

## ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Y. W. C. A. HELD LAST EVENING

Reports Read Showed a Most Progressive and Successful Year Under Adverse Conditions—Directors Elected for Ensuing Year.

"A necessary work for the welfare of the community, caring for young women and helping them onward and upward." This was a characterization of the Young Women's Christian Association made by one of the speakers at the annual meeting held last evening in the Recreation Centre, King street East. Devotional exercises, led by Rev. E. B. MacKay, opened the meeting, over which Mrs. J. A. McAvity presided.

The directors' reports follow, with the convocation of the various committees:

The directors of the Y. W. C. A. have this year faced large and rapidly increasing opportunities for work for the benefit of the girls of our city and at the same time many difficulties, discouragements and responsibilities.

For the generous aid we have had from many of our well-wishers among the business men, we would most cordially thank them.

### Report of Convener

Mrs. E. A. Jamieson reported that the Y. W. C. A. has had a busy and useful year. We may state briefly that ours is a labor of love on behalf of the traveling public, particularly unprotected women and children.

During the year ending May, 1920, the trains attended were 3,542; boats attended, 370; persons helped in depot, 267; persons brought to Transient Home, 1,395; persons taken to hotels, 287; persons sent to friends, 41; persons taken to boats and trains; 57; telegrams sent, 325; letters written, 57; girls for whom employment was found, 54.

This makes a total of 2,513 travelers who received personal aid from our workers during the year, or an average of 9 per day.

We gratefully acknowledge the generosity of the Grand Orange Lodge of this province, who voted One Hundred Dollars to the work, and we express appreciation of ready assistance rendered us by the Patriotic Society for returned soldiers and their dependants. As the expenses connected with our Travelers' Aid work includes the salaries of three workers (the third being the matron of our Transient Home) and the rent, fuel, telephone, etc., for our Transient Home, as well as the sums expended in helping really needy travelers, and as our only source of revenue is from the exceedingly small prices we charge for a clean bed and plain, but sufficient, food, all the rest being paid with great difficulty from the funds of the local Y. W. C. A., we presented a petition to the City Council last December in which we asked that a grant be given toward the support of this work.

The council heard us with interest, expressed great sympathy and appreciation of our work, which they agreed was of much benefit to our city and to humanity and voted us not one cent!

We wish to acknowledge the efficiency, faithfulness and loving devotion of our matron, Mrs. Forbes, and of our two workers, Miss Hoyt and Miss Berwick, glowing appreciations of whom have come to us from the heads of the railway service, the C. P. O. S. and the American Immigration office.

The Transient Home  
Miss Edna Austin  
"Back of the Travelers' Aid stands the ever ready Transient Home with its friendly doors, open to the traveler whose needs are more than can be attended to and relieved at boat or station. Here our kind house-mother is in constant attendance." Hundreds of lonely, sick and tired travelers pass through its doors in the year, who carry grateful memories of its care and shelter to their distant homes."

Our Next Venture  
Mrs. R. A. Corbett  
"The Home for Employed Girls in 23 King street has been well patronized since its opening a little more than a year ago. Here our House Secretary, Mrs. Hardie, presides over from twenty-four to thirty-five girls, with many transients. The home is attractive, with reading and music room, and a practical laundry. The board is put at the lowest possible figure, and Mrs. Hardie's care and interest is of untold benefit to all."

A rooming directory provides for those who can not be accommodated here."

The Cafeteria.  
Mrs. W. C. Cross.  
"Here also, 23 King street, is the cafeteria open to all men as well as women. Installed under heavy expense, and difficult to manage except by an expert, this venture has not yet been an asset to the association, but this is partly accounted for by the high cost of food and the low rates charged for meals, as well as the unusual advantage that is given to the girls boarding in the house. To them a flat rate of \$4.00 a week makes an average of 19.12 cents for each meal, so the institution has to make up \$2.94 per week on each girl in the home, averaging from twenty to twenty-eight girls, with also a staff of twelve."

Our Recreation Centre.  
Mrs. Matheson.  
"At a special meeting of the board held early in the month of October, it was decided to take over the property of the St. John's Presbyterian church and adjoining manses from the Trustees of Knox church. It was remodelled into a splendid gymnasium, rest room and large recreation hall. New lighting, plumbing and hardwood floor, with a desk and comfortable chairs in rest room, made the whole a most attractive centre. The 23rd of January saw its formal opening."

Physical Work.  
Mrs. J. D. Hunter.  
"In November the King street east building was opened for gymnasium classes. Although we endeavored all through the season to procure a permanent physical instructor, this was found to be impossible, so Miss K. McK. Matheson, general secretary, had to carry on the work alone."

"Gymnasium classes have been carried on three afternoons and four evenings a week. Our girls have played five games of basketball, the

final one, between Moncton and our Y. W. in our own building, being keenly contested. We already have prospects of a league of five teams with which to start the next season. Most of these are Canadian girls in training teams."

On April 28th we had our first Y. W. C. A. gymnasium exhibition, as a result of which we handed fifty-five dollars over to our treasurer. Great credit is due Miss Matheson and our senior Y. M. C. A. boys who so nobly assisted."

Our recreational centre is gradually growing in popularity. We started out with a rally of C. G. I. T. clubs, over three hundred being present.

"The girls' cabinet, which is composed of two girls from each club, held a Shamrock Tea. The proceeds, one hundred dollars, were handed over for the benefit of the King street east building. The cabinet girls, who number about eighty, use the Centre for all business meetings."

"The committee has had the pleasure of welcoming the High School Alumnae, Carmarthen street Sunday school class, the Overseas Club of the Hotel, the Y. M. C. A. leaders, and eight parties from High school. In addition to this each gymnasium class has, in turn, been at home to their friends. Your committee was also pleased to welcome the Moncton boys and girls after their basketball game, and as they remained over Sunday, a sing-song was held Sunday night."

The Membership.  
Mrs. Fred Cowan.  
Our present membership is:  
Life members . . . . . 5  
Sustaining members . . . . . 182  
Regular members . . . . . 455  
Junior members . . . . . 60  
Total . . . . . 692

Finances.  
Mrs. James F. Robertson.  
"Our finance committee has had a thorny path, facing mounting expenses with very small resources. A campaign to assist financing our work was organized for the end of 1919, but was not fully carried out until the beginning of this year (1920), when unfortunately it conflicted with the Forward Movement campaign and consequently was not as successful as we had hoped, or as we felt the work deserved. So, while we had a number of good subscriptions from the business men, who understood and sympathized with our efforts, the total was a sad disappointment to our anxious board. All donations cannot here be acknowledged, all so much expected and so graciously received, yet the board would like to mention the generous gift of two hundred dollars from the Loyalist Chapter, I. O. O. F.; three hundred and sixty dollars collected by the Rotary Club; one hundred dollars from the Y. W. P. A., with a subscription to a magazine for our reading room. From the New Brunswick Division of the Mailway Mail Clerks' Association, as a mark of their admiration of the Travelers' Aid work, twenty-five dollars, and one hundred dollars from the Grand Lodge of Orangemen; also the kindly thought of the late Mrs. E. N. S. Murray, who left a sum of money, of which we are to receive the interest each year."

Our Accounts.  
are so accurately kept by our most

HABEAS CORPUS GRANTED  
Before His Honor Judge Crockett in Chambers yesterday morning a writ of habeas corpus was granted on petition of Tony and Francis Cobell for the release of Mary McGonnel from the Home of the Good Shepherd. She is a daughter of Frances Cobell by her first marriage. Rev. Wm. Duke appeared with the girl and gave her over to the custody of her step-father and mother. R. A. Davidson appeared for the petitioners.

Departures—Canadian Beaver, British West Indies and Havana; Mt. Olivet, Tampico; Lake Gallen, U. S. Shipping Board; Timorodok, Gibraltar; Western Star, Antwerp.

Children Cry for Fletcher's  
**CASTORIA**

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efficient treasurer, Mrs. T. H. Somerville, ably assisted by Miss Trueman, our office accountant, that we can welcome inspection at any time. The expenditure for the year was:  
For regular work . . . . . \$27,278.16  
For furnishings and equipment . . . . . 8,124.07  
Total . . . . . \$35,402.23  
Deficit last year . . . . . 1,589.34

Receipts to April 30th, 1920:  
Departmental . . . . . \$22,660.46  
Membership . . . . . 864.75  
Subscriptions . . . . . 6,589.69  
Total . . . . . \$30,114.90  
Deficit this year . . . . . 6,876.68  
Total . . . . . \$36,991.57

Assets:  
Furniture equipment and supplies . . . . . \$18,646.38  
Mrs. T. H. SOMERVILLE, Treasurer.

The election of six directors resulted as follows: Mrs. J. A. McAvity, Mrs. W. H. Luskden, Mrs. Alfred Morley, Mrs. E. Altherton Smith, Mrs. R. A. Jamieson, Mrs. J. D. Hunter. Others on the Board are Mrs. R. C. Cruickshank, Mrs. T. H. Somerville, Mrs. R. A. Corbett, Mrs. H. W. Robertson, Miss Edna Austin, Mrs. R. C. Elkin, Mrs. Fred Cowan, Miss MacLaren, Miss A. L. Brock, Mrs. W. C. Cross.

After two very charming solos sung by Miss Dawson to which Miss Gladys Kett played the accompaniment, Miss Mary Allison, Field Secretary of Girls Work for the Maritime Provinces told of the extent and benefits of the C. G. I. T. Classes and how the Y. W. C. A. cooperates with the churches and brings the churchless girl into a church home. Miss Allison pointed out the need of a local Girls' work secretary and at the close of her interesting address Mrs. McAvity announced that a local girls' work secretary had been engaged who will take up the work in August.

Rev. George Dawson made an appreciative address referring especially to the business like reports given and stating that if such a splendid work could be more heartily supported there would be fewer desolate homes such as we read of in the police court news.

Rev. F. S. Dowling also spoke briefly laying emphasis on the fact that while a Girls' work secretary is necessary he felt that the salary of such a worker should be paid by the Protestant churches. The church's benefitted greatly by the C. G. I. T. classes and should contribute largely to its support.

ACIDS IN STOMACH  
CAUSE INDIGESTION  
Create Gas, Sourness and Pain  
How To Treat.

Medical authorities state that nearly nine-tenths of the cases of stomach trouble, indigestion, sourness, burning, gas, bloating, nausea, etc., are due to an excess of hydrochloric acid in the stomach and not as some believe to a lack of digestive juices. The delicate stomach lining is irritated, digestion is delayed and food sours, causing the disagreeable symptoms which every stomach sufferer knows so well.

Artificial digestants are not needed in such cases and may do real harm. Try laying aside all digestive aids and instead get from any drugist a few ounces of Bismarck Magnesia and take a teaspoonful in a quarter glass of water right after eating. This sweetens the stomach, prevents the formation of excess acid and there is no sourness, gas or pain. Bismarck Magnesia (in powder or tablet form—never liquid or milk) is harmless to the stomach, inexpensive to take and is the most efficient form of magnesia for stomach purposes. It is used by thousands of people who enjoy their meals with no more fear of indigestion.

J. F. Whitney Beazley, of the local staff of McLean-Kennedy, will leave this morning for Antwerp to spend a few days before going to Montreal for the summer season.

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# Knocking, Knocking, Who Is There?

All day today and tomorrow; yes, and perhaps even into next week, Salvation Army lasses and men will be knocking at the doors.

Some doors will be opened to them.

Some doors will be closed.

The door does not matter.

But the heart does.

Most of the people called upon during the day-time in their homes will be women.

From no others will Self Denial be more real than to the women of the household.

We know how much it costs to buy even the bare necessities of life.

We know how much many women, especially mothers, deny themselves already, in order to provide comforts for their homes and for their children.

We believe our Self Denial appeal to the women in the home will touch a most responsive chord.

The Salvation Army has been kept alive by the gifts of those who can least afford to give.

But the spirit of Christ prompts the heart.

When the knock comes to your door, open your heart and give.

Yours is a gift in His Name and for His Service, and will be blessed indeed.

## Salvation Army Jubilee Self Denial Campaign

Under the Direction of the St. John Rotary Club.

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