

TODAY'S MESSAGES.

FLOODS DESTROY CROPS.
HOUSTON, Texas, May 15.—More than one million acres have been destroyed by flood from the Colorado, Trinity, Rio Grande and Sabine Rivers, approximately twenty-five thousand families are in need of help to get crops, according to figures from the Department of Agriculture.

DISTRICTS MENACED.
WINNIPEG, May 15.—An eight foot rise in the Red River at Emerson, and the flood wa-
ter in the city, low lying districts are now being menaced.

WILD ON GRAPERS.
WASHINGTON, May 15.—A group cleared the road yesterday when some members described the prosecution of war on the Senate when it put through and the Senate a bill appropriating hundred thousand dollars for investigation into and prosecution of fraud cases by the Department of Justice. "Some men, who have power in the nation, will find themselves behind bars as the result of the active investigation of General Daugherty," declared Chairman Madden of the Agriculture committee. It was stated the Attorney General that United States stood to recover \$192,000,000 from this bill.

RUSSIANS ACCEPT.
GENOA, May 15.—The Russians will accept invitation to the Hague for a continuance of discussion of the Russian question, announced tonight.

INTERNATIONAL NEGOTIATIONS.
OTTAWA, May 15.—The negotiation looking to restriction of immigration into Canada so far been confined to conferences between the Prime Minister and the Chinese Consul General, who King told the Commons to-

SILVER AND JEWELS.
MOSCOW, May 15.—The ton, gold by the bushel and pearls by the peck, all dumped into boxes, fute sacks, pasteboard boxes, or merely wrapped in paper. This treasure hoard awaits sorting and sorting at the storehouse of the Soviet Union.

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PERSIANS. GENOA, May 15.—The Political Sub-Commission of the League of Nations Conference, to-day, unanimously approved the agreement to hold another meeting in Geneva, beginning June 15th, to examine the Russian ques-

FUN! FUN! FUN!—The yourself to a good time at the C. L. B. Indoor in the Armoury Thursday night next.—may15.11

Congratulations.

(From the Argonaut.)
"Well," cried Mrs. Hodpeck, "our son is engaged to be married. We will write to the dear lad and congratulate him." Mr. H. agreed; he dared not do otherwise. "My darling boy," read the son the next day, "what glorious news! Your father and I rejoice in your happiness. It has long been our greatest wish that you should marry. A good woman is heaven's precious gift to man. She brings out all the best in him, and helps him to suppress all that is evil." Then there was a postscript in a different handwriting:—"Your mother has gone for a stamp. Keep single, you young noodle."

Value of Self-Control.

During thirty years of association with John D. Rockefeller, first as stenographer and later as financial secretary, George D. Rogers, never once saw Mr. Rockefeller lose his temper. "Undoubtedly," says Mr. Rogers, "Mr. Rockefeller had early learned that self-control was a short cut to the control of both men and events." Henry M. Flagler, on the other hand, used to let his temper go, and later on, just to square himself with one whose feelings he had hurt, he'd make them extravagant presents. The man who loses his temper is in the position of admitting to all who witness his exhibitions that he is not master of himself. A loss of temper means loss of self-control. No man can enjoy the luxury of losing his temper regularly and enjoy long life. Neither can such a man win the loving loyalty of his associates.—Tom Dreier, in Forbes Magazine.

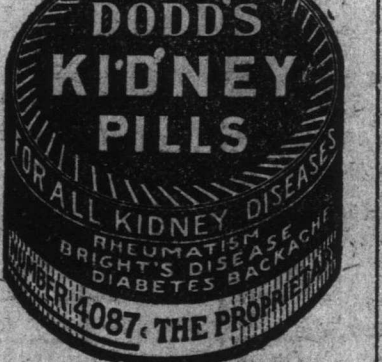
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Almost a Fabulous Career.

When Ernest T. Hooley entered upon a three years' sentence at the Old Bailey prison some days ago an amazing career came to a just and inglorious end. Thirty years ago he dazzled Europe by his Monte Christo exploits. He bought the Dunlop tyre, for example, for \$15,000,000, floated it for \$25,000,000, and in a few months it was rated at \$35,000,000. In less than two years he put over 20 companies with a capital of nearly \$100,000,000, then the count dimmed in splendor. He continued to practice the arts of "high finance," only on a scale that dwindled from millions to hundreds and finally merely to thousands, and his decline was marked by his successive bankruptcies. In 1898, 1911 and 1921. Yet he never paid a penny on his liabilities and went to penal servitude owing about \$4,000,000.

The son of a worker in a Nottingham factory, Hooley had the shrewdness to see the tendencies of the times, the skill to formulate an easy-money policy, and the audacity to act upon his philosophy. The idea was to buy prosperous and reputable enterprises, increase their capitalization and sell out. His vast success bewildered and hypnotized the Victorians. Everybody with money, aristocrat or plebeian, hovered about Mr. Hooley. "The man with the forty face, who played the role of city super-magistrate in loud, country tweeds, who dressed like a racing, sporting squire, and professed to 'hate town life and wives,' adding estate to estate and buying houses and parks in a dozen counties." They made him a high sheriff, he intended to buy a title, and he gave a set of gold communion plate to St. Paul's Cathedral. "Every peer has his price," he used to say.

Then his wit failed, his luck changed, the temper of the public became more critical, and the dupes who once flocked to him begging him to invest their money now had to be sought by him. But his bankruptcies did not deter him from seeking, finding and plucking new victims, and in all the 30 years of his career he never until now has come under the ban of the law but once. Ten years ago he was found guilty of stripping a credulous youth of his wealth by false pretences and was sentenced to a year's imprisonment. Hooley's present sentence is the penalty for his fraud in connection with the Jubilee Cotton Mill in Lancashire. The inflation scheme was the same used in the Dunlop tyre a quarter of a century before. He sold shares first on the promise of big dividends and then by the deception that big dividends had been earned and paid. With no accounts on their tables the directors calmly declared a dividend at one time of 33.1-3 per cent. While the 1919 boom lasted the stock soared, then it slumped. Shares that in 1920 were quoted at \$5 are now high at 5 cents.—Ex.

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"Cotton's Patch."

LOCATED AT CASINO THEATRE.

If the couple that "A little non-sense now and then is relished by the wisest men" be true to form, then St. John's is one of the wisest cities in North America, for thousands of both sexes packed the spacious Casino Theatre last night to witness the presentation of that altogether indescribable and humorous burlesque opera, "Cotton's Patch," dramatised by the veteran artist, Mr. J. Burke. The creation was wonderful. Not a dull moment, not a dry eye—laughter producing the lachrymal flow. The performers in the most original and comic local adaptation of a current phrase, had previously made their debut at St. Joseph's Hall and, therefore, coming from the East were all the more welcome. It is doubtful however if their original performance was up to last night's mark. Their audience could not have been for hundreds were disappointed in not being able to secure seats at the Casino, and were reluctantly obliged to turn away. As it was every bit of available accommodation in the Theatre was utilized, and not one person present but enjoyed to the utmost the vaudeville, songs, dances, and other varieties, particularly the satirical exhibition of Little Miss Kennedy, which was a revelation of that art as exemplified in her turn. The play itself is the thing and the dialogue is most amusing. Salutes of wit pervade every sentence, and at times it was impossible to hear a word because of the roars of laughter and applause of the audience. The veteran, Mr. J. Burke was given a tremendous ovation when he made his appearance as Larry Shute, and his singing once more captured the hearts of the audience. "Cotton's Patch" is too good to keep in Newfoundland, for assuredly it would create a run in any theatre on this side of the Atlantic. As all the players have already received mention, it is not necessary to repeat all that has been said in their praise. If you want to laugh, buy a ticket at the Casino Theatre tonight, and you will discover the exact position of "Cotton's Patch."

NOTICE—Grand Excursion to Carbonear, May 24th. Train leaves St. John's at 7 a.m., stopping at all stations from Brigus Junction to Carbonear. Returning will leave Carbonear at 11 p.m. C. L. B. Road in attendance. Tickets \$4.00, can be had from members of Band and at Bowring Brothers, Ltd., A. S. Wadden and Percie Johnson, Ltd.—may15.11

Concert at Kelligrews.

On Tuesday evening, last, 9th inst., the people of Kelligrews and neighboring settlements were afforded the opportunity to witness one of the best concerted entertainments staged there for some considerable time. The programme was very suitably arranged and the participants under the capable direction of the teacher Miss Power, performed their respective parts in a highly creditable manner. Some excellent vocal talent was displayed by Miss Lettie Tilley and Mr. Alex. Snow, supplementing inculcably to the success of the evening. "Sandy" is particularly good in his comic selections, and on this occasion he was right up to the minute. Miss Nellie Gardner is also to be complimented for the proficient manner in which she performed the duties devolving upon her in the role of organist. The affair was well patronized, the building being filled to its utmost capacity. Incidentally the results were better than any ventured to anticipate. The programme terminated with the singing of the National Anthem, after which dancing was indulged in until the wee sma' hours of the morning. Aggregately, the event was an unqualified success. Miss Power and the troupe are deserving of congratulations.—W.S.H. Upper Gutties, May 15, '22.

Note of Thanks.

Mrs. Dawe wishes to thank Canon Field, Rev. Mr. Nichols, Drs. Cooper, Threlkeld and Wilson, Sister Olson, Nurses Hutchings, O'Neill, Hiscok and Spracklin of St. John's for their kindness to her little son Willie, while at the General Hospital; also Mrs. Capt. Churchill, Mrs. Norman Avery, Mrs. Phillip Dawe, Mrs. John Gillingham (an aged lady), Miss G. Oake and Mrs. Hickey for messages; and for their extreme kindness Mr. F. H. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. Capt. Burgess, Miss Belle Ewing and Miss Lillian Edgar.

NOTE OF THANKS:—Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Norman, wish to thank the Doctors, Matron and Nurses of the Fever Hospital for their kindness to their daughter Leoline Norman while at the Fever Hospital.

Shipping Notes.

Schooner Bohemia has arrived at Bay d'Argent, Fortune Bay, from the Banks hailing for 1,250 qts. codfish. S.S. Rosalind left Halifax at 8 a.m. yesterday and is due to-morrow evening. S.S. Sahle I. leaves Halifax for here on the 24th inst. The ship is undergoing an overhauling at Halifax. S.S. Winona called from Charlottetown at 8.30 last evening for here and is due on Thursday. Sch. Netherland, with a cargo of fish from Job Bros. & Co. arrived at St. John's on Sunday, all well. Sch. Mollie arrived at Halifax from this port yesterday.

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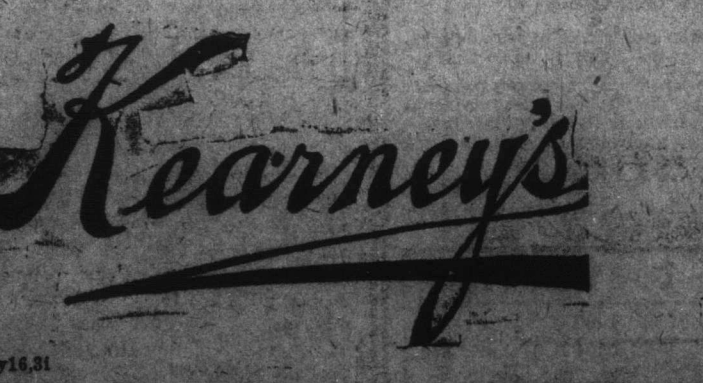
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