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WELL DONE WOLFVILLE

The splendid success which attended the recent campaign for the securing of funds to continue activities among the young people of the community is a fine testimonial to the appreciation which citizens have of the valuable service which has been rendered during recent years by those who have had this important work in hand. By their generous contribution Wolfville people have again demonstrated their willingness to advance any project shown to be in the interest of the town, at the expense of personal sacrifice.

Many of those who have been liberal contributors to the present campaign have for years been giving of their means freely for the promotion of the work of the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides. In their opinion the time had now arrived when the value of the undertaking had been sufficiently proven to justify its financial support being provided for in the town budget. That this view was concurred in by the citizens was indicated by the vote of the public meeting called to consider the matter, notwithstanding that the vote to provide for such help passed by a slim majority.

The necessary legislation to enable the town to finance the project in the way desired being denied, its supporters determined to make another effort to carry on in accordance with the new program, and set out to raise the amount required by voluntary contribution. The town was divided into sections and solicitors were appointed to canvass the territory. Citizens rallied nobly to the support of the movement with the result that for the coming year, at least, the continuance of the work which means so much to the welfare of the young life of the community, is assured.

WOLFVILLE NEEDS A PARK

While the present time may seem most inopportune to advise the expenditure of public money by the town THE ACADIAN again ventures the suggestion that the citizens of Wolfville will make a serious mistake by longer postponing the securing of a site for a public park. Time was when the selection of such a property would have presented no difficult problem, but the growth of the town within recent years in all directions has limited the choice very materially.

There still remains, however, one tract of land available, which would be ideal for the purpose. We refer to what is commonly known as the "Randall Hill". Here are wonderful possibilities and if the whole property were secured there is plenty of room for such a public park as our citizens might be justly proud of in years to come. The outlook is unsurpassed and after the steep ascent has been gained there is plenty of level land. It is likely that this property might be procured at a reasonable price and it might be developed when opportunity offered and funds were available.

Here is an undertaking that the I. O. D. E., which has rendered such excellent service to the community already, might well consider and in which every citizen should render a whole-hearted support.

THE PROLIFIC HEN

Apropos the increased interest that is being taken by many of our readers in the humble hen, we are giving here some information taken from the Daily Produce News, Seattle, that will be read with surprise by even poultry enthusiasts. The News says:

"Comparing the earnings of branches of national production, the bureau of census shows that the poultry industry has advanced to third place within the last decade.

"Today only the corn crop and the dairy cow outrank the hen as a producer of national wealth. Below the hen on the list are petroleum, wheat, cotton, anthracite coal, potatoes, oats, copper and gold in that order, says a statement issued by Swift & Co.

"Until recently poultry raising has been a hobby or a side-line for farmers, to be attended to by their wives while the men did the work in the fields. Even yet, there are few who engage in poultry raising as compared with the number who pay specific attention to raising corn or cattle or cotton.

"Yet in 1919 poultry products of the United States were worth \$1,047,823,170—more than twice as much as all the anthracite coal mined, three times as much as all the gold produced, and nearly half again as much as all the petroleum which came from the wells, or all the wheat grown on our farms."

SMALL—BUT USEFUL

The little things of life sometimes seem very small to us—Nay, scarcely worth a second thought, Far less a bit of fuss.

But scraps of fun and scraps of joy And scraps of rest and gladness, Like mighty giants, fight and kill A thousand dwarfs of sadness.

Bachelors and spinsters in the United States make up the larger part of those who in their old age are obliged to depend on the town or state for support. Figures show that of men who have a trade only one in a hundred thousand

has to go to the poorhouse, and that of men with a college education the proportion is smaller still.

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ACADIA UNIVERSITY ALUMNI IN REUNION

(From the Ottawa Citizen of April 16)
 Acadia University Alumni Association Ottawa Branch, held its fourth annual banquet at the Chateau Laurier on Saturday evening and were joined by special invitation, by the MacMaster Alumni. The function was a most pronounced success. The speeches made by proposers of the various Toasts and the responders thereto were of a most interesting and unstrutted nature and, as is natural, were scholarly and eloquent.

There were two very pleasant features of the function. Rev. F. W. Patterson, D. D., LL. D., President of Acadia University, was the special guest of honor and Rev. H. B. Whidden, D. D., chancellor elect of MacMaster University was also present and gave a very interesting talk, in his inimitable manner, on old experiences and reminiscences of college life.

Another distinguished guest was Sir Michael Sadler, Principal of the great University of Leeds, England and a leading British scholar and educationist. In a short address he expressed the great pleasure which it afforded him to meet graduates from the Universities of the Maritime Provinces. He eulogized the work of these universities in improving the quality of education throughout Canadian schools and colleges, a work which was well known in England and he wished them continued success in dealing with educational problems which were much the same in Canada as in England.

A great and glorious future for Acadia was predicted by Dr. Patterson, under the new lease of life granted to her through the splendid work accomplished by the delegates to the convention held last week at Moncton, N. B.

The guests were received by a reception committee consisting of Mrs. F. R. Crost, Mrs. D. McR. Minard, and Mrs. Ernest W. Robinson. Prior to the banquet a social committee made up of Mrs. John Caldwell, Mrs. M. F. Bancroft and Mr. C. E. Steeves introduced the guests who had not previously met and a pleasant half-hour was taken up in this way and in renewing old acquaintanceships. The executive committee, which was responsible for the excellence of the arrangements, consisted of Dr. J. E. Wright, Messrs. F. R. Crosby, D. McR. Minard, Geo. Richan and Ernest W. Robinson, M. P.

During and after the banquet a musical program was enjoyed by the guests, interspersed with college songs and yells which made the entire evening a very pleasant reminder of the old college life and which manifested very eloquently the University Spirit to

which former students so tenaciously cling. Mrs. M. A. MacLean presided at the piano in a very efficient manner.

Practically every member of the local branch of the alumni who were not present had expressed their regret at being unable to be at the banquet. Special messages were read from the Hon. Edgar N. Rhodes, the Rev. P. A. MacEwen, Sir George Foster and Sir Robert L. Borden.

Hon. Senator Dr. F. L. Schaffner, President of the Alumni, was chairman and toast master at the banquet and himself proposed the health of His Majesty the King.

Other Toasts were as follows: "University Fraternity" (Acadia—MacMaster), proposed by Mr. Geo. F. Richan and responded to by Rev. G. R. MacFaul, (MacMaster) and Ernest W. Robinson, M. P. (Acadia); "University Women in Public Life", proposed by Rev. M. A. MacLean, D. D.; responded to by Mrs. P. V. Rosewarne; "University Education and World Leadership", proposed by Professor E. E. Prince, responded to by Dr. L. J. Lovett, M. P.; "The University of Acadia (Past and Present)", proposed by Rev. A. N. Marshall, D. D.; responded to by Rev. F. W. Patterson, D. D., LL. D., President of Acadia University.

Those present included the following members of Acadia Alumni: Mrs. J. A. Bowser, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Bancroft, Mr. and Mrs. John Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Cogswell, Miss Alice Fairm, Dr. J. A. Gordon and son, Capt. and Mrs. F. C. Higgins, Dr. and Mrs. H. T. Jost, Dr. and Mrs. L. J. Lovett, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Masters, Dr. A. N. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. D. McR. Minard, Miss Minard, Rev. and Mrs. M. A. MacLean, Prof. E. E. Prince and Miss Prince, Miss Grace Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. George F. Richan, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest W. Robinson, M. P., Senator the Hon. F. L. Schaffner and Mrs. Schaffner, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Smith, Mr. C. E. Steeves and Mr. J. E. Wright. Members of the MacMaster Alumni at the banquet included: the Misses Ardly, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Blackdar, Mrs. J. E. Beckwith, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Crosby, Miss Sadie Iveson, Rev. George R. MacFaul, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. McGregor, Mr. and Mrs. P. V. Rosewarne, Dr. H. F. Whidden and Mr. Gordon C. Edwards.

Officers of the Alumni for the year 1923-1924 are: Hon. President, Rev. F. W. Patterson, D. D., LL. D.; Hon. vice-president, The Hon. Dr. F. L. Schaffner; vice-president, Mr. F. C. Higgins; secretary, Mr. O. H. Cogswell; treasurer, F. Clifford Smith.

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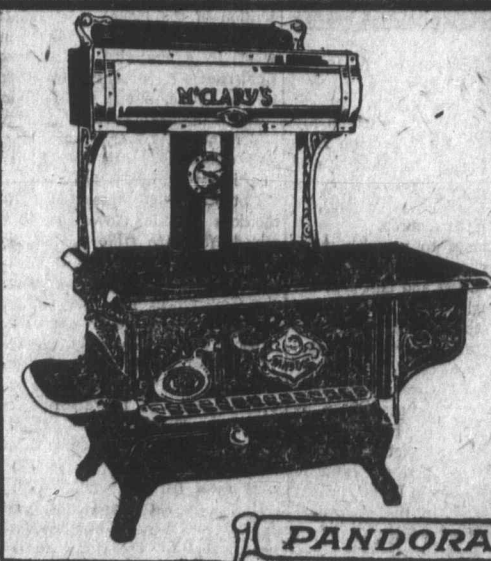
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