

LAST NIGHT'S SERVICES AT GOWER STREET CHURCH

Rev. Dr. Bond Delivered An Eloquent Address on His- tory of Methodism

THE UNVEILING OF THE MURAL TABLET

Methodists Well Represented in Britain's Army— 750,000 Enlisted

Gower St. Methodist Church was crowded to the doors last night, the occasion being the Centennial celebration of the Methodism in this city.

At 8 p.m., His Excellency accompanied by Lady Davidson, Miss Davidson and Capt. Goodridge, A.D.C., arrived, being received by the Church officials.

The hymn "O God of Deities" followed, in which the entire congregation joined heartily, and then came the address.

Dr. Bond was in splendid form, and the story of what God had wrought was told in a manner that gripped the hearts and excited the keenest interests of his hearers, and even had it ended with its telling not one but would have been amply satisfied with the eloquent and historical feast.

Little is written in the records of that far off day, a hundred years ago, when in October 1818 John E. Pickavant took charge of the little Methodist chapel on the old Gower St. site, and let it not be said by our successors that a similar paucity of information exists as to the proceedings of the centenary.

The sermon of Rev. Dr. Darby on Sunday evening, and last night's oration by Rev. Dr. Bond should be preserved in the annals of Methodism in Newfoundland.

The unveiling of the Mural Tablet followed, and was preceded by an earnest and thoughtful address by His Excellency, whom President Matthews had asked to perform that duty.

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This Tablet commemorates the founding of the Methodist Church of St. John's in the year 1814, by the Rev. John Pickavant, of Lancashire, England, and honours the Memory of those faithful Missionaries whose ministry has profoundly influenced the Religious life of this Island

Erected in connection with a centenary celebration in this Church, on the 21st day of June in the year 1915.

"God Bless our Native Land," the National Anthem, Benediction by the Rev. Dr. Morton, a former Gower Street Pastor, and an Organ Postlude by Mr. Gordon Christian, brought this meeting of exceptional interest and interest to a close.

Bell Island Tragedy

To-day we got further particulars of the Bell Island tragedy to which the Mail and Advocate exclusively referred yesterday. Both from people who arrived today and from the Deputy Minister of Justice, who had particulars by telegraph today, we learn that the accident to the little girls Parsons occurred on Saturday afternoon. Both children, with their aunt, Mrs. Parsons and a girl, were picking dandelions at Freshwater, contiguous to the cliff.

The children after a while went in advance of their adult companion, and were seen, after picking the root for a while, to begin to play and romp about. A scream was heard, but the others, who were busy picking and stooping down, did not mind this, attributing it to the gleeful cries of the youngsters, as they ran about.

Suddenly the woman noticed they had disappeared and becoming alarmed, found one of the children's hats, a pair which they had, and their knives near the cliff edge. She gave the alarm and later the two little bodies were taken from the bottom in 8 feet of water.

The cliff over which they fell was nearly 200 feet high and there were three projections on its front, from which, it is believed, the little bodies rebounded as they descended. It is thought they were killed before they struck the water. One was the only child of Joseph Parsons, the other was the child of Thomas.

They were buried Tuesday, Rev. Mr. Leago, of Portugal Cove, conducting the burial service.

St. Bon's L.A. Meet

Yesterday a meeting of St. Bon's Ladies' Association was held, Mrs. P. C. O'Driscoll presiding and there being a large attendance.

The College sports take place to-morrow week and a special effort will be made by the ladies to wipe the debt from the College. At the Sports, afternoon teas and refreshments will be served and they look for a large attendance and liberal patronage.

Wallace's Chocolates R most excellent.—ap12,tf

Fogota Here

The S.S. Fogota, Capt. Dalton, arrived here at 7 last evening and in the run north got down to her destination—Change Islands. She met heavy drift ice at Dog Bay, which continued north, and the ship, owing to the ice blockade, could not negotiate Joe Batt's Arm or Tilting. The ship brought 14 first and 14 second class passengers.

Sagona At Battle Hr.

Yesterday afternoon the Reid Nfld. Co. had a wire from Capt. Parsons, of the Sagona, stating that the ship had arrived at Battle Hr. at 1 p.m. The weather was calm and foggy, and the ship went through 70 miles of ice between Cape Freels and a point 40 miles north of the banks. Thence to Battle Hr. she had to clear.

With an off-shore wind to clear the coast, from Cape Freels north, the Labrador fleet should get down to the coast.

Good Fishing

All the boats out of St. John's had large fares of cod this morning. At Bay Bulls yesterday 20 traps had 25 qtls, each and others from 5 to 10 qtls. At Witless Bay good work was done and Mr. L. Mulleney has now over 100 qtls. under salt. At Petty Hr. the boats had 3 to 5 qtls., and all along the Southern Shore and up Conception Bay there is an excellent sign of cod.

Fishery News

Message to Marine and Fisheries to-day:

"King's Cove—Nothing doing here; traps 1/2 to 1 qtl. Good reports from Keels and along Western Head Shore, traps there securing good hauls."

Ask your dealer for Wallace's Souvenir box chocolates. Three pictures of 1st Nfld. Contingent on cover—quality "Most excellent."—ap12,tf

Kyle's Passengers

The Kyle arrived at Basque at 7.25 this a.m., bringing A. L. Buhlen, W. B. Bellow, L. McNeill, Mrs. R. S. Hann, Mrs. W. B. Moore, Mrs. F. W. Roddick, G. Galpin, Geo. Lehr and M. McKenzie.

THE NICKELS

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The programme at the Nickel theatre was full of features yesterday and it afforded the greatest pleasure to all the patrons. Our mutual girl is always attractive and yesterday's episode was even better than the others. The great attraction, however, was the appearance of the Canadian baritone Forbes Law Duguid. So much had been said of Mr. Duguid's ability that patrons expected something above the ordinary and they were no one disappointed. Without doubt he is one of the greatest baritone that has ever been heard in St. John's. His opening numbers were immense successes. He is the possessor of a rich deep voice of marvellous power and range. Artists at the Nickel are usually given an enthusiastic reception on the opening day.

Mr. Duguid won such a warm place in the hearts of his hearers that he was thunderously applauded. Yesterday afternoon he opened with "Goodbye" and the applause so great that he had to respond to an encore. Those who did not hear him yesterday should go to-day. The pictures are well worth seeing too. To-morrow "The Million Dollar Mystery" will be continued.

ROSSLEY'S EAST END

There was a good house at Rossley's again last night. The pictures are splendid. "The Day of her Wedding" is a special Vitagraph feature. The costumes and scenery are magnificent. Stocks & Bonds is another Vitagraph feature. In fact every picture was as good as Rossley's. The Sunshine Girls gave some real good songs and dances. Until the arrival of the new company Rossley's will run good pictures with songs and comedy sketches, look out for the big surprise contest on Friday night. This competition will make you laugh more than others. Tickets on sale at the East End Theatre. Be in time and secure one if you want a seat.

ROSSLEY'S WEST END

The patrons of the popular little theatre enjoyed the good programme last night. The pictures are some of the best to be seen in the city and the two little singers received great applause when they appeared dressed in charming costumes, and sang well. There is always a good show at the cosy little house.

THE CRESCENT

The programme at this popular picture theatre for to-night is a most attractive one. The special feature film is "The Shadow of Tragedy" in two reels—especially interesting. A Lu-In drama "The Long Lane" and a Vitagraph "His Wedding Will" featuring Leah Baird, are also well worth seeing. "Sophie's Legacy" is an uproarious Essanay Comedy that furnishes an minutes fun for everybody. The all programme is the biggest show in the city and for the least money charge for admission. Afternoon and evening, one price, 5 cents.

The members of George St. and Wesley Bible Classes are reminded of the practice to-night in Wesley Bible Class room at 7.30 sharp. All members are asked to make a special effort to be present.

Enjoyable Smoker

Last night in the B. I. S. rooms a very enjoyable "smoker" was held under the management of Mr. Jno. L. Slattery. Quite a number of the members were present and interesting numbers were given by Messrs. Halley, Power, Keough, Sullivan, D. Avray, Brown, McCarthy, Strang, Slattery, and Dr. V. P. Burke. Messrs. Halley and Slattery Jr. were the accompanists. The proceeds were devoted to the Literary and Amusement funds.

Don't forget to ask your grocer about LaFrance & Satina Tablets.—ap12,tf

PERSONAL

Mr. J. W. Nichols, Secretary of the Methodist Centennial Committee must feel gratified with the great success of last night's meeting.

Rev. Dr. Morton who spent many years in this city and who is remembered with affection and esteem, arrived by yesterday's express to attend the Methodist Conference.

Rev. F. Galways, formerly of this city, is a passenger by the Stephano from New York and will be present at the Consecration Ceremony of Archbishop-Elect Roach.

Sir E. R. Bowring is a passenger by Stephano from New York due to arrive here on Thursday.

F.P.U. Notes

The schr. "Dogota", Capt. Geo. Moulard of Douing Cove loaded fishery supplies at the F.P.U. wharf yesterday and sailed this morning for home.

The schooner Jacinth, Capt. Barbour of Newtown is taking fishery supplies and freight for Newtown Union store at the F. P. U. wharf.

The "Cant Looe" is taking a full load of salt to-day from the salt steamer discharging at Job's and will discharge the salt at Mr. Breton enroute to Sydney. She leaves for H. Breton to-morrow morning.

The schr. "Meletus", Capt. Arch Hynes of Bay Roberts, is at the F.P.U. wharf, taking fishery supplies. Capt. Hynes is one of Bay Roberts' youngest and successful planters, for since he took charge of a schooner he has been very fortunate. May his usual good luck follow him the coming season.

ELECTRICAL DECORATIONS

All yesterday a staff of electricians and others were engaged at the R.C. Cathedral grounds. The imposing facade of the Church will, we hear, be beautifully ornamented with electrical devices, while from the towers and in the space between, colored electric lights will be draped to the falls below, and the effect at night will be extremely pretty. At intervals right round the rails which surround the grounds, extending from the west-entrance of the Cathedral, around to the Presentation Convent, pillars have been set. These will be capped handsome and very brilliant electric bulbs, and the spaces between will be hung with colored lights, forming a bright electric ring round the spacious enclosure.

The work of putting up the addition and embellishment of that building is now almost complete.

Fishery Fleet Gone

Since Friday evening last pretty nearly all the Northern and Western fishing craft having secured their supplies, have sailed to take up the voyage. Most received their supplies, and quite a number paid cash for them. Though ice prevents fishing North to date, we learn by the Fogota and by passengers on the trains, that there is a good sign of cod in several places and the people anticipate a good voyage. West and South some good fish fare are being taken and prospects are bright. Most of the Northern fleet are now ready to sail for Labrador, and all are awaiting the Erik's report as to ice conditions, with keen interest.

OBITUARY

CAPT. WILLIAM G. CROSS

Another popular and highly esteemed master mariner in the person of Capt. William G. Cross passed over to the Great Beyond, after a painful and protracted illness, at 1.15 a.m. to-day. Capt. Cross was born in Trinity in 1867 and from his early youth was attracted to a sea-faring life, so that while quite young he entered on a nautical career, and though still quite young passed a brilliant navigation exam. In his first command, Duder's "Mayflower," and in the "Sunbeam" and "Gibraltar" later he became renowned locally for splendid seaman ship and quick passages, and this professional trait remained with him.

When on taking charge of steam he commanded in turn the steamers "Lucerne," "Strathavin," and Bellaventure, from which latter ship he resigned as a result of failing health. He performed a remarkable and plucky feat while in the Regulus in 1898 during the Spanish-American War by running the blockade and entering Havana Harbor.

Capt. Cross possessed characteristics of hand and heart which endeared him to all, not alone to his comrades of the nautical profession, but to those in other walks of life. Surviving him are a widow, one daughter, Mrs. Henry Ellefsen of Norway, three brothers, Capt. Charles of the Bellaventure, Frank in British Columbia and Geo. of the Martin Hardware Co. There are five sisters, Mesdames Tucker, Norcott, Williams, Winsor and Smith, the latter in the U. S.

Deceased was a prominent member of Tasker Lodge 404, R.S., A.F., and A.M., and Shannon Chapter No. 9 of St John's. To his bereaved widow and relatives, The Mail and Advocate tenders its deepest sympathy.

Velvet pencils for commercial use.—ap12,tf

LOCAL ITEMS

Head Constable Peet, who was doing special duty up country, returned here by yesterday's express.

LEAGUE FOOTBALL—St. George's Field—Casuals vs St. Bon's, 7 p.m. Admission 5 cents; ladies free; Grand Stand 5 cents extra.

The Fogota reports that while she was at Bay de Verde, traps had from 4 to 15 qtls.

The general committee of the Consecration celebration meets to-night in the armoury, T. A. Hall, at 8 o'clock and the decoration committee immediately afterwards.

Work on the building in Water St. East for the Commercial Cable Co. is going ahead rapidly and the foundation is now nearing completion.

The police made 5 arrests last evening, 3 drunks and disorderly and 2 ordinary drunks.

Last evening three Germans who had been held in the Penitentiary as prisoners of war were taken to the Police Station and will later be sent to an outpost.

Yesterday when the dry dock was pumped out some caplin were found in the basin, showing that these valuable little fish are about the shore.

The work of putting up the arches at Patrick's Street, Rawlin's Cross and Hoyestown is proceeding apace and they will be finished by the end of the week. They will present a very pretty appearance when finished.

The Fogota this trip brought a number of Bonavista fishermen off to the Wadhams. A lot of loose ice surrounds the Islands, owing to which people cannot begin fishing operations.

The Fogota reports that Seldom, Wesleyville and other places north, are jammed with heavy drift ice, and possibly never before was the like witnessed so late in the season.

The figures of the Norwegian catch up to the 18th instant, as received by the Deputy Minister of Customs are 63,700,000 against 79,800,000 at the corresponding date last year.

Yesterday the two divers here on the tug "Coastguard" were down taking a preliminary survey of the work to be done on the "Desola." Capt. Saunders has charge of the work and as soon as possible the 10-inch pumps will be got to work after the hull of the ship is attended to. The Captain is satisfied that both ships will be raised in time.

We hear that a ghost troubles the tidewaiters' room, near the King's Wharf, and that one night recently unearthly noises were heard. Three of the officers who were sleeping there quit, when the wraith, whom one of them saw, began to hustle about the furniture and seats. Possibly the promise of a grab to a relative might lay the ghost.

Yesterday morning, Const. Mercer, of the West End, found a young lad, who belonged to Cupids, at the Railway Station, trying to get home. He had been in service in a nearby out-poor and had been turned adrift. The boy had not enough money to pay his passage home, so the kind-hearted officer took him to the Western Station, fed him and sent him away by the evening train, he and the other men of the Station, making up the shortage in cash for him.

In a report to the Board of Trade yesterday Sub-Collector S. E. Chafe, gives the catch of codfish between South Point and Bay Roberts Point as 150 quintals for the last week being which time one trap secured 70 and another 50. There is some herding and a good sign of caplin for bait but hook and liners are doing nothing to date.

Venus and Velvet pencils will give you satisfaction.—ap12,tf

St. John's Municipal Council PUBLIC NOTICE

King's Road will be closed to traffic for a few days.

By order, J. L. SLATTERY, Sec.-Treas.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL-- LAST NIGHT'S GAME

Irish Defeat "Combine" in Spirited Game Before Fair Captain Hartery Warmly Welcomed

B.I.S. 1 GOAL; C.E.I.-FEILDANS 0

St. Bon's and Casuals Will Try Conclusions in To-night's Game

Despite the cold weather conditions for the merry month of June, a fair fathering of spectators lined the enclosure and partly filled the stand last night to witness the opening match in the second week of the League championship fixtures. The match was between the B.I.S. and C.E.I.-F. teams, who were represented by the following players:

B.I.S.—Goal. Walsh; backs, C. Thomas and J. Kavanagh; half backs, W. Duggan, T. R. Jackman and E. Kavanagh; forwards, Simms, Constanline, R. Jackman, McGrath and A. Duffy.

C.E.I.-F.—Goal. S. Long; backs, Byatt and Hussey; half backs, C. Brookes, Droyer and M. Stick; forwards, Fox, R. Stick, T. Winter, Bugden and Adams.

Winter won the toss, choosing the Western goal, and at 7.05 Dick Jackman kicked off for the Irishmen. The game opened at a moderately fast pace with fairly even exchanges for a few minutes, then the C.E.I.-F. combine got aggressive and Fox, Adams and Winter in turn tried to beat Walsh who however proved a capable custodian and kept his goal intact. Some mid-field play followed then a corner conceded the Irishmen. This was nicely placed, but cleared and then shot past.

From the goal kick, the combine rushed for the other end, where Jack Kavanagh cleared with a long drive, and dangerously near the penalty line, a C.E.I.-F. infringement gave the Irishmen a free kick. This was nicely taken by Toby Jackman and a goal almost resulted. Immediately afterwards some hustling play occurred right in the mouth of combine goal but Long was safe and cleared in brilliant fashion.

The game from this till close of the half was if anything in favor of the C.E.I.-F. but no score was put on and the teams crossed "honours even."

This half opened with the Irishmen forcing the pace, but erratic shooting and off side play spoiled scoring chances. They continued pressing and for some few minutes of time kept the ball well in combine territory. The red and white stripes then had a turn of aggressive work, but the Irish defence was not to be broken and from a breaking combined run, Dick Jackman got possession in front of goal and netted the one and only goal of the match—one for the Irish, after 15 minutes play.

Play now got of a give-and-take nature, fairly clean, and with honours even, continuing this till some five minutes before time was called, when the Irishmen, who were the more active lot, again got aggressive and secured a corner. This proved fruitless however as Duggan placed behind.

From the goal kick, the Irishmen again rushed, and Long in clearing had to concede another corner. This was nicely placed by Duffy but cleared to mid field by Hussey. Shortly afterwards, with the ball in C.E.I.-F. territory the final whistle blew, a well contested game thus resulting in a B.I.S. win, score 1 goal to 1.

Referee, J. Congdon; linesman, W. Oliver and A. Nothor.

Friday night's postponed match between "Casuals" and "St. Bon's" will be played this evening, the following being the probable players:— ST. BON'S—Goal. Knight; backs Power and Ryan; halves, Rawlins, Siggins and McGrath; forwards, Walt Callahan, W. Callahan, Smith, Furbieux and Thorne.

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION AT BAY BULLS

Sunday afternoon Bay Bulls was enfeite when the annual Corpus Christi Procession was held through the settlement. Large numbers of people were present from all over the shore and many from the city. Amidst the pealing of the church and convent bells, the procession with Rev. Dean Roach bearing the monstrance, wended its way through the streets and on the main thoroughfare, where two beautiful altars were erected. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was imparted to the kneeling and bowed multitude. The same ceremony occurred in the church, after which Rev. Fr. McCarthy delivered a beautiful impressive sermon. The singing by the choir of the O'Salutaris and Tantum Ergo was faultless.

Collected \$1166

The collection taken up at all the R. C. Churches, Sunday, for the upkeep of Belvedere and Mount Carmel Cemeteries amounted altogether to \$1166.55. The committees beg to return their sincere thanks to the donors, and also desire to thank the press for its assistance and kindly notices.

Methodist Conference

TO-DAY—10 a.m., Ministerial Session of Conference. 2.30 p.m., Stationing Committee, Church Parlor; Nominating Committee, No. 1 Class Room; Statistical Committee, Minister's Vestry; State of the Work Committee, No. 2 Class Room. 4.30 p.m., Sunday School Commit., No. 4 Class Room.

8 p.m., Theological Lecture, by Rev. Professor F. W. W. DesBarres, B.A. TO-MORROW—9.30 a.m., Annual Conference opens; Election of Officers. 11.30 a.m., Conference Prayer Meeting. 8 p.m., Open Session: Conversation on the State of the Work; Discussion of the Report of the Social Service and Evangelism Committee.

CASUAL—Goal. Peters; backs, Hartery and Thistle; halves, Marshall, Woods and Gaudie; forwards, Pearcy, Lush, Rendell, Chaney and Smith.

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FAT P.E.I. CATTLE & YOUNG PIGS AUCTION To-morrow (Tuesday) at 12 o'clock on the wharf of George Neal 40 HEAD FAT P.E.I. CATTLE 4 SPRINGERS, 62 YOUNG PIGS. Ex Schr. "Vendetta" from P.E.I. Also just arrived ex Schr. "Hesperian" 1900 BUSHELS P.E.I. POTATOES.