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CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES.

There has been some activity in St. John looking toward the organization of a co-operative society in this city. Several meetings have been held and a certain amount of attention has been devoted to a measure now before the Federal House, under which such organizations are to be given definite rights and privileges. In Montreal there has been for the past two years an industrial co-operative society, incorporated under the Quebec laws and conducted for the benefit of its patrons. If the present movement in St. John takes definite form, it will be well for those interested in the object to avoid those errors into which the Montreal men have fallen. The Montreal society has after a struggle decided to abandon its efforts to build up a paying business and to assign in accordance with the demands of its creditors. The accounts have been given over to a local firm in collection and the members of the society are now endeavoring to figure out their losses. What those losses are will not be known until all the unpaid subscriptions have been paid in full and a final settlement with the creditors reached. This is not the first time that Montreal has noted the failure of a co-operative society. For in Rochelleville some time ago a similar organization met with disaster. Yet these two failures have not disheartened the enthusiasts in the movement and they are starting another business, hoping with the benefit of past experience to conduct it along more satisfactory lines. The recent failure is ascribed to several causes, the most important of these being a lack of interest on the part of members. It was found that those who had subscribed to the movement, and many others who had pledged their support or promised their patronage, failed to keep up to the mark. Contrary to the constitution of the society, the management of the undertaking allowed credit, realizing it was almost impossible to avoid doing so and still secure a reasonable share of business. Some of the accounts proved unprofitable and swallowed up a considerable portion of the proceeds from cash custom.

Although there are other co-operative establishments in Montreal and in other Canadian cities, the success which has been attained in England does not appear to follow such institutions in Canada, though the reason is not clearly apparent. It may be that if the bill now under consideration at Ottawa is put through, co-operative societies will be more favorably placed, but there is doubt as to the facts of this bill. It is being strongly opposed by industrial and commercial organizations everywhere, chiefly on the ground that it exempts a certain class of traders from liabilities to which other classes are subject.

ANOTHER CAMPAIGN NEEDED.

There is need in St. John for a moral reform campaign. Perhaps better results could be immediately achieved through the activity of the police than by a series of prayer meetings, for those most deserving of attention are not the ones oftenest found inside church doors. They are in fact rather backward about interesting themselves in spiritual affairs, and are inclined to yield more readily to that treatment which involves salaciousness than to the more sober and reasonable one accompanied by the health producing diet of bread and water. Ten or a dozen years ago—to go back to ancient history—a small group of extremely moral individuals who shuddered when they thought of the depravity of mankind, were responsible for a campaign which the police, though opposing, were practically forced by popular opinion to carry out. It had as its object the abolition of a scattered group of houses of ill-repute in the lower section of the city. The work of the police, directed to a large extent by the moral reformers was effectively conducted in so far as these houses were concerned. All of them were closed, put out of business. Then there was great rejoicing to think that these places no longer existed. But unluckily for the good souls who prompted the campaign a new condition was created. Some of the establishments merely moved beyond the limits of the city, where they re-established on perhaps a more extensive scale than before. The persons who formerly occupied the others of the houses scattered themselves about the city, and soon the police found that instead of a few resorts over which a strict watch could be kept, there were springing up about the town innumerable disreputable dives, making the task of the officers a matter of the utmost difficulty. During the past eight or ten years that occupation known to the police as "street walking" has increased in this city to such an extent that there are now probably hundreds of women, young and old, who would scarcely class with Caesar's wife. But there has of late been another and equally serious development. The county authorities are taking more energetic action against the out-of-town resorts, with the result that many of the in-

mates of these places are being driven back to the city and, not succumbing to the elevating influences of that religious atmosphere in which St. John is now enveloped, are continuing in their lives of infamy. As a matter of fact—and this the police will endorse—there are today in St. John more houses of ill-repute than at any time within at least the last quarter century. There are more girls on the road to destruction; there are more men and boys involved in this discreditable life; and even in the heart of the city on some of the principal business streets there are resorts which are notorious and which are generally recognized as places of ill-repute. Whereas formerly we had this evil confined to one district and under strict police supervision, today the town is filled with loose characters scattered everywhere, with no fixed places of abode, who successfully elude the vigilance of the officers. What is to be done about it? Something is necessary, but since the moral reform movement of ten years ago was largely responsible for the present, unfortunate condition, it is rather difficult to find the best solution of the existing problem.

JUDGE ORDERS GIRL TO SCHOOL; SHE ELOPES

Had Been Paroled in Care of Mother for One Day.

PITTSBURG, Pa., March 5.—Ordered committed to a Catholic school as a condition of her parents' marital troubles, Freda Alam, 14 years old, was permitted to remain another day with her mother, who was admonished to care for her.

The girl disappeared and the mother was arraigned before Judge Davis for contempt of court.

While the case was being heard the girl appeared, leaning on the arm of a man, whom she introduced as her husband. She had eloped to Wheeling, W. Va., and was Mrs. Michael Kallil.

The young bride produced the marriage certificate and pleaded the case of her mother. While the court looked upon the elopement as a happy solution of the child's case, he fined the mother \$10.

FATAL ACCIDENTS ON TRANSCONTINENTAL

Dynamite Kills One and Rolling Log Another—Brakeman Crushed Between Snow Pough and Locomotive.

There was an accidental explosion of dynamite at M. G. Hennigan's camp on the G. T. P. near Grand Falls Saturday. One Italian was killed and two others were injured. The Italian struck a stick of dynamite with his pick while working in a trench and his head was blown off.

ST. JOHN WINS FROM AMHERST 6 TO 1

About 400 people witnessed a good game of hockey in the Queen's Rink Saturday night when St. John defeated the Amherst Ramblers by a score of six to one. The score was two to one in the first half and St. John made four more goals in the second half.

MONTREAL WANDERERS WIN STANLEY CUP

OTTAWA, March 6.—On Saturday night the Montreal Wanderers defeated the Ottawas in the National Hockey Association series. The score was three to one and the game was played on water soaked ice. The Wanderers had the best of the game from the start and on the soft ice were stronger than

The Evening Chit-Chat

By RUTH CAMERON

Professor George Burnham Foster, of the University of Chicago, has recently preached a sermon in a Chicago church on the stupidity of sectarianism. He says that he hopes this "separation of congregations that ought to be together" will some day pass away.

This boldly expressed hope has given me the courage to bring forth a certain Utopian vision I have long cherished.

If you have no patience with Utopian visions, stop here. This is not meant for you. But if you like such things this may perchance interest you.

My dream is of one united church in each community and if possible the Catholic churches, too, could be united into one great church.

All the people who worship God in any way would belong to this church. It would have no creed. Its members would believe exactly what they wished about God. If one wished to believe him a divine personage, giving personal attention to each whispered prayer and another wanted to believe him just a vague and wonderful force behind creation and in nature, that would make no difference. Both would be eligible to membership in this church.

Of a Sunday morning when our neighborhood goes forth to church some go one way and some another. Most of the churches to which they go are seldom filled and all are constantly struggling to make both ends meet.

Several of them are separated by very slight doctrinal differences. Why not one large, well supported church where each may believe his own way but all worship together?

My ideal church has one or more large church buildings, according to the size and needs of the community. The buildings are the most beautiful in the city. The sermons are preached by great and good men from all professions as well as by the regular ministers.

That the convenience of all may be suited there is a service every hour or two all day Sunday. In order to suit all tastes—the taste that likes a simple, intellectual service, and the taste that likes an elaborate, sensual service, with music and incense and choir boys and candles, there are all these kinds of services at different times.

Since there is plenty of money there can always be plenty of the most beautiful music and the most talented men of the age can be asked to come and give their beautiful thoughts to the congregations.

The church will be opened during the week both for service and for social and philanthropic work. The "need of the world of men" will be the business of the church, as well as the worship of God.

The ministers will all be well paid. There will be no need of undignified begging for money.

The community will believe as individuals as before, but worship as a splendid unit.

There will be no rich man's church and around the corner a poor man's chapel. Each for all and all for each.

The men and women who are unwilling to subscribe to any elaborate creed will be able to belong to this church where all are eligible that believe in some higher power deserving men's worship.

Is it a foolish, impossible dream? If such a church could be founded would it be founded only to break into sects again at the first disagreement?

I wonder. But anyhow, I like to think about it.

The Lighter Side of Life

ONE OF THE ASSIMILATORS.

Stranger—What do you do with the vast swarms of immigrants that land on your shores every year?

Prominent Canadian—We don't have any trouble, sir, in assimilating them.

SERIOUS SUBJECTS.

Britisher—You Americans joke about subjects in which there is very little humor.

Edwards, eh, old boy?

DEPRESSED.

"How do you define 'black as your hat'?" said a schoolmaster to one of his pupils.

"Darkness that may be felt," replied the budding genius.

"Half the world doesn't know how the other half lives."

"Possibly," answered Miss Cayenne. "But that isn't the fault of the ladies who go together with their knitting in our hotel."

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SUES FATHER-IN-LAW, PASTOR, FOR HIS BRIDE

Gilbertson Man Wants Cust. d. Again of His Young Bride.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., March 5.—Arthur Berwick, of Gilberton, today applied to the court here for a writ of habeas corpus against the Rev. Lawrence Kerholzen, a Methodist pastor of Gilberton, to obtain possession of his bride of a few days, Mrs. Reba Berwick, the minister's daughter. Mrs. Berwick has been with her father ever since his last encounter with his son-in-law. Berwick alleges that he and Miss Kerholzen were legally married on February 18, and that on February 21 her father came to his home in the borough of Gilberton and took the girl away.

He asked the court to direct the Rev. Kerholzen to bring his bride before the judge on Monday next, and to show cause why the custody of the young lady should not be restored to her legal husband.

THE STANLEY CUP HAS NOT YET BEEN WON

Montreal Has Won the League Championship, That is All—No Challenge Yet for the Cup

MONTREAL, March 7.—The Stanley Cup, despite reports, has not been won nor lost this season. A regular series of games have of course been played, but these were not Stanley Cup games. The Stanley Cup is held this year in this league, so as the Wanderers won the championship on Saturday, they will be called on to defend the Stanley Cup. There has been no challenge for the cup as yet but Berlin, Ont., announces that it will challenge. All challenges have to go before the trustees in Ottawa of whom P. D. Rees is chief.

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Qui Vive!

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DEATHS

SMALL—In this city, on the 5th inst., at the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter R. Small, No. 9 Harvey Street, Nellie Doris, aged two months and five days.

OSBORNE—In this city, on March 6th, Charles Osborne, leaving a wife and one son to mourn.

SCOVILLE—At New Glasgow, N. S., on March 5th, E. Walter B. Scoville, Funeral (private) from the residence of T. M. Vincent, 5 Garden street, city, at 2.30 p. m. Tuesday.

WHITENECT—On Feb. 6, Mrs. Rachel, wife of Thomas Whitenect, aged 42 years, leaving a husband and three small children; also three brothers and four sisters.

Funeral from her late residence, 5 Marsh street, Tuesday, at 10 a. m., to Union Station. Interment in Sussex on Wednesday.

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Fashions and Fads

It seems definitely settled that the sleeve with the long shoulder, the full middle piece and the elbow cut tight to the arm is to be in favor. It is already seen on the best models.

Coats and dresses of black satin are worn by fashionably dressed children this winter. To give the proper touch of color sashes and hair ribbons of some rich, bright color are worn with these frocks.

Folds of silk or satin, similar to milliner's folds, and then fashioned into jumpers, trellis style, are being worn. The jumper blouse, of course, matches the color of the skirt with which it is worn.

Even coats are now belted. Those for street wear have them of the material or of soft patent leather run through mother-of-pearl buckles in front, and those for motorizing or driving have heavy stitched belts attached to the foundation and lifted slightly above the normal waistline.

A new writing paper fashion, high in vogue among college girls, consists in having the name by which you are best known engraved in color across the top. The paper is to be used for correspondence only with intimate friends.

Wool embroidery will be a favorite trimming on the spring gown. It is heavier and coarser looking than the silk handwork to which we have been accustomed, but when the design is attractive and well done it is decidedly attractive.

Household : Hints

Cold cooked beef, whether boiled, broiled or roasted, chopped fine, mixed with cooked potatoes, also chopped fine, and moistened with gravy and milk, makes a most acceptable dish. Put into a pudding dish, cover the top with grated cheese, and bake.

Before putting white furs away, clean by rubbing gently with corn meal dampened with gasoline. In the open air. Repeat until clean and then fluff furs with dry meal. It will easily shake out. Clean dark furs with dry bran, which should be heated.

A safe and sure skin lotion that will prevent premature wrinkles is made by boiling twelve tablespoonfuls of barley in a quart of water until gluten is obtained. Strain through a fine linen and add to the liquid a teaspoonful of tincture of benzoin.

Rice with fruit makes a tasty dessert. When the rice is boiled tender and a little orange pulp, a sliced banana and a few canned cherries. Pour into a mold to become firm. When cold cover with powdered macaroons and serve with either whipped cream or a soft custard.

Jellied salad is nice for a change. Chop bits of celery rather fine, mix with shredded lettuce or flaked cabbage and saturate thoroughly with a well-seasoned French dressing. Mix a teaspoonful of granulated gelatine in a little water, blend this well through the whole, press into a crockery mold or small bowl, and put in a cool place to become firm.

CHILDS DRESS.
Paris Pattern No. 3125—All Seams Allowed.

A mother would have to look far before she could find a prettier model for her little daughter than the platted frock here shown, which is a design of certain popularity for the spring and summer months. Made up as in the large view of pink chambray, with embroidery in wash dyes, it is as pretty a dress as can be asked for. In the small view it is shown in still more sumptuous development. The dress has a straight yoke which may be made high and completed by a band collar or cut out in Dutch square outline. To this yoke the platted portions are smoothly attached, a belt confining them at French waist depth. The sleeves may be made long and finished with little wristbands or in short puff style and finished with bands. Among the materials which may be used for this design are ladies' cloth, serge, flannel, cashmere, linen, singlet, percale, lawn or duck. The pattern is cut in four sizes—2 to 8 years. For a child of 4 years the dress requires 2 1/2 yards of material 35 inches wide.

Price of pattern, 10 cents.

U. S. NOT ON LIST OF FAVORED NATIONS

OTTAWA, March 7.—The tariff problem which is now confronting Canada and the United States, is a long way from settlement. The American representatives will meet the Canadian negotiators while both governments are apparently anxious to avoid any tariff war, Canada will stand out strongly for her rights. The representatives will not make any concessions to the Americans. It is quite certain that the United States will not be given the tariff concessions which France received in return for the minimum rate on a long list of Canadian exports. However, there is no intention on the part of the Canadian representatives to discriminate against the United States.

NEW YORK, March 7.—Wall Street—Interest in the opening market was apathetic, dealings were small and changes were narrow. Utah Copper declined 15, Pacific Mail 5, St. Louis and San Francisco 2nd advanced 3.

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