

## RECEPTION FOR MRS. E. A. SMITH

Is Guest of Women's Council at Delightful Social Event.

To do honor to Mrs. E. Atherton Smith who has retired from the office of president of the Women's Council after seven years, a reception was held by the members of the council last evening in the Natural History rooms in Union street and a beautifully address in a handsome binding of white vellum and moire silk with a gold crest was presented to Mrs. Smith on behalf of the members by Miss Grace W. Leavitt, honorary vice-president of the council. Mrs. W. A. Estey, the president, was also present and a beautiful bouquet of roses was presented to Mrs. Smith. Mrs. Smith was deeply moved by the addresses and presentation and in her reply gave an address that will long be remembered as an exhortation and a splendid inspiration.

The members were received by Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Estey, Mrs. Hooper, Mrs. J. H. Doody and Miss Leavitt. Some musical numbers that were much appreciated were included in the evening programme. Mrs. L. V. Lingley being the vocalist and Mrs. W. H. McGowan, the pianist. At the close a social hour was enjoyed and refreshments were served under the convenership of Mrs. C. A. Clark, assisted by Mrs. L. A. McAlpine and Mrs. J. H. Bullock, who presided at the prettily arranged table.

The following members of the St. John High School Alumnae and the St. Vincent's Alumnae assisted in serving: Miss Grace Estey, Miss Walker, Miss Bates, Miss Staples, Miss M. Dwyer, Miss H. McGuire and Miss V. Waterbury.

Eulogizes Mrs. Smith.  
Mrs. Estey in her address referred to Mrs. Smith's remarkable ability as an organizer, her gifts of eloquence and her efforts for philanthropic and social service endeavors, her tact in presiding, her optimism and cherry encouragement, and her advocacy of the rights of childhood which had led her to establish the Rosebud Day and the milk fund day as annual events in the council year. Mrs. Estey spoke also of Mrs. Smith's ability in developing the latent talents of members and in closing expressed gratification that Mrs. Smith would continue to give assistance in council affairs.

The address read by Miss Leavitt told of the high esteem in which Mrs. Smith was held by the members and extended cordial good wishes.

Speaks in Reply.  
Mrs. Smith, in replying, gave one of the finest speeches she has ever given.

She said the address would be one of her most treasured possessions and would be doubly precious because of Miss Leavitt's presentation of it. In the council work and activities she said there was a liberal education. It was wonderful to have women representing different thought and ideals banded together to work for the things on which they were all agreed. She made a strong plea for whole-hearted support of those in office.

## DEATHS

Byron W. Marshall.  
Friends of Mrs. James E. Hurd, of 83 High street, will sympathize with her in the death of her nephew, Byron W. Marshall, the sad news of which has recently been received. Byron W. Marshall was aged 18 years, the son of Robert W. and Grace Marshall, of Westville, N. S. He was taken ill at his home on Thursday, Dec. 7, and was removed to the hospital in New Glasgow, where she was operated on for appendicitis. He died on the following Monday. This is the third bereavement Mrs. Hurd has sustained in the last few months, her father, Alexander C. Marshall, of River Herbert, N. S., and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Norman A. Marshall, having passed away since last August. Heartfelt sympathy has been extended to Mr. and Mrs. Marshall in their loss. Besides the parents, four sisters and two brothers, all of Westville, survive. The funeral took place on Wednesday, Dec. 12.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bleakney.  
Elizabeth Bleakney, aged 85, of Smith avenue and Price street, Burnaby, died Saturday evening, Dec. 8, after 14 years in the province, Saskatchewan. She was a native of Nova Scotia and is survived by one daughter, Mrs. R. H. Embree of Amherst, N. S., two sons, Wilson and Aaron Murray of Lewiston, Maine; three sisters, Mrs. C. W. Fillmore of Point De Bute, N. B.; Mrs. W. Tingley and Mrs. Harris Tingley, both of Maine. N. Rockwell of Collingwood, B. C., are brothers. Rev. David Long, formerly of St. John, participated in the funeral services.

George H. Benjamin.  
George H. Benjamin, veteran street railway man and for many years treasurer for the Boston Elevated Railway Company, died suddenly on Friday from heart disease at his home, 40 Burnside avenue, West Somerville, Mass.

He was born in Wallace, N. S., in 1861, and went to Boston with a young man. In 1884 he married Miss Esther Wilson, of Danvers, who survives him. He entered the street railway service in the employ of the old Cambridge Street Railway Company, driving a horse car between Harvard square,



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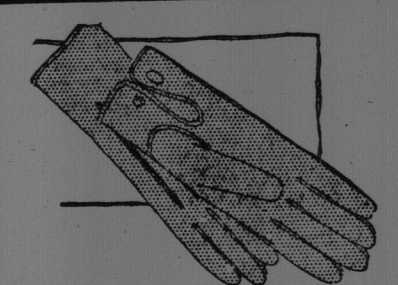
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## REGRET DEATH OF MRS. F. H. SEXTON

At yesterday's meeting of the Rotary Club R. D. Paterson, past district governor, moved a resolution of sympathy with Prof. F. H. Sexton, of Halifax, in the loss of his wife, to whose eminent qualities Mr. Paterson paid a fitting tribute. The resolution was seconded by District Governor Spangler. Both

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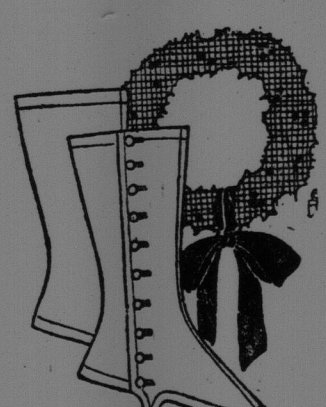
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