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Customs Returns

The following is the comparative statement of the duties collected at the port of St. John's from July 1st, 1924 to March 7th, 1925:—

1922-23 \$2,757,285.79
 1923-24 3,761,194.65
 1924-25 4,170,805.65

From the above it will be seen that the revenue collected during the current period exceeded that of 1922-23 by \$413,319.86, and was greater than the amount collected in 1923-24 by \$409,411.10.

The maintenance of the increases in revenue collected during what are invariably the dull months of the year are incontrovertible testimony of the fact that the prosperity of the country as indicated by earlier returns is not of a temporary nature, but a very real and settled condition.

Bumper Trips All!

The sailing of the sealing fleet is an event in St. John's which has always aroused, and let us hope, will continue to arouse the keenest interest of young and old alike. Citizens in thousands lined the wharves and hills this morning to see the ships depart, and although the sight was considerable less spectacular than it was in former times when the fleet was so much larger, it exercised the same effect and the bustle and noise of the sirens sent the blood going a little faster through our veins.

It is not so much because of the prospective value of the catch that we are stirred by this event as by the spirit of adventure, and the admiration that is inherent in us for men who, regardless of danger or hardship, venture forth into the unknown. The sealers, descendants of those bold seamen who in the early centuries counted it as nothing to sail their frail vessels out into uncharted seas, possess the same dauntless courage, the same indomitable will and the same hardy endurance. Many of them have in the past experienced disaster; many of them have returned after a fruitless quest, but neither the one nor the other deters them, and always there is a rush for berths; and bitter disappointment if they are unable to be obtained. Truly this spirit deserves success and that they may have it this spring in full and return log loaded is the earnest wish that they take with them to-day.

South West Coast Disaster Supply Fund

Amount acknowledged . . . \$1285.93
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B.I.S. Quarterly Meeting

The adjourned quarterly meeting of the B.I.S. took place yesterday, when much business was discussed. The Society will hold its usual parade on St. Patrick's Day and will attend Mass at the Cathedral. The usual St. Patrick's Day celebrations will also be held.

PEPPYS BEHIND THE SCENES

March 7th.—This day, my wife, seeing me dressed in my old gray suit for the spring, which I did have to be surprised, berates me for my shabbiness and tells me how she is ashamed to be seen on the streets with me, since I have no clothes that are not worn and faded with much wear. This makes me as mad as the devil, seeing how I am compelled to deprive myself of new clothes that she may be dressed in the fashion, and I did tell her so. But Lord, she do fly into an unholly rage at this and I forced to flee from the house, to escape her wrath.

Talking this day with Povey, he tells me how he learns that divorce members of both sides of the House will oppose the Woman's Suffrage Bill and the debate like to be a heated one, albeit the majority of the House favors it and like to pass on division.

This day like to a midsummer's day, being very warm and no wind, and indeed, is the most marvelous spring weather I may remember. Home sometimes, feeling somewhat ill, my head aching terribly and is, methinks, caused by last night's debauch. So to bathe my head with cold water and to bed.

March 8th (Lord's Day).—I took physick this day, and my head somewhat the better for it. So all the day in the House, talking with my wife, who is recovered from her rage of yesterday, about her laying out of 200 dollars, which I had long since promised her to lay out in clothes against Easter for herself. But I did make her promise me that she would not buy any of the short skirts that are now made, since I would not have the dignity of the Peppys upset by such silly fashions. Comes a present for me this night of 12 tins of lobsters, from whom I know not, yet are mighty welcome since these now at a high price and like to go even higher. Towards night my head improves considerably so I cut and abroad, and although the weather is damp, do feel much better for the exercise.

This Week at St. Thomas's

Monday.—S. S. Teachers' Conference, 7.30; Cartwright Mission Circle, 8.15.

Tuesday.—Brotherhood of St. Andrew, 8; St. Margaret's Guild, 8.

Wednesday.—Weekly Sewing Meeting of W.H.M.S., 8; Litany and Address, 8 p.m.; Rev. W. E. Godfrey, subject, "Concerning the Collection."

Thursday.—Cartwright Mission Circle, 4.30; Women's Bible Conference, 7.30; Llewellyn Club Debate (see Notes).

Friday.—Women's Association, 3; Evening Prayer and Address, 7.30; The Rector; subject, "Modern Jonah"; Girls' Club, 8.30 to 10.

Saturday.—Intercessions, 8 p.m.

Presentation Convent Association

The regular monthly meeting of the above Association was held yesterday afternoon, and was attended by a large gathering of members. Upwards of 100 new members were added to the roll. Arrangements were finalized for a concert to be held in the schoolroom on St. Patrick's evening, and for a sale of work during Easter week. Votes of sympathy were passed to the families of the late P. J. O'Neill and Mary Connors. A small amount was voted to be sent to his Grace the Archbishop towards the Palace Building Fund. After some minor matters were disposed of the meeting adjourned.

A Daring Thief

On Saturday night a lady resident of Bell Street was passing along Duckworth street on her way home, some unknown person stepped out of the dark space near the L. S. P. U. Hall and seized her purse which she carried on her arm. The thief managed to get away before an outcry could be made. There was quite a lot of loose change in the purse.

A Whole Cheese Stolen

On Saturday evening as Wm. Simmonds was engaged delivering goods at the retail stores on Water Street, some person stole a 40 lb. cheese from his cart. He has reported the matter to the police, but unfortunately he could give no particulars that would assist them in rounding up the thief.

Shipping

S.S. Silvia left Halifax at 7 p.m. Saturday, and is due here at 3.30 this afternoon.

S.S. Sabie I. leaves St. Pierre to-day and is due here to-morrow.

S.S. Rosalind leaves New York on Wednesday for Halifax and this port.

33 Cents for a Fancy China Teapot, at S. O. STEELE & SONS, LTD., 100 Water Street East.—mar9, 51m.w.s

Off for the Hunt

The ships prosecuting the 1925 sealfishery left port about 8 a.m. to-day. Captain George Whitley, in the Stella Maris, lead at 7.45, followed by the Sagons, Thetis, Seal, Terra Nova, Neptune, Eagle, Ranger, and Prospero in order. Hundreds of citizens gathered along the waterfront to witness their departure. A thick fog prevailed on the outside, and once the ships passed Chain Rock the vision was very poor. While the steamers were passing through the Narrows some men on the South Battery gave them a send off with several volleys of musketry. As we follow them in imagination we send them the hope that they may return speedily, with full trips. The first two vessels took an E.N.E. course and the others went down the shore.

Obsequies of Mrs. Jeffery

(Daily News).

Yesterday afternoon the mortal remains of Mrs. Grace Jeffery were reverently and lovingly laid to rest in the Church of England Cemetery, in the presence of a large gathering of sympathizing friends. The casket was covered with a profusion of wreaths and flowers, tributes of affection, esteem and precious memories. The staff of The Evening Telegram followed closely behind the chief mourners, Mr. C. E. A. Jeffery, Mr. Percy Fearn, and Rev. C. Jeffery. In the mortuary chapel the service was conducted by the Rev. Canon Jeeves, Rector of the Cathedral Parish, and the Rev. Mr. Elliott, Rector of St. Thomas's. The commitment service at the graveside was read by Canon Jeeves. The hymns, "Book of Ages," and "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," were sung during the service in the chapel.

Mission Services at R. C. Cathedral

The closing services of the Mission for the women of the Cathedral Parish took place yesterday afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. Fr. McCarthy of the Jesuit Order who, at the close, imparted the Papal Blessing. During the week immense congregations attended the services and 13,561 Holy Communion were administered. The Mission for the men of the Parish opened last night and the Cathedral was again filled to capacity. The instruction was given by Rev. Father McCarthy, and Rev. Fr. Gallagher preached a very powerful sermon, taking as his text, "What shall it profit a man to gain the whole world and suffer the loss of his soul?" The mission will continue all this week, services being held morning and evening.

Supreme Court

(Before Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Johnson.)

William J. Haller, Trustee of the insolvent estate of Stephen G. Prebble, Plaintiff, and The Norwich Union Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Defendant. This matter is set for hearing on Friday, before a special jury.

McMurdo's Store News

SPRING TONICS.

Now that to all appearances we are to have an early spring, and as it is a time when one does not feel alright, a bottle of any of the following will pick you up quickly:—Wampole's Extract Cod Liver Oil, \$1.20; Compound Sarsaparilla, Quinine Iron Tonic, Compound Hypophosphites, \$1.00; and \$1.00; Carnol, \$1.20; Brick's Tasteless, \$1.20.

Obituary

NATHANIEL NOSEWORTHY.

News was received by relatives of the death of Mr. Nathaniel Noseworthy at his home in Montreal on the 13th of February. Mr. Noseworthy had been ill for some time. When his doctors found that an operation was necessary which held him the only chance, the operation was performed, but death resulted within a few hours. Mr. Noseworthy was 57 years of age and was a brother of Thomas Noseworthy, Harbor Grace; Clement Noseworthy, Whitebourne; L. Noseworthy, Spaniard's Bay, and three sisters, wife and family at Montreal. To the sorrowing family the Telegram extends its sympathy.

Taking Advantage of Relief

It is probable that three of four truckmen will have to answer the charge of obtaining goods under false pretences before the Magistrate this week. It is alleged that these four men received relief through the employment bureau when they were not in need. An investigation has been made into the matter and it is said that the lowest earnings for one of the quartette had been \$48 per month, whilst the higher drew down nearly \$150 for the same period.

TO-DAY'S MESSAGES.

STEAMSHIP IN COLLISION; CALLS FOR ASSISTANCE.

BOSTON, Mar. 8. The Holland steamship Aalsum, leaking badly as a result of a collision with the United States Shipping Board steamer Danneddie, 25 miles south of Nantucket shortly after ten o'clock to-night, called for a boat several hours after from New York, with the message, "can hold water back till tug can reach us."

REPORT ON STRIKE SITUATION.

OTTAWA, Mar. 8. Reports by wire on the strike situation in Cape Breton coal fields, received by Hon. James Murdock, Minister of Labor, at noon Saturday, from John Moffatt, official correspondent at Glace Bay for the Labor Gazette, reads as follows: "All collieries idle; all horses on the surface; all fans running; plans made to save the pumps liable to be lost when the power is off. Maintenance men on the power plants at New Waterford and Sydney Mines. No picketing, everything quiet."

FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN TORONTO.

TORONTO, Mar. 8. The first General Assembly of the United Church of Canada, will be held in Toronto on June 11, and an invitation to hold this meeting in Trinity Methodist Church has been extended.

FAMOUS MUSICIAN PASSES.

PARIS, Mar. 9. Moritz Moszkowski, the famous pianist and composer is dead at his home here.

PRINCE FRIEDRICH OF PRUSSIA.

DRESDEN, Germany, Mar. 9. Prince Friedrich Wilhelm of Prussia, second cousin of the former Kaiser, died in a sanitarium at Weisserhirsch this morning, aged 45.

LORD CURZON OPERATED UPON.

LONDON, Mar. 9. Marquis Curzon of Kedleston, Lord President of the Council, this morning underwent an operation which was described as successful. The official bulletin issued at the operation says: "Marquis Curzon underwent a severe operation this morning. The patient is as well as can be expected at this early stage, but his condition must call for great anxiety for the next few days."

NEW PRESIDENT NOMINATED.

BERLIN, Mar. 9. The Socialist Party on Saturday decided to nominate Otto Braun, former Prussian Premier, who was succeeded in that position by Dr. Wilhelm Marx, as their candidate for President of the German Republic.

CHURCH UNION VOTE.

TORONTO, Mar. 9. The latest Church Union vote summary is as follows: British Columbia: For 195, against 23. Alberta: For 107, against 28. Saskatchewan: For 26, against 13. Ontario: For 451, against 350. Quebec: For 75, against 35. Nova Scotia: For 95, against 35. Prince Edward Island: For 45, against 13. Totals: For 1425, against 508.

Four Ships Sighted Off Cape St. Francis

We have been informed by the lighthouse keeper at Cape St. Francis that the steamers Neptune, Eagle, Thetis and Terra Nova, in order named, were sighted steaming 20 miles E.N.E. of the Cape at 10 a.m. The fog was very thick at the time, and these were the only ships discerned. The management of the Railway received a message via Cape Race from Captain T. Burgess of S.S. Prospero, stating that ship passed Cape St. Francis at 10.10 a.m. Thick fog. The latest report received from S.S. Viking on her way to the Gulf, was on Saturday night, to Messrs. Bowring Bros. Captain Bartlett stated the ship had been jammed twenty hours, but was making good progress N.W. The captain did not state the ship's position.

Personal

Mr. Harry Campbell, who has been recently promoted traveller for the firm of Ayre & Sons, left by yesterday's express on a business trip along the East Coast.

Mr. Michael Hickey, formerly of the Newfoundland Regiment and now residing in Holyrood, is at present on a visit to the city.

Government Boats

Glencoe arrived at Port aux Basques 9 a.m. Home left Marystown 6.25 yesterday.

Marie leaving North Sydney to-night. Portia left Hermitage 6.15 a.m. coming east.

TURNED UP SAFELY.—The 3 boys, Coady and Abbott, who lost their way in the woods near Freshwater Bay, yesterday, spent the night in the open but returned safely to their homes at 8 o'clock this morning.

Local Company to Erect Tourist Hotels

A largely attended meeting consisting of members of the Council of the Board of Trade, Motor Association, Tourist Committee, and other bodies was held in the Board of Trade rooms this forenoon to take preliminary steps for the development of a St. John's Hotel Company. A petition to the Legislature praying that they may be incorporated for the above purpose was signed by Hon. T. Cook, D. M. Baird, J. F. Meehan, K. M. Blair, C. C. Pratt, P. O'Mara, R. J. Murphy, F. W. Angel, Jas. D. Rendell, R. F. Horwood, John Campbell, F. W. Ayre, T. V. Harriett, H. Macpherson, J. J. Mulcahy, C. Duley, C. R. Bowring (Jr.), H. J. Russell. The purpose of the Company is to build a tourist hotel in St. John's with subsidiary hotels in other parts of the country. The capital stock is placed at one million dollars divided into 100,000 shares at \$10 each. The Government, it is understood, will be asked to give free sites for building purposes, exemption from certain Customs taxes and guarantees.

Mr. Arthur Clift Seriously Ill

We regret to learn of the very serious illness of Mr. Arthur Clift, the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Clift of LeMarchant Road. In the best of health but a few days ago, Arthur had to receive medical treatment for what was thought to be only a slight indisposition, but unfortunately he contracted a chill while playing hockey on Quidi Vidi Lake on Wednesday, and as it developed into pleurisy, his condition rapidly became serious. His many friends to-day were deeply grieved to learn that despite all that medical skill and loving hands could do Arthur showed no signs of improvement.

Magistrate's Court

Two drunks and disorderlies were each fined \$2.00 or 7 days, and blacklisted.

A resident of Waterford Bridge Road was summoned before court this morning at the instance of the Liquors' Control Board, charged with keeping and exposing for sale alcoholic liquor contrary to Section 22 of the Alcoholic Liquors' Act. The evidence showed that a sample of the Scotch brandy had been analyzed, which contained 4.3 per cent of alcohol. The accused was convicted and fined \$10 and costs.

A man for having a dangerous dog in his possession was ordered to pay cost and have the beast destroyed.

A lowly and abusive language case was withdrawn.

A case for assault was also withdrawn.

Improvements at Dry Dock

At a meeting of the Railway Commission on Saturday night the report of Colonel Mitchell as to the proposed improvements to the Dry Dock was discussed. Col. Mitchell, consulting engineer of W. I. Bishop, of Montreal, who built the main dam in connection with the Harbour Project, has spent several weeks in investigating the conditions of the Dry Dock. It is understood his plan calls for the widening of the bottom of the Dock, and the laying of concrete instead of timber up to a certain distance on the sides. The top of the basin will also be narrowed giving greater space before the machine shops and freight shed, which will be a great advantage. This plan, if adopted, will mean the giving of a large amount of employment. His report will be submitted to the Government in session to-morrow.

Boosting Fish Diet

Halifax, N.S., Feb. (Canadian Press).—The housewives of Halifax are now convinced that a cod liver is a delicacy; they have learned many new ways to cook fish and a lot of new fish to cook, and Mrs. Evelyn Spencer, lecturer, under the auspices of a large fish company, has completed her work here. Requests have come from twenty other countries for Mrs. Spencer's demonstration, and because of the interest manifested by the Department at Ottawa, she may extend her tour to take in the entire Dominion from coast to coast.

S.S. Senef Having Wireless Installed

Messrs. Collins and Brown, of the Marconi Wireless Company, are leaving town by to-morrow's express, en route to Port Union, where they will be busy for a few days installing a wireless outfit for the steamer Senef before her departure for the icefields. The Senef is in command of Capt. Bragg, and will clear for the northern front with a crew of about fifty men, about Thursday next. Mr. Frank Murphy, formerly of this city, has been appointed wireless operator.

Who is the Slapper?—mar9, 51

Boy Discovers Opium While Chasing a Cat

COLUSA, Feb. 28.—When young Elmer Roche went out one evening to chase a cat, he little thought he would make an unusual discovery, that of ten tins of opium valued at more than \$1,000.

The narcotic had been concealed under an old shed a short distance from his home. His uncle, Under-sheriff Tom Roche, is investigating.

Here and There.

THE TRAINS.—The express arrived in the city at 4 a.m. yesterday; yesterday's west bound train arrived at Bishop's Falls at 7 o'clock this morning; the Trepassey train went out at 11.30 a.m.

Are you a Mason?—mar9, 51

AT THE DRY DOCK.—The steamers Clyde and Sebastopol are on dock at present, undergoing a general overhauling. Both ships will come off the stocks on Wednesday. The Argyle will then go on for repairs.

CONDITION IMPROVING.—The many friends of Mr. W. B. Comerford, Military Road, will rejoice to learn that the sudden attack of illness which he experienced yesterday morning is not serious, and he will be well enough to get about again in the course of a few days.

From Cape Race

SPECIAL to Evening Telegram. CAPE RACE, To-day. Wind S.W., light dense fog, rain; unknown steamer was heard passing at 11 a.m. Bar. 29.85; ther 42.

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DIED.

At 11 a.m. to-day, William F. Tregean, leaving 2 daughters and 1 son; also 3 brothers and 3 sisters to mourn their sad loss. Funeral on Wednesday at 2.30 p.m. from his late residence, 12 Queen St. R.I.P.

At Vancouver, B.C., Dec. 26th, 1924, Isabel Lacey, daughter of the late Alex. C. Constable, Alderburn, Norris Arm, Nfld., and of Mrs. Constable, Vancouver, B.C. Deeply mourned.

At Spruce Grove, Alberta, on Dec. 13th, 1924, Katriousa Blanche Constable, very suddenly, beloved wife of Alan Brebner and daughter of the late Alex. C. Constable, Alderburn, Norris Arm, Nfld., and of Mrs. Constable, Vancouver, B.C. Deeply mourned.

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