

AMERICAN NOTIONS

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History of the Society of United Fishermen.

BY JAMES H. MOORE, J. P.
 (Edited by W. E. Bradbury.)

INAUGURATION.
 About the month of July 1861, a young clergyman (Rev. George Gardner) was appointed to the mission of Heart's Content. Finding that there was no benefit, or any other kind of society or club working there and feeling that such would be a great assistance to the community at large, which was chiefly composed of fishermen, and who through the nature of their calling were often thrown upon very scanty means in times of sickness, determined to inaugurate a Benefit Club or Society for mutual help and assistance. Accordingly on the 14th day of February, 1862, a meeting was held in the schoolroom of the Colonial and Continental Church and School Society for that purpose. About thirty of us then present approved of the undertaking, and after subscribing our names drew up a set of rules for the working of the Society, which was named The Heart's Content Fisherman's Society. Although it was so named it was our intention to enroll members from the

neighbouring settlements, if any men so desired.

OFFICERS.
 The Society was worked by a President, two Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, and a Committee of twelve. These seventeen members acted as an Executive, as there was only one full meeting in each year which was called the Annual Meeting.

FINANCES.
 Each member was to pay a fee of 5s. (5 shillings) in each year (quarterly or semi-quarterly) to the Treasurer, also an additional subscription of 1s. in case of the death of a member, and 6d. on the death of a member's wife.

BENEFITS.
 In case of sickness after a member had been enrolled one full year (and not in arrears) he would receive the sum of 8s. per week for the first three months, and 5s. per week after, so long as he was afflicted. In the event of the death of a member the sum of £1 would be granted, and on the death of a member's wife the sum of £2, 10s. 0d. to defray funeral expenses.

After initiatory matters in connection with the Society had been arranged, men began to join not only from Heart's Content but from Scilly Cove, now New Melbourne, until in a Heart's Desire, Heart's Delight, and we had one member from Russell's Cove (now New Melbourne) until in a short time the membership reached about 250. With such a large membership there was considerable work for the Treasurer to keep correct accounts of income and expenditure, which accounts were presented at the Annual Meeting in each year, which was held the first few years in the schoolroom.

BUILDING OF HALL.
 In a short time the Society has grown considerably in membership and funds, when an idea sprang up that a Hall to hold meetings in was necessary. In 1868 a site was purchased from the President, and matters in connection with the construction of the building—such as getting wood for frame work, appointing a foreman, etc., etc., were arranged, and the following year with free labour and help from the funds of the Society the Hall was in a fit condition to hold the annual meeting in.

PARADES AND BAND.
 One of the Rules of the Society was to have its annual parade on New Year's Day, and as the time would arrive the President (who was a musician, and very fond of music) would much regret that we did not have more music for the occasion. Once or twice the Society hired music from Carbonar or Harbour Grace.

The President kept agitating for a band in connection with the Society, but having no instrument, and no person qualified to play one, the procuring of a band was an almost insurmountable task, but still he persisted, and the first instrument that was obtained was a second-hand cornopone purchased from a Mr. Pittman, of Hant's Harbour.

It was the first brass instrument that I remember seeing, and when I first tried to manipulate it the sound produced was not at all harmonious. After much perseverance I succeeded sufficiently to justify Mr. Gardner's opinion that we should have a band. He, therefore, ordered a bass drum, one cornet and one clarinet, for these instruments we had to pay to the tune £27, 2s., 11d. The growth of the band from then was slow but sure, but we were never afterwards without one for our annual parade. In 1910 we had ten instruments, but

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owing to some of the members of the Band having to seek employment from time to time elsewhere, it was a difficult matter to find men to use the instruments at all times. The L. O. A. Lodge having a band was in a similar predicament, so the two bands by mutual consent combined and we have now at Heart's Content a band we think second to none outside St. John's.

The Heart's Content Fisherman's Society had a few prosperous years at its outset, during which period its funds considerably accumulated and as time rolled on, there were some members afflicted with long periods of illness, and as we had to pay those members 8s. a week for three months and 5s. per week after so long as they were afflicted, the Society was taxed to an almost unbearable extent when it had members sick for two or three years. At last the funds were so drained that it looked like bankruptcy but the man at the head of affairs (Rev. Mr. Gardner) was equal to the occasion and he considered that to keep the Society alive it had to be worked on different lines, accordingly in the autumn of 1872 he outlined a plan of working which changed the whole features of the movement.

THE PLAN WAS:

- 1st. The Society was to change its name from The Heart's Content Fisherman's Society to the Society of United Fishermen (S. U. F.).
- 2nd. It was to be a secret Society consisting of a Grand Lodge, District Grand Lodges, and ordinary Lodges.
- 3rd. It was to be put on such a basis as to be capable of extension to other localities and still to be in unison with each other.
- 4th. The members were to meet more frequently for the despatch of business.

Matters were arranged as far as possible by the President, Rev. Geo. Gardner, and at a full meeting held in the early part of 1873 a transfer was made of the Hall, property and other effects from the H. C. F. Society to the Society of United Fishermen, and shortly after the Grand Lodge was formed with the Rev. Geo. Gardner as Grand Master, and during that year, 1873, Lodges were opened at Scilly Cove, Hant's Harbour, and perhaps at Bay Roberts.

Matters progressed rapidly after the change was made in 1873. The officers and members of Lodge No. 1 were active and energetic and soon had the Society in good working order. Lodges were opened in many other settlements, and business in connection with the Society looked bright, but in 1877 a shadow was cast over it through Rev. Geo. Gardner, Grand Master and Founder, leaving the Diocese.

Losing as it were the parent of the Society it was an urgent matter to find some member capable to fill the office of Grand Master. Rev. Wm. Pilot, D. D., I. S. O., was chosen, who certainly possessed the ability, and it was thought the time for the successful carrying on of the work. He filled the office with all aptitude until 1911, and as there was now a Lodge (No. 5) working at St. John's it was thought advisable to transfer the Grand Lodge from Heart's Content to St. John's. It was accordingly done. Many more new Lodges were opened until by 1888 there were 23 Lodges working with a membership of 977 paying members.

The Society has progressed perhaps more rapidly the past 23 years especially in point of membership. We had in 1910 37 Lodges working with a roll of 2,881 paying members.

BENEFITS PAID.

During the past 23 years there have been benefits in accordance with the By-Laws of the ordinary Lodges paid to the aggregate amount of \$32,000.00 in addition to casual assistance that sick members have received from time to time especially during the summer season to help them along till the Lodges would meet in regular session in the autumn.

The Society has had its times of prosperity and times of adversity, but it has been a gradual although slow growth until by the Providence of God we can say without hesitation that it is now stronger than it is at the present time. It has been during the past fifty years a great factor in relieving the sick and suffering, the widow and orphan in our country.

Let all members resolve to make our Society still more useful, bearing in mind and basing their actions upon the words of The Great Master above: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren ye did it unto Me."

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Bitter Disappointment.

Special to Evening Telegram

LONDON, Mar. 10.
 Whilst there is bitter disappointment that Capt. Scott has not yet reported, there is nothing but praise for Amundsen's achievement. The Norwegian explorer has not an inkling of Scott's whereabouts. Scott's steamer, the Terra Nova, has reached London, but his agent in New Zealand believes he is still engaged in exploring and scientific work, and may not be heard of for several weeks. The Morning Chronicle has published the first instalment of Amundsen's account of his discovery. He describes his long journey over great ice barriers, and tells how he followed the outline of South Victoria and King Edward Land, over a great mountain range which stretches across this region, the general direction of which he followed. He named it the Queen Maud range. He states that he left winter quarters at the Bay of Whales on October 20th. His story leaves no room for doubt that he reached the South Pole on Dec. 14th. No reference is made to Scott, and experts here suspend judgment till the British explorer is heard from. There is still a possibility that Scott reached the pole before the 14th, and that the parties were separated by two or three miles.

Hard Labor Not to Their Liking.

Special to Evening Telegram

LONDON, March 10.
 Bitterly resenting the action of the authorities in tacking the hard labour clause to their prison sentences, the convicted suffragettes have set Holway jail in an uproar. Led by Alice Wright, an Albany, New York, girl, who came from Paris to assist in the window-breaking campaign, and was given two months hard while the majority of her accomplices got only thirty days, the prisoners attempted to defy the officials. When ordered into the robing room to remove their ordinary clothing, take the compulsory bath, and don the prison garb, the women rebelled. While the details are carefully guarded, it is alleged that the riot that followed was the worst in the recent history of this noted prison. Two wardresses, it is asserted, had their clothing torn from their bodies, and had to use fetters to subdue the disorderly women and compel them to obey the prison rules. When the leaders were ordered to the workroom to sew on hags, another row followed. At a given signal, all the suffragettes jumped up; those working at machines smashed them up as well as they could without tools. For a time the entire room was in an uproar. Finally the wardresses regained control of the situation, and the disorderly women were returned to their cells. The Governor of the prison ordered the ringleaders to be placed in solitary confinement.

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Alexandra Workers Meet.

In the British Hall Saturday evening the Alexandra Workers held their annual meeting, with a very large attendance. The matter of holding the annual entertainment at Easter was discussed. The funds of the Society are increasing, but will require to be greatly augmented if the proposed building is to be erected. The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, Mrs. A. B. Ayre; V.P., Mrs. E. Carney; Asst. V.P., Mrs. Keegan; Treasurer, Mrs. C. W. Tessier; Asst. Treas., Mrs. V. Crowdy; Secretary, Mrs. Benedict.

IS GETTING BETTER.—Master Quick, who was in Hospital for several weeks and underwent a serious operation, came home from the institution a couple of days ago. He is greatly improved and will be able to be about soon.



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Sidewalk Sketches.

By H. L. RANN.

THE CHURCH CHOIR.



The church choir is a collection of song birds who rise up and sing just when everybody is perfectly satisfied with the way things are going. Some people enjoy a choir music, while others put up with it in order to retain their standing in the church. Many a man is kept away from divine worship by the harrowing fear that the choir will bob up and sing a 16-page Te Deum before he can make a successful get-away. The choir loft is always filled with peace and love and several patterns of picture hats. Every choir has four self-possessed soloists who take care to pronounce their words so that nobody can tell whether they have gotten off to a bad start or are rounding into the home stretch. The quartet choir is an institution which makes the finance committee as short of breath as the winner of the fat men's race. The old-fashioned choir, which was led by a high-cut perceptor with a tuning fork and a cold in the head, has become little more than a gloomy reminiscence. It is not considered the thing in fashionable churches nowadays to line the hymns, as the choir attends to that, usually lining them with nine different qualities of tone production. The choir is aided and abetted in its nefarious undertaking by a pipe organ which is subject to fainting spells and is liable to lie down in the middle of the offertory and leave the soprano soloist hanging onto a high A-flat by her eyelids. The pipe organ is played with the hands and feet, and the organist who cannot run up and won the pedal board with the grace and agility of a St. Bernard dog with the St. Vitus dance is considered a joke in choir circles. A determined choir, which is always coming in when a man is trying to make up a little lost sleep, is a blessing which causes mingled feelings of joy and pain to permeate the pew.

Women and the Franchise.

Special to Evening Telegram.

LONDON, March 10.
 Despite the fact that opportunity has been afforded to introduce amendments to the Government's Franchise Bill, with a view to extending the franchise to women, the advocates of the movement have decided to reintroduce the Bill which failed to pass last session, known as the Conciliation Bill. This Bill confers the right to vote on women who are inhabitants or occupiers of any house or tenement, when separately rated. They will not be disqualified by marriage, except that husband and wife cannot vote in the same constituency. The Bill does not propose to enfranchise women lodgers, nor women possessed of only freehold qualifications. If the Bill should pass, the number enfranchised would be about a million, of whom only 3 per cent. would belong to the working classes.

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Bruce Delayed By Storm.

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