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The Military Gazette just issued contains the announcement that J. D. Balfour, the popular captain of the First Hussars in this city, has been appointed major.

Coal Trade Matters.

Mr. Wm. Heaman, of this city, left yesterday for Ottawa, where with other members of the coal merchants' committee, he will take up various questions affecting the coal trade with the government commission.

Passed the Examinations.

The results of the preliminary examinations for entrance to the civil service show that the following Londoners were successful in passing: Raymond Woollett, Fred W. Field, Frank G. Copp, Walter Bigg, O. Elson, Albert B. Callahan, Wm. A. Spry, R. F. Bowen, O. L. Deacon, W. Beamish, F. E. Davis and W. P. Flynn.

Kerwood Resident Dead.

One of the oldest and best-known residents of Kerwood died in Victoria Hospital this morning after a long illness, in the person of Mr. John Morgan. Mr. Morgan was 76 years old. Mr. Truman Morgan, of the Medical School, is a son, and the late Mrs. J. W. Cameron, wife of Mr. J. W. Cameron, mayor of Strathroy, was a daughter. The funeral arrangements have not yet been completed.

Coldstream Institute.

The Coldstream branch of the Women's Institute will meet at the Friends' Meeting House, on Wednesday, Jan. 13, at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon. The lady delegate, Mrs. Ashly, of London, will give an address on "The Responsibility of Mothers to Daughters, and Vice-Versa." Roll-call will be responded to by Sen-

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## First-Aid Men

HELD A CONCERT

Benefit Last Night for St. John's Ambulance Association.

A concert in aid of Forest City, No. 1 Division of the St. John Ambulance Association, was held in the city hall last evening, and proved very successful.

The programme was well received by the large audience, all numbers being loudly applauded. The second part was particularly fine, Masters Adair and Selby, Messrs. Fowler and Cook, and Messrs. Hewer and Rigby, each receiving encores.

Mayor Stevely presided, and in the opening address, spoke of the local division, which is the first in Canada, and stating that the move was worthy of the hearty support of the citizens.

Arrangements had been made to have Hon. Adam Beck act as chairman, but as he was called to Toronto yesterday afternoon on important business, he found it impossible to do so.

Miss Alma Gillies acted as accompanist in a capable manner. The following was the programme:

Part No. 1.

Chairman's Address.

Solo—"Go to Sea".....Trotter

Reading—Selected.....Mr. V. L. Hewer.

Solo—"Kissing".....Miss Cook.

Duet—"Kissing" in characters.....Eber

Masters Adair and Selby.

Selections on Banjo and Mandolin.....Mr. Rigby.

Solo—"Selected".....Miss Forester.

Reading—"Mrs. McDuffey on Baseball".....Miss Sanborn.

Duet—"School Girls' Dilemma".....Martha

Masters Adair and Selby.

Solo—"Song of the Bow".....Mr. Webster.

Solo—"Frühlingsrauschen".....Sliding

Miss Vera A. Chalmers.

## Allow Consumptives in Hospital

## Provincial Health Officers Approve

Say There Would Be Absolutely No Danger of Contagion.

A very important conference was held yesterday afternoon when Dr. Hodgetts, provincial health officer, Dr. John A. Amyot, director of the laboratory of the Provincial Board of Health, and Dr. R. W. Bruce-Smith, inspector of hospitals and charities, met several members of the hospital trust and other physicians regarding the proposed tuberculosis hospital in London.

They were interviewed by The Advertiser yesterday afternoon, and gave some very interesting information regarding the treatment of consumption.

All three emphatically stated that for economic reasons, the upper section of the present isolation ward in the old hospital should be set apart for incurable cases of tuberculosis. They pointed out that there was absolutely no danger whatever.

Tuberculosis.

"There are two distinct types of tuberculosis, the incipient cases and the advanced cases," said Dr. Hodgetts. "The first must be treated in a sanatorium, situated near the city, perhaps, but on as high altitude as possible. Several municipalities or counties might use in making this a sanatorium for all such cases in that district. That is being done in the eastern part of the province. Then the advanced cases should go to the hospital—Victoria Hospital, in the upper part of the present isolation ward. No danger should be created to make it proper for the care of such patients. There is no danger of contagion.

"Both the sanatorium and the incurable ward should be under the direction of a medical superintendent. He could hold office as such three times a week on the disease, and the medical students would be taught some valuable lessons regarding the proper care and prevention of this disease.

Diagnose Cases.

"Of course, there should be qualified nurses, who would look after the patients properly. I would suggest also that the ward at the hospital be a detention ward, where the cases could be diagnosed properly. If they were incipient cases they could go to the sanatorium, and if they were incurable they could remain in the hospital. I would also suggest the employment of visiting nurses in connection with the dispensary. They would prove invaluable in giving information as to the prevention and cure of this disease, and in other ways would do much good.

Up to the Physicians.

"There should also be a compulsory notification of every case of tuberculosis in the city by the medical man in charge just as there is in smallpox. The houses should be thoroughly disinfected, and every effort made to prevent a further spread of the disease.

"The ignorant consumptive is the cause of great danger to the public. The consumptive who knows how to take care of himself is no danger at all. It is the ignorant consumptive who spits everywhere, and contaminates others with the sputum that spreads the disease.

"The method outlined by the committee in London is the ideal way, as it combines charity organization, the council and the Legislature, affording the minimum cost to all.

Wipe Out the Disease.

"With a good man in charge it would not be long until the disease was brought within bounds, and the expenditure decreased. The disease can be prevented and can be blotted out.

"There are objections to a hospital in the city, but there can be no danger. The Phipps Institute, the largest

of its kind in America, is in the centre of Philadelphia, and no contagion ever comes from that place. It is rarely indeed that a physician or nurse is affected."

Dr. Amyot agreed to the above statement of facts, and declared that there was no reason in the world why the upper flat of the present isolation ward could not be used for consumptive patients.

Dr. Bruce-Smith.

Dr. R. W. Bruce-Smith gave the following statement, bearing on the subject:

"I consider the whole hospital plant now one of the most complete and best equipped in Ontario. The recent completion of the new buildings for the isolated care and treatment of patients suffering from diphtheria and scarlet fever, the erection of a new laundry, and the conversion of the old building into a maternity department, and an out-patients' department, brings Victoria Hospital up to a standard of which the city of London has reason to be proud.

"The prediction may be safely made that inside of five years the people of London will most thoroughly appreciate the fact that the expenditure to improve their hospital accommodation was wisely and prudently made. Some may say that more accommodation was provided for contagious and infectious diseases than was needed. That may seem so at present, but the experience of Brantford and many other places in Ontario is that it is most fortunate to be deficient in hospital accommodation when an epidemic arises.

Use Upper Flat.

"It is highly satisfactory to learn that a health association similar to that at Hamilton is being organized, for the care and treatment of acute cases of tuberculosis. It is most important that the movement should be encouraged. What has been done at Hamilton can be equally well done at London.

"I purpose suggesting, however, to the Victoria Hospital trust that the upper flat of the building now occupied as isolation wards for contagious diseases should be fitted up for the care of chronic tubercular cases. It is not necessary to dwell upon the absolute necessity of caring for the chronic cases. By adding verandas to the building it can readily be made, and without much expenditure, very suitable for the comfort and treatment of the cases, which are not suitable for the outside sanatorium reserved for the more recent cases.

"I do not consider that placing the chronic cases in the upper flat of the building I have mentioned would be at all a menace to patients in other parts of the hospital. They would be kept separate and distinct.

"In my judgment too much has been said to frighten the public in regard to the contagiousness of the disease. It is highly important to segregate the chronic cases, and this, I consider, can be done here without any detrimental effect. In the town of Gravenhurst, or the district of Muskoka, no case of consumption can be traced to the sanatorium's presence there.

Decreases Deaths.

"The German statistics clearly show that in every town or village in which a sanatorium has been erected for the treatment of pulmonary tuberculosis the number of deaths from consumption has lessened. This is due to the fact that such institutions teach people how to live and how to care for patients who have the disease. Educating the consumptive how to care for himself and protect his associates, is absolutely necessary.

"And after all, what is to be aimed at, is to teach people that tuberculosis is a disease arising from insanitary conditions, and is easily preventable. As soon as the gospel of right living, with an abundance of pure air is understood, the disease will be eliminated and its present ravages checked. Let London finish the good work it has commenced."

Solo—"The Holy City".....Adams

Master Selby.

Part No. II.

Solo—"Johnnie Rankin".....Mather

Masters Adair and Selby.

Reading—"Betty Hawkins Goes to the City".....Miss Selby.

Solo—"Neath the Rolling Tide".....Jude

Mr. V. L. Hewer.

Solo—"Selection on Banjo and Mandolin".....Mr. Rigby.

Solo—"The Gipsies".....Miss Maud Fowler.

Reading—"One of the Heroes".....Miss Cook.

Solo—"Marksmen All".....Mr. Webster.

Solo—"Good-Night".....Macey

Mr. V. L. Hewer.

"God Save the King."

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The benefit concert given in Bennett's Theatre last night in aid of the unemployed proved to be a most attractive musical entertainment, and the large audience present thoroughly enjoyed the somewhat varied programme. The stars of the evening were without any doubt Mr. Maurice Pouré and Miss Jean Robb. Mr. Pouré's selections were most artistically rendered, and he won deserved applause. Miss Robb's readings were given in her usual excellent style, and she, too, won for herself the applause of all present.

The programme was as follows:

Overture.....Bennett's Orchestra

Division A. O. G. Giger.

Partone Solo.....E. A. Webster

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