

Civic Commission Weekly Meeting

Mark Gibbons Thinks Engineer and Secretary Should be Pensioned—Jas. King Will Again Act as Swimming Instructor at Quidi Vidi

Mr. Gosling, the chairman, presided at last night's meeting of the Civic Commission.

I. G. Sullivan sent a report from Head Dawe referring to the danger caused by the throwing of refuse in an East End cemetery, which is in proximity to the oil shed. It was pointed out in the communication that the Commission had no authority to permit the lighting of open fires, this right being vested in the Head of the Fire Department. Mr. Sullivan's communication will be fully considered.

The Secretary of the Citizens' Committee acknowledged the receipt of plans of the city, forwarded by the Engineer.

W. V. Drayton wrote that he would pay half the cost of the gutter and curb in connection with his putting down a concrete sidewalk fronting the Cochrane Hotel.

Mark Gibbons, Gear Street, wrote a letter dealing with water and sewerage, and suggested that the Engineer and Secretary be pensioned. The Engineer, before being pensioned, will deal with Mr. Gibbons' complaint.

Mrs. Knowling asked that Shaw's Lane be cleaned up and repaired. Referred to the Engineer.

James King applied for reappointment as swimming instructor at Quidi Vidi Lake. Mr. King gave satisfaction last year, and will be employed again this season.

Messrs Smith and Sparks were appointed as park police from the present month up to October.

Plans of double house submitted by E. Moore and T. W. Sparks, LeMarchant Road, were not approved of until the proposals with Mr. McLaughlin are finalized.

J. B. Ureghart, Quartermaster Nfld. Regiment, asked that he be released from paying tax for motor car, as it would be used in connection with the Regiment. As others of the Regiment use cars and pay taxes, Mr. Ureghart will also have to pay.

The Public Health Officer reported eleven cases of diphtheria for the week, and one death.

The assistant to water foreman Flynn asked for an increase of wages. The Council could not entertain the request.

W. F. Snow forwarded plans of two houses to be built in Hamilton St. Referred to the Engineer.

Mr. W. White asked permission to build an outhouse near his property, LeMarchant Road. Engineer will enquire.

Permission was given to erect temporary fence around the rinks, where the volunteers will reside.

The answer to A. Hayward's letter re overtaxation of Warren's estate, the valuation cannot be altered as the appraisement court was closed.

ROYAL OAK PICNIC

The members of Royal Oak Lodge, L.O.A., intend holding a picnic on the 12th July next and a thoroughly enjoyable time is in store for all who attend. No doubt a large number will be present.

WANTED--A General Servant to go to Montreal. Good wages given, passage paid. Apply to MRS. CHAS. MYERS, 23 Field Street.—jnc1,21

LOST--On Wednesday Pair Eye Glasses and Case. Finder will please return same to this office and get reward.—m26tf

LOST--The 22nd inst., about 8.30 p.m., between Barter's Hill and LeMarchant Road, a Pocket Book containing a sum of Money, the property of a Volunteer. Finder will be rewarded by leaving same at this office.—tf

WANTED--An Experienced Dry Goods Salesman. Apply by letter, stating age, length of experience, where employed, and salary expected, to "CONFIDENTIAL." The Mail and Advocate office.—may13,tf

WANTED--By a competent and Steady Man, a position as Manager of a Goddard Oil Factory. Can give good references as to ability, &c. Apply at this office.—may29,tf

Wanted, by a Young Bachelor (who failed to pass medical examination for active service) with an income of approximately \$1500.00 per annum, to correspond with a young woman with matrimony as the object. All communications treated confidentially. Apply X.Y.Z., care this office.—jnc2,11

OUR THEATRES

THE NICKEL

To-day and to-morrow there is a big patriotic programme which includes the imposing picture of "His Majesty the King's Visit to France." The King reviews the tower of the French army in France. These pictures are authorized by the French government and should be seen by all here. His Majesty is given a hearty reception from the French troops. "The Truth About Helen," is a powerful social drama in four parts, featuring the well known artist Grace Williams, Robert S. Conness and Augustus Phillips. "The Little Cupids" is a charming comedy-drama by the Majestic Co. "Quits" is the comedy, with Cutedy in the lead. All the pictures are the best obtainable, and Bert Stanley will be heard in another comic song. Patrons should not miss this great show.

THE CRESCENT

Mr. Frank DeGroot sings New York's latest song hit, "Sweet Cider Time When You Were Mine" at the Crescent Picture Palace to-day. To-day's picture programme is a great one; the feature picture is a three reel Diamond special, "The Jungle Lovers" produced by the Selig Company. The Edison Company presents "A Sprig of Shamrock," a pretty Irish drama featuring Pat O'Malley and Bessie Larn. "Versus Sledge Hammers" is an awfully funny Snakeville comedy. Professor McCarthy presides at the piano and has arranged a programme of latest and best music for this show.

Dr. Grenfell and Those Press Reports

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir—After reading the press comments respecting certain statements alleged to have been made by Dr. Grenfell, I wired the Doctor at Sydney, N.S., and have since received the following reply:

"Utterly unable understand, have never felt or expressed anywhere anything but unbounded admiration of Newfoundland during War, have never felt or mentioned any unusual needs of country. Fortunately Sir Herbert B. Ames attended meetings. Whole hearted in Newfoundland."

"Will you please publish." Dr. Grenfell will receive the clippings to-morrow, and upon arrival, on or before Monday, will meet the allegations made.

Yours very truly, The International Grenfell Assoc., A. SHEARD, Secretary and Manager, St. John's, June 1, 1916.

FIRST BASEBALL GAME

A delegation from the Baseball League consisting of Messrs. Hawvermale, Higgins and Grace met the lady organizers of the newly formed Soldiers' and Sailors' Club at the residence of Mrs. John Browning last night to make arrangements for the opening baseball game between the Cubs and B.I.S. on June 14th. The entire proceeds of which will be devoted to this fund. It is the intention of the Ladies' Committee to serve teas and dispense the usual refreshments during the progress of the game, and in view of the laudable object, (the providing of a comfortable club for our brave boys), we feel sure that their efforts will meet with the success they deserve.

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M. A. DUFFY, AGENT.

Norwegian Steamer Ashore St. Vincent's

Has Cargo of Grain From Baltimore—Fogata and Portia Are at Scene of Wreck—Steamer Runs Ashore in Dense Fog at 3 p.m. Yesterday

Yesterday afternoon Messrs Bowring Bros. had a wire that the S.S. Lyngfjord had gone ashore at 3 p.m. at St. Vincent, Holyrood, St. Mary's Bay, during a dense fog. No further particulars were at hand up to last night at 10 o'clock. The ship left Baltimore for Scandinavian ports on the 21st. May, passed Cape Henry on the 22nd with a cargo of wheat, and in the fog which was very dense all yesterday and with the aid of the heavy currents which set landwards in this section, she was dragged in on the land it is thought. It was feared last night that the ship would become a total wreck.

At 9.30 last night the Fogata left here, taking Mr. Tasker Cook and Sgt Furlong and Const. T. Stamp. The ship is a vessel of 2,510 tons gross, 1,578 nett and was built in 1890 by Short & Bros of Sunderland, England. She was formerly the S.S. Evangelos and was recently transferred to Norwegian register. She is now owned by Messrs Onon, Milberg & Co., Christiania.

The Portia on her way here was at Trepassy when the ship stranded and will also render aid.

CITIZENS' COMMITTEE MEETING.

The Committee of Citizens dealing with the new Civic Charter met again last night with a large attendance. The Charter, as far as section 48, was given keen scrutiny, several clauses being deferred for further discussion later. Messrs. Soper, Darter and Joyce were appointed a Committee to interview the Ccl. Secretary to get a proper definition as to the qualification of voters, and at the meeting the Minister of Justice will lend his aid. The Committee will meet again Monday night.

CADETS HOLD DRILL.

The new companies formed for the C.C.C. were put through the new military drill last night by Lieut. Campbell. The lads are quickly learning it and they meet for drill again on next Thursday night. The boys will then be measured for their new uniforms. The armoury is being put in fine shape with new gymnasium, laboratories, baths &c., and the battalion will be in excellent shape this season.

Notes From Keels B.B.

Monday, May 22.—Business fairly good; good sign of fish with jigger; traps from 1 to 3 quintals.

Tuesday, May 23.—Business varying; no improvement; traps average from 1 to 3 qtls.; hoop business about closed for this season; everybody busy getting their traps out.

Wednesday, May 24.—Little improvement with traps, averaging from 1 to 6 quintals; hook and line, half quintal for a boat.

Thursday, May 25.—Traps from 4 to 5 qtls; hook and line, half quintal a boat; bait scarce.

Friday, May 26.—Weather disagreeable, wind N. E. with dense fog; traps about the same.

Saturday, May 27.—No change in weather, fish about the same; best trap here about 30 qtls to date. Keel's, May 22, 1916.

"CLOVER LEAF" TOBACCO CASE

In the celebrated Clover Leaf Tobacco case which has occupied the time of the Supreme Court for some months back, a decision was handed down yesterday by the full Bench in favor of Mr. M. A. Duffy with all costs in his favor.

We congratulate the defendant on his great success in winning this case. We would also like to add congratulations to Dr. Lloyd who has come out victorious in winning his first case in the Supreme Court.

RECEIVED AN UGLY WOUND

While Ben Spurrell of Trinity was at work on board the schooner 'Maud' at Bowring Bros' wharf yesterday afternoon and as a heavy yard was being taken from the hold, the fall gave out. The luff hook struck the man a terrific blow in the left eye and he was knocked to the deck. He bled profusely and received a severe wound. Going to Water Street Const. Whalen took him to McMurdy's pharmacy but he could not be treated for such a serious hurt and the officer then brought him to Dr. Mitchell's surgery where he was attended to. It is feared the sight of the eye will be impaired.

Empire Day Red Cross Fund

(Editor Mail and Advocate) Dear Sir—Will you kindly publish the following list of subscribers to the Empire Day Red Cross Fund, from employees Reid Newfoundland Co. the total having been already acknowledged in the general list.

Yours truly, F. H. STEER.

- S. B. Kesner \$ 2.00
H. Crawford 25.00
\$20.00 each—J. P. Powell, Hector Ross, W. E. Ladley
\$10.00 each—P. Rioux, J. W. N. Johnstone, D. P. Duff, H. McNeil
\$5.00 each—G. Cobb, W. F. Joyce, J. W. Morris, G. W. Gushue, H. Fraser, J. C. Perez, Jas. Kelt, J. J. Lacey
\$2.00 each—R. Rodgers, W. Ruxton, R. E. Hughes, A. Hollett, H. Leverman, P. J. Carter, L. G. Kennedy, Thos. Joy, J. Jacobs, Fred Molloy
\$1.50 each—P. Ryan, E. J. Cole, John Molloy, Ike Rose
\$1.00 each—W. J. Kent, W. Brown, C. Quick, T. Winsor, G. L. Hancock, W. McKay, J. May, G. Driscoll, J. J. Shortall, F. Hartery, R. Keough, F. Goadby, Sr., W. Smith, D. Pelley, W. Chaney, F. Goadby, Jr., D. Melvin, S. Antle, John Molloy, P. Murphy, W. J. Corbett, S. Stowe, T. Stick, T. Hoyles, R. W. Bennett, W. Murrin, W. Chaney, A. Dahley, E. Dawe, U. Tilley, J. Hoskins, W. Grant, C. Downton, Fred Dawe, W. Tobin, W. Norris, J. Jenkins, Jas. Lush, J. Turner, J. Chaney, R. Stowe, T. Shave, W. H. Sellars, W. Hillier, P. Hiscock, G. Tucker, Wm. Taylor, C. Delaney, C. R. Puddister, P. Tobin, T. C. Noel, R. Sparkes, John E. Dgay, L. W. Donnel, Jas. Moores, A. G. Lake, J. L. G. Tessier
Sums under \$1.00 20.20
Total \$274.20
F. H. STEER, Treasurer.

LOCAL ITEMS

The S. S. Scottish Hero went in on the dry dock last evening to receive repairs and get a general clean up.

The express with the Kyle's passengers arrived here at 4.30 p.m. yesterday.

The whaler Cachalot sails to-morrow for Hawk's Hr. to begin the fishery and will take an outside run to avoid the ice.

The S.S. Stephano will not leave here for New York until Tuesday next and on arrival there will likely be docked for inspection. The ship is scheduled (subject to change) to leave here again on the 27th, and the Florizel now making a run to West Indies, on the 17th.

The 26 Naval Reservists who arrived by the Stephano yesterday came out to Halifax from England. All are outport men, except Messrs. Lowry, Northcott and Downs, and they go home by this evening's train. The men saw service on various ships in different places, Messrs. Lowry and Northcott having been in the Dardanelles.

At Government House grounds to-morrow forenoon the Volunteers will be inspected by His Excellency the Governor. Fully 800 men, we hear, will be in line and the parade will be the largest since the inauguration of the Force. The Force will be put through various drills and the manoeuvres will no doubt be witnessed by many citizens.

C. L. B. HOLD DRILL.

The whole battalion of the C. L. B. had drill last evening and later went for a route march, accompanied by the drum and bugle corps. Quite a number of recruits have recently come into the ranks and the brigade is in excellent standing.

CHILDREN GO ASTRAY

To-day two little children 3 and 4 years old strayed away from their home on Queen's Road and their mother, Mrs. Hancock, was very perturbed about them. She tried the police station at 1 p.m. but they were not there and she feared they were gone to the dry dock where their father works and that some accident might occur to them.

A Letter From Mr. J. T. Martin

Will Not Run For Mayor in Forthcoming Election—Thinks Time Allotted For New Council Too Short to be Effective

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir—A mention was made in the press last week that I would offer myself as a candidate for Mayor in the civic election soon to be held. I ask your kind permission to state my position in the matter.

The announcement to which I refer was not official on my part, still as several hundreds of my friends and fellow citizens had requested me to become a candidate for Mayor I offered no objection to the statement pending consideration of a matter so important as this is.

I have decided, however, after mature reflection and deliberation, to stand aside at this juncture of civic affairs and thus to reserve the question of my re-entrance into Municipal politics until the new charter is shaped in conformity with the people's wishes. The very limited and restricted time, only two years, to be granted to the Council now to be elected, does not impress me as giving sufficient scope for matters Municipal, except to pick up the tail ends of the work of the present Commissioners.

I should like to avail of this opportunity to express my very warmest thanks to the hundreds of my numerous friends amongst all classes and from all over the city, who have come forward spontaneously within the past few weeks and freely and cheerfully tendered me their valued influence and support for the Mayoralty chair. Their kindness I deeply appreciate and I trust our mutual good friendship will long continue.

The support they thus voluntarily tendered me now, and the splendid and successful rally they made in my favor during two previous civic elections, are to me treasures I shall ever feel proud of and deeply cherish in my memory, and I hope that in the not far distant future I may be privileged to again avail of their noble and generous assistance.

In conclusion I wish to remark that I understand several gentlemen were about to express a desire to be put in nomination for Mayor but the mention of my name in the papers postponed action on their part. As I now make this official announcement of my withdrawal these gentlemen need not entertain any idea of opposition from me. So far as I am concerned I now leave a clear field to any candidate who felt embarrassed at my entrance. Sincerely yours, JAMES T. MARTIN, St. John's, June 2, 1916.

Latest Fishery Report

The Board of Trade received the accompanying reports yesterday, dated May 27th:

From F. R. Dinham, (Eagle Pt. to Mall Bay)—The catch to date is 2,550 qtls. No traps are in the water but 10 dories and skiffs are fishing with nets, are doing nothing yet. There is plenty of herring and the lobster fishery is very good, in fact the best for several years. The weather is fine and moderate.

From A. H. Ingraham, (Ramen)—Prospects are the worst for years and bait is scarce. The fishery for May month was the poorest ever seen here. The lobster fishery is poor. Twelve dories, 12 skiffs, and five boats are fishing, but no traps. The catch to date is 2,000 qtls. with 100 for last week.

From G. F. Read, (West Pt. to Otter's Pt.)—There is plenty of herring but codfishery prospects are poor. Three traps, 20 dories and skiffs and 10 boats are fishing. Nothing has yet been done with lobsters. The total catch is 2,000 qtls with 100 for last week.

THE FIREMEN'S WAGES

The advance to the firemen to which The Mail and Advocate alluded yesterday, given by Job Bros & Co. and Baine, Johnston's, will apply to the Diana which left yesterday for Blanc Sablon and the Bloodhound in the Sydney trade. If the vessels go to Hudson Bay the men will ask \$45 and if to England \$50. The men on the 'Petrel' and Dundee wired President Woods as to their stand in the matter and were wired to stand by the ships and keep them running. Neither the Reid Nfld. Co.'s nor Bowring Bros. have yet answered the request for a raise and they will be interviewed by President Woods to-day.

Yesterday the schooner "Eva L." bound to Broad Cove, C.B., from Sydney, coal laden, arrived here as she could not proceed further owing to head winds. She was 12 days out and called at St. Pierre.

OUR VOLUNTEERS

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir—The Fund for this Club has now been opened, and the following contributions are gratefully acknowledged:

The Volunteers had company and battalion drills in the parade ground yesterday and rifle practice at the South side.

The following men enlisted—Horatio Pike, Red Bay. Robt. E. Evans, North Wales. Martin Walkins, St. John's.

The S.S. Kyle arrived here at 4.30 p.m. yesterday from Port aux Basques after a good run here, and she will be docked for her annual overhaul and repairs.

"SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' CLUB"

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir—The Fund for this Club has now been opened, and the following contributions are gratefully acknowledged:

- D. S. AYRE, Secretary-Treasurer
M. L. C. \$120.00
Bowring Bros., Ltd 100.00
Dr. Grenfell 50.00
A. Sheard 50.00
J. Browning 50.00
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