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BOY SCOUT NOTES

Sir Percy Sherwood, as chief dominion commissioner of the Boy Scouts' Association, cabled a Christmas message to His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught, former chief scout and president of the Boy Scouts' Association in Great Britain and Ireland. A reply was received from His Royal Highness: "Warmly reciprocate for New Year good wishes of Boy Scouts of Canada."

Interesting figures are now available showing the distribution of proficiency badges for the last year in British Columbia. During the year a total of 649 badges were awarded and the lists show that the most popular is the ambulance badge. This seems to stand out among all the others throughout Canada. Following this badge in popularity come the cook, cyclist, carpenter, swimmer, naturalist, fireman, musician, bandman and marksman. Of the foregoing list five are King's Scout badges. In British Columbia there is one of the finest Sea Scout troops, which uses the late Robert Louis Stevenson's ship "The Casco" as a training ship.

In Canada there is ample scope for the amateur photographer. Boy Scouts may earn a proficiency badge for this very useful and interesting hobby. Many boys nowadays are possessors of cameras. Why not go further and develop and finish the films and be more than repaid for the work necessary. The photographer's badge requires that a boy must take, develop and print twelve separate subjects, three interiors, three portraits, three landscapes, and three instantaneous "action" photos; and have a knowledge of the theory and use of lenses, the construction of cameras, and the action of developers.

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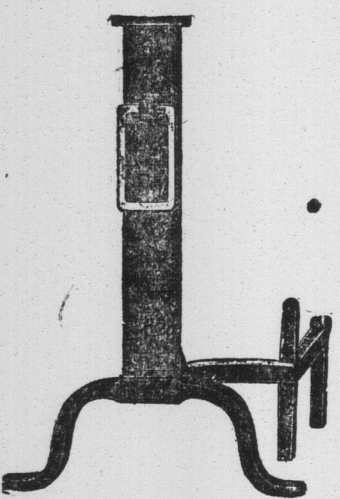
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MATTERS AT MEETING
OF COMMON COUNCIL

The tabling of the recommendation of Commissioner Fisher for the appropriation of \$16,000 to care for garbage and ashes, a discussion of the report recently submitted by the experts employed by the New Brunswick Board of Fire Underwriters to grade the city, and the apparent settling for the time of the question of assessing owners of abutting properties for permanent street improvements furnished material for a lively session of the common council yesterday afternoon.

One section of Commissioner Fisher's report contained a recommendation to the following effect:

"That in the opinion of this council legislation should be obtained enabling the city to assess locally for a portion of the cost of future pavements on business streets, but not as in the present act, to assess again for renewals of such pavements."

This brought forth a storm of protest from the other commissioners.

Commissioner Fisher said that he was glad to have an expression of opinion on the matter, although it differed from his own. The matter was then tabled, and considered settled, at least, while the present board holds office.

A letter from Peter Clinch, secretary of the New Brunswick Board of Fire Underwriters, said that the grading experts after making a thorough examination of St. John's water supply, its fire fighting apparatus and other equipment had given it rating in Grade E, halfway between the best and the worst, an average rating for a city the age and size of St. John. While conditions continue as they are now, the fire underwriters will be obliged to re-rate the city, and raise the insurance rates in the congested sections.

The experts found that a broad extension of the fire fighting equipment is necessary, that all four inch water mains should be replaced by eight inch pipes, and pointed out as the three distinct features the replacing of the old hydrants with new six inch feeds, the motorization of the fire department, besides adding new equipment, and the laying of a new twenty inch main on the Marsh road.

Mayor Hayes was appointed to represent the city on the legislative committee on the Union of N. B. Municipalities.

The council voted to co-operate in securing information for the national service board.

Commissioner Fisher's recommendation for an amendment of the sidewalks occupation act was laid over for consideration later.

TALK OF REVIVAL OF
SHIP BUILDING HERE

A. H. Wetmore, the newly elected president of the Board of Trade last evening, when the monthly session of the full board was held.

A communication from the national service board asking the aid of the board was favorably received.

W. F. Burditt drew attention to the existing opportunities for a revival of ship building in St. John, and also urged that the dry dock in East St. John should be completed as soon as possible.

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Chairmen of committees for 1917 have been appointed as follows: Membership and Finance—W. E. Foster; building, H. C. Schofield; electricity, J. Hunter; White Industries, J. B. Cudlip; civics, W. F. Burditt; traffic, R. B. Emerson; harbor, H. C. Schofield; recreation, A. H. Wetmore; good roads, P. W. Thomson; social and patriotic, E. A. Schofield.

PEERLESS LODGE, I. O. O. F.

W. R. Saunders, district deputy, conducted installation ceremonies last night in Peerless Lodge, No. 19, I. O. O. F., in the lodge rooms on Simonds street.

The following officers were installed: W. A. Spragg, Noble Grand; A. J. Fitzgerald, vice grand; M. D. Morrell, recording secretary; G. A. Chase, financial secretary; J. R. Smith, treasurer; W. J. Seely, warden; C. H. Harper, conductor; M. D. Brown, R. S. N. G.; F. M. C. Smith, L. S. N. G.; H. Washburn, R. S. V. G.; H. H. Elliott, R. S. S.; J. Salmen, I. S. S.; H. D. Ferris, inner guard; W. F. Mitchell, outer guard; W. S. Coffey, chaplain; J. M. Lewis, J. P. G.

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FOR NEW INSTITUTE; THE
SEASON'S COMMITTEES

At the monthly meeting of the directors of the Young Men's Catholic Institute, held last evening, it was decided in view of the rapid increase in the membership of the association, to engage the services of an additional physical instructor and James Winston, of Boston, has been selected to fill the position and will be here in a few days.

At last but the season's committees applications for membership were received and passed upon and this brings the total membership to date up to beyond the 400 mark.

The striking of the several committees for the year was also carried out last night, the personnel of these committees being as follows:

Finance—D. W. Harper, Timothy Collins, Wm. Scully, Dr. J. D. Maher, John Crowley.

Social—Jos. L. Mulhally, F. I. McCafferty, W. J. Mahoney, L. A. Conlon, Edward Loney.

Educational—Wm. Shea, Frank Keane, James Barry, Dr. W. P. Brockerick and John Burke.

Religious—John Stanton, Michael Sweeney, Frank Lynch, Chas. O'Neill, M. J. Nugent.

Physical—Martin Dolan, T. T. Lantana, Harry Brennan, John Power and Walter Sterling.

Boys' committee—Joseph Lewis, Jos. O'Brien, Jos. Brosnan, Fred J. Driscoll and R. Colgan.

Audit—Harry O'Neill, Frank O'Regan and Louis Ready.

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E. R. CHAPMAN ON NATIONAL SERVICE

The following is a report of a recent speech in Winnipeg by E. R. Chapman, formerly of St. John, now director of national service in the Manitoba district:

In his address Mr. Chapman reviewed Canada's war contributions and showed how the country had responded to the call. As time went on, he said, it began to dawn upon the government that the country would have to be organized for the purpose of carrying on the conflict, the magnitude of which was not previously realized. Canada's grain and other resources of the country in order that the country would have to be organized for the purpose of carrying on the conflict, the magnitude of which was not previously realized. Canada's grain and other resources of the country in order that the country would have to be organized for the purpose of carrying on the conflict, the magnitude of which was not previously realized.

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After the man power had been tabulated, it was proposed to go into the industries of the country. Then it would be possible to see that every man in the country had a job and every job had a man to fill it. It was merely a matter of organization. In the present crisis it was necessary to get right down to brass tacks and make the country as productive as possible. It was for this reason that the last two questions had been put on the card, but there was no compulsion about it. Everybody would be asked whether or not they would agree to change his occupation if this were deemed expedient.

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