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SATURDAY, June 5th, 1915.

The Closing of the Legislature.

This afternoon His Excellency the Governor closes the Legislature. The session commenced far too late for the convenience of the general body of members, and owing to the importance of the measures before it, it has been protracted somewhat more than usual. With the experience of last session before them, the new members of the House have kept themselves more closely to the issues to be discussed and their speeches have been briefer, more to the point and more effective. Considerable attention was necessarily directed to the Labrador situation, arising largely out of the war, and in other respects from the large expenditures, the heavy obligations incurred by the Government since they were returned to power, and the mistakes made in the Budget of 1913. The general effect of all of these factors has been in spite of the additional taxation put on in March, 1914, September, 1914, and May, 1915, that the Reserve Fund of half a million has disappeared and a loan has been arranged with the Bank of Montreal to cover an anticipated deficit at the end of this month of half a million dollars. It is to be hoped that this will prove sufficient to enable the Finance Minister to start with a clean sheet for the current accounts of next year, commencing on the first of next month. Outside of the financial proposals the measures which have excited most controversy have been the Products Bill, the Licensing of the Export of Pulpwood from the Labrador, the Sealing Bill, the Labrador Current Price Bill and the Loggers Bill. The Products Bill was considerably amended and many of the most objectionable features were removed, but not all of them. The Labrador Pulp Bill is a reversal of the policy of both parties in the past and was strenuously opposed. The Labrador Current Price Bill split on the rock of the Council's refusal to permit the fishermen to be represented on the Board proposed through their Union. The Sealing Bill was defeated by the Council's refusal to accept the clauses recommended by the Commission of the three Judges for compensation to be paid by the owners of sealing vessels if sealers lost their lives or became permanently injured through the default of the masters in having men out on the ice at night. A Commission will be appointed to work out of session with the object of bridging the difficulties which at present exist, and with a view to the introduction of a new bill next session. There is still one outstanding difficulty in the Loggers Bill, which it is hoped will be surmounted before the Legislature closes at three o'clock.

The Governor's Speech in Closing Legislature.

Mr. President and Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council;
Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honourable House of Assembly.

In relieving you from your sessional duties, I regret unusually arduous by the lateness of the season, and the consequent interference with your personal affairs, I desire to thank you, in the first place, for the spirit in which you have responded to the call to perform your legislative functions at a necessarily inconvenient period, and, in the second place, for the unanimity that has marked your deliberations in all matters of Imperial interest.

I also warmly thank you for the measures you have taken to ensure the Colony's participation with the rest of the Empire in the great War which is calling forth all the resources of the British race for the maintenance of the world's freedom and the advancement of civilization. I earnestly trust that the Colony's

contingents towards the naval and military strength of the Empire, will prove effective in proportion to the numbers engaged, as they will serve to make manifest the desire of the whole people of Newfoundland to ensure an early and successful termination of this great struggle through an honourable and lasting peace dictated by the allied nations.

The provision you have made for pensions and allowances for those of our men on active service by sea or land who may suffer disablement, and for the dependents of those who may fall in defence of the flag, is highly creditable to you and testifies to the praiseworthy spirit in which every aspect of this overpowering problem is dealt with by the Legislature and people of this Colony.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honourable House of Assembly:

I thank you for the appropriations you have made for carrying on the Public Service and for meeting the obligations which the War has brought upon the Colony. The money so provided will be expended with special regard to economy in view of the trying circumstances which confront us and the world at large.

Mr. President and Honourable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council;
Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Honourable House of Assembly:

The Bill which you have passed providing for the establishment on the West Coast and on the Labrador of industrial enterprises of exceptional magnitude will, I trust, result in the early initiation of those undertakings and the providing of further means whereby great numbers of our people may secure permanent and remunerative employment and the Colony a further addition to an enhanced and lasting prosperity. In bidding you farewell I earnestly pray that the appalling conflict now raging in the Old World may be brought to a speedy and honourable issue, and that our country, with the blessings of Peace, may then renew the conditions of material well-being which were its portion for many years past.

McMartin Case.

Board of Trade Building,
St. John's, Nfld.,
June 4th, 1915.

Dear Sir,—My attention has been called to an article which appeared in a recent issue of your paper purporting to be an account of a settlement of the Reid-McMartin litigation, in which it was stated that John McMartin acknowledged having signed the one hundred thousand dollar promissory note, upon which he was sued in our Courts last year by Messrs. Job Bros. & Co., Ltd. If this were true it would mean that Mr. McMartin had acknowledged that he was guilty of a deliberate perjury at the trial here. I wish you would publicly announce that Mr. McMartin did not admit signing the note; that Mr. McMartin denies having signed the note, and that the Montreal Star, the paper which published the statement which you copied, has in its issue of the 1st instant retraced the statements made with regard to Mr. McMartin.

Thanking you in advance,
Yours very truly,
WM. R. HOWLEY.

[It will be seen by the statement of Mr. Howley that Mr. McMartin did not admit signing the note, and that Mr. McMartin denies having signed the note. We publish below the retraction of the Montreal Star, of June 1st. We copied the article from an issue of an earlier date.—Ed.]

Retraction.

The following was published in the Montreal Star in its issue of June 1st: "McMartin-Reid Wrong Report is Corrected.—McMartin Never Acknowledged Guiltiness of His Signature." Judge St. Cyr, on Thursday last, posed the litigation between Robert H. Reid and John McMartin which had been occupying the attention of the Court for five months. A report

of the case as printed in the Star on that day stated erroneously that Mr. McMartin had acknowledged the genuineness of the signature on a note for \$100,000 which was in dispute. We regret exceedingly this voluntary error. Mr. McMartin never at any time acknowledged his signature to the note. Mr. Reid was brought to Court on a complaint laid by Mr. McMartin charging him with obtaining 7,500 shares of The Labrador Pulp and Lumber Company by false pretences. As the trial proceeded a charge of perjury was laid against Mr. McMartin by Daniel Ford, when Mr. McMartin swore that the signature on the note for \$100,000 was a perjury. The note was signed by Messrs. Reid and Ford and purported to have been signed by Messrs. John and Duncan McMartin and the Supreme Court of Newfoundland by a unanimous judgment of its members had already held that John McMartin had not signed the note. No appeal has been entered against this judgment. One of the leading witnesses in the perjury charge was C. A. Massey, and before Judge St. Cyr on Friday, A. R. McMaster, K.C., for the prosecutor stated that he felt he could not in fairness rely on the evidence of this witness and had no additional evidence to offer. He expressed his willingness to have the perjury charge against John McMartin dismissed, and Judge St. Cyr, upon this declaration, as to the evidence of Massey by the prosecutor made in the presence and with the approval of Messrs. Ford and Reid at once dismissed the charge.

HELEN — Oh, Frank, dear, where do you intend going Tuesday night?

FRANK — Why, dear, I am going to the Reserve's Dance and I want you to come along with me.—jun4,2i



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Here and There.

RUSHING STEPHANO.—It is hoped to get the s.s. Stephano away from Halifax this midnight for this port.

EXPRESS ARRIVES.—The Bruce express and local from Carbonear, via Brigus, arrived in the city at 12:45 p.m. to-day.

A REAL MUSICAL TREAT.—Violin Solos by Miss Sybil Johnson, College Hall, June 7th.—li

DOWRYING'S SHIPS.—The Prospero left King's Cove this morning, going North. The Portia left Grand Bank at 4 o'clock last evening.

SUCCESSFUL ENTERTAINMENT.—The annual tea and entertainment of the St. John's Band of Hope took place in the Congregational Lecture Hall last night and proved a great success.

A popular favorite, Mr. Tom O'Neil in his latest successes at the College Hall, June 7th.—li

POLICE COURT.—The boy for riding a bicycle at night without a light, was fined \$2 or 7 days; the defendant in an assault case was fined \$2 or 7 days; another assault case was postponed.

Miss Dorothy Johnson's "Villia" from "The Merry Widow" is hard to beat—also at the College Hall, June 7th.—jun5,li

KYLE'S PASSENGERS.—The Kyle arrived at Port aux Basques at 8:15 a.m. to-day, bringing 73 packages of mail and the following passengers in saloon: Miss Nellie Travers, Miss J. P. Keough, Dr. Mosley.

Miss Elsie Herder will sing "My Laddie" and "Will-o'-the-Wisp" at Scout Concert on Monday night at College Hall.—li

COMING FOR REPAIRS.—The s.s. Mancuria, which struck a "growler" and was damaged while going north for a load of pit props, is coming on here to be docked for repairs. She is supposed to be leaking badly.

C. C. C. Reserve Annual Dance Tuesday night, T. A. Armoury. Get your tickets at A. S. Wadden's and Smyth's Furnishing Store.—jun4,2i

BANKERS HOME.—The following was received from Salmoner to-day: "Schooners May Belle with 200 tubs of codfish, and Minnie Clyde with 100 arrived from the Banks yesterday. Herring are plentiful here."

PINAFORTE SOLO — Miss Lucile Ladley at the Boy Scouts' Grand Concert, Monday, June 7th, in College Hall.—jun5,li

REACHED BLANC SABLON.—Word has been received by Messrs. Job Bros. & Co., that the s.s. Beothic which sailed from here for Blanc Sablon, with supplies, reached that port at noon yesterday.

PRISONER OF WAR.—According to letters recently received in this city, Private John Murphy, formerly of St. John's, is now a prisoner of war in Belgium. The soldier prisoner is a son of Margaret and the late James Murphy. His mother resides in New Glasgow, N.S. Private Murphy was amongst the first Canadians who went to the front. He was wounded in the knee and was afterwards captured by the Germans. His brother James Murphy has been invalided home having also been injured in the knee by a fall from his horse.

"I'll Make a Man of You." by Miss Nellie Job. Come and hear it. Also "Land of Hope and Glory" in Mr. H. Courtenay's best style at the College Hall, Monday, June 7th, 8.15.—li

THE "STRONG HEART" AT THE NICKEL.

The week-end programme at the Nickel Theatre last evening attracted a large number of patrons as usual. The feature film was a beautiful presentation of Klaus and Erlanger's great drama "Strong Heart" which is in three reels. It is a remarkable portrayal of one of America's greatest dramatic successes. The Hearst Serial News Pictorial contained a number of war pictures which were very interesting. "The Hazards of Helen" which is one of the best series made, will be given at the Nickel shortly. On Monday there will be another episode of "Our Mutual Girl." Do you attend the Nickel on Saturday evenings? You should go this evening and see the grand pictures and hear the excellent music.

Miss Grace Colton will sing "The Spring Song." You should hear it at the College Hall. Don't forget Monday night, 8.15. Tickets selling like hot cakes at Dicks'.—jun5,li

DIED.

Yesterday afternoon at the General Hospital, the result of injuries received in a shooting accident, Thos. J. second son of Richard and Mary E. Rogers, aged 11 years; funeral tomorrow, Sunday, at 2.30 o'clock, from his late residence, 251 South Side; friends will please accept this intimation.

Passed peacefully away at 9 a.m. yesterday, Mary, widow of the late Asahiel Alcock, aged 85 years, leaving three daughters and two sons to mourn their loss. Funeral on Sunday at 2.30 p.m. from her daughter's residence, Mrs. R. B. Crocker, Golf Avenue; friends and acquaintances will please accept this, the only intimation.

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The production of this great picture at the Casino Theatre last night was attended by large numbers of people who expressed as specially pleased with the "excellent" entertainment given them. The story surrounds an actor of a century ago who was a particular favorite of the Prince of Wales. On account of his many gentlemanly qualifications he

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is admitted to society and causes quite a commotion among the fair sex. He endeavours to steer clear of scandal but his efforts prove fruitless and at last a series of complications arise that cause him, during a production of Romeo and Juliet to lose his head, and he publicly insults the Prince. His friends think him crazy and place him in a safe place. The Prince likes him so well that he instantly forgives him. The actor never for a moment dreams that he is the victim of a base conspiracy in which fair hearts are at stake and so he goes on his way, until the truth is known. Miss Gertrude Coughlin portrays a very difficult part to perfection and her rendition has won her fame. To-night is the last on which this great picture will be shown, therefore avail of the opportunity now.

CUTEY'S WIFE.

"Cutey's Wife," the Vitagraph two reel comedy feature that the Crescent Picture Palace is showing to-day is one of the best comedy pictures released this season by any company. Its a classy picture wholly devoid of slapstick but funny just the same. Wallie Van and Lillian Walker are the principals supported by a strong cast. The dramas on the programme are certainly good ones up to the standard the Crescent usually supplies. The scenes of the great Curand Liner Lusitania are very interesting and shows the different depart-

ments of the big ship, the noted passengers who were on board, the exact spot off Kinsale Head where she went down, and everything of interest in connection with the ill-fated vessel's last voyage. To-day will be the last chance to see these interesting views.

THE BRITISH THEATRE.
A special feature of last night's programme at this theatre was the industrial film, showing the process of canning fruit and vegetables in California. The picture is of much educational value and was favorably commented on by all who saw it. The other subjects were most interesting, the comedies being particularly pleasing. The drama "Accused," by the Kaleen players, is full of human interest and should not be missed by lovers of good motion pictures. A special programme for the children will be given at the matinee this afternoon. Mr. Arthur Priestman Cameron will be heard in his favorite comedy numbers.

COMMENDS VOLUNTEERS.—People around town to-day speak in commendable terms of the services rendered by our volunteers at last evening's fire, which is referred to in another column. It is said that their efforts combined with the promptness and efficiency of the regular firemen undoubtedly saved a big conflagration.

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LONDON.
The Times' Mitylene correspondent telegraphing on Friday, combined general assault on positions on the Gallipoli began on Friday morning.

WANT ALL THE REVENUE CAN BE MADE.

LIVERPOOL.

Continuing the campaign organization of the munition in the country and the of the output of shells and materials required by the David Lloyd George, the Minister, addressed here to-day of employers and men. He urged upon the that for the duration of Union regulations should be so that every available woman could be employed necessary work. If every tonist, Lloyd George told, we enough labor to produce Government is asking to be during the next few

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