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BRILLIANT CARNIVAL AT THE RINK

About Ninety in Fancy Dress—The Prize Winners—Harem Skirts Make Favorable Impression.

Last Friday night's carnival at the rink was well attended and some very beautiful costumes were worn. Good music was furnished by the Citizens' Band.

Prizes were won as follows:—
Best man's—Harrison M. Gough—Romanian Peasant.
Best lady's—Miss Annie Crocker (Nelson)—Indian maiden.
Best boy's—Jack Raud—Messenger.

Best girl's—Hazel McMaster—Red, White and Blue.
Best combination—Misses Rhoda and Annie Stewart—Telephone girls.
Special mention—Miss Adelaide Harriman—Indian maid.

Among others in costume were:

MISSES
Jean Thurber (Millerton) and Nellie Lingley—Harem skirts.
Trixie McAuley—Post Card Girl.
Jennie Granley—Wearing of the Green.
Margaret Hubbard—Dress-maker.
Ruth Fish—Spanish Dancer.
Florence Morris—Fancy Dress.
Florence E. Whitney—Candy Kid.
Margaret McGrath—Foreign Lady.

Blanch Taylor—Summer girl.
Marion E. Harvey—Martha Washington.
Belle Brown (Nelson)—Quakeress.
Margaret Miller, Millerton, Dame Trot.

Mona Lindon—Dutch Maid.
May Condron—Snowflake.
May Wright—Hockey girl.
Marion Rundle—Queen of Diamonds.

Susie Jones—Western girl.
Gertie Vears—Post Card girl.
Dollie Russell, Millerton—Red Wing.
Marion MacArthur—Easter.
Nora Young—Red Riding Hood.
Annie Copp—Lady Barrister.
Mabel Masterton, Nelson, Jockey girl.

Bert Crocker, Nelson—Clown.
Bessie Hare—Red, White and Blue.
Gladys Foley—Summer girl.
Margaret Lawlor—Summer girl.

Corinne L. Wor—Princess.
Clare Lawlor—Waitress.
Sadie B. Hogan—Canada.
Lena Russell—Matchless.
Bella Chambers—Post Card girl.
Annie Fallon—Little Old Woman.

Helen Copp—Sweet Sixteen.
Flossie Ramsay—Rosebud.
May Copp—Good Night.
Margaret Copp—Little Bo Peep.
Eileen A. Creaghan—Red Riding Hood.

Lida Copp—Sailor girl.
Inez Copp—Hockey girl.
Florence Ferguson
Ruth Benson
Mary Lawlor

GENTLEMEN
Bruce Hubbard—Red Hand Chewing Gum.
A. DesBrisay—Gentleman of the Old School.
Carmen A. Nevin—Colored Giant.

B. F. Maltby—Mephistopheles.
Chas. Larsen—Rough Rider.
M. G. Foran—Jester.
A. McLean, Chatham—Domino.
Charles Woods, Chatham—Sunbeam Flour.

Homer Goodfellow—Gondolier.
Earl De Wolfe, Nordin—American Sport.
Warren Davidson—Hockey Boy.
Perley Brown—Cowboy.
Perley Stewart—Policeman.
Arthur Jardine, Nordin—Spaniard.

Herbert Morrell—Base Ball Player.

Charles Stohart, Mac O'Brien, Roy Morrison, Michael Kane, John Williams, Archie Cole, Jack Crocker, Cleo Demers, J. E. Andrews, Larkin Roman, Arthur McMurray, Willis Nichols, Harry Lacy, Chatham, James Shannon, Chatham, Fred Locke, Bryon Hennessy—Clowns.

Melvin Allison—Base Ball Player.

Beaumont Williston—Boy Scout.

Harry Rich, Chatham, Currier.

H. Havelock Ingram, Base Ball Player.

The Harem skirts received much attention, being very favorably criticised as examples of attire at the same time serviceable and as modest as the ordinary female dress.

During the winter the rink has been well patronized, the company, under the able management of its directors, providing the means of clean, healthful and very agreeable entertainment to young and old at a very moderate cost. They are to be congratulated upon their enterprise in building the rink and managing it so wisely.

SERIOUS CHARGES AGAINST SCHOOLS

London, Ont., March 21.—Charges of revolting immorality in clubs and in schools of London were made by a deputation from the W. C. T. U. to the Ministerial Association yesterday.

"In several city clubs," said Mrs. Thornley, "not only is liquor drunk but gambling goes on, and not only gambling but the social evil is practiced. Why, there are pictures there which are indecently filthy and books are exchanged which should never have been printed."

Regarding schools Mrs. Thornley said: "In London we are no worse than they are all over the province but the conditions are terrible to consider. Improperly starts in the primaries and runs right through our schools." A representative committee was named to investigate the matter of the clubs.

BAHAMA WOULD JOIN CANADA

London, March 21.—In the House of Commons, Mr. Harcourt, in a written reply said he had received a telegram that the House of Assembly and the Legislative Council of the Bahamas have passed a resolution asking permission to transmit an invitation to enter the Canadian Dominion. The home Government proposed to await the text of the resolution before considering the attitude to be taken thereon.

PENSIONS FOR SCHOOL TEACHERS

Hartford, Conn., March 21.—Leading educators of Connecticut spoke to-day before the committee on education of the general assembly in support of measure to grant pensions to the public school teachers of the State. If the measure is enacted into law all the teachers in the public schools and normal colleges of the State will be eligible to retire on a pension after thirty years' employment.

MANY BILLS INTRODUCED IN THE LEGISLATURE

Important Resolutions, Respecting Water Carriage of Fire Destroys Many Lives in New York Factory, where Girls Worked For \$3 a Week—Inadequate Protection

Fredericton, N. B., March 21.—Hon. Mr. Burdill, seconded by Mr. Jones of Kings, moved his resolution respecting the delivery of water carriage of goods.

Mr. Burdill said the resolution was of great importance to the lumber industry in this province, and it was on that account that he brought the matter up in the house. He said that it had been the practice for masters of vessels to give what is known as a coupon bill of lading to shippers of lumber and unless lost in stress of weather this clean bill of lading made the master responsible for the delivery of all lumber that the bill of lading called for.

The clean bill of lading is not acted as a receipt to the shipper and a guarantee to deliver to the consignee and could be used to obtain a loan and would serve as security for an advance of money on shipment.

The act passed by the parliament of Canada relieved the shipper of any liability for any delay in an assessment, and shippers in England claimed that the shippers and not now be compelled to deliver the full amount of the bill of lading. The master of the ship has been remedied in his privilege to place a lien on the cargo.

Section 18 of the act passed by the parliament of Canada in 1904 had been incorporated in the act known as the bill of lading act, and he and many others in the house were from Liverpool, and put through without any opposition. He said that the bill of lading act was in England, and that they were there doing it, and that they were doing it in the same way as we are doing it in this country.

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WILD STATEMENT BY CLERGYMAN

Would Shoot at Sight any Wearer of a Harem Skirt.

Kingston, Ont., March 22.—In an address last evening Rev. T. E. Bourke, Methodist pastor, said he would shoot at a Kingston girl if he saw her wearing a harem skirt. Coincidentally with this address a leading dry goods store today exhibited the divided garment, but whether through modesty or fear of the pastor carrying into action his threat of last evening, no Kingston lady has yet appeared clad in the garment.

N. B. CENTENARIANS

KINGS COUNTY LADY DIED AT 100, AND KENT COUNTY MAN MALE AND HEARTY AT 101.

Mrs. Mary Winnifred Northrup of Annandale, Kings Co., born in Ireland, Christmas Day, 1810 died on the 15th inst. She leaves 6 children, 46 grandchildren, 46 great grandchildren, and 8 great-great grandchildren. Mrs. Northrup retained the use of her faculties until the end of life, sight, hearing and memory remaining very good.

VISITING CARDS

Ladies and Gents cards printed in all styles equal to copulate at the Advocate Print Shop.

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150 VICTIMS OF CARELESSNESS AND GREED

Fire Destroys Many Lives in New York Factory, where Girls Worked For \$3 a Week—Inadequate Protection

New York, March 26.—One hundred and fifty persons—ninety of them Jewish and Italian girls from the east side—were crushed to death on the pavements or smothered in smoke or shriveled crisp in a factory fire yesterday afternoon in the worst disaster New York has known since the steamship General Slocum was burned to the water's edge off North Brother Island in 1904.

One hundred and forty-one bodies have been removed from the ruins at midnight last night and seven of the fatally injured had died in hospitals. Two more were found today.

Mothers, fathers and other relatives, literally mad with grief, stormed the police lines at the morgue all night and today, shrieking, sobbing and in some cases fighting with the officers in their frenzy. Hysterical women fell writhing in the streets and had to be carried away in the already overburdened ambulances. Among the bodies are more than fifty burned beyond all semblance of human form and they will perhaps have to share a common grave as unknown dead.

Seven hundred hands, 500 of them women, were employed by the Shirt Waist Company. They sat in rows at their whirring machines, the tables before them piled with flimsy cloths, the floors littered with lint, the air itself full of flying, inflammable dust. The first rush of flame was almost an explosion. Operators died in their chairs, their lungs seared by inhaling flame. Others were crowded into the elevators' shafts after the cars had made their last trip. Still others were pushed off the inadequate fire escape.

A HORRIBLE STREAM
In such a horrible stream did the bodies overflow from the windows that the fire nets, stretched by the first companies to arrive, were soon gorged beyond their capacity. Twelve bodies weighed one net to the bursting point, but the bodies kept on raining to the pavement, through meshes that could no longer support them.

When the first breath of flame curled over the edge of a pile of shirting on the eighth floor, five minutes before quitting time, hundreds were in line before the cashier's window. In the office building across Washington Place scores of men detained beyond office hours, worked at their desks. One of them saw a girl rush to a window and throw up the sash. Behind her danced a seething curtain of pallid flame. She climbed to the sill, stood in black outline against the light, hesitating, then, with a last touch of futile thrift, slipped her chatelaine bag over her wrist and jumped. Her body went whirling downwards through the woven wire glass of a canopic to the flagging below. Her sisters, who followed, flamed through the air like rockets, their path could be followed but hardly heard. It was 85 feet from the cornice to the ground, about 95 feet from the ninth floor, 115 feet from the cornice of the roof, and the upward rush of the draught and the crackle of the flames drowned their cries.

MORGUE TOO
The regular morgue was far too small to accommodate the dead and the so-called charities pier bore the bulk of the charred burden. The bodies were ranged in long lines down both sides of the pier, each in a brown stained

wooden coffin such as the city provides for its pauper dead. Nearly all, if not all, the victims were employed by the Triangle Waist Company on the eighth, ninth and tenth floors of a ten-story loft building at 23 Washington Place on the western fringe of the downtown wholesale clothing, fur and millinery district, the partners of the firm, Isaac Harris and Max Blank, escaped unscathed from the office on the tenth floor, carrying with them over an adjoining roof Blank's two young daughters and a governess.

How the fire started will perhaps never be known. A corner on the eighth floor about the point of its origin and three upper floors only were swept. On the ninth floor fifty bodies were found; sixty-three or more were crushed to death by jumping, and more than thirty clogged the elevator shafts. The loss to property will not exceed \$60,000.

DUE TO NEGLECT
Fire Chief Croker said: "This calamity is just what I have been predicting. There were no outside fire escapes on this building. I have been advocating an agitation that fire escapes be put on buildings just such as this. This large loss of life is due to this neglect."

Scenes at identification were heartrending. A cutter identified his dead sweetheart by their engagement ring and her purse. It contained her week's wages, \$3.00. Two sister's bodies horribly mangled, sat propped up in their coffins while a sobbing brother left them to search for his aged mother, who, he thought, had also perished. The fire had left him without a relative.

NOTHING MORE HORRIBLE
There will be a thorough probing and a fixing of the blame, if blame there be, and it can be fixed. District Attorney Whitman said: "If what Chief Croker tells me is correct, then somebody is criminally liable, and whoever it is, should be prosecuted. I never saw anything more horrible in my life."

GRAND JURY REFORM

The Kings Co. Grand Jury on the 21st presented the following: To His Honor Mr. Justice White, of the Supreme Court of Kent County:

Whereas, it has been customary at every session of the Supreme Court to summon twenty-four men to serve on the grand jury; and whereas, it frequently happens that there is not business to be brought before the said grand jury;

And whereas, it is often a great inconvenience for persons so summoned to be able to attend at the term and place so summoned to attend;

Therefore this grand jury hereby recommend that the law be so amended that a grand jury shall only be summoned when there is business to be brought before it and on the order of a judge of the Supreme Court.

Signed on behalf of the said grand jury,
W. D. GILLIES,
Foreman of said Grand Jury.

His Honor expressed his hearty concurrence with the recommendation and promised to bring the matter before the proper authorities and hoped that similar action by other grand juries would bring about the reform so much to be desired.