

TABLET PLACED IN STONE CHURCH

Unveiled in Memory of the
Late James R.
Ruel

Kirk History Reviewed — Old
Hymns Sung—Rev. E. C.
Hennigar Preaches

A very beautiful bronze tablet erected by Gerard Ruel, of Montreal, in Saint John's (Stone) church, to the memory of his father, the late James Rhodes Ruel, of this city, was unveiled and dedicated at the morning service yesterday in the church with brief and simple but impressive ceremony.

Mr. Ruel had been for twenty years a member of the church and his memory is greatly revered. Rev. A. L. Fleming, rector of the church, received the tablet and offered the prayer of dedication. J. B. Scordis, senior warden, having made the request in the name of the congregation, the act of unveiling was performed by George A. Kimball, acting warden.

HANDSOME DESIGN

The tablet, which was made in England, is of very handsome design and is made of dull bronze mounted on a polished oak base. Inside a raised border of laurel leaves the following inscription stands out in bold relief: "To the Glory of God and in Memory of JAMES RHODES RUEL Born at Pembroke House, West Newton, Herefordshire, England, 22nd October, 1820. Died at Saint John, N.B., 8th March, 1900.

For over twenty years as Vestryman and Church Warden, of this church, he labored for the upholding of the Evangelical truth in this Parish and Diocese."

James R. Ruel was formerly collector of customs at the Port of Saint John and lived in German street.

HISTORY REVIEWED

"The Past and Future of Our Kirk," was the theme of the sermon given by Rev. J. S. Bonnell, minister of St. Andrew's Kirk, yesterday morning. He had chosen two texts, he said, and they were, "Remember the Days of Old," and "Say not the Former Days were Better than These."

He recalled the proud history of the kirk which had been established by the Scottish forefathers of the members of today, many of them United Empire Loyalists, who had come from the United States to make their homes in Saint John.

Mr. Bonnell spoke of the present condition of the kirk and told of the result of the every person canvass for subscribers to the local and general work for 1925. He said that the response had been by far the largest of the 141 years of the congregation's history.

Mr. Bonnell in the evening continued his series of monthly sermons to young men, preaching the text in the series. His subject last night was "Is the Young Man Safe?"

OLD HYMNS SUNG

The Message of Great Hymns was the title of the order of service in St. David's church last night, when the choir rendered a number of the old hymns of the church, and Mrs. Blake Ferris gave in a very impressive manner the solo "Ninety and Nine."

Rev. Hugh Miller, the minister, before each selection, gave a brief history of the hymn and drew from some of the authors strove to teach. Mr. Miller took for his text the 100th Psalm, a psalm of exhortation for the people to praise God by voice and instrument.

Mr. Miller expressed the thanks of the trustees, session and himself to the members and adherents for their generous response to the current expenses and the maintenance and extension fund for 1925. The amount allocated by Presbytery to St. David's congregation to be raised for the missionary funds of the church for 15 months, was \$4,200. The total subscribed for 12 months was \$3,970.

REFERS TO BOYHOOD DAYS

The Main street Baptist congregation yesterday welcomed Rev. P. S. Daley, pastor of the Baptist church in Chester, N. S. Mr. Daley was a member of the Main street church as a boy and preached his first sermon from the pulpit of the church when the pastor was Rev. W. H. Stewart. He referred to these facts when he spoke from the pulpit yesterday. Mr. Daley conducted both the morning and evening services and gave the address to the Brotherhood. His eloquent sermons were heard with close attention.

REV. E. C. HENNIGAR

Rev. E. C. Hennigar, missionary on furlough from Japan, who is now at his home in Saint John, gave the sermon in Centenary, his home church, last evening and was most cordially greeted by his friends. Mr. Hennigar was also heard by a large congregation in the Fairville United church in the morning and received a hearty welcome.

"A Living Sacrifice" was the theme of his address in Centenary church last night and his text was Romans 12:1: "I beseech you brethren by the mercies of God that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice wholly acceptable unto God which is your reasonable service."

As a teacher in one of the mission schools in Japan, he frequently had people come to him and ask "What is life?" "Is life worth living?" and his answer was that if his questioners could do one piece of service to uplift the race or better their country, then indeed there had been a life worth living.

Rev. J. J. Pinkerton, pastor of the Fairville church, alternated with Mr. Hennigar in taking the services in the two churches yesterday. Rev. R. G. Fulton, pastor of Centenary church, has been suffering from bronchitis and although he was much improved yesterday he was unable to occupy the pulpit of his church.

WESTVILLE MINISTER HEARD

Rev. John Hardwick conducted the services in Knox church yesterday and large congregations were present to hear his messages. Mr. Hardwick is now minister of a congregation of the Presbyterian church in Canada at Westville, N. S. He was at one time minister of St. Matthew's church in

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the line of least resistance. The railway companies would naturally be expected to be after more business for our own ports all the time, but their efforts may well be supplemented by the ports themselves seeing to it that their claims and advantages are brought continually to the attention of importing and exporting firms. Some American ports have the advantage of more frequent sailings to a wider range of places, and there is therefore the more reason for alertness on our part.

I AM indebted to District Freight Agent Grant of the Canadian Pacific for introductions to a number of people I desired to meet. He is, by the way, an old friend of Gen. Supt. Woodman of Saint John, knows Nigger Lake and its habits, and has gone about in odd corners of the Maritimes during many visits. He knows our problems, too, and recalls a time more than thirty years ago when he boarded the Boston steamer at Saint John for Portland, Maine. There was a cheap fall excursion to Boston and the steamer was crowded. He asked one of the curators to Boston and the steamer was crowded. He asked one of the curators to Boston and the steamer was crowded.

"You have a wonderful country down there," said Mr. Grant. "I like to go there. I like your people. I like Saint John. You are on the seaboard, and ought to be making a great success of dairying, sheep and poultry raising, fruit culture and other natural industries."

I am also indebted to F. P. Healey, managing secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, who prepared for me a list of importers and exporters and is giving other valuable assistance. He was at the Winnipeg Conference, and entertains high hopes of good results from the formation of a Dominion Chamber of Commerce or Board of Trade. Just now the Chamber and the whole city are worried over the threatened stoppage of the street car service on Thursday next, which would be a calamity in the height of the Christmas trade. The citizens are now refusing either to purchase the railway or renew the company's franchise with some concessions, and the company today announced a tie-up at midnight on Thursday, as it has been steadily losing money. An appeal has been made to the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board to operate the railway until the matter is straightened out in some way, and in the meantime the City Council and Chamber of Commerce are in almost continuous session, seeking a way out.

I had a long conversation today, with Mr. Lewis, editor of the Herald. He showed a good grasp of the Maritime situation, but expressed surprise that our own people should for a moment entertain the thought that the people of Ontario were not sympathetic. "Why," he said, "we have always been proud of the men you have given to the public life of Canada, and personally I do not know anybody who would speak slightly of your provinces or people."

was able to explain to him why our people did get the impression that sympathy was being shown, but had to testify also from personal experience that lack of mutual understanding had been our trouble, and that this is being remedied. Mr. Lewis piled me with questions, thanked me for calling, and assured me that when a case for the Maritimes is presented at Ottawa it will receive only the most sympathetic consideration from the people and press of Hamilton.

Deaths

Mrs. Thomas Longon
The many friends of Mrs. Thomas Longon will be grieved to learn of her death which occurred suddenly at her residence, 163 Broad street, early last evening. Mrs. Longon had not been well for about a month, but her illness was not thought to be of a serious nature, and her death came as a severe shock to her relatives and friends.

She was the daughter of the late John Long, of Richibucto, and leaves besides her husband, who is machinist in the Globe Publishing Company, two sons, Thomas and Russell, and one daughter, Olive; also her mother, in Richibucto, two brothers, Clarence, of Malden, Mass., and Russell, of Richibucto, and two sisters, Miss Laura Long, of Boston, and Miss Lottie Long, of Richibucto.

Eljah A. Wood

Eljah A. Wood died at his residence, 280 Prince Edward street, on Dec. 13, 1925, at the age of 75 years. He was born in Campbell's Settlement, King's county, and the body will be taken there for interment. One of his sons, Frank, who was of this city, is the only one surviving relative. The funeral service will be held this evening at Brennan's undertaking rooms, Main street, and interment will take place tomorrow in Campbell's Settlement.

John McGovern

Very many friends learned with deep regret of the death of John McGovern, of Fairville, which occurred at the General Public Hospital on Saturday. Besides his wife he is survived by four sons and three daughters. The sons are Hugh and Joseph, and James at home. The daughters are Mrs. Mamie McNamara of Forest Hill, N. B., and Misses Kathleen and Stella at home. The funeral will take place on Tuesday morning from his late residence, Main street, Fairville, to St. Rose's church.

Michael J. Corbett

After only two days' illness, Michael J. Corbett passed away at his residence, 102 Dorchester street, on Sunday. He had been in the employ of the C. N. R. for more than 20 years and was of a quiet, retiring disposition and was held in very high esteem by all who knew him. His friends were greatly shocked to learn of his sudden death and extended deep sympathy to the bereaved.

Besides his wife, who was formerly Miss Agnes Quinn, he is survived by two step-daughters, Mrs. Thomas Needham and Mrs. Harvy Simpson, both of this city. The funeral will take place on Tuesday morning from his late residence to the Cathedral.

Mrs. Bessie Wye

After only two days' illness, Mrs. Bessie Wye died of paralysis of the brain the General Public Hospital last evening at 6 o'clock. She was first seized with her fatal illness about the same hour on Friday and never regained consciousness. Her sudden death was a great shock to

Saint John and for several years had charge of the Presbyterian church in Edmundston, N. B. The preacher in Knox church next Sunday will be Rev. T. A. Rodger, formerly minister of St. John's church, Toronto.

COMMUNION SERVICE

Rev. W. M. Townsend, of Fairville, moderator of the Saint John Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, went out to Westfield yesterday afternoon and held a communion service for the Presbyterian congregation there. Four elders from the city assisted Mr. Townsend. The elders were Dr. G. G. Corbett, R. C. Cruikshank, Frank Murphy and George M. Robertson.

Duluth To Move Mountain To Solve Traffic Problems

DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 14.—In Duluth is a small mountain which citizens want to move out into Lake Superior. Founders of Zenith City did not take into consideration that some day thousands of automobiles would be trying to squeeze through the "bottle neck" at Rocky Point.

This range of rocks, more than half a mile long, narrows the main thoroughfare down to a meagre passing at the west end of the business section. Perched precariously on the boulders are a number of homes and modest business houses. At points the rocks reach an elevation of 80 feet above the street.

What to do with the rocks, once removed, has been a gigantic problem. The Taxpayers' League has made a survey and is trying to induce the United States Government to help solve the problem. The rocks would help build an ideal breakwater to make Duluth more safe for shipping, according to Robert M. Goodrich, secretary of the Taxpayers' League. Emissaries of the league have carried the matter to Washington. The cost of the project is placed at \$350,000 to \$1,600,000.

TUG DOWN SOUTH

The tug Gypsum King is reported at Miami from New York, and it is understood will be engaged in towing at the Florida port during the winter. For a number of years, the Gypsum King has been towing plaster laden barges from Windsor to New York.

PERFECT BRIDGE HAND

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 14.—A perfect hand in bridge was held here Saturday by Charles Stern, while playing at his club. He had all 13 spades.

Springhill Man's Death Is Sudden

SPRINGHILL, Dec. 13.—A telegram received today from Calgary stated that Harry Parsons, son of Mrs. Benjamin Parsons, of this town, had died suddenly there this morning. His wife has been in Springhill for the last six months visiting her mother-in-law and Mr. Parsons was expected here this week. Besides his wife and mother, he leaves two sisters, Miss Hazel Parsons, of Saint John, and Mrs. H. Cousins, Halifax. Mr. Parsons' body will be brought to Springhill for interment.

STREET CARS TO QUIT

LONDON, Ont., Dec. 14.—As a result of the order of the Ontario Railway Board issued on Saturday, that seven regular and nine workmen's tickets must be issued by the London street railway, the company announces that service will be abandoned Wednesday at midnight unless some agreement is reached in the meantime.

RECEIVE NEW MEMBERS

Forty new members were received into the Society of the Children of Mary by Rev. Melvin Nichol at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception last evening. The reception took place after vespers.

REDDICK WON

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 14.—Jack Reddick, light heavyweight champion of Canada, won decision over Peter Jackson, Portland, in ten round bout Saturday night.

PRESENTED WELL

Play Given by Mt. Allison
Students, Including Some
From Saint John

The originality and ability of Mount Allison's oratory department were once more demonstrated when "The Bird's Christmas Carol" was presented to an enthusiastic audience in the Imperial Theatre, Sackville. The cast, which was of unusual talent, had been efficiently coached by Miss Ida Leslie, and the greatest evidence of her careful work was the naturalness with which everything was carried out.

The cast:—
Carol Bird..... Laura Welton
Mrs. Bird..... Alma Pitcher
Mr. Bird..... C. Spangler
Uncle Jack..... C. Chapman
Alfred..... Kay Allen
Mrs. Ruggles..... M. Curren
Sarah Maude..... Mary Chisholm
Peter..... Collis Goldman
Peoria..... Marion Purdy
Kitty..... Marg. Heiser
Cornelius..... Edna Warren
Clem..... Phyl Fitzmaurice
Larry..... Helen Tremaine
Several Saint John youngsters are among the members mentioned.

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Powder Boxes—\$1.75 to \$4.

Jewelry Cases—\$1.50 to \$4.75.

Trinket Boxes—\$5.

Combs—25c to \$1.15.

Bonnet Brush—\$2 to \$3.75.

Nail Brush—\$1.10 to \$2.

Trays—70c to \$2.85.

Brushes—\$1.10 to \$1.65.

Shoe Horns—Extra large, 40c to \$1.

(Art Dept., Germain street entrance.)

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