

TORONTO CLERGYMAN TAKES A SLAM AT NEW YEAR'S PARTIES

Toronto, Jan. 13—Alleged irregularities at certain celebrations on New Year's Eve were vehemently denounced from the pulpit of Bond Street United Church last night by Rev. W. R. MacKay. The subject of Mr. MacKay's address was "Toronto's New Year Disgrace." He approached his subject by considering and comparing the world of godliness and the world of gross indecency and regularity that dictate how these two sections of the people observed the advent of 1926. The former greeted the new year with thoughtfulness and in friendly gatherings. But the latter held "New Year's parties with feasting, gluttony in the sight, dancing and carousing."

Not Poorer Classes.

The underworld, he said, was found in varying degrees in all cities, and had its palaces as well as its hovels. There was in Toronto a class of people constituting this underworld of which "we had a shocking exhibition on New Year's." The speaker referred to reports of improprieties committed at certain gatherings, which reports he declared, had shocked the good people of Toronto. He referred to rumors of women who were too intoxicated to walk and of "shameless practices that we dare not even mention in this mixed audience, according to reports." It had not been the poorer classes that had indulged in these objectional festivities.

Civilization, he said, demanded a certain wall of reserve and rules of propriety between the sexes, but from these reports, apparently, these walls suffered severely in welcoming in the new year. There were instances of gross indecency and vulgarity that it is a shame even to think of." He stated that, according to reports, police officers were shocked by what they had witnessed, and added that it was not easy to shock a policeman.

Compared With Beasts.

Perhaps the most extreme expression of disapproval occurred when the speaker made a passing reference to

evolution. Whatever there might be in that theory, he said, such conduct as was reported to have occurred on New Year's Eve had shown that some people had not risen from the beasts, but had descended below the level of the beasts. Monkeys would be disgraced at the suggestion that humans were a higher form of life, could they have seen these New Year's activities.

Apart from the breaking of human law, there was the inescapable justice and retribution of Divine law for these transgressors to face.

The fair name of Toronto was besmirched and its respectable citizens were in sackcloth and ashes over this disgrace, he continued. Canada was looking for wives and mothers who would make it a great nation. Such wives and mothers, however, would not be found in these New Year's parties. "We may well be alarmed when women display boldness, immodesty, brazenness and intoxication," he declared. The New Year's celebration had cast a dark shadow over Toronto homes. He wondered if they were an indication of the breakdown of the old Anglo-Saxon homes. It was a reflection on the parents "when our boys and girls have parties which must be supervised by the police—which are broken into by policemen with clubs and closed up."

Issues Warning.

The red light should be swung across the dangerous paths when such conditions are found, he thought. This dangerous path led to that underworld where there were the "adders of excess," the "serpents of shamelessness" and the "cultures of vice." Excavation at Pompeii, he went on, had shown symbols of unbribed vice which strewed the path that led to the fate of Sodom and Gomorrah.

Mr. MacKay finished his address with reference to the sterling Puritan qualities of the pioneers of this continent, whose ideals should still be held. He thought that "that debauchery staining with shame the portals

VOCABULARY IS FIXED BY THE CALLING

New York, Jan. 12—The average business man has a vocabulary of 10,000 words; the college graduate one of twice that number, according to Dr. Frank H. Vizetelly, managing editor of Funk & Wagnall's New Standard Dictionary, who has just completed a survey of the words known to various individuals and classes.

The average physician, lawyer and minister have vocabularies exceeding that of Shakespeare, which included 93,000 words, Dr. Vizetelly says. The average minister is acquainted with 25,000 vocables, 14,000 of which occur in the Bible. Woodrow Wilson, in his books, used 60,000 distinct terms.

The average individual, not specifically educated, knows between 3,000 and 10,000 words, the lexicographer says. A child of six knows more than 1,600 words, Dr. Vizetelly estimates. The man who sells roasted chestnuts on the corner probably knows 3,000 words or more, he says.

Dr. Vizetelly himself admits to a knowledge of 450,000 words, the number which appears in his dictionary.

In discussing the vocabularies of physicians and lawyers, the lexicographer points out that the former must know the names of 1,700 parts of the body, 1,300 bacteria, about 1,000 diseases, 300 poisons, 500 pigments, 900 tests and tumors, and 10,000 chemicals and drugs, while the latter must be familiar with the 13,000 legal terms which appear in the "most popular law lexicon."

He—You bet I played with the football team.
She—Oh! What?
"Poker."

of the new year, gave warning that the people were losing their consciousness of sin.

He said that, whether the reports he spoke of would be fully verified or not, "something must have happened," and concluded with the warning, "Toronto take heed."

Board of Trade Will Have Active Year, Annual Meeting Held Last Night

Will Ask for Continuation of Civic Grant—Board Dinner to be Held Next Month—A. M. Belding and F. Maclure Sclanders of Saint John Wanted as Speakers on Maritime Subjects.

The Fredericton Board of Trade at its annual meeting held Tuesday night had a small attendance of members but preparations were made for an active year. Activities will begin with a meeting of the executive next week for the purpose of dealing with various matters. The annual Board dinner will follow in February and a campaign for membership will be undertaken.

President Alex. Murray presented his annual report which is to be found in full in this paper. The reports of Treasurer and Secretary also were presented.

The election resulted in the choice of the same officers except that H. A. Watson succeeds C. F. Chestnut as auditor, Mr. Chestnut retiring, and some changes were made in the additional members of executive.

There was discussion concerning the necessity of increased membership and the executive will consider the matter of canvassing for new members.

A. D. Holyoke and J. S. Armstrong were elected to membership in the Board.

Official Reports.

The report of Treasurer W. T. Gerald on the finances of 1925 was read by Secretary R. H. Simonds in the absence of the Treasurer. The report showed that receipts had totalled \$2,246.11 and that a credit balance of forty-four cents remained.

The report of Secretary Simonds dealt with the operation of the office. He stated that during the year 117 meetings of organizations other than those connected with the Board of Trade had used the office. That number was 36 in excess of the year before.

To Have Outside Speakers.

In connection with a decision to hold the annual Board dinner next month it was suggested that A. M. Belding of Saint John who has been

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EXECUTIVE

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prominent for some months in connection with the Maritime campaign, to be the speaker. The Rotary Club also has negotiated with Mr. Belding and a combined session of the two organizations may be held. Mr. Belding is now recovering from a serious illness.

A. Maclure Sclanders, Saint John's Publicity Commissioner, also has been asked to address the Board and has expressed his willingness. The executive will complete arrangements.

President's Address Considered.

The address of President Murray was considered section by section and discussed the executive being asked to deal with the majority of the items.

In regard to the section touching upon a continuation of the civic grant to the Board it was decided to request it of the City Council. G. W. Hodge stated that he had been assured that the newly elected members were favorable.

It was decided to retain membership in the Maritime Board of Trade.

AMERICAN GIRLS DECLARED BOLDER THAN PARIS SISTERS

New York, Jan. 13—Jazz and the younger generation are covered with brickbats and bouquets tossed at them over the week-end by foreign visitors and New York clergymen.

Emile Daeschner, French ambassador and Charles Cestre, professor at the Sorbonne University, indulged in comments at dinner in New York. M. Cestre did not hesitate to say that American girls are bolder than the French girls.

"I find the American girl a bit more bold and sophisticated than the French girl," he said. "She does many things which are a bit bold. Every one thinks the French girl is 'fast.' It is just the opposite. The French girl is very carefully reared, and it is not until she is married that she has any liberties to speak of. No the American miss is much faster than the Parisian mademoiselle."

M. Daeschner hastened to say a few words in praise of the American girl's mother. The American woman, he declared, is the outstanding feminine figure in the world.

Fearfully Restless

Another foreigner who commented on American girls was Dr. Adolph Lorenz, noted Austrian surgeon, who said:

"American women are fearfully restless. They marry in haste, hence the number of divorces. Yet one can hardly blame you for marrying them. Your women are exquisite beauties, and quite liberal, I notice, in showing their loveliness."

The Rev. Thomas J. Murphy, who married Consuelo Vanderbilt to Earl E. T. Smith last week, commented on three generations—past present and future. He does not believe the younger generation is going to the dogs, although he is afraid it is drinking too much.

Fr. Murphy also officiated at the wedding of Consuelo's mother in 1899. "Handsome equipages with dignified coachmen and bedecked horses drove slowly by the house," he said. "Women alighted carefully, covering

their ankles with their long, trailing skirts."

He hopes to live long enough to marry Consuelo's child or children.

"I'll wager one thing," he said yesterday. "By that time the world will have changed so much that the child will not be married in a great Fifth avenue home, but in an apartment 60 stories up, with airplanes bringing the guests."

Another minister who had a good word for the present age was Dr. Christian F. Reisner of the Chelsea Methodist Episcopal Church.

"Jazz tends to unseat reason and set passion free," he told his congregation, but nevertheless he believes the churches could take a lesson from jazz, and supplants its high-price quartettes, who sing over the heads of the congregations."

Dr. Reisner commented upon the strange coincidence, "that the son of Otto H. Kahn, chairman of the Metropolitan Opera Company, should be conducting a jazz orchestra and that the daughter of Clarence H. Mackay, whose 'munificent contributions make the glorious music of the Philharmonic orchestra continuously possible,' had married Irving Berlin, a leading exponent of jazz."

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Here and There

William Valgardson, a farmer at Taber, Alberta, is glad he went into sugar beet raising. He secured a \$350 return from three and one-half acres of land.

Winter sport activities at old Quebec are in full swing. This is considered the most brilliant season of entertainment for years past. Hundreds of sport enthusiasts and tourists from the New England states, Canada, and other parts of the continent are turning up in force at the Ancient Capital.

Miss Isabel Coursier, only nineteen years of age, is the world's woman champion ski jumper. She created a world record at Revelstoke, B.C. at the age of sixteen in 1922. This winter, taking part in the winter sports at Quebec, Miss Coursier made a jump of 83 feet in the International-Intercollegiate Ski contest.

A report from Smiths Falls, Ontario, is to the effect that a train was stopped in order to avoid a collision with an automobile making for the tracks over a crossing. The train was stationary when the automobile struck one of the cars. The occupants of the automobile escaped uninjured.

Tourists on the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Scotland were at the famous King Solomon quarries, beneath the walls of Jerusalem, on Christmas night. Many of them, according to a cable received at C.P.R. head offices, bought gavel, made from the stone of the quarries, with olive wood handles.

According to information at the headquarters of the Canadian Pacific Railway, holiday passenger traffic this year from points west was the heaviest since 1920 in the past few weeks and represented a fifty percent increase over the amount handled over Canadian Pacific Railway lines last year. Special arrangements made to take care of the Christmas and New Year rush worked efficiently.

Canadian Pacific Railway earnings for the month of November were \$19,294,184.37, an increase of \$1,193,239.12 over the same period for 1924. Net profits for November show an increase of \$218,153.80 over the month of November of 1924. Net profits for the eleven months ending November were \$35,327,083.83, an increase of \$1,330,043.32 over the corresponding period for 1924.

According to Johannes Borge, journalist, of Bergen, Norway, who is visiting the Dominion to record his impressions of Canada, silver fox farming has become a very important industry in parts of Norway. There are now about 150 silver fox farms in the Søndmøre district of Norway. Last autumn, about 120 silver foxes, estimated to be worth 1,000,000 kroner, were shipped from the island of Norway.

Traffic on the Great Lakes this season compares well with that of last year as far as Canadian Pacific earnings are concerned. M. McDuff, manager of the Great Lakes Steamship Service explained recently that while grain tonnage fell below that of the 1924 season, passenger traffic and package freight business was considerably better, making the total well up to the average.

A party of Mennonites, bound for western Canada, mostly to Manitoba, arrived in Montreal recently with the report that those of their sect who had gone to Rosario, Mexico, were far from satisfied and intended going north. It is understood that 1,000 Mennonites have emigrated to Canada within the last two months and that about 2,500 more would be coming in the spring. Hans Seidler, in charge of the party, said not one of them thought of going to Mexico.

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In one of the big department stores a customer stood patiently on first one foot and then the other while the clerk at the ribbon counter wrote interminably in her book, apparently quite unaware of the presence of a customer. "Can you please wait on me?" came a timid request finally.

The clerk glanced up, then nodded to a clerk at the other end of the counter.

"That lady down there will wait on you," she replied, and returned to her writing.

Presently as "that lady" did not put in an appearance the girl raised her voice.

"Hey, Marge," she called, "c'mon, here's a woman wants to get waited on."

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