

Divorce Record.

St. Louis, Dec. 31.—One divorce to every four marriages is the yearly record in Kansas City, Mo. In the entire State of Missouri there is each year one divorce to every eight marriages. The divorce problem is as serious in the country districts as in the cities of the State. Statistics bearing upon the question of divorce, which Dr. Charles A. Ellwood, professor of sociology in the University of Missouri, has collected, are of great significance. His comments upon the statistics are important and striking.

"For a long time," said Dr. Ellwood, "the United States has led the world in the number of its divorces. Already in 1885 this country had more divorces than all the rest of the Christianized world put together. Twenty years later the United States had more than kept its lead over the rest of the world in the matter of dissolving family ties.

"The latest statistics show the United States has annually 68,000 divorces, while the rest of the Christianized world has less than 40,000. Moreover, the divorce rates of the different countries tell the same story. In France there is only one divorce to every thirty marriages; in Germany one to every forty-four marriages; in England but one to every 100 marriages. Even in Switzerland—which has the highest divorce rate of any country in Europe—there is only one divorce to every twenty-two marriages. In the United States here is one to every twelve marriages, and in Missouri and Kansas one divorce to every eight marriages. Kansas City has the enviable record of one divorce to every four marriages."

Personal Notes.

Mr. W. D. Reid is still at Montreal. He will leave for England about the end of January.

Capt. J. Lewis returned to Holywood by train last evening.

Here and There.

Dr. G. N. Murphy has resumed practice.—Jan. 11.

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POLICE COURT NEWS.—There were no prisoners in court to-day. An assault case heard in camera was dismissed.

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SALES THIS EVENING.—The crew Hispaniola, Capt. W. Lane, and a crew of six men, will sail this evening for fortune lay to load herring. Capt. Lane will run his cargo to Boston or Gloucester.

COLDS CAUSE HEADACHE. AXATIVE BROMID QUININE, the world wide Cold and Grip remedy, relieves cause. Call for full name book for signature E. W. GROVE, etc.

RUNAWAYS.—A few days ago two little boys, inmates of a city orphanage, escaped from the building in which they lived and fled to Bell Island after committing a delinquency. They were brought back.

ATTENTION IS CALLED to the Music Sale now on at our store. 20pc discount on all Folios and Sheet Music during January month. Cash only. HESLEY WIGLES, Pianos & Organs. Jan 9th.

M. C. L. I. debate this evening: Are unions deleterious to the individual towards employer and non-union men; and, if so, should legislation be enacted to protect the rights of the latter? Leaders: Messrs. L. C. Morris and Geo. Grimes. Jan. 11.

STAFFORD'S Liniment will cure coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, when applied to the Chest, only 11c. a bottle.

TRIAL TO-MORROW.—The men on Greenpoint, who were brought here by the Prospero, will come on trial before Judge Conroy to-morrow for preventing the Fogota from being cargo there on a recent Sabbath. The principal witnesses in the case will be the captain and officers of the ship.

TRICE PASSENGERS.—The Bruce boat at Port aux Basques at 9.10 to-day bringing E. S. Heartley, H. Thackeray, T. G. Soy, T. A. De W. G. Giddling, Capt. C. B. Field (S.A.), Capt. E. Bryon (S.A.), and O. Christopherson. C. Mack-M. B. Curtis, W. E. Hare, S. P. P. J. and Mrs. Wills.

DIED.

Mercedon, on the 31st December, only James Mercedon, aged 58 years, his wife, two daughters, 2 sisters and two brothers to mourn their sad loss.

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Cable News.

Special Evening Telegram. NEW ORLEANS, Louisiana, Jan. 10. A special from Port Barries, Guatemala, states that the revolutionary forces operating on the northern coast of Honduras, after capturing all the Bay Islands, attacked the mainland, and seized Cape Trunfo, Bishop's Point and Micas Lagoon, in addition to the town of Tela, which was reported by wireless despatches from Puerto Cortes to have been captured last night. The special stated that the gunboat Hornet on last Saturday, conveyed a large fleet of schooners, loaded with troops, to the mainland, and that Tela fell on Sunday without a struggle. It is asserted that Manuel Bornilla, who leads the revolution, is in complete control of the entire bay island group, including the islands of Rustan, Bonacia, Barbara and Uutila. All of the Davila officials on the island have gone over to the revolutionary cause.

Special Evening Telegram. WASHINGTON, Jan. 10. President Taft has decided that Commander Sims, the naval officer, who, at the Lord Mayor's dinner at London, recently declared that if Britain were ever seriously threatened, she could depend on "every dollar and every drop of blood" in the United States, should be publicly reprimanded.

Special Evening Telegram. ASTRAKHAN, Russia, Jan. 10. Eighty-five fishermen were carried into the Caspian Sea on an ice floe to-day. A steamer from Taku went to the rescue of the men, but the chances that any of the number will escape death are poor.

Special Evening Telegram. HIGHLAND LIGHT, Jan. 10. The three coal barges previously reported as wrecked, have proved to be total losses. The list of dead numbers 17.

Special Evening Telegram. WASHINGTON, Jan. 10. Senor Delabara, the Mexican Ambassador, to-day received a telegram from Enrique C. Cressi, the Mexican Minister of Foreign Affairs, dated Mexico City, Jan. 9th, as follows: "Guerrero has been occupied by the federal forces. The rebels are in flight and dispersing into small bands. Complete tranquillity reigns all over the republic."

Indigestion & Dyspepsia

In all its forms can be cured. It is quite a daily occurrence to hear persons say: Oh, what a feeling of distress I have after meals, fullness of the stomach, heaviness and headache, I feel too tired to do anything I have no heart to exert myself and sometimes I care for nothing. I often have a pain in the pit of my stomach, no appetite, my heart beats rapidly and the slightest exertion makes me feel tired when rising in the morning as when retiring to bed. My sleep is often disturbed, and I often awake with a sense of suffocation, and a difficulty of again going to sleep. I have to be careful of what I eat, and my life seems a shame and a pit for persons to be suffering like this when it is in their power to get cured by taking a Bottle of Dr. Stafford's Prescription. A sure cure for persons afflicted with stomach troubles. It can be obtained at DR. F. STAFFORD & SON, Duckworth Street and Theatre Hill. Small size, 25 cents; postage, 5c. extra. Large size, 50 cents; postage, 10c. extra. Mail orders must be accompanied by remittance.—oct29,10

St. Andrew's People Hold Annual Meeting

A large number of parishioners of St. Andrew's Church attended the annual meeting held in the Presbyterian Hall last night. Rev. J. Sutherland conducted the devotional exercises. Hon. J. Baird was then elected as chairman to conduct the meeting. The accounts submitted by the Secretary showed that the church finances are in a very satisfactory condition. The committee for the ensuing year was then chosen, viz., Hon. J. Baird, J. C. Hepburn, R. Wright, W. Clouston, J. Syme, C. Henderson and J. J. McKay. Mr. Hepburn, who had so satisfactorily filled the position of Secretary the past fourteen years, resigned and is succeeded by Hon. J. McKay. A discussion took place in connection with the building of a new hall in order to carry on more effectively the work of the church. It was also suggested that the best plan might be to enlarge the existing hall. The question was referred to a committee which will report to the congregation in February. The reports of the different organizations connected with the church that were submitted showed that they had accomplished great work the past season.

Card Tournament

About one hundred and twenty players took part in the card tournament at the Central Amusement Club's Room last night. Messrs. F. James, J. Harding, A. Volsey and M. Glynn were the winners.

Makes Stomach Trouble Vanish.

No Indigestion, Heartburn, Gas or Dyspepsia five minutes later. Why not get some now—this moment and forever rid yourself of Stomach trouble and Indigestion? A dieted stomach gets the blues and grumbles. Give it a good eat, then take Pape's Diapepsin to start the digestive juices working. There will be no dyspepsia or belching of Gas or eruptions of undigested food; no feeling like a lump of lead in the stomach or heartburn, sick headache and Dizziness, and your food will not ferment and poison your breath with nauseous odors. Pape's Diapepsin costs only 50 cents for a large size at any drug store here, and will relieve the most obstinate case of Indigestion and Upset Stomach in five minutes. There is nothing else better to take Gas from Stomach and cleanse the stomach and Intestines, and, besides one single dose will digest and prepare for assimilation into the blood all your food the same as a sound, healthy stomach would do it. When Diapepsin works, your stomach rests—gets itself in order, cleans up—and then you feel like eating when you come to the table, and what you eat will do you good. Absolute relief from all Stomach Misery is waiting for you as soon as you decide to take a little Diapepsin. Tell your druggist that you want Pape's Diapepsin. Because you want to become thoroughly cured this time. Remember, if your stomach feels out-of-order and uncomfortable now you can get relief in five minutes.

A High Time at Grate's Cove.

A very enjoyable time took place at Grate's Cove on Tuesday, when St. Joseph's Hall was opened for a socialable. Tea was served by the ladies in a satisfactory manner. Too much praise cannot be given to the ladies of Grate's Cove for the beautiful tables which were laid and decorated by them. Rev. J. V. Donnelly was present and addressed the large gathering in a pleasing manner, which was enjoyed by all. At 5 o'clock the doors were closed and all returned home to prepare for a school concert which was to come off that night. At 6 o'clock the doors were re-opened and in a very short time St. Joseph's Hall was packed. The first to arrive was Rev. J. V. Donnelly, who on entering was greeted with applause from the children and audience. After a moment's silence the curtain rose and the entertainment opened with an address to our Rev. Father, which was read by little Miss Annie Duggan. At the close of the address a Xmas box was presented to him by Misses Marcey and Nellie Duggan, which was a beautiful silver fruit dish. Then came dialogues, songs, recitations, etc., which kept the audience in roars of laughter from the start. The program closed with "God Save the King."

Big Storm West.

Monday night along the S. W. and West Coast a gale of wind raged with heavy snow, and the storm was the most violent which has occurred since winter set in. Very few people ventured forth in it as it was dangerous to do so, and the snow fall was quite heavy. Along the railway line it was also very severe, and the express which left here Sunday evening was delayed at Little River owing to the weather. The train was delayed 4 hours and did not arrive at Port aux Basques until 9 a.m. yesterday.

Taken to Hospital

A lad named F. Watts, who resides at King's Bridge, was taken to Hospital suffering from appendicitis. He was in the Hospital before and underwent an operation, and again becoming ill it was found necessary to send him back to the institution.

Eczema's Tortures

All treatments failed for three long years—Cure complete with DR. CHASE'S OINTMENT. Mrs. Link, 12 Walker St., Halifax N. S., writes: "After three years of miserable torture and sleepless nights with terrible eczema, and after trying over a dozen remedies without obtaining anything but slight temporary relief I have been perfectly and entirely cured by Dr. Chase's Ointment. After the third or fourth application of this grand ointment I obtained relief, and a few boxes were sufficient to make a thorough cure. It is six months since I was freed of this wretched skin disease, and as there has been no return of the trouble I consider the cure a permanent one." Such cures are not brought about by imitations and substitutes for Dr. Chase's Ointment. It is therefore necessary for you to be certain that it is the genuine article. A. W. Chase, M. D., the famous Receipt Book author, is on the box you buy. 60 ets. a box at all Dealers or Edman's, Bates & Co. Toronto. Write for a free copy of Dr. Chase's Recipes.

"Girls' Own" Meeting.

An excellent programme was rendered at a meeting of the "Girls' Own" Association, in the basement of Cochrane Street Church, last night. The chairman, Rev. F. R. Matthews, warmly congratulated the members of the Association on their good work and encouraged them to go on in the path of usefulness. The proceeds realized will be devoted to paying the expenses of the Xmas Tree held by the "Girls' Own" for the Methodist orphans. Those who took part in last night's programme were: Miss Parsons, piano solo; Miss Bowden, vocal solo; Miss Parsons, recitation; Miss Coyell and Miss Maunders, piano duet; Miss Vasey, club swinging; Miss Bowden, piano solo; Miss Dixon, solo; Miss Skinner, recitation. The choruses were very well rendered, and the drills by the girls were well performed. The young ladies and their teacher, Miss Barry, deserve to be complimented on the success achieved last night.

C.C.C. Battalion Notes.

The whole Battalion of the C. C. C met in their armoury last night and were put through their first drill for the winter season by Major Donnelly. Some 30 recruits were entered on the roster and the lads are enthusiastic in the work. Dr. Howlett, who leaves for Paris Thursday, and who was a captain in the Corps, took his leave of the lads last night. Major Donnelly in a neat speech paid a deserved tribute to the excellent work of Dr. Howlett during his many years as an officer in the organization, and wished him on behalf of the officers and privates every success in his future career. Dr. Howlett replied in feeling terms and promised that he always would follow with interest the fortunes of the Catholic Cadet Corps and do everything in his power to forward its interests. The doctor before leaving was cheered to the echo by the boys.

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No More Fever.

We learn from the Health Authorities that all the fever patients are now over the worst period of the disease, a fact which the public will hail with satisfaction. It is also a matter for congratulation that no new cases have developed for over a week, and the hope is expressed that the disease is now likely to be stamped out.

Molly Thinks This is Her Turn.

I was sitting down last night talking to an old friend of mine when I was suddenly aroused by someone coming up stairs; my goodness such coughing as they were getting on with. I said to my friend surely this is not my Jim and Sam coming with such a cough as this, why the sound of a cough or a groan far scares what bit of life is in me out. "I scrawled" for the Minard's Liniment and molasses for my dear life. I was glad I had such a fire in it at the same time. It wasn't long before I had a dose for each of them. Sam says to me: "Molly, what have you got there?" They took a spoonful each. My goodness, I thought their breath was gone, but it wasn't. It was only the cough gone. There was a ring came at the door at the same time. My, I suppose, this is not the doctor, it would take the price of a week's groceries to pay for one visit. We shall have to spend our summer holidays in the woods picking Indian tea. I often enjoyed a cup myself going to bed, and in the morning I would feel like a new woman. I think it is all nonsense to be sending for a doctor and for every sneeze you would make, and also for rheumatism. There was a fireman once who was suffering from rheumatism. He laid himself up against the hot steam boiler, not knowing it was going to cure him, but he has not had the rheumatism since. Eyen for a sore throat some people get scared to pieces, now especially, thinking they will have to send for a doctor. But there is no need of it. For my own part I believe in a good salt herring party fried, or a stock-in-full of hot salt. Instead of going to the druggist with an order from the doctor poor people of our town will have to eat three square meals a day and say their prayers. Maybe there are other things that your special case requires to make you happy, but, my friend, these I reckon will give you a lift. MOLLY.

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Wrestling Match.

His Majesty the King has been pleased to issue His Exequatur empowering Mr. A. E. Hickman, to act as Consul of Panama at St. John's. His Excellency the Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint Mr. Michael O'Rourke to be a member of the Roman Catholic Board of Education for Holywood, C. B., in place of Mr. John B. Veitch, left the District; Messrs. W. H. Phillips, Samuel King, Zebedee Flight, Frederick Poole, and Samuel Ridout, to be the Road Board for Cottles Island, District of Twillingate; Messrs. Kenneth Ridout, Charles Froud, and Parnes Ridout, to be the Road Board for Luke's Arm, District of Twillingate; Mr. Frank E. Fudge, to be a member of the Road Board for Dark Tickie, District of Twillingate, in place of Mr. George Fudge, resigned; Mr. Arthur Blake, to be a member of the Road Board for Gander Bay, South District of Fogo, in place of Mr. H. G. Beckford, resigned; Messrs. Edward Humby (of Henry), Joseph Fry, Abraham Fry, John Greening, Michael Hollahan, William Brennan, and Nicholas Gushue, to be the Road Board for Indian Arm, District of Bonavista; Messrs. Wm. Burke, and John Burke (of Wm.), to be members of the Road Board for Brigus, District of Port-de-Grave, in place of Messrs. James Burke, resigned, and Thomas Walker, left the District. Colonial Secretary's Office, January 10, 1911.

McMurdo's Store News

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 11, 1911. The many persons, who, last winter found a friend in Cream of Lilies, will be using it again this year, to counteract the effect of cutting winds and sudden changes of temperature; and many of their friends will be taking it up. A little applied at night will keep the skin in a soft, smooth, and pliable condition, and prevent it becoming red and irritated at every alternation of the weather. Price, 25c. a bottle. Fig Pills are about the most popular general medicine at present, and by all accounts appear to be worthy of their popularity. Their occasional use keeps the various organs of the body in good condition. If you feel a bit "liverish" try a box. Price, 25c.

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