

RANDOM COMMENTS

FISHERY GAME AND THE WARDENS

WE have been requested to make public the fact that owing to the system of working very little benefit results to the Colony by the appointing of these officials. The man employed to protect our rivers fails to protect because he only makes periodical trips over his route in the day time when few people will risk the chances of being caught. With some game wardens a much worse condition prevails, as instead of enforcing the law they help to break it and cover up the offense. Just as the biggest smuggler may be a Customs Officer so the man who jigs or nets the most salmon or trout in rivers, or breaks the game laws, is very often the fishery warden or game protector. By their authorized power to protect from others they seem to inherit a personal right to destroy. But with regard to the fire warden, under the present method of working he can render very little service unless he happens to be right on the spot when a fire breaks out, and then, of course, the law of self-protection will compel anyone living in the vicinity of an outbreak to fight, and try to overcome the conflagration. In the case of forest fires (like the one raging between Trinity and Seal Cove recently, or between Clarendville and Shoal Hr.) fire wardens had to start out on foot from Trinity after the fire was in progress, and a deluge from the clouds could only succeed in quenching it. We do not mean to infer that such officials are unnecessary but a better system of working could be instituted and more safety and protection afforded.

THE GRAND OLD LADY

OLD Liberal Trinity boasts of a grand old lady in the person of Mrs. Pittman. She has been a strong supporter of the Liberal Government all her life, and the adversary, however formidable, who crossed swords with her, was sure to come off with the worse of the encounter. No glib-tongued lawyer and office seeker could swerve her from her clearly defined path of duty. To-day she is enjoying that measure of good health and happiness resulting from the consciousness of having lived a life filled with noble endeavour. The customary day's routine of duty of visiting the sick, helping the poor, and attending to her gardens is still actively engaged in, and we wish Mrs. Pittman a continuation of her present good health and happiness.

THE ARCHER CONCERT CO.

THE Archer Concert Co. held moving picture and vaudeville entertainments at Port Rexton and East and West Trinities. Drama, comedy and war pictures by sea and land were thrown upon the canvas but the two pictures showed last at each concert, viz., Messrs. Lloyd and Coaker, were greeted with a storm of applause. Some of our present gang of country wreckers would tremble with rage and fear to hear those outbursts of popular favour demonstrated by an enthusiastic loyal and united people. The spasms of Patsy cannot wreathe from the people their rights, and in defense of themselves and their homes they must vote to overthrow tyranny and oppression in November. Under present conditions it would be madness to postpone an election this Fall.

F.P.U. HALLS

AT Trinity East a new F. P. U. Hall is near completion, but at other places where the Union sentiment is even stronger no halls are yet erected. If we would see our country free from commercial and political graft and despotism, if we would see our Governments scourged of usurpers of our rights and liberties a growing sentiment of unity must exist until it spreads to every inhabited portion of our Island. We were passing through Heart's Ease in the S.W. Arm of Random, T.B. some time ago when a continuous roll of the sound of hammers driving nails aroused our curiosity until a few minutes later we came in sight of a building at which about 20 men were working vigorously. We soon found it was the new F.

METHODIST CONFERENCE

The Conference met Saturday morning with the President in the chair. After prayer, by Rev. Wiley, the business Committee moved the order of the day. This was carried, and Dr. Curtis then presented his report of the Day Schools. This was followed by some discussion, but was finally adjourned in order to allow the Rev. H. Hull and others to address the Conference, and also to receive a Deputation of the Lord's Day Alliance. The addresses of the brethren concerned were short but to the point.

The Rev. H. Hull, Principal of the Deaconess Home in Toronto, spoke of the work of the Deaconess and the necessity of establishing such a home in St. John's.

He was followed by Dr. Line who is well known in St. John's and who is here to present the claims of Mt. Allison University, and after he had finished, the Conference stood to receive the delegation of the Lord's Day Alliance. This deputation consisted of Revs. Clayton, Dickie, Bond and Mr. Stirling, Secretary to the Alliance.

Having been received by the President of the Conference the Rev. Clayton was asked to address its members. This he did, to the great pleasure of those who heard him. His subject matter, as was natural, seeing that he has not long come back from the front, dealt with the war and especially with our Newfoundland boys, and he emphasized the fact that at the front they stood for the essential things and those only.

The Rev. Dickie then followed and pointed out that he represented, not only the Alliance, but the Presbyterian Church as well. In his address he emphasized the fact that we must not only do "our bit" but try to do a little more than "our bit". After his address Dr. Bond spoke and pointed out that after all we are one in the great essentials. He also stated that we were trying to obtain the Canadian law in this country in relation to the question in hand and was certain of the support of all the churches to its adoption.

Mr. Stirling then addressed the Conference briefly, after which the Rev. A. Whitmarsh, M.A., B.D., moved a resolution expressing the thanks and appreciation of the Conference to the Lord's Day Alliance for the work they had done. This was seconded by Dr. Curtis and passed with a standing vote.

In the afternoon a Ministerial Session was held.

OUR RECRUITS

The following is the record of enlistments for Friday and Saturday:

HEADQUARTERS

Ephraim Strickland, Bonne Bay.
A. Gordon Halliburton, Port au Port.
Edgar Dyke, Greenspond, B.I.
J. F. Clarke, Freshwater, Bay-de-Verde District.

FORESTRY HEADQUARTERS

Reginald T. Kearley, Campbellton.
Clifford Smith, Burin.
William Strong, Burin.
John Hollett, Burin.
Michael Lundrigan, Burin.
James Cusick, St. Lawrence.

A shooting party, under command of Sergeant Nugent, had practice at the rifle range Saturday and did good work.

SATURDAY'S WIRELESS MESSAGE FROM LABRADOR

Holton: Light north winds, dense fog. Heavy, close packed ice, distant.
Snokey Tickle: Light north west winds with dense fog. Heavy, close packed ice, distant.

Grady: Fresh north east wind, dense fog.
Domino: Fresh north east wind, dense fog.
American Tickle: Strong north wind, weather cloudy.

Vonson Island and Battle Harbor: Strong north wind; weather cloudy.

The schooner Encore, Capt. Martin, now at the Union wharf laden with supplies for the F.P.U. Store at Hant's Harbor, will sail today.

P.U. Hall and after the usual greetings passed on with the encouraging words that "Every nail driven in that hall was driven for Freedom." These words we pass on to other builders of these institutions until every place will have its Union, and every Union its Hall until the final nail has been driven home for the Liberty, Protection and Freedom of our Country and our Honour. "Who would be free, themselves must strike the blow."

MR. GRIMES ON THE LABRADOR MAIL SERVICE AND TELEGRAPH EXTENSION

MR. GRIMES:—I wish to call the attention of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries to the service performed by the Labrador steamer calling at Brigus. Last fall instead of landing the passengers and freight on the public wharf the captain made them land in boats at great inconvenience and unnecessary trouble. There was no need for such conduct as the water at the public wharf is deep enough for a steamer twice her size. When she was placed on that service it was to serve the best interests of the people who pay for it through the taxes and the captain should be given that to understand and not be allowed to again put his own interest before that of the people. I would also suggest to the Minister that provision be made for the steamer to call at Cupids which would be a great convenience not only to the people of Cupids, but Burnt Head, Goulds, Clarke's Beach, Barened and Port de Grave. The public wharf has a depth of water sufficient for the steamer to land both freight and passengers and as the delay would not mean more than two hours, perhaps less, Cupids should be placed on the schedule this fall, for two trips if it is impossible to make it a permanent port of call. Re telegraph extension. I would direct the Colonial Secretary's attention to the largely signed petition from the residents of Dock and Barened asking for a telegraph office. The needs are many as I have already pointed out in a previous speech. What I would impress upon the Colonial Secretary that if it is a question of expense that prevents the granting of the request, it may be said that the expense of installation would be very small as the telegraph poles pass by the Post Office and all that is needed is a few feet of wire from the pole to the office. The cost of operation need not be as large as at other offices as an addition to the salary of the post-mistress would no doubt find her willing enough to act as operator. Then I would again remind the Colonial Secretary of the promise made last year for a telegraph office at Cupids. As it was then made known the distance of wiring and polling would only cover about a half mile and not be so expensive as imagined. No doubt if the Government made up its mind to consider the interests of the people of Cupids and Burnt Head there would be enough found among them who would be ready to co-operate in furnishing the poles and erecting them at a very small cost to the Government.

UNDER THE HONE ROOF TREE by Emma Gary Wallace WAR AND THE HOME.

FOURTH OF JULY EMERGENCIES

THE Fourth of July is nearly here and however much older and wiser heads may caution against any risks, some accidents are likely to occur.

In case of fire, do you know just where the alarm box is situated or whether your own house and fire-fighting paraphernalia are in shape for instant use? If not, find out!

Do not put dangerous toys or explosives into the hands of children. The risk is too great. Every cut or abrasion of the skin should be cleaned immediately with thoroughly boiled water. The addition of seven or eight drops of Synol Soap to one-half of a cup of boiled water is valuable or half a dozen drops of five per cent. solution of carbolic acid may be added instead. Carbolic acid is a poison and must be used with caution. If nothing else is at hand put half a teaspoonful of baking soda into the water and remember that anything touching the wound must be surgically clean. Peroxide of hydrogen may be poured directly into the opening to disinfect and "boil out" clinging specks before bandaging.

Flesh wounds from gunpowder are treated the same as other wounds. If the powder has been blown into the eye, flush that organ out gently with a solution of boiled salt and water or sugar and water—a teaspoonful to a pint. Cover the eye and see a surgeon at once. Crushed fingers or toes should be molded gently into shape, covering the operating fingers with clean gauze. If either is nearly severed, put the injured member back instantly, bind, and seek a doctor. In case of injury by nails, thorns, or anything likely to carry infection beneath the surface, cleanse and bind on a pad of iodine form gauze. Treat even a slight injury to the knee, and give perfect rest for at least twenty-four hours. Keep your children out of crowds and those who cannot swim, should not go in small boats or out bathing except in shallow water.

HISTORY —DAY BY DAY—

JULY 2ND.

Battle of Marston Moors, 1644.

IN 1644 the Royalists were besieged in York by Fairfax and the Scottish Army. Prince Rupert was sent by Charles to relieve the city. Rupert marched to the relief, joined with the besieged under the Earl of Newcastle, and gave battle to the Parliamentarians at Marston Moor, a few miles south-west of York. The battle was long and fierce, and in the end was won by Cromwell's Ironsides. The loss on both sides was very great, but the whole of the guns and baggage of the Royalists fell into Cromwell's hands. This battle ruined the Royalist cause in the north of England.

A Gallant Cavalier at Marston Moor.

'Tis noon; the ranks are broken along the royal line; They fly, the braggarts of the

court, the bullies of the Rhine; Stout Langley's cheer is heard no more, and Astley's helm is down, And Rupert sheathes his rapier with a curse and with a frown; And cold Newcastle mutters, as he follows in the flight, "The German boar had better far have supped in York to-night." The knight is all alone, his steel cap cleft in twain. His good buff jerkin crimsoned o'er with many a gory stain. But still he waves the standard, and cries amid the rout, "For Church and King, fair gentlemen, spur on and fight it out!" And now he wields a Roundhead's pike, and now he hurls a staff, And here he quotes a stage play, and there he tells a knave. Good speed to thee, Sir Nicholas! thou hast no thought of fear; Good speed to thee, Sir Nicholas! but fearful odds are here: The traitors ring thee round, and with every blow and thrust, "Down, down, with him to the dust!" "I would," quoth grim old Oliver, "that Belial's trusty sword This day were doing battle for the Saints and for the Lord." (From Praed's "Sir Nicholas at Marston Moor").

A DEMAND FOR AN ELECTION

(To the Editor)


Dear Sir,—As I continue to study your paper I am aware that it is the intention of the present Government to try and keep themselves in power for another year. This brought forth angry feelings already and the worst is yet to come, if ever they attempt to do such a thing. I wonder if the Morris Party thinks that we are babies that he can feed with government pap, and dance us upon his knees. I will admit that too many of my fellow countrymen have partaken of his pap, but to-day our eyes are opened as never before, and even now a vast majority of the voters of this part of Bonavista Bay are right in favour of an election, not only are they in favour of it, but they demand and they insist on having it, and a dark day it will be if their demands are rejected. Morris knows right well that in trying to extend the life of Parliament he is breaking the constitution, and a man who is prepared to do that is not fit to be the leader of the Government of this peaceful Colony. Our brave lads on the battlefield and on board warships are shedding their life's blood in the cause of freedom and justice. They are shedding, I say, their life's blood for us, yet in face of that our leaders would try and bring German rule into our country, and this thing cannot be allowed to continue. The call for recruits for the Army and Navy still goes on, and every day some of our lads are enlisting, but I am surprised to see so many responding to the call; I have enlisted more than once and have been rejected, and I intended enlisting again, but I will never do so while German rule is being introduced into our country. I am no slacker, I am no coward, and I am not afraid to go and fight and if needs be die for my King and Country in defence of British fair play and justice, but I will not go to France for what our Empire holds dear, when our Morris is trampling on what our boys are fighting for. I would like to inform the Recruiting Committee that I am not the only young man who holds that opinion, and when we see fair play given to our people then and only then are we ready to lay down our lives to maintain it. If Morris wants to increase recruiting he must have an election. He says the people do not want an election. If he thinks so I would ask him to face the people and we will soon prove by our ballots that we do indeed want an election. No, Mr. Editor that's not his reason, he knows his day is done, he is sure of his defeat, and he hasn't pluck enough to face the country. Morris and his Party will pay for their laugh with the biggest defeat yet recorded in our country's history. I want to tell you, Sir, that when the Morris Party laughs at the Opposition members they laugh at the people who put them there, and these people, Sir, are as good as ever Morris was or ever he will be. So Sir if Morris would avoid any trouble he better be careful what he is about. Newfoundlanders are not very easily angered, but they are at breaking point, and if once they break out there will be more trouble than he (Morris) imagines. But let him play the man and all be well. COR.

King's Cove, June 26th, 1917.

Germany is to replace silver and nickel money with tin coins.

Apples that are to be baked should be pricked with a fork before being placed in the oven, and they will not break while cooking.

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