

The Dust of Christopher Columbus.

It is improbable that the uncertainty about the resting place of the ashes of Christopher Columbus will ever be entirely dispelled. Most people believe that the dust of the admiral rests at Seville.

Nurses of Victorian Order Usher Into London Homes Six Pairs of Sturdy Twins

Splendid Work of Organization Is Brought Out in Annual Reports.

MISS HARRIS PRESIDENT

9,282 Visits Are Made by Five Nurses During Past Year.

Never perhaps in the history of the Victorian Order of Nurses has there been such a successful annual meeting as that held yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. S. Blackburn, Alma street, when Miss Amelia Harris was again elected to the office of president. The members turned out in large numbers, thus displaying their interest in the work of the order which is increasing with each year. The annual reports presented showed the need for a larger staff of nurses in the city but the board feels that it cannot enlarge the work unless it has greater financial support from the municipality.

During the past year the receipts of the order amounted to \$10,635.34 and the disbursements \$9,776.55 leaving a cash balance in the bank of \$867.28. The fees collected from patients during the year amounted to \$2,094.67, \$220.55 less than last year.

Reports Work of Order.

The report of Miss Symmonds, showing the detailed activities of the nurses during the year, was perhaps the most interesting statement presented. It showed less sickness in the city during the last six months. The nurses regretted to report 11 still births, but referred to six pairs of twins which had arrived during the year, bringing the total number of infants up to 257. 261 obstetrical cases were attended by the Victorian Order Nurses, 160 of these having received pre-natal care. In



MRS. J. W. RUSSELL.

better known to the reading public as Margaret Clarke Russell, who has written a clever little comedy, which will be presented by the Players' Workshop in a few weeks.

All 536 pre-natal visits were paid during the year and 338 post natal visits. Infant welfare visits totalled up to 221, social service visits 129, instructive visits 227, supervising visits 182, telephone consultations 228, collection visits 133 and free nursing visits 512, making in all a total of 9,282 visits during the year to 1,939 patients.

But Five Nurses.

And all of this work was carried on by a staff of five nurses headed by Miss Symmonds, and assisted by eight public health students of the Western Ontario University, whose field work was supervised by the Victorian Order. There were 249 night calls made by the nurses during the year, and 35 families were supplied with Christmas cheer.

During the meeting a vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Blackburn who is retiring from office after 15 years' service. The report of the nominating committee was accepted in full, returning Miss Harris as president, amid the enthusiastic applause of the assembled members. Other officers elected were: Vice-presidents, Miss Margaret MacDonald, Mrs. Brynner, Mrs. Niven, Mrs. Jeffery Hale and Mrs. Fred White; corresponding secretary, Miss Hill; assistant corresponding secretary, Mrs. Gerald Pearson; recording secretary, Miss G. Davis; treasurer, Mrs. L. Hathaway; board of directors, Mrs. C. A. Whitman, Mrs. C. T. Campbell, Mrs. A. C. Joseph, Mrs. W. F. D. Jarvis, Mrs. A. T. Little, Mrs. F. J. Greenaway, Mrs. R. Puddicombe, Mrs. E. B. Smith, R. M. Burns, Mrs. Forristal, Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Niven, Mrs. Hale, Miss Harris, Miss Margaret MacDonald, Miss Annie Macbeth, Miss M. Meredith, Miss Martin, Miss S. Macklin, Miss MacDermid, Miss G. Davis, Dr. Alice Jamieson, Miss G. Hill, Mrs. Gerald Pearson, Dr. Hill, Mrs. H. Blackburn, Mrs. Fred White, Mrs. Ronald Harris, Mrs. George Reid.



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THE RED CROSS ANNUAL SET FOR JANUARY 25

Mrs. Ronald Harris Will Deliver Presidential Address in Wesley Hall.

An address from Mrs. Ronald Harris, president, will feature the annual meeting of the Red Cross Society, to be held in Wesley Hall on the afternoon of Friday, January 25. It is the aim of the Red Cross executive to make this meeting one of the largest and finest which has been held. The Red Cross, although it is associated in the minds of the public with activities during war-time, has an extensive peace-time work to carry out and is asking for the interest of its own members and the public in general.

No other organization takes such a sympathetic and personal interest in the welfare of the returned soldiers who are confined to hospital as does the Red Cross Society. And although the war is now over five years past, the work among the men goes on and will go on for years to come.

But this is not the only work which the Red Cross Society is carrying on. There is the great peace-time program of the Red Cross. The society is so organized that when an epidemic of typhoid or some such disease breaks out in outlying districts, where there are not the means to combat it successfully, the problem at once becomes the problem of the Red Cross, and doctors and nurses are despatched to the spot. In cases of huge catastrophes such as the Halifax disaster some years ago the Red Cross comes immediately to the aid of the stricken people, sending out hospital supplies.

The London branch has its share in this work and wants the interested support of the people.

MIDDLESEX TRUSTEES MEET ON JANUARY 25

Women's Institutes Will Have Representatives at Gathering in London.

The convention of Middlesex school trustees and ratepayers to be held January 25-26, in the Normal School, will be of special interest to the Women's Institutes of Middlesex County. The subject of school health, in which the institutes are keenly interested, will be discussed, and Dr. Phair of Toronto, chief school medical officer, will give an informing talk on the school nurse, Saturday morning.

The Women's Institutes have always interested themselves in rural education and particularly school health, but up to the time of the formation of the trustee association, it was impossible for them to get in touch with the work of the schools.

Friday afternoon the delegates will visit the Technical School, and in the evening, the County Council will be present at the opening session. Special speakers of the evening will be Dean Sherwood Fox of the University of Western Ontario; William Prendergast, principal of the Normal School, and Mr. McKone of the Normal teaching staff.

Saturday morning, Dr. Phair will speak, and in the afternoon election of officers for the coming year, and the reports of the work done during the past year in the rural schools will be presented. Choruses will be given by children of the local schools, under the direction of Mr. Quantz, will be instructive as well as enjoyable to the meeting. The program has been arranged by Miss Ethel Robson of Denfield, secretary of the association.

Charles Macfie of Appin will preside during the convention.

SPEAKER WOULD NOT PUT IODINE IN WATER

London Doctor Gives Interesting Address Before St. George's Club.

An informing talk on goitre, was given by a prominent physician at the regular meeting of St. George's Mothers' Club held last evening at the school. The speaker, by the use of a diagram pointed out the various stages of goitre, and recommended the use of iodine to combat the disease. He stated, however, that he preferred the giving of iodine in the tablet form, in preference to putting it in the water supply, as this latter method was wasteful as a large number of persons would be drinking it who did not require it. He emphasized the fact that no one should take iodine, without medical supervision, and that it was not advisable for a person over the age of 20 to take it. Between 10 and 17 years, was the age, recommended by the doctor for the iodine treatment. The Ryerson Mothers' Club has been invited to attend the February meeting of the club, when a debate between the two clubs will be held. The subject of the debate has not been decided upon.

Solos given by Mrs. Fenton and readings from David Copperfield by Miss Sybil Higman were greatly enjoyed.

WEDDINGS

MARTIN-ANDERSON. A wedding of interest to Londoners took place in Toronto on Jan. 15, when Hattie M. Anderson of Toronto, at one time a member of the Toronto



MRS. A. H. CLINGER, returned again last night as regent of the Overseas Chapter, I. O. O. E.

Globe staff and formerly of this city, became the bride of George A. Martin of Lindsay, Ontario, son of the late James Martin and Mrs. Martin of Caledon East, Mr. and Mrs. Martin will reside in Lindsay.

VICTORIA MOTHERS WILL ASSIST CHILD WELFARE

Club Plans Large Tea in School Auditorium To Raise Funds.

Meeting last evening, the Victoria Mothers' Club decided to work in the interests of the Child Welfare Association during the remainder of the year. A large tea was planned to be held shortly in the auditorium, the proceeds to be used to purchase material from which garments will be made. A series of teas will also be held at the homes of the members in aid of the welfare work. A special meeting of the executive is being held Friday to make further arrangements to carry on this work. A grocery shower is being held tomorrow afternoon at the school in aid of a needy family in the district. "The School as a Nation Builder" was the subject of an interesting talk given by Mr. W. T. Willis at the meeting. He pointed out during his talk that the school children, as Christians could Christianize the world. A piano duet by Misses Thompson and Snell was also an enjoyable number of the program.

Danny Takes a Chance and Dashes For an Old Tin Can Nearby

By THORNTON W. BURGESS.

Danny Meadow Mouse had need of all his wits. Yes, siree, had need of all his wits. There was nothing between him and the inside of the stomach of Gray Fox but a stump. It was for Danny to keep that stump between. If he failed for one little instant, one teeny, weeny instant, he would see the inside of that stomach, and this was the last thing in the world he wanted to see.

Gray Fox was just as eager not to have that stump between him and the inside of the stomach of Gray Fox as Danny was to have it between. So each was doing his best to outwit the other. Gray Fox tried chasing Danny around and around that stump. The best he could do was to get an occasional glimpse of Danny's short tail. Then he tried stopping short and turning back so as to meet Danny coming around. But Danny was ready for this trick, and it didn't work.

But Gray Fox had an advantage over Danny Meadow Mouse. You know the big and strong always have a certain advantage over the small and weak. Danny was so much shorter than he was that he was ever so many more steps than did Gray Fox, and this took his breath and his strength. As he grew short of breath and more and more tired



He Wasn't a Second Too Soon.

he knew that only chance and his wits would save him.

Now, lying on its side just a few feet away was a rusty old tomato can. The bottom of it was toward Danny. Of course, he couldn't see the other end and so he couldn't know how big an opening it had. It might not be large enough for even

so small a person as himself to get through. It might be wide open, in which case he would find no safety there. Danny hadn't noticed this can at first. When he had noticed it he had given it hardly more than a thought. But as he grew more and more tired that old can seemed to offer the only possible way of escape from Gray Fox. Danny had once escaped from an old can and he hadn't forgotten it.

"I wish I knew about the opening in the other end of the can," thought Danny. "If it is the right size I'll be safe. I guess I'll have to take the chance. I can't stand this much longer. It will be no worse to be caught in that can by Gray Fox than to be caught here. Oh, dear, why couldn't that can be the other way around so that I could know how big that opening is! Well, here goes!"

Danny drew a long breath and ran just as fast as those short legs of his could take him straight to that old tomato can. Perhaps you can guess, though I don't believe you can, just how he felt when he dodged around the end of that old can and found a hole in it just big enough for him to squeeze through. He wasn't a second too soon. Gray Fox was at his very heels. Danny had taken a chance and he had won. He was still terribly frightened, but he had hope now, and that helped a lot.

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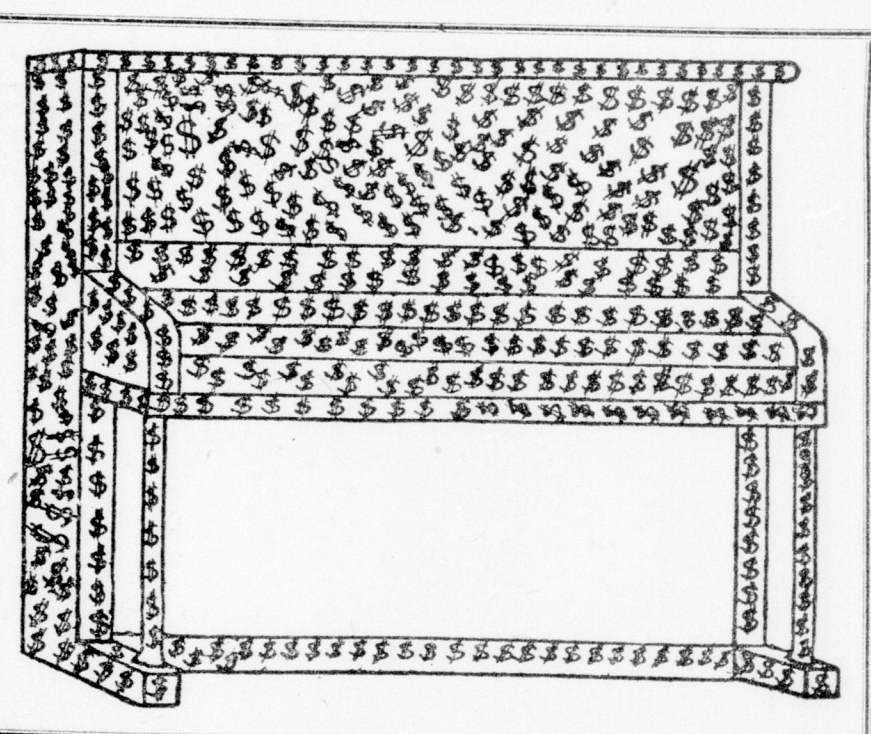
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