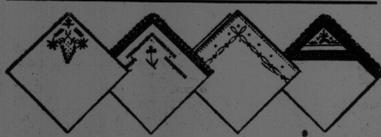


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S. W. McMACKIN, 335 MAIN STREET

LOCAL NEWS

PROMPT. The civic department of public works has started the distribution of salt to the streets very promptly this winter. Today was the first occasion on which there was any excitement for its use and the men were around early in the morning covering the slippery spots.

THE YOUNG MEN WERE THERE. Hon. H. R. Emmerson, M. P., speaking of the Liberal gathering at Montreal, says it was a remarkable event, and that the outstanding feature of the gathering was the enormous attendance of young men who had rallied to the chief's call. The young men appear to have placed their faith in the Liberal party.

MAY TAKE IT UP AGAIN. J. Simon Armstrong, who recently applied to the common council on behalf of a syndicate who wished to obtain the exclusive right to fish for oysters in the harbor, called at City Hall this morning to urge his request. The council had replied that they could not grant any exclusive franchises, but Mr. Armstrong urged that his project would not be in competition with any one and that it meant practically the establishment of a new industry for the city. The matter may be taken up again by the city.

THE GALLAGHER CASE. George Gallagher, whose name appeared in the police court record on Monday, desired to state that his wife had a good home and left it last Friday, taking the children with her, without any cause for complaint against him. He says he is regularly employed and was taking care of his family and ready to continue to support them. So far as he is concerned he declares there was no cause whatever for her desertion of him for the third time, or for the unfortunate publicity given to the whole affair.

MR. BEATTY TO BREWER CHURCH. Of Rev. B. Beatty, who formerly conducted a mission in Waterloo street in this city, a Brewer, Maine, letter says: "Rev. Benjamin B. Beatty of Presque Isle, formerly pastor of Mars Hill, has accepted the call of the Baptist church of this city to become its pastor, filling the post left vacant by the resignation of Rev. Willard L. Pratt who has gone to the Rockland Baptist church. Mr. Beatty will enter upon the duties of his new charge at once, arriving here in season to begin his work with Sunday, December 21, so that there will be but a brief break in the active work of the church through the loss of the former spiritual head of the organization."

L. O. FORESTERS. J. M. Scovil, Jr., Leads Court La-Tour—Donation to Orphans' Happiness Fund

On Tuesday evening a largely attended meeting of our La Tour, 126, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

- J. M. Scovil, Jr.—C. D. H. CR. Dr. L. A. McAlpine—Court Physician C. D. Strong—C. R. Geo. Logan—V. C. R. E. J. Todd—S. Sec. G. W. Currie—F. Sec. Dr. J. Manning—Treasurer. T. S. Baskin—Order. Jas. Akers—S. W. C. Addison—W. W. Hallett—S. B. W. Kirkpatrick—J. B. A. A. Wilson and M. E. Grass, financial committee. W. A. Simonds and F. Tinker, trustees.

After the election several interesting addresses were given on the good and welfare of the order. Those taking part were Rev. Fred Ross, Rev. Wm. Lawson D. G. Langley, and M. E. Grass, H. C. R. A handsome sum was voted to the orphans' happiness fund in addition to the monthly contributions. There are now forty children of New Brunswick under the care of the order, several of whose education has been completed and in positions in Toronto and doing well. The officers will be installed at the January meeting for which arrangements are in progress.

ROY COOPER MASTER OF VERNER L. O. L. NO. 1

The annual meeting of Verner No. 1 L. O. L. was held last evening in the Grand Hall, Germain street. James Sullivan, district master, occupied the chair. Routine business was transacted, two names were proposed for membership. Both were accepted, and one of the new members was initiated. The installation of officers for the ensuing year took place, and several of the district officers were present for the ceremony. The officers installed are: Roy Cooper—Worshipful master. C. Lennox—Deputy worshipful master. D. C. Fisher—Chaplain. H. W. Robertson—Secretary. W. M. Campbell—Financial Secretary. C. B. Ward—Treasurer. T. Carlin—Director of ceremonies. A. B. Clifford—Lecturer. J. A. Haslam—Inside tyler. E. W. Rowley, A. R. Morrell, S. B. Bustin, A. McKay and D. McArthur, committee, with Mr. McArthur foreman. H. W. Robertson, E. W. Rowley and John Kenney were appointed a committee to audit the accounts. E. B. Ward was elected to represent the lodge on the hall committee.

MORE RUMORS IN LOCAL POLITICS

In addition to the list of candidates for cabinet honors in the provincial government, mentioned in the Times yesterday, J. K. Pinder, M.P., for York county, is also said to be in the ring. Mr. Pinder was a rival of Hon. H. F. McLeod for the nomination for the federal seat left vacant by the appointment of O. S. Crockett, M.P., to the bench, but was forced to give way to Mr. McLeod, and now feels that the least the party can do is to give him the vacancy in the provincial cabinet when it occurs. Mr. Pinder has good backing from certain sections of the party and may be depended upon to make an interesting fight.

Percy A. Guthrie, barrister, of Fredericton, is mentioned as the probable candidate for the provincial seat, which will be left vacant by Mr. McLeod's resignation.

TAKE GRADE VIII FROM HIGH SCHOOL

May Have To, Says Principal Myles

BUILDING IS CROWDED

At Closing Today it is Announced That Pupils Now Number About 8,000—Holidays Till January 5—Presentation of Medals

With the exception of the schools conducted by the Sisters of Charity, all those in the city closed today for the annual Christmas vacation of two weeks, to re-open on Monday, January 5. The term just closed has been generally successful. The attendance is particularly worthy of commendable note. Before the re-opening it is expected that there will be a few changes in the teaching staff in some of the lower grades, and there is also a possibility of a new feature, the teaching of music, being introduced into most of the schools upon the commencement or during the course of the next term. In most of the schools today closing exercises were held, but in some these were mostly private.

The High School. The assembly hall of the High School was well filled this morning when the closing exercises of the fall term were conducted, giving much pleasure to all present. The principal W. J. S. Myles, presided during the first part of the programme, afterwards resigning in favor of R. B. Emerson, chairman of the board of school trustees. The hall was attractively decorated. Bunting, holiday colors and other features characterized the decorations and on the blackboard was inscribed the class motto, "Faber esse Fortuna, with the coat of arms of the city. The programme given by the scholars proved most enjoyable, consisting of selections by the High School orchestra, under direction of Professor Goudie, carols and essays, all of which were heartily received. The programme was as follows:—

- Orchestra. Essay, Supplying the Christmas Market—Helen Carter, XI. Carol, First Noel. Ellis medal essay, Ideals and Their Value—Faith Henderson, XII. Recitation, The Three Kings—Beate Heine, X. The Spirit of Christmas—Laura Harding, XI. Chorus, Christmas Is Here. Before giving way to Mr. Emerson the school principal made reference to conditions in the building saying that numerically it was most satisfactory and that from other viewpoints the same was true. The boys and girls had conducted themselves most successfully during the last term. He felt that something would have to be done to relieve the crowding in the school. During the last term it had been necessary to make use of one of the small rooms not intended for class purposes. In future he thought the High School building should be used exclusively for the higher grades which would mean the withdrawal of Grade VIII from the building. Overcrowding, he thought, would make this necessary. He hoped also that the trustees were considering the erection of a new building that they would make provision for physical instruction. A class had been arranged for High School girls with the Y. M. C. A. this year and it had proven very popular. Mr. Emerson said that the board would take the remarks of the principal into consideration. The growth in attendance at the schools throughout the city was most encouraging. There were now about 8,000 pupils in attendance and this increase must surely mean quite a growth in the population as well. The presentation of prizes was carried out as follows:—

Corporation gold medal, dux of school—D. Gordon Willet. Presented by His Worship Mayor Frink. Governor-General's silver medal, highest marks in Grade X.—Hilda Stevens. Presented by Senator Thorne. Alumni gold medal, highest marks in grade IX.—Jan Somerville. Presented by Miss Jessie Lawson, president Alumni Society. Parker silver medal, highest marks in mathematics—Arthur Willet. Presented by Hon. Judge McLeod. Ellis gold medal, best English essay—Faith Henderson. Presented by Rev. Mr. Barratclough. Special prize, Jessie Jamieson. Fortnightly Club prize of books, highest in English grade XII.—Mattie LeVine. Presented by William Brodie, president of Fortnightly Club.

Chairman Emerson's gold medal, highest marks in grade VIII.—Mary Chalson. Presented by Chairman Emerson. Lieutenant-Governor Wood's silver medal, highest marks in grade VIII, from St. John county—Mary Chalson. Presented by Superintendent Bridges. The Fairville school closed yesterday afternoon for the Christmas vacation. The usual exercises, including a programme for the pupils and addresses by the visitors, was carried out. The trustees were present and also a large number of visitors.

RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE

The Freestone and Granite Cutters' Association have passed the following resolution:— Whereas it has pleased Almighty God to remove from our midst, Lyman Joseph, beloved son of our esteemed president, John Ward, the Freestone and Granite Cutters wish to place on record their sincere sympathy to the bereaved family. Resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the evening papers for publication. Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the grief-stricken family that it may be a source of comfort to them in their sad bereavement.

Signed on behalf of the Freestone and Granite Cutters' Association. A. O'BRIEN. A. L. TRIMLET. Committee.

Mrs. Catherine A. Thorne has sold to Mrs. Alice B. Thorne, wife of S. S. Thorne, her freehold property on the corner of St. James and Carmarthen streets.

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