

# MANY GATHER TO START MISSION

Special Four Weeks of Services Begun Sunday In Cathedral

Mission For Children and For Married Women First—Redemptorists in Charge

A four weeks' mission was successfully opened in the Cathedral on Sunday by three Redemptorist priests from Toronto—Rev. George Mylly, C. S. R., Rev. John Barry, C. S. R., and Rev. John Keogh, C. S. R. A large attendance marked the services and also again this morning at the week day masses.

A mission for the children was the first to be started and it was opened at 2:15 o'clock with a large gathering of boys and girls. They were addressed by Father Keogh. The married women's mission was begun in the evening with a very large assemblage. There was recitation of the beads led by Father Keogh and followed by a short instruction by him. Benediction was given by Rev. W. M. Duke with the women's choir singing. The main sermon was preached by Father Barry. The missionaries have made a deep impression by their ability as pulpit orators.

## EXHORTED TO ATTEND

Speaking at the 9:15 o'clock mass Father Barry announced the hours of the mission services and then spoke on the mission and its meaning. It was really a time of preparation for death. Since the last mission was preached in the Cathedral many of the congregation had passed away. No one could say how many would die before another mission would be given.

The speaker closed with a word to the married women of the parish. He made a touching reference to the mothers and their great influence and called on them to set a good example to husband and sons and daughters by making their own mission a great success.

## ARRANGEMENTS FOR MISSION.

The arrangements for the four weeks of the mission were announced at the masses by one of the three missionaries. They are:

This week the mission will be for the married women, next week for the single women, the third week for the married men and last week for the single men. The mission for the children, begun yesterday afternoon will be concluded on Wednesday.

The children will attend one of the masses and they will have their special instruction in the afternoon after school. Only those in the grades up to High School will be included in the children's mission. The High School boys will take the exercises with the single men and the High School girls with the single women.

## HOURS OF MASSES.

The hours of the masses during the four weeks are 8:30 a.m., 7, 8 and 10 o'clock. Those at 8:30 and 9 are the mission masses and there will be an instruction at each. The early hour of the first mass is fixed to permit those whose daily work begins early to attend and have time to be at work at the hour required. The evening services of the mission will be at 7:30 o'clock.

At each of the masses on Sunday there was a brief address by one of the missionaries. At 9:15 o'clock His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc also spoke briefly for the success of the mission.

## RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

Rev. E. R. MacWilliam, pastor of the Waterloo street Baptist church, tendered his resignation to his congregation last night and it was regrettably accepted when it was learned that his decision in the matter was final. Mr. MacWilliam will send his acceptance of the pastorate of the Victoria street Baptist church today and will enter on his duties at the Victoria street church on the first Sunday in April.

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# CHURCH WAS PLANNED TWICE FOR CORNER OF OLD BURIAL GROUND

Fire Once Prevented; Objections Second Time; Then "Stone" Church Was Built—Archives Record of First City Cemetery

DELVING into the old papers in the Dominion Archives branch in Princess street, a searcher came across an interesting account of the old Burial Ground in Saint John, which was closed in 1848. The article tells several matters of interest in connection with its history and is as follows:

"History numbers here some names and scenes to long remember. And summer verdure clothes the lowly breast. Of the small hillock where our fathers rest. There was the dauntless heart, the hand, the voice, That made the desert blossom and rejoice."

"Here it lies, appropriately, in the heart of our city, as the memory of its silent occupants should rest in the hearts of our citizens. For here were laid the mortal remains of the founders of Saint John—the framers of its laws; its honored servants and its respected citizens; its noble women—our grandmothers and grand-dames of a century ago."

## OUT OF WILDERNESS.

"For some time after the settlement of the city the site and vicinity of the old burial-ground was a wilderness, covered with cedar, spruce and swamps. When Paul Beaulieu laid out the city in 1788, the lots comprising the burial-ground (bounded by King, Sydney and Carmarthen streets and by the rear of Union street) were reserved for the purpose and shortly afterwards the place was fairly cleared and prepared for the use of the city. The old stone building of the cemetery was a little larger than now, as it encroached on King and Carmarthen streets. The running of the lines of those streets took a few feet from it. The first walk made was one running easterly from Sydney street and ending near the centre of the ground. This was the only one required for some time. In fact the appearance of the burial-ground, quite up to the time of its closing, resembled a large field dotted with tombstones and head-boards. The only ornamentation was the native trees and shrubs."

## SWEPT BY FIRE.

"In 1784 the building of an English church, on the south-west corner of the burial ground, opposite where the Court House now stands, was burning with fire. The frame was prepared and ready for raising. Some persons near the place where the Centenary church now stands were burning brush from a clearing; the fire spread, gathering strength as it went, passed over the graveyard, destroyed the church frame and went on for miles over hill and swamp, ending its career only when the banks of the Kennebecas barred its farther progress. Little trace was left of the existence of a burial ground. In all probability what graves were marked at this time had only head boards, which would be destroyed. In OLDEST STONE DATED 1784."

"The oldest stone is that of Coonrad Hendricks, 1784, and his, if not the first, is the first known interment. Its first home was in England. It is not likely that any would be brought from the United States; the 'late unpleasantness' being too fresh in the memories of our early citizens. One of the early stone cutters in St. John was John Milligan, the same who built Burns' monument at Ayr, Scotland. The first grave digger was a colored man named Edward Burr, who for 50 years served in that capacity. Burr was a character in his way and well known. His sombre occupation of the day was relieved at night by his playing the fiddle for dancing parties."

## STONE CHURCH.

"In 1822, the building of a second Church of England was contemplated and the corporation gave the same site (south-west corner of the burial ground) which had previously been given and abandoned. There were, however, objections made to building there. Finally Judge Chipman offered

# Social Notes of Interest

The regular tea following badminton at the armory on Saturday was largely attended. Mrs. Sherwood Skinner presided over the tea cups. Among those present were: Colonel Commandant W. B. Anderson, Major and Mrs. Vince, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. George Keefe, Mr. and Mrs. Percy McAvity, Mr. and Mrs. Courtland Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Alden, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Porter, Mrs. Ernest Bowman, Mrs. John W. McKean, Mrs. J. R. Miller, Mrs. James I. McAvity, Mrs. W. A. Ewing, Mrs. Frank Fairweather, Mrs. Harold Boston, Mrs. D. W. Ledingham, Mrs. L. Dev. Chipman, Mrs. W. A. Harrison, Mrs. G. Bruce Burpee, Mrs. Gordon McDonald, Mrs. Sherwood Skinner, Miss Mignon Rolfe Kerr, Miss Frances Rolfe Kerr, Miss Alice Tilley, Miss Margaret Tilley, Miss Portia Macdonald, Miss Barbara Jack, Miss Audrey McLeod, Miss Beryl Mullin, Miss Clara Schofield, Miss Alice Hegan, Miss Gladys Hegan, Miss Viola McAvity, Miss Isabel Jack, Mr. Geoffrey Street, Mr. Leslie Jones, Mr. Ronald Jones, Major Larter, Mr. Donald Skinner, Mr. Percival Streeter.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Schofield entertained at the family residence, Glenora, 347 Main street, on Friday evening, in honor of Miss Upham, Ontario. Pink carnations and spring flowers decorated the table. After dinner bridge was enjoyed. The guests were: Hon. L. P. D. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Tilley, Mrs. Boucher, Hon. W. E. Foster and Mrs. Foster, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood Skinner and Mr. J. G. Harrison.

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Mrs. J. E. Pettie entertained a number of young people at a very enjoyable party at her residence, 140 W. 10th street, on Friday evening in honor of her daughter, Miss Dorothy Pettie. The guests were: Miss Dorothy Pettie, Miss Ellen Ewing, Miss Mary Ritchie, Miss Nancy Lee, Miss Roberta Macdonald, Miss Frances Beaty, Miss Frances Peat, Miss Hazel Currie, Miss Isabel Kinman, Miss Marjorie Cowie, Miss Ellen Gregory, Miss Mildred Lewis, Mr. Jack Macdonald, Mr. Stewart Macdonald, Mr. Robert Macdonald, Mr. Norman Brittain, Mr. Phillip Golding, Mr. Lawrence Currie, Mr. Harvey Bishop, Mr. George Hatfield, Mr. Clifford Ryan, Mr. Fred Ryan, Mr. Donald Rivers, Mr. Norman Magnusson and Mr. Harold Williams.

Mrs. W. H. Harrison gave a small but none the less enjoyable bridge party at her residence, 347 Main street, on Saturday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Boucher, who is visiting Mrs. Leonard Tilley. The fortunate prize winners were Mrs. Simeon A. Jones and Mrs. William Vassie. At the tea hour the pleasantly appointed table was centered with yellow tulips and was presided over by Mrs. Stephen Hall. Miss J. Winifred Barker and Miss Mary Harrison assisted the hostess in serving delicious refreshments. Those present were: Mrs. Boucher, Mrs. Leonard Tilley, Mrs. Simeon A. Jones, Mrs. William Vassie, Mrs. D. King Hazen, Mrs. Simeon A. Jones and Mrs. William Vassie.

Col. and Mrs. William P. Anderson, of Ottawa, are spending the week-end with their son, Col. W. B. Anderson and Mrs. Anderson, King street East, and expect to sail early this week from Halifax for Victoria, B. C., via the Panama Canal.

Mrs. Norman Guthrie, accompanied by her young son, Gregor, arrived in the city on Saturday and they are guests for a few days of Mrs. George McLeod and Miss Gordon at 110 Union street.

Miss Audrey Rouillon is the guest of her friend, Miss Jean Fraser, daughter of Hon. J. F. Fraser and Mrs. Fraser, Halifax.

Much interest is being manifested in the announcement that the Maritime badminton championships will be played here at the Garrison Courts at the Armories on the 18th and 19th of March. Entries are expected from Halifax, Yarmouth and other points in the Maritime Provinces, where clubs have been organized.

Miss May Harrison returned on Saturday from Montreal, where she spent two weeks at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel. Mrs. Everett Timmerman, of Montreal, arrived in the city yesterday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Ford, Dorchester street. Mrs. Ford's many friends will regret to hear she is suffering from pneumonia, and will hope for an early improvement in her condition.

Miss Helen Lingley, Westfield Beach, passed through the city on Saturday en route to Stewiack, N. S., where she will be the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Parlee, and Rev. Henry Parlee, at the rectory.

Friends in Saint John are extending congratulations to Mrs. Kenneth Scrim-

geour, formerly Miss Muriel Gray, on the arrival of a little daughter at her home in Vancouver on Monday of last week.

Mrs. E. W. Henry is the guest of Mrs. Eustace Barnes, Country Club Heights, Riverside.

Mrs. I. F. Longley and her father, Mr. Morton, left on Friday for Boston for a short visit.

Mrs. A. G. Haultain, Ottawa, entertained at bridge on Wednesday evening in honor of Miss Kathleen Sturdee, of Saint John, N. B., who is the guest of Mrs. George Hooper and Dr. Hooper, Ottawa.

Mrs. O. H. Sharpe was hostess at a delightful bridge at her home in Ottawa recently. Mrs. Murray MacLaren presided at the table, which was daintily with spring flowers.

Mrs. G. E. Stuart McLeod, formerly Miss Dorothy Cochran, received for the first time since her marriage, on Friday afternoon at her residence, Apartment 8, 848 Dorchester street, West Montreal. Mrs. McLeod was assisted by her mother, Mrs. James A. Cochran. Mrs. Charles M. Holt and Mrs. H. H. Hansard poured tea and coffee and assisting in serving were Mrs. Norman Root, Miss M. Cochran, Miss Betty Abbott and Miss Berthe Taschereau.

# VETERAN OFFICER DEAD IN YARMOUTH

Lieut.-Col. T. M. Seely Organized Battery at Fredericton During War

YARMOUTH, Feb. 19.—The death took place at his home, Alma street, last evening of Lieut.-Col. Thomas Melvin Seely, aged 81 years. He was one of the best known journalists in the weekly newspaper life of Nova Scotia and had been associated with it in one capacity or another for nearly half a century. Colonel Seely was born at Argyle, Yarmouth county, and was the son of the late Charles W. Seely. As a youth he came to this town and entered the employ of the late Richard Huntington, who at the time was editor and proprietor of the Yarmouth Tribune. Later Colonel Seely worked in the Herald, of this town, and also in Saint John, N. B. He later returned to Yarmouth and entered the employ of Charles Carey, who shortly afterwards founded the Yarmouth Light. With Colonel Seely occupying the editorial chair, Colonel Seely held that position for about 12 years, when he resigned and engaged in newspaper work in Annapolis Royal, New Waterford, Pictou and other places, returning to Yarmouth after the close of the Great War and assuming control of the Yarmouth Times. A year or so later his health became broken and on advice of his physicians he retired from active work for a year. He then went to Summerside, P. E. I., and for a year filled a position on the Journal in that town. His health again failing him, Colonel Seely was obliged to return to Yarmouth and ever since then he has gradually declined.

## ACTIVE IN MILITARY

In addition to his career in the newspaper life of the province, Colonel Seely played a big part in the military affairs of this province and it is very doubtful if there is another officer in Nova Scotia who has given more young men their start in a military training as did the late Colonel Seely. His career as a soldier commenced in 1882 when he joined the Yarmouth Battery G. A. as a gunner and from that time up until the outbreak of the Great War he was continuously in the service. In 1888 he was one of the Nova Scotians selected to go to England and on the Sheshburne steamer, May, 1914, he was honored with the title of lieutenant-colonel, which he retained to his retirement to the city of his birth.

## ORGANIZED BATTERY IN N. B.

In November, 1914, Colonel Seely was appointed to organize the 28th Battery at Fredericton, N. B., which, when all prepared to go overseas, was passed over to the command of Major Mackay, of Pictou. The deceased was then ordered to Barrington Passage to establish a guard at the radio station at that place. In 1916 he was in Hal-

fax taking a course in infantry at the R. S. I. He organized the 112th Battalion and took it to England. The following year, however, that battalion was depleted for drafts and Colonel Seely with other "surplus" senior officers was ordered to return home. He was decorated with the Long Service Medal, Colonial Officer's Decoration and General War Service Medal. In 1922 he was elected honorary president Yarmouth Command, G. W. V. A.

## GOOD CITIZEN

As a citizen, Colonel Seely was one of the best. In religion he was an adherent of the Presbyterian church and for many years a valued member of the choir. He is survived by his widow, who was formerly Miss Joanna Archibald, and one daughter, Mrs. J. J. C. Watson, wife of United States Consul Watson, of Georgetown, Demerara, but for the last year with her parents in Yarmouth; also two sisters, Mrs. Frank Little, in Boston, and Mrs. John McKie, Lower Argyle, Yarmouth county; and four brothers, Capt. O. I. and W. F. Seely, Lower Argyle, E.

W. Seely, Moncton, N. B., and C. E. Seely, Worcester, Mass.

The funeral will take place from his home on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 and interment will be made in Mount-cemetery.

# Weddings

Dixon-Fairweather

HAMPTON VILLAGE, Feb. 21.—On Thursday of last week during one of the heaviest snow storms of the season, Miss Ella Robertson Fairweather, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Fairweather, of Hampton, left Saint John for California. On Tuesday, Feb. 16, she was married at Sacramento, California, to Murray Sievwright Dixon, formerly of Saint John. Mrs. Dixon was formerly a teacher and during the last term had charge of the school at Lakeside. Many friends in Hampton and Saint John will wish Mr. and Mrs. Dixon prosperity in their new home.



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