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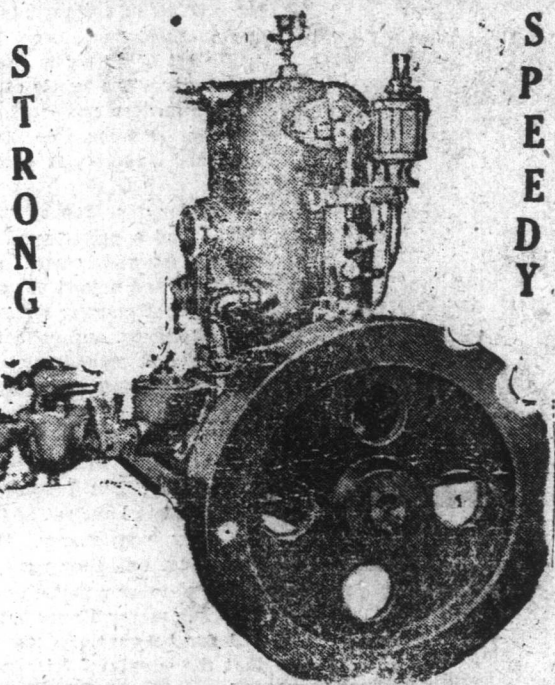
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## Golden Age Of Victorian Science.

(Montreal Star, Oct. 28.)

STOKES, KELVIN AND RAYLEIGH  
SUBJECT OF DR. EVE'S ADDRESS.

The Victorian age was famous not for art, nor possibly for literature, but it was the golden age of science. The movement then begun has not expended itself and people to-day are fortunate enough to be living in the prolongation of that age. Dr. A. S. Eve, head of the Department of Physics, McGill University, told the St. James Literary Society in an address last night on "Three great Victorian natural philosophers—Stokes, Kelvin and Rayleigh."

Scientific discovery has rested generally with a handful of men who are famous, not so much for particular applications of science as for the discovery of fundamental principles which assist all other workers in the same field of thought. The speaker pointed out. Workers of such calibre were men like Newton, Darwin and Pasteur and to this list might justly be added names such as Faraday, Maxwell, Stokes, Kelvin and Rayleigh and certain men still living. George Gabriel Stokes, son of a Silgo clergyman, had two advantages for a self-made career, a fine mother and membership in a poor household. At the village school he soon showed the schoolmaster better ways of doing arithmetic and when he went to a larger school, his brothers' warning not to talk too much, and thus to avoid the Irish reputation for much talking was so heeded by him that he was taciturn to the end of his life. At Pembroke College, Cambridge, he became Senior Wrangler, Smith prizeman and Fellow of his college. Ultimately he became Secretary and finally president of the Royal Society. Like his predecessor, Newton, he was a Lucasian Professor of Mathematics at Cambridge at which he had only to give one lecture a week, devoting the rest of the time to research. Lacking laboratory facilities he did much of his experimental work in the scullery and his experiments were a great trial to his wife. He was the first to give a true explanation of such matters as Röntgen rays, fluorescence and the presence in the sun and stars of the same chemical elements are found in the earth.

### LORD KELVIN.

Kelvin, a Scot, had received an extraordinary education. At the age of ten he matriculated and attended all the courses at Glasgow University for seven years, taking many prizes. Without taking his degree he proceeded to St. Peter's College, Cambridge, with a scholarship, and became Second Wrangler and Smith's prizewinner. His first paper in the Mathematical Journal was published at the age of 17. The list of his scientific publications occupies 49 pages, the list of his books, two and a half pages, and the list of his patents three pages. At the early age of 22 he was elected Professor of Mathematical Physics at Glasgow. At 27, the same time as Huxley, he was made Fellow of the Royal Society. At the age of 31 the great German physicist, Helmholtz, visiting him, wrote to his wife that Kelvin was "one of the first mathematical physicists in Europe, very juvenile, an exceedingly fair youth who looks quite girlish. He exceeds all the great men of science with whom I have made acquaintance in intelligence, lucidity, and mobility of thought so that I seem quite wooden beside him." The speaker then touched upon Kelvin's great work in connection with the Atlantic cable. The first was a mechanical success, but an electric failure owing to the use of poor copper, bad testing, and bad playing out. These defects were remedied by Kelvin's energy and in 1865 success was attained. His mirror galvanometer and siphon recorder could still be seen in use at Trans-Atlantic stations. The great scientist was also the first to make

an estimate of the age of the earth which he estimated at ten million years. Evolutionists considered this too short and it courted controversy with Huxley, ensued. It was now known that owing to presence of radio-active matter in the earth Kelvin's estimate was too low. The speaker referred also to Kelvin's belief, now abandoned by scientists, that life came to earth by means of meteors. His work in connection with the compass was also spoken of. Kelvin's compass is now in general use. It was not for nothing he found a resting place in Westminster Abbey, near Newton.

The great achievements of Lord Rayleigh were next touched upon. At Cambridge he was Senior Wrangler and Smith's prizeman, and succeeded Maxwell as Cavendish Professor of Physics. His important achievements included the ascertaining of the correct weight of the oxygen in the air in its proportion to hydrogen, and his discovery with Sir William Ramsay of the gas argon. He obtained the Nobel prize of about \$40,000 and presented it to the Cavendish laboratory and library at Cambridge. In 1884 he visited Montreal as president of the British Association.

It was doubtful, Dr. Eve said, whether three such scientists would ever appear again as contemporaries, for the conditions which produced them had passed. To-day science was so vast a subject that any one individual could only master a small part of it. The only living man he would put beside them was Einstein.

Don Delmar and his assistants are worth the admission in themselves, while the orchestra ranks with the very best played at the Casino. Miss Marcella Lee and Jack Lee of Carbonear, and Geo. Walsh with his effects, make a combination hard to beat. Better get seats early for to-night. —nov4, ff

## "Cheaper to Marry" Unusual Photoplay

NEW METRO PRODUCTION PROVES TO BE MOSTLY ENTERTAINING.

"Cheaper to Marry" the new Metro-Goldwyn production now showing at the Nickel is of unusual entertainment value, apart from the wonderful moral lesson which it conveys. The cast is headed by Lewis Stone, Conrad Nagel and Margaret De La Motte.

The picture is extraordinary, aside from its rare dramatic and entertaining value, because in the course of adaptation to the screen not a single fundamental change was made in the original plot of the play by Samuel Shipman.

"Cheaper to Marry" is noteworthy because it brings Paulette Goddard back again. This actress made her screen debut as Madame de Pampadour in "Monsieur Beaucaire."

An excellent vein of comedy runs through the entire production handled for the most part by the very capable Louise Fazenda and Claude Gillingwater. Louise plays a "grass widow" seeking a fourth husband, and Claude, a "wealthy old man," finally falls into her trap.

Besides the cross section of gay social and café life which Mr. Leonid Kinskey has given in this picture, there are some intimate scenes in which an exclusive "women's athletic club" is pictured for the first time. The swimming pool and its beautiful bathing girls who really dive and swim, the "get fat," "get thin," and "get beautiful" episodes are especially interesting.

"The Monster" will be shown in a few days. Watch for it. The greatest living character actor, Lon Chaney has never done better work than in this great film. Nobody in St. John's will want to miss "The Monster."

For them and all who love them, all who mourn, and all that to their faith shall yet be born.—WEAR A FLANDERS HOPPY.—nov4, ff

## Wesley Young Men's Literary Class Debate

The following resolution was debated by the Wesley Young Men's Literary Class in the lecture room of Wesley Church last night. Resolved: "That Bolshevistic propaganda is the chief cause of the revolution in China, rather than the Commercialism of the Western Nations."

The speakers for the Affirmative were W. S. Sparkes and H. Pollard, and for the Negative A. Mac G. Morgan, and J. Austin. The Affirmative opened the debate with a masterly introduction, clearly defining the resolution, and giving the state of affairs which led up to the recent revolt in China. Russia has an Ambassador at Peking. Other powers are content to be represented by ministers. Thus Russia takes deep interest in Chinese affairs. Through her agencies and propaganda Soviet influences are being exerted to bring China into the maelstrom of unrest, which is consequent to Bolshevism. There is no doubt evidence to show that the Bolshevistic policy has been exploited and condoned in China, and that the Red finger can be traced through the whole procedure of the recent revolts in China. In fact the Bolsheviks sent greetings and offers of help to the students who figured in the revolt. The Negative claimed that western commercialism profits thereby. The tyranny of western commercialism has made Bolshevism in China possible. The Chinese are almost totally excluded from Western countries, and are given very few privileges or rights. Yet the Westerner can enter China, and engage in commerce to any extent. Thus the unrest is created, and as a natural consequence the people revolt. On the vote being taken, it was found that the Affirmative had won by a fair majority. Several visitors were present. The debate proved very interesting and profitable, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all present. After the regular business had been transacted, the meeting adjourned until Tuesday, November 10th, at 7.45 p.m.

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