

Y.W.C.A. HAD A GOOD YEAR

And Finished With a Small Surplus on Hand.

New Building Will be Gone on With at Once

And Will be Three Storeys, to Accommodate 60.

The Hamilton Young Women's Christian Association ended the past year with a balance on hand, and this is the first time they have not faced an overdraft for many years, in fact since their first annual meeting. The credit for this showing is due greatly to the untiring efforts of the energetic general secretary, Miss Ethel T. Simpson, who came here from Toronto to take charge of the work some time ago. Since she has taken over the reins the receipts have been greatly augmented and expenses cut down materially. "Tag Day" was one of her schemes, and it did much to advertise and help finance the noble work of this institution. The large amount of money collected for a new building speaks well for the management of this hall for respectable young women. The year's annual meeting was held yesterday afternoon in the parlors of the Association building and was the nineteenth. The parlors were crowded with members and the meeting was highly successful. Membership fees totalling \$125 were collected and two life members were added to the Association, Miss Unsworth and Mrs. Atkinson. Life members pay \$50 for the privilege and the money will be welcomed as well as the additional names to the life membership list.

Mrs. James Harrison, Vice-President of the Association, presided in the absence of Mrs. Wilkell, the president. Rev. A. E. Mitchell, of Knox Church, opened the meeting with prayer.

Mayor McLaren made a very nice speech, wishing them all the success imaginable. His Worship spoke about the energetic way in which the ladies were going about getting their new building and congratulated them heartily on their success so far in the venture.

Miss E. T. Simpson, general secretary, read her annual report, which covered the different departments of the work of the past year. She mentioned the new building fund, the response the collectors were meeting, she reported that the Association had a good year, despite the financial depression, and paid a tribute to the members of the board for the great assistance they had given the workers. Tag Day was mentioned as a most successful undertaking. The membership of the Association is 411, an increase in girl members offsetting a slight decrease in the older members. The classes were all reported to be highly successful. Those running during the year were as follows: Shirtwaist class, English literature class, millinery class, St. John's Ambulance Corps class, fancy work class. All these are in charge of teachers who volunteer their services and to whom credit and thanks are due. The teachers who so kindly assisted were Misses A. Smith, L. Smith, L. Reynolds and Duffield.

The social department was unusually successful, 316 girls from various industrial concerns being entertained in three months on social night held once a month. Miss Simpson took occasion in her report to thank the different managers for their courtesy in allowing members of the association to go through their factories. The gymnasium class grew to such a size during the year that a room in Centenary Sunday school is now used. The devotional class was also mentioned as a most successful adjunct to the work. Other departments referred to were the house and office work departments.

Mrs. J. Orr Callaghan, treasurer, presented the financial statement, as follows:

Receipts.	
Membership fees	\$ 414.50
Gymnasium	232.40
Paper	38.50
Use of rooms	15.00
North end	42.36
Class fees	8.75
Securing help	5.25
Concerts	20.00
Receptions	26.16
Collections	13.00
Rebate and interest	1.30
Donations	37.25
House department	2,622.60
Cash in bank	82.69
Total receipts	\$4,401.88

Expenditures.	
Salaries	\$ 865.00
Office	32.58
Gymnasium	124.90
North end	57.80
Furnishing	65.44
Repairs	33.40
Light	80.86
Coal	160.50
Telephone	30.00
Insurance	31.20
Affiliation fee	7.00
Paper	64.45
Printing	48.55
Social Board	7.50
Magazines	6.80
Building fund	127.00
Interest on mortgage	262.00
New room	34.90
Missionary	6.00
Interest on overdraft	3.12
House department	2,269.50
Total expenditures	\$4,361.55

Balance on hand 40.33
Total \$4,401.88

The reports from the different departments were read by the following convenors of the committees, and all showed progress: House Committee, Mrs. Alexander; Devotional Committee, Miss Copp; Library Committee, Mrs. J. Harrison; Gymnasium Committee, Dr. Elizabeth Bagshaw; Building Committee, read by Mrs. McLaren, in the absence of Mrs. Morden, convenor; Social and Extension Committee, Miss Duffield; North End Committee, Miss Horsborough.

The Nominating Committee's report dealt with the Board of Management

alone. The election of the other officers takes place at the board's private meeting. The retiring members of the board were announced as follows: Mrs. Callaghan, Miss Wilcox, Mrs. McLaren, Mrs. J. Morden, Mrs. W. McLaren and Mrs. J. Harrison. Other nominations: Mrs. W. A. Robinson, Mrs. J. A. Henderson, Mrs. A. L. Frost, Mrs. J. G. Cloke, Miss Cartmell, Mrs. S. O. Greening, Mrs. McGregor, Mrs. Drummond, Mrs. W. J. Waugh, Mrs. J. R. Moodie, Mrs. Sanborn, Mrs. Gallagher, Mrs. E. J. Miss Horsborough and Miss Copp.

New members nominated to act on the board for one year were Mrs. McKune, Mrs. William Leckie, Mrs. Boggs, Mrs. C. W. Walker, Mrs. Alfred Ward, Mrs. J. P. Johnson, Mrs. George Parke, Mrs. L. Smith and Mrs. McLeod.

After the meeting had adjourned tea was served, and Mr. J. Orr Callaghan dropped in on the opportune moment, as a director, to speak on the new building, the plans of which were shown.

He said that it was highly probable the building would be started at once, and would be a three-story one, to accommodate 60 girls. Mayor McLaren and Rev. A. E. Mitchell also added their wishes for the speedy consummation of the plans of the ladies in the work of building the new home.

The donations during the past year were rather small, owing to the fact that the building fund payments were due and payable at the same time that the collectors were hunting for subscriptions, but a fair showing was made and the association wishes to thank the following for their kind donations:

Mrs. Sanford, \$50; Mrs. Middleton, \$20; Mrs. P. D. Cramer, \$25; Mrs. Bishop, \$25; Mrs. Carey, \$25; Bank of Hamilton, \$25; Mrs. Tuckett, \$20; Mr. Watkins, \$20; Mrs. Frost, \$12.20; Mrs. Nelson, \$10; Mrs. Wilcox, \$10; Clark & Son, \$10; St. Andrew's Church Mission Board, \$10; Stanley Mills & Co., \$10; Mr. J. J. Greene, \$10; R. O. & A. B. MacKay, \$7.75; Mr. H. New, \$7.50; Mr. H. Smith, \$5; J. Hendrie, \$5; Mr. B. W. Dexter, \$5; Traders Bank, \$5; Mrs. Stewart, \$5; Mrs. J. Orr Callaghan, \$5; J. M. Semmes, \$5; J. Riddell, \$5; Thos. Flynn, \$5; Mrs. Oliver, \$5; Mr. W. Anderson, \$5; Gurney Co., \$2; Mrs. Woodruff, \$2; a friend, \$2; Mr. Holcomb, \$2; a donation, \$2; Small sums, \$4.92; total, \$373.37.

YOUNG FORGER.

FIFTEEN-YEAR-OLD GIRL ARRESTED IN TORONTO.

Admits Securing Money from Standard Bank by Forging Employer's Name—Made an Earlier Attempt to Pass Raised Cheque.

Toronto, Jan. 20.—With a number of highly interested police officers watching her, and apparently little disturbed about her position, Marion Archer, a pretty little fifteen-year-old girl, who scarcely looked her age last night, in Agnes street police station related to Detective Newton the particulars of her unsuccessful attempt to get money on a raised cheque, and showed how she had forged the cheque that the cashier of the market branch of the Standard Bank had finally rejected.

The girl, who was arrested on Yonge street last night after a search of over a week, was employed in Cuttill's box factory on Gerrard street. On January 11 she was given a cheque for \$150 in payment for services. According to her own story she took this cheque and raised the figures to \$550. The cashier of the market branch of the Standard Bank, on which the cheque was drawn, refused to accept the revised version, and the girl left. She then got hold of a handkerchief and proceeded to write out a cheque to herself for \$550, the amount she had tried to get the first time.

She signed the name of C. E. Cuttill, her employer, and presented it at the bank. The girl made an attempt to imitate her employer's signature, but notwithstanding this, and the fact that the endorsement on the bank was in the same scrawly, childish hand as the writing on the face, the cashier paid over the money.

When the forgery was discovered the police were notified, but they were unable to get any trace of the girl until last night, when a young lad who had worked in the box factory with her saw her on Yonge street and followed her until he met P. C. Phillips. He pointed the girl out to the officer, who took her to Agnes street station. She spent the night in the Children's Shelter.

HEART PALPITATION CURED

Just like purgatory to be startled out of a sound sleep by the thumping of your heart. Don't be scared, it's only the result of acute indigestion which ten drops of Nervine cures instantly. Heaps of worry and sickness saved by keeping Nervine handy. For stomach and bowel troubles. It's a wonder worker. In sick headaches and minor ills, no doctor yaline. For general family use a 25c bottle of Nervine is the best; try it for an ache, pain or bruise and you'll never use anything else.

ST. MARK'S LITERARY.

A most interesting debate on the power question was held in St. Mark's parish house on Monday evening. The subject was, "Resolved, That is in the interests of Hamilton that an Agreement for Power be Made With the Hydro Electric Commission." The affirmative was represented by Mr. T. Jocelyn and Mr. H. Rose, and the negative by Mr. A. R. Lanefield and Reg. Britton. After the judges had been out for a short time they gave their decision in favor of the negative.

The programme also included: Recitation by Miss Dorman; piano solo by Mr. W. H. Thresher; recitation by Mr. Gordon McNeil.

The judges were Mr. C. W. Heming, negative; Mr. Kirk, affirmative; Major Labatt, neutral.

Residents in what was formerly East Toronto opposed the granting of billiard licenses in their district.

MUST STATE INTENTIONS.

Aldermen Want to Know Exactly What Company Intends.

Board of Works Will Ask For \$135,000

\$89,000 For General Work and \$46,000 For Lighting.

The Street Railway Company must let the City Council know by its next meeting exactly what it intends doing in the way of reconstructing its roadbed and going ahead with the new car shops and barns. The Board of Works at its inaugural meeting last night discussed the matter briefly and decided upon this, Mayor McLaren, Chairman Allan and Ald. Jutten being appointed a special committee to take the matter up.

After the letters from the company's solicitors regarding the devil strip and the connections with the new car barns had been read, Chairman Allan said it looked to him as if the company itself did not know just what it wanted.

"We should certainly know by the next Council meeting what is to be done," said the Mayor.

The aldermen expressed themselves in favor of the five-foot devil strip, but they thought the company should be permitted to widen the strip only as it reconstructed the road, and that the city should not commit itself generally. City Solicitor Waddell advised the committee to be careful in the wording of any new agreement in connection with the widening of the strip. If it was not made quite clear the company might take the stand that the city was behind the movement for the five-foot strip and should pay for the extra foot.

Mayor McLaren said he was pleased to see that the company was talking of the shops again, as well as the car barns. If the shops were not built he declared he would be opposed to giving the company the use of both Sanford avenue and Westworth street.

WANT OVER \$89,000.

Estimates providing for an expenditure of over \$89,000 were sent on to the Finance Committee. These, of course, do not include the cost of street lighting. The amount is made up as follows: Purchase of People gravel pit, \$ 750; Payment on purchase of Webb property, 1,000; New floor for bridge on Brant street, 1,500; Painting high level bridge, 700; New sewer, two, 400; Engineer's report 1908, 100; Victoria avenue crossing, 250; Crusher power, 500; General snow cleaning, 4,000; General street cleaning, 17,000; Pavement cleaning, 6,000; Asphalt pavement repairs, 5,000; King and James street intersection, 850; New crusher, 3,000; Sidewalk and crossing repairs, 2,000; General roadway repairs, 35,000; Salaries and Engineer's office, 1,000; Printing, stationery, horse keep, telephones, etc., 2,000; Jolley Cut roadway and sidewalk, 2,000; Rebuilding Ferguson avenue and James street steps, 800; New shed, city yard, 1,500; King street, Walk, T. H. & B. bridge to Paradise road, 3,000; Market street asphalt, Park to Caroline street, 3,333; King William street asphalt, John to Mary street, 2,747; Park street asphalt, King to Market street, 1,096; John street asphalt, Jackson to Hunter street, 2,298.

STREET LIGHTING.

It is estimated that over \$46,000 will be required for street lighting. The estimate is made up as follows: 400 arc lights at \$55, 7 months, \$ 22,750; 30 arc lights at \$22.50, 7 months, \$ 4,725; 1 arc light at \$15, 7 months, 8 75; 19 Nernst lamps at \$28, 7 months, 532; 39 Nernst lamps, at \$28, 7 months, 931.00.

WATCHMAN BURNED

Explosion of Natural Gas at Chatham Foundry.

Chatham, Jan. 19.—A natural gas explosion took place at Parks' foundry this morning. Alfred Moore, nightwatchman, went to light the gas oven, and the match went out. Forgetting that he left the gas turned on, he struck a second match, and the explosion followed. Moore's arms and face were burned. He lies in the hospital in a precarious condition. The explosion blew out nearly fifty windows in the building and woke sleepers up for miles around.

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Many strong points have been brought out on this food, nothing too strong to be said. Improve your health by using it. Give it a fair trial and note the difference in your general health.—A. W. Maguire.

U. S. President's Salary.

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Foolish to keep them if you have! No fun in corns, but lots of pain. Putnam's Painless Corn Extract raises corns in twenty-four hours. Get a quick crop by raising it—Druggists sell it.

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have the Hamilton & Dundas tracks on Aberdeen avenue moved into the centre of the street.

The officials were instructed to proceed with the plans for a re-arrangement of the street lights.

A Special Committee will report on a communication from Thomas W. Watkins protesting against the city permitting advertising signs being placed on the tops of buildings in the centre of the city; the scheme to move the cab stand at the Stuart street station to the west side of the drive; and the proposal to refuse permits to people to open roadways during winter months except in cases of absolute necessity.

The Fire and Water Committee will be asked to take some action on the offer of the Bell Telephone Company to place ducts underground for the fire and police wires, free of charge, if the city will supply the ducts.

EATON'S CRUSADE.

An Attempt to Live as Christ Would Through the Years.

New York, Jan. 19.—To live as Christ would, not for a week or a month, but through the years! That is the new movement just initiated in this city along the lines of the heretofore temporary efforts in Cleveland and Boston. And it is being led by Rev. Dr. Charles A. Eaton, the militant new pastor of the Madison Avenue Baptist Church.

"No person can ever live as Christ did, for He was divine," said Dr. Eaton. "But there can be a genuine effort, based upon sound reason, which should last through the life of each human being."

Dr. Eaton outlined his rules for Christian living as follows:

"First—Approach your problems from the eternal side. This makes very few things that we struggle after worth while, and would at once reduce the strain and tension of life.

"Second—Remember that the Christian life is spiritual, not form or formula. It is the spirit in which men perform their tasks rather than the tasks themselves which constitute the Christian life. At conversion men are not taken out of the world, but the world is taken out of them. A Christian is a man who does small things in a large way.

"Third—The Christian has a divine standard of values, so that a man is worth while for his own sake. To accept this completely would very largely eliminate our artificial class distinctions. To be a Christian is to look upon the world as Christ did. Jesus died for the sake of showing the world that men are creatures of eternity, that time is only an incident in their existence, a short period of discipline, and that men take with them simply what they are and leave behind what they had."

Dr. Eaton was formerly pastor of Bloor Street Baptist Church, Toronto.

MISSING MINISTER.

Said to Have Been Located by Toledo Detectives.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 19.—It is reported that Toledo detectives have succeeded in locating Rev. Evan E. Evans, the clergyman who, with a wife and four children living, married Miss Nellie St. Clair Davis, Sarnia, Ont., and disappeared. Evans and Miss Davis lived for several weeks in East 66th street, in Cleveland, in a room rented from O. K. Black, a real estate dealer. Evans engaged the room about September 7th, and introduced the woman as his wife. He said that he was taking a vacation and had planned to spend most of it in Cleveland.

Evans did not say what his business was, and it was not until the second Sunday that the couple were in the city that he announced himself to be a clergyman. After about two weeks Miss Davis left, Evans explaining that her mother was ill. Ten days later Evans left, saying he was going to London, but would be back again.

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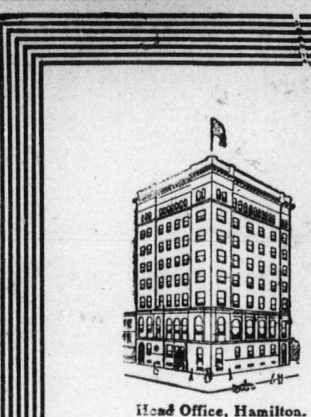
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Head Office, Hamilton.

The Opening and Maintaining of a Savings Bank Account is a duty that everyone owes, both to themselves and to those dependent on them.

INCIDENTS constantly arise that make demands beyond one's regular income. The possibility of sickness, temporary loss of employment or income, or the need of something the regular income cannot meet, renders it absolutely necessary to lay aside, in the safe custody of a Savings Bank, all money not required for current living expenses.

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J. Turnbull, Vice-President and General Manager.

"CRUEL WORDS."

LADY WANTS \$3,000 DAMAGES IN BREACH OF PROMISE CASE.

Defendant, Who is Old and Deaf, Says His Wage is \$9 a Week—Puts the Blame on the Lady—Parties Reside in Toronto.

Toronto, Jan. 20.—Although breach of promise suits are usually only taken part in by the young and ardent, Mr. Justice Clute had the novel experience yesterday of presiding over a suit in which a lady who has arrived at the discreet age of forty-eight sued a gentleman of fifty-nine. The latter, though in receipt of a salary of one 29 per week, was sued for a sum of \$3,000 as a solatium for having withdrawn an offer of marriage he had made the plaintiff.

The parties in question, Miss Martha Ann Walker and Mr. Daniel Wheatley, had lived opposite to each other for many years in their respective homes at the north end of Ontario street. A year ago they spoke to each other for the first time, and on the second occasion Mr. Wheatley, who is a widower with a grown family, proposed marriage and was accepted.

Mr. Wheatley did not deny the promise; indeed, he confessed that since the proceedings were threatened he had repeated the offer, but on the second occasion the lady refused his offer, saying that she could never forgive or forget "those cruel, cruel words" he had spoken in cancelling the first engagement.

In his testimony Mr. Wheatley, who is very deaf and had to be shouted at by counsel, said that the trouble arose because Miss Walker when asked to explain the presence of another gentleman in the house on evening when he called refused to do so. Not liking her manner of refusal, Mr. Wheatley said he told her, "I will not call again, I think no explanation is necessary," and left the house.

As Miss Walker had prepared her trousseau and a clergyman had been notified of the impending marriage, the sudden turn of affairs upset her nerves, she said.

In July last when Mr. Wheatley renewed his offer she told him to return at 9 p. m. on the following evening, when she informed him that she could neither forgive nor forget "those cruel, cruel words," nor again "trust a man who had so cruelly deceived me."

In Mr. Wheatley's version of the rejection of the second proffer he said: "I said, 'Then it's no use of my coming here again.' She said something else, which I couldn't understand, and when I asked her to repeat it she said, 'Get your ears picked out.'"

CUT OUT THE COUPON

Hundreds called at the Spectator Office Saturday to get the free samples of Gin Pills that were offered to all bringing in their coupons.

Inclement weather, cold and snow undoubtedly prevented many hundreds more from getting samples, and in order that every sufferer in Hamilton from Kidney, Bladder, or similar troubles will have an opportunity of trying Gin Pills another distribution will be made on Saturday next (23rd) at the Spectator Office.

Great interest is taken in the wonderful case of Mr. John Herman's cure of a bad case of Calculi, or stone in the bladder, after all other remedies had failed.

Cut out and bring in the Coupon below on Saturday, or if more convenient, mail it to Department A, National Drug & Chemical Co., Toronto.

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HIS MOTHER'S WILL.

Toronto Man in Boston Trying to Break It.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 19.—Judge George in the Probate Court today reserved decision on the petition of Frank H. Bell, of Toronto, asking for his share of the \$7,000 estate left by Mrs. Lillian A. Merritt, of Revere, Mass., whom he declares was his mother. She died about a year ago, leaving a will, which gave her property to her husband, Stephen Merritt, a nephew, Edward O. Jones, and Miss Annie Conkey. Bell had not seen his mother for about forty years, having gone to live with his grand parents in St. John, N. B., when eight years of age, and having afterwards followed the sea for thirty-two years. He seeks his share of his mother's property, notwithstanding he will, which omitted to mention him.

Toronto, Jan. 20.—Mr. Bell is a warehouseman in the employ of the James Robertson Company. The late Mrs. Bell, who had not seen her son for thirty-two years, thought he was dead. After her death the estate was about to be divided by the heirs, when the information was given out that the rightful heir to the estate, in the person of the dead woman's only child, was still living and was in Toronto. The court immediately made inquiries, hence the locating of Bell in Toronto.

The little daughter of a C. P. R. tank man, named Lambeth, living three miles east of Kings, Man., was standing on a railroad bridge when the train came along. She jumped off to save herself, and was fatally injured, dying on Tuesday evening.

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