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BLAZE IN THE KLONDIKE.

Five Lost in the Burning of Aurora Road House.

Vancouver, B.C., March 11.—In the fire which destroyed the Aurora Road House, 55 miles below Dawson City, on Hunker Creek, Klondike, Thursday night, Charles Burnside, the proprietor, with his wife and two children, Beatrice and George, perished like trapped rats, Thomas Baird, a young miner from St. Mary's, Ont., a cousin of Prof. Baird, of Manitoba College, sharing in their awful fate.

William Dice of claim 44 discovered the fire, but too late for rescue efforts to avail. The remains of five victims, with the charred body of a dog, were recovered in the morning by Corporal Ryan and a coroner's jury returned a verdict of death by suffocation. The bodies of Burnside and Baird had been partially clothed, and the original theories of the police suggested foul play, but later opinion favors pure accident.

All the charred bodies were given burial at Hunker. The Burnside family came from Portland, Oregon, where Mrs. Burnside's three sisters are in the St. Vincent's Hospital, the one Sister Superior and the other two as nuns. Another sister is a nun at Yakima, and a brother is in the Seattle police department.

THE ANDERSON BANK.

Meeting of Creditors is Again Adjourned.

Oakville, March 11.—The fourth meeting of the Anderson Bank creditors was held in the Council chamber yesterday. The attendance was not so large as formerly, owing to the almost impassable state of the roads. The inspectors asked for another adjournment, because Mr. S. H. Blake, K.C., desired some more statements before advising just what action be taken to break the blanket mortgage held by the Bank of Hamilton. The meeting granted the adjournment until the call of the Chairman. There was considerable discussion. Most of the speakers favored some definite action to upset the security held by the Bank of Hamilton, while others thought the Government should conduct the case, and if possible, discover where the money had gone, and who is responsible. It would be a case of great interest to the public, and might prove a protection to investors throughout the Province. However, should the Government not take the matter in hand, dozens of creditors have offered to supply the necessary funds to test the liability of both the Andersons and the Bank of Hamilton.

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## HOSPITAL'S SPLENDID RECORD REVIEWED AT ANNUAL MEETING

Ex-Mayor Malcolmson, the Founder of the Institution, again Re-elected President—A Remarkable Record of Good Work—Words of Praise from Physicians and Pastors.

Chatham is indeed fortunate in many ways, but if there is one thing which we should be thankful for and proud of more than another it is the fact that we have situated in our city two of the finest and best managed hospitals to be found in the province. One of these, The Public General Hospital is governed by a society of philanthropic men and women, who each year manage, through subscriptions and hospital receipts, to raise enough money to successfully conduct this noble work. The annual meeting of this society was held in the Council Chambers, Harrison Hall, yesterday afternoon, with the President, Hugh Malcolmson, in the chair.

Mr. Malcolmson, who is the life and soul of this grand institution, is a man whose name will go down in the history of our city as one of the most philanthropic and noble minded of its day. Twelve years ago he conceived the idea of building a hospital in the Maple City. He went about it with his characteristic energy and business ability, and the result of his labors, assisted by the co-operation of his generous citizens, is the large, beautiful building situated on the bank of the river in North Chatham—the Public General Hospital. This work has not been accomplished without serious difficulties arising—difficulties not easily bridged. Many men would have been discouraged long before the work was completed, but Mr. Malcolmson had only the one end in view, to alleviate the suffering of his fellow-creatures. He stuck manfully to his work and he has been rewarded for it. It is indeed an achievement of which Chatham should be proud.

Owing to the very wet weather there was not a large attendance at the annual meeting. Among those who were present were S. F. Gardiner, T. K. McKend, Rev. Mr. Cobblecluck, Rev. T. Beverley Smith, Rev. T. T. George, Rev. W. E. Knowles, Dr. J. K. Holmes, M. Houston, Dr. H. Duncan and Mrs. W. J. Taylor.

Mr. Malcolmson opened the meeting with a few appropriate introductory remarks, after which the following reports were read:—

ANNUAL REPORT.

The thirteenth annual statement of the Trustees of the Public General Hospital Society of Chatham, for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1902.

Total receipts ..... \$10,505.38

Total disbursements ..... 9,331.10

Cash on hand ..... \$1,174.28

Total liabilities ..... \$28,337.76

Total assets ..... 27,153.48

Cash on hand ..... \$1,174.28

We have audited the treasurer's books and certify that they are correct in every particular and that the above is a true statement of the affairs of the Public General Hospital Dec. 31st, 1902.

GEO. D. ROSS,  
W. M. FLEMING,  
Auditors.

To the President and Board of Trustees of the Chatham General Hospital:

Gentlemen,—I have the honor of presenting the 10th annual report of the training school. There are at present fourteen nurses engaged on the staff, of whom two are in the third year of training, five in the second year, five in the first year and two probationers. The class consists of Misses Stone, Wightman, Tinsley, Thurst, Ross, Millard, Head, Chatham; Miss Thomas, Sarnia; Miss McKend, Lucknow; Miss Craig, Paisley; Mrs. Gelles, Duart; Miss Kelly, Watford; Miss Beater, Trenton, and Miss Meikle, Galt.

With the exception of Mrs. Hutcheon there was no serious illness among the nurses. We wish to convey our thanks to the medical staff for their lectures and assistance in every way.

The Board has been very generous in making necessary improvements. Among the changes made, the most useful was the changing of the top flat, which is now entirely used for patients. We also wish to thank the Ladies' Assisting Society for furnishing our dining room so tastefully, and for flowers and other things that add much to the comfort of the patients.

During the year many kind friends have remembered us in various ways.

Patients in Hospital Jan. 1, '02..... 27

Births..... 29

Admitted during year..... 410

Discharged..... 19

Died..... 29

Number in Hospital Dec. 31, '02..... 176

Number of males..... 200

Number of females..... 453

Canadians..... 6

Americans..... 4

English..... 1

Irish..... 1

Scotch..... 168

Patients from the city..... 285

Patients from the country..... 6

Patients from the U. S..... 7

Patients from other countries..... 1

Causes of deaths—Pneumonia 1, abscess brain 1, heart disease 5, Cancer 1, paralysis 3, aneurysm pectoris 2, typhoid 1, Bright's disease 1, surgical operations 181, deaths from operations 1, deaths from other causes 18.

B. E. KENNEDY,  
Matron.

### PETITION GOVT.

The Kent County Law Association prepared a petition and it was forwarded to the Government to-day. The petition requests that the new law requiring an affidavit before letters of administration are granted, be amended as regards small estates. Since the defalcations of Macdougall at Toronto, the law has been so amended as to compel lawyers not only to collect the revenue but also to make their clients swear to things almost impossible for the laity to understand. The Kent Law Society are asking that this long and cumbersome affidavit be dispensed with as regards small estates. They are also asking other societies to join with them in petitioning the Government.

### A BRILLIANT OPENING.

BEAUTY AND FASHION CROWD THE LEGISLATURE.

Mr. Charlton is Speaker—Speech From the Throne—The Address To-day.

Toronto, March 11.—Society and the public generally united to make yesterday's opening of the Legislature a truly picturesque and popular function. There was no public mourning to restrain the profusion of color, as during the two preceding years following Victoria's death, while the excitement of meeting a new House brought the leaders of fashion to honor the event. It was voted by the experienced to have been the most brilliant opening on record in Ontario. The members, as usual, were driven from their territory by their wives and daughters. The central space on the floor was crowded with invited guests of honor, while the galleries were filled an hour before the time for opening. The blinds were drawn, and the lights blazed forth upon the delicate evening toilettes and beautiful faces. The ceremony was longer than the ordinary opening, owing to the necessary election of a Speaker. Mr. Charlton was the unanimous choice. In making the nomination Premier Ross delivered a brief laudatory address, while Mr. Charlton's acknowledgment was most graceful and tactful.

His Honor then read the speech from the throne, as follows:—  
Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:—  
I have much pleasure in welcoming you to your duties as representatives of the people at this first session of a new Parliament.

In common with all his Majesty's subjects throughout the British Empire, we rejoice at the coronation of Edward VII. as "King of Great Britain and Ireland and his Majesty's Dominions beyond the seas," and as loving subjects we sincerely pray that he may long be spared to occupy the throne of his ancestors as the sovereign of a loyal, contented and prosperous people.

The vote polled on the 4th of December last in favor of the liquor act of 1902, though not large enough to bring the act into force, may, nevertheless, be taken as an expression of the electors favoring further legislation with respect to the liquor traffic. A measure with this object in view will be submitted for your consideration. It is gratifying to notice that many County Councils have provided for the indigent of their own counties by the establishment of Houses of Refuge. Some counties, however, have no other refuge for destitute persons than the county jail, and it is the intention of the Government to submit legislation for the further extension of this system of public charity.

In order to the better suppression of contagious diseases in many parts of the Province, it appears to be necessary to secure the effective co-operation of the municipalities with the measures adopted by the Legislature. Your attention will be called to a bill for this purpose.

In view of the great demand for electrical energy for industrial and other uses, it is desirable that the utmost facility should be afforded, through municipal control where necessary, for the utilization of these ends of the water powers of the Province. A bill to provide for this object will be laid before you.

Bills will be submitted for the consolidation of the municipal act and for the revision and amendment of the assessment act.

The following notices of motions were given:—Mr. Ross—To amend the assessment act; regarding electoral power and transmission. Mr. Gibson—To amend and consolidate the municipal act. Mr. Davis—To amend the act respecting land grants to the veterans of 1866 and others. Mr. Stratton—To amend the license act. Mr. Harcourt—To amend the public and high schools act. Mr. Latchford—Bill respecting the Temiskaming and North-eastern Ontario Railway.

Mr. Preston has given notice of two bills to amend the municipal act; also a bill to regulate the speed and operation of automobiles and motor vehicles on highways.

N. H. Stevens and M. Wilson, K. C., attended the annual meeting of the Northern Life Insurance Co. in London. The old officers were all re-elected. The Hon. David Mills is president and N. H. Stevens and M. Wilson, K. C., are directors.

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