

MAIN STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

Annual Meeting Last Evening Attended By Largest Crowd In History—Total Membership 702; Receipts \$5,082.

The annual meeting of the Main street Baptist church held last night, was the most largely attended in years.

The pastor in making his report stated that it had been the busiest year in the church since he had been pastor.

The report of the church treasurer W. H. White, showed the total receipts for current and denominational purposes, \$5,082.42 and the total expenses, \$4,990.75, leaving a cash balance of \$91.67.

Church Debt Reduced. The trustees' report was presented by R. C. Elkin, chairman and Peter McIntyre, the treasurer.

The report of the Young Ladies' Aid Society was presented by Miss Bessie Gallop, secretary, and Miss Helen E. Cowan, treasurer.

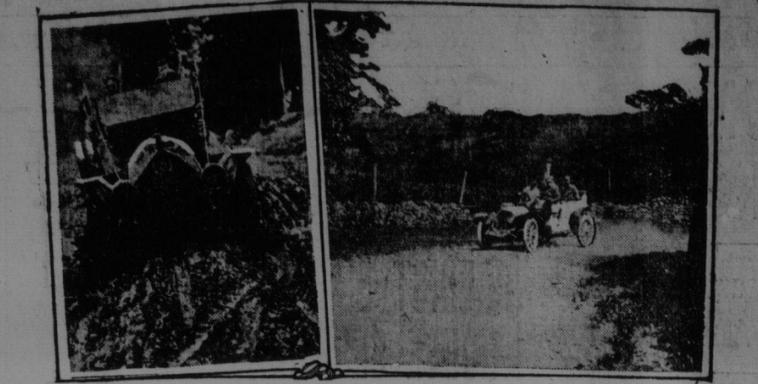
The report of the Cradle Roll Department was made by Mrs. W. H. White showing the membership at present to be 100.

The report of the ushers was made by W. G. Esterbrooks. L. H. Thorne reported on behalf of the deacons.

The election of officers for the year were: P. E. Flewelling, church clerk; W. H. White, treasurer.

It was found that the Sunday school accommodation was too limited and a fund had been started for the erection of a new building.

Good Roads In America Depend Upon Farmers' Co-operation



A BAD ROAD IN AMERICA AND A GOOD ROAD IN FRANCE.

Washington, Jan. 24.—There are more bad roads in the United States than anywhere else in the civilized world.

Now, however, it begins to look as though the era of bad American roads were drawing to a close. The auto scavengers may about till they are black in the face and the auto manufacturers spread printer's ink like water, but until the farmer comes across there can't be much doing in the matter of road improvement.

Look at the cold figures. There are 400,000 autos in the country. They make a brave show, a big smell, a deal of noise and a mighty cloud of dust, but when we come down to brass tacks and compare them with the draft animals of the country they look insignificant.

There are 7,000,000 horse-drawn vehicles in the country. There are 25,000,000 horses and mules.

By a motor road, but a general purpose road. Thus far, the arrogance and selfishness of the average automobilist who drives over country roads has served to keep the farmer from warming up to the motorists' appeal for good roads.

It is high time the myth of the obsolescent horse were finally laid to rest. The United States agricultural department year book states that on the first of January the number of horses on the farms of the United States was 21,000,000, and their value \$2,275,000,000.

Now the appreciation alone in the value of draft horses in the country last year was \$350,000,000, enough to buy up the whole motorcar output, with a liberal margin of over 40 per cent. to pay for tires and gasoline.

Nearly a million horse-drawn vehicles are sold each year. The mere INCREASE IN VALUE of draft horses last year was 350 million dollars—a hundred million more than the estimated total value of the automobile "crop" of 1911!

Though the motor is supplanting the horse in certain special lines, the draft animal is here to stay in service as well as can the horse. The road of the future must be, not merely

However, the farmer can't be expected to give the country good roads single handed. He has made the roads we have, has worked out his road taxes and paid his state and federal taxes as well, and it's up to the state and the federal government to help if we are to have the kind of roads they have in Europe.

A few good national roads, like the national pike that ran from Washington out into the middle west in the days before the railroads came, might set a pace that the states and counties would hasten to emulate.

Two of the cruisers now building for the colonies are to be named the Sydney and the Melbourne, and those about to be laid down for the Imperial navy will be named after Chatham, Dublin and Southampton. Many of these territorial names are not new to the navy, but they were first introduced to commemorate people of distinction and title.

It is, however, in regard to small craft that greater diversity of opinion prevails. Objections and protests are constantly made to the use of such names as Dove, Violet, Stag, Zephyrus and Grasshopper for fishing ships, especially as they have no connection with maritime affairs or the navy.

The English proposal is to commemorate the names of officers below those of flag rank who have lost their lives in the face of the enemy. King George has been said to favor this idea, but upon what authority the statement is made is not known.

In 1907 there were four inches of snow at that date. Up to the 12th of the month there was mostly bare ground. On that date two inches fell and there was sleighing until the 20th when the snow was carried away by a rainstorm and the ground was left bare again.

At Jan. 24th, 1908 there was bare ground and no sleighing until the 25th and then it was only fair. It rained on the 27th and spoiled the sleighing until the last two days of the month, when there were seven inches of snow.

In 1909 there were two inches of snow. From the first until the 12th of the month there was no sleighing, but good sleighing from the 13th to the end of the month.

Last year there was bare ground from the 18th. Good sleighing prevailed from the 7th to the 16th when about half an inch of snow only was on the ground. On the 27th the ice from the main river and the Kennebecasis river was running out of the harbor and there was bare ground until the last day of the month.

The most snow that fell this month was three-quarters of an inch and sleighing was just possible from the 16th to the 20th although fairly good in the country. Yesterday the ground was bare and the dust flying.

The Third Degree. For the second time the Paul Gilmore Company under the management of Carl Zoellner delivered a large audience in the Opera House last evening.

In another direction however, there is danger for the stevedore agreement which expires next month, as it is reported that unless the companies running on the St. Lawrence route have an allowance from the American lines of a large percentage of traffic, they will not consent to a renewal of the pool.

conquest over 15,000 other fair and beautiful English women; nine well known artists were unanimous in awarding the crown to her.

THE WARSHIP AFTER KING

Great Fighter Christened King King George V. Instead of Royal George—Some Colonial Names.

London, Jan. 23.—The decision of the naval authorities in the matter of the name of the first battleship to be laid down in the present reign has been the cause of some discussion on naval nomenclature.

It is an open secret that King George himself has selected this name and there is a consensus of opinion that in this matter the choice is judicious.

Seeing the close relationship in which Lord Fisher stood to the throne, it is not surprising that this was certainly so in the case of the Dreadnought. Considering his close association with the Navy, it would have been surprising if King George had not followed his father's example.

In regard to cruisers a new system was instituted some little time back approximating to that which is a law in the United States.

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On January 24th, 1903, there was no snow, but there had been sleighing between the 8th and the 17th. At no time during the month was there more than one and a half inches on the ground.

On January 24th, 1904, there were eight inches of snow, and the ground was covered during the entire month. This being at one time a foot and a half on the ground level.

On January 24th, 1905, there were 15 inches on the ground, and on the 26th and for the remainder of the month there were from two and a half to three feet of snow.

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The play will be repeated at the matinee and evening performances today. Lecture Enjoyed. In the St. John's (Stone) church school room last night, Rev. H. A. Cody delivered an illustrated lecture

A Customer's Reasonable Wish Is This Store's Pleasure DYKEMAN'S

We have secured a large portion of the stock which was damaged in the W. R. Brock & Co. warehouse in Montreal a few days ago.

Our buyer went to Montreal and, as said above, he secured a large portion of this stock. As it was only slightly wet by the clean water from the sprinklers, very little damage was done.

Thousands of yards of Dress Goods in almost perfect condition are to be sold at prices from 20c. a yard up to 85c. the latter price being for 56 inch Broadcloths, which are regularly sold at \$1.50.

F. A. DYKEMAN & CO., 59 Charlotte Street.

NOT UNCOMMON TO HAVE BARE GROUND DESTINY OF CUBA ANNEXATION BY U. S.

Only Two Years Since 1902 in Which There Has Been More Than Few Inches on January 24

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BELL BUILDING NOT FOR SCHOOL BOARD

Owners Refused to Renew Option on Terms Asked Yesterday and Other Parties are Reported Desirous to Buy

The option held by the Board of School Trustees on the Bell building, corner of Union street and Hazen avenue, expired yesterday afternoon.

The idea was to purchase the building to provide additional accommodation for the offices of the trustees and also to furnish an overflow for the High school which is rapidly outgrowing the present accommodation.

It was decided that the secretary and the chairman of the board should see the representatives of the owners of the building yesterday and ask for a further extension of the option until the temper of the city council had been ascertained on the matter.

The vigilance of the boy scouts of the West End patrol, was well proven last evening in an interesting scouting game in which a large number participated.

FELLING GIANT TREES A SCIENCE



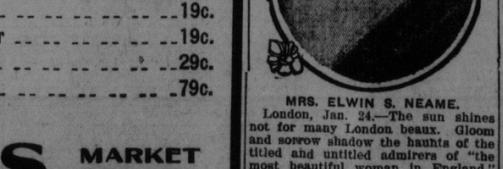
This photograph shows how the giant trees of western forests are made to fall where the woodman chooses. In this way lumbermen may cut down the big mature trees and spare the smaller ones, many of which would be crushed and killed were a tree to be felled in the middle west.

It is a difficult matter to get a big tree to fall in the right path, but with the aid of the sighting apparatus, shown in picture, an expert can tell how and where to chop a tree to make it come down where it will do the least harm.

The intention of placing the mark of the patrol on four of the largest buildings in the West End. The boys were to find the marks and, if possible, catch Mr. Smith before he completed his task.

Mr. Smith succeeded in marking the Presbyterian church and the West End car sheds and was on his way up Duke street when he was captured by the scouts.

Beauty won by Photographer MAY RENEW SHIPPING WAR



MRS. ELWIN S. NEAME. London, Jan. 24.—The sun shines not for many London beaux. Gloom and sorrow shadow the haunts of the titled and untitled admirers of "the most beautiful woman in England," who was Miss Ivy Lillian Close, and who has now acquired a husband.

Advertisement for Wilcox's Market Square. Sale Still On. In Order to Clear Out Balance of Fall Stock. Among a few of the lines you will find: 160 WRAPPERS, worth \$1.50, for 98c. 300 BATH TOWELS, worth 25 cents, for 19c. 200 PAIRS BLACK CASHMERE HOSE, worth 25 cents, for 19c. 100 PAIRS CORSETS, worth 50 cents and 75 cents, for 29c. 250 BLACK UNDERSKIRTS, worth \$1.25, for 79c. DOCK STREET WILCOX'S MARKET SQUARE

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