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THE LOST EMPRESS

A thrill of horror went through Canada this morning when the news was flashed from Father Point that the steamer Empress of Ireland had gone down with perhaps a thousand of those on board. No marine disaster since the loss of the Titanic has been so terrible in its effects. The splendid steamship went down so quickly after she had been rammed by the Norwegian collier that there was no possibility of saving the lives of many hundreds of those on board. The disaster occurred at a time when the passengers had retired for the night, and they had scarcely time to realize that an accident had occurred when they were engulfed in the chill waters of the St. Lawrence. The calamity is so dreadful that words fail to convey any conception of the feeling of horror caused by the tragic news. There has been nothing to approach it in the history of marine disasters in Canada. The people of St. John are especially moved because they were so well acquainted with the great steamship and her officers. The loss of the vessel is of course something that can be replaced, but the hundreds of lives that have been sacrificed bring life-long sorrow into widely scattered homes, and no human sympathy can avail in the tragic hour that brings the heart-breaking news of the fate of those who sailed away with high hopes and the most pleasing anticipations but who awoke to find in the still hours of a fateful morning an ocean grave.

The loss of the Empress of Ireland recalls the Titanic disaster which occurred on April 15, 1912. That great ship, with a registered tonnage of 45,000, a displacement of 56,000 tons, a cost of \$10,000,000 and carrying 2,800 people struck an iceberg and went down with the great majority of those on board. It was estimated that of those on board twelve men represented wealth amounting to \$150,000,000. Among the victims of that great ocean tragedy were Charles M. Hays, Thornton Davidson, Quigley Baxter, Hudson Allison, H. Markland Moison and Vivian Payne of Montreal; Mark Fortune, Thompson Beattie and Hugo Ross of Winnipeg; George Wright of Halifax and T. McCaffery of Vancouver. No marine disaster since that date has at all approached the one today recorded.

MEANS MUCH FOR ST. JOHN

The most important movement that has ever been launched in St. John for the promotion of social welfare work was that set in motion last evening when it was resolved to organize a community council. The meeting was very fittingly held in the assembly hall of the High School building, which is owned by the people, and could not be put to a better use than to which it was last evening devoted. While a number of organizations which had been invited to send delegates were not represented, it goes without saying that all of them will heartily join in the movement which was last night inaugurated by members of all the different churches and the great majority of the other organizations.

As the meeting proceeded it became a revelation to those present, because of much unanimity of sentiment was discovered. There were present representatives of churches, benevolent organizations, fraternal societies and the Trades and Labor Council, and every speaker was animated by the same desire to have prejudices of all kinds laid aside and united action taken to promote those common interests which are so much more important to the people than the points on which they may differ. It was found that the community spirit for the development of which the first speaker pleaded was there, and that it would only be necessary to make the appeal wide enough and give the movement direction and force to bring that spirit into action throughout the whole city.

Some things were said last night which may have been said before, but which will bear saying over and over again until better conditions prevail. The representatives of the Trades and Labor Council dwelt very forcibly upon the housing question, and their remarks were emphasized by the statement of another speaker that he knew of three families turned upon the street on May 1 without having been able to secure up to that time new places in which to live. Attention was directed to the fact that though the town-planning act was passed by the legislature more than a year ago St. John is still without a town planning commission. Reference was made to the need of an industrial farm; to the utter lack in St. John of any recreation field where young athletes may be trained or athletic sports held; to the need of better building laws; to the apparent public indifference in the matter of cleaning up the city; to the importance of having the Children's Aid Society established on a working basis, a wider use of school

buildings, and the development of social centre work, so that the people in all parts of the city may become interested in the movement to improve social conditions. It was pointed out that the forces which make for evil in the city make no race or creed or class distinctions, and take no holidays; and that while considerable progress had been made in recent years in regard to the playground movement, and in connection with child protection; the fight against the ravages of tuberculosis; putting the free kindergarten on a better basis, and along some other lines, yet all these movements and many others need to be advanced in such a manner as can only be done when the whole community through representative organization takes concerted and well directed action.

We are making progress in matters relating to social welfare. Such a meeting as that of last night in a school building would probably not have been possible only a few years ago. There is a great field for social welfare work, and there can be no doubt that one result of the action taken last night will be the employment in the not distant future of a trained social service worker, acting under the direction of the community council, and engaged constantly in work calculated to develop the community spirit in a general way throughout the city, and at the same time promote definitely forward movements such as may be endorsed by the council.

The cost of living in Canada does not show any tendency to decline. The Borden government shows no disposition to adopt such a tariff policy as would assist in reducing the cost of living.

A writer in the Canadian Courier says that the Archbishop of Quebec, now Cardinal Beaudry, once said: "Perhaps in time all our differing religions may find a common meeting ground, and out of them will be evolved one universal faith that will encompass the whole world." So broad a statement stamps the new cardinal as a man of vision.

The tribute to Sir Wilfrid and Lady Laurier yesterday expresses the feeling of the Liberal party throughout Canada. Sir Wilfrid was well described by Mr. Guthrie when he said: "The people of Canada were behind the man who was the inspiration of the young, the hope of the middle aged and the rock upon which Canadian Liberalism rested today."

A very decided falling off in the number of immigrants arriving in Canada means also a decline in the amount of cash coming in, since the great majority of the newcomers have some capital with which to start life in their new home, and thus a large amount of new money is put in circulation. General business in the west will of course be to some extent affected, and the western market for eastern products will also show less rapid expansion.

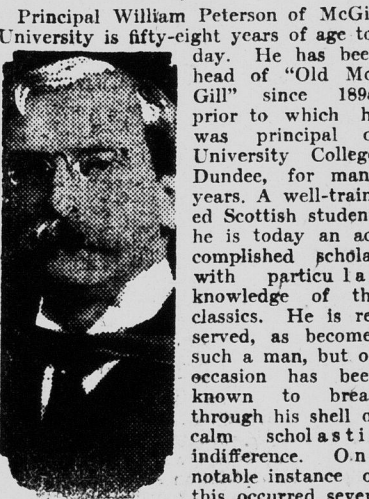
It is a rather singular fact that neither the city council, the board of trade, the board of school trustees nor the board of health was officially represented at the meeting in the High School building last evening at which a movement was inaugurated which probably means more for social and civic welfare than any that has been started in the recent history of the city. Let us all hope that before six months have passed the new community council will command the respect of all those bodies.

There was much of inspiration for the St. John people assembled last evening in the brief but comprehensive address of Rev. Gilbert Earle of Fairville. Mr. Earle told how the people of that enterprising community had grown increasingly restive under conditions which were unpleasant and undesirable, and how the feeling grew that only an organization which would disregard all questions of creed or class could bring about the needed reforms. He told how the people came together, inspired by a generous desire to promote their common interests and how delighted they were to discover the good points in each other's character and the universal spirit of good-will which only awaited such an opportunity to make itself effective. In social welfare work, the same spirit exists in St. John, and only needs to be developed by united action. Last evening's meeting was all that its promoters could have wished as a beginning of what they have faith to believe will do more to arouse universal interest in social welfare work than any movement that has ever been started in St. John. As one of the speakers last evening pointed out, there is a tendency for the people to separate themselves into social groups or organizations, and where this is the condition there must be some common bond of union or clearing-house which will bring them into sympathy, if the best social results for the whole city are to be achieved. A community council such as is now to be organized will be the social welfare clearing-house to inspire friendly rivalry as well as co-operation.

In order to qualify as shovers for the city of Cleveland, O., applicants were required to pass a physical examination and in addition to carry a heavy sack of sand for a certain distance.

BIRTHDAYS OF NOTABILITIES

FRIDAY, MAY 27.



Principal William Peterson of McGill University is fifty-eight years of age today. He has been head of "Old McGill" since 1895, prior to which he was principal of University College, Dundee, for many years. A well-trained Scottish student, he is today an accomplished scholar with particular knowledge of the classics. He is reserved, and becomes such a man, but on occasion has been known to break through his shell of calm scholastic indifference. One notable instance of this occurred several years ago when Harold Begbie, an English novelist, after a hurried tour of Canada, published some severe criticisms on the crudity of the country, its materialism and the lack of artistic and literary culture. His remarks aroused the principal, who broke a lance in the defence of his adopted country. After pointing out the handicaps under which art and literature labored in a new country, he added with biting effect: "One must remember that it took England three centuries after Shakespeare to produce a Harold Begbie."

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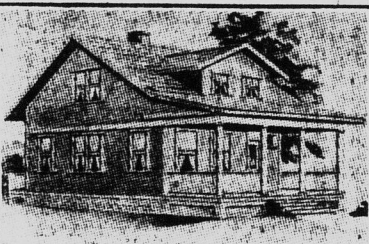
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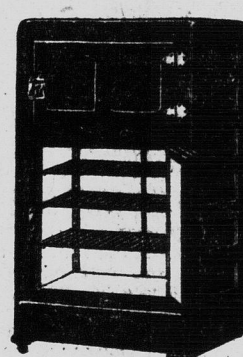
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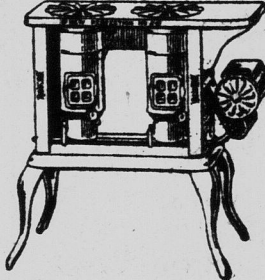
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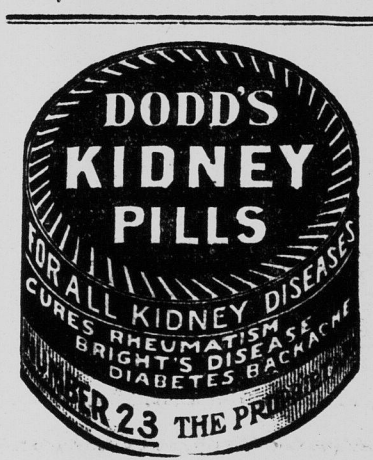
CANADIAN CADETS IN ENGLAND

Visit to Battlefield of Waterloo Before Home Coming

(Times Special Correspondence.)
London, May 19.—The Canadian cadets who have come to England on the invitation of Lord Roberts to take part in the Imperial Cadet Rifle matches have lost no time in settling down to practice and are busy every day on the ranges placed at their disposal by the governors of the Sir John Cass School and the National Reserve Musketry Committee.

Their musketry practice will not, however, be allowed to interfere with the extensive programme of sightseeing and hospitality mapped out for them. At Windsor Castle they will be entertained by Prince Alexander of Teck and Princess Alexandra, and Lord and Lady Roberts will receive them at their home at Ascot. Other engagements include visits to the War Office, the Mansion House, Harrow School, Portsmouth, and dinner with the colonel and officers of the National Reserve Battalions of the City of London.

They are looking forward with pleasure to their trip next month to Brussels and the battlefield of Waterloo, where they will encamp. On the occasion of King George's birthday, on June 3, they will be entertained by Sir Cecil Hertslet at the dinner to the British Colony in Brussels.



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