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THE PASSING YEAR.

The year 1919 passes into history tonight, and tomorrow we must begin to write "1920." The old year will go down as one of the most remarkable in the history of the world. Many great events have occurred, chief of which was the completion of a treaty of peace with Germany and her allies, following the signing of the armistice which brought to a close the greatest war in the history of the world. The peace treaty has been the means of recasting the map of Europe, and while it has not yet been ratified by all the nations concerned, it is believed that this matter will be attended to early in the new year. When this shall have been accomplished the nations which suffered so terribly from the ravages of war will settle down to the great work of reconstruction.

The close of the year finds business conditions all over the world in an unsettled condition. This is a natural sequence of the great war. It took over four years to burn up nearly one-third of Europe at a cost of millions of lives and billions of gold, and it is inconceivable that the damage can be repaired within a few months. It is a job that will take years, and the people of the world must settle down to the task with brave hearts. In the end all will come right and stable conditions will be restored.

The noted men on this continent who have passed away during the year include Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, ex-President of the United States, Mr. Andrew Carnegie, steel king and philanthropist, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, for fifteen years premier of Canada and one of the greatest statesmen of Greater Britain. Only this week another distinguished Canadian passed away in the person of Sir William Osler, regius professor of medicine at Oxford University. Although these great and noble men have gone, their work will live, and future generations will benefit from it.

Canada has had one of the most prosperous years in its history, but business is now in an unsettled state and the cost of living continues to soar. There is every reason to believe that the coming year will witness a decided change for the better.

The good old province of New Brunswick has also enjoyed a prosperous year and the outlook for 1920 is remarkably bright. There is wonderful activity in all lines of business and a feeling of intense optimism prevails among all classes of the population. That this province is now coming into its own as one of the bright and favored spots of the Confederation seems now to be the general opinion.

Farewell to 1919. With its joys and sorrows, its successes and disappointments, and a hearty welcome to the Glad New Year, which promises so much for the betterment of mankind.

MONEY FOR EDUCATION.

Although \$5,000,000 of the \$100,000,000 which Mr. John D. Rockefeller on Christmas Day presented to the cause of education, is to be spent in Canada, it does not look as if Maritime Province colleges will share in it to any great extent. Of the \$100,000,000 donated by Mr. Rockefeller, one-half is to be expended by the General Education Board of the United States and the remainder through the Rockefeller Foundation. Mr. Rockefeller in his letter of transmission says:

"My attention has been called to the needs of some of the medical schools in Canada, but as the activities of the General Board are by its charter limited to the United States, I understand that gift may not be used for Canadian schools. They are closely bound to us by ties of race, language and international friendship; and they have without stint sacrificed themselves, their youth and their resources to the end that democracy might be saved and extended. For these reasons, if your oard should see fit to use any part of this new gift in promoting medical education in Canada, such action would meet with my cordial approval."

The trustees, acting upon Mr. Rockefeller's suggestion, have announced that \$5,000,000 will be set aside for the

promotion of medicine in the Dominion of Canada.

At least one British suburb has discovered a way out of the eternal servant problem. Recently when a house maid left the mistress after a few weeks of fruitless hutning for a new maid, decided to give a trial to a newly established local "combine" of discharged soldiers which advertised its willingness to undertake any kind of domestic duty at fixed rates. In response to a telephone call there came a veteran armed with pail, scrubbing brushes, soap, metal polish, cleaning rags, etc. He worked three hours, tackling everything from scrubbing doorsteps to cleaning the kitchen flue, and he did all that was asked willingly and well at a fixed charge of 25 cents an hour.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Positively the last appearance of Signor 1919!

What becomes of all the lost opportunities?

Everything comes out in the wash except the buttons—and they come off.

What's a fellow going to do now if something happens that is enough to drive him to drink?

Civilization has been on the point of going hungry in a fur coat and diamonds.

Saying it with flowers at \$1.50 per blossom inclines one to believe that it takes a lot of money to talk.

To attract attention a man's habits must be bad. Good habits are accompanied with low visibility.

In one way or another every nation is now confronted with the age old problem of providing land for the landless man and men for the manless land.

The optimist rises to remark that not every loose collar button rolls under the dresser.

About the only thing old bachelors and old maids ever contribute toward the bringing up of children is advice—but how generous they are with it!

Wives who can find nothing else to reform about a husband try to make him develop a liking for mayonnaise dressing on almost everything except pie.

CIVIC BATTLE IN TORONTO

Toronto, Dec. 31.—A hot civic campaign for the election of mayor and councillors will close here tomorrow. Mayor T. L. Church, who is seeking a sixth term, is being opposed by Controller Sam Morde, and the result promises to be close. The street railway purchase by-law will be voted upon by the citizens at the same time.

To Winter in California
 Moncton Transcript: Mrs. W. T. Whitehead of Fredericton who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. F. E. Whelpley, left this afternoon for Montreal enroute to Los Angeles, where she will spend the winter.

Devon vs. Fredericton
 Some time ago Police Magistrate Limerick ordered a girl from Devon to be sent to the Truro Home for Girls, Devon to stand the cost of the girl's maintenance. Devon has put in an appeal stating that as the girl did not belong to that town it could not be understood why Devon should stand the expense. The case is being heard this afternoon. P. J. Hughes representing the Town of Devon and C. D. Richards representing this city.

Mrs. R. P. Long is confined to her home on St. John Street with a severe cold.

STEPHEN TAYLOR DIED YESTERDAY AT SHEFFIELD

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and Fisheries, resulted in the prosecution of Taylor who appeared before the Fredericton Police Magistrate and was let go only on agreement that he would discontinue the letter writing.

Bought Coffin in Advance.
 The most curious form which his eccentricity took was the buying of his coffin while he was yet in his prime. The coffin he kept in his home on a shelf. Unfortunately he outgrew it and then made attempts to sell it.

In spite of his oddness the deceased was a well informed man and kept abreast of public events. He was a native of Sheffield and a member of a family which originally settled the district.

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION IS OVER EXPENDED

THE COURSES WILL BE EXTENDED NEXT TERM

Miss O'Neill, Instructor in Stenography, and Miss Love, Instructor in Millinery, Resign.

A meeting of the Vocational Committee was held in the office of School Trustees on Monday for the purpose of closing up the work of the past term, when over two hundred persons availed themselves of the opportunity provided by the committee for their improvement, and also to complete arrangements for the next term which will be opened on Thursday evening, 8th January. At this meeting Mrs. Clark was called to preside pending the arrival of Dr. VanWart who was delayed in arriving. Mr. Murry Hagerman was unable to attend, but Messrs. J. M. Lemont and J. D. Palmer were in their places.

Over Expended.
 After discussing the situation and facing the over-expenditure of the first term, it was decided to carry on the work for the public benefit and if possible to inaugurate advanced work in one or two departments. As heretofore, a resignation fee will be required, and except in cases of sickness, twenty-five cents will be deducted from absence from each lesson. The Secretary still has some refund cheques awaiting the call of members of the last classes.

Changes in Staff.
 There will be a few changes in the teaching staff for the next course of twenty lessons. The work of late staff proved to be very satisfactory to the Committee as well as the students, and it is gratifying to know that already some of these have been able to accept positions. In some lines of industry young ladies are today receiving solid cash increases over the initial amount usually paid to beginners—all this on account of the instruction received at the evening vocational schools.

It is the intention of the committee next week to open a department in elementary English should a sufficient number be found desirous of making up for lost time to form a class.

Resignations.
 The Committee regretted to receive the resignation of Miss Mary O'Neill, who was in charge of the classes in stenography and of Miss Annie Love who gave the Paris touch to those pretty hats. Both of these young ladies were particularly successful in all their work.

It may be necessary to secure an assistant for the dressmaking class as it is hoped to have plain sewing and also "waists" for a second class. Responsibility for this feature in the two latter departments is largely placed upon Mrs. Clark.

Continue at F. B. C.
 Arrangements have been made with Col. Osborne for the continued use of the excellent plant of his Fredericton Business College.

Director B. B. Barnes submitted the official report which will be later forwarded to the Vocational Education Board. With the experience of Mr. Barnes in vocational work, Fredericton is fortunate in securing his valuable assistance.

The Secretary presented a full statement of receipts and expenditures up to date, and although the expenditure exceeded the receipts, the statement was encouraging. After ordering the payment of some bills the meeting adjourned.

PERSONAL

Mr. J. L. De Grace of Campbellton is in the city today.

Mr. F. Watson of Campbellton is registered at the Queen.

Mr. J. A. Clark of Toronto is registered at the Barker House.

Mr. W. G. Clark of Toronto is registered at the Barker House.

Mr. W. G. Bailey of McAdam is at the Barker House.

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MAIL CONTRACT

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Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed Contract may be seen and blank forms of tender may be obtained at the post office of Kingsclear and at the office of the Post Office Inspector.

H. W. WOODS,
 Post Office Inspector.
 Post Office Inspector's Office,
 St. John, N. B., Dec. 26th, 1919.

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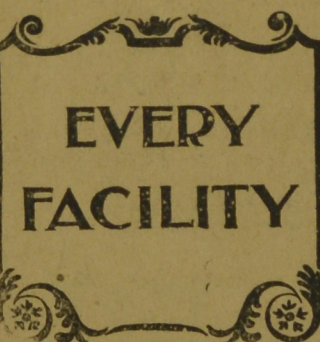
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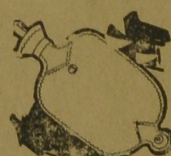
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