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**LOCAL ITEMS**

The Municipal Board holds its regular weekly meeting at 8 o'clock to-night.

The Civic Commission holds its regular weekly meeting at 8 o'clock to-night.

Don't forget the prize "Do as you Please" competition at Rossley's this evening.

Mr. and Mrs. K. R. Prowse were passengers by the Stephano yesterday.

Acting Section Commander W. S. Grant who is attached to the First Contingent, left yesterday for England.

No less than twelve large icebergs were reported in the vicinity of Cape Race yesterday. Some of them are around and all are a menace to navigation.

Rev. C. Lench arrived by last night's train from Placentia.

Revs. Father Mahar of St. Lawrence and Wilson of Marystown are now in the city.

The D. I. & S. Co. operating the lime quarry at Port au Port, will resume operations on the first of next month. We understand that a large number of men will be wanted, which will mean a great boon to the many now out of employment.

Capt. Frederickson and crew who were picked off the sinking schooner Golden Rule by the Olinda left by the Stephano yesterday for New York en route to Mobile, Alabama, where they will be paid off.

## Proceedings at the House of Assembly

Wednesday, April 21, 1915.

House met after recess at 8 p.m. Mr. Parsons, chairman.

**MR. GRIMES** opened the debate. He said that before recess was taken, hon. members had been discussing their rights as Members of the Assembly.

They intended they were sent to the House not as delegates, to carry out mandates, but as representatives to use their own judgment on all matters of legislation, and vote in accordance with the same, without even considering the question as to whether a majority of their constituents were in agreement or whether it was in line with the popular will of the country. Above the power of the Legislature was a higher power, and that was the sovereign will of the people.

That alone is supreme, and such measures as the one now being considered, and all Constitutional questions should be given effect to only by the people expressing themselves through a plebiscite. Machinery should be created, permitting a referendum on all such questions. It would be a safeguard against much unwise and dangerous legislation, which too often passes through this House. Besides it would be separating such questions from the realm of party politics and create a healthier view of public affairs.

With the hon. member from St. John's East, Mr. Higgins, he could not agree that the Revenue was a matter of serious consideration. What should be considered was making more happy homes, less ragged and ill-educated children, and supporters of temperance reform will be quite willing to bear any extra cost, should it be required, which he doubted. He (Mr. Grimes) would support the amendment, as its passage would be an expression of the House to the Government that it should bring in a Bill providing for a plebiscite on the question of Total Prohibition.

**MR. CURRIE** said, with regard to the Amendment before the Chair he would vote against it because he had every confidence in the Government.

**MR. MORINE** understood Mr. Currie to say that he had seen and knew what the Government Bill was, and had, therefore, every confidence in the Government, which was on this side did not have. He (Mr. Morine) questioned the bona fide position of the Government, because if the measure they were bringing in was based on the Canadian principles it would simply mean a pledge, with no virtual results. If the Government, however, will give an assurance that legislation would follow the result of the plebiscite, we on this side of the House would withdraw the resolutions and amendment. It was not time enough when the Government came down with their Bill, because every member of it would be hide-bound, or get out.

**MR. HIGGINS** expressed himself as being against the amendment, because the Government had a Bill of the same nature in view, and he also had every confidence in the Government.

**MR. COAKER** said that the hon. member for Burin, Mr. Currie, had said that he would support a Prohibitory Bill, providing it was one that was based on securing its enactment into law by a majority of the electorate. Well, if that is his principle, why does he sit on that side of the House with a Party that represents a minority of the electorate of the country. To be consistent, he should not be sitting there, but on this side of the House, and we should be over there as we represent the majority of the voters. Again he says, "The temperance people in the country did not press for the passage of a prohibitory law through the House, and therefore, would not be justified in supporting any measure that was not called for without a mandate, or something similar." Did the hon. member ask for these conditions when he supported Oosling's Bill relating to the city. No, sir, it is only bluff and nothing more and your pretensions of sincere motives regarding Prohibition will arouse an agitation in your district which will be another Kean Agitation in its extent, and you will never again be elected in the Burin District. The hon. member says he will not vote for the amendment because it would mean a vote of want of confidence in the Government's assurance of a Bill to be presented this Session which would cover the principles of the Resolutions. Why should we on this side take such assurances? The Government pretenses are, we know by experience, only empty words. How have they treated questions we have asked? Why put them off with the old stock answer "In course of preparation." If the Premier will say now that he will

bring in a Bill along the lines as suggested in the amendment, then I am willing to withdraw it, if he assures us that the same will be presented this session.

**MR. DEVEREAUX** treated the question before the Chair as a Party one, and spoke strongly of moral suasion. He spoke also of the impossibility of carrying out the provisions of such an Act as Total Prohibition with the chances of smuggling so convenient.

**MR. HALFYARD** said that a good many speeches had been made during the debate, some good, some indifferent, and some of them avoiding the real subject altogether. He wanted to be candid in saying that he was strongly in favour of Total Prohibition.

The hon. member for Placentia (Mr. Devereaux) had clearly shown that he was against the resolutions, and had to his mind, at least, insulted the intelligence of the temperance people.

He (Mr. Halfyard) said it was mere sophistry and nonsense to talk of moral suasion and having our great ally Russia as having been revolutionized since "Vodka" was prohibited. He supported the amendment in its entirety, dealing with the evils of drunkenness in all its phases, economic, physical and moral, which he illustrated with facts and figures of an authentic nature.

He furthermore said that he did not expect the party spirit would have been introduced until he heard the member for Burin—party spirit should not be brought in at all, but all members should vote according to their convictions.

The passing of this Bill would mean happiness and comfort to thousands of homes in this country, and he gave the amendment his hearty support.

Some further discussion took place in which Messrs. Bennett, Lloyd, Kent and Morine took part and the end came by the Government on a straight party vote vetoing the amendment and resolutions.

After the tabling of several questions the House adjourned till 4 p.m. instead of 3 p.m. on the morning, as a mark of respect to the late Hon. J. B. Ayre and to allow members to attend the funeral.

Thursday, April 22, 1915.

The Speaker took the chair at 4.15 p.m.

**THE COLONIAL SECRETARY** tabled replies to various questions as did also the **PRIME MINISTER.**

**THE COLONIAL SECRETARY** made a statement relative to the Lunatic Asylum and the report of Commission of Enquiry which he tabled.

Minister of Fisheries **PICCOTT** tabled the annual report of his department, also Mr. Duff's report.

The usual Notices of Question form was then gone through, when came the Order of the Day.

House went into Committee of the Whole on the "Act to Increase the Revenue by the imposition of certain duties on the estates of Deceased Persons" and the Act passed its second reading to be read a third time to-morrow.

**Notice of Motion.**

**RT. HON. THE PRIME MINISTER.**—To move the House into Committee of the Whole, to consider certain resolutions, in relation to an agreement entered into by the Government of the Colony with the Newfoundland Products Corporation, Limited.

**THE PREMIER** in moving the House into Committee of the Whole on these resolutions did not intend to do anything more than make a preliminary statement, and ask that the Committee rise till some day next week.

The agreement involved in the resolutions was one of great magnitude, involving considerable concessions on the part of the Government that called for careful consideration by the House.

It was an agreement between the Government—with regard to the manufacture of phosphates at the Bay of Islands—and a Company of which, Mr. Wilson, a Canadian inventor, was the proprietor, and who had associated with him the Rev. Newfoundland Co., the latter giving concessions, so as by a combination of various products assembled at the Bay of Islands a fertilizer would be produced of great value.

The Premier went through the various sections of the resolutions in detail and laid on the table of the House several maps and charts of where concessions were to be granted and gave all the information in his possession relative to the project.

As an instance of the magnitude of the Newfoundland Products Corporation the Premier stated that the total cost of the works—before one dollar's worth of product was shipped—would be some thing like eighteen million dollars of that would be required in order to get the necessary 119,000 horse power for operating. In connection with these works, said the Premier, labour is to be provided for some three or four thousand men at wages of not less than \$1.50 per day.

The Government had this project under their consideration for the past 8 months and considered them thoroughly bona fide, but of course every safeguard had been thrown round the matter.

During the Premier's recital of this gigantic enterprise he was interrupted by Messrs. Morine, Coaker and Lloyd with questions as to the labour principally, to all of which the Premier gave strict attention.

After some discussion and suggestions about maps and charts for the guidance of members, the matter was referred to Committee of the Whole on Wednesday next. House adjourned till to-morrow at 3 p.m.

**Notice of Question**

**MR. HALFYARD.**—To ask the Minister of Public Works to lay upon the table of the House (1) A statement showing the amount of money spent on Maloney's Bridge, in Harbor Main Proper, for the year 1914, the amount each man received, and the name of the parties who received the said amounts; (2) A copy of the returns of the main line grant from Harbor Main to Holyrood for 1914; (3) A copy of the returns of local road grants for Harbor Main Proper for the year 1914.

**MR. HALFYARD.**—To ask the Minister of Public Works to lay upon the table of the House, a statement showing the total cost of the Motor Ferry Service on Placentia Gut, including cost of landing piers, since its inception to date; the name of the parties who received any moneys on this account and the amount received by each.

**MR. GRIMES.**—To ask the Minister of Public Works to lay upon the table of the House a copy of the returns of two allocations, \$50 and \$25, made to Isaac Batten of Dock, Port de Grave District, for 1912-13.

**MR. ABBOTT.**—To ask the Minister of Marine and Fisheries to lay upon the table of the House all correspondence in connection with the appointment of the present Lighthouse Sweeney Head, Bonavista to that position; (b) who recommended the appointment; (c) the names of persons making application in writing for that position; (d) the reason for replacing the late Keeper's son.

**MR. JENNINGS.**—To ask the Hon. Minister of Finance and Customs to lay upon the table of the House, a statement of amount of duties collected by the Sub-Collector at Moreton's Harbor since his appointment; also, statement of duties collected by the Sub-Collector at Exploits for the past two years.

Weather along the line to-day, is wind N. W. light and fine, temperature from 18 to 4 above.

Last night the Central and Western Companies attended a call from Hamilton Street, the roof of Mr. Carter's house having been set on fire by sparks from their chimney. A few pails of water did the necessary before the firemen arrived, and before much damage was done.

A message was received in town yesterday that Hierthy's shop and store at Bay Roberts had been totally destroyed by fire during the day, the origin of the fire being unknown. The buildings and stock, we learn, were covered by insurance.

**MR. ROSSLEY** has been asked by scores to put on the 1st and 2nd Contingents leaving for England. It can be seen for the last time at ROSSLEY'S East End Theatre.

### The Funeral of the Hon. J. B. Ayre

The funeral of the late Hon. J. B. Ayre took place yesterday from his late residence at "Thornlea." There was a very large gathering present, including members of both branches of the Legislature. The Masonic fraternity preceded the hearse, and amongst the mourners were the employees of Ayre & Sons Ltd. Many clergymen were present, including Revs. Canons Smith and Bolt, and Rev. Charles Lench of Grand Bank. The service at the graveside was conducted by Rev. Drs. Cowperthwaite and Fenwick, also Rev. N. M. Guy, whilst the Masonic ritual was read by Rev. Bro. Memmon and the time honored tribute paid by the brethren. The funeral was one of the largest ever seen in the city, bearing evidence of the honor and esteem in which the deceased was held by all classes of people. Interment took place at the General Protestant Cemetery, Riverhead.

### Rossley's Theatres

A crowded house at Rossley's last night and one of the finest performances ever seen. Mr. Ballard Brown and Miss Madge Locke gave almost one hour. The singing of Mr. Ballard Brown was loudly applauded and encored; Miss Madge Locke gave a scene from Richard the Third, also a great impersonation of Madge Wildfire from Lord Tenneyson's novel. Her baby imitations and stories had the house in roars, while her dainty dancing brought down the house. To-night the "Great Go as You Please Competition," lots of competitors, and the 1st and 2nd contingent shown. Children's contest Saturday matinee. Five cents all over the house.

### Ours in the West End

No better show to be seen than that given at Rossley's cosy little West End Theatre. There are many beautiful features both dramatic and comedy; the Vitagraph captures are all fine, but when the Elliott pictures come then there will be a realization in pictures. Those pictures have not yet been seen here, but Mr. Rossley hopes to have them soon. Don't forget the contest to-night at the East End Rossley Theatre.

### At the Nickel

Another great programme has been arranged for the Nickel Theatre to-day, which we are sure will please patrons. Nothing but high-class pictures are shown here, and to-day's is up to the standard. Mr. Howard Stanley is a great attraction. Everyone is delighted with his singing, and justly so, as he is a top-notch. Patrons are now looking forward to the wonderful Log picture in three acts, "Thor, Lord of the Jungle," in which the beautiful actress, Kathleen Williams, is featured. Do not miss it, as it is the best ever presented here.

### At the Casino

Large audiences attended the above theatre last evening to witness the thrilling story of "Captain Alvarez," a six reel Vitagraph production. The work of Miss Edith Storey as "Bonita" and also that of Mr. William Taylor as "Captain Alvarez" was greatly admired—more especially the latter in the difficult role of the hero he acquitted himself magnificently. A matinee will be given to-morrow Saturday at 2.30. On Monday "Mr. Barner of New York" will be the attraction.

### At the Crescent

Don't miss the big show at the Crescent Picture Palace to-day. "The Wiles of a Siren" is a great Kaleid feature in 2 reels; "Quarrell's Son" is a fine war picture; "Sunny Jim at the North Pole" is a melo-drama, featuring Bobby Donnelly, the Biograph boy actor, the greatest juvenile actor of them all, beside two funny comedies. The best show yet. Tomorrow the usual extra pictures will be shown at the matinee. Send the young folks along, the Crescent staff will look after them.

### SHIPPING

S.S. Argyle left Burin at 6.20 p.m. yesterday, going west.

S.S. Bruce left Port aux Basques yesterday at 6.50 p.m.

S.S. Kyle arrived at Port aux Basques at 5.10 p.m. yesterday and sailed at 3.05 this morning.

S.S. Prospero passed Cape Race at 10.40 a.m. and is due at seven this evening.

S.S. Florizel leaves to-morrow for Halifax and New York.

The Morwenna which left yesterday morning for Louisburg passed Cape Race at 10.45 a.m.

The Durango is expected early next week from Liverpool; she is bringing 800 tons of cargo.

The Lake Simcoe, now ready to sail for Brazil, will hardly get away before the end of the month.

The brig. Ada Peard, which has been ready to sail for Brazil for several days, is still detained by adverse weather.

The Baline, owned by Mr. Geo. Neal, is now under charter to the Canadian Government and is operating out of Halifax, where she will be engaged for some time.

### Don't forget to ask your grocer about LaFrance & Satina Tablets.

A boy, 10 years of age, suffering from diphtheria, was removed from Bleaming St. to the Hospital yesterday.

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Messrs. Bowring Bros. received messages from Capt. Bishop of the Eagle and Capt. Bartlett of the Terra Nova yesterday. Neither Captain reported having taken any seals for the day.

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### You can buy cheaper coating, but you cannot get better than Elastic Cement Roofing Paint.

The baseball teams have a record to be proud of for over fifty per cent. of those who lined up last season have done their duty to King and Country by enlisting in the 1st Nfld. Regiment, the figures being thirty-three out of sixty-two players. Besides this nine others volunteered but were rejected for various reasons. Preparations for the games for the season are now being made and a successful series is anticipated.

### Don't forget the Big Competition Friday night at ROSSLEY'S.

Lots of fun. 1st prize, \$5.00; 2nd prize, \$3.00; 3rd prize, \$2.00. Children's contest at Saturday matinee.

### Girls Friendly Society Celebrate

The Girls' Friendly Society celebrated their "annual" day yesterday. At 7 a.m. Holy Communion was celebrated at the Cathedral at which a large number of members attended, and an inspiring address was delivered by Rev. Canon White. In the evening an entertainment was held at the Synod Hall, amongst those present being Lady Davidson, Miss Davidson, Revs. Canons Smith and Bolt, Dr. E. Jones, Brinton, Stamp Adams and Cracknell. The concert was thoroughly enjoyed by the large number present.

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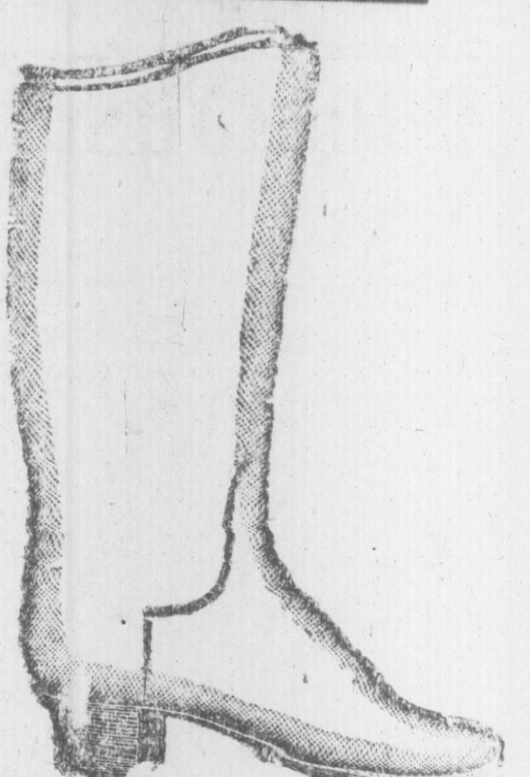
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