

INSPECTION OF P.N.S. STUDENTS THIS MORNING

Physical Training Classes Make An Excellent Showing—Committee of Strathcona Trust Met Last Night.

A meeting of the Provincial Committee of the Strathcona Trust was held last evening at the Educational office. Among those present were Dr. Cox, Dr. H. V. Bridges, A. S. McFarlane, Dr. W. S. Carter, Brig. Gen. A. H. Macdonell, and Major George Keefe. The various regulations of the Trust were discussed preparatory to Major Keefe's taking over the cadet inspectorship of the province. Major Keefe succeeds Capt. R. Robinson Black who recently left for England with a draft of men. He accompanied Brigadier General Macdonell on a visit to the city last evening to take over his work.

Inspection at P. N. S.

An inspection of the Normal Students in physical training took place this morning and is being continued this afternoon. Major Keefe is conducting the inspection and speaks well of the physical instruction that the students have been receiving from Capt. A. S. McFarlane. About one hundred and fifteen students have been examined and although Major Keefe is not prepared to state the exact number that passed the examination he states that the majority have come by successfully.

To Expand Organization

Major Keefe is well known in military circles and plans to organize more cadet corps and to provide further instruction. Although the number of instructors in the province is small the major is awaiting the return of many from overseas to act as instructors. A larger and more extensive organization than ever will be carried on.

At Edgcombes

Great bargains in ladies' coats, suits and dresses at Edgcombes; also in children's coats.

Has Resigned

Miss Ada B. Saunders has resigned as assistant superintendent of women's institutes.

Left For St. John

Capt. T. R. McNally left for St. John this morning to discuss matters connected with the opening of the Dispensary Station there.

Left for St. John

Brigadier General A. Macdonell was present at the Physical Training inspection at the Normal School this morning. He left this morning for St. John.

Fourteen Discharges Yesterday

About fourteen discharges were made at District Depot here yesterday and it is thought that about the same number will be cut off the strength today.

Goes to Vancouver

Ensign Lee McElvaney son of Mr. Edward McElvaney of this city has received his discharge from the Royal Flying Corps and has gone to Vancouver where he has accepted a position in a broker's office.

Double Funeral at Waasis

The body of the late George E. Smith arrived at Waasis today from the west. The body was taken to the grave with that of the grandmother of the deceased Mrs. Annie E. Nason who died on Tuesday evening. Rev. G. C. Warren conducted the service.

Leaving For Havana

Mr. John C. Vradenburgh is here visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. William H. Vradenburgh. He will leave Saturday for New York en route for Havana, Cuba, having been transferred from St. John to the branch of the Royal Bank of Canada in that city.

Conference at St. John

Hon. J. F. Tweeddale Minister of Agriculture, left this morning for St. John, where he will attend a conference today between Hon. Mr. Calder, Minister of the Interior for the Dominion, and a committee of the Provincial Executive.

Want Tractor for Ladder Truck

It is reported in fire circles that the Fredericton firemen are agitating for a tractor for the ladder truck. There has been talk of this for some time but what view the City Council would take on the matter is not definitely known.

Bowling Notes

A match game has been arranged for next Tuesday between the Marysville and the Fredericton Juniors at the Palace Bowling Alleys. A five-man team composed of Seales, Roxborough, Burgess, Powers and Edney will play the Woodstock Bowling team at Woodstock on New Year's night.

Late Mrs. Harry M. Blair

The remains of the late Mrs. Harry M. Blair arrived this morning from Halifax and were taken to the home of her father Mr. G. Fred Brown. The funeral took place this afternoon at three o'clock, interment being made at the Rural Cemetery. Service was conducted by Rev. G. C. Warren.

ORGANIZATION OF ASSOCIATED KIN C.E.F. IS BEGUN

Provisional Council for the Province Has Been Suggested—Addresses Delivered by Mr. Wright and Others.

The meeting addressed by Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Wright at the City Hall last evening on behalf of the Associated Kin of C. E. F. unfortunately was poorly attended. The addresses delivered were excellent and were much appreciated by the audience present. Dr. C. C. Jones presided and Mrs. Martha F. Harvey, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Wright, Mrs. G. C. VanWart and Bishop Richardson spoke.

Mr. Wright's Address

Dr. C. C. Jones gave a short introductory speech and was followed by Mr. Gordon Wright who dwelt at length upon the work of the Associated Kin and discussed the aims of the Association. Mr. Wright referred to the necessity of founding the Association in the United States and mentioned several of the noted men and women associated with the movement. He described the necessity of the organization in the Maritime Provinces and told how it had been delayed because of the "flu" situation here. He further told of the pauperism after the American War of Secession and how the young men had banded together to get their fathers' rights from the government. He spoke of the great need for establishing the Associated Kin as a protection and as a step in the great reconstruction period which is to follow. He also gave several incidents of the work of the Kin in cases which seemed almost beyond hope and had been given up by prominent lawyers. Several of the incidents brought out the splendid work of the association and impressed the conduct of the society on the minds of those present. Mr. Wright also referred to the decoration of mothers who had lost sons in the war. There were several very touching incidents in connection with the presentation of these decorations that left a deep impression on the hearers.

After Mr. Wright's splendid address Miss Hazel McCain accompanied by Miss Everett, rendered a vocal selection.

After Miss McCain's solo Mrs. Wright delivered a short address dealing with her side of the work.

Discussion

Following this there was a discussion on organization but because of the small number present, the organization was not discussed.

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ANNIVERSARY OF RAISING OF THE REGULARS

Unit in European War is on Active Service for the Third Time—Some are the Early Recruits.

The present month is the anniversary of the enlistment in Fredericton of the first members of the Infantry School Corps of Canada now the Royal Canadian Regt. which is serving in Europe. December 21st is the official date of the authorization of the corps and enlistments began a few days later. "A" Company, I. S. C. was located in the Queen Street barracks in this city and took on the first recruits. It was the senior company and gave to Fredericton the honor of being the place where the first regular infantry unit of Canada was raised.

Third on Active Service

The European war is the third occasion on which the Royal Canadian Regiment has been on active service. Within a year of the organization of the unit "C" Company stationed at Toronto was sent to the Canadiana North West to aid in the suppression of the rebellion of Indians and half-breeds. This placed "Batoche" on the regimental colors as a battle honor. In 1899 the regiment again was in South Africa and in the year following forced Cronje's surrender at Paardeberg which gave it another battle honor. In the war which recently ended, after being kept needlessly in Bermuda for the better part of a year the R. C. R. was given a chance in France and made good.

Some Early Recruits

The late Capt. Thomas Fowle who rose from the ranks to be captain and quartermaster was one of the first men enlisted. Sergt. W. A. Daniel of New Maryland was another. The late Thomas Mackenzie for many years sergeant major of the station was a third. James Torrance of Sussex another early recruit was for years sergeant drummer of the company. Sergeant Major H. T. Brewer of this city who completed twenty years' service with the R. C. R. was also an early recruit.

Death From Pneumonia

The sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. George E. Haining on the loss of their daughter Theda May after a lingering illness of pneumonia. The deceased was in her second year and is survived by her parents and by three brothers and four sisters. The funeral will take place Friday afternoon at one o'clock, service being conducted by Rev. G. C. Warren. Interment will be made at the Rural Cemetery.

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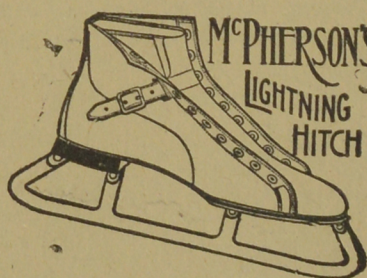
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