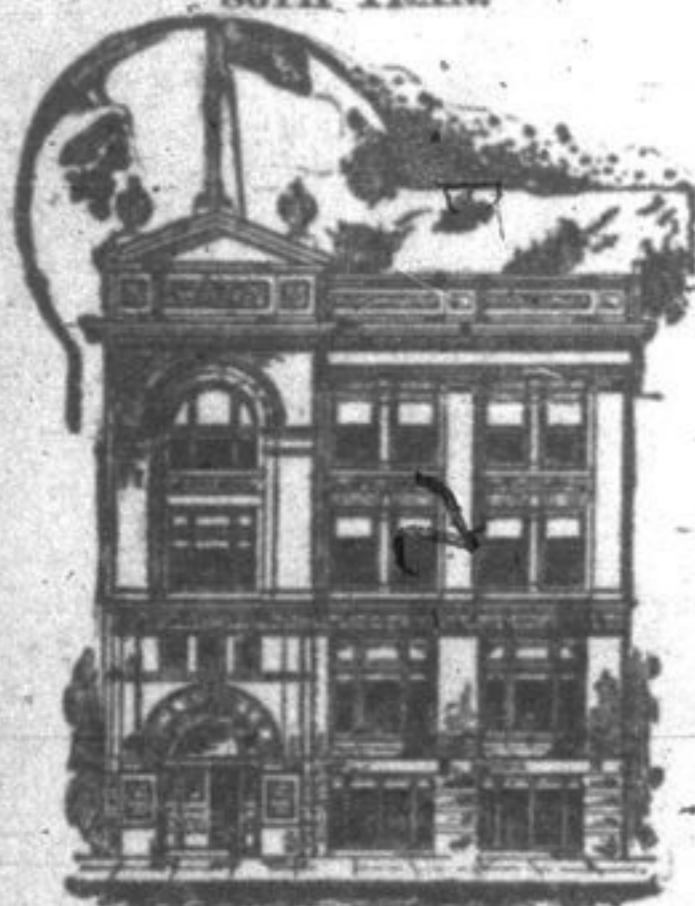


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Are you fulfilling the splendid resolutions made at the New Year?

To-day's menu and yesterday's: The remains of the New Year's spread.

Look after the birds hovering around these chilly days. Make Kingston a sanctuary for the feathered tribe.

A league of nations, a league of churches, a league of individuals in concord! This old world is moving ahead.

The president of the United States is not sorry, we are bold enough to guess, after seeing England, that he went.

Kingston needs houses. We cannot grow until they are provided. The housing conditions are bad in many sections.

Ald. O'Connor has all the qualities that are to be found in a good business man, and these qualities are essential in a good mayor.

With Christmas and New Year's past the average citizen will now back up to raise a bank account to meet the emergencies that will come again in a twelvemonth.

Canada must now stand herself. War saving stamps are a splendid means towards this end. They enable everyone to save, thus rendering a double service—to the investor and to the nation.

In 1871, following the Franco-German war, Victor Hugo returned thanks to Germany to driving Louis Napoleon off the throne, and trusted that the French would return the favor. They have.

Jerusalem has been suggested as the capital of the proposed League of Nations. It is an appropriate choice, recalling the biblical prophecy: "Through thee (Israel) shall all the nations of the earth be blessed."

One cannot help admire Ald. O'Connor in refusing to make promises beyond the promise of serving the people if elected mayor. A candidate eluded over with promises is not the kind needed in any progressive city.

The Royal North-West Mounted Police force is again to be brought up to strength with power to enforce federal laws and patrol the international boundary line. The "riders of the plains" have earned high praise in the past, and will do good work for Western Canada in the future.

In putting up new houses the city authorities should endeavor to see that they are placed on vacant lands already provided with sewers, water, gas and sidewalks. We do not need providing these requisites so long as land is available where they exist.

The Saskatchewan legislature has passed the second reading of a bill prohibiting any other language but English to be employed as the medium of instruction in the schools, with certain concessions to French-Canadian pupils who do not know English. The populations of the west are of a most heterogeneous character.

THE SALVATION ARMY APPEAL. On a troopship which recently arrived at a Canadian port there were many soldiers who had married overseas and were bringing their wives and children home with them. When the ship docked at Halifax provision had to be made for the immediate care of one hundred children born at sea and for many of the women. The Salvation Army assumed this task, looked after the children and the mothers, while the men answered the bugle call. There was no government provision for this work, and yet it had to be done.

Heretofore the public has thrown this organization an occasional dollar, as we would a bone to a dog, but has never taken the intense interest in it that its work deserved. The opportunity has now come when real appreciation can be shown. The soldiers, whose families the Salvation Army has aided, fought our fight. Let us now help them by substantially aiding the Army. A nation-wide campaign is soon to be launched in support of this movement. It may be the last appeal to the public, but it is not the least by any means. Few, if any, organizations have done better work than the Salvation Army, as every Kingstonian can attest. Let this city's contribution be worthy of the noble cause.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION. The Board of Education is an important body and is the spender of a large amount of money, almost equal to the controllable expenditure of the City Council. The citizens have expressed confidence in the representatives. So far there is only one change, Mrs. Alexander Newlands taking the place of H. F. Metcalfe in Rideau ward, that gentleman having gracefully stepped aside to permit of her selection by acclamation. Mrs. Newlands is a Queen's graduate, has had teaching experience and will be an acquisition to the board. Only one contest will occur, in Ontario ward, Miss E. G. Mowat opposing G. A. Bateman, the sitting member.

During the past year the board made a marked advance in meeting the demands of the teachers, and between \$4,000 and \$5,000, as a result, will be added to the budget of 1919. No one can, with any degree of confidence, take objection to the increases, the purchasing power of money having practically absorbed all the advances made and the salaries consequently remain fairly as before the supplemental sums were voted. Good teachers are worthy of adequate remuneration, and Kingston is blessed with a high type of scholarship on its staff. Inspector Stuart has given much attention to those employed and has made selections with care as to department, qualifications and teaching capacity.

This year the board will have to consider increased accommodation, technical training, vocational schools, night classes and other needed improvements, and there is no doubt but that the trustees will give profound thought and attention to the various matters so that the Kingston schools may maintain a high standard, the equal of any schools in the province. They will follow closely the lead of what they hope the new Minister of Education will prove to be, a man of vision and progressive in all things that will be of advantage to the province. He believes, with many others, that education is the best civilizing force in the world.

THE MAYORALTY. The Whig is in no wise cast down because of the envious and narrow-minded criticism evoked by the attitude which this paper assumed in calling upon the citizens of Kingston to ignore the widely-rendered advice not to vote for Ald. O'Connor because of his religion.

In deprecating this harmful and unfair policy the Whig spoke for all classes of citizens, and not for party purposes, as has been alleged by those who value expediency more than principle. The day has gone by—let us hope forever—when the worth-while, self-respecting newspaper will lend a slavish support to any party or party candidate. The man—not his party or religion—and the policy he supports, will in future determine the attitude of the press. "What is best for the community and the nation," must be the standard by which all men and policies should be judged. The journal which falls short of this ideal fails—and fails ignominiously—to measure up to its opportunities to promote the public welfare.

The Whig protested, not on behalf of party politics, but against the unequalled introduction of sectional and bigoted elements into the mayoralty campaign. It assumed this attitude on its own responsibility, and not at the request—not even with the knowledge, it may be frankly admitted—of the candidate it endorsed, and it has no apologies to offer for its course.

In the last issue of Queen's Quarterly Prof. O. D. Skelton advocates the same principle in regard to national matters when he says: "If we can put foresight in place of drifting, and team-play in place of class and race and sectional wrangling,

there is no reason why we cannot not merely carry the burdens of war, but grapple with the great tasks of peace in the effort to enable Canada to take its full share in the work of the world and to make our country in reality a land of freedom and equal opportunity."

The freedom and equal opportunity of which he speaks will never be secured as long as a man's religion, instead of his qualifications, is made the basis of his fitness to serve his fellow man in positions of public trust. Are we to learn no lessons from the war? In the trenches, on the battlefields and behind the lines men of different religions fought and suffered and died in one common cause. The noblest traits of comradeship and humanity were everywhere evident, and no one thought to ask at what altar his fellow worshipped. Enough for them that he did his duty. Are we at home to fall so far short of this toleration, this brotherly spirit,

that we must needs oppose a man because we seek the same goal by different paths? If so, then those who have given their lives to make this a better and happier world have made the great sacrifice in vain. "The crosses which whiten the fields of Europe are marked for brotherhood." This spirit of brotherhood should prevail, not in Europe alone, but in the city of Kingston, as well.

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