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What It Has Done During the Past Twelve Months.

Relieving the Poor and Assisting in Other Charitable Works - The Annual Meeting - Reports Presented and Officers Elected

The 21st annual meeting of the Women's Christian Association was held in the "Y" rooms, Spencer block, yesterday afternoon, when the president, Mrs. Robert Reid, sen., occupied the chair and the following members were in attendance: Mesdames Carfrae, Kent, Hopkins, Peto, Ward, J. H. well-filled pods, containing in all 820 Fraser, James I. Anderson, Davis, Cox, Gibson, Merchant, St. John Hyttenrauch, Meek, Burns, Perrin, Campbell, Ingram, C. B. Hunt, Jackson and Talbot Macbeth, and Misses Boyle, Lochead, Moore, Skinner, Robson, Mc-

Kellar and Kennedy. After devotional exercises, led by the president, the annual reports of officers and committees were received. The report of the secretary, Mrs. M. Patullo, reviewed the labors of the various committees, and urged the members to continue with increased

zeal in the good work. Mrs. D. S. Perrin presented her re-port as treasurer, showing receipts of \$9,533 09, and disbursements of \$7,-741 20, leaving a balance of \$1,791 89. The balance from last year was \$1,-340 80, and the sums raised for the various funds were: General, \$720 28; aged people's fund, \$5,169 58; Women's Refuge and Children's Home fund, \$917 51; Home for Incurables, \$1,101 42,

and relief of city poor, \$278 50. The report of the visiting and relief committee was presented by Mrs. E. Hopkins. The work of the year had been increased considerably by the removal of the car shops from the city, which caused widespread and alarming distress among the working classes. During the first three months of the year want of employment among the workers in the city and intensely cold the utmost of its ability in its endeavors to discharge its duties, and as far as possible to alleviate the present and one of his fingers was crushed. distress. Twenty-three families in London South were looked after, but the greatest amount of distress prevailed in the southern section of No. 5 ward. The most hearty thanks of the committee were tendered to all who had assisted either by donations or otherwise. Four deaths had occurred among families who were being cared for. One woman who was subjected cruel treatment by her husband had suicided. A large quantity of goods had been furnished to 98 families, comprising 367 persons—an increase of 4 families and 124 members in the year. The visits numbered 850, an increase of 33, with 328 more garments distributed than during the past year. The amount expended for relief was \$627 43. The visiting committee to the Home

for Incurables stated that there were three inmates at the last yearly meeting. Thirteen were admitted since, and three by order of the Government were removed to the Aged People's Home. The home was regularly visited, but the committee agreed with the inspector—that it was located unfavorably.

The refuge and infants' home committee was in hopes that the association could have seen its way clear to have a larger home erected, which would permit of much more satisfactory work. On Oct. 1, 1894, there were five adults in the home, and fourteen have since been admitted. rineteen sheltered six had gone to situations and five to friends. One and returned to the home until her lightning during the storm of the prehusband furnished a home for her in vious night. Hamilton, when she left, taking her child with her. At the beginning of appointed second assistant on the Hamilton, when she left, taking her the year there were eight children in staff of the Collegiate School at Porthe institution. Twenty-six had snce tage la Prairie. There were nineteen been admitted; thirteen were taken applicants for the position, including out; seven were adopted and one several Manitobans, ten from Ontario sent to the Protestant Home. No and one from Iowa.

deaths occurred. The visiting committee of the Aged the satisfactory condition of the refuge, and also to those who had in had died; two were taken to the Incurables' Home; one had been removed to the asylum; four left the home, and six went to the hospital.

The election of officers resulted in the return of last year's staff, with the exception of the second vice-president. The officers are:

President-Mrs. Robert Reid, sen. First Vice-President-Mrs. Carfrae. Second Vice-President-Mrs. Peto. Secretary—Mrs. M. Patullo.
Assistant Secretary—Miss Kennedy.

Treasurer-Mrs. D. S. Perrin. Advisory Board—Mayor Little, Col. Lewis, J. H. Fraser, J. H. Flock, John Labatt, C. F. Complin, Ald. A. B. Powell, Thomas McCormick, the Bishop of Huron, John Wright and M.

The working committees were reelected with a few additional members, and the meeting was closed with a few remarks from the president, who hoped that the coming year's work would far exceed that of the past.

THIS LOOKS FISHY.

Reported that Corbett and Fitzsimmons Will Fight in Canada.

Boston, Mass., Oct. 3 .- It is commonly reported in the innermost circles that arrangements are rapidly progressing to pull off the great prize fight between Corbett and Fitzsimmons in a secluded spot near Frederickton, N.B., and it is stated that a party of prominent sporting men have been in New Brunswick the past ten days arranging for the battle. The location is said to be about 30 miles east of Fredericton, on the property of a well-known English gentleman, who is a sportsman of considerable note. A prominent Boston sporting man says the plans are such that the New Brunswick officials would be all at sea if they attempt to prevent the battle. Although he would not impart positive knowledge, and would not give names for fear of publication, yet he declared it was all fixed. "Why," said he "at \$20 per ticket \$80,000 can be raised, as it will be easy enough to ty freely, but after knocking off a few dispose of 4,000, or even twice that number

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MIDCLESEX MATTERS.

Presbyterian Services Disturbed by Swarm of Wasps.

A West Nissouri Farmer's Serious Mishap—A Mosa Man's Prolific Beanstalk.

The offerings at the anniversary services of the Methodist Church, Belmont, footed up \$40.

The coming event in Glencoe is the Japanese fan drill in the Presbyterian Hall, Thursday evening, Oct. 17. Wm. Squire, of Ekfrid, has invented

a gunpowder engine for propelling bicycles, and will have it patented. Thomas G. Jones, of Mosa, pulled a bean stalk the other day which had 154

Andrew W. Cline, of South Dorchester, is being sued for slander by Lewis J. Short, of the same place; damages placed at \$5,000.

Mr. G. Mackenzie, of Hyde Park, son of the late county clerk, has lo-cated fourteen miles from Brandon, Man., and is doing well.

Mr. Charles H. Thompson, late of Chicago, is lying ill of typhoid fever at the residence of his uncle, Mr. Chas. Horseman, con. 10, London township. Henry Storey, Ilderton, has a potato weighing two and a half pounds, but Alfred Wilson goes him one better with one (Empire State) weighing three

James Walker, sen., of Mosa, died on Wednesday. He returned home on Friday from Manitoba, and was able to be about and at work up to a day or two before he died.

Mr. W. Welch has disposed of the east half of the south half of lot 8, second range north, Mosa, 50 acres, on which there are good buildings, for \$2,200. C. Welch was the purchaser. On Tuesday the closing session of the fire inquest was held before Fire Coroner James Noble at Strathroy, the magistrate finding that Seaton Hall and the Revere House were fired by unknown incendiaries.

As Mr. Eli Webb, of West Nissouri, was getting up on his separator the weather had taxed the association to other day the horses started and he

> Mrs. Currie, of Belmont, president of the London Presbyterian W. F. M. S., visited the monthly meeting of the local auxiliary at Mrs. R. M. Younge's on Tuesday afternoon and gave an interesting address on missionary topics. Mr. Henry Melton, Amadore, Mich., a former resident of Metcalfe, is visiting friends in that township, and may probably remain permanently, teing of the opinion that Middlesex is about as good a place as any after

Intelligence has reached Belmont of the illness of Edwin R. Tooley, clerk in the Department of Militia and Defense at Ottawa, in the Protestant Hospital there, with typhoid fever. He is a son of Mrs. Wm. Tooley, Belmont.

D. McCallum, aged 96, who lived in the first range north of the Longwods road, about three miles from Wardsville, has recently died of dysentery after a three days' illness. He was hale and hearty until the last few days of his life.

St. John's Church, Glencoe, has secured the Bishop of Huron for a special harvest thanksgiving service, to be held on the evening of Tuesday, Oct. 8. number of clergymen from other laces are also expected to take part in this service.

On Wednesday morning last when Mr. Peter Ramsay, of con. 2, Mount Brydges, went out to milk his cows he was surprised to find them both went to a clergyman's, got married, dead, having doubtless been killed by

A disastrous fire occurred on the The visiting committee of the Aged farm of Mr. D. K. McRae, of the People's Home expressed thanks for township of South Ekfrid. The farm buildings, one team of horses, several calves, 1,400 bushels of grain and five any way assisted during the year. The number of inmates on Oct. 1, 1894, was crop is totally destroyed. The cause of the died, two were admitted since; four Mr. Leonard Lince, of lot 34, con. 6, West Nissouri, has sold this farm, 50 acres, to Robert Birtch, of Blanshard, for \$2,400, and with his family

left on Wednesday for North Yaki-mo, Washington, U. S., where he will in future reside. Mr. Lince's brother, T. Lince, is vice-president of the Yakimo National Bank. A very interesting time was spent at

the opening of the new public school building in No. 4 district, Delaware. A large crowd was present. J. W. Plewes, who has been the teacher for the dstrict and is leaving to attend the School of Pedagogy, was kindly remembered with a silver ink stand and an album, Rev. Mr. Blatchford made the presentation.

Miss Nettie Belle Cameron, a pupil of the Glencoe public school, received this week the prize in books offered by the Hon. G. W. Ross, Minister of Education, for having taken the highest number of marks in the Glencoe high school district at the late entrance examination. This is the fourth year, out of the five years, during which the prize has been given, that it has been won by a pupil of the Glencoe public school, of which W. C. Allin is the principal.

KOMOKA.

(Special Correspondence of the "Advertiser.") Oct. 1.-Rev. Mr. Ross, of Knox College, Toronto, has occupied the pulpit of the Presbyterian Church the last few Sabbaths, in the absence of the pastor, Mr. Haig, and the night previous to his departure for Toronto, he addressed a meeting of the Mission Band, telling a little of his experiences while a missionary out in British Columbia.
While service was going on in the Presbyterian Church last Monday evening quite a commotion was caused through the discovery of a congregation of wasps on the ceiling above. Not content with their lofty position, the insects came down amongst the congregation, but their company, not being agreeable there, umbrellas and other means of defense were used pret-

hats and smashing a few umbrellas, the intruders were finally expelled. It is expected that the Rev. Parsons Smith and others will give a series of lectures here this winter for the cause of temperance.

Mrs. I. Barber and family have

moved into their new house on the Miss Mary Barber is home from Sarnia, visiting her relatives and friends. Miss Bella Crombie, who has suffered

several weeks with typhoid fever, is somewhat better. The new school will be opened shortly. Maggie Murray is visiting

friends in Strathroy.

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Rushing the Railway,

The Street Car Company Will Put Another Gang to Work

On Richmond Street—Permission Granted by the Board of Works-Business Transacted.

At a meeting of the Board of Works last night, Manager Carr, of the street railway company, asked permission to tear up Richmond street north for the electric rails. He found it necessary to place another gang at work if the system was to be electrified before the snow fell. Mr. Carr was given the desired permission on condition that he replaces the cedar blocks as fast as the track is laid.

The city engineer reported that the street railway company intended crossing the Wharncliffe bridge at once. It was not in fit condition, he thought, and the electric railway would endanger traffic, in the bridge's present condition. It was Grand Trunk property, and the consent of the Grand Trunk was necessary before the railway could cross it. This permission, Manager Carr said, the city should procure for the street railway company.
The question will be discussed at
Monday's council meeting, as the com-

pany want to push construction there. There was a long discussion on the question of diverting Hunt's millrace from the corner of Ridout and Horton streets, and grading the roadway there suitable for the electric railway. The street railway company offered to do the job for \$400.

Ald. O'Meara said the work would greatly improve the company's property at the corner, through which the millrace runs, and he did not see why the city should pay for it.

It was decided to offer the company

\$200 to do it, provided the roadway between Victoria bridge and Horton street was widened to 66 feet. The Edward street drain difficulty will be referred to the council Monday

night. As there is a sewage suit pend-ing the board hesitated to lay the required drain. The residents claim their cellars are flooded several months in the year. The engineer will open a drain on Evergreen avenue, South London, to try to flush it. At present it floods Mr. J. S. Pearce's trial gardens.

the electric rails on the new York street bridge would be seven inches higher than the road level. The engineer will endeavor to have them lowered.

Ald. O'Meara thought the citizens should get the discarded blocks from the pavements. He understood they were being carted into the country.

Ald. Wm. Heaman pointed out that

The engineer promised to send a policeman to prevent them being taken away. The weekly pay sheet, amounting to \$249 81, was passed. Mayor Little said he would have the city solicitor's opinion on Monday night as to the city's responsibility in case of accidents caused by the steps at street crossings on the asphalt pave-

There were present: Ald. Wm. Heaman, John Heaman, O'Meara, Callahan and Nutkins, Mayor Little and Acting Secretary Ironside.

BOTHERED WITH 'BERGS.

San Francisco, Oct. 4. icebergs in the South Atlantic and Pacific oceans is becoming serious. Cold weather is the rule and ships are frequently frozen up aloft, so that manning of the yards is an impossibility.

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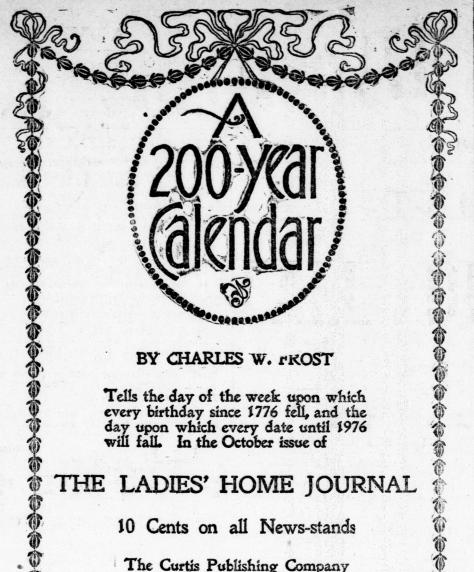
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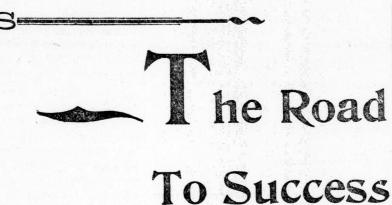


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