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PERSONALS

G. W. Badgley of Montreal is expected in the city today to spend a few days.

Mrs. H. K. Dutcher of Vancouver is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. V. MacKinnon, Wentworth street.

Miss Annie Finlay of 107 Thorne avenue has returned home from a visit to her aunt, Mrs. David Moore, Black River.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Simonds left on Saturday for Harvey Bank, Albert county, to spend a few days with relatives.

Miss Jean T. Leavitt has been offered and has accepted a position in Bishop Strong's school at Toronto.

H. E. Dickinson, Mrs. Dickinson and a party motored to Hampton yesterday.

Miss Elizabeth Turnbull was a guest of the Victoria on Saturday.

Fred J. Irvine of the 23rd (Kilties), is in the city on a visit to his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Irvine, 45 High street.

J. G. Kirkpatrick of Woodstock was at the Victoria Saturday.

W. W. Macdonald, W. H. Price and R. R. McLean and F. C. Robinson of Moncton were at the Victoria Saturday.

R. D. Hubbard of Oromocto was at the Victoria Saturday.

W. W. Hubbard of Fredericton was a guest at the Victoria Saturday.

W. A. Davies of Moncton was at the Victoria Saturday.

F. P. Hinton of St. Stephen was at the Victoria Saturday.

E. C. Rice and Mrs. Rice of Sussex were guests of the Dufferin on Saturday.

E. H. Barnes of Salisbury was at the Dufferin Saturday.

E. P. Gaudet of Moncton was at the Dufferin Saturday.

Mrs. Nathan Steeves of Pettodiac was a guest of the Dufferin Saturday.

A. J. Thompson, Judge O.S. Crockett,

COMMERCIAL MEN TO RAISE \$10,000 FUND

New Brunswick "Knights of the Grip" decide to Secure this Amount for Patriotic Purposes—Strong Committee Appointed.

At a large and enthusiastic meeting of the New Brunswick commercial travellers held on Saturday evening at the Board of Trade rooms it was unanimously decided that they would



J. E. PETRIE,
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raise a fund of \$10,000 for patriotic purposes.

When the commercial travellers make up their minds to a thing that thing is just about as good as done, so it can be set down right now that the patriotic funds in the city will in the near future be the richer by this \$10,000. They have not decided yet just how the money is going to be raised but it will be forthcoming, and a strong committee was appointed to devise ways and means of getting it. This committee will report at a general meeting to be held Saturday, November 11, at the Board of Trade rooms.

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OLDER BOYS CONFERENCE WAS MOST SUCCESSFUL YET HELD

Three Sessions Held on Saturday and Important Services Yesterday—Taylor Statten, National Boys Work Secretary and Originator of Canadian Standard Efficiency Tests the Outstanding Figure of Convention.

The third New Brunswick "older boys" conference was brought to a close last night. The sessions have been held in Centenary church and this has been the most successful both in point of numbers and enthusiasm of the three and judging by the resolutions adopted by the different groups they will go back to their homes to introduce the "Canadian standard efficiency tests" programme in all their churches and the boys will have a better opportunity to learn about the "Jesus" way of living.

On Saturday three sessions were held and some splendid addresses were heard by the boys. In the afternoon, through the kindness of the managers of the Partington Pulp and Paper Co., T. McAvity & Son and the C. P. R. elevator, the boys were enabled to visit these places and see something of the industrial life of the city and at five o'clock they were the guests of the management of the Imperial Theatre.

The banquet Saturday evening was a big success and the boys certainly enjoyed themselves. On Sunday afternoon the speaker was Taylor Statten, National boys' work secretary for Canada, and the biggest figure in that movement. Mr. Statten is the father of the C. S. E. T. programme, the thing which has gripped the boys of this country as no movement ever did, and promises to provide in the next generation a cleaner and more Christ-like body of men to run the business and political affairs of this country and to put into practice the old theory that life is "service, not gain."

Morning Session.

Yesterday morning at 9.15 the boys met at the Y. M. C. A. and after a short devotional exercise divided into denominational groups and talked over plans for introducing the work in their individual churches when they returned to their homes.

Afternoon Session.

At two o'clock a meeting was held at the Y. M. C. A. in which the delegates met as county representatives and suggested ways and means for forming a central committee from all the denominations to supervise the work in each county and arrange for teacher training classes.

At four o'clock a meeting was held in Centenary church. Rev. W. A. Rose presided and the address was given by Taylor Statten, the father of the C. S. E. T. programme for boys.

Taylor Statten.

Mr. Statten said he was very sorry to have missed the Saturday sessions of the conference particularly the banquet, as he wanted to see how the boys behaved, but he had heard they had enjoyed themselves.

He felt that in some respects the Sunday afternoon meeting was the most important of the whole conference as the boys got a chance to think for a little while and realize just what they were at the conference for.

He based his talk on the experience of a boy who had been taught to play baseball by his father and the advice which he gave him "to be steady and play the game." This boy became a member of his High School team and the boys found such an improvement in his play that they asked his father to become the coach for the team. He did so and the boys had a very successful season. At the end of the season they played another team for the town championship, and the day before the game the coach met with an accident and was not able to be present. The game went along to the ninth inning to a tie, this boy was on 3rd base, two men down and a weak batter up, which put the responsibility right up to him to win the game, and he stole home with the winning run. He got credit for winning the game but the unseen trainer who had taught him to play the game had instilled in him the concept, "be steady and play the game" was the one who really won it.

Life was a great game, but in it was the great Master and unseen Coach always ready to give His advice and no boy could do better than follow that advice and play the game as He directed.

There would be great opportunities in the coming years and it was up to the boys of today to fit themselves to meet them. They should rid the country of graft of all kinds and clean up their cities and make living conditions of all kinds better, and this would come to pass if they followed the advice of the great Master Coach and played the game.

At the conclusion of his address cards were passed around among the boys and they had to decide on their names and if they had decided on any forward step toward better living to put it down on the card.

Evening Session.

The evening session met at 8.15 in Centenary church and this was the closing session of the conference. The secretary read his report and the credential and resolution committee reported expressing their thanks to the ladies, Centenary church, press, friends who had entertained delegates, speakers, T. McAvity & Son, Partington Pulp and Paper Co., C. P. R. Curious Publishing Co. and the local Y. M. C. A. for courtesies extended. The total registration for the conference was 302.

Reports were read from different

county representatives and representatives of the various denominations in the city expressing their determination to push the C. S. E. T. programme in their individual churches and have it adopted as the programme for all boys' classes over thirteen years of age in the Sunday schools.

In closing the boys made a circle round the church, all joined hands and sang "Blest Be the Tie that Binds," the benediction was pronounced by Rev. W. H. Barracough and the president pronounced the conference closed.

The Saturday sessions were all held in Centenary as follows:

Saturday Morning Session.

The boys met at 9 o'clock in Centenary church. The President John Jordan, presided and on devotional exercises were led by T. H. Hutchinson, of the National staff who used the booklet "Canadian Boys in Training" which is used for the "Morning Watch" or daily Bible reading by the boys who are following the C. S. E. T. programme.

Rev. Wm. Williamson dealt with organization and discussed thoroughly the best methods to adopt to procure efficiency in class work. A number of the boys took part in the discussion and offered helpful suggestions.

The Sunday programme was taken up by Rev. F. H. Langford. He pointed out the benefits of having the classes separated and suggested some ways in which each class might obtain a degree of privacy in the carrying on of the work even if they were all in one room.

Roll call should be conducted by the secretary, and at the same time the offering could be taken. The minutes of the last meeting should include the athletic activities of the class in order to impress the boys that the Sunday spirit should be present at all their gatherings.

much, and at 5 o'clock they all gathered at the Imperial theatre and saw the three reel picture depicting the adventures of "Thomas Jefferson Morgan, P. J. G."

Evening Session.

At 6.30 the boys, young and old, to the number of 300, gathered in the school room of Centenary and sat down to a banquet served by the Women's Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. The boys proceeded to show their appreciation of the efforts of the ladies in a most practical manner by disposing in short order of the good things set before them.

After the tables had been cleared the boys under the leadership of L. Buckley, participated in a song service, and they surely did make those rafters ring. After the song service the president took the chair and the following toasts were proposed:—"The King," "The Ladies," and "The Fellows at the Front."

Following this a representative of each denomination told why they were represented at the conference, and each voiced a determination to go back to their respective bodies and do all they could to have every boy interested in the C. S. E. T. programme.

William Drake, St. John, spoke for the Anglicans; Paul B. Cross, St. John, for the Baptists; Nigel B. Tennant, St. John, for the Methodists, and Fred Henderson, Fredericton for the Presbyterians.

Arthur Willet and Percy Long, of the Y. M. C. A. spoke on the C. S. E. T. programme from the standpoint of the leader, and both said that from their experience they could say the programme was workable and would be a help to both the boy and the leader.

James Humphrey and Frank Crookshank, of Moncton, told of the Maritime Boys Camp held last summer at Big Cove, N. S., and advised the boys to try and attend the New Brunswick camp the coming summer.

Rev. F. H. Langford gave a demonstration in the charting of a boy and advised every boy present who had not already been charted to go home and get a man to chart him, and then get that man interested in the starting of a class.

The meeting was brought to a close by the singing of the National Anthem and the benediction.

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