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WESTERN SALT COMPANY, LIMITED, **CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I.**

Central Guardian **Enthusiastic Attendance**

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WHAT IS THE SAFEGUARD TO BRAVE, CAPABLE AND HONEST LEADERS? — The Hon. J. A. Mathieson explains it in his address in St. James Hall tonight at 8 p. m.

CAVENDISH SERVICES. — There will be service in Presbyterial Church Sunday, March 9th at 11 a. m. at Stanley. The Bible-reading group will meet at New Glasgow Friday, March 7th at 7.30 p. m.

THE EFFECT OF WOMEN'S VOTE IN POLITICS ANALYSED by Hon. J. A. Mathieson in his address in St. James Hall tonight at 8 p. m.

OFF FOR QUEBEC. — The following officers of the P. E. Island Light Horse have left for St. John's, Quebec, where they will attend the Royal Canadian Cavalry School: Maj. G. E. Full of Headquarters staff; Capt. D. A. McDonald, A. Squadron, and Capt. Christopher Graham of C. Squadron.

ST. DUNSTON'S CATHEDRAL. — The Lenten season was opened at St. Dunstan's Cathedral yesterday morning by the Blessing and distribution of ashes at 9 o'clock. The blessing was performed by His Lordship Bishop O'Leary. After the distribution of ashes, Solemn High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Jas. Rooney, assisted by Rev. Fathers Arsenault and Walsh. Rev. Maurice McDonald was Master of Ceremonies.

CHIEF JUSTICE MATHIESON will address a public meeting tonight at eight o'clock in St. James Hall on "Some Problems of Today." Admission free.

PERSONALS

Mr. Harold Laird, Kelvin is in the city, attending the Agricultural meetings and is registered at the Revere.

Capt. Jas. McGrath, Tignish of the Portland Packing Co. is in the city and is a guest at the Revere.

Mr. H. P. Collins of the Ordnance Department arrived in the city last night. He is leaving this afternoon for Montague on business connected with his department.

Mr. J. E. Inman, of the Summer side Journal, was a passenger to the city last night, attending the farmers' conferences.

DEATHS

HOWATT. — At Central Bedoune March 5th, Mrs. Lavonia Howatt aged 87 years. Funeral from Methodist Church Bedoune, Friday at 2 p. m.

BOURKE. — In the City Hospital, March 4th, 1924, Mrs. Catherine Burke, formerly of Darnley, aged 59 years. Funeral from her late residence 46 Elm Avenue, Friday at 1 p. m. by train to Kensington.

Western Guardian

CALL AT BOWNESS. — On Saturday, March 8th and get navel oranges at 24 cents per dozen. — 11

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Regain Power

(Canadian Press)

BRUSSELS, Mar. 5. — There is an increasing likelihood that M. Theunis, whose cabinet resigned last week will resume power, as Flemish Catholics decided today to support him under certain conditions.

QUEEN HOTEL

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QUEEN HOTEL

Leigh Sutherland, Sea View; Colin McDonald, Sea View; Wm. Cousins, Darnley; Frank L. McNitt, Darnley; H. D. Mitton, Moncton; F. W. Black and wife, Cambridge; N. S. George Riley, Baltic.

ed also to be merchants, would be prevented from sending? It was the opinion that this would have to be done.

Mr. Thos. McLean, West River, argued that a lot of non-members sent eggs to the candling station last winter.

Mr. Geo. Lightizer, Secretary of the Association said the opinion of the meeting was exactly his own. The merchant coming in gets a share of the surplus which he has not earned. Some managers, who are store keepers, ship their eggs to the circle just when it is advantageous to themselves—when the price is higher than they can receive from the dealers in Charlottetown. The association would be wise not to accept eggs from country merchants, he believed. The motion that the manager not be allowed to accept eggs from country merchants was then put and carried unanimously.

Question of Membership Application.

The question of members who are tardy in signing up was raised. Applications, it was explained, should be made previous to November 15th.

Mr. P. S. Robertson moved that no rebate be given to members signing up after the above date. This was seconded by Mr. C. B. Clay.

Mr. A. J. McNevin suggested that no eggs be taken from anyone not having signed up. Mr. Alex. McKay, Dundas, speaking as a manager himself, said managers sometimes were slack in this respect. It would be well to caution them. Mr. A. R. Jones pointed out that it was undesirable to have a lot of new members signing up in November just to get the rebate, if they would fall away again. Mr. Jas. Simpson asked why members should not be asked to sign now? They should have this much faith in the Association.

Mr. R. G. McLaren, New Perth, voiced the general opinion that the constitution should be strictly adhered to.

Mr. Lightizer explained that the proposed bylaw was simply to protect the Association and to prevent people becoming members at a late season and getting the full benefit of membership. Mr. Peter Brodie suggested making members sign up by the 1st of June.

After further discussion by Mr. Alex. McKay, Mr. A. J. McNevin and others the motion as originally put was carried unanimously.

LIVE POULTRY SHIPMENTS.

On motion of Mr. Jas. McIsaac, St. Peters, it was decided to continue the shipment of live poultry.

OPERATION OF HATCHERY DISCUSSED.

The next proposition, which gave rise to lengthy discussion, was that the Association operate a hatchery in the interests of its members. There was considerable length put to a standing vote and declared carried.

The chairman explained that there was a large incubator in the city available at the present time. He called upon Mr. A. R. Jones to procure the machine could be its value. Something was needed to secure early chickens. The Association has an option on the machine at present. The cost for hatching will be 5 cents per egg, or 10 cents for 20 eggs. There is no other organization capable of handling the machine and it is run at capacity. Success in a hatchery means early hatched chickens and we cannot depend upon the laying hens to do this. With a competent man in charge the machine should be successful.

The hen should be a cash producer every day, 20 or 30 cents. The early hatched should be as profitable as the rest of the farm together. The hatchery will require of course the best quality of eggs. There are lots of flocks that are capable of laying 150 eggs that have hatched here. Success in a hatchery means early hatched chickens and we cannot depend upon the laying hens to do this. With a competent man in charge the machine should be successful.

Mr. Alex. McKay said it seemed if the ghost of the Canadian Farm Products was not yet laid to rest, he had attended some of the meetings of the Canadian Farm Products in its dying days and the chicken hatchery was one of the great sink-holes of the business. Mr. Kerr, the Farm Products manager, had said that the hatchery would mean a great deal of trouble. In this country a 40 per cent hatch in the month of April is considered good as the climatic conditions are not good until at least the month of May. Transportation also decreases the possibility of successful hatching. His advice was to leave the machine alone.

Mr. McGilvray, Vernon River, declared that he had bought 1,000 chickens, all told, from this incubator and they were all number one. The difficulty is that the farmers of the Province have not got hens enough. All that the incubator could hatch could be sold to members of the Association. The machine was a good one and the members should not turn down the proposition. It would be a great help to the members of the Province and it will be only a short time before it will be needed here. He had to buy one of his own.

Rev. Mr. Daggett said if the machine were being bought by some private individual it would be all right, but with a variety of eggs there would be a mess in the hatchery. The machine, he understood, will hold 10,000 eggs. How will the Association get them? If they got forty per cent fertility they would be doing some business.

Mr. Peter Brodie wanted to know what became of the \$3,000 or \$4,000 which he said Mr. Kerr had been short in running the hatchery.

Mr. E. Howatt, French River, asked how could Mr. Kerr be expected to run a successful hatchery when the eggs were sent in indiscriminately from all over the country. Mr. Kerr had made a fairly good hatch, but the trouble was with the people. They did not try to send in good quality eggs and they often failed to send in their orders. How could Mr. Kerr make a success of the business under those conditions?

Another member present suggested that the eggs might be bought and the chicks sold, instead of charging a fixed price for the hatchery. The proposition looked good if it could be run on business lines. This was supported by others present. It was pointed out that the inflated value of eggs at the time had caused the trouble in the defunct Farm Products hatchery.

Mr. Alex. McKay said he believed that where poultry money was to be made was in producing early chickens. If the Association could get 50 per cent fertility and 50 per cent hatch, it would be better than raising 90 per cent of late hatched chickens for the hatchery. The people in this Province at a decided loss. Ninety per cent of the members of the circles are not making more than 5 per cent gain on the money they have invested in poultry. The only way they could remedy the matter would be the early hatching of chickens.

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Directors Report for 1923

To the members of the P. E. I. co-operative Egg and Poultry Association:

The year 1923 just passed has been a difficult one for our Association. We cannot but feel that it was the most critical year the Association has yet experienced. Competition was never keener. In the early spring when new members should have been coming in and new circles organized, the reverse took place. Many old members resigned and two circles dropped out entirely, namely Georgetown and Two Rivers. It was only by the greatest effort on the part of the management and the loyal members that some of the other circles were kept alive. This situation was made worse by the very late spring, which kept down production. The result was that the Association finished up the year with a smaller volume of business. Receipts of eggs were 780,593 dozen as compared with 848,529 dozen in 1922.

TECHNICAL SCHOOL

will be given in the Technical School today. The meeting then adjourned until 7.30 p. m.

EVENING SESSION

The evening session was largely attended and was quite an enthusiastic one. A motion by Mr. Alex. McKay, Dundas, that the resolution be passed, the purchase of the incubating machine be reconsidered was put and lost and the original motion to purchase the machine was made unanimous. There were present at the evening meeting about one hundred delegates from egg circles and a number of others interested, constituting one of the largest meetings yet held by the Association.

A few changes were made in the by-laws, section 66 being amended to provide for election of officers by ballot.

The following directors were elected:

Prince County: J. A. Thompson, Alma; Fulton Simpson, Belmont. King's County: C. B. Clay, Bridgeport; John W. McLean, Southam; C. B. Shaw, Brudenell. Queens County: J. O'Keefe, Avondale; Eliphale J. Howatt, French River; Milton Furness, Vernon River; J. R. Munn, Marshfield.

ADDRESS BY U. S. CONSUL MOOMAW

Mr. John Moomaw, United States Consul, was called upon and warmly applauded. He congratulated the P. E. I. Egg and Poultry Association and expressed the belief that the people of this Province at a decided loss. Ninety per cent of the members of the circles are not making more than 5 per cent gain on the money they have invested in poultry. The only way they could remedy the matter would be the early hatching of chickens.

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Thousands of Ontario Cattle Starving

(Canadian Press)

TORONTO, Mar. 5.—Thousands of cattle are starving to death in Ontario because the law against cruelty to animals is not enforced in rural parts of the province according to J. M. Wilson, Manager of the Ontario Humane Society.

manager, and the officers and members of this circle, deserve congratulations for the splendid showing they have made.

Your directors in presenting this report wish to call your attention to the greatly improved situation which existed at the close of the year. As compared with 1922 the volume of business rose steadily from June onwards, and the last half of 1923 actually exceeded the previous year. Many new able assistance in promoting the members were taken in besides the poultry interests of this province.

Financial Report

The following LOSS and GAIN STATEMENT for the year ending December 31st, was read.

LOSS AND GAIN	ASSETS	LIABILITIES
Freight, \$7741.23	Cash on Hand, \$3039.13	Stock, \$49029.18
Cases, 190.69	Cash in Bank, 15020.13	Accts. Payable, 10615.89
Interest, 96.95	Real Estate, 4201.51	
Insurance, 492.65	Property, 2080.00	
Expense, 3950.71	Office Furniture, 277.30	
Wages, 12416.27	Equipment, 900.00	
Property, 119.00	Feed Acct., 5077.50	
Not Gain, 2583.63	Eggs, 9478.91	
	Poultry, 5247.71	
	Bills Receivable, 672.99	
	Accts. Receivable, 14022.45	
	\$51,052.13	\$51,052.13

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I beg to report having made a monthly audit of the Cash, Bank Account, Books and Vouchers of the Prince Edward Island Co-operative Egg and Poultry Association, and found them all correct and in order. I have also audited the Statement of Profit and Loss Account, Assets and Liabilities, Expenses and Inventory Accounts for the year ending the 31st of December, 1923 and find them all correct.

Mr. Hollis, as reported before, a very competent and thorough Accountant, having had much experience in the keeping of books and accounts, his work being of a high order.

Miss Gallant has resigned her position and has gone to reside with her parents in Boston. She is

a distinct loss to the Association. Miss Holmes who has taken Miss Gallant's position is very efficient, and does her work in a satisfactory manner.

During the year 2,200 registered letters were dispatched and 2,000 checks issued for payment of eggs to the Circles, besides the cash paid at the office, all of which was most responsible work, and was done in a highly satisfactory way. Mr. Lightizer, the manager, is an exceptionally clever business man, his executive ability being far above the average, and by close attention to all details of the business, has brought the Association to its present prosperous condition, and thanks to Mr. Lightizer's untiring energy, the year just ended has been a most successful one.

R. V. LONGWORTH, Auditor

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big demands upon the equipment and the addition of these new cars will add considerably in the proper despatch of both classes of traffic. The orders that have been placed are as follows:

Canadian Car and Foundry Company, Montreal, 400 60-ton box cars.
National Steel Corporation, Hamilton, 400 60-ton box cars.
Eastern Car Company, New Glasgow, N. S., 400 60-ton box cars.
Canadian Car and Foundry Company, 150 50-ton convertible ballast cars, Hart-piles type with side and centre dumps.
Canadian Car and Foundry Company, Montreal, 60 cabooses, these to be built in the company's plant at Albert, N. S.
Eastern Car Company, New Glasgow, N. S., 500 general service 50-ton freight cars.
National Steel Corporation, Hamilton 20 all steel baggage cars.
Canadian Car and Foundry Company, Montreal, 20 first class passenger coaches, 15 mail and express cars.
Delivery of these cars is expected to commence within a few months so that the major portion of the equipment will be ready in time to take care of the 1924 crop movement.

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To stop or prevent this souring of the food contents of the stomach and to neutralize the acid and make it bland and harmless, a course of Bisurated Magnesia, a good and effective corrector of acid stomach, should be taken in a quarter of a glass of hot or cold water after eating or when ever gas, sourness or acidity is felt. This sweetens the stomach and neutralizes the acidity in a few moments and is a perfectly harmless and inexpensive remedy to use.

Such an antacid, such as Bisurated Magnesia which can be obtained from any druggist in either powder or tablet form enables the stomach to do its work properly without the aid of artificial products. Magnesia comes in several forms, so be certain to take for and take only Bisurated Magnesia, which is especially prepared for the above purpose.

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