

The Pension Scheme

Exposition by Hon. P. T. McGrath to the Patriotic Association.

The matter of most interest that occupied the attention of the Patriotic Association at last night's meeting was the address by the Hon. P. T. McGrath, in which he gave the result of his investigations into the Canadian Pension Scheme. The meeting opened with the reading of the minutes by Mr. W. J. Higgins, vice Dr. V. P. Burke. His Excellency the Governor then dealt briefly with some of the matters contained in them. He pointed out that the many requests for furlough could not be granted to soldiers under no physical disability. Referring to the submarine agitation, he assured the public that there was no need for apprehension. He read letters from Col. Franklin and Major Macpherson, who is returning through ill-health, and a report by Major Paterson dealing with the sick and wounded members of the Regiment in England.

The Hon. P. T. McGrath then addressed the meeting and dealt at length with the different pension schemes which he had studied. He outlined briefly the American and British systems, both of which he considered unsuitable for adoption here, and treated the Canadian scheme in detail. He gave most interesting figures, showing how all the needs of disabled soldiers and their dependents are met in Canada. For total disability pensions are paid on a scale running from \$480 a year to rank and file up to \$1000 to a captain. For partial disability there are several classes and a sliding scale of payments running from 50 p.c. of the above down to 20 p.c. or a discharge with payment of a lump sum. Dr. McGrath said that it was estimated that on the assumption that there would be 100,000 such men to provide for in Canada, the annual cost to that country would be a little over \$7,000,000. Allowing 5,000 to Newfoundland (which seems a rather high figure) the same scheme would cost this country annually about \$350,000.

The speaker dealt with many other phases of the whole question, touching on employment schemes, the care of the wounded and sick and kindred matters, evidently speaking from a wealth of information and observation. At the close of his address, the Governor nominated a Pension Committee

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To consider a suitable scheme, consisting of the following members: Hon. P. T. McGrath, Hon. M. P. Cashin, Hon. M. G. Winter, Paymaster Willis, R.N., Capt. Geo. Carty, Messrs. C. E. Ayre, J. A. Cliff, R. F. Horwood, H. E. Cowan and R. A. Templeton. Touching the rules by which the Committee should be governed, Mr. W. B. Grieve considered that these should be left to the Committee themselves to decide. Dr. Lloyd raised an objection to members of the committee identified with a particular political party empowered to make awards. This led to a lengthy discussion in which several speakers expressed an opinion. As a result, in view of the fact that the appointment and functions of the Committee are only temporary, pending the next Parliamentary session, the necessary legislation will be forthcoming, the nominations were approved and confirmed.

Mr. Grace Notes.

Mrs. James Kitchen of Dorchester, Mass., who had been visiting friends in this her native town is leaving today for home. Miss Carrie Parsons, daughter of Mr. Austin Parsons, will accompany her.

The Pleasure Theatre is now running three nights each week and the pictures shown are very much enjoyed by those who attend.

The stranded schooner Dorothy is now in the beach near the Coal Co.'s premises, and the fish will be removed.

Posters are out to-day informing our citizens that Pte. Robert Tetford will arrive by the 2 p.m. train, and asking the citizens to assemble and give our soldier boy a hearty welcome.

The funeral of the late Mr. Matthew Martin takes place this afternoon. Mr. Martin was a member of the Masonic fraternity and that body has its flag at half mast to-day out of respect to their late brother.

Mrs. Richard Barry, formerly of this town, but now of Whitman, Mass., who has been visiting here in his passage on the last Stephano, for which she now feels glad. Mrs. Barry expects to take passage now by the Florizel.

Dr. Goodwin, Dentist, is now on a visit to Bonavista. He will likely return by the s.s. Sagona now on the Labrador.

Capt. James Parsons, H.M.C., is still very ill, and his friends are getting anxious about the old seaman. All are looking for a change for the better soon.

Mr. W. A. Munn and family were in town on Sunday last, having arrived by motor car on Saturday. They returned to the city on Sunday evening. Hr. Grace, Oct. 10, 1916.—COR.

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Wedding Bells.

MCKELLOP-CARTER.
A quiet wedding took place at St. Joseph's Presbytery, on October 1st, when Miss Annie McKellop, of St. John's, and Mr. Michael Carter, of Witless Bay, were united in the bonds of holy matrimony, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. Dr. Kitchen, P.P. The bride was becomingly attired in a travelling costume of dark blue and was attended by Miss Annie Tremblett, of St. John's, the groom being supported by his brother, Mr. Thomas Carter. After a short drive the wedding party returned to the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Thomas McKellop, 16 Duckworth St., where a reception was held at which the immediate friends of both parties were present. The presents received were many and useful. The happy young couple left by Monday's train for Witless Bay where they will make their future home.

AT THE CRESCENT.

The celebrated screen star Gertrude Robinson, assisted by Alfred Taget and Charles Herly are presented in "The Indian" at the Crescon Picture Palace to-day. This great Indian war story is produced in three reels by the Biograph Company. "The Lost Bracelet," a society melodrama, with all star Dublin cast. "You're Next," a clever and funny Vitagraph comedy, featuring Wally Van and Nita Frazier. Professor McCarthy presides at the piano playing the latest and best music. Sam Rose, baritone, sings a new ballad. This big mid-week show costs no more; take it in.

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Casualty List.

(Received 6 p.m. October 10.)
1516—Private George Small, Moreton's Hr., N.D.B. Admitted Wandsworth, Tonslitts; Oct. 7th.
2085—Private Kader Squires, Salvage, B.B. 2nd Southern Hospital, Bristol, Trench Fever, severe; Oct. 7.
(Received 11 a.m. October 11.)
2014—Private Harry Hussey, 3 Hagerty Street. At 6th Stationary Hospital, Rouen, Sept. 28th; Gunshot wound right arm.
2045—Private Allan Batton, 15 Long's Hill. 2nd Western Stationary Hospital, Manchester, Oct. 7th; Trench Fever; slight.
1427—Private B. Jesso, Bay of Islands. 2nd Western Stationary Hospital, Manchester, Oct. 7; Appendicitis; slight.
712—Private William Whittle, Fox Cove, F.B. 35th Stationary Hospital, Calais, Oct. 9th; Dangerously ill; Nephritis.

J. R. BENNETT, Colonial Secretary.

Reids' Boats.

The Argyle left Placentia at 8 p.m. yesterday.
The Clyde left Horwood at 11.30 a.m. yesterday, inward.
The Dundee left Valleyfield at 3.30 p.m. yesterday, outward.
The Ethie left Lark Harbor at 6.30 a.m. yesterday, outward.
The Glenoe left Port aux Basques at 4 p.m. yesterday.
The Home left Fortune Harbor at 1.30 p.m. yesterday, outward.
The Kyle arrived at Port aux Basques at 8 a.m. to-day.
The Meigle left Port aux Basques at 8.45 p.m. yesterday.
The Wren left Trinity at 7 a.m. yesterday, outward.
The Neptune sails for the Labrador at 4 p.m. Friday.
The Sagona is north of Flat Island.

McMurdo's Store News

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 11, 1916.
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Train Notes.

Monday's express arrived at Port aux Basques at 7.15 a.m. to-day. The incoming mail and freight is due at 8 p.m. to-day.
The express left Port aux Basques at 9 a.m. to-day.
The outgoing express left St. John's at 12.30 p.m. to-day.
The local from Carbonear arrived in the city to-day.

SHIP CHARTERED FOR RED CROSS ROUTE.—The Red Cross Co. have chartered the Norwegian steamer "Banan," which is expected, will leave New York on Saturday next with a full general cargo for this port, coming direct. It is not definitely known how many trips the ship will make.

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The Spirit of the German Soldier is Being Broken.

Sir Sam Hughes Says The War Will Be Won by Feinting.

"I am not a prophet, but I can say that the spirit of the German soldier is being broken. The British alone have captured since the 1st of July upwards of 30,000 prisoners with much war material. One officer told me that within a very small compass—upwards of two thousand German dead, and several hundred wounded, unable to escape, covered the ground. Another example: One regiment of Germans, which was wiped out by the Canadians on the other side, had been formed only two weeks previously from remnants of ten crack German regiments and yet they disappeared. This war will be won by feinting, and it is a long road to Berlin. The German people, however, are becoming weary of the war. They have many months a rebellion must break out against Kaiserism throughout the length and breadth of the German Empire.

Britain is stronger on the sea now than at the beginning of the war. The Kaiser's submarines may reach British waters and do some slight damage, but they seldom return home. Her Zeppelins have proven to be vulnerable on I myself have seen two of them brought down. At the front, we have the mastery in artillery; we have always had it in hand. The result is that foot by foot, mile by mile, the Allied bullock pluck and doggedness have proven too much for the famous German Imperial Guard. I have been over mile on mile of German fortifications surpassing in strength any fortress we constructed.—Major General Sir Sam Hughes.

B.d Bargains With Nature.

How The Old Dame Gets Her Own Back on Those Who Meddle With Her Decrees.

Forty years ago the planters of Trinidad were in despair. Rats were ravaging the great sugar-cane plantations. Traps, cats, and ferrets had all proved useless. Rats stared the planters in the face.

Then some genius suggested the importation of the mongoose. The mongoose is a native of India, a chameleonic, furry beast that looks rather like a big and amiable ferret. It makes a delightful pet, but its reputation rests mainly on the fact that it is the only enemy of the poisonous cobra and also the finest ratter in the world.

A score of these animals were sent for. Soon there were no more rats. Then the mongoose turned his attention to the chicken yard. Shortly poultry were almost extinct, and eggs at a premium. Next, the mongoose cleared out the native birds, and a plague of caterpillars ensued. How the mighty mongoose, who was sent to ravage the great sugar-cane plantations, is getting worse.

Now the islanders talk of introducing the Indian starling, in the hope of keeping down the grasshoppers which are ravaging the crops, or the loss of utilizing the Barbados blackbird for a similar purpose.

But it will be as well to think twice. Rather less than a century ago some homesick Britisher living in Boston sent to England for a couple of pairs of sparrows.

Within less than fifty years the sparrow had established itself in thirty-five States and five territories. It had given up eating insects, and was running riot among the cats, and was spreading over the country at the rate of 50,000 square miles a year.

The Department of Agriculture was forced to take the strongest measures, and in 1888 the laws protecting wild birds were repealed so far as the sparrow was concerned, and every inducement given to slaughter the little pests. Yet to-day, after a thirty years' battle, the sparrow is still on top. The damage they do to crops is estimated at something like fifteen million dollars yearly.

The musk rat, which is an animal many times the size of any British rat, has been trapped for generations in British North America for the sake of its fat.

Some twenty years ago a Hungarian landowner imported several pairs of musk rats, and turned them loose in a lake on his own property. They multiplied in surprising fashion, for they had none of the enemies which, in the native country, keep them under control, and for a time the importer reaped quite a considerable income by the sale of the skins.

But the animals soon began to spread, and then came stories of burst dams and broken canal banks. The creatures burrowed everywhere, and each year the tale of damage increased. Just before the Great War broke out the Hungarian Government offered a prize of \$5,000 to any person who could invent some method of exterminating them.

St. Helena, famous as the island prison of Napoleon, was at one time covered with thick forest. Cattle did not do there, and goats were imported to give meat and milk for the settlers. They soon ran wild, and betook themselves to the hills, where they multiplied by thousands, and browsed on the young trees and shrubs. To-day the island is little better than a desert.

Sable Island is a great crescent of sand in the Atlantic off Nova Scotia. For centuries had no inhabitants but gulls and rabbits. Rats were accidentally imported in goods consigned to the lighthouse, and they became such a pest that in 1880 cats were brought into cope with them. The cats became so savage that they were actually a danger, and some bright settler imported a pair of big northern foxes to cope with the cats. The foxes killed the cats, and then, having nothing left to eat, they died out. To-day Sable Island has only the gulls left.—Answers.

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