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LOCAL NEWS

CIVIL SERVANTS' BANQUET.

Hon. J. K. Flemming and Mrs. Flemming will tender a banquet to the civil servants tomorrow evening.

LITTLE DAUGHTER.

Mr. Charles Duplisea is being congratulated upon the arrival of a little daughter at his home.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

The Finance Committee met this morning in connection with some tax collections. The Administration of Justice Committee is meeting this afternoon.

JUST LIKE NEW YORK.

Prof. Washington will serve an elaborate repast at his cafe tomorrow night. He has engaged Donovan's Orchestra to play a special program of music from 9.30 to 12 o'clock.

OFFENSE ACKNOWLEDGED.

A second offense against the Canada Temperance Act was acknowledged by an up-town hotel-keeper this morning and a fine of one hundred dollars imposed.

SAW A ROBIN

Mr. Henry B. Rainsford, clerk of the Legislature who lives in the Straton house on Brunswick Street, saw a robin in his garden yesterday morning.

GOING TO NEW BRUNSWICK

It is expected, says the Canadian Toronto, that several young men from the Baden-Powell scouts farms in England will locate in New Brunswick next year. They are largely sons of professional and business men who have been undergoing training for a farming career.

PROHIBITION CAMPAIGN

Plans for an extensive campaign for prohibition in St. John and all New Brunswick are heard of. It is the idea to launch the movement in this city early in the New Year. The Dominion Alliance is reported to be behind the campaign.

MR. HAZEN'S JOKE.

"For months," said Hon. Mr. Hazen "the Liberal papers have been talking of the lack of harmony among the Conservatives of York county, but at the convention the best of harmony prevailed and the men who were said to be opposed to the nomination of Mr. McLeod had been the persons to nominate him as the candidate and spoke in his favor."—St. John Standard.

NOMINATION DAY.

Tomorrow is nomination day for the York by-election and while it is generally understood that Col. McLeod, the Conservative candidate, will be unopposed, nobody can tell what a day may bring forth. Some people, more interested in civic politics than in federal, are opposed to a contest, while others take the ground that a huge blunder is being committed in allowing Col. McLeod to go in unopposed. Col. McLeod and his friends anticipate an election by acclamation and the nomination of a second candidate tomorrow, if such a thing should come to pass, would be a rude jolt to them. The nomination proceedings will be held at the Court House.

SCHOOL INSPECTORS IN CONFERENCE AT EDUCATION OFFICE

Important Matters Being Discussed at Semi-Annual Gathering—Text Book Committee Met Last Night Re High School Courses

The semi-annual gathering of the school inspectors began this morning at the Education Office. Inspector Doucett was not present. Those present were G. W. Mersereau, F. B. Meagher, Wm. McLean, R. D. Hanson, Chas. D. Hebert, A. J. Brooks and F. A. Dixon. R. P. Steeves, director of Elementary Agricultural Education, F. Peacock, director of Manual Training, and Dr. H. V. B. Bridges, principal of the Normal School, were also in attendance.

Last night the Text Book Committee met and considered the alteration of the High School literature course. The committee will report later. Tonight the executive of the Provincial Teachers' Institute will meet to consider the proposal to hold the institute session at Halifax next summer.

The program outlined for the conference is as follows:

(1) Report from each inspector:

(a) The number and locality of schools unvisited during the present school term.

(b) The number and locality of organized districts without schools during term, with reasons for same.

(c) Districts recommended for school house grants for ensuing school year.

(d) Recommendations for "poor aid" for ensuing year.

(Answers to No. 1 should be in writing.)

(2) Changes in school law or regulation during year (New edition of School Manual.)

(3) Suggestions:

(a) Course of instruction.

(b) Text books.

(c) Teachers' Training.

(4) What is the status in your district of:

(a) Physical Training.

(b) Civics.

(c) The Teaching of Current Events

(5) What is the outlook in your district for:

(a) Nature Study and School Gardening.

(b) Manual Training and Household Science.

(6) Inspectors' Reports and Methods.

(7) What have been the results in the teaching of:

(a) History.

(b) Geography.

(c) Composition.

(8) Special difficulties arising in each inspectorial district.

(9) General business.

QUIET HOME WEDDING TOOK PLACE THIS AFTERNOON

Belyea-Jewett Nuptials at Home of Ex-Ald. and Mrs. H. C. Jewett—Happy Couple Leave for the West This Evening

A charming but quiet home wedding took place at 3.30 this afternoon at the home of Ex-Ald. and Mrs. Harry C. Jewett, 626 King Street, when their eldest daughter Estella May became the bride of Albert P. C. Belyea of Edmonton, Alta.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Neil McLaughlan, pastor of the Methodist Church, in the presence of only the immediate relatives and friends of the contracting parties. The bride and groom were unattended and stood beneath an arch of evergreen and holly which bore their initials. The bride who was given in marriage by her father was gowned in white satin royale with pearl trimmings and carried a shower bouquet of roses and lilies-of-the-valley. The bride wore a bridal veil of white tulle caught up with orange blossoms.

A wedding luncheon was served after the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Belyea will leave on their wedding tour by C.P.R. tonight. The bride will wear a tailor-made travelling costume of navy blue serge with a Paris hat, black velvet draped, and also a long coat of Persian lamb the gift of the groom. En route to Edmonton they will visit Montreal, Boston, New York, Chicago. They will be at home in Edmonton after January 25. The groom is a native of Queen's County and was graduated by the University of New Brunswick in 1906. He is a civil engineer in the Public Works Department of the Province of Alberta.

The bride was the recipient of many beautiful gifts. Her class in the Methodist Sunday School gave her a cut glass salt and pepper set and the teachers of the Sunday School gave an entree dish and butter (Continued on page five.)

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