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SUCCESSFUL CONVENTION

Maccabees Are Very Enthusiastic over Prospects For The Order

MANY REPRESENTATIVES

The meeting of the Maccabees was continued all yesterday afternoon. The Committee of Press recommended a continuation of the publication of the Bee Hive, the official organ of the Order, and also a vote of thanks to the local press for its courtesy in publishing the proceedings of the convention. The report was adopted.

The Committee on Good of the Order recommended against increasing the representation to the Supreme body, but the report was referred back, and later the committee brought in a report favoring an increase in representation, which report was adopted.

The Committee of Grievances and Petitions recommended a change in the Sick and Accident Laws, so as to provide for benefits extending over a longer period of time, and the elimination of certain clauses which now appear to be objectionable.

The election of Representatives to the Provincial Convention resulted as follows:

REPRESENTATIVES.
Miss McBean, Windsor.
Alex. Carter, Chatham.
Mrs. Merritt, Windsor.
Jos. Fisher, Wallaceburg.
Mrs. Taylor, Chatham.
Henry Beuglet, Tilbury.
C. L. VonGanten, Blenheim.
A. E. King, Dresden.
J. B. Holmes, Comber.
C. E. Lambier, Leamington.
H. N. Johnston, Essex.
J. H. Preston, Chatham.
J. B. Forest, Walkerville.
T. Terry, Windsor.

ALTERNATES.
W. T. Kettle, Kingsville.
Mrs. Wilson, Tupperville.
Mrs. Reaume, Wallaceburg.
Mrs. Muckle, Blenheim.
Mrs. Body, Walkerville.
Mrs. Drewery, Dresden.

OFFICERS.
P. C.—W. T. Kettle, Kingsville.
Com.—Alex. Carter, Chatham.
Lieut. Com.—Mrs. Muckle, Blenheim.

R. E.—C. L. VonGanten, Blenheim.
P. K.—Mrs. Drewery, Dresden.
Chap.—Mrs. Prendergast, Tilbury.
Sergt.—Mrs. Body, Walkerville.
M. at A.—A. E. King, Dresden.
1st M. at A.—Mrs. Reaume, Wallaceburg.
Picket—J. B. Holmes, Comber.

The next place of annual meeting will be at Chatham, on call of executive.

THE BANQUET.

The banquet and concert, given last night in connection with the K. O. T. M. convention was a grand success. A very large crowd attended, and every part of the program went through without a single hitch. The chairman's address was received with much applause, as were all parts of the musical program which followed. The following was the program:

Chairman's Address.
Overture—DeCov's Orchestra.
Vocal Solo—Miss M. Sherman.
Recitation—Wm. Brownhead.
Violin Solo—Dr. DeCov.
Address—Prov. Com. S. W. Trussler.

Comic Song—Wm. Chrysler.
March—DeCov's Orchestra.
Sentimental Song—Teddie Cooper.
Address—J. M. Pike.
Vocal Solo—Miss M. Sherman.
Comic Song—J. Glassford.
Recitation—Miss Prudhomme.
Address—G. W. Sulman.
Song—A. Wrigley.
Cornet Solo—Dr. DeCov.
Selection—Orchestra.

When the program was finished, the floor was given over to all those who wished to enjoy dancing, and a great many availed themselves of the opportunity, staying till the small hours of the morning.

It is doubtful if a woman really listens even when she talks to herself.

A bargain seems to grow in importance after it has been allowed to pass.

HAS RESOLUTION ROUSED THE GOVERNMENT'S ALARM?

Subsequent Investigation May Affect Wording Of The Gas Act

EXPERT TALKS TO PLANET

Mr. McGill Made Five Tests Of The Local Natural Gas—Will Result In Standard Being Set by Government

The recent action of the Chatham City Council in sending a resolution to the Dominion Government re the purification of natural gas, the details of which are well known to the reading public, may have a much wider influence than it was ever dreamed it would have in the first place. This resolution and the subsequent correspondence, and the publicity given the question by the press, it is said, may result in the Government making very important amendments to the Dominion Gas Act. Certain it is that a standard of purity for natural gas in use will be set. It is understood that Analyst McGill's investigation of the Tilbury natural gas will have much to do in the setting of the said standard. Strength is lent to this conjecture by reason of the fact that Analyst McGill told a Planet reporter this morning, or at least intimated, that he had tests to make in other places before he returned to Ottawa.

Mr. McGill, who was accompanied here by Gas Inspector Nash, of London, completed his tests of the natural gas this morning. He was interviewed by a Planet reporter just before he departed from the Gas Company's office, and though he of course would give out no information with regard to the results of the tests, it is understood that he has found sulphureted hydrogen to exist in the local natural gas in larger quantities than in gas used in other places for domestic purposes.

Mr. McGill was very obliging in giving out what information was in his power to give. Though the tests have been completed, he has yet to make out his report, which will be filed with the department. The City Council, on application, may after a week or so, probably, be asked to make a decision on the report.

Mr. McGill uses a great deal of apparatus in making his tests. The utensils are mostly of glass, even the taps and stop-cocks being glass. They consist of huge glass bottles, siphons and tubes, such as are usually to be seen in large chemical laboratories.

"How many tests did you make of the gas?" he was asked.

"I have made five tests, all told," he replied, "two yesterday for sulphureted hydrogen, one last night for carbon sulphur, and two to-day again for sulphureted hydrogen."

"And the results?"

Mr. McGill smiled, and shook his head.

"The results of my tests will have to be first submitted to the department," he went on, "and will be ready, as I have other gas work to do."

"Then you are going to make similar tests in other places?" This question was met by another non-committal smile and shake of the head.

"In what quantities is the presence of sulphureted hydrogen considered to be dangerous?"

"The law permits of one grain of sulphureted hydrogen for every 100 cubic feet of gas. This has been found to be a practical working standard. Sulphureted hydrogen when consumed, produces sulphurous acid, which is a poison. Thirty-five grains of sulphur is permitted to every 100 cubic feet, if the sulphur is present in any other combination than sulphureted hydrogen. Sulphureted hydrogen is much more dangerous as a poison than sulphur in any other combination. Eighty grains to one hundred cubic feet will emit fumes which will kill a dog. This has been proven through the tests made by M. Tehnard, a celebrated French scientist. Man appears to be able to stand more of it than the lower animals, as experiments have shown."

"Did the Government make a test of the Welland wells, from which

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A LAKE OF OIL

What seems to be a Lake of Oil was struck this morning in the N. W. corner of lot 21, Con. 4, Romney Tp. The well is being drilled by Bernard-Argue-Roth-Stearns Oil and Gas Co. At the depth of 230 feet they went through a hard shell and the tools dropped 15 feet into a lake of oil, when the well began flowing at a fierce rate. This well is nearly one mile in advance of the Tremblay wells, south-west, and opens up a large pool of oil.

About midway between this well and the Tremblay well, on the north-west corner of lot 22, a large well was struck last night by Partidge and Shuler.

THIS WOMAN HAD NERVE

Mrs Freeman, Lacroix St., Deals Effectively With A Burly Tramp

MAN CHANGED HIS MIND

There is a little woman on Lacroix street who is receiving the congratulations of her friends to-day for her extraordinary presence of mind and inexhaustible stores of nerve power. She went through an experience last night which would mean the undoing of many of her sex, but she carried through her part with wonderful success, and came out triumphant. This woman's name is Mrs. Byron Freeman and her husband is employed by Andrew Thomson.

Her husband had gone up town and did not intend to return until late at night. She was left alone in the house with her children. About half past nine o'clock, a big, burly, rough-looking tramp entered the house without knocking, and announced that he was going to stay all night. He proceeded to make himself perfectly at home, and called for a cup of tea, and a lunch. The woman was considerably frightened, and told the stranger that she would not obey his orders and that he had better depart. The man put on his most brutal tone of voice, and scowled his ugliest and shouted out that it was too bad a night to go out, and that he was perfectly satisfied where he was. With a cowardly show of bravery he threatened the woman, and warned her that she had better obey his orders.

By this time the woman was very much frightened, and knowing that her husband would not be home until very late, she decided that she would have to get rid of the stranger herself. She told him to wait where he was and she would get the cup of tea for him. She left the room, and a few minutes afterwards she returned, and told the tramp that she had changed her mind, and that he would have to leave without the cup of tea. The tramp became very much enraged at this and swore considerably, saying, what he was going to do. "Well, you will get that tea," said the tramp, drawing himself up to his most important height, and throwing out his manly (?) chest, "and I tell you right now that I am going no farther to-night."

"Very well," said the woman, "may be this will cause you to change your mind."

She had been standing with one hand behind her back, and as she spoke she exposed not only the hand but also a big coil revolver.

It was surprising how well the tramp remembered the way he got into the house.

SUFFICIENT.

There, now, said Mrs. Hempeck, as she concluded her curtain lecture. A word to the wise is sufficient. Yes, replied her husband, a word in edge-wise is sufficient.

THE LIFE OF N. H. MARTIN

Noted Divine Who Passed Away Was Held In High Esteem

FORMER CHATHAM MAN

(Phillipsburg Post, Feb. 12th.)

Rev. N. H. Martin, pastor of St. Luke's Protestant Episcopal Church, this place, died at six o'clock last evening at the rectory on South Main street, after an illness of seven weeks with stomach trouble. Deceased was 57 years old, and besides his wife he is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Vance, of Dublin, Ireland; Mrs. B. Barnes, of Alberta, Canada; Mrs. H. Ross, of Victoria, B. C.; Mrs. Hamilton, of Arkansas; Mrs. Thomas Wilson, of Belmont, Manitoba; Cecil Martin, of Dawson City, Klondike; and Sydney Martin, of Belmont, Manitoba.

Rev. Mr. Martin took charge of St. Luke's church, July 11, 1894, and worked with untiring effort to promote the welfare of the congregation. His work was well done.

On Christmas Day Rev. Mr. Martin collapsed under a general breakdown in health, and shortly after took to his bed. He failed steadily. For a couple of days past the clergyman had been in a state of coma. Mrs. Martin and her mother, Mrs. Isabella Holmes; Rev. Romeo Gould and Mrs. H. Rush Field were at the clergyman's bedside when death came. Deceased was a native of England, and was a son of the late Rev. and Mrs. N. C. Martin, who passed the years of his clerical duties in Ireland. After he was ordained into the ministry in this country he was called to the last charge held by his late father in Ireland, but did not accept.

Rev. Mr. Martin received his early education in the schools of Dublin, Ireland. He came to America when but a boy, and entered the Helmouth Theological Seminary, at Ontario, Canada, from which he graduated when he was 21 years of age. The first charge he filled was at Windsor, Canada, where he remained four years. His second charge was at Chatham, Canada, remaining there 13 years. He was then called to Calumet, Michigan, and after being there for three years, the clergyman came to St. Luke's.

Deceased was a member of Frontier Lodge, No. 45, of Ontario, Canada, and the Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, of Canada. The clergyman was a Past Grand Master of the Odd-fellows of the Province of Ontario, Canada. He was also chaplain of the Jersey Hose Company. He was enthusiastic in lodge work and he will be missed by the Oddfellows of this vicinity.

On Thursday morning at 11 o'clock funeral services, which will be strictly private, will be held at the rectory by Bishop Lines. The remains will lay in state in the church from 12 to 2:30 p. m., and at 3 o'clock a public service, conducted by the Bishop, will be held in the church. The remains will be laid to rest in the Phillipsburg cemetery.

Rev. Mr. Martin was, as a citizen, one of Phillipsburg's best friends, being always ready and willing to lend a hand for its welfare and promotion. He was always ready and willing to aid in any worthy object and with that Christian spirit never used from his own Christian personality and his fatherly words to the wayward or those who knew not the teachings of the Saviour of mankind. The Post, of which the deceased was a great friend, through its management, offers the profoundest sorrow to his widow, his relatives and the members of his congregation, trusting that God will comfort them in their sad affliction.

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