

NEW ELECTION LAW.

The New Brunswick Legislature in the session just closed passed a new election law, providing for a secret ballot in provincial elections. The following is an outline of the principal features of the law:

In addition to the deputy returning officer and the poll clerk, the candidates and their agents, not exceeding one in number for each candidate in each polling station, and in the absence of agents, one elector to represent each candidate, and no others shall be permitted to remain in the room during the time the poll remains open.

Not more than one elector shall at any one time enter the room where the poll is held, and if the name of such elector is found on the list of voters he shall receive from the deputy returning officer an envelope, on the back of which said deputy returning officer shall put his initials in the presence of the voter.

The elector shall forthwith proceed into a compartment of the polling station, which compartment shall be screened off so that the voter shall be wholly concealed from the rest of the room, and shall there place his ballot paper in the envelope previously handed to him by the deputy returning officer, and shall seal the same, and shall then hand it to the deputy returning officer, who shall ascertain, by examining his initials, that it is the same which he furnished the elector and shall then immediately and in the presence of the elector, place the envelope containing such ballot paper in the ballot box.

The returning officer is to furnish these envelopes, all being of the same description, and shall also furnish each deputy returning officer with the necessary materials for voters to write their ballot-papers.

The agent of each candidate shall have the right to deposit in the separated compartment of the polling booth printed ballots bearing the names of the candidate or candidates for whom he is acting as agent.

The deputy returning officer, upon application of any voter who is unable to read or write, or is incapacitated by blindness or for physical causes from voting in the manner prescribed by this act, shall assist such voter.

Every elector who takes an official envelope out of the polling station shall incur a penalty of two hundred dollars.

A voter who has inadvertently dealt with the envelope given him in such manner that it cannot be conveniently used may, on delivering the same to the deputy returning officer, obtain another envelope in the place of the one delivered up.

The deputy returning officer shall not count any ballot contained in an envelope if on opening it at the close of the poll it is found to contain more than one ballot paper.

GUM AND MISSIONS.

John R. Mott, of the Student Volunteer Movement, is authority for the statement that thirty millions of dollars are spent annually in this country for chewing gum. *The Christian Guardian*, commenting on this statement, remarks: "Think of all the jaws that wag in the aimless, senseless, vulgar and unwholesome grind of so many tons of chewing gum! Apart from the vulgarity of the practise, and its serious damage to the salivary glands and the general digestion, is the utter waste of money that might be turned to better personal use, or used for the glory of God." If all the money now wasted in the world on foolish, hot to say injurious, personal habits were expended in philanthropy or for missions, the daily papers would begin to publish prophecies that the millennium was just at hand—so improved would be the material and moral aspect of country and society.

WAR NAMES PRONOUNCED.

The Rev. Dr. W. E. Smith, a Canadian Methodist missionary to China, now home on furlough, kindly gave the *Guardian* the pronunciation of some of the names most frequently met with in accounts of the Russo-Japanese war. We append the names with their pronunciation phonetically spelled: Liao Tung (Leow Doong); Kiau Chau (Gow Jow); Wei hai Wei (Way hy Way); Ping Yang (Pin Yong); Seoul (Soel); Chemulpo (Che mulpo). Taku (Taw-koo); Tientsin (Tee en sin); Wonson (Wonsoon); Kiriu (Churu; Nieuchwang (Newchwong); Pechili (Peechelee); Peiho (Peeho). Dr. Smith also told us that our own mission station, Kiating, is pronounced Jawdin, and the province of Sz-Chuan, Suh chewon.

PERSONAL WORK.

Dr. Henry Clay Trumbull, the late editor of the *S. S. Times*, once wrote: "I have been for more than twenty-five years an editor of a religious periodical that has had a circulation of more than 100,000 a week during much of the time. Meanwhile I have published more than thirty different volumes. Yet, looking back upon my work, in all these years, I can see more direct results of good through my individual efforts with individuals than I can know of through all my spoken words to thousands upon thousands of persons in religious assemblies, or all my written words."

THIRTY YEARS WAR.—In a corner of the Island of Sumatra a war is being waged in comparison with which the Russo-Japanese conflict is a mere infant. For thirty years the Dutch have been battling with the fanatical Achinese, and they have come no nearer to conquering them now than in 1873. The Achin wars have cost Holland over twelve thousand lives and nearly \$100,000,000. It would almost seem that the struggle "beats the Dutch." Yet the Dutch fight on. When Europe learned the other day that the English under the command of Colonel Younghusband had killed four hundred Tibetans, diplomats at London and St. Petersburg made long faces. Stories came from the Russian capital that the Muscovites were alarmed at England's ambition to conquer the sacred land of the Lamas, and a few British statesmen were quoted as prophesying that disaster would follow such bloodshed. Yet from Sumatra only a few days later came the news that the Dutch had just killed 541 Achinese, and the despatch created little more comment in European capitals than the advertisement of a new breakfast food.

—One of the incidents of the work of the Young Women's Christian Association is the weekly noonday visitation of factories where women are employed, which is now carried on in a considerable number of establishments, where meetings are held, with singing and Bible lessons and personal conversations. As a rule the visitors are received with welcome recognition. Among the results that have come from these visits are the formation of clubs, for which rooms have been provided, with the engendering of a happy social life, literary exercises, attention to physical training, the intelligent discussion of the moral questions arising in factory life, the interesting of employers in the movement, and the attendance of the young women upon the Summer Conferences. Fifteen hundred young women went to the conference in 1902 for ten days of Bible study, religious addresses, intelligent ways of doing Christian work, and other similar purposes.

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INDEPENDENT MEN.

In a recent address, Hon. J. W. Longley, Attorney General of Nova Scotia, said:

It would be the greatest blessing in life that could be conferred upon our institutions if in every one of the two hundred and fifteen constituencies of Canada there were a hundred men who did not care a button about party, and voted as they thought was right and proper in the interests of the country. Some of those in public life would get hurt, and it would not always work right for the machine, but it would influence those high in the councils of the nation to pursue a course that would command the respect of the best and truest elements in the country.

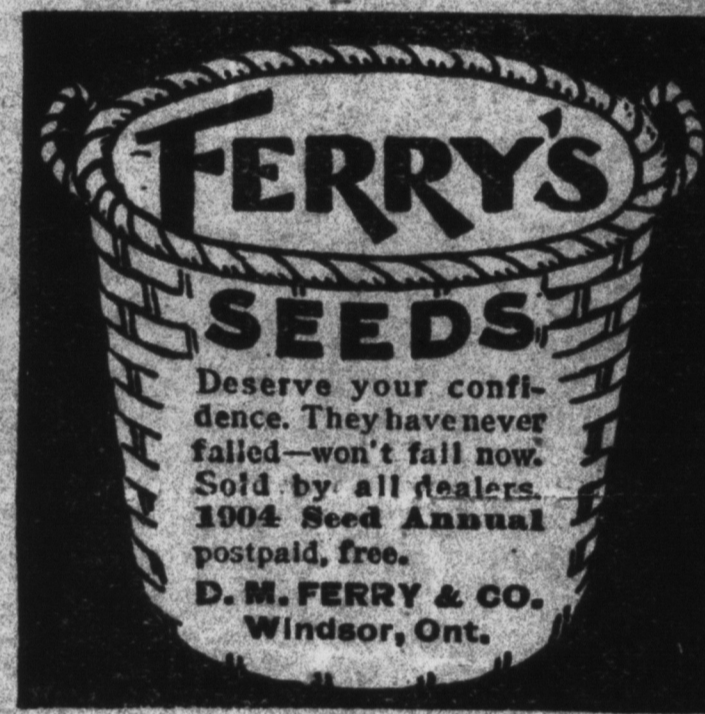
Waterville and Third Tier Society.

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members of the household are admitted free, together with those who pay one dollar a year to the W. M. F. Society. Others pay as follows: Adults, 20 cents each; young ladies, 15 cents; and children 10 cents. The extra amount raised is for local church purposes. The missionary meeting is held at 3 p. m., and a very good programme, with local and instrumental music in the evening, which we hope may be productive of good. The meeting is held the first Friday of each month, thus giving each member the pleasure of not only meeting the society, but friends generally, about once a year at her residence, which is very much enjoyed. We find in this way the interest in our work has very much increased.

We have perused with pleasure the reports from the societies, the greetings of the president, and any word from co-workers wherever they are. We regret that dear Mrs. Dr. Hartley has gone to other fields. We will miss her. May he who has kept her in the past bless her abundantly in the future. Dear sisters, let us be faithful unto the end, that the promise may be verified unto us. With greetings to you all.

E. C. BREDD.



CRADLE ROLL.

Mrs. J. N. Barnes sends the following list of names on the Cradle Roll:

2nd District.—Judson Margeson, 5c.; Eva Margeson, 5c.
3rd District.—Ruby A. Harper, 5c.
5th District.—Harold Gamblin, 5c.; Willie Gamblin, 5c.
6th District.—Clara E. Hill, 5c.; Claud Gordon, 5c.; Ray Osburne, 5c.; Charlie Parlee, 5c.

Mrs. Todd's list is as follows: Annie M. Todd, August 12; Tomie M. Todd, July 25; Maggie Akerley; Laura Akerley, June 12; Dannie Carpenter, March 6; Mattie Carpenter, July 7; Susie Carpenter, July 13; Ethel Fowler, May 12; Clara Wiggins, Sept. 14; Edith Straight, Dec. 20; Mary Straight, June 22; Ida Parlee, May 30; Maggie Parlee, Oct. 24; Thelma Cromwell, Feb. 17; Myrtle Coran, Nov. 15; Fred. A. Straight, Jan. 11; Mabel A. Straight, Sep. 16; Eennie E. Straight, Sep. 11th.

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