Bahamas.



TORONTO, Jan. 30.—Maritime, northeast winds, mostly cloudy, some light snow. Toronto, cloudy... 22-12. Montreal, cloudy... 10-8. Quebec, snow... 16-12. Charlottetown, snow... 34-32. Halifax, cloudy... 34-30. St. John, snow... 34-32. Boston, cloudy... 20-18. New York, cloudy... 26-20. High tide this afternoon at 3:30 and tomorrow morning at 3:52. Sun sets this afternoon at 5:05 and rises tomorrow morning at 7:21. Last quarter moon Friday, Feb. 1st, 8:41 a. m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

Condensed Specials

RATE—4c per word net each insertion in this column. YOU WANT GOOD ENVELOPES Prices 50 for 20c; 100 for 35c; 250 for 55c; 500 for \$1.00; 1,000 for \$1.95. Postpaid, Guardian Office, Guardian Job Printing.