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Retail Merchants' Association
Held Banquet Last Night at
Windsor Hall—Address
by Organizer.

The annual meeting of the Fredericton Retail Merchants Association was held last evening and the election of officers took place. The following officers were elected: President, Cecil H. Burtt; 1st Vice President, W. A. Searle; 2nd Vice President, H. E. Harrison; Secretary, C. W. Hall; Treasurer, W. R. Fraser.

Mr. Burley of St. John, the Provincial Organizer gave a splendid address on the benefit and accomplishments of the organization and the work of the future.

Executive Committee

The following members were elected on the Executive Committee: A. Murray, W. McKay, E. Cameron, R. L. Black, J. Tingley and John J. Weddall.

Business was discussed and prospects for starting a Credit Reporting Department were started. A sumptuous banquet was served the members at Windsor Hall.

False Alarm Yesterday

The local firemen were called out yesterday afternoon at four o'clock to answer an alarm from box 46. On arriving at that locality they found the alarm was a false one.

To Play Marysville

Three rinks of the Fredericton Curling Club skipped by G. T. Feeney, C. R. Barry and G. H. Clarke will play three rinks of Marysville curlers starting at eight o'clock Saturday evening.

Entertainment for Students

The Epworth League of the Methodist Church entertained the students of the University and the Normal School on Tuesday evening. A program was followed and refreshments were served.

Roof Blaze This Morning

The Fredericton firemen were called out this morning at three o'clock to answer an alarm from box 55, at the corner of University Avenue and Waterloo Row. The fire was a roof blaze at the residence of Prof. F. W. Harrison and was soon put out.

Children's Aid Cases

Three Children's Aid cases were before Police Magistrate Limerick today. The evidence for the prosecution was taken and the cases were adjourned until February 4th. The children were taken away from their homes because of unsanitary conditions and the improper treatment they received.

Had Pleasant Time

The members of the Senior Mission Band of the Brunswick Street Baptist Church were pleasantly entertained last evening by Mrs. John Donovan and Mrs. H. W. Estabrook at the home of the latter on Charlotte Street. About forty persons in all were in attendance.

Subscription Bridge

Sir Howard Douglas Chapter, I. O. D. E. held a Subscription Bridge at the residence of Dr. W. C. Crockett last evening twenty tables being played. The prize winners were: Ladies, Mrs. J. H. McMurray, 1st, Mrs. Cruikshank, 2nd; Gentlemen, W. J. McLean, 1st, Judge Crockett, 2nd.

Put to Work in Coal Mines

Mrs. Charles Saunders of North Devon has received a letter from her son Private Jack Saunders stating that he was repatriated from Germany and had landed in England on January 12th going to London for two months' leave. In speaking of his treatment in Germany he states that during the last six months he had been at work in coal mines and that the work was very hard.

Reports of S. A. Drive

Reports coming in from the country districts show that Nashwaak village went over the top in the Salvation Army Drive reaching its quota of \$40 and passing it. Burt's Corner passed its quota of \$100 reaching \$155. Reports from Stanley show that the amount set will be passed. The total returns handed in are \$6000 with \$4350 for Fredericton. Of the country districts only six out of thirty have been heard from.

The Late Bishop Dollard

On Tuesday evening before the members of the New Brunswick Historical Society, St. John, Mr. Timothy O'Brien, the librarian read an interesting paper on the Rt. Rev. William Dollard D. D., first Catholic Bishop of New Brunswick, 1843-1861. At the time of his nomination to the episcopacy Fr. Dollard was the pastor of St. Dunstan's Church of this city. Rev. James W. Millidge, President, presided.

Will Give Handicap

That Archie Walsh champion candle pin player of the world will play at the Palace Bowling Alleys on Friday night has been assured the bowling fans of some good sport. Walsh will play ten strings against five by E. Edney and five by T. G. Powers and will likely give the local bowlers a handicap. The Palace Alleys management are bringing Walsh here as a treat for their patrons. Play will commence at nine o'clock.

POULTRY PROFITS ILLUSTRATED IN FINE LECTURE

MRS. JANE STODDARD,
MT. DENSON, N. S., SPOKE

Profit of \$3.20 per Bird on a
Flock of One Hundred and
Sixty Barred Plymouth
Rocks.

Mrs. Jane Stoddard of Mount Denson, N. S., at the desire of the Poultry Department lectured yesterday afternoon at the Normal School gymnasium on the raising and proper care of hens. Those who heard the lecture easily recognized it as one of the special attractions of the Poultry Show.

Started With Two Hens

Mrs. Stoddard stated that she had started in the poultry business with a flock of only two hens which she had obtained from her neighbors after she obtained her husband's permission to raise poultry. The first year she hatched seven pullets from a setting of eggs and from that she proceeded giving her time and attention to it until she had about one hundred and sixty Barred Rock hens. She spoke of her two fine hen-houses which held about 225 hens and a winter house for the raising of young chickens, big enough to hold 800 chickens, and an incubator capacity of over 700 eggs. The first batch of eggs is hatched about the latter part of March for a month or so the chicks are well taken care of and given the proper attention necessary.

Selling Methods

Mrs. Stoddard sells off all cockerels when they weigh about two pounds and the chickens are given free range as long as is necessary. In referring to her hen-house she said that in the early morning hours when she arose she opened the doors of the houses giving the poultry all the fresh air they needed. She emphasized the necessity of giving a plentiful amount of fresh air and of giving strict attention to the details of the business such as not to let the supply of drinking water get scarce.

Statement

As an illustration of her success in the poultry line she drew up a statement for 160 Barred Rock hens which is as follows:

Year 1917—From sales, \$1,093.85; Expenditures and necessities, \$580.76; Total profits, \$513.09.

Thus Mrs. Stoddard showed by detail that she had gained \$513.09 in a very business like way in the handling of 160 Barred Rock hens which makes the gain per hen about \$3.20. Mrs. Stoddard pays great attention and shows the best of judgement in picking

RUMORS THAT MILL WILL BE ON SHORT TIME

DEFINITE ANNOUNCEMENT
ON MATTER SHORTLY

Curtailment of Operations in
New England Ground for
Report—Four Days a
Week Reported.

There is a report current that the mill of the Canadian Colored Cottons Limited in Marysville will go on short time in the near future. The Superintendent, Mr. Joseph Dolphin, has been in Montreal for some days and is expected to return the last of the week. On his return it is probable that an announcement concerning the rumor of short-time will be made by him.

Nothing at Present

Officials at the mill today stated that there was nothing at present in the reports that the mill would go on short-time. Rumor has placed four days a week as the time on which the mill would operate.

In New England States

The rumor probably has originated from the fact that in the New England States all textile mills are to go on reduced time on account of overproduction and the cessation of war orders. The reduction in time already has caused labor troubles there. One demand is that there be a forty-eight hour week with fifty-four hours' pay. The management of all mills have refused to meet any demand of this nature and there are also many employees who believe that the time is not opportune for a strike.

It is said that conditions in Canada as far as concerns overproduction and the cancelling of war orders are similar to those in the United States.

Twenty-Eight Discharges

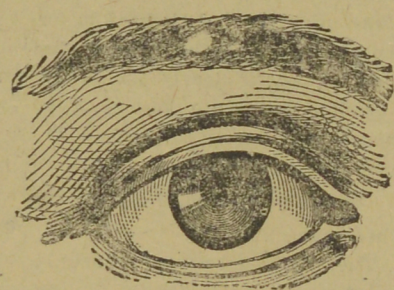
Twenty-eight discharges were given today at the District Depot. The decrease in the number of discharges is due to the fact that the men are not yet back from their landing furloughs.

ing cockerels for breeding purposes.

After Mrs. Stoddard had finished her address Mr. A. C. McCulloch Poultry Superintendent took the floor for several minutes, following which he illustrated to those who wished to see it the manner of candling or grading the eggs at the candling booth on exhibition in the Normal School gymnasium.

Marketing and Grading

Last evening Mr. A. C. McCulloch addressed a meeting at the Normal School gymnasium on the marketing and grading of eggs. Mr. McCulloch thoroughly understands this subject and answered several questions fired at him by those assembled.



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