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(January 8th to 12th, 1912) Thursday Evening, First Methodist Church: Subject—International Peace Movements. Address—Rev. T. F. Fullerton.

Friday Evening, St. James Church: Subject—The Call for Personal Faithfulness in Christian Service. Address by Rev. J. Heaney.

People's Church: Address—Rev. Z. L. Fash. Services commence promptly at 7.30 p. m.

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THE CHARLOTTETOWN GUARDIAN

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 1912

SOME FACTS BEARING ON THE QUESTION OF HOME RULE.

The Asquith Government is committed to give Ireland legislative home rule. The Unionist Opposition, led by Bonar Law in the Commons and by Lord Lansdowne in the Lords do not relish making a special case of Ireland alone.

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In our opinion the larger plan above referred to of federalizing the British constitution so as to give local Parliaments to each of the three Kingdoms with a supreme Parliament over all, as is now the rule in many countries, would have many advantages over the proposed measure of home rule for Ireland alone, and would relieve the existing Parliament of the United Kingdom of a mass of local legislation which now encumbers it and which could be more satisfactorily performed by local legislative bodies. It may be, as Ireland will have to wait for some years at least for the fulfilment of her hopes in this matter, that the final solution may take the form of a federation somewhat similar to what we have in Canada. And while we have always favored local self-government for Ireland we can see no good reason why it might not prove quite as satisfactory in this form as in any other.

THE NEW SUPERINTENDENT.

The appointment of R. H. Campbell, Principal of West Kent School in this city to be Chief Superintendent of Education in this Province, seems to have been received with general public approbation. Mr. Campbell has acquitted himself well as a teacher in this city and in Summer-side and has constantly sought the advancement of the pupils under his charge and of education in general. He has been successful in his chosen profession during a quarter of a century of teaching work, and by good executive abilities, thorough sympathy with other teachers, and by constant study should now be well qualified for the honorable and responsible position to which he has been called.

It is well understood that Dr. Anderson has for a year past desired to be relieved of the arduous duties connected with the office, from which he now retires with honor. His great services to education in this Province are universally recognized, and all will join in the hope that he may long live to enjoy in a green old age the rest he has so well earned. Mr. Campbell now enters upon the work in the prime of manly vigor, and we sincerely hope and trust that he may have abundant success, and that under his superintendency our educational system will make notable progress in the years to come.

TYPHOID FEVER IN CANADA.

Typoid fever is largely a preventable disease, and the efficiency of the public health departments in different countries may be fairly measured by the prevalence or otherwise of this disease. All will remember that last year there was an alarming outbreak in Ottawa, the Canadian capital, and it was found, upon investigation, that the epidemic was due to a polluted water supply. Of course it is now impossible to prevent

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such outbreaks of typhoid so long as the pollution of streams from which drinking water is drawn is permitted to go on.

A bill is before Parliament to prevent the pollution of streams, and in the discussion thereon before the adjournment Sir Richard Scott quoted some interesting figures showing the extent to which typhoid fever prevailed in Canada and other countries. Thus in the United Kingdom the number of typhoid cases per 100,000 population is 11, in Germany eight, Denmark seven, in Norway five, New Zealand eight, Japan 12, United States 32 and in Canada 35. All must admit that this is a bad showing for Canada, and damaging, too, because health statistics are repeated all around the world. It is surely high time that Parliament took action, as it is apparently about to do to prevent the further pollution of the drinking waters of the Dominion, in order to save the lives and health of the people, and the fair name of the country as well.

FOR PARCELS POST.

Both the United States and Canada need a great extension and cheapening of rates in their parcel post system in order to break the stranglehold which the express companies have established in the two countries. In the States the express companies admit to earning \$10,000,000, or 38 per cent on the estimated value of their equipment. But while they put this valuation at \$27,000,000, Representative D. J. Lewis of Maryland has given testimony that the real value of their equipment is less than \$10,000,000 and that the profit is therefore about 100 per cent.

In Canada, too, the express companies have been squeezing exorbitant profits from their patrons and here in Prince Edward Island, where but one company is allowed to do business, matters have gone from bad to worse. The recent raise in express rates would seem to show that we have little to hope for from the supervision of the Railway Commission, for what reason we cannot guess. The real remedy seems to lie in a parcels post system on the line of that in vogue in England of which the public convenience, moderate charges and complete efficiency are characteristic features.

NOTES.

"Old Timer" in a letter to The Examiner argues that The Guardian is wrong in its statements about the Legislative Council. He admits that "the Legislative Council has ceased to exist as a separate legislative body, but that it was abolished is not borne out by the facts." The Guardian did not say the Council had been "abolished," but that "it had ceased to exist." This is true in law and in fact. Our Legislature has but one Chamber, in which all the members have equal voting power. Mere hair-splitting is rather unprofitable.

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BURIED ALIVE.

Senator Beveridge and Fred Landis, former representative and now an Indiana novelist, campaigned together in Indiana last fall. Landis had a particularly effective peroration relating to the wrongs perpetrated by the railroads on the right of eminent domain and told how these grasping corporations could come along and run their roads through farms, houses, graveyards--or anywhere. They were speaking in Michigan City and Landis got down to his

peroration. He pulled out all the tremolo stops and had his audience worked up to a high pitch of enthusiasm. "And, fellow citizens," he shouted, "they can run their roads through those sacred cemeteries, those last resting places of the sainted dead, where you, fellow citizens, and your ancestors have been buried for 50 years!"

CHASED BY A WATER-SPOUT.

The White Star liner Cretic, which arrived in New York recently from the Mediterranean, was chased by an immense water-spout. Captain Lodes first noticed the column about eight o'clock in the morning. It was nearly eight hundred feet high, and was then

a considerable distance away. It was following the Cretic at about the same speed. The liner, owing to rough weather, was moving slowly. Captain Lodes ordered full speed ahead, and outdistanced the spout, which finally crossed the Cretic's path about a mile astern, moving in a north-easterly direction.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

The Canadian Pacific is the Short Direct Route Charlottetown to Montreal, the trip being made in twenty-four hours. Close connections are made for all points beyond, and changes and transfers are avoided. New electric light sleepers on the C. P. R. Halifax Montreal run, and this

CHEMICO-METRICAL MADRIGAL

I know a maiden, charming and true, With beautiful eyes like the cobalt blue Of the borax bead, and I guess she'll do If she hasn't another reaction. Her form is no bundle of toilet shams, Her beauty no boon of arsenical balms, And she weighs just sixty-two kilograms To a duodecimal fraction.

Her hair is a crown, I can truthfully state, 'Tis a meter long, nor curly, nor straight, And it is as yellow as plumbic chromate, In a slightly acid solution. And when she speaks from parlor or stump, The words which gracefully gambol and jump Sound sweet, like the water in Sprengel's pump In magnesian phosphate ablation.

One day I said, "I will leave you for years," To try her love by rousing her fears. She shed a dew-droplet of tears, Turning brown the turneric yellow. To dry her tears I gave her, you know, A hectogram of candy; also To bathe her red eyes 'E3 O. She said, "You're a naughty fellow."

I have bought me a lot, about a hectare, And have built me a house ten meters square. And soon, I think, I shall take her there, My tart little acid radical. Perhaps little sailors on life's deep sea Will be the salts of this chemistry And the flag of the infantile A B C Be the refrain of this madrigal. --Attributed to H. W. Wiley, United States Department of Agriculture.

Foxy.



He--How shall I express my sentiments toward you? She--On paper, please. Then there can be no chance of your wriggling out of it.--New York Mail.

Modified Marriage.

"You and your husband celebrate your silver wedding next week, do you?" "Yes; next Wednesday."

"Does it seem possible that you have lived together twenty-five years?"

"I should say it didn't! Harry's a traveling man for a wholesale queue-ware house, and we've lived together just three years, eleven months and nineteen days."--Chicago Tribune.

A Nice Point.

"Every student of history knows that our Christmas customs are a development of the Roman saturnalia."

"Oh, surely not all!"

"I think so."

"No, no! There's no reason to suppose, for instance, that the Romans were all the time being hunched to do their Saturnalian shopping early."--Puck.

Bad Both Ways.

"A man should not seek an election to the senate with a view to making money," replied Senator Sorghum.

"No," on the other hand, he'd be criticised just the same if he accumulates money with a view to getting into the senate."--Washington Star.

Dodging the Dun.

"Why did you come way downtown to buy this when you could have bought it from your neighbor?"

"I've exhausted my credit with him, and if I went in there and paid cash for something he'd think I have money and start to dun me."--Detroit Free Press.

Not Impressed.

"Dad, my coming out gown will cost an even hundred."

"I once knew a girl who made her own gown at a cost of \$2 and thus won a husband."

"I don't want a two dollar husband."--Louisville Courier-Journal.

Present Location.

"Did the minister speak feelingly of the man whose death was hastened by the lack of coal?"

"Yes, he spoke feelingly, but not thoughtfully. He said the man didn't feel the need of coal now."--Satira.

Competent Judge.

She--Anyhow, you must admit he is a well read man. Did you notice his knowledge of Aristotle?"

He--I did, and if you want my candid opinion, I don't believe he's ever been there.--Sketch.

Naming Her.

Church--What would you call that woman with five batpins in her hat? Gotham--A fool.

Church--Don't you think a "pinhead" would be more appropriate?--Xonkers Statesman.

For Domestic Peace.

Knicker--Why does Jones keep a parrot? Bocker--It is trained to yell "cuckoo" ten times whenever he comes home.--New York Sun.

An Alternative.

She--There are no end of buttons off that man's coat. He ought to be married.

He--Or divorced.--Flegende Blatter. road has the best dining car service. This is the only line operating compartment cars--Montreal and Ottawa to Toronto, and Montreal and Ottawa to Vancouver. J. K. Ross, the local C. P. R. agent, can supply all information.