

Evening Telegram

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A "Star" Story.

We direct the attention of our readers to the following which we culled from the Montreal star:

Washington, January 17.—A curious story is now going the rounds of diplomatic circles here, which has special significance in view of the present reciprocity negotiations with Canada.

It is to the effect that President Taft has for a long time been anxious to enter into closer trade relations with Newfoundland and that he seized the opportunity during the recent visit of Sir Edward Morris, the Premier of Newfoundland, to Washington, to make strong representations to him with a view to entering into a reciprocity agreement with the ancient colony.

It is even stated that President Taft and Secretary Knox drafted the broad outlines of such an agreement, and that one of the points of it was that they were willing to make considerable concessions to Newfoundland in the matter of permitting the free entry of Newfoundland products to this country in return for certain privileges, one of which would be permission for American fishermen to purchase bait in Newfoundland waters.

Sir Edward Morris refused overtures. It is recognized here that Newfoundland has a great future, and it was hoped that by the agreement proposed, not only would a considerable advantage be obtained for Gloucester fishermen—an advantage that would greatly enhance the reputation of President Taft—but that the United States would be able to get in on the ground floor in exploiting Newfoundland as a market for American products.

It is further stated that Sir Edward Morris refused to consider such a proposal, as in his opinion it would jeopardize the best interests of his country.

We do not credit that either President Taft or Secretary Knox made formal and official overtures to Premier Morris for Reciprocity with Newfoundland. But we would not be surprised to learn that the United States informally and unofficially gave Sir Edward Morris to understand that they were willing to negotiate a Reciprocity Convention with Newfoundland on the basis of the free export of pulpwood from Newfoundland and Labrador.

It will be remembered that Mr. C. Pepper, Commercial Adviser to the Government of the United States, was sent here last fall to investigate the pulpwood resources of Newfoundland. Further, for years now American pulp and paper manufacturers have been striving to compass this end. We believe that this is the true "inwardness" of the Star story, and that so eager are Americans to obtain permission to export our pulpwood, which is forbidden by statute, that they are prepared to make any concession of Free Entry of Newfoundland fish for Free Bait as a "bribe."

Fire Destroys House.

From parties who arrived by Saturday night's train we learn that the residence of a man named Seymour was burned to the ground at Shearstown at 9 o'clock Friday night in the height of the storm. Neighbors discovered the house on fire and roused Seymour and his wife and family who were in bed. The inmates escaped with their lives and in their night apparel and the house and its contents were destroyed the loss to the owner being a terrible one. The fire started in the kitchen and spread to the main floor and the roof from the stove in the house and the fire in the height of the storm. Neighbors discovered the house on fire and roused Seymour and his wife and family who were in bed. The inmates escaped with their lives and in their night apparel and the house and its contents were destroyed the loss to the owner being a terrible one. The fire started in the kitchen and spread to the main floor and the roof from the stove in the house and the fire in the height of the storm.

Held by Police.

Just before the Florizel sailed Saturday night, Supt. Grimes with Officers Furlong and Lawlor, boarded the ship and took two of the Spanish seamen who were bound to New York ashore, bringing them to their boarding house. It appears that these young men are sailors that they came out here on the barque Guadalupe, and that if not returned to Spain by the same conveyance, the captain is liable to a heavy fine. Constable Morley invited the aid of the police in the matter. The men are loath to go back in the ship.

Death of Denis Shea.

President Conception Bay B. L. S. Hon. J. D. Ryan, President of the B. L. S., received a telegram this morning acquainting him of the death of Denis Shea, Esq., the venerable President of the Conception Bay Benevolent Irish Society. The funeral will take place on Wednesday morning at Harbor Grace.

Prospero at Griguel.

Messrs. Bowring Bros. received a wire from Seal Cove saying that the ship had left there at 6 a.m. Friday going north direct to Harbor Deep, having called at Jackson's Arm and Western Cove before reaching that place. To-day they were advised by Capt. Keen that the ship had reached Griguel, calling at all ports. There was a heavy jam of ice but strong westerly gales forced it off and thus enabled the ship to go down. The ship and everything is O. K.

The s.s. Durango arrived at Halifax at 1 o'clock this morning.

Bank of Nova Scotia Statement.

\$150,000.00 Added to Reserve, Which Now Stands \$5,550,000.00, 188 1/3 Per Cent. of the Paid-up Capital; the Highest Reserve in Proportion to Paid-up Capital of Any Bank in Canada.

The 79th annual statement in the history of this progressive institution, the first issued by General Manager H. A. Richardson, appears on another page, and is one of the best on record. The following comparative statement being of some interest:

Table with 3 columns: 1909, 1910, Increase. Rows include Deposits, Cash, Immediately Available Assets, Total Assets, Reserve Fund, and Branches.

An interesting feature of this statement, and one which points to stability and strength, is that the immediately available assets comprise 53 per cent. of the total assets. Of the 15 new Branches in 1910, four were opened in Newfoundland, where the Bank now has 7 branches. The Bank of Nova Scotia was the first to come to the assistance of Newfoundland after the memorable Bank Crash in 1894, and it is also first in the forward movement in the opening of outport branches. The stock of this staunch institution sells higher than any Bank in Canada.

"Daughters" Meeting.

A meeting of the Daughters of Empire was held in the British Hall last Saturday afternoon, and was largely attended. Lady Horwood occupied the chair.

A letter was received from Miss Merritt, Secretary of the National Chapter of Canada, was submitted for discussion. It contained much helpful information in reference to the organization of branches in Canada. After considerable discussion it was decided that the Newfoundland Branch seek its charter from the Imperial Order of the D. of E. when the Conference takes place next May in London.

The work of the Daughters here in Newfoundland will be chiefly of a philanthropic character, such as building hospitals and the nursing of the sick. The meetings will be held in future on the third Saturday in each month. At subsequent meetings plans for the betterment of our people on charitable lines will be discussed. Addresses will be given by Rev. and Mrs. P. S. A. meeting yesterday. A large quantity of literature and badges have been received lately from the Canadian Chapter, which will be distributed amongst the branches in the outports. A vote of thanks was recorded for the gift. The Society is in good condition, and judging from the enthusiasm amongst the members it is safe to predict that the career of great usefulness is before it.

Pleasant Sunday.

Mr. H. E. Cowan delivered an interesting address on "Exits" at the P. S. A. meeting yesterday. He began by telling of the wonderful progress that Japan had made in recent years. He then switched off to the story of "Scrooge" in Dickens, and used it to "point a moral and adorn a tale" and to show how a departure from the old put can bring joy and happiness. Mr. Cowan then referred to those conditions that retarded progress in our own country in the social life and amongst the churches. He would like to see closer relations amongst the churches and the present system of education abolished as regards denominationalism. We needed higher ideals in Colonial and civic politics. Mr. Cowan urged the young men to take up seriously the burden of citizenship and use God-given powers for the good of their fellows. The soloist was Mr. Giddy of the Calypso, whose fine bass voice delighted the audience.

Should be Cleared Up.

People on Barter's Hill, residing near the Cheeks' residence, say that the garden near the house is in a bad state of refuse and filth being thrown around the place. Both Messrs. M. Fleming and Geo. Single, reside a few feet away from the Cheeks' house and they are anxious that the place be cleared up as they fear that the germs of typhus are in the refuse thrown about and that their children and themselves may be infected. The Council should see that this place is cleaned up right away.

EARLIEST BANKING YET. Lake Fortuna, banking schooner Gertrude, of Boston, will start for the Burgeo fishing grounds, in command of Capt. Walter Kennedy, on the 10th prox., and this will be the earliest departure on record in our banking annals. The schooner Regal will leave shortly after, and other firms will have their vessels on the grounds this early spring than ever. The early start caught fish will be cured for the regular market, but that taken after the caplin strike, if it is thought will be shipped green to Gloucester and Boston.

Florizel's Fine Trim.

The Florizel this season will be in fine condition for the sealfishery after she gets some little attention when she completes her work on the New York route. The ship is a splendid ice breaker, her engines have improved with use, and this is evident from the fact that she now runs from Halifax to this port and vice versa in from 42 to 43 hours; whereas shortly after she went into commission her best was 46 to 48 hours. Sealers think that she will break the record the coming spring in forcing through the floe.

At R. C. Cathedral.

Rev. Fr. O'Callaghan preached an instructive sermon at the R. C. Cathedral at Vespers last night on the value of time. The Rev. gentleman took his text from St. Paul to the Corinthians: "Now is the acceptable time." He dwelt on the great value of time and certainty of death for which we should be prepared at all times. Vivid pictures of the punishment of Hell and the joys of Heaven were given by the preacher who in impassioned and eloquent language exhorted the congregation to make good use of the time given them. Nobody could feel assured that he is going to live a month longer, not even a day. The present time is all we can call our own, and in the words of St. Paul he would remind them in view of the great issues at stake that "Now is the acceptable time, now is the day of salvation." His Grace the Archbishop was present. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was imparted.

At the eleven o'clock Mass Rev. Fr. O'Callaghan preached from the Gospel of the day, St. Matthew, 8th chap., 1st to 13th verse, inclusive, relating to the curing of the Leper and the healing of the Centurion's servant. This sermon was also eloquent and instructive.

At St. Patrick's Church during last Mass yesterday Rev. Joseph Pippy preached a very impressive sermon on the sin of scandal.

Wedding Party Frostbitten.

Tuesday evening last, as the people who accompanied the Fabey-Mullaly wedding were driving from West Bay to Northern Bay, the frost was intense and a high wind blew. Going over the road which is a bleak and unsheltered thoroughfare the people suffered much and before they reached their destination all were pretty severely frost bitten about the ears, faces and hands, and few who were present will forget the experience they had.

Administered Hair Oil.

By mistaking hair oil for cough mixture, a lady residing in the East End had a serious mishap with her children on Friday night last. She was aroused by the cries of her youngest son, who was suffering from a severe cough, and taking what she thought was the cough cure, brought it to the lad and administered a large spoonful. She soon discovered the mistake, as the liquid acted immediately, but emetics were applied, and a doctor being called the fluid was removed from the stomach. The boy is now none the worse for the misadventure.

B. I. S. L. & A. Meeting.

A meeting of the B. I. S. L. & A. Committee was held yesterday. This reports for the month were submitted showing the membership was increasing, and that the outlook for the Society was bright. It was decided to have a series of concerts, debates, etc., during the winter. The first will be held in the O'Donel Hall next Wednesday night. The opening event will be a concert, and Messrs. J. L. Slattery and McCarthy are in charge of the programme. A small admission fee of ten cents will be charged.

FOR POOR ASYLUM.

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CHRISTIAN BROTHER HURT.

One of the Christian Brothers in proceeding towards the R. C. Cathedral yesterday forenoon slipped on the ice covered street and hurt himself severely, spraining one of his arms. Dr. Scully was called and attended him.

"LADIES AID." The "Ladies Aid" connected with Wesley Church, will meet on Thursday afternoon, at 3 o'clock. There will be material to work with and a full statement of business will be given; every member is asked to be in her place, especially the officers. By order of the President.—Jan 23, 11

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A CHIMNEY FIRE.

A fire in the chimney of Mr. Garrett Byrne's house in the West End Saturday night caused the residents in the locality great fear. The wind was blowing a fierce gale at the time, so much so that it was dangerous to ascend the roof to adder. The burning soon blew over 100 yards and the people feared that other houses would take fire. The fire men came from the West End Fire Hall and remained in the vicinity for nearly an hour, by which time the fire had burned itself out.

Personal Notes.

Mr. Warren and Miss Molloy, who were performing at the Star Theatre, went to Grand Falls, by last evening's express, en route to Sydney.

Hardware Bargains

Inventory has brought to Light many "Odds and Ends" which we wish to clear entirely out, as we need the space they occupy for new goods. We intend to clear them out at reduced rates. Ayre & Sons LIMITED HARDWARE DEPT.

Here and There.

DISCHARGING COAL.—There are two steamers now at Bell Island discharging coal.

WEATHER UP COUNTRY.—Along the line to-day the wind is N. W. light and fine, temperature zero to 10 above.

SAILED TO-DAY.—The scho. Grand Falls sailed for Akaites to-day, taking 3,456 qts. of fish from the Nfld. Produce Co.

POLICE COURT NEWS.—In the police court to-day three drunks were discharged and an assault case was withdrawn.

S. S. FOGOTA COMING.—The s.s. Fogota left Bonavista at 10:25 a.m. to-day coming south. She is due here before midnight.

PREACHED LAST NIGHT.—Rev. W. J. Lockyer, of Trinity, who is now in town, preached an excellent sermon at the R. C. Cathedral last night.

DIED AT THE COVE.—Mr. Thomas Dooley, a resident of Portugal Cove, who died there of consumption Friday, was interred yesterday. He had a large funeral.

COLLINS BOYS RELEASED.—The three Collins boys, who were in Hospital suffering from typhus fever, were to-day released, being perfectly cured of the disease.

GOING ON A TRIP.—Mr. Geo. L. Anderson and Mrs. Anderson, will go to England for a trip by the S. S. Carthaginian on the 27th. They will also visit the Continent.

SOCIAL AND CONCERT.—The Gower Street Young Men's Association will hold a social and concert in the Victoria Hall, on Thursday, Jan. 26th, at 8 o'clock. Admission 25 cts.—Jan 23, 11

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Coastal Boats.

REID NYLD CO. The Argyle left Placentia at 5 p.m. yesterday on the Red Island route. The Bruce arrived at Port aux Basques at 5 p.m. yesterday.

The Gloucester left Grand Bank at 2:35 p.m. Saturday going west.

A Terrible Experience.

In the storm which raged Friday night Richard Tobin, a young longshoreman, who works on Harvey's steamers, had a terrible experience. While engaged on the Florizel his cap—a new one—blew into the water, and he jumped into a small boat to save it. Rowing out into the harbour he lost sight of it, and when he started to row back again he found that he could make no headway against the wind and tide, and the boat was gradually forced out the Narrows. Tobin narrowly escaped being driven out the Narrows to sea and being lost, and after rowing for about 3 hours, landed at A. J. Harvey & Co's pier at 1:30 a.m. Saturday, chilled from the cold and exhausted from working at the oars. Time and again he had to give up rowing and beat about in a circle, but he was determined to keep from being frostbitten. He will never forget the ordeal he went through.

City Council.

DR. BREHM'S REPORT. The City Council met this forenoon. The Mayor and all the Councilors being present. The plan and layout of the new Town Hall was submitted by Architect Barter. After examination this was approved, and after Thursday next tenders will be called for the various works, such as heating, woodwork, plumbing, &c. After that Dr. Brehm's report on the typhus outbreak recently made was submitted at the request of the Council. It dealt (1) with the cause of the outbreak, (2) its history, (3) the steps taken to limit its spread, (4) and the opinion given as to the spread of the disease. The doctor in his report said, as to the Council's question whether there was any danger of the disease spreading, it was still too early to speak confidently, but while a few more cases might be expected among unknown "contacts," and perhaps among those who have been necessarily exposed to infection, he did not think it probable in his opinion that the disease will spread widely or extend into other quarters of the town. Typhus is always more difficult to stamp out in winter, for the reason that people spend so much of their time in doors, and in very many cases die before they have time to get fresh air. It cannot spread widely where houses are kept clean and well ventilated. The decision of the Council was that in view of the report it was thought not to be wise to remove the people of Pope Street to another neighborhood for the present, pending a spread of the epidemic. The houses will be left as they are until the spring.

Buoys Drift Away.

In the storm of Friday evening a new iron buoy which some months ago was placed in the narrows to mark Cahill's Rock, burst its moorings and was drawn to sea and lost. The Messrs. Holwell attempted to secure it, but got their boat some any distance from the shore owing to the high sea and wind raging. The buoy would be worth about \$100.

Church Notes.

Rev. J. K. Curtis, B. A., occupied the pulpit of Wesley Church, Sunday evening, and simply expounded in the delivery of a 45 minute discourse to a very large and interested congregation, from John 11 chap. parts of 21 and 25 verses. The subject embodied in this Scripture, as viewed from Wesley Church pulpit, was—"Christ's marks of a Christian." The exegesis given by Mr. Curtis was clear and logical and must have been convincing. His elaboration of the subjects being full of thrilling climaxes and striking illustrations, was heard with almost breathless attention. Mr. Curtis is aiming high, and there can be no question as to results in due time. His topic for next Sunday night will be—"The Minimum and the Maximum."

Mr. Curtis is attracting large numbers of the young people of this city to his services and it is expected that an overflowing audience will greet him on Sunday evening next. All will be made welcome.

Sunday Morning.

Rev. Mr. Bartlett occupied the pulpit of Wesley Church on Sunday morning, and in his usual able manner, delivered a sermon full of interest to the congregation, and most highly appreciated by all who were present on the occasion.

Mr. Bartlett also preached to a packed congregation at George St., on Sunday evening. His discourse was a very able production, and his earnestness and choice of language excellent. George St. Church is an attractive and commodious edifice, and with Rev. Mr. Bartlett for its pastor there are sure to be overflowing congregations for the future. The choir was in good form last night and the singing excellent. Mr. Gordon Christian, as usual, presided at the organ.

Train Notes.

The local arrived here from Carbonear at 12:30 to-day bringing Dr. Meloni, T. Hourahan, L. S. Hue, J. Colpen, F. Gerrard, H. Andrews, J. Mauder, Mrs. Tilley, P. Hickey, W. Jernan, Miss Jerrett, J. Hawco and J. Furneaux.

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The incoming express left Port aux Basques at 5:05 p.m. yesterday and is due at St. John's at 9:30 p.m. to-day.

The Last Pibroch.

Pipers at an Officer's Deathbed. The last request of a dying officer was to hear the lament of the bagpipes which had in martial mood so often led his regiment to gallant exploit. Captain James Marshall McLaren, of the Gordon Highlanders, who won distinction in the Boer war, died recently in a London nursing home. At his request four of the regimental pipers played by his bedside before he passed away.

Their lament was the melody of "The Flowers of the Forest," the strikingly sad air played by the pipers at King Edward's funeral.

The whole of the 1st Battalion of the Gordon Highlanders at Colchester attended at the Camp Church a memorial service to their captain, who was interred at Edinburgh. His widow is a daughter of Sir A. Leith-Buchanan. His only brother died on active service in the Boer war.

Imperial Defence.

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CAPE REPORT.

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McMurdo's Store News

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