

THE STAR, ST. JOHN, N. B. FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1909

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White Kid, one strap, Bow Cuban heel.....\$1.50
White Kid, Ribbon Tie, Cuban heel.....2.00
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Roller Towelling, all prices.
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ANNUAL MEETING OF THE VICTORIAN ORDER

The annual meeting of the St. John branch of the Victorian Order of Nurses was held yesterday afternoon. The financial statement was submitted by the secretary-treasurer, R. B. Keane. It showed that there was a balance on hand of \$339.21, in addition to the substantial endowment fund. Dr. Thomas Walker as auditor reported that he had found the funds to be correct.

The report of the nurses' work for the year is as follows:

Total number of cases nursed during year.....370
Medical cases.....158
Surgical cases.....75
Gynecological cases.....41
Obstetric cases.....88
Chronic cases.....11
Number of paying patients.....167
Number of non-paying patients.....203
Total number of visits.....4,709
Night calls.....26
Operations.....71
Last offices.....26
Fees collected.....\$456.89

The employment of three nurses instead of two was found necessary as there had been large increases in the various departments.

The report of the board of management is here given:

The following were elected members of the board of management: Mrs. George F. Thomson, Mrs. Devor, Mrs. David McLellan, Mrs. Tuck, Hon. J. G. Forbes, Hon. R. J. Ritchie, Mayor Bullock, Dr. Thomas Walker and P. B. Francis.

At the first meeting of the board of management the officers will be elected.

MISSIONARY MEETING.

The 14th annual meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of all the Methodist churches of the city was held in Centenary church yesterday afternoon with Mrs. Groulx presiding. Mrs. Hickson, the secretary, submitted her annual report. The report went into detail regarding the

work of seven auxiliaries, seven bands and four circles. All were shown to be in a flourishing condition and doing admirable work. During the year there was an increase of 48 new members in the auxiliaries and 90 in the circles and bands in the city and Fairville.

Miss S. B. Smith read a paper in appreciation of the work done by the late Miss Palmer, referring to the seal she had always shown and declaring that her presence would be much missed.

The ladies brought to the attention of the meeting the work that is being carried on abroad. Miss Sanford read a paper on China. Miss Howard, French Work; Mrs. Heaney, Foreign Work in Canada; Mrs. Sinclair, Indian Work; Miss Thomson, The Work in Japan. All were descriptive of the missionary fields and greatly appreciated by those present. The evangelistic work in the schools and hospitals was also dealt with in the papers.

In the evening Rev. Dr. Flinders presided and delivered an address. Mrs. Platt told of the work of the W. M. S. for the past 27 years of its existence. New plans were mapped out for the coming year, among which was the Carmen memorial.

A paper written by Mrs. Shenton was read by Mrs. L. A. McAlpine. The subject was The Stranger Within Our Gates. The paper dealt with the work that is being done among the immigrants at Sand Point.

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ALBERTA AS IT IS IN MIDWINTER

Mr. E. W. Thompson's Graphic Sketch of Climate.

Land of Little Snow—Railway Extension Big Political Question—Rutherford Will Go the People Next Summer.

The following graphic sketch of winter conditions in Alberta is by Mr. E. W. Thompson, the Canadian correspondent of the Boston Transcript. There is very little snow on the prairies; not enough to cover wheat stubble. Its golden yellow tinges fields of white. Every slough that bore high grasses last fall is now visible in all its outlines by the thin color of that growth which quite hides the snow. Generally the vast obvious expanse is a symphony of white and grey, with a few dark shrubs and shrubland furnishing the darker coloring. For many miles in Alberta a singularly beautiful picture of a country of the curious way in which recently fallen snow clung to the very tips of popular and willow twigs, which thus appeared as bearing white flowers, while the main branches and stems of bushes and trees are stark grey, since from them the snow had been blown or fallen off. Everywhere horses are "feeding out," as the Canadian immigration literature, whose assurances on this matter I never quite believed before. These horses which lie down to sleep, never they changed to feed last, appeared uncommonly shaggy, for the exposure causes them to grow long winter coats. So it is with cattle. These must be more or less fed from hay or straw stacks, else they go very thin before spring.

ANIMALS AND ENVIRONMENT.

The quickness with which cattle and horses adapt themselves to change of climate is such as signified by the following facts, which I give on the authority of Mr. Carruthers, Winnipeg, an eminent dealer in furs and hinds. Suppose, he says, a cow bore twin calves, the two indistinguishable. Take one to Mexico and the other to Peace River, some 700 miles north of Edmonton. The calf in Mexico will grow a very thick hide and little hair. The calf at Peace River will grow a very thin hide and long hair. In Canada, consider muskrats. A Peace River rat has much fur and a hide so thin that it will not hang together when sewed to hide. Take sea lining for overcoats. Hence it is a low-priced pet. The best muskrat pelts are those of New Jersey, where the hide is thick and the fur thin, because such pelts endure when sewed up in coats. The edge of these interesting facts in natural history, once put a pretty penny into my pocket. Every year he goes to England. Once visiting the London hide exchange he saw a lot of hides put up for sale by number. He bid them in because he observed them to be from Mexico, at the usual "by number" price. "Now," he said, "put them on the scales." They weighed so much more than the usual that they were immediately bid at a price which had bought at ten minutes earlier. Thus do the truly wise profit in this sale of such ignorance. The only other important fact picked up during the journey is that there is an orange marmalade made in the "Scott marmalade" which is as superior to all other orange marmalades as Scott's will modestly acknowledge themselves to be to other sorts of men. I tried the Paisley article and proved to be a connoisseur in the preserve.

NOT IN GREAT SNOW BELT.

Down east, down south, in all ages parts of the continent people commonly imagine this dear north to be a region of much snow. That is wrong. The great snow belt is in the north, not in the south. It does not include Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary, Edmonton.

Ont. and Port. William the white blessing diminishes notably. It is seldom a foot deep on the Canada prairie. In Edmonton the street cars are run without any expense for snow-shovelling, an item of great cost in Ottawa. The paper dealt with the work that is being done among the immigrants at Sand Point.

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Mr. Jones sat down. Believing he had a maniac to deal with he temporized. The stranger had been admitted to the house by a servant and shown into the library to wait for Mr. Jones.

Jones talked with his visitor for more than half an hour, trying to think out some plan of escape. Mrs. Jones, sitting in the parlor, was feeling apprehensive on account of her husband's long interview, entered the library. The intruder ordered her to be seated. The conversation was resumed. Chester J. Jones, secretary of the Jones Company, a son, followed his mother, and he, too, was ordered to be seated.

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Mr. Jones then suggested that as he did not have the necessary funds in the house the man accompany him to the bank. This was agreed to. As the pair were passing through the lower hall, Mr. Jones stopped suddenly back and placed his foot in front of his visitor, who fell to the floor. Mr. Jones and his son then overpowered the man, took away the bomb and a revolver, and called the police. The bomb did not explode when the intruder fell.

At the police station it was said that the officers had not investigated the bomb and would not.

At the police station the man gave the name of C. J. Jones. He told how he had planned the hold-up; how, after getting the money, he would have taken Mr. Jones to Independence, a suburb, and chained him fast in a house rented for the purpose.

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NO INTENTION OF HARMING.

"The thought then came to me to make an informal machine I went to a hardware store at Independence and purchased ten sticks of dynamite. Then I decided to construct a box. I believed this would scare my victim. I had no intention of harming any one. I simply wanted the money."

Garnett said he rented a house in Independence and constructed a chain which he placed in the doorway of the library. The police have been unable to find the house. Mr. Jones said this afternoon that when the first presented himself at his door he said his name was D. Jones, and that he came from Grand Island, Neb.

Late this afternoon police officers and newspaper men found the house described by Garnett. It was a small vacant frame house in Independence. The closest closed three padlocks and a number of long chains attached to the wall. Garnett planned to imprison Jones until he could escape with the money.

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IN ENGLISH LAW

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50,000 Empty Cars Lying Idle on Tracks Owing to Scottish Demurrage Dispute.

LONDON, Feb. 18.—No settlement has yet been reached in the Scottish railway demurrage dispute. Ten thousand empty waggons, bringing the total to 50,000 have been added to the number on the Scottish lines. These waggons, placed on a single line, would extend 250 miles.

Mr. H. J. Tennant, M. P., parliamentary secretary, who was accompanied by Mr. Asquith, K. C. (in charge of the railway department of the board) presided over a conference yesterday, at the Board of Trade offices, between Scottish traders and representatives of the Caledonian, the North British, and the Glasgow and Southwestern Railways.

It was stated that no general agreement was found possible, the circumstances of different trades varying widely, and eventually the chairman's suggestion was adopted that each trade should form a small representative committee with the object of first ascertaining whether that trade would agree to be bound by any agreement come to and subsequently negotiating such an agreement so far as that trade was concerned.