

S. P. C. A.

Annual Meeting and the Election of Officers.

Reports of the President, Secretary, Ladies' Auxiliary and Several Branches Submitted.

Lake Steamboats Requested to Provide Better Gangways for the Handling of Cattle—A Summary of the Year's Work.

The annual meeting of the New Brunswick Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, held in the Board of Trade rooms on Tuesday afternoon, was more largely attended than its predecessors for some years past.

To the Members of the S. P. C. A.: The reports which will be submitted to you by our secretary and from the various societies will give some idea of the work which we have been doing in the year.

We are hampered in all our operations through want of funds. Many cases reported from outside of the city cannot be followed as vigorously as they ought to be followed.

We have published lately a new edition of our rules and sections of the public law provincial and Dominion dealing with cruelty to animals.

One of our vice-presidents, the venerable Archdeacon Brigstocke, was in England the past summer, and, at my request, took advantage of a short visit to call on the offices of the Society.

We want more drinking fountains in and about the city. In London, England, and in parts of the United States, for having the minds of young children imbued with the idea of cleanliness and good habits.

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT. S. M. Wetmore, the secretary and agent, submitted a lengthy report and statement. The report among other things states:

"Quite a number of letters of complaint have been received at the office, and I suppose the writers mean well, but when they are afraid to trust us with their names, we are very likely to treat them in the same way, and the waste basket receives the letters.

"In the shipment of cattle and sheep from Sand Point to England during the winter months I cannot see any improvement on that of last year."

"In the shipment of cattle and sheep during the summer season by the river steamers I have not much complaint to make. As a rule, the deck hands handle the live stock carefully, and are willing to comply with my request whenever I have to caution them.

QUEBEC SENSATION.

Rector of English Cathedral Resigns at Request of Bishop.

Scandal Discovered Through the Arrest of Two Boys After a Fatal Quarrel.

Carried a Large Sum—Said That It Had Been Given Them by the Rector.

(Cor. New York Herald.) QUEBEC, P. Q., Feb. 19.—The Very Rev. Dean Norman, of the Anglican diocese of Quebec, and rector of the English Episcopal Cathedral here, has resigned all his offices and emoluments and left the city under such a cloud that it recalls the recent sensational case of Canon Elyon of Westminster Abbey and St. Margaret's.

The indications that brought the scandal to light were obtained in a remarkable manner. John Dickson, a youth seventeen years old, was driving back to town from the country last Sunday afternoon with Blanche Dore, when they met a group of young men who were giving a party for a ring he had given her.

A quarrel followed, and, without further provocation, Dickson drew his revolver and fired at Tanguay. The ball struck George Pepin, a young man who stood beside him, and he died in a few days, but Pepin died in the hospital yesterday.

Dickson and a companion named O'Brien were arrested an hour after the shooting. In their possession was found \$2,000. Both of them are poor and unemployed, and causing death.

ORDERED TO LEAVE TOWN. Dickson said he had received it from Dean Norman, and said it was part of some \$10,000 he had received from him. Taken before a justice magistrate, the boys reaffirmed their story.

They repeated their story before counsel for the diocese. The chancellor saw the dean, who admitted giving \$5,000 to the boys, but denied that he had been guilty of any impropriety whatever. As soon as the bishop heard of the matter he sent for Norman, who is seventy years old and chief engineer of the diocese.

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Children Cry for CASTORIA.

A MURDEROUS CANADIAN. WHITMAN, Mass., Feb. 18.—In what was probably a fit of drunken rage, Wentworth Ibbotson of this town attempted to kill every member of his family by shooting, tonight. He only succeeded in slightly wounding one of his sons and then killed himself.

ALBERT CO. HOPEWELL HILL, Feb. 10.—The funeral of the late Leonard H. Stiles, formerly of this place, who died at Wollaston, Mass., took place here yesterday, Rev. Chas. Coburn conducting the service in the Methodist church.

Luther Archibald has sold his tractor, Rodney, to Hillsboro parties, for a good figure.

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These welcome news spread rapidly among the toppers. At last they had found a place where the rigid requirements of the licensing act were null and void, and it was in the very building where that law was made, and was conducted by its framers.

Apparently, it was all right enough to compel every east-end publican to shut up at certain hours, to compel him to pay a heavy license, and to hand him into custody if he resisted.

But when it came to the house of commons, oh no! The house, it was found, considered itself at liberty to run a public drinking bar to suit itself, not paying a penny for the privilege and ignoring the very statute which it had created.

One of the most successful speeches ever made in support of the address in reply to the Queen's speech, that of Lord Rosebery, as second in the house of lords, on February 9, 1871. It was also his maiden effort, and evoked the

WARMEST CONGRATULATIONS of the leaders of both parties in the Gilded Chamber.

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