

AROUND THE CITY

Assembly Postponed.
The private assembly held in the Temple of Honor Hall, Main street on Monday evening, has been postponed until further notice.

Golf Match Today.
The team match president versus vice-president, which resulted in a tie on the local links last Saturday, will be replayed this afternoon. Players desiring to take part should hand in their names to the president or vice-president by 2 p. m. The contestants will be chosen from the names received.

Called by Mother's Illness.
Mrs. W. A. McGinley left last evening for Houlton, Maine, having been summoned there by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Calvin Powers, who has spent some months visiting another daughter, Mrs. George Hood, was taken ill several weeks ago. Her condition now is so critical that her recovery is despaired of.

The Temple Fair.
Considerable interest is being taken in preparation for the Temple fair, which opens on the 28th inst. A ladies' auxiliary is at work providing for the special Thanksgiving supper on Monday, the 30th. A novel design of general decoration has been adopted, which will completely change the exterior of the building. With games and music the fair will be a pleasant place to spend an evening.

Visiting Y.M.C.A. Man From India.
H. C. Dowd, who has been engaged in Y.M.C.A. work in Madras, India, will address the Y. M. C. A. boys in their rooms tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. He will preach in the Portland Methodist church in the morning and in the Main street Baptist in the evening. At four o'clock tomorrow afternoon he will give an address for men only, in the Y.M.C.A., the subject will be "A Critical Situation."

St. John Conservative Club.
A meeting of the executive of the St. John Conservative club was held last evening when arrangements were made for providing furniture for their new quarters in the Market building. The club has secured one of the largest halls in the building and will have it repainted and fitted up in fine style. A part of the hall will be fitted up as a reading room, and it will be provided with papers from different parts of Canada, magazines and other reading matter. A billiard table will be installed for the use of the members. As soon as the furnishing is completed the club will keep open house every evening. A smoking concert will probably mark the official opening of the new room. A large number of applications for membership were handed in last evening.

International Waterways.
A. P. Barnhill, K.C., returned yesterday from Washington where he attended a preliminary meeting of the International Waterways Commission. In reply to The Standard Mr. Barnhill said the meeting was quite informal and was held for the purpose of making plans for organization and for the preparation of rules of procedure in readiness for the first regular meeting. Those present were James A. Tawney and Frank S. Streeter, United States commissioners, and Sir George C. Gibbons, Aime Geoffroy, K.C., and Mr. Barnhill representing Canada. The first chairman of the commission, Senator Thomas H. Carter, died about three weeks ago and President Taft has not yet appointed another member to represent the United States.

THE WOMEN'S CANADIAN CLUB'S ANNUAL MEETING

Mrs. E. A. Smith Re-elected President at Largely Attended Meeting — Considering Memorial to Lady LaTour.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Canadian Club, which was held last night in the Keith's assembly rooms, was attended by a large and representative number of ladies who were interested in the work which is being carried on by that organization. Mrs. E. A. Smith, the president, was re-elected after a very flattering tribute had been paid her by Mrs. G. A. Kuhring.

Lady Tilley was re-elected vice-president, Mrs. E. A. Smith, president; Mrs. Geo. McLeod, Mrs. John H. Thomson, and Mrs. G. A. Kuhring, vice-presidents; Mrs. William Downie, recording secretary; Mrs. A. R. Melrose, assistant secretary; Miss Knox Travers, treasurer; Mrs. Frank, Mrs. G. U. Hay, Mr. G. F. Smith, Mrs. John McKay, Mrs. Robert Thomson, Mrs. James F. Robertson, Mrs. D. P. Chisholm, Mrs. C. B. Allan, Mrs. David McLellan, and Mrs. W. W. White, managing committee.

All the reports submitted were of a very encouraging nature. The secretary showed that during the past year that the present membership of the club was 320, the number joining during the year being 120. The treasurer, Miss Travers, reported total receipts including the balance from last year of \$472.63 with expenditures of \$275.67, leaving a balance on hand in favor of the club of \$197.06.

The annual address of the president was most interesting dealing as it did with the progress made during the past year. It was an admirable resume of the work of the club for the past twelve months and the addresses they had listened to by various speakers. Mrs. Smith took occasion to mention the project for a memorial to Lady LaTour which she hoped would soon take tangible shape in St. John.

The preparation of a programme for the ensuing season was left in the hands of the executive which is composed of the members of the managing committee with officers.

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CONSERVATIVE CLUB FORMED IN LANCASTER

Aggressive Organization was Launched Last Evening, at Thoroughly Enthusiastic Meeting.

With the formation of a Conservative club in No. 1 Parish of Lancaster, the organized strength of the party in St. John continues to grow. The new club which is to be known as the Liberal-Conservative Club of Lancaster No. 1, was formally launched last evening in Orange hall, Fairville. The officers chosen for the first year are as follows:

President—James Bryant.
1st Vice-President—Annie Bettison
2nd Vice-President—H. Atkins.
3rd Vice-President—P. Gleason.
Secretary—Stanley Stout.
Treasurer—Wm. Catherwood.

The executive committee is composed of the officers and the following—Wm. Stinson, Fred Linton, J. H. Hayes, R. Catherwood, Wm. Golding, J. Baird, F. Smith, Squire Allingham, P. Hart, Wm. Corbett, Fred. Peterson, Wm. Stout and Wm. Melanson.

Auditor committee—W. Watson, P. McMurray, and P. Linton.
A committee on by-laws was named composed of H. Byers, J. Clarkson, B. Woods.
The new organization starts under favorable conditions. The attendance at the initial meeting was a large and representative one, including members of the Conservative party from Milford, Beaconsfield, Fairville and other places in the district. Throughout the whole meeting there was evidenced a spirit of enthusiasm, a feeling on the part of the charter members of the desirability of consolidating and realizing the fact that the interests of the party could be best served by bringing the different sections into a united whole and carrying on the work systematically and harmoniously by promoting harmony and good fellowship among the members.

The members of the club through their officers and other speakers, expressed their determination to make the club a progressive one, and if the first meeting succeeded in bringing out such a large number of enthusiastic members, the success of the organization is assured.

A delegation from the Borden Club, consisting of J. Sturt, T. V. Ling, Christopher Spina, Allen Agar and John Willett attended the first meeting of the club and encouraged and assisted the club in the work of organization.

Addresses were given by the representatives of the Borden Club, the new club on the initiative they have shown in organizing what promises to become a strong and flourishing branch of the Conservative party, and also congratulating them on their splendid activity during the recent campaign.

The secretary of the club was instructed to notify Hon. J. K. Fleming of his selection as honorary president of the Liberal-Conservative Club of Lancaster No. 1.

EARLY CLOSING PLAN HAS PROVED SUCCESS

Although By-law was Declared Ultra Vires, Many Shopkeepers Closed and Found it a Good Plan.

Although the early closing by-law was put into the dead letter class by the police magistrate, the spirit of it has been pretty generally observed during the summer by the shopkeepers of the city and a good majority are still closing early and giving themselves and their clerks a chance to see their families and their sweethearts.

M. E. Grass, one of the leaders in the early closing movement, in conversation with a reporter, said quite a number of people who opposed the idea at its inception, found out during the time the by-law was in force that early closing did not affect their business much, and continued to keep their shops closed in the evening after the by-law was declared ultra vires. He intimated that the Early Closing Association would probably take action at the next session of the legislature to secure the passage of an act which would give the police authorities power to close the shops in the evening.

Timothy Donovan, the West Side supporter of the early closing movement, said he knew quite a few shopkeepers who had been converted to the early closing idea by their experience during the summer, and were loath to return to the old conditions. "Some who talk of keeping open after the first of October, are still closing," he said, "I am still closing my own shop early and hope to continue to do so. When the people get accustomed to the idea of buying early, there is not much profit in keeping open half the night."

The Late Mr. Rankin.
The funeral of William B. Rankin will take place at Halifax tomorrow, Sunday. His brother Leonard, will arrive here today at noon and go through to Halifax, Mrs. Annie, his sister, was with her brother when he passed away. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved family in this city. Mr. Rankin was twice married, his first wife, a Miss Erb, having died about nine years ago. His second wife, who was Mary, daughter of Capt. Bealey, of this city, survives him, as do four children, two—Vera and Jack—by his first marriage, and two—Murray and Joyce—by his second. Mr. Rankin was a devout and active Methodist and a member of the quarterly board of Robble street church, by the congregation of which news of his death will be received with a sense of great loss.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Dodge announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss George E. to G. Hartley Colwell, of Vancouver, the wedding to take place in Vancouver on Nov. 17th.

ADDING NAMES TO THE VOTER'S LISTS

Revisors Court Met Last Night and Completed Lists for 1912 — Go Into Effect January 1st.

The Revisors Court composed of Robert J. Cochrane, chairman; Ald. W. E. Scully and E. C. F. Kim, met last evening in the Assessors' office and completed the voters' list for 1912. This list comes into force on January 1st next for provincial elections, and sixty days later for Dominion elections. 303 names were added and six struck off.

A large majority of these names were added by the Conservatives. James R. Cowan and G. Earle Logan appeared for the Conservatives and Heber S. Keith for the Liberals.

CHRISTMAS Dainties WILL COST MUCH MORE

Advances Are Reported in Preserved Peels, Evaporated Fruits and Some Lines of Nuts and Figs.

Christmas is yet a good way off but the local wholesale grocers are beginning to stock up with goods for the festive season. On the whole it cannot be said that from the housekeepers' standpoint the outlook for prices is very encouraging. One of the largest wholesale men told The Standard yesterday that preserved peels would probably be about the same.

There has been a shortage in the crop of peaches and apricots and as a consequence evaporated goods in these lines will be higher. Raisins and currants will be higher. Raisins the reason for this does not appear to be so plain. Last year all the old stock of prunes was used up and this year the supply will be held for higher figures.

Several lines of nuts will be higher, as will be figs. The only reason assigned for the rise in figs was that there seems to have been considerable speculation among the shippers of that fruit, and many losses on shipments as a consequence of dishonesty in packing.

MR. BERTON DEFENDS THE CENSUS TAKERS

Thinks the Criticism of Their Work as Unjustified — Intelligent Men Engaged Did Their Duty Well.

G. K. Berton, who had charge of the census locally, speaking to The Standard yesterday, said he thought the criticism of the work of the enumerators was not justified. If the head of the house was not at home on the first call the enumerator took the number of people in the house from one of the family and left form A to be filled in when the head of the household returned. It was called for later and thus much time was saved. Mr. Berton contended that the men engaged on the work were intelligent and active and had done their duty well.

With regard to the increase not being as great as was anticipated, Mr. Berton said it was frequently overlooked how many St. John people were constantly leaving for the States or Western Canada. This was especially noticeable when a bereavement occurred in a St. John family. The number of relatives who had gone away to other places to live in recent years was a serious loss in population.

Another reason why the increase was small lay in the fact that former residential sections such as King, Charlotte, Devik and Mill streets were now almost entirely given over to stores or factories.

WORK ON NEW THEATRE WILL COMMENCE SOON

The Keith's Theatre Interests Will Have Fine Play House on King Square, to Seat 2000 People.

An announcement made some months ago that Keith's present lessees of the Nickel, had purchased property on King Square for the purpose of erecting an up-to-date theatre, caused considerable interest in local circles, and it will be pleasing news for the public that the interested parties will take measures at once to carry out the original intention. The destruction of the buildings on the King Square property will begin at once, and plans forwarded to be tendered upon by contract. As far as is possible the work on the new theatre will be carried on before winter.

Manager Golding of the Nickel has received word from General Manager E. F. Abbe that the start of the building to be erected here makes it imperative that the initial stages of the work be begun at once. The plan is to build a fire proof combination theatre with a seating capacity of 2,000.

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