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ST. JOHN, N. B.

WHAT OUR EXCHANGES SAY

LIBERAL DIE CRUSTS.

We were promised good times as soon as the liberals sat on the government benches. Has the change made the Annapolis valley people rich? Was there ever such a depression since 1876?

A BIBULOUS BERRY BOULEVARD.

It appears that the San Francisco saloons, if placed side by side in a straight line, would extend nearly sixteen miles—one unbroken, bibulous, berry boulevard.

LIBERAL RULED IN P. E. I.

The net results of twelve years of liberal conservative administration was an addition to our assets of \$25,000; and the net result of five years of the present administration was, admittedly a reduction of close upon \$400,000. By these admitted results the people may, in their financial difficulty, judge which party they had better turn to.

ARRISE, SIR RICHARD.

The Chicago Inter-Ocean says Canada is "begging" for reciprocity. That's how the Americans look at it. Get up off your knees, Dick, and be a man and a Canadian.

THE PRESS SURPRISED.

A chorus of surprise from the press throughout Canada, that two murderers are to be executed is an unpleasant testimony to the existence of a batch of murderers who have been permitted to cheat the gallows.

WELL PAID SENATORS.

A correspondent wants to know what United States senators get. They get \$5,000 a year, clerk, hire, mileage, profits on sugar trust stock, garden seeds and free drinks, as a rule.

HOCKEY AND SHEDDAC OYSTERS

A call for A. H. McCready, who sat at the head of the table, brought that gentleman to his feet. He congratulated the members of the Sheddac team, spoke of the interest the ladies took in the game, and thanked those to whom he was indebted for such an excellent oyster stew.

BIG SCOOP FOR TORY PRESS.

The liberal convention has been postponed till Tuesday afternoon next. You will perhaps get the news of the nomination from other sources before this paper is again issued; but it is not our fault. Our efforts were directed to having the convention held as first announced and at a time which we believed would suit the liberal party in general, and in a place also that was fit to hold a convention in proper form. But other and we presume more important interests were at stake, and consequently the Tory newspapers of Truro will convey the information which properly belonged to the organ of the liberal party.

CHIBSTNUTS!

The monthly weather report, published by the meteorological service of the Dominion of Canada, for the month of August, 1886, arrived at the World office by mail last night. If this is the speed of the weather prophets, drawing their good salaries from the people of Canada, this might account for the contrariness of "Old Prob" for some time past. The chestnut department ought certainly to get a move on.

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MERCIFUL POWERS!

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SHE (PETULANTLY)

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THE WOMEN'S COUNCIL.

Annual Meeting of the St. John Branch and Reports of Officers.

Lady Tilley Re-elected President—The Public Meeting in the Institute.

The annual meeting of the Women's Council was held at the Mechanics' Institute Thursday afternoon. Mrs. E. Travers, the vice president, occupied the chair. The session was entirely devoted to business.

Mrs. Travers' address was as follows: Ladies—Owing to the absence of our esteemed president, Lady Tilley, through a cause which we sincerely regret, and in which we all deeply sympathize, I, as senior vice president, have been requested to preside today at our annual meeting.

Before touching on the business which will presently come before you, I may be permitted to congratulate you on much good work accomplished during the year, and on the continued interest manifested by all in the workings of the Women's Council throughout the Dominion. We report our year twenty-three successful societies. Of these we have lost three by the withdrawal of the Zenana mission, the removal of the headquarters of the Morley college from the city, and the going out of existence of the Day Nursery and Infants' Home. We have gained, however, the St. John County Convention W. C. T. U., which combining, as it does, the W. C. T. U. movement of the whole city and county under the able presidency of Mrs. E. D. Scott, cannot fail to be a strength to us.

It will be unnecessary for me to dwell at any length on the past work of the council, as the ladies entrusted to report upon that work will do so.

The first and most important is the ambulance, which has been presented to the city through efforts of the council, and which, I am sure, a sense of great gratification to us all. There has been also the visit of the A. A. W.

Finally there is a most important subject to be presented for your consideration in the scheme proposed by Lady Aberdeen to establish the Victoria Order of Nurses. Whether or not we are in a position this year to adopt it, must be decided at this meeting, but in any event we must all feel and express our entire sympathy in a plan which has emanated from so estimable and so philanthropic an our esteemed and devoted friend, Lady Aberdeen. In conclusion, let me wish success to all your work during the coming year.

The secretary, Miss E. Peters, in her report stated that ten meetings of the local council and ten of the executive were held during the year. On March 30th the subject of the horrible massacres of the Christians in Armenia was discussed at a public meeting in the Mechanics' Institute, which had been given for the occasion by W. H. Thorne. Interesting speeches were made by Mrs. E. A. Smith, Mrs. E. S. Pliske and Miss Murray. A resolution of sympathy was passed and a large sum was raised, which was sent to Dr. Grace N. Kimball in Turkey.

A petition sent by the county convention of the W. C. T. U. for a jail matron was endorsed. In May Mrs. R. Thomson, Mrs. A. G. Blair, Miss Murray, Mrs. Retaillok and Miss M. Peters went as delegates from the council to the annual meeting of the Women's Council at Montreal. Papers by St. John members were read at that meeting. In June the whole community suffered a public loss in the death of Sir Leonard Tilley, and our sympathy for our beloved president in her hour of affliction was deeply felt and expressed in a resolution of condolence. This grief for a time prevented her taking an active part in her work, but she continues to interest herself in all we do, and has consented to retain her office of president. During the past summer the city has been presented with an ambulance wagon and three field ambulances, and on July 17th a public exhibition was given in St. Andrew's rink. At a subsequent meeting it was decided to also provide a patrol wagon, for which funds are now being collected. In September the A. A. W. held their semi-annual meeting in this city, when they were the guests of the Women's Council. A public reception was given them on the evening of September 15th in the assembly rooms, and during the three following days interesting meetings were held, when papers were read by various members, notably the venerable president, Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, Mrs. Edith D. Cheney, Mrs. Walcott, Kate Gannett Willis and Eva Channing. Their presence in the city was greatly appreciated. We are often asked, "What is the good of the Women's Council?" We think this report of what has been accomplished in our own city during the past year a very sufficient answer, not to speak of the mutual sympathy and encouragement we receive from each other at our meetings. We should like to embrace in our membership all the women of St. John, and we hope to go on in the future trying to act our motto: "Do unto others as you would that they should do unto you."

Mrs. Robert Thomson, the treasurer, submitted the following statement: RECEIPTS. Feb. 24th to May 24th, 1896: Balance on hand..... \$37 42

Amalgamation fees from nine societies..... 18 00

Amalgamation fee from one member..... 50

Collection at the meetings..... 11 95

Sale of four verbatim reports, Jan. 6th to March 9th, 1897..... 3 00

Amalgamation fees from eleven societies..... 22 00

Balance from A. A. W. meetings..... 86 13

Interest while on deposit..... 67

Total..... \$179 72

EXPENDITURE. Feb. 27th, 1897: Fee to National Council..... \$5 00

To N. C. for ten verbatim reports..... 7 50

Present to the secretary..... 30 00

Typewriting 24 copies of resolutions..... 6 30

Post cards..... 2 50

Printing and stationery..... 7 90

Corresponding secretary for postage and telegrams..... 2 77

Post cards and printing..... 4 54

Salary recording secretary..... 25 00

Y. M. C. A. for use of rooms..... 10 00

Deposit in Bank of Montreal..... 51 85

Balance..... 26 35

Total..... \$179 72

AMBULANCE AND PATROL FUND. Deposited in Bank of Montreal..... \$681 30

Paid by Lady Tilley for English ambulance..... \$243 22

Freight, duty, etc..... 50 00

Balance..... \$388 08

For patrol wagon by balance..... \$53 68

From Avon club..... 5 00

From local council..... 51 85

On hand..... \$102 43

The accounts were audited by Miss Orr and Miss Skinner and found correct.

The following officers were then elected for the ensuing year: President, Lady Tilley; vice presidents, Mrs. J. V. Ellis, Miss Murray, Mrs. J. Boyie Travers and Mrs. E. A. Smith; treasurer, Mrs. Robert Thomson; corresponding secretary, Mrs. R. C. Skinner.

The public meeting in the Institute in the evening was well attended and proved to be of a very interesting nature. Mrs. C. E. MacMichael, chairman of the committee in charge of the meeting, occupied the chair, and on the platform were the officers of the council, J. D. Hazen and W. Frank Hatheway.

After a piano selection by Miss Skinner, Mrs. MacMichael briefly explained the object of the meeting, and then called upon Mrs. E. A. Smith, who read a very interesting paper on "The Women's Council." After referring to the large scope of the council, and the great advancement made by women in this century, she said that a woman who aspired to have an ideal home, a centre of holy associations, must be in touch with all conditions of life. The Women's Council presented large opportunities of study. The local council, although scarcely three years old, is composed of twenty affiliated societies with a membership upwards of 800. In meeting together they learn to know each other, and the interchange of thought tends to broaden their views and advance the aims and objects of the different societies whose great gain by the affiliation is the securing of the moral support of all the other societies. Referring to some of the principal things accomplished by the local council, Mrs. Smith pointed to the ambulance, the presence of two ladies on the school board, and the substantial sum sent to the Armenian sufferers. In mentioning the proposed patrol wagon, the speaker admitted the truth of the statement that the wagon was only the step-mother of the police-matron, which was the end in view. Summing up their objects might be ascribed to the elevation of man and woman to a broader, truer and nobler life.

Miss Peters, the secretary, followed with a very interesting report as to the year's work.

Miss Murray then read a paper entitled "A Meeting of Women Workers in the Mother Country." England leads the vanguard of all nations in women workers. Look carefully over the long role of the great women of England, and this is easily apparent. Referring to the annual meeting of the National Council of Women Workers held in Manchester, which lasted three days, Miss Murray detailed the subjects discussed and various business transactions. The papers mentioned covered a wide range from municipal politics to women wage schedules, and the respective advantages offered to women in the different colonies. The report was very instructive and interesting, showing as it did, the large field that can yet be ploughed by local councils.

A song by Miss Drake was next on the programme.

Mrs. Alward read a very interesting paper from the Brussels street Baptist church missionary society, entitled, "What is the best means of obtaining funds for missions?"

A vocal solo by Miss Lugin followed, after which Mrs. C. E. MacMichael read a paper on the "Curfew Bell." The introduction of the question before the Women's Council about two years ago was told of, and a copy of a draft of a bill asking that the city council provide a curfew bell to be rung at 7 p. m. during the months of December, January and February and at 8 o'clock in the other nine months was read. Two of the first questions asked are these: Are the children on the streets after dark? and, is street life detrimental? To answer the first all that is necessary is to take a walk through the principal thoroughfares. For the answer of the other question just think of the temptations presented to children under the age of fourteen. Some ask if these street walkers are children of decent appearing people or children of the slums; they are too well dressed for children of the slums, and so they must be children of neglect, of thoughtless, careless parents, thus children of the street. In referring to some of the objections taken to the measure Mrs. MacMichael called attention to the fact that as far as it being a retrograde step our best laws are the oldest, those given by the great law maker, Moses. It is not solely for the children of the slums, it applies to all classes, there is just as much evil in the boy of St. James as in the boy of St. Giles, and the great fact should not be lost sight of that the boy is father to the man, and that our children are what we make them. In further support of the curfew Mrs. MacMichael pointed out that twenty-nine cities and towns of Ontario have adopted the law, and that it is in force in hundreds of American cities and towns.

While the collection was being taken up a violin solo was given.

The next paper was one on "The Importance of Developing and Fostering Patriotism in Children," read by Miss Tuck. The subject was admirably handled and impressed strongly upon parents and others that to them was left to awaken the patriotism in the young. The press and those citizens who deny the country came in for severe censure. On concluding Miss Tuck received a perfect ovation.

W. Frank Hatheway followed in a few brief remarks. Referring to the last paper, he said that the profound side of the question was that the father and mother should at home make their loyalty and patriotism apparent to their children, and in that way inculcate in them a love and loyalty of everlasting devotion.

Mrs. Hatheway followed with a vocal selection. In response to a request he sang as an encore "Hearts of Oak."

J. D. Hazen was then called upon to make the closing remarks, a summing up of the various papers, which he did in a very pleasing manner, complimenting the ladies of the council in eloquent terms on the great advancement they have made in their work.

PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENTS, ETC. His honor the Lieutenant Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation of John Lawlor, as registrar of deeds for Northumberland.

His honor the Lieutenant Governor has been pleased to make the following appointments: Northumberland—Jas. Rogers Lawlor to be registrar of deeds.

In the County of Carleton—Wendell P. Jones to be a member of the board of school trustees for the town of Woodstock, in room of Randolph K. Jones, whose term of office has expired.

In the County of Northumberland—John S. Benson, M. D., to be a member and chairman of the board of school trustees for the town of Chatham, in room of John S. Benson, M. D., whose term of office has expired.



ST. JOHN RAILWAY CO. They Expect to Have One of the Finest Power Stations in the World.

Description of the Premises and Improvements to be Made This Summer.

When the St. John Railway Co. have completed the improvements that are to be made this summer they expect to have one of the finest electrical power stations in the world.

As already noted in the Sun, they have lately put in and are now using a battery and a half of new boilers, comprising 6 new tubes. The huge new chimney, 175 feet high, circular in form and 71-3 feet in diameter has also been described. About 1,500 horse power is now utilized in their operations at this station. The boilers are of the Babcock-Woocok pattern.

Having taken over the building formerly occupied by W. H. Thorne & Co. as a warehouse, on Nelson street, this being only separated by walls from their station, they now have premises extending 332 feet along Union street, and 95 feet through to Nelson street, besides an ell 37x50 feet. The separating walls will be taken out, and the whole combined structure covered with an iron roof. Engines will be placed on both the Union and Nelson street sides, and the dynamos will be between them, along the centre of the building. There will be 13 engines and 26 dynamos. All the plant from the Wentworth street station will be removed to this building. The improvements will be made during the coming summer.

When all the plant, both for the street railway and for electric lighting, is in place the company will have 2,500 horse power in engines and 1,200 in boilers that can be worked up to 2,400. The station will be able to furnish ample power for present needs and future extension.

The company have two new engines coming, one a Robb-Armstrong of 300 horse power, and another, an Ideal, from Montreal, of 600 horse power. One is for the railway and the other for the lighting department.

The new station when completed will have capacity for 15,000 incandescent and 800 arc lamps.

All work that can be done in St. John is done in their own shops, including repair of engines and dynamos and constructing some of the equipment.

Three open cars, 23 feet long, and each with a capacity to hold 60 people, will be on the street railway route this summer, the last four seats in each for smokers.

The annual meeting of the company will be held about the first of May, and it is understood the improvement in pattern and penetration in his shogun by a novel method. Dr. Kennedy owns a Winchester repeating shotgun. He conceived the idea of making the round barrel square at the muzzle. This he did, and reports that pattern and penetration have been thereby improved. Dr. Kennedy says the whole secret lies in the fact that the four flat sides of the barrel, beveling inward towards the muzzle, simply absorb the load into a compact bunch, as it leaves the gun, without the tearing pressure made by a round choke.

The principle seems to us to have its objections, but we are advised that it works satisfactorily.

WEARS MOURNING FOR A DOG. Mrs. Rebecca J. Marr of Wilmington, Del., is in mourning over the death of her pet dog, Dottie, which died recently of a mysterious disease. Mrs. Marr had the body of the dog laid out in a handsome walnut casket, lined with white silk and satin, with its head resting on a pillow. On the lid of the casket is a silver plate, bearing the inscription: "Dottie, Died January 27, aged 13 years." The dog will be buried by an undertaker on the Newark turnpike. Mrs. Marr says the canine was of extraordinary intelligence, could say prayers and almost talk. She could not hear to have it buried like common dogs.—Philadelphia Record.

THE QUEEN AND FAURE Paris, March 11.—President Faure had a brief interview with Queen Victoria at Noisy-Le-Sac, just outside of this city. The president boarded the royal train at that place. The interview between the Queen and her majesty was most animated and affable. The Queen afterwards presented Princess Beatrice and Princess Victoria of Schleswig-Holstein to President Faure, who in turn presented the members of his staff. The president also signed the Queen's autograph book and kissed her hand on arriving and leaving the train. As the train left the depot her majesty stood at the window and bowed to the people assembled.

A tallor who was asked if the close of the year made him melancholy, said: "Yes, until they are settled for."

THE WEEKLY SUN \$1 a Year.

Advertisement for Wilkinson, Heywood & Clark's English Varnishes. WE ARE AGENTS FOR WILKINSON, HEYWOOD & CLARK'S CELEBRATED English Varnishes. The Varnishes manufactured by Wilkinson, Heywood & Clark are Paler, More Brilliant and More Durable than the Varnishes of any other manufacturers. W. H. THORNE & CO., LIMITED - - MARKET SQUARE

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March 8.—The elections for aldermen wards was held to-day for candidates in first two named are

Frank Risteen, 433, John St. Alkon, 323; W. A. Thomas, 447; A. H. Wiley, 383; Estabrook, 454; P. Farr, 288; W. S. Fisher, 187. The pastor of the Baptist church of this city was attacked yesterday and today is

prevails here now where families are scarce. Almost every shop is crippled by the strike on this account. A simple trick was used by the professor within those walls. Professor Raynes to a Greek class, and for the fun of his professor treated us with spirit and has until the practical discovered and punished meetings in the city and the final day. In the meantime considering the adler strike in case deemed too severe.

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