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WORK FOR ST. JOHN

What are the business men of St. John doing to advance the general interests of St. John?

Each manufacturer is making and selling just as much of the products of his factory as he possibly can. Each merchant is turning over as large a volume of business as he can handle with profit. In doing this, both the manufacturer and the merchant have in mind their own personal interests. Necessarily they employ many people, and pay out a good deal of money in wages, and so confer a benefit upon others than themselves; but it is to their personal advantage to do so. And one does not hesitate to compete with another in his own line of business.

Out of this competition for home and outside markets comes a certain amount of development, but still the growth of the city is extremely slow when compared with that of many that are not as well situated and have not as great advantages.

If the city is to grow more rapidly, give employment to more people, and take its proper place in the van of progress, something more than individual effort for individual gain is necessary. This fact is recognized to some extent, and we see the Board of Trade discussing questions from the general standpoint of mutual and civic interest. Its work, however, relates largely to questions of trade rather than to the question of new industries, which, if the city is to grow in population, is the really important thing. In a word, St. John needs more industries, and to secure them the attention of outside capitalists must be attracted to this city and its advantages as a manufacturing centre.

What are the men of St. John doing to advance the interests of St. John in this respect?

The Times feels that there has been some talk among some of the younger men in the manufacturing business about the desirability of getting together and discussing this very question, in the hope that they might devise a plan to advertise the city as a splendid location for industries not now represented, or not largely represented. No formal action has been taken, but the matter is being suggested. Yet got beyond the stage of suggestion, but it may be hoped that meetings will be held and something done along the line suggested.

St. John can get cheap coal, iron, lumber, and other raw materials. There are lines of industry not now represented here, and there are others capable of improvement. The difference in freight on manufactured goods from here to the northwest, compared with the rates from Montreal or Toronto, will not be such as to prohibit business New England goods out of the city. The Canadian market is a rapidly growing market. But there is also the local market, which doubtless offers a good field for enterprise in some lines. There is also the English market for some kinds of goods. Situation in St. John is, with such access to raw materials and to markets, there is an inveterate room for more industries.

But capital is needed. We have lately seen American capital take up stock in one local industry. Why should not American, or English, or Canadian capital establish new industries? The first step to that end must be taken here. Our manufacturers must get together, and prepare a statement of the advantages of the city, which their special knowledge will enable them to do, and then a campaign of publicity must be undertaken such as will place this information where it will be most likely to attract attention and yield good results.

It is done in many cities. The Times was recently told of a citizen who has a stack of letters from various places, setting forth the advantages of each as a location for an enterprising business man. Few of these places, doubtless, have anything like the natural advantages of St. John, but they have citizens who realize that in addition to individual effort for individual gain there must be concerted effort for the general growth of their town, which in the end means more business and more profit for the individual.

The Times hopes soon to be able to report that this idea has taken strong hold upon the minds of the energetic young business men of this city, to whom the St. John of ten or fifteen or twenty years hence is not a matter of indifference, but of real and present interest and importance, since they hope to share in the growth and prosperity of those years.

THE CHURCHES

There has been during the past week a good deal of talk about the over-church condition of St. John, and the trouble it entails upon pastor and people with regard to the finances. It is apparently clear that the action of the Rev. A. B. Cohen, while it will deprive the city of his forceful preaching and courageous example, will result in better financial conditions among the Baptist congregations in the south end of the city; since it is understood to be practically certain that the number of congregations will be reduced by one, if not two. Such a result, so far as it relates to the churches especially concerned, will end the condition under which the preacher must be forever fearful that he cannot somebody under which all these church edifices would be well supported, with no thought of closing one of them. There are enough

people, there is enough money, and Heaven knows there is enough work for them all. But they do not get the people, and do not get the money, and do not accomplish the work. Why?

In a debate in one of the churches this week it appears to have been decided that the church as an institution is not losing its hold upon the people. Put the question another way. Is the church increasing its hold upon the people? There are people who would hesitate to answer this question in the affirmative. Why?

A man who has been attending a city church for quite a number of years informed the writer this week that he was still a stranger to the congregation. His case is not an isolated one. Why? Is it that the church is regarded by some as a rest house on the way to Heaven, where they do not care to have their meditations disturbed? Is it that some regard their pew and their share of the music and the eloquence as something paid for, and not associated with any degree of fellowship with their neighbor? Are social and class distinctions any less obvious in the church than elsewhere? Is the church in reality a centre from which goes out into actual life that influence which makes men brothers in the name of the great Head of the Church imputed?

If it were so in very truth, there would be little need for a fearless advocate of right living and loving service to worry about the finances of the institution.

But there is another consideration. In order to engage actively in church work people must subscribe to beliefs which many no longer hold, and coop themselves up within the bounds of a sectarianism which they feel separates them from the great majority of their fellow-men. As these bounds are broken down, and the churches are made broad enough to appeal to every individual who desires to labor for the good of humanity, their usefulness will increase and their influence in social, political and the whole life of the people grow in proportion.

THE SEASON OF HARDSHIP

We are now approaching the season when charitable institutions and persons of benevolent inclinations will have many demands made upon them. It is the season when those who are in want suffer most keenly. Church organizations, the Associated Charities and individual citizens will hear many tales of distress, and appeals for assistance. In many cases no doubt, it will be found that improvidence and intemperance have been responsible for deplorable conditions, but a deaf ear cannot be turned to the cry of little ones who are suffering from whatever cause.

The Times desires to say to its readers throughout the city that its columns are open and its influence at the service of good causes. There are very often times when a paragraph in a newspaper will prove of much value, whether it be to call attention to a great need, or to expose a fraud. Clergymen, members of charitable organizations and individual citizens are cordially invited to regard this paper as a medium through which they can speak freely on matters relating to their work for the benefit of those who are in need of help.

MANUAL TRAINING

The Times is glad to learn that the joint committee of the board of trade and school trustees will meet soon to consider the question of manual training. The meeting has been somewhat delayed, but the board of trade committee have in the meantime visited the consolidated school at Kingston and one member visited that at Hillsboro, P. E. Island, with the result that the committee are more than ever impressed with the importance of introducing manual training in the city schools. They have also looked carefully into conditions in the various school buildings, and will thus be able to go into an intelligent consideration of the whole question with the school board, which is understood to be very willing to introduce the system if the arrangements can be made and the funds which will be trifling in comparison with the benefit, provided.

The Winnipeg Free Press says: "Twenty-four printers, who have been brought from England to take the places of the men in Winnipeg who are striking for an eight-hour day, have arrived in the city. The men are about half of those secured in the old country by Mr. Brunning, who went there from Winnipeg for the purpose as the representative of the printers' board of trade."

THE LATE MRS. SPRAGG

A funeral service over the remains of the late Mrs. J. Wilford Spragg was held last evening, at the home of her sister, Mrs. John H. Scribner, on Union street. It was conducted in the presence of sorrowing friends, by Rev. David Long of Victoria street United Baptist church. The body was taken up river this morning on the Beatrice Waring, and the funeral will be held at Hatfield's Point on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The hymns sung at last evening's service were Jesus, Lover of My Soul, and Nearer My God to Thee.

The late Mrs. Spragg was a daughter of Daniel Urquhart of Kays, Kings Co. She leaves a husband and one daughter, Lida, who is a nurse in Boston. One brother, William Urquhart, lives at Springfield, and she leaves three sisters: Mrs. Sylvester Spragg of Boston, Mrs. John H. Scribner of St. John, and Mrs. George Reicker of Kays. The deceased lady was 92 years of age.

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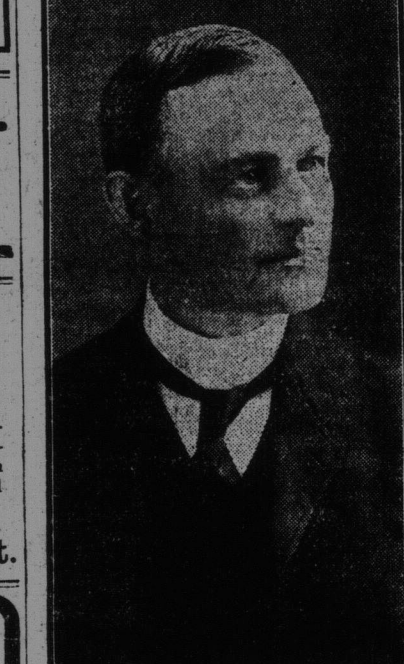
Men of Saint John.

JOHN B. M. BAXTER

John B. M. Baxter, barrister-at-law, was born in West St. John, on the 16th of February, 1883, and is therefore in his 23rd year. He attended the public schools here until about 14 years of age, when, after a short time spent in commercial life, he entered John Kerr's office in 1894, and two years later entered as a student-at-law. He was made attorney in 1890 and a barrister in 1891. In 1890 he became connected with King's College Law School as a lecturer on domestic relations and partnerships and companies, and in 1890 received the degree of B. C. L. upon examination. He has been connected with several cases involving his appearance before the Supreme Court of Canada, and with some important cases in local courts, one of these, the Mayor-Council case, occupied over 30 days of trial, in which he was employed as junior to the attorney general. During the bridge investigation at Fredericton by the government, he was selected by a committee of the opposition party to act as junior counsel with Dr. A. Stockton.

His aldermanic career started in 1892 when he was elected to the council as the representative for Brooks ward. He served until 1896, when he was defeated by James O. Shackleton. He was re-elected in 1900 by acclamation. In 1904 he was again defeated, by C. Henry Brennan, but was re-elected by acclamation last year. At the outset of his civic career he contributed largely to the solution of the question of the site for the West Side improvements. He is a firm believer in municipal ownership of public utilities. He has held various offices in the council, being under the old system, chairman of the council one year, and has also been deputy mayor and warden of the county. In federal and provincial politics he is a stalwart Conservative. He is a past president of the St. John's Liberal Conservative Club and is a member of the executive of the Liberal Conservative Association. During election campaigns he has on many occasions been chosen to represent the opposition in various parts of the province on the public platform.

As a militiaman Ald. Baxter has been



JOHN B. M. BAXTER.

a prominent figure and an enthusiastic worker. He joined the 10th Regiment, Co. 2d Regt. C. A., in 1888, becoming a non-commissioned officer that year. In 1889 he was appointed a lieutenant in the same company, and passed the qualifying examination. He was made captain in 1892, brevet-major in 1902, and regimental major in 1903. During his command of No. 2 company he had the pleasure of seeing it rise from the lowest place in the regiment to the highest place in the dominion, winning first prize in the general efficiency competition three times.

In 1898 he published a book entitled "The Historical Records of New Brunswick Regiment, Canadian Artillery," containing a record of events in the regiment from 1783 to 1890.

In fraternal orders he is a past master of Carleton Union Lodge F. and M. J. 35, connected with various other branches of Masonry and is also the Worshipful Master of True Blue Lodge, I. O. A. F.

He is a member of St. Andrew's Society, the New Brunswick Historical Society, Board of Trade, and a member of the Free Public Library Commission.

Ald. Baxter has also had some experience in newspaper work, having been connected with the staff of the Telegraph and Sun for a time.

He is at present the secretary and counsel of the civic assessment commission.

A PLEASANT AFTERNOON

The ministerial circle of the King's Daughters held a delightful 5 o'clock tea yesterday in Centenary Methodist church. The tables were lastefully decorated. Those in charge were Mrs. C. H. Peters and Mrs. W. Purdy, assisted by Miss Ethel Baird, Miss Edgewood, Miss Dorothy Edgewood, Miss Nellie Thorne, Miss Fannie Jenkins, Miss Hannah Logan, Miss Ethel Collins, Miss Blanche Allen, Miss Thelma Bowman, Miss Nellie Thorne, and Miss Laura McLaughlin.

An excellent musical programme was rendered by Misses Drake, Miss Collins and Miss Thelma Bowman. The reception committee were Mrs. T. A. Goddard, Miss Josie Troop, Miss Thomas and Miss Barker.

CHANGES ON ONTARIO BENCH

Ottawa, Nov. 10.—(Special).—At the early meeting this afternoon Justice R. M. Meredith was promoted from the high court of Ontario to the appeal court in place of Justice MacLennan, who was promoted to the supreme court. Several names have been mentioned to take the place of Justice Meredith, but so far no appointment has been made.

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