

### AROUND THE CITY

#### Misepo Pulp Mill Tenders.

At the meeting of the city commissioners yesterday several tenders were received for the removal of the pulp mill at Misepo, but no action was taken on them. They will be dealt with on Monday.

#### "Mikado" Big Hit.

The Pollard Opera Company played "Mikado" with great success at the Opera House last night—to be repeated this afternoon and evening. Big bargain matinee. Last performance Monday night, Sergeant Bruce.

#### Preparing Public Works Estimates.

The city commissioners spent yesterday afternoon considering the plans of the department of public works for the year, and making up the estimates for the various services in the control of the department.

#### The Vancouver Fog.

St. John is not the only city in Canada that suffers from fog. A gentleman who recently returned from Vancouver, says that the fog is so thick some days that to prevent accidents, a sign is placed in front of the street cars reading: "Please leave by back entrance."

#### Police Reports.

Policeman O'Neill has reported morning McLaughlin for having a pile of refuse in his yard in the rear of John Poole's warehouse off Nelson street. The police have reported S. B. Bustin, the agent for the Coleston Estate, for having a defective water conductor on the premises 47 and 49 Britain street.

#### Jubilee at Hammond River.

New Year's Day there was an interesting service at Hammond River, when the 50th anniversary of the church was celebrated. It was mentioned at the time that when the church was opened on New Year's Day 50 years ago, it was fine and there was excellent singing, while on Wednesday it was raining hard and there was not a sign of a crowd. There was a large attendance and the clergyman present were Rev. Dr. Campbell, Rev. A. H. Croftfoot, Rev. P. Gaskill, of Hampton; Rev. Mr. Daniel, of Rothesay, and Archdeacon W. O. Raymond. Addresses were given by Archdeacon Raymond and Dr. Campbell. All through the service was very interesting, and it was a successful commemoration of the golden jubilee.

#### St. Mary's Christmas Tree.

St. Mary's Church Sunday school held their annual Christmas tree and entertainment in the school house last evening. The hall was filled with the Sunday school scholars and friends and there was a large Christmas tree from which were given presents to all. The programme consisted of the singing of Christmas carols by the children after which indoor games were enjoyed for a time. Santa Claus then put in an appearance and the Christmas tree was revealed and the presents distributed. During the evening the St. Mary's choir including the boys presented a purse to J. N. Rogers, Rev. Dr. Raymond making the presentation. Mr. Rogers received the gift with a suitable reply. Refreshments were served and the evening proved a most enjoyable one.

#### Prosperity Sale.

F. A. Dykeman & Co. have called this a Prosperity Sale, this great annual Whitewear Sale they are having. For the last six months they have been gathering together under prosperous conditions the best collection of whitewear from the best manufacturers, and without doubt this is the king of all showings. To give impetus to the sale, they have placed startling prices on many of the lines. See the window display of corset covers and drawers, handsomely trimmed and embroidered. Your choice for 25 cents. You will consider many of them worth double. Look at the other window and see the assorted prices, especially the gowns that are marked \$1.00. They have over three hundred of these at fine prices. The price is \$1.00, but the price is \$1.00 during the sale. When you look at those gowns at 50 cents, made from fine princess cambric with lace trimming. Their undershirts are actually creating a sensation. Some of them have an eighteen inch slender blouse at \$1.00 each, and they have enough to go round. This is a skirt equal to some they have sold in the past at \$1.50. Princess slips and combinations are shown in a large variety from \$1.00 to \$3.00.

### PERSONAL.

G. A. MacNellie, of Vancouver, B. C., is in the city, and is the guest of the Rev. Dr. W. O. Raymond.

The friends of S. H. Sherwood, Jr., who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, will be pleased to learn that he is on the road to recovery.

Kerr Higgins, who has been spending his Christmas vacation in the city, will leave today for Centerville to teach in the new grammar school there.

### ANOTHER FRENCH LINE FOR CANADA

#### Big Steamship Company Will Run Boats to Montreal as Soon as Navigation Opens in Spring.

Montreal, Jan. 2.—W. G. Ross, chairman of the harbor commission, stated in the course of a speech delivered on board the Sir Hugh Allan today, that the navigation season this year would witness the advent of a new line of steamers to Montreal though as yet he was not free to say what line it was. Inquiries in shipping circles showed that the option is general that La Compagnie Generale Transatlantique is the line to which President Ross referred.

## LAUNCHED A MOVEMENT FOR CHILDREN'S PROTECTION ACT

#### Largely Attended Meeting Held in Trinity School Room, Last Evening—Resolution Passed and Committee Named to Interview Authorities.

The proposed bill for child protection in St. John was discussed last evening at a largely attended meeting of citizens in the schoolroom of Trinity church. W. S. Fisher presided.

The meeting was a representative one, including members of nearly every denomination delegated by the churches to place the stamp of each congregation's approval on the proposed bill. A number of speakers were heard during the evening, all of whom heartily endorsed the movement for securing protective legislation for the children.

The first business of the meeting was the submitting of a resolution introduced by Rev. R. A. Armstrong, expressing the sympathy and approval of the meeting, asking that a committee chosen from the meeting wait on the municipal council and the legislature in the interests of the bill.

The resolution which was unanimously adopted was as follows:

"Whereas, in other provinces of Canada special legislation for the protection and care of neglected and dependent children has been adopted and enforced with splendid results; and whereas, the need of such legislation in this province, and especially in the city and county of St. John, has long been apparent to all who are interested in the work for the welfare of such children;

Therefore Resolved, That this meeting of representatives of the churches and other organizations engaged in work to promote social welfare and the betterment of the conditions of life in this city present an urgent appeal to the municipal council of the city and county of St. John to ask the Provincial Legislature to adopt a Children's Protection Act along lines of the bill which has been approved by the joint committee of the Associated Charities and the Moral and Social Reform Committee.

And further resolved that a representative committee of six from the meeting be appointed to present the matter before the finance committee of the municipal council, and then before the council itself at its January session;

And further resolved that the same committee be requested to appear, if necessary before the legislature at Fredericton to plead for the passage of the act."

Following the reception of the resolution a number of speakers were heard on the question, all of whom spoke in terms of approval of the measure, and pointed out the need of such legislation.

In moving the resolution Rev. Mr. Armstrong said that it was not the intention of the promoters of the government that the home should be entered tactlessly and the family unnecessarily broken asunder, but that discretion and care would be used in selecting a probation officer and careful consideration given to each case.

Judge Forbes, who seconded the resolution, said that he heartily endorsed the measure, and thought the act could be successfully worked out in this city where the child problem is beginning to press heavily. If the young are to be dealt with it should be before they have contracted habits which will lead them astray. By removing them from perilous environments, which is the purpose of the act, this can be accomplished.

J. King Kelley spoke at length on the measure and showed most convincingly that there is in St. John an urgent need for such legislation as the Children's Protection Act embodies.

Magistrate Ritchie, Mrs. T. H. Bullock and others spoke in favor of the act, and of the need which exists in the city at present for the act.

After the unanimous adoption of the resolution the following was then submitted and passed upon:

Whereas on December 28th, at a meeting of the Social and Moral Reform Council a Children's Aid Society was organized and a constitution similar to that of the Children's Aid societies in Ontario adopted.

Therefore resolved, That this meeting endorse the action taken, and express its approval of the society thus organized.

The resolution was submitted by Rev. H. E. Thomas, representing the Moral and Social Reform Council.

The committee for the purpose of interviewing the municipal council and the provincial legislature was named as follows:—W. F. Hatheway, convener; A. M. Belding, R. A. Armstrong, Mrs. T. H. Bullock and Mrs. Lawrence.

## ATTENDED TO DESERT CHILD

#### Deformed Babe Abandoned in Ladies' Waiting Room at Union Depot—Discovered by U. S. Immigration Agent.

A deliberate and cold-blooded attempt to desert a deformed and mentally deficient child in the ladies' waiting room of the Union Station was discovered and blocked by the station officials late yesterday afternoon. The incident occurred shortly after the arrival of the Pacific express from Halifax on which a man, his wife and three children, one of which was the deformed child, came to the city with the intention of proceeding to the United States on the Boston express.

The U. S. immigration officials on duty at the station refused the family admittance on the ground that the deformed child might become a burden to their country. On learning this, the man wrapped the child in a blanket and deposited it on a seat in the ladies' waiting room. He together with his wife and two other children, then boarded the Boston train, where they were later discovered by the immigration officials. I. C. B. Pollock, Smith was called and ordered them from the train. It was then found that the unfortunate child was missing from the family group, a hunt resulting in its being discovered in the ladies' waiting room.

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#### LANCASTER BOARD OF TRADE SCORES THE WATER RATE ADVANCE

Much Enthusiasm at Organization Meeting Last Evening—Officers and Council Elected—Will Boon Fairville.

Enthusiasm ran high at the organization meeting of the Lancaster Board of Trade last evening when the Fairville court house was crowded with an interested body of citizens all bent on boosting Fairville along all lines. The meeting was given over to electing officers and committees and transacting necessary business. The matter of the water rates was freely discussed and criticized, a committee being appointed to take action to have the rates lowered.

The officers elected were as follows: James Masson, honorary president; W. J. Linton, president; Andrew Anderson, vice-president; Alfred Burley, secretary. The council of the board was elected as follows: W. J. Fenton, Wm. Golding, James Macdonald, Joseph L. O'Brien, J. H. Allan, Daniel Campbell, George H. Tipst, James Lovell, J. E. Bryant, Charles E. Jackson and Fratton Hamm. The officers and members of the council were duly sworn in by Squire Masson.

The matter of by-laws was then taken up and a committee consisting of Wm. A. Nelson, Wm. Golding, G. Earle Logan, Joseph L. O'Brien and Wm. Linton was appointed to draw up a set of by-laws to be considered at the next meeting.

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The advance in the water rates was from next matter to be taken up by the meeting and a committee consisting of the council of the board was delegated to deal with the matter.

Before the close of the meeting a hearty unanimous vote of thanks was passed by J. B. M. Baxter, M. P., for the good work done by him toward the launching of the board. The meeting adjourned to the call of the chair.

The discussion of the different questions were of an interesting nature and resulted in the framing of several resolutions in reference to the questions and will be forwarded to the Board of Education for consideration.

## THE SHEEP INDUSTRY

#### Official of Agricultural Department will Tour Provinces to Induce Farmers to Take up Sheep Growing.

The special commission appointed by the Dominion department of agriculture to investigate the sheep raising industry, found that the industry has been permitted to decline in the Maritime Provinces, and that through this decline the farmers are depriving themselves of a very profitable source of revenue. One of the claims put forth by the farmers generally in defence of the decline, has been that the return received from the wool is too small. To remedy this state of affairs the department proposes to encourage the farmer to deal directly with the manufacturer instead of through the middle country store or other medium as has been the custom in the past, and is sending out representatives from the department to bring about co-operation among the farmers in this respect.

T. R. Arkell, of the department at Ottawa arrived in the city last night and will visit the different sections of the Maritime Provinces for the purpose of getting in touch with the farmers of the agricultural districts and put the matter before them in an effort to promote co-operation among them, and inaugurate an educational campaign in the proper preparation of the wool for marketing, in binding, shipping, etc., so that the material can command profitable prices.

Speaking of the sheep raising industry Mr. Arkell told The Standard that the industry has been permitted to decline all over the Maritime Provinces. The chief reason which the farmers put forth for this has been the poor price they received for the wool. But in preparing the wool for marketing the farmers have shown carelessness, and lack of knowledge, with the result that the material cannot command satisfactory prices in competition with that of Great Britain which is marketed in better condition, and finds better markets.

The industry could be made a lucrative one for the farmers of the provinces, if proper regard is given to the requisite care in getting the material ready for the market.

To inaugurate the campaign of education in the matter and to endeavor to encourage the farmers to sell directly to the manufacturer, is the purpose of the department of agriculture after studying the conditions which exist, and it is to carry out this that Mr. Arkell will visit the agricultural sections of New Brunswick during the next week.

## KING'S DAUGHTERS IN MONTHLY MEETING

#### Strongly Endorse Associated Charities Action to Secure Children's Protection Act—Contributors Thanked.

The monthly meeting of the King's Daughters' Guild was held yesterday afternoon in their rooms, Prince William street. The president, Mrs. O. L. Barbour occupied the chair. After routine business had been dealt with the report of the treasurer was read, and favorably received.

A motion was passed by the guild favoring the work of the Associated Charities in their endeavor to secure children's protection act. Miss Pratt was delegated to represent the guild at the meeting in Trinity church Sunday school last evening.

The night school in connection with the association will open for the second term on Jan. 9th.

The committee of the Girls' Association wish to acknowledge contributions of money from the following: Mrs. Charles Wasson, Hon. J. D. Hazen, C. I. Inches, Rev. J. A. MacKellan, H. G. Scott, Mrs. H. McEllan, Mrs. Charles Peters, Mrs. W. G. Smith, Mrs. R. M. Hazen and Dr. Otto Nase.

### Big Smoker in Fairville.

The Fairville Conservatives will open the year 1913 with a bumper smoker under the auspices of the Fairville Conservative Club on the evening of Wednesday the 8th instant. Besides a musical programme, J. B. M. Baxter, M. P., Warden Thomas B. Carson, M. P., W. H. Harrison, Commissioner R. W. Wigmore and John A. Harry will speak. The committee in charge are Emley Bettison, president of the Club, the secretary, Robert Carrier, and G. Earle Logan.

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