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Historical Society.

LAST NIGHT'S MEETING.

The regular monthly meeting of the Historical Society was held in the Court House last evening, H. W. Le Mesurier, C.M.G., in the chair. The Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting which were passed. The following gentlemen were balloted for and unanimously admitted members: Rev. A. J. Maher, Geo. J. Adams and Dr. A. Q. Tait. The following gentlemen were proposed and seconded as candidates for membership: Hon. J. A. Clift, W. M. Butt and H. F. Fitzgerald, S.M. They will be balloted for at next meeting. It was moved and seconded that Miss Morris, Librarian, be admitted a member, and a ballot will be taken at next meeting. Moved and seconded that Rules and Regulations of the Society be printed; carried. It was proposed by Hon. Dr. Robinson that the Society get in touch with the Historical Landmark Society of Canada, and resume relations which existed previous to the suspension of the Historical Society of Newfoundland a few years ago. The Recording Secretary, Mr. Warwick Smith, gave notice that he would bring in a resolution that the children of the schools be offered a prize for the best essay on Newfoundland History. He will explain matters more fully at the April meeting. Mr. Warwick Smith read a most interesting and well thought out, and carefully prepared paper, establishing, without the shadow of a doubt, the claims of Newfoundland with regard to the Labrador Boundary question. Messrs. J. W. Withers, H. F. Shortis, Hon. Dr. Robinson, Andrew Wilson and H. W. Le Mesurier, C.M.G., also spoke on the subject, after which a hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Smith for his invaluable information with regard to the question in dispute. In all probability the paper will be published. The meeting adjourned at 10 o'clock.

Good Candy a Human Benefactor.

(From "Saturday Night.")

A recent issue of "The Canada Lancet" contains a leading article entitled, "Candy as a Food," which entirely dispels the theory still prevalent in some quarters, that candy is an unwholesome luxury, which should be very charily indulged in. The "Lancet" brings an abundance of scientific data to the support of the contention that sugar is a necessary food. It is especially suitable for children who do not as a rule care for fat meat, but who take readily to sweets, which serve as a natural substitute for fat. Candy constitutes a food of the carbohydrate class and it is estimated that the average active and healthy adult requires daily for his effective sustenance about 6,000 grains of carbohydrates. The popular ingredient, chocolate, is also a most nourishing fat food and stimulant; while it appears that the flavorings of good candy are an aid to digestion and elimination.

The notion that the eating of candy injures the teeth is dismissed by this scientific journal as a superstition. The lack of sugar is much more likely to injure the teeth, through poor nutrition, and is attendant with more serious consequences than even those caused by the derangement of the digestive apparatus by over-indulgence in candy or any other food. On the whole, candy, when safeguarded against vicious adulterations, is a boon to the human race because it affords necessary heat-producing nourishment in a most palatable form. It might be added that it is an excellent aid to temperance; for it is an effective antidote to the craving for alcohol.

It would appear, therefore, that the widely prevailing human taste for candy, especially in growing children, is soundly based on Nature's needs. The man who takes home a box of candy to his wife; or the youth who finds it a way to the good-will of his sweetheart, is thereby doing a good deed. He is providing her with beneficent carbohydrates, though for our part, we prefer the old-fashioned name of "sweets."

"No Notes."

Everybody knows, either from experience or reading, how fiercely averse the "sermon-taster North of Tweed" is to "paper" in the pulpit. If a man cannot get up and preach a good sermon extempore, he is accounted "a quid," and sent about his business. In the Highlands, even Parliamentary candidates who keep referring to notes are regarded as poor bodies who have no call for politics, and they seldom get to St. Stephen's.

It is an open question whether this dependence upon notes, and more especially the reading of sermons, is not largely responsible for the loss of interest on the part of the masses in preaching and preachers. The late Dean Hoyle, suddenly finding that he had left his sermon behind on his study table, took his courage in both hands, and preached extempore, and with such success that he never afterwards read a sermon.

Many clergymen have had to do

without their "paper" at the Front, to the very great advantage of their hearers; and it is to be hoped that they will not revert to this stilted fashion when they return to a more regular congregation. A sermon may lose something in literary form and polish, but it does not lose half so much as it gains in directness and force and personal appeal.

Practice makes perfect in the art of preaching as in any other calling, and the person who is too nervous to cast aside his paper and talk to his flock face to face has probably missed his vocation; but the man who has something to say will surely find the words in which to clothe it if he will persevere.

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The reading minutes of previous meeting, the following matters were considered.

Consent was given Michael South Side, was approved subject to condition that he must not store coopers' stock on the street, and provide to store it on his own premises.

Ford, South Side, submitted plan for repair house, Cochrane, provided water and sewerage installed.

Consent was given W. R. Small, Water Street, passed provided connection is made.

Application of C. O'Keefe in connection with a French Drying and Pressing Establishment, on Military Road, was approved, and the matter of gasoline was ordered to be referred to the Inspector General of the City.

Consent was given to Mr. Bishop's application for alteration to house, Gower Street, subject to Engineering direction.

It was ordered that tenders be asked for the building of two box carts for the City.

Disposing of some routine business and passing of pay rolls and the meeting adjourned.

The German Fleet.

(From the New York Tribune.)

It is possible to sympathize with the sentimental aspect of the plan to capture the captured German navy to a spot where the water is especially deep and sink it there. That would be a dramatic and colorful scene, rivaling the great scene when the German navy surrendered.

ceremony would be wasteful. The German navy contains many small vessels which might be used to other countries and might be a good price if put up at auction.

It also contains many modern ships. These undoubtedly have a value too high to justify their use as the raw material of a scrap metal.

Would the Allied powers be willing to throw into the sea the millions of marks which the fleet represents in original value or even in present scrap value? It is less important to the existing German navy in the world where it will be "spurious" than it is to provide against the construction of a new German navy.

surrendered fleet can do no harm if disposed of to governments which find a use for its various parts or even to the junkman. What makes trouble is the German desire to keep the fleet.

A clause in the treaty of peace prohibiting or strictly limiting German naval construction will help the cause of world peace more than a spectacular comment of existing construction to the lowest bed of the ocean.

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An Amazing Case.
The following crime is cited as an example of how blood crystallography was used to solve a murder mystery. The body of a dead Frenchman who lived alone was found in his room. It was clear that he had given his life only after a terrible struggle. There was blood on the floor and on the walls—blood everywhere except on the body itself. But there were no wounds on the body—man had been strangled.

Whence the blood? The dead man had not been wounded by his murderer, and so the detectives looked about a wounded man. They did not find any. There were finger-prints in the room, but they revealed nothing, for they did not correspond with any real at headquarters.

What the Blood Revealed.
Eventually it was decided to have blood analyzed. This was done. It was not the blood of a human being at all, but the blood of a bullock! Then someone remembered that of the few persons who knew the murdered man was a butcher. He was arrested on suspicion. His finger-prints were found to tally with the prints on the wall in the room where the crime had been committed. Eventually he confessed to the crime, and admitted he spilled the blood all around in order to baffles the detectives.