

BADE FAREWELL TO RALPH H. WATTS

On the eve of his departure for New Haven, Conn., where he will join the staff of the New Haven Evening Register, his associates on The Telegraph and The Times assembled in the business office of the newspapers yesterday afternoon to bid farewell to Ralph H. Watts, who has been connected with the advertising department of the papers for the last twelve years, for ten years as manager of that department. In a speech in which he expressed the regret of the management and his associates at his departure, E. W. McCready, president of The Telegraph and Times Publishing Companies, presented to Mr. Watts, on behalf of the business, news and editorial staffs, a pearl and diamond scarf pin as a souvenir of his connection with the office and wished him success in his new field. Mr. Watts replied, with evident feeling.

NO TROUBLE IN ENTERING BAY

At a well attended meeting of the port interests committee of the Board of Trade, held yesterday afternoon, a sub-committee was named to look after matters in connection with the hearing before the Railway Commissioners on January 19 regarding the equalization of eastern and western freight rates. John McAvity and Allan McAvity, accompanied by Captain Finn and the chief officer of the oil steamer San Zotto, appeared before the committee. Captain Finn told the committee that he experienced no difficulty in getting his steamer into Courtenay Bay and was pleased with local facilities. He said he would complete unloading the oil this morning.

CHANGES IN THE CIVIL SERVICE.

The latest issue of the Canada Gazette contains a list of promotions, transfers and permanent appointments in the civil service, several of which affect men in this province. In the public works department, Geoffrey Stead of this city had been promoted from district engineer, grade one, to district engineer, grade two. In the militia and defence department, Russell E. Davis of this city has been promoted from senior account clerk to principal account clerk. In the marine department James D. Nichol of this city has been promoted from superintendent of hatchery, grade one, to superintendent of hatchery, grade three.

ECLECTIC CLUB.

The Eclectic Club met last night in the Church of England Institute and had a very interesting programme. The institute rooms were very prettily arranged with Christmas decorations for the occasion, and the programme was in charge of F. B. Ellis. The subject was "Current Events," and Mr. Ellis gave the introductory paper. Miss Annie Scammell's reading was on Bernard Shaw on the Washington conference. Mrs. Heber Vroom had for the subject of her reading, Dante, Gordon Macdonald in France, and Miss Alice Walker had for the subject of her paper Queen Victoria as spoken of in Mrs. Strachey's recent book. The hostesses for the evening were Mrs. Gordon Macdonald, Mrs. Corliss Robinson, Miss Alice Walker and Mrs. Heber Vroom.

SOCIAL POSTPONED.
The social at the Y. M. C. A. which was to have been held last night by the employees of W. H. Thorne & Co. Ltd. and T. McAvity & Sons, Ltd., has been postponed to next Tuesday night. It will be held in the Y. M. C. A.

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SECOND JURY ALSO DISAGREES IN PARKER CASE

The jury failed to agree yesterday afternoon in the case of the King vs. George Y. Parker, charged with receiving ten pairs of stolen boots from the C. P. R., after being out for three hours. Eleven jurors stood for acquittal and one for conviction. The jury was discharged and Parker will be bound over to stand trial again at the next session of the supreme court, which begins on January 10. Edward O'Brien received a two-year sentence in Dorchester.

FEWER NAMES ON RED CROSS LIST

The relief committee of the St. John branch of the Red Cross society met yesterday morning in the society's office in Prince William street with the president, Mrs. Frank S. White, in the chair. The situation regarding unemployment was viewed rather more hopefully as it was reported that some of the soldiers who had been receiving relief had now found employment and were taken off the list. Three new cases were added but the total number on the list was smaller. Those present besides Mrs. White were Mrs. Alfred Morrissey, Mrs. W. D. Forster, Mrs. J. H. Doody, Mrs. E. A. Young and Mrs. Beard. Reports showed that relief given had involved a considerable outlay.

MUNICIPAL CHAPTER, I. O. D. E.
The Municipal chapter of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire met yesterday afternoon in the Government rooms with the regent, Mrs. J. Boyle Travers, presiding. It was a busy session and much was accomplished, although most of the business was of a routine nature. Mrs. Hugh Mackay gave an enlightening report of the special meeting of the provincial chapter in Fredericton when the proposed alterations of the constitution were discussed.

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discussed. The matter of the constitution is to be referred to the primary chapters and will be entered into more fully at the next meeting of the provincial chapter to be held in St. John in January. It was decided to try to have Miss Laing, the national educational secretary, attend that meeting and speak about the War Memorial and other matters of interest to the Order. A large amount of correspondence was dealt with. Assistance for soldiers' families was spoken of.

Minard's Lament for Garget in Cow.
The sacred Cantata "Bethlehem" by Maunders was repeated by the choir of St. David's church last night by special request and was very greatly enjoyed by a large audience which thoroughly appreciated the fine rendering. Mrs. T. J. Gunn played a violin selection that was specially pleasing.



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