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THE CENSUS

The religious census indicates that there is an average of almost four persons per family in the Protestant churches of the city, and that an average of almost three persons per family professes to be church-going. An average of a little more than one per family attends Sunday school.

It appears that two purposes will be served by this census. The various churches will learn what families there are in their neighborhood with no church affiliation, and the prevalence of destitution in some sections will be revealed. There are said to be many families with no church affiliations. The explanation of the cause of this may lead to such action as will make the churches in a truer sense centres of social life. The condition of destitution in which many families have been found will afford an opportunity for such an exemplification of the true Christian spirit as will appeal to many who are non-church-goers. On the whole, some good should result from the census, even if it does no more than reveal to the churches a large field for home mission work of the sort that first helps and then prays. The man or the family that is hungry and cold and isolated from friendly communication does not take kindly to a gospel message which relates chiefly to the affairs of the next world.

NO CHANGE IN SIGHT

The work of reorganization will not be carried out by the present city council. A committee devoted considerable time to the preparation of a report, which has been turned down by the council. It is really not surprising that the report was turned down, since its adoption would have committed the council to a perfectly ridiculous board of control scheme; but, if the council has rejected this plan, it has adopted no other, and thus the time devoted to consideration of the subject has been practically wasted.

The council does not want a change. It is amusing itself, and apparently believes that it is affording the citizens considerable harmless diversion. It appears to be quite clear that if there is to be a reorganization which will do anything more than increase a salary or two, it must begin at the ballot box on the day of the civic elections. It is up to the citizens to say whether they want a change or not. There will be, of course, some disappointment to those persons who were misguided enough to believe that the council meant business, and yet why should they be disappointed? It is an old story now, that the present city council is wedded to the old system and the old methods, and the old officials.

A MEDICAL INSPECTOR

The Times desires to return to the subject of a medical inspector for the city of St. John. Such an officer is especially necessary in connection with the schools. There is not the slightest doubt that quite a large proportion of the children in attendance at the schools are suffering from some defect, which though it may be slight at present, and could under proper care be easily overcome, is yet a very serious handicap to them in their studies, and makes those appear to be dull children who if properly treated would be the opposite. A medical inspector of the schools would also minimize the danger from contagious diseases. But there is need of such an officer to visit the homes in some sections of the city, where families are herded together in unsanitary tenements and amid unhealthy surroundings. Speaking at the Every Day Club on Sunday evening, Rev. A. B. Cohoe told of a visit he paid to one tenement while taking the religious census. The place seemed unfit for habitation. The door was off the hinges and the snow was drifting into the hall, yet a family lived on the floor above. There are landlords in St. John who will tolerate such conditions so long as their rent is paid. There are landlords who are not particular as to sewerage or any of the rules of the Board of Health, so long as their rent is paid. A medical inspector might not have it as one of his duties to look very closely into matters of this sort, and indeed the Board of Health itself should have knowledge of them, but they would certainly come to the notice of the inspector, and there would be more likelihood of a remedy being applied.

Perhaps St. John cannot at once enter upon an era of great industrial development, but it can clean up. That of course is much more prosaic. We would rather think of huge factories than filthy gutters, plugged sewers or squalid tenements. Yet the first step in the development of a greater and a beter St. John should be to make the best of the present city, and make it healthy in both a sanitary and a moral sense. This can be done. Only the unpardonable indifference and selfishness of citizens prevents it.

THE EXTREMES

A glance at the society pages of the newspapers reveals the fact that evening parties, afternoon bridge, teas and the like have many votaries in St. John.

One of the enumerators in the recent religious census informs the Times that he alone found eleven families in destitute circumstances. In one case a number of children were without shoes or stockings, and the family suffering greatly.

There has not been a winter, certainly not for many years, when there was as much actual destitution, because of the scarcity of work for men, as during the present season. The hardship is the greater because there was less work than usual last summer, and some people were unable to overcome the handicap of the previous hard winter.

Perhaps we ought to be thankful that there are those among us who are fortunate enough to be able to enjoy the more or less expensive pastimes set forth in the first paragraph of this article, and that there are people who can pour tea, even if they cannot give "a cup of cold water to one of these little ones." We wonder sometimes at the growth of socialism, and the indifference of the working classes to religion and the church. Why should we wonder?

There is much discussion and inquiry as to the best method of developing a greater St. John. The first essential, and one that is too much ignored, is that the people should get together. There is a vast deal of productive energy that is being wasted or misdirected. There are too many discouraged sober men throwing up their hands because the fight is going against them, and the human touch which would inspire them with new courage is wanting. There is too much moral pessimism. It is taken too often for granted that because a man is down he is likely to stay down, and perhaps that he deserves to be down. Human frauds there are in plenty, it is true, but how many of them might have been respectable and respected citizens if their more fortunate and better balanced neighbors had taken a lively personal interest in their welfare? Human selfishness takes many forms. It may exist in the heart, and be manifest in the life, even while the hand stretches out the dole of charity. A moral revolution could be effected in this city in an astonishingly short space of time, if so-called Christian people would cease playing at religion and work out in their own lives the spirit of the Founder of Christianity. Every drunken man, every hungry, ill-fed and neglected child, every despairing woman is a menace to the welfare of society. There are evils which cannot be overcome in a day or in a generation, but, if they are to be overcome at all, and there is to be any realization on earth of what men term the Kingdom of God, there must be less of shallow pretense, less of selfishness, and more of the human touch and the fulfilment of the law of service.

The police magistrate favors the lash for wife beaters. There is reason to believe that the bill providing this form of punishment will be adopted, and become law; but, as this paper pointed out the other day, the lash should be applied to more than the man who raises his hand to his wife. It should be applied as well to him who brutaly neglects his family. Certain acts, which have not been properly branded because of our exaggerated notions of individual liberty, ought to be placed in the category of crimes, and fitly punished; and a man's gross neglect of his family is one of them.

It is satisfactory to know that retrenchment at Ottawa, which is responsible for a reduction of nearly $20,000,000 in the estimates, will not prevent the expenditure of needed sums for the development of St. John harbor. This whole province fares very well in the estimates and the fact shows how important it is to have at Ottawa a representative who knows our needs.

On another page of today's Times is quoted an article contributed by a Montreal financier to the Star of that city, showing the wonderful growth of bank deposits in Canada. The figures are really amazing, and indicate that the financial institutions of the country are now in a position to do a very great deal to encourage business and general development in the country at large.

Some people have said that St. John should be satisfied with the Scott Act, rather than provincial prohibition. The best answer to this is the interesting condition of affairs in Fredericton, where the city council and the police authorities are wrangling over the enforcement of the law, while the dealers go on selling. St. John wants nothing of that sort.

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11 in. Bayside, former price $4.00 now - - - $3.00
10 in. Falcon, former price $3.85 now - - - $2.90
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11 in. Royal Canadian, former price $3.75, now - $2.80

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THE WINTER WIND

Call, wind, call,
In entry and in hall.
Straight from off the mountain white and wild?
Soft purrs the pussy cat
On her little fluffy mat,
And beside her nestles close her furry child.
Scold, wind, scold,
So bitter and so bold!
Shake the windows with your tap, tap, tap!
With half-shut, dreamy eyes
The drowsy baby lies
Cuddled closely in his mother's lap.
—Mary F. Butts.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

THE REASON.

He—"I cannot express to you my gratitude for your kindness in giving me the first dance last evening."

She—"Well, you see, it was a charity ball."—Fliegende Blaetter (Munich).

A NEW TYPE.

Howard—"He's crazy on the subject of aerial navigation."

Hattie—"A balloonatic."—Catholic News.

WOMAN.

Oh, woman, you are charming,
And poets long have sung
Their sweetest verses to you
In every written tongue:
But none of them has ever
Told why it is that you
Will always leave a street car
.ot dne gnorW
—W. J. Lampton, in Success Magazine.

HARDSHIP.

It is hard for a woman to permit a man to have the last word, even when he merely wishes to remark that he agrees with her.

NO NOISE MADE.

"Let me see; last Saturday was Miss May Tewer's birthday, was it not? How did the day pass off?"

"It passed off quietly. It was her fortieth."

REASONABLE.

Young Physician (diagnosing a case)—"In the first place, sir, you must drink less coffee."

Patient—"I never drink any coffee at all, sir."

Young Physician (considerably annoyed)—"Well, you ought to."

USED BOTH.

Teacher—"Tommie, do you ever use a comb and brush?"

Tommie—"Yes, ma'am; I use the brush to keep the comb stuck in!"

TOO LONG.

Brown (at the pantomime)—"Ten years are supposed to elapse between the third and fourth acts."

Jones—"Come out and have something. I can't imagine ten years having elapsed during which I haven't had a drink!"

REFERRED TO PROPER AUTHORITY.

(Washington Star.)

Champ Clark, of Missouri, who succeeds John Sharp Williams as leader of the Democrats in the U. S. House of Representatives, loves to tell of how in the heat of a debate Congressman Johnson of Indiana, called an Illinois representative a jackass. The expression was unparliamentary, and in retraction Johnson said:

"While I withdraw the unfortunate word, Mr. Speaker, I must insist that the gentleman from Illinois is out of order."

"How am I out of order?" yelled the man from Illinois.

"Probably a veterinary surgeon could tell you," answered Johnson, and that was parliamentary enough to stay on record.

PROVINCIAL NEWS

Nova Scotia

Excellent work is being accomplished at Dominion No. 3 colliery, Glace Bay, the past few weeks and the output is most satisfactory. The colliery is working full time and conditions there generally are most satisfactory. Little interest is apparently taken in the civic election, though the candidates are busy canvassing.

It is learned that a number of arrests have been made in the alleged poisoning case at Caledonia this week. A hearing in this case will take place before Stipendiary McGilvray.

Word has been received at the sheriff's office that Mabel Borden, a Sydney prisoner, at Dorchester, is dying of consumption. This prisoner was sent up in June, 1907, for two years on a conviction for perjury in the Ford liquor case, and gave her age as thirty-two. She claims Windsor, Ont., as her native place, but it is believed that she hails from Windsor, N. S. and that her real name is Murphy. Enquiries are now being made of the chief of police of the latter place regarding her birthplace.

J. W. Ratchford, of North Sydney, manager of the Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co's department store left yesterday for Halifax, where he took the C. P. R. steamer Empress of Britain for Liverpool. Mr. Rachford will visit British and European markets to select spring and summer goods for his company.

Alex. G. Baillie, of Port Hastings, who was at the Industrial Advocate office, Halifax, lately, is interested in the Great Northern Mining Co. of Cheticamp, and states that the company is in a good position for business the coming season, having completed the most up-to-date mill and plant in the Dominion. This manufactured calcined plaster has been put on the market and the company is prepared for a large output in the 1909 season.

Janet Glode, a squaw, accused of stealing $4 from Charles Zong, a Kaffir, at Halifax, yesterday, was acquitted by the stipendiary, as Zong's employer gave evidence that almost all of the $4.50 he paid Zong the latter had spent. As the Kaffir was leaving the court, he was arrested and a charge placed against him of entering his employer's wife's room with evil intent. He was sent up for trial.

A Sydney man received an anonymous letter stating that if he did not deposit $3,000 at a place indicated his child would be kidnapped. Suspicion rests on a well-known individual.

Benjamin Harrigan was arrested at Halifax Saturday afternoon on a charge of committing perjury. He was a witness for the prosecution in the Simmons "club" case. Simmons, the defendant, laid information for his arrest. On the witness stand last week, when the case was being aired in the police court, Harrigan swore that he was not a member of the club. At the time he was asked to write his name and Simmons has had it compared with Harrigan's name, which appears on the role book.

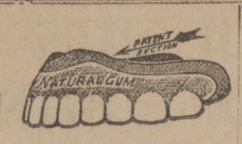
Preventics — those Candy Cold Cure Tablets—will safely and quickly check all colds and the Grip. Try them once and see! 48-25c- Sold by all druggists.

THE K. OF C. BALL

The following committee of St. John Council, Knights of Columbus, have been placed in charge of arrangements for the knights' ball in the Keith assembly rooms on Feb. 22: Grand Knight Chas. A. Owens, chairman; F. J. McDonald, secretary; W. J. Mahoney, M. D. Coll, Dr. S. H. McDonald, Ald. Wm. E. Scully, R. O'Brien, H. McCullough, Dr. D. J. Mullin, W. A. McLaughlin, Henry Regan, Norman L. McGloan, Geo. Keeffe, H. J. O'Neil and J. L. Mullaly.

Various sub-committees are actively at work. The assembly rooms are to be decorated on an elaborate scale, Wright and Fritz, of the Royal hotel, will prepare the supper, and the Nickel orchestra will furnish the music. The chaperones will be Mrs. W. E. Scully, Mrs. Henry Regan and Mrs. Frank T. Lynch. A number of knights from outside the city, and their ladies, are expected.

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WATER PRESSURE WAS ALL RIGHT

Reason for Lack of Pressure at Sunday Morning's Fire Was That Water Was Not Turned Full On

A communication from the board of trade calling attention to reports that there was lack of water pressure at the fire in King street early Sunday morning and asking that this matter be investigated and also the way the fire was handled generally, was read at the meeting of the common council yesterday afternoon and referred to the water and sewerage board. The board of fire underwriters yesterday also wrote to the chairman of the water board, asking for an investigation.

Ald. Frink and officers of the fire department claim the supply was all right, but that the difficulty occurred through the policeman turning the water only half on.

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No matter how remote the inflammation or diseased spot, Catarrhozone is sure to go there. It will relieve quickly and is sure to cure the most chronic cases. Unlike cough mixtures it contains no opium or deadening drugs. It is simply the vapor of antiseptic balsamic oils in combination with the best healing agents.

Mr. A. H. Calkins of Santa Monica, Cal., writes, "Catarrhozone is pleasant and soothing to the membranes of the lungs, throat and nasal passages. I have found it more valuable than any other preparation. If anything will cure Bronchitis or Catarrh, I am sure it is Catarrhozone; it cured me."

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ALL OVER

"Has Jack Johnson written his opinion of the Burns-Johnson fight?"

"Yes."

"Has Jim Jeffries been interviewed on the result?"

"Yes."

"Has Mr. Burns explained how it happened?"

"Yes."

"Has Bob Fitzsimmons offered to beat the winner into a frazzle?"

"Yes."

"Thank heaven, there's nothing more to be said."—Baltimore American.

NOTICE

THE AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION appointed by the New Brunswick Government for the purpose of investigating the agricultural, immigration and colonization conditions and possibilities of the Province, will meet in the Board of Trade rooms, 83 Prince William Street, on Wednesday 3rd inst., at 3 p. m.

The meeting will be open to the public, and it is the desire of the Commissioners to hear anyone who may have opinions on the above subjects.

W. W. HUBBARD, Secretary.

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ROUGH HOUSE HOCKEY

Moncton Transcript Rebukes Men Who Play Rough Game

The Moncton Transcript administers the following rebuke to its rough-house hockeyists:—"It is a pity that hockey players cannot use ordinary common sense when engaged in matches. There is some excuse for a player getting hot when hit with a stick, but when he deliberately goes out of his way to cross check another player there is no excuse to be advanced. A level-headed player will stay on the ice all the time and play hockey. An empty-headed player will get himself ruled off by gratifying some petty spite, or attempting to gain some unfair or unsportsmanlike advantage. Players who disobey the rules are ottimes not punished with sufficient severity, but even then the team has to pay for their foul playing. Instance, the intermediate game here last week when the majority of goals chalked up against the Mohawks were scored at times when local players were serving penalties."

AN ALBERTA COW

(Advt. in Alberta Searchlight.)

For Sale.—Owing to ill-health I will sell at my residence, in township 19, range 18, according to the government survey, one raspberry plush cow, eight years old. She is a good milker, and not afraid of motor cars or anything else. She has undaunted courage and gives milk frequently. To a man who does not fear death in any form she would be a great boon. She is very much attached to her home at present by means of a log chain, but she will be sold to any one who will use her right. She is one-fourth shorthorn and three-fourths hyena. I will also throw in a double-barrelled shot gun, as it goes with her."

LEGACY FOR TWO CATS

London, Feb. 1—The late Professor Gustav Saleman Oppert, Professor of Indian Tongues at Berlin University, left a sum of about 1s. 6d. a day for the maintenance of his cats, Lottie and Peter. He requested that his housekeeper, Fraulein Zuhl, to whom he left an annuity of £3 15s. a year and a quantity of furniture, would undertake the duty. The professor was formerly assistant librarian at the Bodleian Library, Oxford, and under-librarian of Windsor Castle Library.

THE OMADHAUN

(From the Catholic Standard and Times.)

The lads that wastes their days in school,
They nod an' wink, an' call me 'fool.'
But, och! 'tis little mind I have to scold them.
Wid all their books they've never read
The half of all that's in me head;
They couldn't un'erstan' it if I told them.

Did y' ever catch a leprechaun?
Ye never did! For why? 'Tis gone
Before ye know the crayture's nigh;
For if ye held him wid yer eye
He'd have to take yeu to the spot
Where all his gold is in the pot,
But me they never hold in fear—
Small care have fools for gold an' gear—
So when they meet me on me way
They stop to pass the time o' day.
Did y' ever know the funny things
A thrush can tell ye? When he sings
Close both yer ears wid ayther han'
An' then as quick as e'er you can
L'ave loose, hold tight, l'ave loose, hold tight—
But, och! ye'd never do it right!
Did y' ever know jisht how an' when
'Tis aisiest to catch a wran?
The wren, the wren, the king o' birds,
St. Stephen's Day caught in the furze!
Lasht Stephen's Day maybap ye heard
Who was it snared the nimble bird
Upon the bush that through the town
The lads paraded up an' down,
The while they begged from door to door
The jinglin' coppers by the score.
'Twas me! I snared the wren an' got
No ha'penny of all the lot.
Not wan for me! They were so mean
They spint it all at Kane's shebeen.

Och, I've them wink an' call me 'fool.'
Them lads that wastes their days in school,
An' oulder wans that spiles their brains wid drinkin'.
'Tis they're the fools themsel's, no less,
For sorra wan o' them could guess
The knowledgeable things I do be thinking.

T. A. DALY.

C. E. L. Jarvis and E. L. Philps will appraise the loss on Reid Bros.' stock by Sunday morning's fire. The loss on A. O. Skinner's stock will be appraised by C. E. L. Jarvis and E. H. Fairweather. Mr. Skinner has some $35,000 insurance. The Dunlap, Cooke Company insurance is $1,000.