

American Dirigible Coming Here.

Organizing Party Preparing Pleasantville—May be in Tonight.

Newfoundland certainly is getting her share of things aeronautical nowadays, for there are now aeroplanes and seaplanes here, and very soon we will see a balloon floating over the old town and anchoring at Pleasantville. The American dirigible Chicago arrived in port Saturday. By her came an advance organizing party of aeronauts to prepare for the reception of the airship from the States. The party are: Lieut. Charles G. Little, commanding officer; Lieut. C. N. Kory, aerographic, or meteorological officer; Lieut. R. F. Tyler, hydrogen expert; Lieut. R. A. D. Preston, and Ensign Peck, every one of them aviators of experience and service. Seen by a Telegram reporter this morning, Lieut. Little stated that the Chicago had brought him and his party for the purpose of selecting and preparing a landing place for the C-5 balloon, which is coming here from America within the next week. After a short search, Lieut. Little selected Pleasantville as being the most adaptable place. Mr. W. E. Bearn, very kindly gave a house and shed of his to the Americans, while an adjoining field, also his property, will be used by them.

Mr. A. C. Ross has given a pasture field to be used as thought best, while the field of Mr. William Woodley was unhesitatingly offered and as unhesitatingly accepted, the Americans being highly pleased with the courtesy and camaraderie shown by Mr. Woodley. Stores and material have been taken to the house owned by Mr. W. E. Bearn. These goods consisting of gas "bottles," made of iron, and each holding one pound of hydrogen gas. They each weigh two hundred pounds, and were hauled to Pleasantville by Lester's horses. There are 1000 of these bottles, the contents of which is used to inflate the balloon. Fifty sailors from the Chicago are daily engaged at Pleasantville in unloading the bottles, building a landing platform and in other ways preparing for the reception of the gasbag. The balloon itself is small, measuring only 200 feet in length, and carrying a car 35 feet in length. In this the crew ride. This crew consists of Lieut.-Commander E. W. Coll, the commanding officer, and five others: three pilots, and one mechanic. She is at present at Monmouth Point, New York, where there is a big aerial station. She is not intended to fly the Atlantic, despite the statement that appeared in one of yesterday's papers, and if successful in her 1,200 miles journey from New York to here, she will in all probability return again. It is not known exactly when she will arrive here, but probably it will be within a week.

Lieut. Little could not state definitely. It was rumoured on the street, however, that she would arrive tonight. This was not confirmed. She has made 6 test flights, and is practically new. Lieut. Little flew her in her trial flights. She carries two Union motors, fore and aft, driving the one propeller, and attains a speed of 55 miles in still air, plus the wind.

New Steamship Line.

The Evening Telegram is in a position to state that a company has been formed in Quebec, styled the St. Lawrence Shipping and Trading Co. of Quebec, which will be subsidized by the Canadian Govt., and will give a fortnightly service, between Montreal, Quebec and St. John's, calling at Gulf ports, Charlottetown, P. E. I., and Sydney, C.B. It is said this steamer will have accommodation for fifty first class passengers, thirty second class and forty third class. She will be between 1,500 and 2,500 tons gross, and will steam ten knots. This will be a great boon conferred by the Canadian Government on Canadian-Newfoundland trade, as well as passenger traffic. The service will commence about the end of the present month and will continue until the close of navigation.

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Items of Interest.

GATHERED FROM EVERYWHERE.

The English astrologer who is predicting another world war might at least have waited until the Peace Conference has completed its labors.

Travelling Incognito, the Queen of Italy, accompanied by Princesses Yolanda and Malfalda and the Duchess of Aosta, arrived in Paris.

Persons in Vienna are still being attacked by the malady already reported as "adult rickets," the victims showing symptoms of complete paralysis.

The main street of Southwark borough in London, with an enormous motor traffic, is to be paved with rubber blocks, wood paving having proved a failure.

A stone studded with gold has been found close to the Mother Shipton Mine at Temora, New South Wales, Australia, and the whole locality has been pegged out.

Fashion writers in New York, in commenting on the latest Paris styles, say some of them are too daring altogether to find acceptance in America. One hardly dare imagine how "daring" they are.

Women on juries in California have been rendering satisfactory service, and now in San Francisco for the first time two women have been chosen to serve on the County Grand Jury.

New large destroyers, known as the S. class, will form the destroyer flotilla earmarked for the Mediterranean. Twenty of these vessels will be sent out, together with two of the most modern flotilla leaders.

Canada has now 30,000 miles of railway, or one mile to every 210 of its population. The United States has an average of one mile to every 400 of the population.

King George V. has sent a donation to a woman in Guernsey, who has just given birth to her sixth son of twins and has ten other children. Eighteen members of this family are living.

The ownership of an apartment house which has just been erected at Atlantic City is divided among the 18 tenant who are to occupy the flats, and who think that they will save money by co-operating and paying rent to themselves.

A woman trying to board a street car in Philadelphia stuck because her skirt was so tight and the crowd was so large that it was just impossible to lift the garment above the straining point. A street cleaner came to the rescue. His shovel was held between the car step and the street, and the additional step furnished the assistance needed.

Patron Saints of Paris.

Paris has a wealth of saints—no fewer than three of whom she has adopted as patrons.

In the year A.D. 250 or thereabouts a holy man—a missionary—was beheaded on the Hill of Montmartre, whereupon his body got up and walked away with the head under his arm. A miracle so great could only result in one thing—namely, the canonization of the victim, and later St. Denis became the chief patron saint of Paris.

A Generous Captain.

The second patron saint of Paris is St. Martin. During the Roman occupation of Gaul, one bitter day a Roman captain, named Martin, saw a wretched beggar shivering in his rags. Not being wealthy man himself, he sought a way of alleviating the poor man's misery. Finally he hit upon the expedient of cutting his cloak in two with his sword, and wrapping one half round the beggar, he departed, wrapping the other half round himself.

When the Huns First Threatened Paris.

In the quaint little church of St. Etienne-du-Mont, in the Latin Quarter, you may purchase at a stall, directly tucked away in a side chapel, a medal bearing the effigy of a tall, slender woman gazing over a wall at a city lying below in the moonlight. This is St. Genevieve. After the Roman occupation of Gaul Paris waxed rich in commerce and agriculture, and, as in later years, attracted the greedy notice of the Huns. The city was on the point of surrendering when a peasant girl, named Genevieve, appeared, urging the people under the leadership of their Bishop to resist the enemy. To such good purpose did she use her powers of persuasion that the Huns were driven back. No wonder the people of Paris venerated Genevieve, who lived among them for many years, and finally adopted her as one of their patron saints. Her shrine—a gorgeous gilded ark—stands, ablaze with votive candles, in the church of St. Etienne, close to the stall where the medals are sold.

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MINARD'S LINDENT CURES DIPHTHERIA.

Octogenarian Celebrates Birthday.

Our old townsman, Mr. David Smallwood, celebrated his 80th birthday yesterday. Mr. Smallwood was born in Prince Edward Island, coming to Newfoundland more than fifty years ago. He was the builder and owner of the second water mill in the country, and of the first steam mill. Mr. Smallwood was always a well known figure in Newfoundland commerce, having founded and built up the present F. Smallwood shoe-business. He was also widely known as a pedestrian of remarkable endurance, while in jumping few could equal and none excel him. Even to this day he is as smart and spry as a man years younger, and is out in his garden early every morning, attending to his "crops." It looks as if he was intending to stay on until the centenary mark is reached, and that he does is the hope of his friends all over the country, for the founder of "Smallwood's Boots, the best of leather," made thousands of friends over all Newfoundland.

Shipping Notes.

The S. S. Neptune arrived here yesterday from North Sydney with a load of coal.

The schooner Emma Bellevue is now at Halifax undergoing repairs.

The schr. Amy B. Silver is now loading codfish for Barbados, at Baine Johnstone & Co.

The schr. Lowell F. Parks and others are expected shortly with cargoes of molasses from Barbados.

The steamer Adolph is due here Thursday from New York direct with general cargo.

The schooner Corsair 21 days from Boston, arrived here yesterday with a cargo of dry goods, to the Robinson Export Co.

The schooner Bertie Oke, Capt. S. N. Abbott, arrived in port yesterday from Green Bay. She is the first schooner to come around Cape Freels this season. The Capt. reports that the ice is inside of the Wadham Islands.

The steamer Sachem is leaving Liverpool on Saturday for here.

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Here and There.

When you want Steak's, Chops, Cutlets and Collops, try ELLIS.

POLICE COURT.—A drunk was fined one dollar. A slander case from Pouch Cove comes up this afternoon.

MEN PICKED UP.—The four men that were missing from the schooner Belbina were picked up near St. Pierre and brought to Gaultois.

The S. S. MEIGLE will sail from Dry Dock Wharf this evening at 7 o'clock, instead of 4, as advertised.—May 13, 1919.

PROSPERO TO LEAVE NEWCASTLE.—The s.s. Prospero will leave South Shields, Newcastle, for this port on May 24th.

DIANA AT HERRING NECK.—The s.s. Diana, which has been hung up at Herring Neck since Wednesday, 7th inst., tried to get away to-day for Twillingate, being compelled, however, to return on account of heavy ice.

St. Thomas's Women's Association will hold a Competition and Sale of Camisoles on Friday afternoon, May 30th, in Canon Wood Hall.—May 13, 1919.

BAND CONCERT.—We understand that by special permission of Admiral Wood, the splendid band of the U.S.S. Chicago will give a concert in aid of Jensen Camp, so soon as arrangements for a hall can be finalized by the camp committee.

At the Methodist College Hall on Thursday night Capt. Campbell will sing "Flanders Fields," must specially composed for this concert by Mr. F. R. Emerson.—May 13, 1919.

SLIGHT STREET CAR ACCIDENT.—At the Adelaide-Water St. junction of the street railway line, 12.30 to-day, the East end car struck the sprinkler which was stopped too near the frog. The end of the sprinkler, or cab in which the driver stands, was shifted a half foot, but the driver was not injured.

GUESTS AT THE CROSBIE.—Walter Pritchard, New York; P. J. Hunter and L. S. Bruce, St. John; N. B. J. B. Moore, New Glasgow; John Duff, Carbonear; F. Forward and wife, and W. M. Forsey, Grand Bank; S. Downer, Halifax.

Americans Building Observatory.

Three carpenters under the Chief "Chips" of the U.S.S. Chicago now in port were engaged this morning in building an observatory on the roof of the Museum building. This will be used in connection with air tests for the dirigible coming to the town. It will be remembered that the British meteorological officer, Lieut. Clements, also had a station erected in the same place, upon coming here.

For Mr. White's Benefit.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Dear Sir—Kindly permit me to comment once more on Mr. White's letters in the "Daily News," re certain sections of the Charter now before the Legislature.

The additional section noticed by Mr. White was submitted by me to the Council and then to the members for St. John's, and again has an entirely different effect to what he apparently attributes to it.

Mr. White has misunderstood the meaning of the sections completely. They inflicted no hardships on the working classes, but were entirely for their benefit and for that of the general public of St. John's.

To save Mr. White from further mistakes, I may explain that the new section is for the purpose of preventing a man who has a house with large grounds from claiming exemption from the cost of "improvements" for any more than 80 feet of frontage.

Yours truly, W. G. GOSLING.

May 13, 1919.

Sable I. Leaves.

The s.s. Sable I. left here this morning at 10 o'clock for North Sydney, taking the following passengers: W. M. Harris, wife and five children; Mrs. John Barrett, George Edgecombe, Mr. George Penney, Mrs. Penney, Mr. A. C. and Mrs. MacDonald, Mr. Patrick Wadden, Mrs. D. G. Kennedy, Mrs. A. Malone, John Gosse, Mrs. John MacGregor, Miss Brown, Mrs. M. Babbitts, Miss Bertha Doyle, Hon. J. and Mrs. Harvey, Mrs. R. A. Squires, C. C. Pratt, John T. Kelly, S. Elliott.

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Dissipated Goldfish.

V. E. Shelford tells in the "Journal of the American Pharmaceutical Association" how he corrupted the habits of goldfish. He provided a shallow tank for them into which water flowed at one end with a drug in solution and at the other end without the drug. The outlet was in the middle so that the fish had complete freedom to swim away from the drug or into it, and to select any concentration.

His first experiment was with carbon dioxide, giving the fish a kind of attenuated plain soda water. They swam into it and backed away again with protruded lower lip and lifted gills, but despite what seemed like coughing and gulping they did not turn away from it. Perhaps they were practicing up against a sporting life to come.

With morphine there was no apparent rejection even at first. They soon became sufficiently addicted to it to swim over to the inlet of the morphine solution and stay there. Some kept away from the greatest concentration, while others became regular dope fiends.

With cocaine after a short exposure they refused to leave the solution inlet and remained close to it until they died from its effects.

With ethyl or grain alcohol they soon learned where a solution of about 10 per cent was to be found and stayed there as long as possible. They are reported to have become "semi-intoxicated," but just how drunk a semi-intoxicated fish is we are unable to say.

A tadpole bucket cheerfully in a 20 per cent solution of alcohol and water, which has the killing power of average whiskey mixed half and half with water. What a full grown bullfrog would do under such a temptation it is difficult to guess. Perhaps he "would a-wooloo go."

Scientific research often confirms established traditions. Goldfish preferred the strength of a full bodied wine for theirs.

No record is given of the effects of the cigarette smoking habit upon fish.

Personal Mention.

Mr. R. E. Chambers arrived from New Glasgow by the Sable I. yesterday morning, and proceeded to Wadham Island.

Mr. Thomas F. Judge is on a visit to the city from Grand Falls. He is registered at the Crosbie.

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European Army Uniforms.

Until the great war broke out France had never adopted any official field uniform for its army as a whole. Troops on duty in Africa had been supplied with khaki, while several experimental uniforms had been tried in sections of the home army. When the war broke out in 1914 the troops went into service in their historic red and blue. The impracticability of this uniform was soon discovered, and a colored cloth of light grayish blue was adopted. This was said to blend better with the surroundings in the field in Northern France than the khaki worn by the British.

The British army was first entirely equipped with a field service uniform in the South African War of 1899-1902. The color adopted was the same as the khaki-colored uniforms which had been used in India and the same uniform is still used.

Though varying in color and details this type of uniform has been practically copied by all nations.

The uniforms of the Italians have been rather French in character, particularly since the Napoleonic conquest of Italy, but of an endless variety of colors. Previous to the unity of the country in 1861 each separate kingdom and state maintained and dressed its army as it saw fit. It was not until 1870 that the entire Italian army came under one dress regulation. These regulations were changed in 1890, at which time the present uniform was adopted. The field uniform is brownish gray in color.

In Germany experiments with a field service uniform were begun immediately after Britain's war with the Boers, but it was not until 1908 that a definite uniform was decided upon. The army since that time has been equipped with field uniforms of brownish gray. Military critics of the war of the nations agreed that it was the most practical of the uniforms now in the field as far as adaptability for concealment is concerned, though the tight-fitting tunics and heavy helmets are unsuited for modern warfare.

Scraps of Information.

The only beast of prey found in Australia is the dingy, or wild dog. Some of the giant crabs found in India measure two feet in length.

A person begins to lose height at the age of fifty, and at the age of ninety has lost at least one and a half inches.

Some of the wooden churches of Norway are fully 700 years old, and are still in an excellent state of preservation. Their timbers have successfully resisted the frosty and almost Arctic winters because they have been repeatedly coated with tar.

Snakes have the greatest number of ribs. The boa constrictor has no fewer than 320 pairs. The rattlesnake has 171 pairs. The box constrictor sometimes attains to an enormous size, and has been reported as reaching the length of thirty feet.

The shark has 95 pairs of ribs, and the conger eel 60. The two-toed sloth has 46 ribs—23 on each side—as against the 24 ribs of man.

Good Stories.

From The Latest Popular Books.

Here's a good story from Mr. Frank M. Boyd's entertaining book entitled "A Pelican's Tale."

Sir Henry Ponsbury was in attendance on Queen Victoria one day at Windsor, and Her Majesty had strolled out on the terrace to listen to the admirable and spirited music then being played by one of the Guards' bands. One tune in particular caught her attention and secured her special regard, and she sent a message to the bandmaster—perhaps he was Dan Godfrey, perhaps he wasn't—saying she would like the piece to be played over again. And the thing was done. Ever mindful of little courtesies the Queen then asked Sir Henry to express her satisfaction to the bandmaster and to inquire the title of the melody which had so won her approval. What Sir Henry told the Queen on returning from his little errand is not recorded, but it must have been distinctly difficult for even the most diplomatic courier to explain that the air was that of a very popular music hall song of the period, bearing the classic title, "Come where the Boogie is Cheaper."

One other: The performance of the lady who used to be fired from a cannon at the old Aquarium was burlesqued at the old Gaiety by Edward Terry and Nellie Farren, and when the latter got into the dummy cannon, Terry, in a curious, jerky voice, was wont to say, "Are you in; are you in; are you Nellie Farren?"

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Canada and Titles.

It is Time We Decided What We Shall Do.

What is Canada going to settle down to in the matter of titles? Probably nearly all will agree that the social and economic conditions of this country are unsuited to hereditary titles; and it is equally natural that the development of democratic feeling should make the vox populi pronounce with increasing decision against knighthoods, though they are not hereditary, especially as they are suspected of being the reward, very frequently, of wire-pulling, and of party, rather than public, services. On the other hand so long as we remain a United Empire and subjects of the King it seems a pity and an anomaly that, under no circumstances, should public service be permitted to receive titular recognition at the hands of the sovereign. Might not a wise compromise be found by distinguishing between prefixes and affixes; in stopping the former, and not the latter? Every graduate of a university is entitled to an affix of B.A., or M.A., or LL.B., as the case may be. Why then should affixes such as C.B., C.M.G., or O.B.E., be objected to? Affixes will never minister to nobility as prefixes may undoubtedly do; nor would they tempt in nearly the same degree to wire-

pulling for the obtaining of them, doubt it may be objected—Why do colonial subjects be thus confined to the lower stages of the order of knighthood? But there is no reason why they should. All that is necessary is to bar the use of the prefix "Sir." Apart from this a C.B., or a C.M.G., or a C.O.B., or a K.C.B., or hold any other knighthood ready the same thing is the case of foreign honorary members of our orders. General Pershing is a C.B., a C.M.G., or the C.O.B., or the C.M.G., not the K.C.B., or the K.C.M.G., that be any ground of objection to it was done purely at the request of the country?—The Canadian Law

From Cape Race.

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