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Robert Templeton.

Notes on the Patriotic Tour.

objects of the Tour -- Impressions of Norris Arm.

I. C. M.

CHAPTER II.

Passing on from Norris's Arm the train soon enters the splendid territory known as Exploits Valley. The scene here is impressive and entrancing; the long stretch of the beautiful river with its windings and eddies, is in itself a revelation of Newfoundland scenery.

Such writers as Howley, Harvey and Pilot have long ago written upon the importance of the Exploits Valley, and they were emphatic in their convictions as to its future occupation. They always asserted that the day would come when along the banks of the river, and upon the slopes of its hills, thousands of families would dwell in comfort and plenty. These men were optimists when things were backward, and before the country was shrouded in gloom; and now that the scene here is so much nearer to their ideals and to the time when their visions shall be realized, and their prophecies fulfilled. There can be no doubt whatever as to the future of the Exploits Valley; its rich soil and abundant waters, combined with its sheltered temperature from the sea, all tend to favor development along agricultural and fruit-raising lines; but especially should it be adapted to sheep raising, in our country. We have heard men say there is no real districts suitable, but, if verdure, fertility, water, landscape, hill, dale and valley, stretching by the thousand acres for many miles would suit the purposes of a sheep-run, then the Exploits Valley solves the problem with unlimited resources. The forecast of Dr. Harvey, was certainly right. At the time of his writing there was not a mile of railway in the country, and the Exploits Valley seemed as a far-away land, but now that it is within daily touch of the capital and it is passed and re-passed by our trains, it may be claimed that the most difficult half of his prophecy is fulfilled, and that it will all be fulfilled I have no doubt.

The earth was made and adapted to supply the wants of mankind, and even the most rugged portions of it fulfill some purpose and answer some end. How far the day is distant when the Exploits Valley will be settled, an when its dales and slopes will re-echo to the sounds of the homesteads and happy children I know not. It may be half a century hence, it may be a century hence, and it may be centuries, but come it will. This may

seem visionary, but when Dr. Harvey wrote and others spoke of the railway passing the Exploits Valley they were termed dreamers, and their opinions counted visionary; but the daily trains that now dash along by the shores of the Exploits River give the answer to their views; and so in years to come will the homesteads of the people at this same place supply the answer to what is here stated.

In passing further along the line several important stations cry halt to the train, and they all tell the tale of enterprise and commercial expansion. At several of these stations the pipers detrained, and much to the enjoyment of the people they paraded the platform and rendered some of their best selections. The sight was indeed unique, and even those of us who belonged to the city seemed to be fascinated, and for the time being the Highland pipers were the heroes of the hour. There was only one regret in connection with the playing of the pipers at the various stations, along the line, but it was a regret which could not be avoided—it was the lack of disappointment on the children's faces when "all aboard" was shouted and the pipers had to cut short their tunes and step on board.

The weather here was beautiful and it was more like mid-summer than mid-winter, the only difference being that instead of the heat of summer there was the cool bracing atmosphere of winter. All the passengers on the train were interested in the pipers, and thought that their playing at the stations was very timely, and that their parading imparted quite a military aspect in their performance. Of the many stations and stops between Exploits and Deer Lake, our readers are well aware, and they need only turn up one of the Railway Company's folders and see for themselves the districts to which we refer. If those who contemplate reading this series of articles wish to more fully understand them we take this opportunity of suggesting to them that they procure a folder of the railway movements, and of the Reid Newfoundland Company's service or consult a map of Newfoundland.

The tour extended from St. John's by rail to Bay of Islands, thence to Port aux Basques, where we joined the Fiona and thence along the South West Coast, to the picturesque and historic town of Placentia, and back to St. John's.

(To be continued.)

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In the last hundred years no liniment has been produced that can compare with Nerviline in strength, in penetrating power, or in curative ability.

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The large 50c. family size bottle is the most economical; trial size 25c. at all dealers.

Big Fire at Brigus Junction.

Yesterday morning, while the occupants of the residence attached to the railway station at Brigus Junction were at breakfast, fire broke out in the ticket office, and in less than half an hour the dwelling, freight shed and office were razed to the ground. The fire occurred about 10 a.m. The station agent, Mr. J. S. Hall, who had lit the fire in the office, was in the dining room at his breakfast, when suddenly a column of flame burst from the adjoining room. The alarm was raised, and Mrs. Wade and the other occupants of the dwelling barely had time to escape with their lives. The few section men who reside at the junction were on the scene promptly but no water was to be had as the tank was not in working order. With a gale of wind from the northwest and the onlookers unable to do anything to cope with the blaze, the whole building was soon enveloped in flames. A large quantity of gasoline was stored in the room beneath the tank, which is only a few yards away

from the building. With the wind blowing in that direction the situation grew alarming. Fortunately, however, the men were able to chop away a portion of the platform and thus confined the area of the blaze. In less than half an hour the whole building was demolished, and only the tank and a portion of the platform remained. During the fire the agent made all possible efforts to save the books of the Company, but after a futile attempt had to break out the window to make his escape. The loss to Mr. Michael Wade and family, the occupants of the dwelling, is a serious one, as only last fall they removed all their furniture and belongings from their former home at Avondale. They saved nothing yesterday except the clothes in which they stood, and some members of the family did not even save their boots as they had their house slippers on when the fire occurred. We understand that no insurance was carried on the building or its contents.

This Date In History.

FEBRUARY 15.

Days Past—45 To Come—319

BATTLESHIP MAINE blown up

1898.

RELIEF OF KIMBERLEY, 1900.

The Boer War commenced in October, 1899 and early in November Kimberley was invested by the Boers. The war had taken such a bad turn in December that Lord Roberts was sent out to take command of the English troops. He relieved the town after it had been besieged for three months. "It is not Christians, who will save the world, No nor even Churches. What we want is not to be Christians, but to be Christ. Christian has come to mean with many an infidel semblance of a shadow of Christ, and a whole ocean of self. Christian has come to mean Christ and water. We have got to be real Christs or the world will never be saved; only Christ can save the world. And what was the Christ? Absolute identity with God, real unity with man."

Letter written from Holloway-Gael to the Methodist Times, 1886.

Economy

GAS COKE yields 44 per cent of radiant heat, whereas coal gives only 19 per cent under the same conditions.

GAS COKE is clean to handle. GAS COKE is smokeless. GAS COKE gives a clear red glow. GAS COKE lasts longer than coal.

Light the fire with paper and sticks and a little coal. When once burning make it up with Coke, the cheapest solid fuel.

For a limited time only, the St. John's Gas Light Company will deliver in any part of the town at \$6.50 per ton, or \$3.25 per half ton.

Feb 15.

Big Holiday Bill.

The big holiday bill presented at the Crescent Picture Palace to-day is one that is sure to find favor with the ladies and gentlemen who patronize this popular picture house, the leading film artists are featured in today's pictures.

"The Spider and His Web" is a production of the Rex Company and is said to be the best society drama ever filmed; Louis Weber, as the society leader, the Spider, is seen in her very best role and Phillips Smalley, as the Doctor, one caught in the web, plays a marvelous part also. All the world happenings is contained in a whole reel of Universal Animated Weekly.

"The Battle of Little Tin Horn," a Universal like Comedy, is the funniest western comedy yet shown, Augustus Carney, the noted funny cowboy, features in this comedy. J. O'Neill Farrell, baritone, sings a patriotic ballad: "The Irishman Was There."

McMurdo's Store News.

MONDAY, Feb. 15, 1915.

Cornel is as full of nutriment as an egg is full of meat, containing as it does the soluble nutritive properties of Beef and Cod Liver Oil, combined with the Glycerophosphates of Lime, Soda, Potash, Iron, Manganese and Quinine. It should be a tonic of quite exceptional value, and we would suggest a trial on the part of those who believe they need something of this kind. Price \$1.25 for a large bottle.

Other new arrivals include Woodbury's Facial Soap, Jergens' Medicated Sulphur Soap, Papold's (Johnson's) Digestive Tablets, and Robinson's Patent Barley and Groats.

Church Parade.

Yesterday the volunteers of the Second Contingent, numbering about 280, under command of Capt. E. S. Ayre, paraded to Divine Service, those of the Church of England denomination attending the Anglican Cathedral, the Roman Catholics the R. C. Cathedral and the Methodists at George St. Church. After service the different sections met at the City Hall, and return was made by way of Duckworth Street, King's Road, Military and Harvey Roads.

League Hockey.

The Terra Nova's and St. Bon's are the contestants in this evening's hockey match and a lively game is expected. We understand that before the season advances too far an effort will be made to bring a team here from Grand Falls or Bell Island to play a series of games with our city boys.

Fairville, Sept. 30, 1912.

Minard's Liniment Co., Limited. Dear Sirs—We wish to inform you that we consider your MINARD'S LINIMENT a very superior article, and we use it as a sure relief for sore throat and chest. When I tell you I would not be without it if the price was one dollar a bottle, I mean it. Yours truly,

CHAS. F. TILTON.

Here and There.

Demand "VICTORY" FLOUR. The sooner the better.—Feb 12.

A DISPUTE.—On Saturday night Sergeant Furong was called to adjust a dispute between a householder and her landlord.

VICTORY FLOUR.—Fresh and sweet while the loaf lasts. FRANKLIN'S AGENCIES, Ltd.—Feb 12.

ACCEPTED POSITIONS.—Messrs. J. A. Carmichael and P. J. Kinsella have accepted positions on the editorial staff of the Mail and Advocate.

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ROSINA ARRIVES.—The baronet, Rosina, Capt. Sinclair, arrived in port last evening from Bahia, after a 40 days passage, in ballast to A. Goodridge and Sons.

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CURRENT EVENTS CLUB.—Mrs. J. Browning presided at Saturday's meeting of the Current Events Club, and Mrs. D. Morrison read a paper on "Some aspects of Theosophy."

Fresh Fish, Fresh Cod Tongues, Halibut and Smelts at BISHOP, SONS & CO'S. Phone 679.—Feb 8.

ACID STEAMER LEAVES.—The S. S. Desola, bound from New York to Glasgow with a cargo of acid, which was here for several weeks, left for her destination Saturday night.

Stafford's Liniment, "made in Newfoundland," a cure for Rheumatism, Lumbago, Neuralgia and all aches and pains. Sold everywhere.—Feb 11.

LOOKING FOR DESERTERS.—The baronet, Attila, fish laden for Pernambuco, was ready for sea on Saturday, but was prevented from sailing by some of her crew who deserted and who are now being sought by the police.

A GOOD PLACE TO COME for your Groceries, Stationery, Stamps, Picture Postcards, Papers, Soft Drinks, Candy, etc., is WALKER'S Cash Grocery, 27 Charlton St. (off Springdale). Ask for your coupons and receive premiums up to May 1st. dec 24, 3m, 4m, 5m.

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A BIG HOLIDAY BILL.

The foremost film artists at the Crescent to-day.

"The Spider and Her Web."

A great society drama produced in 2 reels by the Rex Company, featuring Lois Weber and Phillips Smalley.

UNIVERSAL ANIMATED WEEKLY—Containing the world's news in pictures.

"THE BATTLE OF LITTLE TIN HORN"—A western comedy with "Universal Ike," Augustus Carney, the funny cowboy.

J. O'NEIL FARRELL, Baritone, singing popular songs and ballads.

THE NEW BUTTERINE

which is made in England is put up in 10 lb. TUBS, 22 lb. TUBS, 30 lb. TUBS, 60 lb. TUBS,

and is attractively packed, whilst quality is excellent.

Its use will give the long looked for satisfaction to both customer and dealer. Correspondence invited.

GEO. M. BARR, Agent

London Daily Mail:—The Austrian Emperor has never known victory; he has always known defeat. He came to a throne shaken by revolution and an Empire trembling, as all men thought, on the very verge of dissolution. To-day, sixty-six years later, there is hardly a statesman anywhere who would value either his throne or his Empire at eighteen months' purchase. The bitterness and humiliation of Solferino and Sadova were as nothing to the agony of internal ferment and external disaster in which the historic realm of the Hapsburgs is now helplessly entangled. It is a spectacle that would move the compassion of the world were it possible to forget that Francis Joseph and his Ministers were willing instruments in precipitating the catastrophe that is now overwhelming them.