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PASSING OF THE OLD YEAR

WHOSE CLOSING DAY WAS FULL OF CHANGES.

The Ever Surviving Custom of Watching the Old Year Out— Solemn Services Held in Various Churches.

The old year, the first of the century, passed out like the proverbial entrance of the lion month. On the closing day of his life, old Father Time was tossed about on the wings of the storm. What food that day served for superstitious reaction! The morning, clear and bright, the darkening of the sky at noonday, a small-sized blizzard raging, while the sun peeped forth at intervals bringing a color, followed again by bluster; then the change from warmth to a bitterly cold night! Why, among the astrologers, will interpret those signs? What did the omens signify?

The last night of the year was bright, and the cold piercing. At the eleventh hour, the church bells solemnly tolled the requiem of the dying year, the pealings sounding mournful and hollow on the ear. Hurriedly, of people hurried along the streets to the churches to spend the closing hour in prayer and supplication. The custom of watching the old year out is probably the only surviving form of old-time New Year's service.

In St. Andrew's Church.

In St. Andrew's church was gathered a large number of worshippers. The service, solemn and impressive, was conducted by Rev. Mr. Mackie. "A Few More Years Shall Roll," "Days and Moments Quickly Flying," and "Hark My Soul, Angelic Songs Are Swelling," were the hymns sung. The scripture reading was about the wise and the foolish virgins and the faithful and the unfaithful servants, and the prayer of supplication touched the tenderest chords. "Lo I am with you always, even unto the end of the world!" the sweet words of consolation spoken by our Lord to the disciples, ere he took His departure, was the text of a short discourse. During the few remaining minutes of the old year, there was silent prayer, and as the church bells pealed out the lith of the Gloria came from the pulpit. The long matin exodus was a fitting climax to the solemn service.

In Methodist Churches.

In Brock street Methodist church the lecture room was well-filled. Appropriate hymns were sung, prayer offered and the twenty-third Psalm read as the new year crept. The Covenant hymn was sung and the pastor, Rev. Eber Cluney, B.A., B.Sc., spoke briefly from Matthew xxiv, 14, "And then shall end come." He made reference to the end of another year, and to the lessons to be drawn from the time we are continually doing for the last time.

A service in Queen street Methodist church was also largely attended. The congregation sang several hymns, the pastor, Rev. Dr. Antill, addressed the congregation, taking as subject the words, "Let us all of the days that are past." He spoke of the mercies shown us in the course of the trials we have had, and the lesson to be learned from them was only from the lessons of the past, he said, that we could learn what would be in the future. A couple of minutes before midnight, the audience bowed their heads in silent prayer, in which position they remained while the ringing of the bells announced the birth of a new year. The watchnight service in Sydenham street Methodist church was attended by young people. The Rev. Mr. Flipp, gave a brief talk on "The Voices of the Old Voices spoke of mercy, of opportunity, of trials and of changes, on the feelings of regret we parted with the old and necessity of new regeneration."

A number of amateur performers sang, and as the hour approached both knelt in silent prayer.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Movements Of The People — What They Are Saying And Doing.

Rev. Graham, Sydenham, is visiting friends in the city.

Miss Edna Mae Truewell, is visiting Miss Jessie Acton, Gananoque.

B. A. Caya, real estate broker, left today for Toronto on a business trip.

Attorney F. M. Hugo, Watertown, N.Y., spent New Year's with friends in the city.

Miss Florence Bertram, Parham, is the guest of Miss Lillian Wright, Charles street.

R. J. McDowell, Princess street, retired yesterday from a trip to Watertown, N.Y.

Robert Massie and wife, Ottawa, left for home after a week's visit with their parents here.

Judge O'Reilly and family left today for Cornwall, after a visit with friends in the city.

Frank W. Coates, Princess street, spent New Year's with his father, William Coates, Brockville.

Frank Taylor, formerly a clerk in the old Ontario bank, is a candidate for alderman in Ottawa.

Mr. Taylor, Perth, spent New Year's as the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Felix Shaw, Bagot street.

R. F. Drury, B.A., London, Eng., spoke in Portsmouth on "Scripture Reading" yesterday afternoon.

W. D. Hart, manager of the Standard bank, will leave soon for Japan, on a three months' sight-seeing visit.

Mrs. A. Traynor, Toronto, spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. T. B. Hawley, 109 Brock street, returned home today.

R. De Bortoli Hovell, South Africa, was a visitor in the city Tuesday. He is touring the world and is favorably impressed with Canada.

J. Allison Lawrence, Y.M.C.A. secretary, has returned from some pleasant Christmas holidays spent with friends at Springfield, Mass.

John Dodds, steamboat inspector, Toronto, is spending a few days in the city. He is an old Kingstonian, who has many friends here.

Messrs. Simpson, John and Matthew Kane, have returned to Waterdown, after spending their vacation with their parents on Bagot street.

The remains of the late Mrs. Jeremiah Harley were taken over to Wolfe Island Wednesday and placed in the Roman Catholic vault there to await interment in the spring. The funeral was largely attended.

A concert was given at Westbrook on Thursday evening, by a number of young people from the city. Among the number was Miss Florence Bertram, Parham, who contributed two solos in very sweet voice.

Miss Minnie Seymour, a graduate nurse and midwife from the Kingston general hospital, following her profession in Ottawa, arrived in the city yesterday on a visit to old friends. She is en route to Toronto to permanently reside there with her mother.

A CLEVER TROUPE.

Two Splendid Performances by Tyo & Dunigan's Minstrels.

As clever a minstrel performance as the most fastidious would desire to see is that given by Tyo & Dunigan's clever troupe of amateurs. Two performances were given yesterday to overflowing houses, the city hall being taxed to its fullest capacity both afternoon and evening, and the audiences were thoroughly appreciative. The company is composed entirely of young Kingstonians, all promising performers, who acquitted themselves in their several roles in a manner highly creditable to the troupe.

In the opening part solo rendered by W. Murray, T. V. Murray, E. Barry, R. McLaughlin, by J. Walsh, Frank and E. Beaupre, all new, and some occasion for coros &c.

INCIDENTS OF THE DAY.

PARAGRAPHS PICKED UP BY OUR BUSY REPORTERS.

The Spice of Every Day Life—What the People Are Talking About—Nothing Escapes Attention.

A meeting of Portsmouth school board occurs this evening to select a teacher.

New Year's day, 1901, was very similar to yesterday, only not quite so cold.

A score of new members will be admitted to the bicycle club at its next monthly meeting.

The Portsmouth philosopher says that a man may have a weak voice and still use strong language.

This morning's market was almost out of sight. Only two or three rigs took up their positions on the square.

The Hotel Beau Grateful acknowledges the receipt of \$50 from his worship, mayor Kent, as a New Year gift to the hospital.

W. Reid, the Union street poultry fancier, will send about 100 fine birds to Montreal to be exhibited at the poultry show which begins there on January 6th.

A quiet wedding took place on Christmas night at the home of E. Bixby, Smith's Falls, when his second daughter, Miss Annie, was united for life with Peter M. Hunter, of South Elmsley.

The officials of the Canada life assurance company met the new year with a smile as broad as a Virginia pancake. Last year's business was the greatest on record—over \$9,000,000 accepted and over \$7,000,000 paid for.

There is no one article in the line of medicines that gives so large a return for the money as a good porous strengthening plaster, such as Carter's Smart Weed and Belladonna Plaster.

The temperature lowered very rapidly on Tuesday evening, and at midnight the thermometer was several degrees below zero, a drop of thirty degrees in twelve hours. This morning there was a rise of over twenty-five degrees.

"Better for a man to be laid in the grave at Cataraqui than to enter upon the New Year without a guiding God or a worshipping soul!" were the words of Rev. Mr. Mackie in his short discourse at the watchnight service in St. Andrew's church.

In the January Cosmopolitan, Elisha Benjamin Andrews, ex-president of Brown university, attacks private contract school-book system—educational officials corrupted, school books often the poorest selected, and the prices paid by the children themselves of the highest—an annual tax going up into the millions which could be very easily avoided if the proper organization were brought into effect.

ONLY ONE ACCLAMATION.

Those Who Have Dropped Out and Remaining Candidates.

Alderman McMahon surprised his friends by resigning from the aldermanic contest in Sydenham ward, thereby allowing the three remaining candidates to be elected by acclamation. In all seven candidates were nominated, those resigning being: Thomas Gallagher, W. F. Nickle, James Stewart and Andrew McMahon. The three aldermen elect are: Dr. Abbott, W. G. Craig and George Stewart. The last named is the son of the man who was to be elected, but whose name was omitted from the list of candidates.

On Tuesday evening the choir gave some of the best music ever heard in the church.

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