

## GIVES ACCOUNT OF CONFERENCE ON EDUCATION

Comprehensive Report on  
Recent Meeting in Toronto  
Submitted by Mrs. E.  
A. Smith to I. O. D. E.

Fredericton, N. B., April 26.—A comprehensive account of the recent National Conference on Education held in Toronto, was given by Mrs. E. A. Smith to I. O. D. E. meeting today. She had attended the conference as the representative of the Provincial Chapter of the I. O. D. E. as well as the representative of three other societies and a member of the local educational council of St. John. The report was given in Mrs. Smith's absence.

She declared it had been a great privilege to be one of the 2,000 delegates attending and to hear distinguished and eminent educationists from Great Britain, France and all sections of Canada. Having explained that the first National Council on Education had been held in Winnipeg five years previously and that the three professions of education, the idea that education involved a full preparation for life, to promote unity of Canadian education and to bring the laymen in touch with education, the report stressed the fact that education was everybody's concern.

The distinguished speakers of the conference were mentioned in turn, Rt. Hon. Lord Robert Cecil, M. P., Sir Michael Sadler, vice-chancellor of Leeds University; Sir Henry Newbolt, poet and educationist; Sir Robert and Lady Baden-Powell, and Miss Gilpin, from Great Britain; Henri Hauser of the University of Paris, and Prof. Emmanuel De Margerie of the French National Research Council; W. W. Blackall, of Newfoundland; Col. Willoughby Bullock, Attorney-General of the Bahamas and N. R. McKenney, inspector of schools from New Zealand. The Maritime Province representatives included Dr. Borden and Prof. Weigel, of Sackville.

The luncheon given by the Municipal Chapter of the I. O. D. E. of Toronto on April 8 to women delegates from the west and from the Maritime Provinces was held in the King Edward Hotel, and Mrs. Jackson, regent of the Toronto chapter, received the 600 guests and at the luncheon Miss Gilpin spoke of creative work in education. The Ontario Education Association gave his address on Ideals in Education and Sir Robert Baden-Powell in his address ascribed the influence of Boy Scout training to trusting to their honor. Rev. G. W. Kirby, of Mount Royal College, Calgary, confessed that he believed the world was on the threshold of a new age.

The governors and president of Toronto University held a reception at Hart House that afternoon for all the delegates and an opportunity was given for a tour through the university buildings with students and professors as guides. The evening session was presided over by Sir Arthur Currie and for three hours the vast audience breathed the rarified atmosphere of idealism. Sir Henry Newbolt spoke of the Bible as the unique literary work of human history. M. J. J. Champenois of the National Bureau of French Universities gave a scholarly tribute to the power of literature to foster international good-will. Rev. Eber Crumney, former principal of Weid College, Winnipeg, made a plea for the teaching of biography as a means of creating hero worship and breaking down the prejudice of the past.

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of Mrs. Doolittle's dinner at the Women's Club. The inaugural session of the National Conference was held that night in Massey Hall with 4,000 attending. Vincent Massey acted as chairman and H. N. Torg, of the University of Alberta, as Sir Michael Sadler were the two speakers, having for their subject a survey of present conditions and an inquiry into the adequacy of education as an all important factor in assuring the progress of civilization.

Mrs. Smith described the contrast between the two speakers in her graphic account. While representing the antithesis of physique and manner they carried the same message.

Tom Moore, president of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada was the chairman at the Thursday morning session when Prof. DeMargerie and H. S. Coleman spoke of geography as the study of men and women. French sessions were held simultaneously with the English.

Archbishop Matheson of Winnipeg, primate of All Canada presided at the afternoon session. Rabbi Barnett Brinker of Toronto, a comparatively young man, was the first speaker and his subject was Literature as the gateway to knowledge. He declared the development of Canadian literature was essential to the highest type of national life. Professor Gordon Laing of McGill, a brother of Miss Laing, national educational secretary of the I. O. D. E. who was the next speaker, Mrs. Smith said was the most entertaining and humorous speaker she had ever heard.

Sir Henry Newbolt, Mrs. Smith described as the most human and the most spiritual of all the educationists present. He spoke that afternoon on literature as a record of human experience, and the instrument of expression and understanding, and at the official address confessed that he believed the world was on the threshold of a new age.

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by Miss Gilliland was a member of St. James' church and had resided in the city for several years. Mr. Spinney was a returned soldier and served with the 29th Battalion until the close of the war. He is a farmer at St. George, Charlotte county. Both bride and groom have a wide circle of friends and hearty good wishes were extended to them after the ceremony they left for a wedding tour in New Brunswick. They will make their home near St. George.

**Parks-Brown.**  
Miss Myrtle W. Brown and Lee M. Parks were united in marriage last evening at 272 Tower street, w. e., by Rev. C. R. Freeman. The bride was attended by Miss Eva B. Parks and the groom was supported by Roland D. Belyea. They will reside in West St. John.

**RECENT DEATHS**  
W. D. McLeod.  
Word has been received of the death of W. D. McLeod of Glendale, Col., which occurred on April 15. He was born in Carleton County, July 26, 1855, and graduated from U. N. B. in June, 1870, and was winner of the Douglas gold medal that year. He practiced law in St. John until 1884 and then went to the States. He is survived by two brothers and one half-sister.

The North Carolina state board of health urges the use of lettuce, saying it is rich in vitamins.

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Spinney-Gilliland.  
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## Divers and Dogfish Fight Over Gold of Sunken Laurentic

**Salvaging of Millions From Ship in Lough Swilly Is Attended by Battles With Infuriated Sea Dwellers.**

Portsmouth, April 26.—The Racer, a salvage ship, has just left Portsmouth for Lough Swilly, where the Laurentic was torpedoed and sunk in January, 1917. The Racer carried a cargo of bullion for the United States amounting to \$3,000,000, and of this just over \$1,500,000 has been recovered.

The other \$3,500,000 of gold lies scattered about the bed of the sea off the north coast of Ireland, about fifteen miles off the entrance to Lough Swilly. The Racer has been working until August of last year, but the weather then was so rough that operations had to be stopped. The gold lies at a depth of twenty fathoms (120 feet), and as the rough Atlantic has beaten the wreckage into fragments it is mostly hidden under sand, which makes the divers' work very difficult.

The debris of the Laurentic are now settled on the sea bottom and cover an area of several hundred feet. Steam suction pipes operated from the Racer remove the sand. During the breeding season male dogfish are a great trouble to the divers and attack them furiously, but in spite of all difficulties the greater part of the gold is expected to be recovered.

**PLEA OF PRINCESS YOLANDA SAVES WOMEN RAIL WORKERS**  
London, April 2.—(By Mail).—Many women employed by the Italian state railways will retain their positions, thanks to Princess Yolanda, the King of Italy's daughter, says "The London Daily Mail" correspondent.

The Fascist railway dictator, Signor Torre, had ordered all women employees who entered the service after the beginning of the war to be dismissed. Princess Yolanda sent a letter to him, saying that on her wedding day it would hurt her to think that many women were deprived of their livelihood. She implored him to reinstate needy cases.

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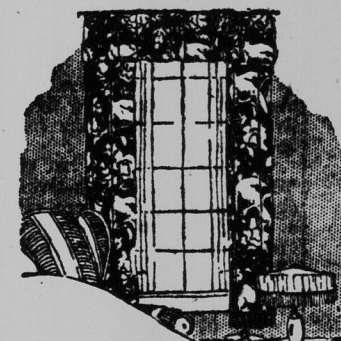
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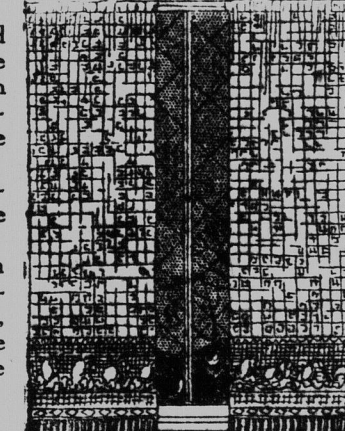
STAND away from it three feet and you'd call it Tapestry, so vividly does the working of the tropical scene stand out. Come closer and feel with your eyes shut and you'd say it was a Turkish towelling. Open them and the gorge of the picture makes you feel you are far away in the Amazon forest—a blaze of blooms of varied shape and tint a parrot perched cheerfully amid many leafy branches and a lilled brook in the near background. Yard wide and \$1.65. In Cretonnes proper shadowed effects hold a high place but not price. They also are reminiscent of tapestries and soft in their glow of color. Brilliance is the keynote of the favorite regulation Cretonnes. The designers have worked hard and well to produce a this year touch in all they have done—the flowers seem to be newborn, the foliage different and various stripes and lattices add character to draperies that work such wonders in bungalows and any home for that matter. Prices 35c to 65c.

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