

CHANGES IN THE G. P. R. TELEGRAPH

Frank Mahone, of St. John Office, Becomes Superintendent of Eastern Division with Headquarters at Montreal.

(Montreal Star.) Mr. G. M. Bosworth, vice-president with charge of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's telegraph system, has announced some expected changes.

Mr. J. Frank Richardson, who for years has been superintendent of the Montreal division, goes to Vancouver, and Mr. J. Fletcher, the present superintendent at Vancouver, comes to Montreal.

HOME REUNION PLAN TO EXTEND THROUGH PROVINCE

Continued from page one. Mr. Wilnot went on to point out that the project would undoubtedly be workable in New Brunswick, stating in support of his belief, that he knew of one case already where a private citizen in this city had advanced the funds necessary to bring his family out to join him.

Winnipeg, (Special), Dec. 20.—The Imperial Reunion Association is the outcome of the idea originated by J. Norton Griffith, M. P., for Wednesday, Staffordshire, England, who made his first visit to Canada last year and discussed with members of the Canadian Club, the possibility of forming a society by which worthy families to Canada, just as they are helped in England by the Imperial Association in leaving for Canada.

Hon. Robert Rogers, minister of instruction, was the first man to put his name on the list of guarantors and prominent citizens and influential institutions in Winnipeg. W. J. Bulman is the president. A few weeks ago he gave an address before the Board of Trade, Toronto, which resulted in the formation of an eastern branch of the association.

Assistance is only given to British men. During the past year, the first year of its existence, the association brought out 150 families, the total outlay for which in loans was \$22,087.

School Children Now Free for Christmas

City Schools Closed Yesterday for Christmas Vacation—Pleasing Programme and Presentation of Medals in High School - Other Schools.

The public schools in the city, excepting the classes in St. Joseph's, St. Vincent's, St. Patrick's, St. Peter's and St. Thomas' schools, taught by the Sisters, closed yesterday for the Christmas vacation. These schools will close on Friday, and all will be open on Jan. 8th.

At the High School the pupils and a large number of visitors assembled in the exhibition hall and listened to an interesting programme of recitations, essays, orchestral selections and addresses, and witnessed the presentation of the various medals and prizes won by High School pupils during the past year.

Principal W. J. S. Myles, in resigning the chair to R. B. Emerson, chairman of the board of school trustees during the presentation of medals, took occasion to refer to the condition of the school. He spoke of the healthiness of the different departments—athletic, literary and musical—connected with the school; then, referring to the school itself, he said six departments were overcrowded, while in only two was there less than a capacity attendance.

At the request of His Worship three cheers were given for the orchestra, and the proceedings were closed with the singing of God Save the King.

A large gathering of the parents and friends of the children attending the Sandy Point school were present at the closing exercises yesterday morning. Miss Bertha E. Estabrook, the teacher, had arranged the following programme which was rendered by the children in a highly commendable manner:

Chorus: Greeting to the King—School. Dialogue: Christmas Symbols—David Whitaker, Evelyn Crowley, Noble Whitaker, Benjamin Whitaker, Catherine O'Leary. Recitation: Bessie's Christmas Tree—Catherine O'Leary. Recitation: Sambo's Philosophy—David Whitaker. Dialogue: The Aid Society—Six girls. Chorus: Sleigh Bells—School. Recitation: Kate Kelly—Elsie Turner. Chorus: Carol Sweetly Carol—School. Recitation: Six by Nine—Mabel Whitaker. Dialogue: The Irish Politician—David Whitaker, Stockley Crowley. Recitation: Christmas Secret—Evelyn Crowley. Dialogue: Making the Plum Cake—Elsie Turner, Stockley Crowley, Stella Murphy. Recitation: Answer of Six by Nine—Helen Crowley. Dialogue: The Duke of Connaughts—Elsie Turner and Olive Phillips. Recitation: The Frenchman and the Flea Powder—Helen Crowley. Dialogue: Truly Believers—Three Girls. Recitation: Keeping His Word—Olive Phillips. Chorus: Merry Christmas To All—School. God Save the King.

A pleasing performance was carried out by the pupils of LaTour school, West End, yesterday morning. The pupils assembled in the large hall and the following programme was carried out:

Hymn—School. Recitation—Lena Niece. Recitation—W. Hammond. Exercise, "December"—Four Girls. Recitation—Thos. Robinson. Recitation—Mable Bisset. Hymn—School. A Christmas Song—Three Girls. Recitation—Ethel McGinley. Song—The School. Recitation—S. Purdy. Recitation—Kathleen Archibald. Recitation—G. Davis. Recitation—Marion Burley. Song—The School. Recitation—Thomas Lacey. Exercise, Christmas—School. Exercise, Bells and Stars—Ten Girls. Chorus—School. Recitation—George Ingraham. Recitation—Una Wilson. Recitation—W. Donohue. Recitation—Tom Hughes. Selection—School. Dialogue—Two Pupils. Recitation—Doris Urquhart. Song—School. Recitation—Campbell. Recitation—Blanche Maber. God Save the King.

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BILLY ALLEN HAS NO RIGHT TO THE TITLE

Billy Allen of Ottawa, through his manager, Charlie Huck, has laid claim to the lightweight championship now that Wolgast is on the sick list.

Who is the holder of the Canadian title, will have to show a great deal more than he has in his Toronto fights to substantiate any particular right to the title held successively by such sturdy battlers as Nelson and Wolgast.

He is sensationally clever and fast as a horse on the attack, but he lacks the main essential, ability to punch. In his bouts here he has sent over wallops that looked vicious enough to "flatten" anybody, but they didn't have the anticipated effect. In none of his bouts with Drouillard or in his contest with Alberts did he have opponents in trouble and nobody would have the temerity to declare that they are of the stuff that champions are made. In the words of the song "Billy means how to talk," but that lets him out.

Toronto News.

MURPHY IS TO PLAY FOR THE SOCIALS

Mike Murphy, the hockey player, who was with the Fredericton Capitals in 1908 and who last year was with the Galt team in the Ontario professional league, has accepted terms to play for the Halifax Socials in the Maritime professional league, and at noon wired to Manager Four asking that his contract be forwarded at once. He will leave here on Saturday morning for Prince Edward Island to spend Christmas at his home and will report next week at Halifax. He is to receive \$25 per week and transportation one way.

MAPLE LEAVES WON THE GAME BY A DEFAULT

In the intermediate bowling league in the Y. M. C. A. last evening the Maple Leaves took four points from the Gulls on forfeit, as the Gulls did not put in an appearance. The following is the score of the Maple Leaves:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Megarity 97 79 248-82 33. Munroe 52 76 239-78 23. Svetka 78 68 223-74 15. Robertson 63 84 221-73 23. Total 329 207 922.

CHINESE TO VISIT CHICAGO

Chicago, Dec. 20.—A Chinese baseball team will invade America next spring, according to plans announced by Robert Yap, who is a resident of this city. The team contemplating the trip is the Chinese Athletic Club of Honolulu, and will be the first Chinese baseball club to visit this country.

Mr. Yap yesterday received a letter from his brother who is vice-president of the Chinese Athletic Club, to the effect that the citizens of Honolulu had subscribed \$6,000 toward the trip. The team is composed of students and former students of Hawaiian colleges.

CHURCH HOCKEY LEAGUE

At the meeting held last evening four teams, St. Stephen's, Gormala street, Leinster street and Queen Square, formed a hockey league. Any other teams desiring to enter this league are to send entries to the secretary on or before Saturday, the 27th.

The officers were elected as follows: Hon. Pres., Rev. Wilfred Guetz; Pres., Alfred D. Smith; Vice-Pres., Kenneth Wilson; Sec. Treas., Everett Hunt, 269 Charlotte street. The executive is to consist of the officers and A. D. Machum.

Additional members from other teams will be added upon entry. Committees were appointed to carry out various business arrangements.

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TRY OUT FOR OLYMPIES IN BOSTON

Boston, Mass., Dec. 20.—James J. Sullivan of the A. A. U., has advised the Olympic games committee of which he is a member, to make the annual Boston A. A. Marathon next April, the trout for the Olympics.

HARVARD HAS NEW CAPTAIN

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 20.—The Harvard football team of 1912 will be under the leadership of Percy L. Wendell, of Boston, who was elected captain today. Wendell has played at half-back on the Varsity team for two years.

THISTLE CURLING CLUB MET

The Thistle Curling Club held a meeting in their rink on Cliff street, last evening and elected the following new members: Charles A. Robinson, Allan B. Shaw, Roy McKendrick, Richard Arscott, T. C. Ledingham, A. M. Phillips, A. G. Golding, L. O. Bentley, and Dr. D. C. Malcolm.

The other business of last evening's meeting was the appointing of a committee with F. F. Burpee, as chairman, to look after the Scotch curlers on their arrival in St. John. This committee will hold a meeting this evening. Arrangements were also made for the President vs. Vice-president curling match, that is to be held on Christmas day.

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