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AMUSEMENTS

Laugh And Grow Fat At Nickel

Today at Nickel theatre the Sadie Calhoun Company will enter upon the second week of their successful engagement with the screaming comedy, "Has Anybody Here Seen Tompkins?" or "Oh, You Hat!" This will present these talented players in an entirely new line of work, and judging from the rehearsal it will be the most successful of their efforts so far. As last week, these performances will take place at 3.15, 4.15, 7.45, 8.45 and 9.45 p. m. Otherwise the Nickel's programme for today and Tuesday teens with real interesting features. For the first time in a long while a double-subject Biograph reel will be shown, containing the bright little comedy "Serious Sixteen," and the heart-interest drama "As the Bells Rang Out." Add to these pictures the fine scenic production "The Judgment of the Mighty Deep," and the pretty European romance "The Shepherdess," also Miss Prescott's late picture ballad with the orchestra selections thrown in, and you have a completed programme of pure, entertaining merit.

LATE SHIPPING.

Canadian Ports. Aug. 7.—Arrd. Sts. Montreal, Quebec, Canada, Liverpool, Sailed: Sts. Laurent, Liverpool; Montreal, London.

Foreign Ports. Vineyard Haven, Mass., Aug. 7.—Arrd. and sld. Schrs. Emily F. Northam, River Hebert, for New York; Nina German (Br.), Halifax, N. S. for do.; Harold J. McCarthy, Newcastle, N. B. do.; Quetay (Br.), Weymouth, N. S. for do. Arrd. Schrs. Mattie J. Allen, St. George, N. B. do.; Nova Scotia for St. John, N. S.; J. R. Rodwell, St. Martins, N. B. for orders. Sailed: Schrs. Hugh John (Br.), from Port Reading, Halifax, N. S.; Harry (Br.), from Pembroke, N. S.; New York; Myrtle Leaf (Br.), from Apple River, N. S. do.; Jordan L. Mott, from St. George, N. B. do.; Willena Gertrude (Br.), from Diligent River, N. S. do.; Frances Goodnow, from St. George, N. B. do.; Arrd. Sts. Philadelphia, N. S. do.; Arrd. Sts. Frances, Hillboro, N. B.; New Orleans, Providence, etc. Hyannis, Mass., Aug. 7.—Schr. Mattie J. Allen, St. George, N. B. for New York. City Island, N. Y., Aug. 7.—Bound south: Star Hird, Amherst, N. S. Bound east: Star Dianna, Newburg for Windsor, N. S. Hyannis, Mass., Aug. 7.—Arrd. schr. Mattie J. Allen, St. George, N. S.; schr. Bobs (Br.), Clements, N. S.

Shipping Notes. S. S. Rappahannock, sailed from London on Saturday for St. John via Halifax with general cargo. Vineyard Haven, Mass., Aug. 7.—Schr. Quetay (Br.), Weymouth for New York lost starboard anchor and 45 fathoms of chain on Nantucket shoals during fresh southerly winds and rough seas yesterday. The schooner arrived here today.

The Methodist General Conference

The City of Victoria, the capital of British Columbia, had, at the time of the taking of the census in 1901, a population of some 22,000 inhabitants, but in common with other western cities has largely increased in the meantime. It is pleasantly situated on the island of Vancouver, containing within a few words may not be out of place.

It was discovered in 1592 by Juan de Fuca, was visited by Captain Cook in 1778, and by Lt. Vancouver, of the British navy in 1791, was recognized as belonging to Great Britain by treaty in 1846, for some time was held by the Hudson Bay Company, was created a Crown colony in 1858, in 1866 it was politically united with British Columbia and under that name they became a province of the Dominion of Canada in 1871.

Fifty-two years ago the agents of the Methodist church entered British Columbia, when the Rev. E. A. Evans, well known throughout the Maritime Provinces and four others were sent there under the auspices of the British Wesleyan Missionary Society. Half a century is but a brief period in the life of people, or of a church, but even in that brief period marvels may be wrought. Of this Canada furnishes a striking illustration. Less than 50 years ago the outside world knew little of it, but today it is one of the states that make up the great British Empire. And equally to the point are the results of the labors of the five missionary pioneers as seen in the churches, schools and scores of ministers and teachers who are not only laboring among the white population, but are caring for the Indian and Oriental also.

In the history of Methodism in British Columbia this will be a memorable year as the chief court of the church meets for the first time beyond the Rockies. To secure this, however, the good people of Victoria, made a vigorous fight, the question of expense being many to favor a more central place. But having carried their point, nothing has been left undone in order to make the occasion a great success. Not only has free accommodation been provided for the delegates, but for all others who might wish to see their beautiful city and country. Arrangements were made with hotels and boarding houses at very reasonable rates, on either the European or American plan. The rates run all the way from 75 cents to \$2.50 per day. With special fares on the railways, and with such alluring inducements to "go west," it is not to be wondered at that despite the expense so many decided to see for themselves the land of the setting sun.

While there are certain matters that must be dealt with, but of the issues of which one can only guess, there are other concerns which correct conclusions may already be arrived at. One of these is the report of the committee on the state of the work. This will show the present membership of the church, which shows a net increase of 22,374 in the quadrennium, but to these must be added 3317 members, who passed from under the care of the Canadian Methodist churches when several Methodist churches in Japan were united some two years ago and which is now known as "The Methodist Church of Japan." The largest increases are in the Toronto Conference, 5,401; the Alberta, 4,742; and the Saskatchewan, 4,552, and the smallest in the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Conference 641, the Bay of Quinte 623, and the London 210. One only reports a decrease, the Nova Scotia, which reports 137 fewer members than it did four years ago. The largest increase during the last twenty years was in 1894, 27,085; the smallest in 1902, 11,358.

According to custom some time will be given during the sessions to distinguished representatives of the Mother church of Methodism in Great Britain, and of the Methodist Episcopal church, and the Methodist Episcopal church, south of the United States, who will bring the cordial greetings of a responsive communion to their brethren and fellow laborers in the land of the Maple Leaf. In these greetings there will be a gratifying recognition of the fact that Methodism is one all over the world, that it still holds the great truths taught by Wesley, Fletcher, Clarke and Watson, and that it has neither outlived its usefulness nor finished its work. All this will be presented to in the heartiest manner, and the honors paid to Canadian Methodists by these fraternal visitors will be much appreciated. But just here the remark may be made that if the much-talked of union takes place, such a service will never again be held in this Dominion, for by that union Canadian Methodism will cease to exist. It will cut itself off from all the Methodisms of the world, modify its teachings, change its policy, and with others of widely divergent views organize under a new name around which no traditions of a glorious past will gather, and which will recall no memories to inspire. As the matter will in some way have to be decided, the delegates may well pause before voting for so revolutionary a measure.

A successor to the late Dr. Sutherland who so long and so efficiently occupied the position of general secretary of the Evangelical Association, will have to be found. The names of several have been mentioned as possessing the necessary qualifications, and of these perhaps the Rev. Egerton Shore, assistant to the late secretary, is regarded as well fitted for the place.

The General Conference is being memorialized to take the necessary steps to bring about a union with the doctrine of the Evangelical Association. It is an offshoot of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States, is more than a century old, and has a considerable membership in Canada. For many years its labors were confined to the German section of the people but of late it has widened the sphere of its operations. In doctrine and polity it is in all essential matters in full accord with the doctrine and polity of the Canadian Methodist Church, and to unite with it would involve no sacrifice of principle and no surrender of what has ever been regarded as important.

A new church hymnal is being called for, which indicates pretty clearly that the proposed union with the Presbyterians and Congregationalists has not yet reached solid ground, but is still "in the air," for if union is likely to be brought about within a reasonably short time, to expend such a sum as would be required for such a purpose would be a great waste of funds needed for other purposes. A suggestion has been made by the Saskatchewan Conference that the joint production of a representative committee which availed itself of the relief of every land and age, and in which poets on this side of the Atlantic and a prominent place, and as this book is used in Australia, South Africa and other lands, it would be a good move to adopt it here. And apart from the economic side of the question the further reason is given it would be something pleasing to the increasing large number of British immigrants to be able to sing the same hymns in the same number and arrangement as they had been wont to do at home. Such a course would be to once brotherly, patriotic and economical.

NEW YORK YACHT CLUB'S FINE RUN

Wind and Sea to Spare for Saturday's Run from New London to Newport --- The Results.

Newport, R. I., Aug. 6.—There was all the wind and sea for the run of the New York Yacht Club from New London to Newport today that the most ardent yachtsman could wish. A stiff breeze from the south southwest that made up a heavy sea, and some damage to the top hamper of a few of the boats. The auxiliary schooner was carried away her topmast just after crossing the finish line off Brenton's reef and the auxiliary Ethelred and the yawl Polaris each carried away spinnakers. The vice-commander's cup offered by Vice-Commander Ledyard Blair for the first division schooners was won by the Elmira, owned by Fredk' F. Brewster of New Haven. In the second division Harold F. Vanderbilt's Vagrant was the victor, Shimmer, owned by Morton F. Plant of New London, led the first division sloops over the line and in the second division, the Alera, owned by J. W. and E. T. Alker of New York, took the prize.

The special cup for auxiliaries offered by the regatta committee of the New York Yacht Club was won by the Intrepid owned by Lloyd Phoenix which led the Aloha and Ariadne over the line.

men believe there should be an investigation. There is a wide difference of opinion among eye witnesses of the mill as to Jeffries' physical condition. Some of them will always insist that he was bordering on a nervous collapse, while others will stoutly maintain that nothing ailed him except the inability to come back. Hiberno no one word has been heard regarding the examination of Jeffries by the doctors, and the true inwardness of each physician's verdict. Dr. Hood and West have made no further statements, but in view of the assertions in the letter to the New York Sun, it is believed they may be willing to throw some light on this new and unexpected phase of the controversy.

SPORTS FEATURE OF THIS PICNIC

Excellent Races and Athletic Events at Outing of Charlotte Street Baptist Church Held on Saturday.

The annual picnic of the Charlotte Street Baptist church, West End, was held Saturday to Westfield Beach and was eminently successful from every standpoint. Besides the many happy little ones there were hundreds of grown ups as well who thoroughly enjoyed the day amidst the beauties of this most picturesque spot. All the popular amusements and games were much in evidence and well patronized and a bountiful repast served by winsome lassies was enjoyed by all.

During the day the following programme of sports were run off: 50 yard dash—Won by Harry Ellis. 100 yard dash—Won by Hedley Bisset. 220 yard dash—Won by George Paul. 440 yard dash—Won by George Paul.

The running broad jump was captured by Martin Campbell, while Hedley Bisset romped away with the standing broad jump and the hop-step-and-jump.

By virtue of having made the most points Mr. Bisset won the cup which was offered for competition while Martin Campbell was second in points won.

During the day a baseball match between the Married and Single Men was played. Although no official scorer was employed after several innings it was decided that the Benedicts had won by 9 to 2.

AMERICAN GOLF CHAMPION WINS

Chicago, Aug. 6.—Robert A. Gard, member of the Hinsdale Golf Club, the national champion, won the annual tournament of the Glenview Club today, defeating Walter J. Travis of the Garden City Club of New York, 1 up in 37 holes. The young Yale collegian demonstrated that his winning

LIPTON'S YACHT WAS DISMASTED

Millionaire Yachtsmen Seem to Have Hard Luck in Entertaining Royalty—King Alfonso in Accident Saturday

Cowes, Isle of Wight, August 7.—Sir Thomas Lipton's yacht, Shamrock, on which King Alfonso of Spain is aboard as a guest of the owner, was dismasted on Saturday. A stiff breeze was blowing and a heavy rain falling.

Ill-luck for the second time follows Sir Thomas Lipton in entertaining Royal guests upon his racing yachts. King Edward II, when the challenger for the America's cup was dismasted and wrecked by a sudden squall on the Solent, May 22, 1901. King Edward had a miraculous escape from injury when the topmast and then the heavy steel mast gave way in the squall, the wreckage, steel cables, heavy blocks and sails, coming down all over the deck of the yacht.

A heavy block fell between Lady Londonderry and W. J. Jameson and a wire rope struck the owner upon the head, momentarily stunning him. King Edward, who had started to go below, was half in and half out of the companionway, and when the owner and crew of the yacht, recovered from their consternation, he was seen clambering over the wreckage trying to ascertain whether anyone was injured and the extent of the damage.

A FREE VISIT TO NEW EXHIBITION BUILDING

Keen Interest Being Taken in Exhibition Executive's Scheme to Have Citizens Inspect Improved Buildings and Grounds

The scheme of the Exhibition executive to have all interested ladies and gentlemen visit the fair grounds on Wednesday afternoon at 4 p. m., and see in advance what wonderful changes have been made, has struck a popular chord. The free tickets of admission, which are to be had at the central Exhibition offices, at the news paper offices and of the directors, are being eagerly requested, evidencing the keen interest townpeople are taking in the Dominion Exhibition next month.

It will really be a revelation to those who have not yet visited the new show facilities to mark the changes that have taken place—the new ticket-selling arrangements, the altered interior of the main buildings, the big new buildings, the wonderfully modern cattle accommodations, horse barns, grandstand, Pike, boulevard, enlarged parade ring, new restaurant, etc., etc. On the whole these radical improvements and the re-decorating, new color schemes, new exits, entrances and so forth, will make the Exhibition in a few weeks entirely different from all others.

SATURDAY WAS HARD DAY FOR RIFLEMEN

Wind Made it Disagreeable on the Ranges—Winners of Spoon Matches in the 62nd Rifle Association.

Saturday proved a hard day for riflemen as the wind was very heavy and a rear fishall more especially at 900 yards. The scores and winners of spoons in the 62nd Rifle Association was as follows:—

A Class. 800 900 Tl. Lt. L. O. Bentley, spoon, 46 51 91. B. Class. Corp. L. Vincent spoon 38 33 71. C. Class. Pt. J. McIntyre spoon 34 37 71. D. Class. No competition.

Next Saturday's spoon match at 200, 500 and 600 yards.

10,000 PEOPLE AT LACROSSE MATCH

Nationals Beaten in Toronto on Saturday—Montreal Team Won League Game at Home.

Toronto, Aug. 7.—The Nationals got their first defeat of the season in the race for the Lacrosse championship when Tecumseh's downed them on Saturday by a score of six to three in the presence of 10,000 spectators.

During the day a baseball match between the Married and Single Men was played. Although no official scorer was employed after several innings it was decided that the Benedicts had won by 9 to 2.

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AN ELOQUENT SERMON BY VISITING PASTOR

Rev. Ira B. Hardy of Milton, Mass., Preached in German Street Baptist Church Last Evening.

Taking his text from Psalms 14: "The fool hath said in his heart there is no God." Rev. I. B. Hardy of Milton, Mass., preached an eloquent sermon on Athanasius in German street church last evening.

Beginning his sermon with the statement that he doubted whether there was anybody in this world who really in his heart believed that there is no God. Mr. Hardy drew the question down to his hearers themselves and always have a little consulting for asked "who of us will deny that God is?" But he went on to ask "Do we that He exists in us?"

"The preacher," Mr. Hardy said, "had simply to make the assertion that there was a God because the scriptures said so. Yet there was abundant evidence that there was a God—nature for instance. All true naturalists, astrologists and botanists, with one another in their admiration of the Creator. The beautiful flower, the fleecy cloud, the ocean, the great sun, all had so admirable a conjunction of movement that one could not but understand that there must be a central power that controlled them all."

"History is evidence," the preacher continued, "that God was. Take history as a whole and you will see that back of all the strife and discord there is a power making for righteousness. It seems hard to understand that there should be conflict in the world against right, yet if we wait we shall see that it is all for the right."

"Human experience is an evidence that there is a God. My old professor used to say 'I know that there is a God, because I know God.' In the beginning of knowledge and experience, indeed in the beginning of everything, there was God and to disbelieve in Him was to disbelieve in everything in the Supreme Thing."

Mr. Hardy drew the conclusion the fool who did not in his heart believe in God was a supreme fool. The word "fool" the preacher said "was much used in the Bible and the word in the scriptures meant more than it did to us. It indicated a vile man who had degenerated so much that he said there was no God. He said it moreover, because he wished to believe it and if we wished to believe something we got to judge it so. As we are we wish, as we wish we think, as we think we judge," said the speaker.

"Who of us, however," Mr. Hardy asked "is altogether guiltless of this unbelief by not thinking of Him always, by not rendering thanks at the table or at the end of the day to the Great Giver of all things. Our attention, because he wished to believe it and if we wished to believe something we got to judge it so. As we are we wish, as we wish we think, as we think we judge," said the speaker.

WATCHING FOR CALAIS STARS

Great interest is being manifested in the appearance of the fast Calais team here on Wednesday. It is pretty thoroughly recognized that the Maine aggregation is as fast as any in that section of the country. Our attention, because he wished to believe it and if we wished to believe something we got to judge it so. As we are we wish, as we wish we think, as we think we judge," said the speaker.

U. S. IMMIGRATION HEAD COMING TO ST. JOHN

Commissioner General Daniel Keefe, who is the head of the United States Immigration bureau, left Washington Saturday on a tour of inspection which will include New York, Boston, St. John, Halifax, Quebec, Montreal, Toronto, Lewiston and Niagara Falls. The local immigration officials have received no notification of Commissioner Keefe's visit, and the announcement in the morning papers came as a complete surprise to them. Mr. P. E. Miller, the U. S. Immigration Inspector in St. John, informed The New Star this morning that he thought it probable that Commissioner Keefe merely intended to call on the various offices and ascertain just how well the work was being done, and suggest any improvements that might seem necessary. Official notification of the date of his visit may be looked for any day.

THE HOTELS

Dufferin Hotel.

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OBITUARY.

Moses White.

Fredericton, Aug. 7.—The death occurred at Marysville today of Moses White, one of the best known residents of that town. The deceased who was aged 73 years had been in ill health for some years.

It is impossible for any good to be rooted in man, except in his free-will, since whatever is not received in that way is dissipated on the first approach of evil and temptation.—Swedenborg.

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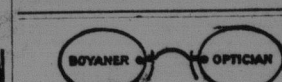
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DEATHS

Macdonald.—In this city, on the 7th inst., James Macdonald, today of St. John police force, aged 30 years, leaving a widow and two daughters, Miss Elizabeth at home and Mrs. Colborne Lake of Halifax, to mourn their loss. (Halifax papers please copy.) Funeral from his late residence, 65 Elliott Row, on Tuesday the 9th. Service at 2.30.



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