

LOCAL ADVERTISING.

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 Church Notices, Sunday Services, 5c. per line of six words.
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AROUND THE CITY

Presented With Pipe.

Yesterday evening Thomas Barrett, vice-president of the stone cutters' union, was presented with a valuable meerschaum pipe, showing the good will that the members have for him.

New Year's Day Robins.

Capt. Arthur McKel, of 157 Metcalf street, while walking with a friend on the Indian town wharf yesterday afternoon was somewhat startled by seeing several robins hopping about on the wharf. The birds had evidently been lured north by the mild weather.

To Consider Civic Grants.

The postponed meeting of the treasury board has been called for this evening. One of the matters which will engage attention is that of awarding grants to the exhibition association, the Free Kindergarten, and various other institutions usually in receipt of public aid.

The W. C. T. U.

The W. C. T. U. will hold the annual Dominion Day of Prayer today. At 3 o'clock Rev. W. Gaetz will deliver an address on "How Can the Church Protect the Young from Intemperance and Impurity." The meeting will take place in the Seaman's Institute.

Dinner and Presentation.

The Happy Home Club who have quarters in the No. 3 fire station, Union street, held their annual dinner on Sunday night. There was an excellent spread and a programme of speeches and songs. During the evening Drivers Donohue, Johnston, Alward and Supt. Chas. Piercy were presented with silk umbrellas.

Ald. Kierstead's Case.

The special committee of the common council appointed to investigate the charges against Ald. Kierstead, and has prepared another report. It is understood that the new report will again exonerate Ald. Kierstead, and that it will express the opinion that in view of the apology of the engineer there is no call to make any recommendations applying to that official.

Charged With Theft.

Yesterday morning Alex Bralley was arrested on suspicion of stealing an overcoat the property of Robert Peck, from a house on Acadia street. A warrant was sworn out for the arrest of Sergt. Baxter took the man in charge. The overcoat was found in the possession of Bralley when he was arrested. He will be taken before the magistrate this morning.

Candidate for Commissioner.

Ald. Rupert W. Wignore started the New Year in good style yesterday by announcing to The Standard that he had yielded to the solicitations of many friends and would be a candidate for a seat on the civic commission in the elections in April. Ald. Wignore, as alderman at large, has been a member of the City Council for three years and last year held the office of chairman of the water and sewerage board and was an active member of the market committee.

Mayor Frink is Some Shot.

His Worship the Mayor fired the first shot and brought down his pigeon at the opening shoot of the St. John Gun Club yesterday afternoon. About fifteen of the members were present and a fairly successful afternoon was spent breaking clay pigeons. As the new traps have not arrived it was necessary to use the old ones, but although this was a slight disadvantage all the shooters expressed themselves as delighted with their first attempt.

Oddfellows' Reunion.

The annual reunion of the I. O. O. F. was held yesterday morning and an enjoyable hour was spent. This year the event was held in the Oddfellows' hall, Carleton. C. B. Allen presided and the hour was agreeably spent with addresses and music. During the morning interesting addresses were delivered by the chairman, W. F. Hatheway, M. P. P. and Ald. Codner. Among the visitors at the reunion were Grand Warden Cruikshank, New Glasgow, and Mr. Watters, of Woodstock.

New Year's on the Steamers.

Although the small number of steamers in port made the usual New Year's observance on the trans-Atlantic liner less general than in former years, yet the time honored customs were carried out on the Allan liner Grampian and the Headliner Ramore Head, both of which arrived a few hours before the advent of the new year. New Year's eve is the occasion in the year in the British merchant marine when the "ship stands treat," and on Sunday night the liberty was taken advantage of. On the Grampian there was a pleasant impromptu entertainment while the men on the Headliner also spent an enjoyable social hour.

Smoker and Presentations.

The reunion smoker held by the members of St. Peter's Y. M. A. in their rooms, Douglas Avenue yesterday afternoon was a well attended and enjoyable affair. The programme was as follows: selection, orchestra; vocal solo, T. C. Olive; selection, orchestra; vocal solo, E. O'Hara; reading, John McDonald; selection, orchestra. After the programme a number of presentations were made by J. B. Dever on behalf of the society, to the following people: Rev. Joseph H. Borgman, C.S.S. H., spiritual director of the society, a purse of gold; Wm. McVey, the caretaker, a piece of silverware and each member of the orchestra received a box of cigars.

There will be a band at the Victoria rink tonight.

All sizes Scotch hard coal landing today for Gibson and Co.

MAGISTRATE AGREES WITH CHIEF ON WHISKEY QUESTION

Hon. R. J. Ritchie Upholds Chief of Police Clarke's Opinion that some Very Bad Whiskey is sold in St. John - Advocates "Booze Inspector" and Prohibition of "Treating"

When asked his opinion regarding Chief Clarke's statement that bad whiskey was responsible for the increase in the number of arrests last year as compared with previous years, Police Magistrate Ritchie said he was inclined to agree with the chief's view.

"Of course as a temperance man I am not prepared to admit that any whiskey is good," he said, "But I think the chief is right when he says that some of the whiskey sold in St. John is very bad. I am strongly of the opinion that it is not right to have an official to inspect the liquor which is offered for sale. I also think that we ought to have a non-treating provision in the liquor license act."

"My experience as magistrate leads me to believe that it is in many cases not the quantity but the quality of liquor that brings men to the police court. Many men who come before me say they only had a few drinks and appear to be much surprised at their predicament. Sometimes liquor is taken off of them, and I am told in some cases it has been sampled by experts and pronounced to be doctored liquor. I should think there was good evidence to warrant the statement of the chief that a good deal of liquor of a vile quality is sold in the city. It is said to be an easy matter to make liquor. But it is a bad thing for the consumer. I think there would be a good deal less drunkenness if there was an inspector to look after the quality of the liquor, and see that the consumers were not poisoned with drugs."

"There are some people who say the police arrest persons whom they should leave alone. Now and then people telephone me saying that they saw a policeman arrest a man for drunkenness whom they thought was able to look out for himself. In every one of these cases I have found that the man was arrested for using profane or obscene language and not for drunkenness. Spectators who complain that the man was not drunk enough to be arrested, evidently were not aware that he had been using bad language, when taken up by the police."

"I am often credited with saying things about the police which never entered my head. I will say that I think the police do their duty and don't make needless arrests."

"Personally, I take the English view that the police have no right to arrest a man merely because he has taken too much liquor for his good. According to the law the police have only the right to arrest men 'found drunk.' That is the meaning of the law and I have frequently told the police that if they saw a man staggering along they should see that he got home. It is a different matter if a man is too drunk to get along, and is liable to fall down somewhere and freeze to death. If they saw me staggering home I don't think they would arrest me, and I think the same consideration should be given to the working-men. And I think it is."

"One of the chief causes of drunkenness is the treating habit. If you are out almost any night you will see a score of men lined up to the bars of a saloon, ranging in little groups, buying drinks for one another. The man of wealth can go to his club, and stay there and chat with his friends while the poorer classes the only club is the saloon, and they have to buy drinks or get out."

"A non-treating act would prevent the practice men get into of buying liquor when usually they don't want it, and certainly don't need it. Both the saloon keeper and the treator and treatee should be fined. We had a rule of that kind in the Union Club for years and it worked all right."

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MARKET OPERATION WILL SHOW SURPLUS

Committee Administering Market Affairs will submit Good Report to Council Meeting Tomorrow—\$2,000 Surplus

It is stated that the report of the market committee which will be submitted to the meeting of the council tomorrow will show that the receipts from the country market during 1911 were considerably larger than in previous years, and that there will be a net revenue of about \$2,000. This will be a much better showing for the market than in 1910 when the city made a profit of about 30 cents from it.

Since the control of the market was taken out of the hands of the Safety Board and placed in the hands of a special committee of which the Mayor is chairman, quite a number of repairs have been made to the market building, and the fact that the committee will be able to show a surplus while providing for the improvements of current revenues, should be gratifying to the public. When the special committee took over the management of the market, it decided to abandon the old practice of leasing the stalls and since May the Market clerk has been collecting the tolls.

The committee sometime ago requested the architects of the city to prepare plans for extensive alterations to the Market Building on the understanding that they would purchase the most suitable. H. H. Mott and Garnett Wilson entered the competition, and their plans have been submitted to the building inspector, Shinklin Thompson to decide which are the better.

PLEASANT DAY AT THE SILVER FALLS SCHOOL

Members of the Father Mathew Association Provided Christmas Tree for Boys of Industrial School Yesterday

Thanks to the members of the F. M. A., the boys of St. Patrick's Industrial school at Silver Falls had a most enjoyable New Year. Accompanied by Bishop Casey, Mayor Frink and others, a large party of members of the society drove out to the school where a Christmas tree was presented to the boys, and an interesting programme of speeches and musical selections carried out.

Bishop Casey delivered an address to the boys, referring to the associations that cling around New Year's Day, and the significance of Christmas trees in the life of young people. Rev. Father O'Neill, Mayor Frink, ex-Mayor Sears, Miles E. Agar, and Mr. O'Connor also made brief speeches appropriate to the occasion.

Fred A. Hazel on behalf of the F. M. A. then presented the boys with a Christmas tree, which was heavily loaded with gifts.

MILITARY SCHOOL TO OPEN HERE ON 15TH

Militia Men will Profit from New Plan Adopted by Militia Department—Instructors to Come Here.

In accordance with the policy recently announced by the minister of militia of conducting schools of instruction at as many points as possible arrangements are being made for opening a military school in this city on Jan. 15th.

Fifteen schools of instruction for officers and men have been held at comparatively few points in the Dominion, requiring those in some districts who wish to take advantage of the instruction to travel long distances. Under the new arrangement, the instructors will do the travelling and the schools will come to the men.

Seventy-five instructors are attached to the permanent staff and they will be utilized to conduct schools in all the militia districts in the country and endeavor to supply a greater number of properly qualified officers.

NEW YEAR'S DAY WAS WELL SPENT IN Y.M.C.A.

Gymnasium Exhibition in Afternoon and Reception at Night Proved Pleasing Attractions to Many Visitors.

In the Y. M. C. A. yesterday afternoon and evening New Year's Day was celebrated by holding a gymnasium exhibition in the afternoon and a reception in the evening.

At the matinee the gallery was thronged with proud parents, who saw their boys go through the following programme: Marching, calisthenic drill, by the boys; long horse and rings, by the juniors; dumb-bell drill, intermediates; class apparatus, by the boys; marching, by the juniors; side horse, spring board and mats, by the intermediates; relay races, by the boys; Indian clubs, by the boys; three deep, intermediates; pyramids, leader corps.

At the reception in the evening the rooms were crowded to their utmost and after visiting all parts of the building, the guests were entertained with a very enjoyable programme after which refreshments were served, by the ladies' auxiliary. At the supper table Mesdames F. A. Dykeman and H. Colby Smith, poured and they were assisted by a few of the young ladies present. The programme rendered was as follows: Torch twirling, L. Bandlow; violin solo, J. F. Vincent; reading, H. Walker; orchestra selection; reading, Miss Green; orchestra selection.



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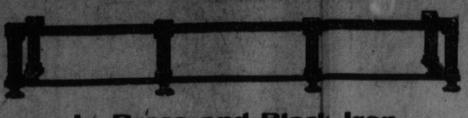
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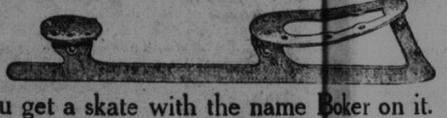
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