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A NEED IN NEW BRUNSWICK.

To the Editor of the Times:—
A few weeks ago there was an article in one of the St. John daily papers saying that "Dr. Riddle, Deputy Minister of Labor for Ontario, had handed to the government a report on mothers' pensions."

We understand that a bill is being drafted and there is every hope that it will pass at an early date. This another province will come in line, and we rejoice with high hope that soon this act shall become Dominion wide! But "there is yet much land to be possessed."

In New Brunswick there has been much agitation in favor of this reform. Many clubs, organizations, and recognized societies, also the Labor party in our province have endorsed its principles, and have forwarded resolutions to the heads of the several departments.

We have waited, and are waiting for results. Many tired, needy mothers are waiting and struggling with their burdens of care, trying to look after their children and homes, as well as earning that which will feed, clothe and shelter their little ones; and as they wait and work, ever they are hoping that the day may soon come that shall bring to them help and support in the form of government allowance.

The weeks and months pass, and still they are waiting. The children need careful training, and the mothers need government support as they carry on the work of training and developing future citizens.

The address delivered by Miss Whitton at the mothers' pensions at the Social Service convention just held in St. John, full of information and rich with suggestions, has given our hopes another uplift. A strong resolution was brought forward by this convention urging the necessity of impressing upon the New Brunswick government the desirability of legislation for mothers' pensions.

Will the men and women with a vision of life as it ought to be for dependent mothers, work for this reform and bring it before the public, and let delegations wait upon our legislators, and urge them to consider petitions for needy mothers, from an economic as well as from a humane point of view?

If the latent energies and influences of the men and women of our cities and country districts were exerted to greater power regarding this act, soon would our province stand in line with those western provinces which have adopted mothers' pensions.

A. N. B. WOMAN.

SCHOOL BUILDINGS FOR RELIGIOUS WORK.

Evansville, Illinois, March 18.—Arrangements have been completed between the local board of education and the Evansville Council of Religious Education for the use of rooms in public school buildings for the teaching of religion to such school children as wish to receive it prior to the opening of school. The contemplated classes will be held from 8:30 to 9:45, school taking up at 9 a. m. A nominal rent is to be charged. As at present contemplated, four such classes are to be held in each of the buildings.

SYDNEY WANTS THE EIGHT-HOUR DAY.

Sydney, N. S., March 18.—Enactment of the eight-hour work day at the present session of the Nova Scotia legislature is demanded by the Sydney Trade and Labor Council in a resolution forwarded to Premier Murray. The council claims to be the representative body of 4,000 workmen who are behind them in their request.

RECENT WEDDINGS

A wedding of interest to many in the province was solemnized at the residence of Mrs. Edward Monteth, 155 Bridge street, last night when her sister, Miss Annie May Nutter, daughter of Mrs. and the late George T. Nutter of Brantford, was united in marriage to I. Chester Pickett, son of William Pickett of Kars, Kings county. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. A. Cody in the presence of friends and relatives of the bridal pair. The bride, who looked charming in a suit of navy blue with hat to match, was given in marriage by her brother, G. Ernest Nutter of St. John. Both bride and groom were unattended. They received many beautiful and useful presents, testifying to their popularity among a large circle of friends. The groom's gift to the bride was a handsome fur coat. Mr. and Mrs. Pickett leave this morning for Kars where they will make their home. Sincere good wishes for their future happiness is extended to them.

RECENT DEATHS

Hillsboro, March 17.—(Special).—Last week the deaths occurred of the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Douthright of Hillsboro, and the child of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fenton of Curryville.

The death occurred early yesterday morning of Mrs. Cornelia Sharp, widow of the late Hiram Sharp. Mrs. Sharp had been ill for the last few months and death occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Sterling McBride of 6 Germain street. She was sixty-eight years of age and much esteemed by many friends. She is survived by four daughters—Mrs. George Smith of Lower Millstream; Miss Agnes Sharp of St. John; Mrs. Sterling McBride of St. John and Mrs. John Gambelin of Pearsonville. She is also survived by a half-brother, Henry Martin of Canon City (Col.) and four half-sisters, Mrs. Thomas Scovell of Queensdown; Mrs. Albert Clarke of St. John; Mrs. Horace Folkins of Alberta and Miss Margaret Marvin of Hartford (Conn.). The funeral will take place on Friday morning, the body leaving St. John on the 7:10 train, connecting with the Central at Norton. The interment will be at Belleisle Creek.

Many persons who were in her classes and other friends will regret to hear of the death of Miss Catherine M. Hogan, for forty years a teacher in St. John schools, which occurred yesterday at the Mater Misericordiae home, of which she had been an inmate for about four years. Miss Hogan was born in County Wexford, Ireland, seventy-eight years ago and came to St. John when she was a young girl. She taught school at St. Malachy's, St. Peter's and other institutions. She entered the Mater Misericordiae Home four years ago. Miss Hogan is survived by a number of nephews and nieces, all of whom reside in St. John.

The funeral will be held from the residence of Mrs. P. Murphy, 11 Esmouth street, on Friday afternoon at 2:30.

The death of Mrs. Joseph B. Powers of Grand Falls took place at the Fisher Memorial Hospital in Woodstock, last Friday after an illness of two weeks. She was thirty-one years of age and leaves besides her husband, five small children, her parents, five sisters and two brothers.

Dr. W. E. Newcombe, a native of New Brunswick, died of heart failure at his home in North Vancouver, March 9, leaving a wife and three children. He was a medical officer overseas.

The death of John Hurd, father of Adjutant Hurd of the Salvation Army and of Frank Hurd of Montreal, died yesterday afternoon at Montreal at the age of seventy-nine years.

The body of Hugh Whitman, son of Henry Whitman of Round Hill, N. S., and a grandson of Hon. George F. Whitman, member of the legislative assembly of Nova Scotia, was found at Bloody Creek on Tuesday. He lost his life in the flood that swept through the Annapolis Valley Saturday.

IN THE WRONG SHOP.

Bonar Law Turns Down Query About U. S. in British Commons.

London, March 18.—Colonel Malone asked the House of Commons yesterday, whether the supply of arms and munitions to Poland by the United States government had received approval of the supreme council.

Andrew Bonar Law replied that any action which the United States may have seen fit to take in this matter could not suitably form the subject of a question and answer in the House.

MASSACHUSETTS ON DAYLIGHT SAVING

Boston, March 17.—The house of representatives yesterday passed a bill to revise daylight saving. It is expected to pass the senate also.

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Man Taken to Hospital After Attempt at Suicide—Detectives Report Statement Alleged Made in Delirium.

New Britain, Conn., March 18.—A man taken to Bellevue Hospital yesterday after having attempted suicide in the Park Avenue Hotel is said by the police to have confessed that he is Geo. Evans and that he strangled his wife at their lodgings in New Britain, Conn. He registered at the hotel as Geo. E. Van. Yesterday he was found in bed with his throat cut with a piece of bottle glass. He had also taken poison.

In delirium, two detectives say they heard him admit that he had choked his wife Anna to death with the reins from their child's hobby horse. While on the operating table, the detectives say, the man made a confession, declaring that for the last week he had quarrelled with his wife, whom he married when she was fourteen, that on Wednesday morning he had taken her to task for alleged misconduct, and that she had replied with a remark that so enraged him that he strangled her.

"I don't care what happens. I am willing to go to the chair," he is quoted as saying. Physicians say he will recover.

New Britain, Conn., March 17.—The body of Mrs. George Evans, aged twenty, was found by her sister, Mrs. Albert W. Powell, in a trunk in her rooms today. She had been strangled with the reins from a toy horse, belonging to her four year old son. The police are searching for Evans, who has not been seen since yesterday. Mrs. Powell says her sister married Evans at the age of fourteen.

Mary Dolan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip L. Dolan of Worcester, ten months old, has ten teeth.

BIG CUT IN THE NAVY ESTIMATES

British Provision Reduced by Many Million Pounds

Personnel Lowered From 280,000 to 136,000—Capital Ship the Building Unit—The Dominions' Position.

(Canadian Press.)

London, March 18.—The navy estimates were in the House of Commons yesterday. They are down nearly one-half the amount voted last year, being a net sum of £84,000,000 sterling as compared to one hundred fifty-seven and a half millions. Provision is made for 136,000 personnel against 280,000. The first lord of the admiralty was given full credit in the discussion for his important reductions.

Interesting facts in his explanatory statement are that the capital ship in the opinion of the naval staff remains the unit on which sea power is built and that it is proposed to create a naval air wing. The first lord said that Admiral Jellicoe's report on the dominions' navies would require very critical consideration. The dominions had accepted great responsibilities and made heroic sacrifices and were bearing great burdens. They must not be hurried in these naval developments.

The house finished the discussion on the supplementary estimates which included £22,000 sterling for the prince's new tour.

The House of Lords had a general discussion on commercial and industrial policy on the first reading of a bill to give effect to the recommendations of the recent commission.

Engagement Announced.
Mrs. Fred Ebbett, The Barony, announces the engagement of her daughter, Susie Daphne, to Roy E. Lawrence, Westlock, Alberta. The marriage will take place at an early date.

COLLAR SOILED, TRIAL POSTPONED

Judge Allowed Prisoner Indicted for Murder to Procure Clean Linen Before Continuing Trial.

Montreal, March 18.—Because he could not appear before a jury with a clean collar, Dr. Zeno Malo, indicted on charge of murdering a young woman, asked and obtained through counsel a postponement of his case until the necessary linen was produced for his benefit.

The matter was brought to the attention of Mr. Justice Desy by D. A. Lafortune, crown prosecutor, who had been asked to do it by R. L. Calder, counsel for the prisoner.

His lordship, after hearing the nuptial plea, said that it was not a matter for justice, but concerned the administration of the prison. "I have many functions to perform, but clothing prisoners is not one of them," said his lordship.

The reasons for the unusual request were furnished by counsel, who informed the court that a friend of the accused

VETERANS CALL FOR INSURANCE FOR DISABLED

Peterboro, Ont., March 18.—At last evening's session of the G. W. V. A. convention here the meeting adopted a resolution to memorialize the government to introduce a measure to provide federal life insurance for members of the service, both male and female, whose disability, incurred in war service, prevented them from obtaining the regular form of insurance, such insurance to be provided at the lowest possible cost.

Several resolutions on pensions as well as for an increased pension scale were referred back to the resolution committee. The meeting adopted a resolution to be submitted to the dominion government asking on behalf of the Indian members of the C. E. F. similar re-establishment conditions to those provided for all other soldiers.

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