## Charles D. Roberts Claims He Is Not Less Canadian Despite 17 Year Absence

Great Writer Gives Lecture Before London Canadian Club.

### TELLS OF STRUGGLES

For a speaker to take an audience of strangers into intimate companion. ship, even though it be for but an hour and a half, is a condition which rarely happens. Yet in no other way could be described Charles D. G. Roberts' attitude to his audience last night when he spoke in the Central collegiate auditorium under the combined auspices of the Men's and Women's Canadian clubs.

was the sort of evening which thrills results which the reading public the layman, who knows that his knows.

Eyes of Dreamer.

Charles G. D. Roberts is a slim man of moderate height, with irongray hair and the eyes of a dreamer. His hair is not long, nor does he affect a flowing tie like his distinguished cousin, Bliss Carman. He has the general appearance of a successful businessman, and from certain of his remarks last night, evidently prides himself on presenting such a front to

Canada. I went to England for three months seventeen years ago. and am only returning to Canada now. But my stay away has not made me the less Canadian. In all things that remain in the artist's blood I am Canadian still. Only listen to my accent and you will hear that that is unchanged. I have kept it pure through all the years so that by it I am always recognized as a Canadian. And when I write my work is toyically Canadian."

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Tribute To Carman.

The speaker paid a great tribute to Eliss Carman, whom he termed as "not only the best poet, bar none, that Canada has produced in the line of pure lyricism," but doubted that there was a greater now singing his carman, is the Irishman, Yeates, and I believe that Carman is his peer," he declared. His talk was replete with interesting his "association with Bliss Carman, But perhaps the most interesting story of all, was that of how the modern animal story was evolved.

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We stored the carry brother, in Peterboro, and two sisters, Mrs. F. Neilson of London and Mrs. W. J. Hanlon of Detroit, also survive.

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### Debut Is Made By Lone Snake

Believing that spring was really nere, a lone snake pulled itself out of its winter quarters yesterday in search of that which brings joy to all of its kind-sunshine. Instead of sunshine the snake was greeted by rain, but the weather was warm so he remained.

The reptile was about a foot long and was seen by two boys on Eva

Women's Canadian clubs.

This distinguished man of letters, beloved alike for his poetry and for his nature stories, has that most charming of all gifts—the gift of the great man who does not awe simple folk with his greatness. Instead, he steps down to them and they are friends together.

To the friends whom he made last night he read informally from his poetry and told intimate stories of his relationships with Bliss Carman and other famous men of letters. It was the sort of evening which thrills

the layman, who knows that the seaton's stories immediately make market," Seaton's stories immediately make a demand for animal stories on the market," said the speaker. "I had market," said the speaker. "I had market," said the form. Seaton found it

himself on presenting such a front to Sometimes Carman followed his lead and sometimes he followed carman. 13 His chief concern last night was to put himself right with Canadians after a prolonged sojourn of seventeen years away from home.

His chief concern last night was Once he attempted to wear his hair like Carman, there were four of them, who adopted the long hair cut. Roberts' bob, however, did not outteen years away from home.

"I feel that I should make some sort of apology." he said, "after having been so long away from Canada. I went to England for three months seventeen years and are

## MRS. E. THOMPSON PASSES AT WINDSOR

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"How did you first come to write working in the ladies' aid and the

The speaker explained that his early life, practically in the back woods, had brought him into intimate contact with animal life. He can

was stored up within him.
Years after, in New York, a craving for the wilderness came over him. And in response to it he wrote his first animal story with a view to his first animal st

animal psychology.

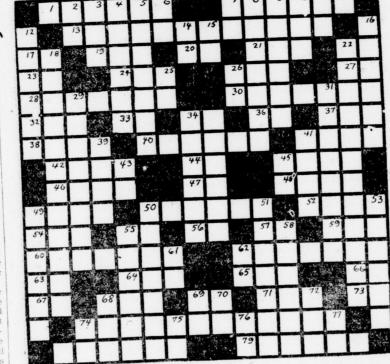
This story was refused by several editors, but at last accepted by Parrers. Seaton, then a close friend of Roberts, who had been drawing charge of the high-speed repeaters.

spotted coat which may give him a terrible aspect. But you will find him fine pet if you spend a little time with him.

Each word reads from left to right (horizontal) or downward (vertical) cording to position. Lettered in correctly, words that cross will interlock.

Each number in the white squares also refers to a definition in the accompanying table.

Each white space is to receive one letter only. Words start only in to fit the white spaces alloted to it.



SOLUTION TO NO. 101.



Resolution Requesting Part of \$9,000 Surplus.

asking the water and light commission to consider turning over part of its 1924 surplus of over \$9,000 to the tax rate. Mayor Rea expressed the heavy expenditures to make and wished to use the surplus for this instead of issuing debentures, it was not likely that the request would be favorably considered. The resolution however, was adopted, by the

Breath

Where chie is concerned, accessories make or mar one's costume. The Breath of the Avenue gives these pointers on how smart New Yorkers create the successful ensemble - for ensemble it must be, whether for street wear, social wear, or

For the right accent to your new frocks, it advises: "For your cashmere woolen sports frock in one of the soit wheat shades-

-beige, pull-on gloves of suede for harmony. -a gay leather purse for con-

trast. For your new satin dress-which is likely to be in one of the sunlit blonde shades--sheer silk hose for creamy

nude. -blonde satin slippers to match the golden lights of your frock. For your dance frock which may well be of delicate flower-

-pearls for your neck and pearls again for your wrist.

—and a large, fluffy flower to bloom brightly on your left

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The vogue for color extends to "undies" as well. A new fashion that suggests itself for the Valentine gift. Palm Beach fashions paint a picture of pastel shades against the usual white. And this vogue has inspired, too, a color fashion for lingerie. Pink and peach, green, mauve, maize—the pastel lingerie colors-are worn now inside and outside, at southern resorts. very soon will glow delicately beneath the first spring costumes for northern

Bewitching piles of new lingerie in the pastel shades. Clever little adornments of ribbon bows and lace medallions. A lavish use of fine lace and tiny tucks. Very chic and tailored garments have embroidered monograms. A pastel picture of honey, mauve, pink, peach, green, yellow, sky.

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The marriage of Jenny Mae, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George McEwin of the Gore of Downie and Nelson Samuel Loghrin, also of the Nelson Samuel Loghrin, also of the Special features has

McEwin of the Gore of Downie and Nelson Samuel Loghrin, also of the Gore of Downie, took place at St. Andrew's church manse here, Rev. Finley Matheson officiating. Mr. and Strote Matheson officiating. Mr. and Strote Matheson officiating. Strote Scenic slides from different countries scenic slides from different countries. productions of the great masters, seemic slides from different countries of the East, especially Syria, Palestine and Egypt, and the illustrated hymn slides, were the best eyer ex-

Robinson, is an able exponent of the Gospel in song, while Miss Grunnert's sympathetic accompaniment and hymn improvisations were great-

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Woodstock Council Adopts

Special to The Advertiser.

A deputation from the Victorian S.B., J. Carrouthers, Stratford; se order of Nurses asked for a grant of 1,000 this year instead of the forowth of the work. The charity ac-unts passed for January amounted \$478.30, this being the largest are for any one month for the last ee years. A traffic committee, comonth for the last posed of Mayor Rea, Aldermen decided to hold the next annual meeting in Stratford, with the semi-

have not yet been made.

### Ontario and Quebec Declared Balance Wheel For East and West. Special to The Advertiser Stratford, Feb. 9 .- The fact that

Quebec's language and religion were distinctly hers, and that it was not necessary to change these to have the best of feeling between the two provinces, was distinctly emphasized by H. W. Strudley, speaking to a well ttended luncheon at the chamber of ommerce, at noon today. He was Bonne Entente party to Quebec recently. Mr. Strudley pointed out that Ontario and Quebec have identical interests, and that the two provinces interests, and that the two provinces. working together, will prove to be the balance wheel, steadying the claims Hodson.

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February 11

S. A. Admans, a native of Margate.
England, and a resident of Stratford for the last four years, died at his home 261 Nelson street, Sunday. He was 33 years old. The late Mr. Admans was a painter and decorator. He served in the Imperial army during the war. He married Miss tion, however, was adopted by the Granton; Very Worship Dep. County Master W. Graham, Stratford; Chap. Another resolution was passed re- S. K. Foster, Stratford; treasurer, J. ferring back to the library board its estimates for 1925, with a request Langford, Straford; first lecturer, F. that they be reconsidered with a view or reducing them \$300 to last year's son; first censor, F. Larkin; second censor, W. Mitchell, Stratford; first S.B., A. Paterson; pur., F. Mills, Stratford; P. Coupland, Woodham; committees, J. B. Armitage, H. Hopkins, Woodham; H. Cook, Granton J. C. Dunseith, Stratford; O. Brazill, Greenway: M. L. Brande Marys: A. Hodgins, Lucan.

pointed to continue the work of providing for aids to the enforcement of the traffic bylaws of the city.

Following the council meeting the addermen and city officials were the guests of Mayor Rea at the annual meeting of the Holy Oxford. An excellent supper was served and all the aldermen made brief addresses, outlining the work of the various departments for the year.

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EVANGELISTIC SERVICES ARE BROUGHT TO A CLOSE

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