

WARM GREETING FOR LABRADOR HERO

Dr. Grenfell, Self-sacrificing Missionary of Northern Fishermen, Speaks in St. John

Touring Canada and States in Interests of His Work—Trinity School Room Too Small for Number Eager to Hear, and Church is Thrown Open—His People and His Noble Work Among Them.

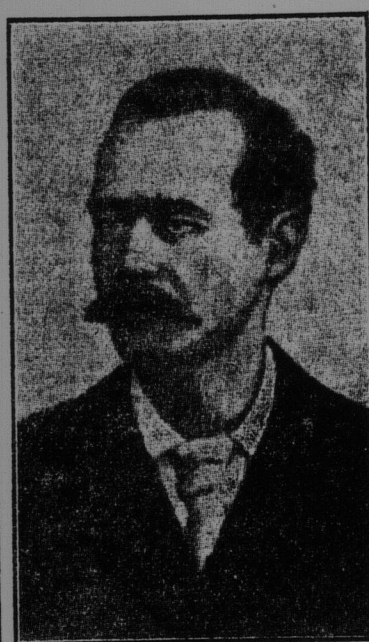
Dr. Wilfrid Grenfell, M.D., Ch.G., whose work among the fishermen on the Labrador coast is so well known throughout the world that it has been referred to as the greatest example of individual self sacrifice of the age, arrived in St. John Wednesday and addressed a very large audience in Trinity church.

Though the meeting was arranged at very short notice the number of people anxious to see and hear this noble man of whom so much has been written was so great that the school room of the church would not accommodate them all, and adjournment was made to the main auditorium.

Senator Ellis presided and briefly introduced the speaker. Dr. Grenfell said he would not go into the early history of the work but would try to tell of some of the things that had been accomplished in bettering the condition of the people who lived on the rocky and rugged coast. He wished to thank the many people in St. John who had contributed to the support of the work and said everyone should try to have an interest in these people. There was a misconception, he claimed, as to the hardships a missionary had to endure. The missionary was not a man who lived on a coast as a laborer. He had his work to do and if everything was not as he was accustomed to at home, it was not necessarily a hardship. Personally he would not change his work for any other.

He had decided to spend some six months in a tour of Canada and the United States to solicit funds for carrying on his work. A missionary could not confine his work to religion entirely on such a coast as Labrador. He had started in as a young man seventeen years ago, coming from the old country where he had worked among the deep sea fishermen, to the coast of Labrador on a small schooner, the expenses of the trip being partly paid by the Colonial office. He had started in as a young man with no money, and he had been there ever since.

When he arrived the problem looked bad. The people were living on an almost universal truck system, bartering what they had for what they wanted. They were simple folk and many had no idea of business dealings at all and knew not the value of money or of making plans to provide for sustenance in the winter season when there was no fishing. Some people suggested that the natives should be removed to some other part of the coast where conditions were better, but this plan was not feasible. The people of Labrador loved their native country. The question to be solved was to devise methods for the people to live in the season of scarcity as in the season of plenty and he was optimistic enough to think it could be done. Dr. Grenfell went on to tell of the improvements made in the manner of trading, of caring for the sick and of the spiritual ministrations. Labrador, he said, had a good climate. The principal disease with which they had to contend was tuberculosis and while he was preaching the gospel he tried to heal the sick at the same time. The people had been accustomed to treat sickness by charms and old fashioned remedies and there was some difficulty in overcoming their ideas in this respect. Three hospitals had been built, however, in different sections and they were well equipped with surgeons and nurses and the sick were being cared for. He cited several cases of cures made and told how the patients, by not following instructions had again become afflicted. Difficulty was experienced in persuading the people to get away from environments that were unhealthy. When he began his visits along the coast a schooner was utilized for a time



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opportunity to make some money and the funds thus secured would be used for doubling the capacity of the hospital at St. Anthony. The doctor spoke of the establishment of co-operative stores and how trade conditions had been improved thereby. The first store of this kind was started in 1896 with a capital of \$85. That store now paid a dividend of 30 per cent. on its capital and last year did a business amounting to \$11,000. They owned the store and had built a new store, new houses and church and had assisted in starting stores in a neighboring village. There were eight of these stores in Labrador now.

Dr. Grenfell said he was strongly opposed to the liquor traffic. Rocks and storms and raging seas didn't compare with the dangers of alcohol. Labrador had prohibition. In Newfoundland, where he had just been, he counted fifty-seven saloons with a view of the vessels in the harbor. St. John's and the county thirty-one were helplessly drunk in the vicinity of these places. He had told the people there that they should not be content to go to the church services while trade conditions prevailed and he hopes to be able to raise sufficient funds to establish a fishermen's institute in St. John's. He was glad to know that a new Seamen's institute was being established here.

In closing, Dr. Grenfell said it was no sacrifice for a missionary to go out and get into the world. There were various ways of getting out of working for Christ. The missionary of today, he said, had to understand that he loved his work and he hoped he had interested them in it. Senator Ellis referred to the pleasure he had been to hear Dr. Grenfell tell of his work, and he believed the people would generously contribute to such a worthy object. A collection was then taken and the meeting closed with the singing of the doxology.

SUFFRAGETTES WEAR THE BROAD ARROW

No Favors Shown the Prisoners in Holloway Jail. NARROW CELLS, HARD BEDS

How Mrs. Pankhurst Will Spend Her Days for Three Months—Must Dine on "Skilly," Fat Bacon and Unseasoned Suet Pudding—Allowed One Book a Week and a Letter Once a Fortnight.

London, Nov. 1.—Britain's peers are now sitting in daily dread of an invasion of their precincts in Westminster by the suffragettes, who further advertised their campaign Wednesday evening when two of them fastened themselves with chains to grills that screen the ladies' gallery from the body of the House of Commons. The Speaker of the Commons has given orders which it is believed will preclude the possibility of any further scenes in the lower House, and now the members of the upper House expect to be tackled in their turn.

Every precaution is of course being taken to prevent such an incursion, but many peers are afraid that feminine ingenuity will find a way to overcome all the obstacles that mere parliamentary ingenuity can devise. A certain natural admiration for the courage of the suffragettes, combined with the feeling that women like Mrs. Pankhurst should not be subjected to the indignities inflicted on ordinary prisoners, has found vent in appeals to the Home Secretary to exercise his presumed right to order them to be treated as first-class inmates. Mr. Herbert Gladstone, however, intimating in parliament that he possessed no such right, and Mrs. Pankhurst and Mrs. Drummond have been placed in the second division at Holloway. Exactly what this means is thus described:

When Mrs. Pankhurst arrived at Holloway she had to strip and be searched, and to take a bath in a room with low partitions over which the wardresses could look. They gave her then a set of coarse underclothing of a make which was positively disgusting in the middle ages, but which in these days is archaic and uncomfortable. The striped stockings to go with these were thick and of a dress from a bundle of dresses, all of green serge stamped with broad arrows. A blue and white checked apron, a white cap over her hair, and a shawl, she completed the costume and the attendant handed her a blue and white handkerchief and told her she must make it last a week.

The cell in which she is confined measures 13 feet by 7. The bed is a plank on which rests a mattress stuffed with hard, dry grass, a wool piece of common soap, a copy of the prison rules and a prayer card. On the floor stand a small tin basin, a pail, a tin water can, a dust pan, and a brush and some rags for cleaning. Between 5 and 6 in the morning Mrs. Pankhurst is awakened, washes in the little tin basin with a piece of yellow soap and dries herself with a towel much like the same soap which she has washed with. For cleaning purposes a bucket of water is supplied, but the small tin can is the only allowance for personal needs. This is used in the morning there is no chance to wash any more.

Meals consist mainly of brown bread, thin gruel or "skilly," potatoes cooked in the skins, suet pudding without sugar, salt or seasoning of any kind. This bill of fare is varied occasionally by soup, meat and fat bacon. The Sunday dish of tinned meat and the hymns in the chapel are observances that remind Mrs. Pankhurst of the prison life. On December 25 that is Christmas Day. One book a week is allowed from the prison library, a letter is allowed once a fortnight.

Mr. Gladstone pointed out when he was questioned about the matter in the Commons that it remained in the Commons to discharge themselves by paying their fines.

WILL MEET NEXT YEAR IN MONCTON

Grand Division, Sons of Temperance, Concluded Business Tuesday

The concluding session of the annual meeting of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance was held Tuesday afternoon. Moncton was chosen as the place for the next annual meeting of the division. The annual grants of \$10 each were passed to each district division for propagation work, and a special grant of the same amount was made to the Kent-Norumberland district for this purpose.

At the morning session yesterday the installation of officers took place, Rev. W. C. Kirby officiating. Addresses were given by C. A. Everett, W. P. M. Allingham brought up the matter of the age limit in regard to voting. He was in favor of members under eighteen years being allowed to vote. The opinion of the members of the grand division was that members under eighteen years should be allowed to vote except on financial matters.

The report of the finance and audit committee showed a balance of \$412.86. The committee on the state of the order regretted a falling-off in membership. They suggested strenuous efforts at the propagation meetings and that the services of one or more good men be obtained for working towards the increase in membership. They reported that good work had been done in connection with the Electoral Reform League and with the Temperance and Election League. It was hoped that similar or greater strength are now being shown among the nation, rather than checking any at a construction, the grand division has proved an additional incentive to the members. For the grand division, the date into immediate obsolescence, has been passed in considerable numbers by any nation desirous of maintaining an honorable position upon the map.

The French Canadian division includes the Lord Nelson and Agassiz and the United States Michigan and South Carolina. The Michigan division is the largest of the grand division, with 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