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WILL CELEBRATE HALF CENTURY OF CONFEDERATION

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 30.—On September 1, 1864, delegates from Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island met in the executive council chamber of the provincial legislative building to discuss the idea which subsequently crystallized into Canadian confederation. Tonight is the same chamber, a large number of representative citizens met to discuss plans for celebrating next summer the memorable meeting of fifty years ago. Premier Matheson, who presided, gave a historical sketch of the first conference, of which the Quebec conference at which union of four provinces was consummated, was virtually but a continuation. The foundation of confederation was actually laid in Charlottetown.

He contended the island had paid a high price for entering the union, having suffered for want of adequate revenue after having surrendered her tariffs and having lost much through lack of regular communication with the mainland promised by candidates. He said: "The proposed car ferry will make up in a measure for Canada's neglect of us in the past. Through no fault of ours, we had lost two members since confederation and are in danger of losing another. Careful attention to the jubilee celebration might well restore the island her six members and give us another chance.

The business of the meeting was then taken up. On the premier's motion, Mr. Justice Hazard of the supreme court, an ex-premier, was appointed permanent chairman of the general committee. The other officers consist of three vice-chairmen including two from other counties, a permanent secretary and permanent treasurer, an executive committee consisting of senators, federal and provincial members ex-officio, the mayors of incorporated towns and sixteen others. This committee will decide on general scheme of celebration, appoint sub-committees also communicate with Dominion and provincial governments with a view of obtaining financial and other aid.

At tonight's meeting, suggestions as to the celebration included bringing Sir Charles Tupper from England in a warship to take part in erecting a monument on the public square; making the province of Canada, honorary president, and the governor-general patron of the committee; holding military and naval reviews, etc. The meeting favored holding the celebration in July. The committee is to report on Monday as to the programme. Modista a Smuggler. Boston, Mass., Dec. 30.—Miss Kate A. Brennan, a New York dressmaker, pleaded guilty today to two indictments charging her with smuggling and with conspiracy to smuggle goods through this port. She was indicted after the arrival of the steamer Carpathia from Liverpool last March, when a trunk left on the pier was found to bear a bogus customs sticker. It contained \$6,000 worth of imported gowns and other finery. L. L. Shelvin, former deputy collector of the port, and his wife, were accused of conspiring with Miss Brennan. Sentence was suspended in her case pending the trial of the Shelvins.



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Christmas Trees For Sunday School Children

In several of the Sunday schools in the city, yesterday, the children were entertained, and received gifts of varied character, as is customary at this time of the year. In all cases the treat was made enjoyable. About 400 children of St. Luke's Sunday school had a good time, they were accompanied to the school by their elders. A long and enjoyable programme was provided which included songs, recitations, and drill. Much excitement prevailed, and there was a general rush for the outer door, when it became known that Santa Claus was waiting to enter with his donkey and sleigh. The latter fellow and his equipment had got on the platform the presents were distributed, and no child was refused. The arrangements were in charge of Rev. R. P. McKinn, Rev. Mr. Colten and H. Usher Miller.

Marsh Bridge Mission. The children of the Sunday schools in connection with the Marsh Bridge Mission had a good time, under the supervision of Mr. McLaughlin, music, recitations and other forms of entertainment were provided. The gifts were distributed to the scholars and teachers from the Christmas tree. H. L. Sheppard acting as Santa Claus. An address was given by Rev. W. H. Barracough.

St. Matthew's Presbyterian church school had a varied programme which included a visit by Santa Claus who, coming well provided, gave many presents to the scholars. The programme was as follows: Chorus, primary department, recitation, Ella, Urquhart, duet, Winnie and Jean Aird; chorus, Lake Silver Lamps; violin solo, Hazel Ward; recitation, Winnie Aird; piano-forte duet, Lulu and Estella Robertson; recitation, Miriam Ward; solo, Madeline Daley; recitation, Miss Ward; duet, Winnie Aird and Clara Devine; recitation, Eliza Campbell; solo, Annie Aird; recitation, Gladys Tower and Jean Burt, closing chorus.

Exmouth Street. More than 100 children of the Exmouth street school were, at one time, present in the school room and all were made happy. The entertainment was for those in the beginners' and primary departments, and Miss Mabel Sandau and L. Myles had charge. An enjoyable supper and programme of songs, recitations and other forms of entertainment were provided. The superintendent, Ernest Thomas, was chairman. Rev. R. S. King presided and gave addresses. Towards the close Santa Claus, impersonated by William Lawson, arrived with boxes of candy for the children.

The King's Daughters. The Comfort Circle of The King's Daughters entertained about sixty poor children who were invited to the Christmas tree with them. Candy and little snow shovels were given to the children and they also enjoyed a good lunch.

St. Andrew's. St. Andrew's Sunday school had a most enjoyable social gathering when the little ones and their friends assembled in large numbers and were treated to a hospitable supper followed by a programme of fourteen numbers, including musical selections, recitations and a chorus by the scholars of the school. St. Andrew's cadet corps gave an exhibition of physical drill, and, last but not least, Santa Claus arrived by way of the chimney and with the jingle of sleigh bells, entered the room, where he distributed candy and oranges to the scholars and visiting children.

St. Stephen's. The annual tree and treat of the Sunday school children of St. Stephen's church was held in the school room last night and the children and elders, to the number of 400, crowded the hall and enjoyed the most successful Christmas affair in the history of St. Stephen's. The school room was gaily decorated with flags, bunting and evergreens, and the giant tree, resplendent in light and tinsel, was the centre of attraction for the youngsters. The children were made happy by generous presents from the big tree, and after playing games, were treated to a bountiful supper. A short concert was later given by the children, and the songs and recitations were heartily applauded. The following prizes were awarded for good attendance at the Sunday school: Martha Wilkins and Jack Irvine; for good attendance at the Mississauga Club, Gladys Clayton. The boys and girls of the athletic club presented Mrs. Brown, teacher of the Sunday school, with a handsome vase of flowers and stand; and Superintendent Irvine, on behalf of the teachers and scholars of the Sunday school, presented the pastor, Rev. A. Gordon Dickie, with a fine leather traveling bag. The entertainment was in charge of Superintendent J. J. Irvine and he was warmly complimented on the splendid work he had done towards the successful evening.

In Portland Methodist Church a Christmas celebration was held for the primary department last evening. R. T. Hayes, president of the Sunday school, and Mrs. A. W. McInnes, teacher of the primary class, assisted in making the event a great success. About seventy children, members of the primary department of St. Mary's Sunday school, were entertained yesterday afternoon by the teachers, assisted by the rector, Rev. W. O. Raymond, and in the evening the other children of the Sunday school, accompanied by their parents, met in the school room. Presentations were made to each child of the school as well as to the teachers. J. N. Rogers, principal of the Sunday school, was made the recipient of a gold coin. Rev. W. O. Raymond made the presentation on behalf of the scholars.

The usual Christmas supper was held in the basement of the Main street Baptist church last evening. Between four and five hundred members of the Sunday school were present. A short musical programme was carried out. The Leinster street Baptist Sunday school was entertained last evening by the primary department of the Sunday school. About fifty members of the Bible class and the teachers and officers were present. Supper was served by the ladies after which the business meeting was held.

The annual Christmas tree party in Trinity church Sunday school was given yesterday afternoon. A tree, covered with presents for the children, whose ages ranged from six years down to were erected in the school room. Among those who assisted in making the party a success were Mrs. Malcolm MacKay, Miss Ethel Jarvis, Miss Knight, Miss Smith, Mrs. Harold Schottel, Mrs. Ryder, Miss MacMillan, Miss Mary Harrison and Mrs. Beverly I. Armstrong.

Christmas Trees For Sunday School Children

The party for the senior scholars was held in the evening. Addresses were delivered by F. Del. Clements, Charles Upham and Honore Porter. Prizes competed for in the examinations held under the auspices of the general syndicate were presented to Miss Dorothy Payard and Miss Elsie Hallamore. Miss Ethel Jarvis presented a report of the primary department. Refreshments were served. A pleasant time was enjoyed last evening by the members of the choir, the singers, collectors, Sunday school teachers and other general helpers about St. Peter's church when they were the guests of the Benevolent Fathers of a delightful supper in the chapel. More than sixty were in attendance. During the evening an entertaining programme was given, including the showing of descriptive view of interest. The rector of the parish, Rev. Charles McCormick, C. S. R., thanked those present most heartily for their co-operation during the year and the assistance rendered in the church work.

Santa Claus was heavily loaded with the good things that little ones hold most dear when he made his arrival in the school room of St. James' church last evening. Games and music enlivened the occasion and the large number of little ones enjoyed themselves greatly, a particularly entertaining feature being the production of the story of "Mother Goose."

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TWELVE MILLIONS INVESTED IN FOXES ON P. E. ISLAND

Charlottetown, Dec. 30.—The outstanding feature of the year on P. E. Island has been the phenomenal development of the fox industry. The present value of ranches is \$12,000,000, twenty-five per cent more than the stock on the farms. The government will receive \$87,000 from fox taxes. Prices show no sign of decline, options for next year being sold at from \$12,000 to \$14,000 per pair, and next year will probably see mergers of important ranches. This week options were taken on several companies aggregating capitalization of about a third of a million. A prominent Halifax promoter has left here for England to finance the merger. Agriculture about held its own during the year. There was a shortage in crops which is almost offset by increased prices. The value of the crops is about \$11,000,000, fisheries \$1,000,000. Leading merchants of the island are almost unanimous that the year has been a good one, from a business standpoint. The fox industry has loosened up money and stimulated speculation. A large portion of fox dividends was put back into more foxes, but despite this collections were up to the average. Next year will likely see a new woolen factory and rolled oats mills starting, and the expansion of some existing industries, such as the paper and timber industry by artificial cultivation; starting of the car ferry pier, passing of an act allowing automobiles to run; erection of permanent steel bridges; extension of lectures and courses in agriculture; and the increase of teachers salaries are other milestones on the road of progress.

New Year's Greeting By Auto. Tonight at midnight, O. E. White, accompanied by Harry Ervin and James Pullen, Jr., will leave city hall in an automobile on the skirt of a trip to Halifax. They will take messages from Mayor Fink to the Mayor of Halifax and from the N. B. Automobile Association to the Halifax Automobile Association.

SHIPPING

Almanac for St. John, December 31. A.M. High Tide... 2.00 Low Tide... 8.38 P.M. Sun Rises... 8.11 Sun Sets... 4.45 Time used is Atlantic standard.

PORT OF ST. JOHN. Arrived Yesterday. Stn Calvin Austin, 2,853, Mitchell, from Boston via Maine ports, A. E. Fleming, pass and mail.

CANADIAN PORTS. Halifax, N. S., Dec. 30.—Arr schr Alais, from Barbados. Sid—Stms Shenandoah, for St. John; Sydney, N. S., Dec. 30.—Sid British steamer Ravaria for South Africa at 8 a. m.

BRITISH PORTS. Ardrossan, Dec. 25.—Sid stmr Bengore Head, for Halifax. Glasgow, Dec. 27.—Arr stms Almona, from Norfolk; Numidian, from Philadelphia; St. John's (Nfld.). London, Dec. 27.—Arr stmr Montfort, from St. John.

FOREIGN PORTS. Boothbay Harbor, Me., Dec. 26.—Arr schr Moonlight, from Calais for New Bedford; Ronald, Kingsport, Havana; McClure, from Dorchester for Salem; Lucia Porter, from St. John for do; Virginia, from Port Grenville for Boston; Robert Pettis, from Weymouth (N. S.), for do; Eva C, from Bridgewater for Boston. Calais, Dec. 26.—Arr schr W. E. & W. L. Luck, from New York. Antwerp, Dec. 30.—Sid stmr Pandasia, Wright, for Buenos Ayres. Ynyard Haven, Dec. 30.—Arr schr L. A. Plumer, from Farsboro (N. S.); Margaret B. Roper, from Hillsboro (N. B.); Samuel Calkins, Jr., from Calais; Laura C. Hall, from Port Reading. Gloucester, Mass., Dec. 30.—Arr schr Arthur Gibson, from St. John; St. John, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Sid stmr Clothilde Cuneo, for St. John; schrs Mary A. Hall, for St. John; Harold B. Cousins, do; Silver Spray, for Eastport, Maine. Ynyard Haven, Dec. 30.—Sailed schr Moama, for St. John; Henry H. Chamberlain, do; Sawyer Bros, for St. Stephen (N. B.); Laura, for Yarmouth; J. J. Lewis, do; J. J. Lewis, do; Jesse Hart, do, for Eastport. Calais, Dec. 30.—Sailed schrs Ernest T. Lee, for New York; Winnegance, do.

MARINE NOTES. Furness liner Shenandoah is due to steam from Halifax tonight for St. John to discharge London cargo. The Shenandoah will load outwards 64,000 bushels of grain and 800 standards of wool. Manchester Corporation will steam on Saturday for Manchester with 122,000 bushels of grain. Ramore Head has been substituted for St. John on Jan. 10. The Ramore Head is tonning under charter to the Dominion line, and will load outwards for Dublin for the Head line. The Glenamer is detained at Dublin owing to labor troubles. New Zealand liner Jeseric will steam on Friday with a capacity cargo of general freight. The schooner Chelle, reported wrecked in the Gulf of Mexico, was sold some time ago to parties in Mobile. Montreal correspondence to Shipping Illustrated says the recent appointment of Captain F. R. Livers, formerly of the Empress of Ireland, to the position of marine superintendent at Liverpool of the C. P. R. liners, automatically made him marine superintendent of the Allan lines. This is sufficiently significant as to the ownership of the Allan line.

VESSLS IN PORT. Steamers. Briardene, 1,722, West Indies, Wm Thomson Co, Pittingville. Chignecto, 3,999, West Indies, Wm Thomson Co, McLeod's. Corinthian, 6,221, London and Havre, Wm Thomson Co, J. C. R. Franking, 876, Apalachicola, Wm Thomson Co, Kennedy's. Granville, 7,088, Liverpool, Wm Thomson Co, No. 5. Inghoven Head, 1,988, Belfast, Wm Thomson Co, No. 4. Jeeric, 3,114, New Zealand, J. T. Knight Co, No. 1. Manchester Corporation, 8,466, Manchester, Wm Thomson Co. Brentrose, 4,622, C. P. R., London and Antwerp, No. 1. Tyrolia, 4,846, C. P. R., Trieste, No. 2.

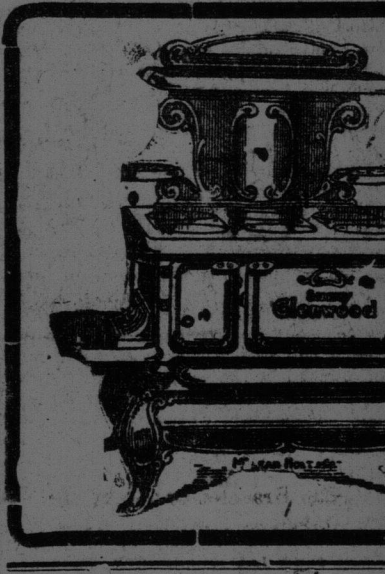
Virginian, 6,844, Liverpool, Wm Thomson Co, No. 6. Schooners Not Cleared. Calabria, 481, J. Splane, laid up. Cora May, 117, N. C. Scott. E. M. Roberts, 295, R. C. Elkin. Elma, 298, A. W. Adams. Hattie Barbour, 206. Hunter, 187, D. J. Purdy. Isiah K. Stetson, 271, J. W. Smith. J. Arthur Lord, 196, A. W. Adams. Jennie Stubbs, 199, A. W. Adams. Lucille, 164. Mayflower, 192, C. McKerrison. Margaret May Riley, 241, A. W. Adams. Priscilla, 137, A. W. Adams. Orosumbo, 121, A. W. Adams. Peter Schultz, 373, A. W. Adams. Sallie E. Ludlam, 199, D. J. Purdy. T. W. Cooper, 160, A. W. Adams.

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STEAMERS BOUND FOR ST. JOHN. Shenandoah, 2,400, London, Dec. 18. Lake Michigan, 5,840, Antwerp, Dec. 24. Lakonia, 8,046, Glasgow, Dec. 20. Brardene, 1,288, St. Kitts, Dec. 20. Manchester Spinner, 2,750, Manchester, Dec. 20. Marina, 3,222, Glasgow, Dec. 27. Manchester Inventor, 2,775, Manchester, Dec. 29.

MORE OF PLANS OF GERMAN IMMIGRATION TO THE WEST. In reference to a despatch in yesterday's Times, telling of land grants in Alberta to German immigrants, it is of interest to know that Dr. R. W. Schwelbe of Berlin, a prominent member of the German Company in western Canada which proposes to bring 15,000 Germans to Canada next summer and settle them in Alberta, was in Montreal this week en route to Germany. The project is to bring 9,000 families totaling about 15,000 people and settle them on government homestead land in Central Alberta at a place to be called Guntersheim. About 300 of this number will come out in March to build houses and prepare the settlement for the main body, which will follow in June from Rotterdam. The passage of the people will be paid, the houses built and presented to them, cattle supplied and the ground broken for the settlers. The only stipulation being that the company receives mortgages which the Germans are to gradually pay off. Besides the farmers, the company plans to bring out about 300 skilled workmen. With these as the nucleus, industries will be established. He admits it. "Do you see that homely woman over there?" "Yes." "Do you know who she is?" "No." "She's Green's wife. And what's more, he just admitted it to me a minute ago."—Detroit Free Press.

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