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ELLEN'S DIARY

ward. And now that night is here when folks are gathered with loved ones, one recalls Mrs. B's recent homing from hospital to be reunited with her sin folk. One remembers also that while some forgo other families there are like that of Mrs. A. good neighbor to us "in the road" who at weekend suffered the loss of a beloved older sister—the first break in a circle of loving sisters. One is mindful ever of "they that mourn."

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LENTEN SERVICES FOR MEN—Daily services for men will be held during Holy Week at 5:15 P.M. at St. Paul's Parish Hall. The speaker today will be Rev. C. W. Corey of the Charlottetown Baptist Church. Everybody welcome.

MESSRS. L. W. SHAW, M. A., Deputy Minister and Director of Education; Malcolm MacKenzie, B. A., Chief Supervisor of Schools; Reginald MacDonald, Teacher of Queen Square School and J. A. S. Williams, B. A., General Secretary of P. E. I. Teachers Federation, will conduct an Educational Forum over C. F. C. Y. Tuesday evening, March 23rd at 8.45. Listen in.

JUNIOR LEAGUE—The monthly meeting of the Junior League of the Charlottetown Hospital was held at the Nurses' Home with the President, Mrs. J. A. MacMillan, in the chair. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The Secretary was asked to write a letter to the Brown Electric Company thanking them for the beautiful tri-light lamp donated for the Nurses' Residence. Gifts were sent to mothers of new arrivals. Members were asked to bring donations of children's clothing for the Orphanage box. The Convener of the "Spring Tea" reported for her committee. The Sewing Committee reported having sent to the Hospital since last meeting on February 17: 24 bands, 47 blankets, 8 shirts, 44 bed pads, 31 nightgowns. On motion of Miss Hilda Jenkins and Mrs. Reg Cronin the meeting adjourned. Lunch was served by Mrs. S. Paull and Miss Hilda Jenkins.

DAINGEROUS PASTIME—City police reported last night, that yesterday afternoon they had found seven young children between the ages of seven and ten playing "Cowboys and Indians" behind the chimneys on the flat roofs of buildings extending from Rogers Hardware Company to the Royal Bank of Canada. Police said that the children had made their way onto these roofs by means of a high wire fence behind the Royal Bank building and the property owned by the Woolworth Company. Members of the City Police force referred to the incident as a very dangerous pastime for these children, and wish to bring this fact to the attention of the parents of these children and the proprietors of the various establishments concerned, in the hope that they will take some definite precautions to prevent children from continuing in this dangerous pastime. "It is bad enough for these children to be playing up there in the first place" police stated last night, "but when they see us coming, they get excited and scared, thus increasing the danger of them falling or jumping in an attempt to avoid us."



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SEEDS WRITE FOR SEEDS

THE KIRK PULPIT

Preaching last evening on the theme "Looking towards Good Friday", the Minister, the Rev. T.H.B. Somers said: "This calamity, so much the worst thing that could happen to anyone in the Roman world was the best thing that could have happened to our Divine Lord. The New Testament says that 'It became Christ,' says the Epistle to the Hebrews, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the author of their salvation perfect through sufferings. This mystery in the Cross lights up many of our lesser mysteries. Browning has a phrase in one of his poems, 'The worst turns the best to the brave.' How often that happens, even in our lesser lives! Whistler failed at West Point Military Academy. He was deeply humiliated, but it is the best thing that could have happened to him. Otherwise he never would have been an artist. Oliver Goldsmith failed an examination as hospital mate, and he could get no clientele as a physician. He was grievously disappointed, but if he had not failed he might never have written 'The Vicar of Wakefield.' Daniel Defoe failed in business, at the price of humiliation and suffering, for which we may all be thankful, for otherwise he would never have written 'Robinson Crusoe.' Often the worst turns the best to the brave. In the light of the Cross it is clear that trouble, hardship, disappointment, tragedy are not accidents and intruders in life but part and parcel of it and that no one is prepared to live at all, who is not prepared to welcome them, walk up to them, take them in, sometimes in the service of a sacrificial cause deliberately seek them and transmute them into good. We say we adore and love Christ. That is not the whole story. He is like the sea. We love it, but at times it is fearful. Then one stands in awe of it and wishes to see it only from a distance. So is Christ. Who that sees Him clearly can help stammering from Him when with His stern face. He says that some difficult and sacrificial thing we fear to do or suffer is the best thing that can befall us. He bought the right to say that in a hard market. He lived out that paradox Himself."

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objection was not to the tax but to the cumbersome manner in which it was collected. It was much the same as the gasoline tax collections for farm purposes. He could not understand why some of the bright minds in the Government offices could not find a way of collecting this tax at the source.

Hon. A. W. Matheson: "The Privy Council says we can't. That is the difficulty. It would be direct taxation."

Mr. Matheson: "The complaint has been very general with regard to the present collection."
Hon. Mr. Matheson: "You are quite right about that."

Bureaucratic Expansion

"It has been a matter of alarm," Mr. Matheson continued, "that the offices of this Provincial Government have spread all over the city, and the personnel with them, adding clerk after clerk, deputy after deputy. Take the Tax Department for example. Some years ago they collected the provincial income tax, succession duties, gasoline and road taxes, etc., and they handled all this work with comparatively few officials. Now you have got clear of collecting income tax and succession duties, and you are getting clear of collecting land and road taxes. How many clerks are you going to let go on that account? You will have them chasing around after each other, wasting the people's money. If there is a place for economy, it is there."

"We are all sorry to know that Col. Stewart, of the tax department, is in poor health. He put a great deal of work there. I think you had better go to him and see how he did it, and act on his advice."

Mr. Matheson said he had placed a question on the order paper, asking what road policy the Government was introducing for the coming year. The answer was that the policy was not yet determined for any particular district. "That does not seem to be in line with the boasting of the members at election time," he said. "One of the big arguments used was that they had a great program of public works, all mapped out. Now we find that there is not a program at all."

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find that the notes he took in that little book of his, while I was speaking to him, just went into the waste basket. However, it is never too late to learn. I will write letters after this."

Mr. Matheson: "The little bit of it that was fixed up was splendid. Once in a while you strike a good mile or two, but there are always long stretches that bring you back to earth."

Mr. Matheson said he was pleased to note the expansion in Newfoundland trade. He could not agree with the Premier's suggestion, however, with regard to taking Newfoundland horses over here during the summer months, working them, and then returning them in the fall. "He suggests that we feed them here and send them back fat. I for one don't want any Newfoundland horses to feed in the summer. I have too many to feed as it is. More and more farmers are getting field tractors in this Province, and we have not got too much pasture land for horses. I think that is only a brain wave the Premier had at the moment, because before you haul the horses over here and send them back again, it would cost more than the bidders are worth. When the horse business is in such a depressed state as it is in this Province, it would be only harmful to any effort that is being made by certain people to keep the industry alive. The little market that we have is local, and I think we had better keep that to ourselves."

Federation of Agriculture with regard to the Government's attitude on Trade Unions. Speaking of the sudden cabinet shakeup a few days ago, as a result of which the Lieutenant Governor was called upon at night to swear in a new Health Minister in place of Hon. Mr. Hughes, he said the incident reminded him of the poet's description of the burial of Sir John Moore: "They buried him darkly at dead of night." (Laughter)

He referred to the success achieved by two veteran farmers, Mr. Andrew McRae, of Royals, and Mr. Franklin Sanderson, North River, both over ninety years of age. One is an outstanding breeder of Ayrshire cattle, the other of Herefords.

Morning worship 11 a.m. was conducted by the Rev. C. W. Corey with a sermon of striking eloquence and appeal. "The Remedy for Sin" based on the words of Isaiah 53 "with His stripes we are healed." "He shall feed His flock" was sung with notable expression by Miss Pearl Burns. Following the morning worship the Church School held its session. Evening worship at 7 p.m. was conducted by the Rev. Dr. A. D. MacKenzie who delivered the last of three Lenten sermons on "Understanding the Cross". Evening music was led by the fine voices of the large male choir. In the absence, through illness of Mrs. Allison MacRae, A.T.C.M., organist, Mrs. G. Elliott Full was in charge. It was indicated that special evangelistic services on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday would be conducted by Rev. C. W. Corey, Rev. Mr. Skinner and Dr. A. D. MacKenzie. A pageant by the World Wide Guild will be presented on Wednesday evening.

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Remembered by Wife and Family

In Memoriam
In loving memory of my dear husband Capt. M. H. Bonnell, who departed this life March 22nd, 1945. Somewhere back of the sunset Where loneliness never dies He sleeps in a land of glory Neath the blue and the gold of the skies. Not a day do I forget him In my heart he is always near In my loved him sadly miss him As it dawns another year.
 Lovingly Remembered by His Wife