

Catastrophic Fire Change Islands

DESTRUCTIVE DAMAGE wrought.

Sunday morning at 8 o'clock a fire occurred at Change Islands, when the mercantile premises of John W. Hodge, of North End, Islands, with the exception of the shop, were totally destroyed by the first seen of the conflagration in the store nearest the front, and the wind was blowing directly on the other buildings, also caught, one by one, and in minutes the whole place was in flames. The fire reached such dimensions that the entire settlement was threatened with destruction, as men and women fought to quench the flames, and by exertions saved Mr. Hodge's room from ruin, although the rest of the premises, consisting of several buildings, were completely wiped out, and traps and other goods were being thrown into the water. Most of the goods was lost. The houses in the neighborhood were in imminent danger. Some of the houses were fortunately saved by fire but were unfortunately lost. Mr. Hodge's loss is partly covered by insurance. The origin of the fire is unknown and an enquiry is being held by Magistrate Cook of

in Quenches Forest Fires.

According to passengers and train by last evening's express the fires at Jumper's Brook and here are at an end. Yesterday it rained heavily north, which quenched the fire, and the conflagration at Jumper's Brook was extinguished by the rain. The fire was held by Magistrate Cook of

H. E. Cowan's Messages.

Yesterday Mr. Cowan received these messages:—
Glenwood yesterday morning: Jumper's Brook, Badger, Cove wiped out; telegraph pole destroyed. Norris, Glenwood, Lewisporte escaped. Jumper's Brook is subdued. Jumper's Brook yesterday afternoon: A large crowd fought above upper houses. No damage to settlement yet. Prospects better. Later—Raining and the wind changed.

Glenwood, last night—Massive, Brown's Arm, Salt Pond, north of Lewisporte, wiped out. People destitute.

Mr. McDonald's Message.

McDonald, of Salvage, also sent following despatch to Hon. S. D. Dwyer: "Shocking destruction of forest fires yesterday; the forest of Squid Tickle, St. John's, burnt to the water's edge; provisions and fishery lost; immediate assistance required. A reply was at once sent to all the men possible to the fire.

Mr. Drover's Message.

Mr. Drover, Mr. M. Drover, receiving following message from his friend, at Brown's Arm: "Forest here yesterday; saved mill, lumber and new store; everything including the old store, out and entire contents; Minnie and child found refuge at a fire extinguisher; no damage; raining now; will be at the mill on Saturday; half the mill in Brown's Arm burnt; terrible experience."

Letter to the Inspector General.

Substance of the messages received from the fire zone by the Inspector General is to the effect that the forest was destroyed at Lewisporte, where fifty-seven people, homeless and destitute; eight were burnt at Salt Pond and Cove, where families are all dead. Brown's Arm is destroyed; the mill and shops standing.

Penalty at Horwood's.

Dwyer, a ne'er-do-well, a lot of work, and who frequently visit to the Lakeside Inn, was today for larceny by Constable Dwyer. He is charged with the possession of a wrench which was found in his possession when taken today. He will appear in court tomorrow and will likely have to forfeit other material that have been found belonging to the Horwood Co.

Good Trouting.

The Company have received exceptionally good trouting done at present at Brigus, Port Blandford and Alexander. Some fine catches are taken in these places. The good places to fish. They are well by visiting the above spots.

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GIRLS Ready-to-Wear Hats

—FOR—
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Cable News.

Special to Evening Telegram.

NEEPAIVA, Man., May 30.
John Dempsey, aged 92 years, the oldest Freemason in the world, passed away to-day.

Special to Evening Telegram.

LONDON, May 30.
The opinion of the doctors attending General Booth of the Salvation Army is that he will be henceforth totally blind. The General, now in his 83rd year, was operated on only a few days ago for the removal of a cataract on the left eye.

Special Evening Telegram.

LONDON, May 30.

It is evident that the joint conference to-morrow, which the Government hoped to arrange for a settlement of the dock strike, is foredoomed to danger. The master, master lightermen, public wharfingers and the large owners have joined with the other associations of employers in declining to send representatives to the Conference. In any case they hold the abstention is justified on the ground that employers must retain the right to employ either union or non-union labour as they choose. So long as the men's leaders insist that no settlement can be accepted, which will not restrict employers to union labor, negotiations must be futile. That the Government is still planning to bring about a settlement is shown by the fact of the Government's invitations to representatives of all employees to attend a private meeting this afternoon to discuss the situation.

Light, Warmth and Food.

These three words embrace the most urgent necessities of life, and it is an extraordinary thing that in each case our thoughts turn to Gas; this, after all, is but natural. We want Light, gas gives us the best, cheapest and healthiest artificial light known. Again, we want Warmth, and the gas fire is at hand to give it in its best form; and, lastly, we must have Food, and here the gas cooker never fails us. All this is absolutely true, as we have shown over and over again. If, however, any of our customers are in the least doubtful on any of these points, we cordially invite them to consult us. In the meantime, our advice is to get good burners and buy mantles of well-known makes, to use modern gas fires and cookers, and, above all, to keep your gas appliances (whether old or new) in good order, for in this is the true secret of efficiency and complete satisfaction.

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Placentia Pencillings.

There was a small quantity of caplin taken at Point Verde on Wednesday last and two or three barrels yesterday, and those who procured them did well on the fishing grounds.

Tees Byrne and Cox have been here for the past few days principally for the purpose of obtaining some information regarding the letters stolen from on board the S. S. Glencoe.

There is a rumour afloat that some underhand dealings are being resorted to in different directions for the purpose of forcing the Colony into Confederation at the next sitting of the Legislature. Some are bold enough to think that the Premier, who is now in London, may have this object in view and may try and obtain the consent of the British Government for this purpose. It is also thought that the pulse of Canada is being felt on the matter.

Placentia, May 30, 1912.

Football Fixtures.

The Football League met last night and arranged the fixtures for the first round as follows:—

Senior Division.
Collegians vs. Casuals.
C. E. I. vs. Feildians.
Star vs. St. Bon's.
B. I. S. bye.

Brigade Division.
Highlanders vs. C. C. C.
C. L. B. vs. M. G. B.

The first match will come off June 1st.

Collections for Cemeteries.

The appointment of a number of gentlemen some sixteen years ago by His Grace Archbishop Howley, then Bishop, to take charge of Belvedere and Mount Carmel Cemeteries was a judicious movement. To us who can remember the backward condition of the above respective grounds fully appreciate His Grace's foresight.

The wonderful change that has taken place in both places, especially at Mount Carmel, is more than the most interested ones ever thought of, with the exception of His Grace, who saw that both cemeteries would be much better managed by energetic laymen. He is not disappointed in his expectations, for both places are a credit to all interested. During these years the committees were always supported generously by those who contributed voluntarily to the annual collection. Without such support the old backward condition of affairs would come about again. It is noteworthy that at every annual collection the amount collected shows an increase, which means that the work inaugurated by His Grace and faithfully performed by his committees are appreciated. Hence it is scarcely necessary to remind the ever generous ones of Sunday's annual collection. We are certain that His Grace on his arrival home would be pleased to learn that this year's contributions from his devoted people in the interest of Belvedere and Mount Carmel cemeteries had far exceeded similar collections.—Com.

The Police Court.

A 25 year old laborer, drunk for the second time, was fined \$1 or 3 days.

An old offender, who was before the court for the fifth time this year, was fined \$10 or 30 days.

A seaman of Harbor Grace, who was accused of obtaining goods under false pretences, was sent back to Harbor Grace to be tried.

Two men charged with being drunk and disorderly were discharged, and another drunk, whose third offence it was, was fined \$2 or 7 days.

Two civil cases were disposed of.

TRY THEM NEXT. — If you have not placed your order for your summer suit, we ask you to give us a trial, and guarantee to give you garments that for cut, workmanship and trimmings cannot be excelled in St. John's. The products of our shop are our best advertisements. SPURRELL BROS., Tailors, 365 Water Street, next door Parker & Monroe.—may 17, 12

At the Casino.

To-night at the Casino Theatre Mr. Joseph Selman and his company will present one of the finest one act plays which they have produced since coming to the city. It bears the striking name of "The Night Riders"—a title that implies love, romance and mystery. It is a melo drama of the Kentucky Hills, and bears with it all the passion and hatred of a long outstanding feud between two families. At last the son of one section and daughter of the other fall in love. Then there is danger and romance, terminating in a satisfactory denouement after a series of exciting escapades, through which villainy freely dominates until virtue comes into its own. All who admire a really gripping play should attend "The Night Riders." It is a show which gives excellent scope to the Company as Joseph Selman, Alton Thomas, Gertrude Arden and Miss Irving, all have appropriate roles. There promises to be a big house at the Casino to-night.

You Need Have No Colds.

"PHORATONE COUGH MIXTURE"

makes colds impossible if used as soon as the cold starts. If you wait too long, and the cold gets underway, the remedy cures in two or three days' time—often less.

Colds are not only annoying, they sometimes lead on to other and more dangerous troubles. Keep this remedy on hand for immediate use and do entirely without colds this summer.

Prepared only by DR. F. STAFFORD & SON, St. John's, Nfld. Price 25 cents. Postage 5 cents extra. Sold elsewhere.

Wins Scholarship

Miss Annie G. Dove, sister of W. R. Dove, this city, who for some years was teacher at the Methodist College, has been successful in carrying off the scholarship at the Toronto General Hospital for the year just closed. The many friends of Miss Dove will be delighted to hear of her success.

Here and There.

POST CARDS: — 10 and 15 cents per dozen, at Stafford's Drug Store, may 24, 12

MEET TO-DAY.—The Council of the Board of Trade hold their usual weekly meeting to-day.

MORE SCARLET.—Scarlet fever was reported from a residence on LeMarchant Road last evening.

FISHERY NORTH.—At Bonaville, King's Cove and Twillingate good hauls of fish were taken in traps.

BLOCKED WITH ICE.—The ice blockade in the Straits still continues according to messages received. There is a heavy jam of ice at Flower's Cove.

WARSHIP HERE.—H. M. S. Sirius, Capt. Crawford-McLoughlin, arrived here early this morning. She is expected to remain here a week.

Electric Restorer for Men
Phosphonol restores every nerve in the body to its proper tension; restores vim and vitality. Premature decay and all sexual weakness averted at once. Phosphonol will make you a new man. Price \$3 a box, or two for \$5. Mailed to any address. The Scotch Drug Co., St. Catharines, Ont.

BEING REPAIRED AT BAY DE VERDE.—The schr. Adventure, which turned turtle on Monday last while on her way from Catalina to Clarke's Beach, is now being repaired and refitted at Bay de Verde where she was brought after being picked up.

DANCE FOR MT. CASHEL.—A largely attended dance was held in the British Hall last night under the management of Miss Galloway and in aid of Mount Cashe. Gunnerson's orchestra supplied the music, and an enjoyable time spent. The proceeds were satisfactory.

CABMAN GETTING BETTER.—Cabman Thomas Drunken who was seriously injured in Wednesday's runaway, as noted in yesterday's Telegram, is rapidly recovering, though internally shaken up, and it is only a matter of time when he will be around again.

SERVED NOTICES.—Through their solicitor, Hon. M. P. Gibbs, the firemen engaged on steamers doing coastal work served notices on their employers that they require an increase of wages from \$25 to \$30 per month, and that they will cease work a month hence unless their demand is granted.

TANNERS MEET.—A meeting of the tanners was held in the rooms of the Longshoremen's Hall last evening to further discuss arrangements towards the formation of a co-operative union. Some important matters were brought up but nothing definite done until next meeting, which will be held next week.

A Tempting Addition to the Table:

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