

HOSPITAL FOR DUMB ANIMALS.

One to Be Erected in the English Capital.

Dumb Friends' League Secures Suitable Site--Model Sermons on Duty Towards Beasts Preached in the Churches.

London, August 12.—London will soon have a hospital for animals, for the Dumb Friends' League, which has been considering the establishment of one for some time, has now acquired the lease of very suitable premises in the neighborhood of Victoria Station.

The hospital will be worked on similar lines to the existing hospitals for human beings, and will have "wards" for various animals.

To the poor man who depends upon a pony or donkey for his living, the benefits of the hospital will be invaluable.

A sum of twenty-five thousand dollars is needed to provide the necessary fittings for the new hospital.

The horse, the cat, the dog, and the rest of the dumb members of the British household monopolized the attention of over two thousand congregations last Sunday.

It was Animal Sunday, and in England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, the Isle of Man and the Channel Islands pulpits were full of kindness to animals.

Two of the most noted preachers in London—Archdeacon Witherforce and Canon McCormick, of St. James' Piccadilly—preached, at the invitation of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Ani-

mals, on the duty of mankind to the lower animals. Literature was distributed in churches in all parts of the Kingdom by clergymen who had asked the society to supply leaflets.

One or two clergymen, determined to do justice to the subject, asked to be supplied with sermons, and the society was equal to the occasion. Model sermons delivered in previous years by Dr. Magee, late Archbishop of New York, and other divines, were readily supplied.

Sermon-outlines were also supplied, giving many Biblical texts from Deuteronomy to St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans, illustrating the whole duty of man to the dumb world.

The story of Balaam's ass—representing the brute creation pleading with man for mercy—was one of the Bible references suggested, and Rowlands Hill's saying "Nobody was truly a Christian unless his dog or his cat were better off for it," was called to mind.

Cruelty caused by thoughtlessness was one of the themes of the preachers, who pleaded with holiday-makers not to run their dogs and cats out of doors to starve while they themselves went to the seaside.

A special "Animal Sunday" hymn supplied by the society, was sung in many churches.

REFORM IN CHICAGO.

Citizens Determined that Acts of Lawlessness Must Cease.

The reckless disregard of the maintenance of law and order has not been without a prejudicial effect upon the growth of Chicago. During recent years its phenomenal development has been rudely checked and struck in their pockets the leading people of Chicago are now taking alarm. Excursionists and visitors avoid the windy city; many passengers in transit are afraid to leave the railway stations; those who remain over are afraid to sleep in the hotels, and even a walk in daylight is by no means secure. Here is a crime record of six months:—

Murders since Jan. 1, 1905, 65.
Murderous assaults since Jan. 1, 1905, 131.

Burglaries since Jan. 1, 1905, 182.
Hold ups since Jan. 1, 1905, 274.
Men killed in the street riots, 22.

Burglary insurance rates are governed by the efficiency of the police. In Chicago the rates for burglary insurance are from 30 to 50 per cent. higher than in any other city of the size.

It has come to pass in Chicago that the flat dweller, or even the resident in a private house, is in more danger of burglary than of fire. The boldness of the housebreakers is shown in a recent instance. A guest at the Auditorium Annex, in the heart of the best protected district in the city, awoke one night to find a negro burglar in his room. The hotel guest is still in the hospital.

The effect of such a record upon a city's fortunes must be disastrous, and it is little wonder that after being indifferent for years that the grand jury at last woke to the peril and demand that the police sweep the city clean of crooks. The prevalence of crime and highway violence was the evil that stamped itself most strongly on the minds of the twenty-one men who served as grand jurors in July, and in their final report they called on Chief Collins, to pass up gambling dens and poker parlors for the moment, and tackle the task of making the streets safe.

The Grand jury said:—
"We recommend and urge upon the new chief of police that the force under his command be directed at once to cleaning the city of burglars, thugs, hold up men and wrecking crews. Let gambling dens and other haunts of vice receive attention and be exterminated as soon as hold ups, burglaries, thuggery and wrecking crews have been abolished, and the city made no longer a haven for thieves and riotous characters."

Chicago has now a reform chief of police and during four days he has caused the arrest of five hundred thieves. Gambling houses and other resorts which heretofore have been protected have been raided and closed. The order has gone forth that any woman without an escort seen drinking in any saloon or rooms adjoining a saloon will be arrested. The judges are also beginning to do their duty and on Friday last life sentences were imposed by Judge Albert S. Barnes upon three youthful hold up men, one of whom pleaded guilty to a murder and the others to four highway robberies.

Chicago can be made as safe as London or any other great European city. Crime grows in proportion as crime is untraced and unpunished; and while condemning Chicago, it must be admitted that Toronto has shown a growing disposition toward frequency of crime which is not encouraging. The evil should be vigorously dealt with.

THOUSANDS FOR MISSIONS.

A Generous Response to Rev. Dr. Simpson's Appeal.

Old Orchard Beach, Me., Aug. 16.—Rev. Dr. A. B. Simpson of New York at the Christian Missionary Alliance camp meeting here yesterday, duplicated his feat of a year ago, getting for the foreign missions pledges and

cash aggregating \$245,000. The big collection was taken immediately following his annual missionary sermon. A large share of the pledges were from branches of the Christian Alliance throughout New England. The only pledges whose authors were made public were the Boston branch gift of \$1,600, and \$100.00 from the children attending the Old Orchard convention.

The largest pledge was \$5,000 and the smallest thirty-five cents. The total number of pledges announced was 424, and seventy-two of them aggregate \$40,125.

Ten young women in the audience offered themselves as foreign missionaries.

A few weeks ago Rev. Dr. Simpson preached the annual sermon of the Christian and Missionary Alliance at the convention held in Zion Congregational Church, Toronto. The gifts in cash and pledges on that occasion aggregated \$14,000.

GRAND BALL AT QUEBEC.

A Magnificent Affair in Honor of the Naval Visitors.

An Informal Opening--Earl Grey and Lady Evelyn Grey Led the Dancing.

Quebec, Aug. 14.—The ball given at the Parliament House tonight by the Provincial Government in honor of his Serene Highness Prince Louis of Battenburg and the officers of the second cruiser squadron was without question the grandest as well as the largest and most successful social function ever held in Canada, and the arrangements were perfectly planned and most systematically carried out. Fully three thousand guests were in attendance, comprising the elite of Quebec, and guests from Toronto, Ottawa, and Montreal.

Among the distinguished guests present were: Their Excellencies the Earl and Countess Grey, Lady Evelyn Grey and members of the Vice-regal staff, his Serene Highness Prince Louis of Battenburg, staff captains in command of the cruisers and about seventy-five officers, together with the chaplains in evening dress and midshipmen from the warships; his Honor the Lieutenant Governor Sir Louis and Lady Jette, Sir Alphonse Pelletier, Sir Napoleon Cassault, Surgeon General Evatt of the British army; members of the judiciary and professions, Senators Edwards, Choquette, Landry, Tessier, Cloran, Casgrain, Kirchhofer, members of the Canadian militia; Col. J. F. Wilson, commanding officer of the citadel fortress, and officers of the Royal Canadian Garrison Artillery; Major Laliberté, commandant and officers of the Quebec Field Battery; Major Fages, commandant and officers of the R. C. R. Lieut.-Col. Turner, V. C., D. S. O., and officers of Queen's Own Hussars; Lieut. Col. W. J. Ray, commandant, and officers of the 9th Regiment Voltigeurs; Lieut.-Col. B. A. Scott, Major T. S. Hetherington, Col. Surgeon Neilson, Lieut.-Col. Gaudet, members of the House of Commons and Provincial Legislature; leading citizens and their ladies.

The parliament buildings were beautifully decorated with flags, evergreens and potted plants, and both the Legislative Council and Assembly chambers were used for dancing. The crowd in attendance included all the wealth and beauty of Quebec, but the crush was so great that only a portion of the guests could get a chance to dance. The crowd was so great that the quadrille d'honneur was dispensed with.

The ball was opened by the Governor General, who suddenly arose from his seat, and, with his daughter, Lady Evelyn Grey, commenced to waltz, which was an example that soon was followed by almost every gentleman and his partner who could get room to turn about the spacious ballrooms.

His Serene Highness and officers of the fleet, in their ball dress uniforms, joined in the spirit of the pleasure, and dancing was kept up until the supper hour, when the special guests and their ladies proceeded downstairs to a superb collation, served in the Private Bills Committee Room, that accommodated 160 persons. In the meantime dancing was continued in the ballrooms, and according as there was room, the guests descended to supper in relays.

The scene was a magnificent spectacle. The beautiful ladies in their silk gowns and jewels scintillating in the bright electric light, in harmony with the gorgeous gold-laced uniforms of the naval officers and the beautiful uniforms of the artillery, infantry and rifle officers, together with the sombre conventional dress of the civilians.

Hon. Premier Gouin and the members of his cabinet did the honors of the evening, and made splendid hosts. They were everywhere looking after the comfort and pleasures of their guests and through their efforts and their assistants the ball was a magnificent success in every particular.

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