

News of the City and the Outports

SERIOUS COASTING ACCIDENT

Several People Badly Injured on Rennie's Hill Slide.

The worst coasting accident for the season occurred Saturday night at Rennie's Hill, and two of the coasters are confined to their beds with disabled limbs, and only a miracle saved half a dozen from being instantly killed.

The injured are R. W. Ritcey, of Bridgewater, who travels for motor engines, who set right leg was badly broken between the ankle and knee; and Wilfred Harvey, whose right knee was dislocated.

In the party were Miss Vivian Whiteway, daughter of Lady White-way, Miss Muriel Harvey, Mr. Ritcey, Stanley Harvey, Wilfred Harvey and a couple of boys who were given a run.

Fast Ride.

The hill was in splendid condition and several fast rides were enjoyed. Stanley Harvey was sitting in front steering, and while travelling at a great rate the steering rope refused to work. Mr. Harvey realizing that the 'bob' would run into the bridge with probable injury to all, turned the front of the 'bob' with his feet and the front of the 'bob' cleared the post. Stanley and his sister escaped without mishap.

Mr. Ritcey put out his foot to save Miss Whiteway who was sitting near him, and striking the post his leg was broken just below the knee.

Wilfred Harvey also struck the end of the bridge and it was feared that he, too, had sustained a fractured limb. The examination later showed that the bone was not broken, but the knee was found to be dislocated causing the lad great pain.

First Aid Rendered.

First aid was rendered as well as circumstances permitted, and then the injured pair were taken to the residence of Mrs. Harvey, Duckworth St., and Dr. Fraser summoned, and attended the patients.

Mr. Ritcey is a guest at the Crosbie Hotel, but he will remain at Mrs. Harvey's until he is able to get round again.

The others were not injured, but their escape was marvellous. Had the 'bob' struck the bridge bow on, the accident would no doubt have been far more serious. The others were fortunate indeed in escaping without broken bones.

This morning the patients were doing well, but they will not be able to leave their rooms for some time.

GRENFELL ASSOCIATION ELECTS OFFICERS FOR 1914.

The incorporation of this charitable Association having been completed, the formal first general meeting of those who signed the Memorandum and Articles of Association was held at Government House, by permission of His Excellency the Governor, on Saturday at 3 o'clock, the following being present: Mr. Charles P. Ayre, Hon. John Harvey, Mr. R. F. Horwood, Hon. W. C. Job, Dr. Cluny Macpherson, Mr. H. W. LeMessurier, Mr. I. C. Morris, Hon. R. Watson, Hon. M. G. Winter.

Mr. Brian E. S. Dunfield acted as Secretary of the meeting. Messages of regret of inability to be present were received from the Right Hon. Sir E. P. Morris, P.C., and Hon. George M. Johnson, Judge of the Supreme Court.

Hon. W. C. Job was voted to the Chair to open the meeting. His Excellency the Governor was immediately elected an Honorary Member with all powers, and was appointed a Director and President of the Association, and asked to take the Chair.

The remaining eight Directors required were balloted for and the following were elected: Mr. Charles P. Ayre, Mr. W. G. Gosling, Hon. John Harvey, Hon. W. C. Job, Dr. Cluny Macpherson, Rt. Hon. Sir Edward P. Morris, P.C., Hon. Robert Watson, Hon. M. G. Winter.

The meeting then elected by ballot the Hon. W. C. Job and Hon. Robert Watson, to act as Directors

to represent the Association on the Council of the International Grenfell Association, which will control and administer the affairs of the Mission. It was further resolved that the registered office of the Association be at the King George the Fifth Seamen's Institute.

The formal business having been dealt with the Mission Hospital Returns and statistics for the past year, were laid on the table.

The remarkable volume of medical and surgical care and relief given during the period under review impressed the meeting. The question of Newfoundland's financial contribution towards the cost of this work came under consideration, and it was resolved to leave the matter in the hands of the Board of Directors just appointed. After a vote of thanks to His Excellency for presiding, the meeting closed.

Immediately following, a meeting of the Board of Directors was held, and His Excellency was appointed Chairman, Hon. W. C. Job the Vice-Chairman, and Hon. Robert Watson the Hon. Secretary. All those wishing to become members of the Association are cordially invited to communicate with the Hon. Secretary.

THE CHECKERS LONG OVERDUE.

Ninety-Five Days Out From Oporto And Burin is Worried About Her.

Passengers who have just arrived from Burin inform The Mail that great sorrow prevails at that thriving town, because of the long passage that Bishop & Sons' schooner Checkers is making.

The schooner left Oporto 35 days ago for Burin, with sand ballast and onions, and has not been heard of since. The crew numbered six, all residents of Burin, and with the exception of the mate, Lester Goddard, all are married and have small families.

The Crew

Her crew comprised the following: Captain—W. Goddard. Mate—Lester Goddard. Bosun—Richard Reid. Cook—Frederick Watts. Seamen—Ira Kirby, Joseph Coady.

Lester Goddard is a young man, only about 20 years of age, and of great promise. A careful and hard-working sailor, he was highly respected by all who knew him. His father was one of our best known local captains, a man of great experience, who never ran unnecessary risks, and who always treated his men well. He never expected one of his men to do anything he would not be prepared to do himself. The owners of the vessel had the greatest confidence in him, for on more than one occasion he proved his ability and worth.

First Year in Checkers

Capt. Goddard was making his first voyage in the Checkers, as only last August he was transferred from Bishop's schr. Ionia to the larger schr. which was a promotion for him. He did excellent work in the Ionia, and started out well in the Checkers, as she made a splendid run to Oporto. All were looking forward to a speedy return home, as the captain and men were greatly pleased with the sailing qualities of the vessel on the run to Oporto. She was well found, and they believed her capable of weathering any storm which might arise on the Atlantic.

Many Newfoundland vessels have made longer passage, and have either made port not much the worse for the experience, or else the crews have been picked up. And in this case there is "hope from the ocean," though our informants say it is difficult to comfort and console the wives and families.

Met Severe Weather

Shortly after the Checkers left Oporto a severe storm swept over the Portuguese coast, and it is feared that the little fish-carrier met mishap before she got clear of the coast. There is the possibility, however, that she was disabled at sea and driven out of the track of shipping.

The Checkers is well provisioned and the crew would not suffer on that score for months. Many experienced shipping people in the city contend that the vessel is still afloat and that she will yet be heard of.

The Checkers is locally built, having been constructed at Moreton's Hr. and was well found in running gear.

ORE CARRIER THEMIS DOCKED AT NEW YORK.

Had Fairly Good Trip to Philadelphia, but When she Reached New York the Propellor had to be Adjusted Again.

The big ore carrier, Themis, arrived in port Christmas Eve with her propellor slightly out of order. A diver went down and found the damage trifling, and she was able to resume her voyage that evening.

Nothing had been heard of her arrival at her destination and friends were anxious, as it was feared she had met hard weather which might bring on more trouble to her propellor.

Mr. Tasker Cook has received a letter from Captain Danielsen, the commander, which allays all fears. The letter is dated New York, Jan. 8th, and the steamer was just coming off dock.

The Captain says that the run from St. John's to Philadelphia occupied six days, with moderate weather. After discharging the Themis proceeded to New York and docked, as the propellor was giving poor satisfaction. The trouble was that the propellor had worked slack on the key but everything else was in good shape. A new key was put in, and the Captain does not expect further trouble in that direction.

The Themis has loaded general cargo for Marseilles, France.

SHIPPING

COASTAL BOATS.

BOWINGS.

Portia is stormbound at Bonne Bay.

Prospero is stormbound here. She leaves at daylight to-morrow taking: Mr. Strong, E. Winsor, J. Morgan, W. Morgan, Canst. Tucker, Mr. Miffin, W. Hounsell, E. Moore, J. Noonan, H. Ploughman, D. O'Neill, W. Domesny, Mr. Hodder, N. Gosse, R. Mercer, C. Parsons, H. Winsor, J. Green, A. Carter, Mrs. Ploughman, Miss Moore and 26 steerage.

THE KINTAIL

Will Bring a Load of Coal Here—Due Shortly.

The Union Trading Company's Steamer Kintail is due here shortly from Sydney with a load of coal which will be sold in the city.

The ship will discharge at Davey Bros. wharf. The coal will be sold in single ton lots at \$6.80 per ton, sent home. The quantity is being restricted to one ton per order, so that the great possibility of purchasers may get a chance to profit by the cheap rate. The whole cargo could have been disposed of long ago had large orders been accepted.

The ship Kintail should have reached here yesterday but was likely held up at Sydney by the big storm.

THIS MORNING'S FIRE

At 10 this morning the firemen received a phone message to respond to O'Flannigan & Co.'s store, Water St., where a live wire had ignited the wood. The fire was quickly extinguished, very little damage resulting.

ACCIDENT ENDS FATALLY

Mr. John Mulcahy, who was burned on the Invermore last Friday, by pitch boiling over him, died at the hospital Saturday. Deceased was 32 years of age and leaves a young wife.

Burin, considering that it is a large fishing and seafaring centre has been very fortunate. During last summer six hundred men were engaged at the Bank and other fisheries, and not a single drowning accident occurred.

The last marine disaster that effected Burin happened twelve years ago when the banking schooner Barbara Hick sailed away for the Banks one day and was never seen or heard of after, and her crew of ten strapping fishermen met watery graves.

The men of Burin are renowned for their ability as sailors and fishermen, and this tends to the belief that the Checkers will yet be heard from.

The late English papers at hand rate the insurance of the Checkers at 75, which proves that the insurance people are anxious about her. We trust that the near future will bring tidings of the ship. The news will be welcomed by all and especially by those five women and their families who for the last two months have been watching and listening in vain.

PERSONAL.

Mr. F. Lake, of Fortune, is at present visiting the city on business.

Mr. F. Brazil left for Grand Falls Saturday evening, on a short business trip.

Mr. John Green, of Trinity, who was on business trip to the city, left for home by the Prospero.

Mr. R. O'Brien, merchant of Burin, is visiting the city at present, and will remain a week, on business.

Miss E. Moore, recently of R. H. Trapnell's, who was visiting friends in Boston since last October, has returned, having accepted another position in this city.

Mr. R. Pike, late engineer of the S.S. Erik, has been seriously ill at his home. He is now on the mending hand and hopes to be out again shortly.

Mr. A. Bassage, who travels for Ormiston and Glass, Ltd., pens, etc., and who has been in the city for the last few weeks, left for Sydney by the express last evening.

Mr. C. F. Bishop, Burin, arrived in the city Saturday night, on business, and remains ten days. The winter so far in that section has been pleasant and mild, with very little snow or frost. Mr. Bishop is a guest at the Crosbie.

FUNERAL SERVICE

The funeral of the late Mr. Steven-son took place Saturday afternoon and was very largely attended, including many of the Sons of England, of which Order deceased was a member.

Interment was at the C. E. Cemetery, Rev. J. Brinton officiating.

In the mortuary chapel the hymn "Days and Moments Quickly Flying," and at the grave side "Nearer My God to Thee," was sung.

Chesley Stevenson, of The Daily News office, is dangerously ill, suffering from pleurisy, and was not able to attend his father's funeral. He is somewhat improved to-day, and the attending physician believes he will pull through.

BANK FISHERMEN PREPARING FOR VOYAGE

The fishermen of Burin and other places along that shore are making active preparations for the coming fishery. Boats and lines are now being made ready, and many of the vessels will begin operations early in February.

The high price of fish and the ease with which it can be sold is attracting many to the life on the sea, who would otherwise seek their livelihood. Nearly all the fishermen go on shares as they make better wages. The owners also prefer the men on shares, as the catch tends to be larger, the men working their hardest to get as much fish as possible.

A workman named Dunphy fell in the hold of the Florizel Saturday afternoon and badly injured. He was taken to the hospital.

On Saturday night Rennie's Pinch was crowded with people enjoying bob-sliding. The hill was in perfect condition. The storm of yesterday has put the coasting inclines in poor state.

NON-COMS CELEBRATE

On Thursday night next ten new Non-Coms of the C.L.B., who recently received their Lance-Corporal stripes, will be sworn into the Warrant and N. C. O.'s Mess. A fine programme is prepared for the occasion and a good time is in store for all; as it is the usual custom on such occasions refreshments will be served.

SENATOR COX DEAD

Mr. C. A. C. Bruce had a cable-gram Saturday, acquainting him of the death of Senator Cox, at Toronto. Deceased was 73 years of age, and one of Canada's best known men.

CURRENT EVENTS CLUB

The Current Events Club held its annual meeting Saturday. The following were elected:

President—Lady Horwood. 1st Vice-Pres.—Mrs. K. R. Prowse. 2nd Vice-Pres.—Mrs. J. Browning. Secretary—Mrs. A. Macpherson. Treasurer—Miss Kennedy.

LITTLE BOY DROWNED

Deputy Minister of Justice had a wire from Magistrate Freebairn, Ferryland, Saturday, that Robert Power, aged 10, son of Joseph Power, Caplin Bay, had been found drowned. He was missed from home and his body was found in the water.

A CLEAN SWEEP SALE

Some of the offerings mentioned here you may not require NOW, but you will later; and this is a good time to buy them—that is IF YOU WANT TO SAVE MONEY.

Oxford Shirtings for Rompers and Dresses

2800 yards of strong, serviceable Oxfords in neat hair-line stripes—Blue, Red, Green and Black; also in Plain Green and Red for trimming dresses, etc. A material that will wash well and wear well. Suitable too for Men's Shirts.. 31 inches wide.

17 cents.

PULLMAN CAPS.

Soft, fleecy wool Caps, Turban shape; in Heather, Red, Grey—a great skating or coasting cap.

30c.

RIBBONS.

The balance of a large shipment of Job Ribbons, 5 1-2 to 7 1-2 inches wide; handsome patterns.

12c., 20c., 30c.

PRINTED CASE-MENT CLOTHS.

A lot of short ends running from 1 yard to 2 1-4 yards; some large enough for bed spreads.

25c. to 65c.



Printed Afternoon Tea Cloths.

Size 36 x 36. Pretty Rose and Ribbon Design.

20c

Linen Crash Table Covers

Size 31 x 31 1-2. Hem stitched Border, Embroidered Corners.

50c

MEN'S FANCY VESTS

A FANCY VEST is the setting off of a suit of cloths. A splendid assortment marked down.

FANCY VEST LENGTHS

Mill Ends, in a great variety of smart patterns

1.00 each.

Ayre & Sons LIMITED

THE BOYLE CUP

The following are the winners of the Governor Boyle hockey cup:

1904—TERRA NOVAS

N. J. Vinnicombe Goal
J. F. Donnelly Point
Geo. Marshall Cover Point
J. I. Vinnicombe (Capt.) Left Wing
J. C. Parsons Centre
J. Stick Right Wing
H. Bond Rover
W. C. Winsborrow Spare

1905—TERRA NOVAS

N. J. Vinnicombe Goal
G. Bulley Point
G. Marshall (Capt.) Cover Point
J. C. Parsons Left Wing
H. Bond Centre
J. Stick Right Wing
D. Herder Rover

1906—FEILDIAINS

Alec Winter Goal
C. Jeffrey Point
G. Boone Cover Point
J. G. Simms Left Wing
R. H. Simms (Capt.) Centre
H. Dickenson Right Wing
H. Hutchings Rover

1907—VICTORIAS

P. Duff (Capt.) Goal
N. J. Vinnicombe Point
G. Bulley Cover Point
C. Parsons Left Wing
C. Bradley Centre
C. Meehan Right Wing
J. Tobin Rover

1908—CRESCENTS

R. Burnham Goal
G. Herder Point
G. Marshall (Capt.) Cover Point
D. Trapnell Left Wing
K. Townshend Centre
S. Pearce Right Wing
W. H. Herder Rover

1909—VICTORIAS

P. Duff Goal
N. J. Vinnicombe Point
J. C. Parsons Cover Point
F. Jeans Left Wing
J. Tobin Centre
F. Brian Right Wing
G. Bulley Rover
G. Hunt, R. Stick Spares

1910—CRESCENTS

R. Burnham Goal
G. Herder (Capt.) Point

G. Marshall Cover Point
K. Trapnell Left Wing
H. Herder Centre
R. Stick Right Wing
S. Pearce Rover
C. Fenwick, B. Butler, C. Thomas, Spares.

1911—CRESCENTS

R. Burnham Goal
G. Herder (Capt.) Point
G. Marshall Cover Point
L. Woods Left Wing
C. Fenwick Centre
R. Stick Right Wing
H. Herder Rover
R. Herder, G. Storey Spares

1912—CRESCENTS

C. Thomas Goal
G. Herder (Capt.) Point
A. Joy Cover Point
C. Hutchings Left Wing
W. Rennie Centre
L. Stick Right Wing
R. Herder Rover

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BOYS AND GIRLS in every outport to sell pictures, size 16x20, at 20 cts. each. A handsome watch, printing outfit or camera for selling 25 or a fountain pen for selling 10. Write for some to-day. Address: GOLD MEDAL ART CO., P.O. Box 63, St. John's—Jan 16, 14

F.P.U. PARADE, BAY ROBERTS.

(Special to The Daily Mail) Bay Roberts, Jan. 17.—We had a splendid parade here to-day. Wonderful success attended the demonstration at which three hundred Unionists were present. Two bands accompanied the parade.

STEPHEN MERCER, Chairman Local Council.

THE F.P.U. PARADE AT NEW BONAVENTURE.

(Special to The Daily Mail) New Bonaventure, Jan. 16.—The Local Council here held a parade to-day. They paraded to Old Bonaventure and joined with Old Bonaventure Council. Nearly one hundred attended. The Orange Band was in attendance. The day was beautiful and fine. Addresses were given by the Chairman and many friends. They all determined to stand by Coaker. CHAIRMAN.

PARADE AT PORT REXTON.

(Editor The Daily Mail)

Dear Sir,—On Friday our district having decided to make it Union Day, Port Rexton Council celebrated in good style. Never before was such enthusiasm manifested. Never before did such numbers turn out in parade.

Our members to a man turned up and the cheering for President Coaker, the F.P.U. and the Union members was deafening all through the route of parade. Our determination is to stand by Coaker even if it involves sacrifice of life. Never before were people so agitated and excited over public affairs.

The resignation of Sir R. Bond in the country's hour of need, and just before the opening of the battle for liberty from grab-allism has shocked his friends.

The reasons given are childish; and no one takes them serious. May God grant our President health and success is our prayer.

—AN OFFICER.

Port Rexton, Jan. 17, '14.

NOTED ATHLETE WEDS

A ST. JOHN'S GIRL.

Dan McDonald, champion middle-weight wrestler of the world, has returned from St. John's, Newfoundland, where he recently was a principal in a happy event, says a St. John, N. B., exchange.

After winning the championship belt from Sam Anderson in this city on New Year's Day, Dan left in search of new laurels and was successful in winning a match which placed him in a new sphere—the ranks of the "benefactors."

On last Monday he was united in matrimony to Miss Violet Lillian Snow, a nurse in the St. John's Public Hospital.

There is a very pretty romance connected with the betrothal of the young couple.

Three years ago when Dan was in Newfoundland he was stricken with typhoid fever and was sick for nine months. Miss Snow was appointed to take care of him during his illness, and it was during that time that the darts of Cupid did their work.