

BUSINESS BEFORE COUNCIL OF WOMEN

CIVIC REFORMS ARE URGED BY MEMBERS

The Sale of Intoxicating Liquors at the Fair Grounds—Several Reports Submitted.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

When the Local Council of Women resumed its work in the council library yesterday afternoon, the hall used for the purpose was most filled with ladies. There was a lengthy programme of business before them, and it received prompt dispatch.

The great and long-felt need of a maternity ward for the Jubilee hospital was brought before the council by the Ladies' Auxiliary of that institution. The committee into whose hands was placed the work of carrying into effect this resolution, has commenced the task with a good degree of energy.

The monthly meetings of the executive have been continued throughout the year without interruption, except for the vacation months of July and August, with a fairly good attendance.

The report refers to the visit of Mrs. Amos Sheldon-Amos, of London; Mrs. Ramsey McDonald; Miss Saunders and Her Excellency Lady Grey, who inquired very particularly into the work of the society.

Resolved, that the Local Council of Women protest against the unseemly privilege of granting a license to sell intoxicating liquors on the fair grounds.

Our council was not approached until too late for action in regard to the management of the women's department at the agricultural fair, but we have already taken steps to prevent, if possible, a repetition of this mistake.

The question of alien divorce and remarriage, which was introduced by the Ladies' Aid of the First Presbyterian church, was deemed by the executive to be too weighty a subject, and too wide-reaching in its relationship.

The reports of the W. C. T. U. by Mrs. Andrews, of the Home for Aged and Infirm Women by Mrs. Gould, and of the Victoria Ladies' Musical Society by Mrs. Herman Robertson, followed, and were received with much interest and attention.

Resolved, that the Local Council of Women urge upon the city council the advisability of having the said grass and weeds removed.

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STRUGGLE BETWEEN CHURCH AND STATE

POPE'S REPRESENTATIVE EXPELLED FROM FRANCE

The Vatican Declines to Be Responsible For What May Happen in the Republic

Rome, Dec. 11.—There is great excitement at the Vatican because of the situation in France, and news from that country is eagerly awaited.

The Pope today received Cardinal Vincent Van Nottell and in the course of the conversation it is said the Vatican declined responsibility for what might happen in France.

Excitement at the Vatican. Rome, Dec. 11.—Contrary to his usual habit, the Pope remained up until a late hour to-night, for the purpose, probably, of reading the telegrams and going over certain documents concerning the situation in France.

Paris, Dec. 11.—Premier Clemenceau, replying to a question in the Chamber of Deputies last night as to the reason for the expulsion of Mgr. Montagnini, said it was because of his complicity with prominent clergy of Paris, against whom proceedings were pending for interfering with the French Republic.

Winnipeg, Dec. 11.—Snug and warm and soundly sleeping in a telescope valise, a child of six weeks was found in a stable on St. John's avenue this morning.

St. Johns, Nfld., Dec. 11.—It is believed that the people of the French island of St. Pierre have allied themselves with American interests to fight the Newfoundland bail laws.

ALDERMANIC CONTEST

HON. MR. FISHER EXPLAINS SCOPE OF MEASURE

Provides for the Supervision and Inspection of Meat, Fish, Fruit and Vegetables

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—Hon. Sydney Fisher in the House to-day introduced a bill for the supervision and inspection of canned and uncanned meat, fish, fruits and vegetables.

Hon. Mr. Fisher preceded his explanation of the bill with a statement as to why legislation is necessary. There were certain revelations in Chicago which affected the markets of the world in regard to the exportation of canned meat.

DEATH OF A WELL KNOWN PHYSICIAN

DR. DUNCAN PASSED AWAY THIS MORNING

After a lingering illness Dr. George Duncan, at one time many years ago an enthusiastic member of this city, an enthusiastic rhetorician and a professional man of much ability, passed away this morning in the St. Joseph's hospital.

Montreal, Dec. 10.—Mike Welsh, middleweight champion of Canada, died poor and forlorn in the Notre Dame hospital from a general breakdown. He was 52 years of age.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 12.—Nervous shock caused by his car almost striking a woman and child on Thanksgiving Day, was the cause of the death of Harry C. Sutton, a local motorman, yesterday.

THE WRECK OF THE MONARCH

Sufferings of Passengers and Crew—One Man Drowned and Another May Die

Fort William, Ont., Dec. 11.—Having been isolated for three days and nights on a rock in the middle of Lake Superior, without shelter from the freezing temperature, intensified by the continuous gales, and with nothing to eat but flour and water, 41 persons, passengers and crew of the ill-fated Monarch, wrecked near Isle Royale, arrived in Port Arthur last night on the tug Waverin and Laura Grace.

James Jacques, of Point Edward, a watchman, was drowned and G. Farouk, a passenger en route to his home in Sault Ste. Marie, may die as a result of hardships experienced. Several of the crew were frozen about the face and limbs, suffering mentally from the terrible ordeal.

It is feared that the Monarch and cargo of 1,600 tons of grain and merchandise will be a total loss.

The fact that diplomatic relations between France and the Vatican were ruptured two years ago, adds to the interest of the incident. M. Isard, the last ambassador of France to the Holy See having left Rome in 1904.

The late Dr. Duncan was born in Russell, near Ottawa, in 1852. He received his early education at the Ottawa Collegiate Institute, and for a number of years taught school in Ottawa. He then took a medical course in the McGill University, and in 1882 received the year 1880 degree West.

Dr. Duncan was unmarried and leaves a brother and sister to mourn his loss, the former being Rev. W. A. Duncan, of Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., who is now in the city, and the latter Mrs. A. Carson, who is now residing on the old home place in this city.

Plymouth, Dec. 11.—A wireless telegram message was received from the British cruiser, the George, announcing that she was ashore off Cluver Cliffs, in the East channel, and asking for assistance.

Denver, Col., Dec. 12.—Jimmy Gardner of Lowell, Mass., was given the decision over Rube Smith of Denver, after a ten-round go here last night.