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Military Tournament in May. A military tournament will be given at the Montreal Avenue by the officers and men of the Montreal Garrison on May 28th and 29th next, along the line of the very successful exhibition which was given a couple of years ago.

"Saidit" powders, put up in tin boxes, at Gibson's Red Cross Drug Store.

DEBT THE PROVINCE OWES TO THE UNITED EMPIRE LOYALISTS.

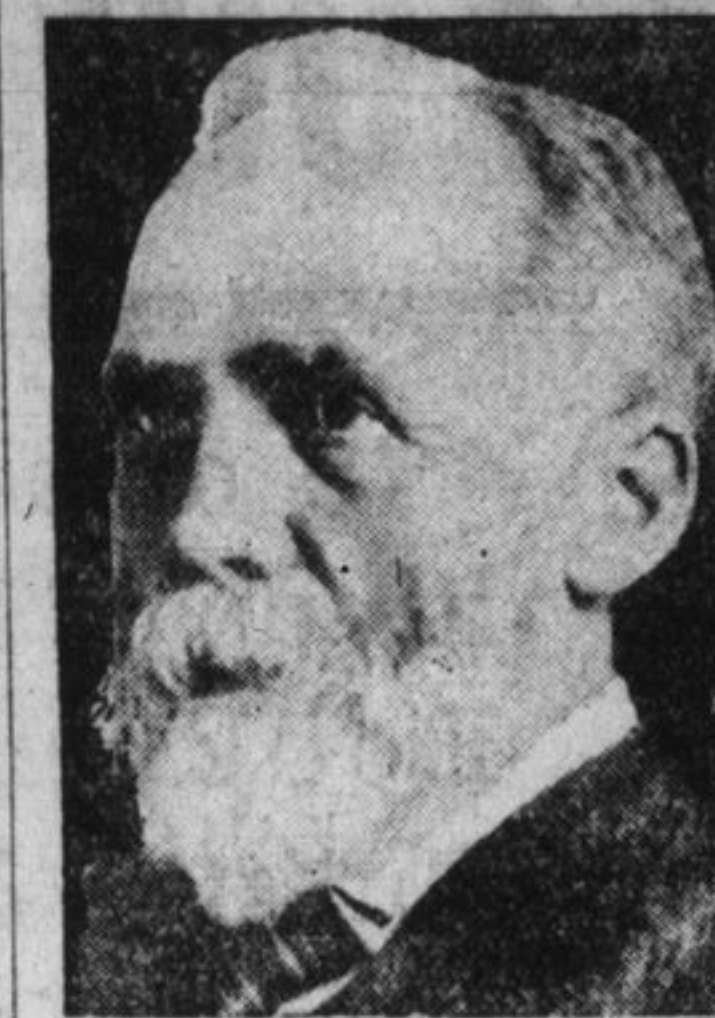
Education in the Early Days Was Largely Due to These New Arrivals.

J. George Hodgins, M.A., LL.D., historiographer of the education department of Ontario, is the author of an extremely interesting monograph on the debt the province owes to the U. E. Loyalists in the matter of education, which is published as an appendix to the report of the minister of education.

After pointing out that the early British colonialists established no less than nine universities and colleges, including Harvard and Yale, before the American revolution, Dr. Hodgins sketches in concise and masterly form the rise and progress of education in Ontario from the day when the settlers on the Bay of Quinte prayed Lord Dorchester to establish a "seminary of learning" at Frontenac (Kingston).

Some of the early official announcements in this connection make very curious reading at the present day. For instance, a notice in the York Gazette in 1796 stated that "as schools were now in operation, ignorance would be no longer tolerated."

University men, thinking of the vast equipment which the teaching of science now demands, will smile at



JAMES ROSS, President of the Dominion Iron and Steel Company.

they read. "In the same year (1806), at the suggestion of Rev. Dr. Strachan, an act was passed granting \$400 for the purchase of apparatus for illustrating the principles of national philosophy, which were to be placed in the hands of a person employed in the instruction of Upper Canada College in 1829 by Sir John Colborne is noted at length. Regarding the grammar schools of the early days, he quotes the report for 1874 of the chief superintendent of education, which states that the one at Kingston, the oldest, having been established in 1792, Cornwall in 1806, Brockville in 1818, Niagara in 1828 and St. Catharines also in 1828.

The pioneer teachers of the country are sympathetically dealt with. The text of a notice issued by Dr. William Warren Baldwin, father of Hon. Robert Baldwin, in December, 1802, is sufficiently curious to be quoted at length. "Understanding that some of the gentlemen of this town have expressed much anxiety for the establishment of a classical school Dr. Baldwin begs leave to inform them and the public that he intends, on Monday, the third of January next, to open a school, in which he will instruct twelve boys in reading, writing, the classics and arithmetic.

"The terms are, for each boy, eight guineas per annum, to be paid quarterly. One guinea extra as entrance fee, and one cord of wood to be supplied by each boy on the opening of the school."

A fact that may not be generally known in the history of Rev. Dr. Strachan (afterwards first Bishop of Toronto) is that on coming to this country he was compelled through stress of circumstances to engage as a tutor in the family of Hon. Richard Cartwright, one of the gentlemen who at the lieutenant-governor's suggestion, had induced Strachan to come out to Upper Canada to establish a university.

The early estimate as to the standard of qualification for the teaching profession does not appear to have always been a very high one. A petition to the legislature in 1846 reads: "Your memorialists do not hope to provide qualified teachers by any other means in the present circumstances of the country, than by securing, as heretofore, the services of those whose personal disabilities, from age, render this mode of obtaining a

livelihood the only one suited to their decaying energies, or by employing such of the newly-arrived emigrants as are qualified for common school teachers, year by year, as they come amongst us."

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ON SUSPENDED SENTENCE.

The Case of Thomas Page at the Police Court.

Thomas Page, arrested on a charge of stealing brass from the Locomotive Works, was allowed to go on suspended sentence at the police court this morning. "I have given your case a good deal of consideration as to what your punishment should be," said the Magistrate Fawcett. "It is your first appearance here and so far as I know it is the first step you have taken in the wrong direction. As far as I can find your reputation is not bad, and nothing can be pointed out to show that you have a criminal tendency. Added to this, my own mind, and I believe in my own mind, that you were not actually in the Locomotive Works."

Continuing, the magistrate also said: "Believing that you were not at the works I have decided to act with more leniency. I will give you an opportunity which I hope will afford you a life time—an opportunity to re-consider your course of action, with the hope that you will not again enter on such a course. I will therefore, suspend sentence and trust that it will be appreciated by you and that you will yourself make a resolve that it will be the last time you will ever appear here, or in any other place, on a similar charge. I am doing this on one condition, and that is that you accept the position which has been offered you by a gentleman from the country, who is willing to employ you."

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Of Kingston Township is in a Flourishing State.

The officers of the Kingston Township agricultural society are justly proud of the progress made during past years and look forward with confidence to the future.

The prize list has been largely increased and notwithstanding this the surplus has grown year after year. The association's treasury is in the tank to its credit, and this, with the government and other grants, will enable the directors to open the gates next September with about \$60 on hand. No doubt considerable increases will be made in the premium list for 1909.

The society has been careful in its selection of directors and a man must earn the honor of being president. Last year R. J. Bushe, Esq., was president and his long experience and well-known energy and geniality fitted him admirably for the position. This year the society is again fortunate in its selection of Mr. Fowler, of Glenburnie. The secretary-treasurer for several years has been Dr. Edwards, M.P.P. No one person has done so much to make the township of Kingston show success in this year. His management of the races has given general satisfaction to the public and saved the society hundreds of dollars.

The officers for 1909 are: M. Fowler, president; Fred. Gates, first vice-president; F. Knight, second vice-president; J. W. Edwards, M.D., secretary-treasurer; John Riley and C. F. Adair, auditors; F. Trudell, E. K. Purdy, W. Shannon, A. Day, W. E. Toplife, A. E. Weller, J. L. F. Sproule, H. J. Simpson and K. Sproule, directors.

To-Night, "Queen Zenora."

"Queen Zenora" will be presented by 150 people at the Grand tonight, Tuesday and Wednesday nights. This pretty musical comedy should receive the hearty support of the citizens, for Mr. Telgmann and his company have been working every afternoon and evening for the past three weeks to make a good showing on behalf of the citizens. "Queen Zenora" and her ladies, fairies and elves, and judging from the final rehearsal, last week, success is assured. There are many beautiful songs and choruses, drills, dances, etc. The health officer's song, "The Good Old Fashioned Way," is sure to make a hit. There will also be songs by Norma Hughes, Irene Hong, W. Mack, and the choruses "Off to War" and "Build a Tank," will be alone worth the price of admission.

Concert At Sydenham.

The Salvation Army band paid a visit to Sydenham, and gave a fine concert in Wesley hall, in the evening. Mr. Reid, principal of the high school, presided. The attendance was rather small, but the chairman guaranteed that there would be a bumper house the next time the band visited the village. Sydenham appreciated good music, but owing to other engagements of the week could not turn out to this concert.

Hard On Railways.

To-day's storm was hard on the railways, and nearly all the trains were late as a result. The morning train over the Kingston & Pembroke railway was over an hour late; good time was made, considering the condition of the road. The sleek storm of Sunday night was very severe all along the line.

To Speak Here.

Thomas Dillworth, Weston, Ont., and Frank Reeves, Humber Bay, Ont., have been secured to address the Vegetable Growers' Association meeting at the city council chamber, on Wednesday evening. They are both practical men, and there should be a good attendance to welcome them.

Hard To Keep On Track.

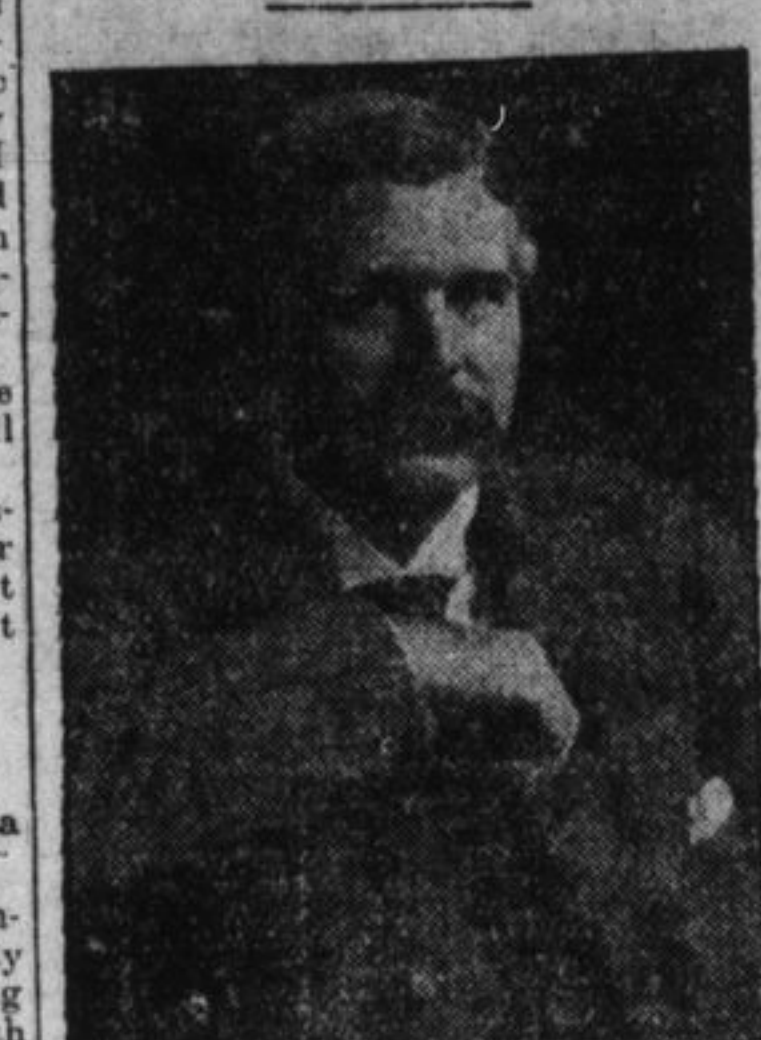
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AT BETHEL CHURCH.

Sermons By Rev. E. D. Silcox, of Toronto.

Bethel church pulpit was occupied at both services yesterday, by Rev. E. D. Silcox, of the Canadian Congregationalist, Toronto. The subject of the morning discourse was "Reconciliation." The speaker said that God did not need to be reconciled to man, God always loved men and the atonement was the outcome of divine love. Man was estranged from God by sin, and living in rebellion toward his maker. Christ's death on the cross for man's sin is ever the true basis of the appeal of the Christian ambassador. "Be ye reconciled to God."

At the evening service Mr. Silcox preached from John x, 10. "The thief cometh not but for to steal and destroy. I am come that they might have life and that they might have it more abundantly." These words of the great Teacher, said the speaker, bring vividly before us the reality of the two great forces that are in the world—evil and good. The devil is the great deceiver of men. It is his delight to instil false hopes into the hearts and minds of men. He is a robber of man's peace and happiness. And his work as stated in the text is to steal and to kill and destroy. The mission of Jesus Christ is to destroy the works of the devil. He comes to man with the offer of pardon and with the gift of eternal life. He takes away no good thing, no joy, no enjoyment. He (the speaker), could personally testify to the deep, full joy Christ had brought into his own life and that he has lacked no good thing since, as a lad he found the Saviour and gave himself to Him. Mr. Silcox closed with an earnest appeal for immediate personal dealing with the Son of God, on the part of all who as yet had not believed the gospel of his grace.

APPEAL FOR A BLIND MAN.

Wants a Store-House Purchased For James Craig.

Kingston, Feb. 15.—(To the Editor): Our old limestone city has one poor blind man, the loss of whose eye-sight was caused by following his usual employment, and every one who knows his circumstances believes James Craig to be deserving of public sympathy and support. Some kind friends of his interested themselves in his behalf and purchased the wagon he now uses. The wagon council of our street corner. All credit is due the gentlemen who did so much in Mr. Craig's behalf, and no person could be more grateful to them than Mr. Craig himself; in fact I know of no person who is more grateful in appreciation of any favor.

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John Laidlaw & Son. Advertisement for clothing and shoes.

To-Morrow. The following special offering will be placed on sale at 9 o'clock and continue all day or as long as the lot lasts. 137 Black Sateen Underskirts. Made with an 11 inch flounce and finished with a Black Embroidered Sateen Frill, also with dust flounce. Special Price To-morrow, 95c.

White Cottons. For all uses and at most economical prices. Come and see the different makes. You will be surprised at the variety shown. White Underwear Cotton, 8c, 10c, 12 1/2c. White Corset Cover Cotton, 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c. White Twilled Cotton for Men's Night-gowns. English Longcloth, a medium weight of Fine White Cotton, 10c yard. Horrockses' Famous English White Cottons in a variety of makes. Madapolam Cottons. Nainsook Cottons. Lonsdale Cottons. English Water Twist Cottons.

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