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By Michael Whelan.

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Renous, Blackville, N. B., Feb. 1917.

PRESENT GOVERNMENT NOT CONNECTED WITH FLEMING CHARGES

To most people it will appear absurd to attempt to connect any member of the Murray government with the charges made against Hon. J. K. Fleming and Hon. H. F. McLeod in 1914. Premier Murray and Hon. Dr. Landry are the only members of the present government who were in the cabinet three years ago. Mr. Dugal, who made the charges, should be the best authority as to whether he desired to connect any member of the present government with the charges that he made against Messrs. Fleming and McLeod during the legislative session of 1914. In making his charges Mr. Dugal said: "I gladly exonerate from this charge the Honorable Messrs. Morrissy, Clarke, Wilson and Murray, as I have neither evidence nor suspicion against them."

Mr. Dugal's attention having been called to the fact that he made no mention of the name of D. Landry, he declared that he had no chance or

accusation to make or place before the legislature against Dr. Landry, the then provincial secretary.

No member of the present government having been charged by Mr. Dugal in making his charges, and the Royal Commission having declared that there was not the slightest suspicion connecting members of the Clarke government with these charges what purpose is it hoped to serve by attempting to make it appear that members of the Clarke government or the Murray administration were charged with or guilty of any wrong-doing?

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Cables have been received by relatives here telling of the safe arrival in England of Ptes. Jack Crocker of Nelson, Jack Matthews, Howard Vanstone and Kitchen of Chatham. These boys called the latter part of January with a draft of the A. S. C. from Toronto.

HOW WAR SHIPS WILL GUARD THE COAST



Here is a graphic illustration of what the smaller ships of the American navy will encounter stationed along the Atlantic to protect American ports from invasion in the event of war with Germany. The picture shows the monitor Tallahassee, now serving as a submarine tender attached to the Atlantic fleet, making slow headway through treacherous seas in rounding Cape Hatteras, the "graveyard of ships." By a coincidence, the original Monitor, forerunner of the vessels of the Tallahassee type, was lost off Cape Hatteras, in the same vicinity, that in which the Tallahassee here is shown, on January 3, 1863. The photograph was taken several days ago while the Tallahassee was on her way to Key West, Fla., where she is now.

T. I. L. Discuss Important Topics

Children's Aid Society Decided Upon, And other Social Service Work Planned

Newcastle Town Improvement League held its regular monthly meeting on the 8th instant. President James M. Troy in the chair.

Others present were: Revs. P. W. Dixon, S. J. MacArthur and Dr. C. W. Squires; Aldermen C. C. Hayward, A. H. Mackay, James Stables and H. H. Stuart; and Messrs F. E. Locke and John Williamson.

Minutes of last meeting (Dec. 14th, 1916) were read and confirmed. Progress in securing signatures to the Petitions favoring Repeal of the Scott Act was reported. Aid. Stuart said that, while the majority of those whom he had canvassed had signed the petition, a large proportion of the more prominent men alleging the impossibility of successfully enforcing Temperance laws had refused to sign.

The President said that that was always the experience in reform movement, very little help was obtained from many who would naturally be expected to take a leading part in whatever was good for the community. However, when the sway of Prohibition became provincial wide, a change for the better would be realized by all.

The question of a Child Welfare was next discussed. Rev. Mr. MacArthur, vice president of the Social Service Council of N. B., reported from the Social Service Congress for N. B. recently held in St. John. Child Welfare had been a leading topic. A Children's Aid Society would need to be incorporated.

Rev. Dr. Squires thought a branch of the latter Society should be established here.

Rev. Mr. MacArthur said that the idea was to have a county organization which should have power to take charge of neglected children anywhere in the county. The reorganization of the Associated Charities was first in order a meeting for that purpose having been called for Friday evening, 16th instant.

Rev. Father Dixon said that with regard to Associated Charities, St. Mary's Church had already a St. Vincent de Paul Society which had an income of some \$400 to \$500 a year, had committees of visitation, regular monthly meetings at which collections were taken, and distributed charity wherever needed without regard to denominational lines. This Society being established, could not disband in favor of a new organization.

Rev. Mr. MacArthur and several other speakers pointed out that there need be no overlapping, but the two societies could cooperate with each other.

Rev. Mr. MacArthur said that if the Associated Charities were re-established it might bring pressure to bear upon the government to appoint an Inspector for neglected children and feeble minded persons. There was much work for such a society to do, even in this county.

After further discussion, the following was moved by Rev. Dr. Squires, seconded by Aid. Stuart, and carried:

"Whereas Child Welfare is today a most vital question absorbing the

Obituary

THOMAS B. DUFFY
At New Westminster, B. C., January 19, 1917 Thomas B. Duffy, dearly beloved brother of Mrs. Thomas Casey of Philadelphia; Mrs. Wm. Nicolson and Jennie Duffy of Alameda, Cal; and the late James B. Duffy.

ROBERT WILSON
Robt. Wilson of Napan, a respected citizen passed away on the 10th instant, at the age of 86. He leaves a widow, two daughters—Mrs. Kenneth McLennan and Mrs. Ernest Flieger and two sons, Harvey, at home and Harry in Massachusetts. The funeral was held on Monday.

PATRICK TAYLOR
The death of Patrick Taylor, occurred at Bay du Vin, on the 6th instant, at the age of 75. Deceased was a lifelong resident of Bay du Vin, and well and favorably known. He is survived by two brothers, Alexander and James, and one sister, Mrs. James Taylor with whom he lived. The funeral was held on the 8th, interment in St. John's cemetery, Bay du Vin.

DEATH OF MRS. BERTHA LYMAN
Mrs. Bertha Lyman, 36 years old, wife of Stuart F. Lyman of 370 Maple St. Holyoke, Mass., died Thursday morning, January 31st after a long illness. She was a resident of Holyoke, practically all her life and was a long time member of the Temple of Pythian Sisters and active in the work of the Second Baptist church. She leaves besides her husband, a daughter Leita, her mother, Mrs. Henry Clouston of Lower Derby, three brothers, James, William and Sydney, also one sister Mrs. E. A. Raymond.

The funeral took place Feb. 3 from the Alger's funeral parlors. Rev. J. C. Symonds officiated. The Pythian Sisters were represented by a delegation and the funeral service of the order was read. Burial in Forestdale cemetery.

FRANK T. MACDONALD

The death of Frank Thomas Macdonald, well known on the Miramichi for years, occurred suddenly early Sunday morning after a week's illness of bronchial pneumonia. Deceased was 25 years of age. He was a native of Douglasfield, but had lived here since his boyhood. He leaves a widow, formerly Miss Ellen Fitzgerald, two daughters—Eileen, aged two years, and Yvonne, aged six months; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Macdonald of Douglasfield; three brothers, John and Newman of Nelson; and Charles of Cagglasford; and five sisters, Mary (Mrs. Patrick Macdonald) Portland, Me.; Augusta (Mrs. Albert MacLean, Chatham; Miss Rita, of Portland, Me.; and Misses Annie and Stella of Douglasfield.

The funeral was held on Tuesday morning at 9.30 to St. Mary's church, interment in St. Mary's cemetery.

Interest of some of the greatest minds was clearly seen at the recent Social Service Congresses in St. John, Nova Scotia, Toronto and other places, and

"Whereas it is increasingly evident that many children in our own community lack proper attention and sympathy, both in the home and out of it, and

"Whereas cases of juvenile delinquency are all too evident in our midst, and

"Whereas the lack of proper care and teaching in youth through ignorance tend to throw them upon the community in the future as human derelicts,

"Resolved That this Town Improvement League endorses the formation of a Children's Aid Society in the way that seems most feasible and would also request the Provincial government to provide a superintendent for neglected and delinquent children.

Rev. Father Dixon asked if there were any Truant officer. It seemed to him that there was a number of children in the streets during school hours and others playing truant around the stations and in other places.

Aid. Hayward said it was a part of the Chief of Police's duty to look after truants. The parents were more to blame than the children.

On motion of Rev. S. J. MacArthur and Mr. Locke, it was resolved, That a committee of three be appointed

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MORRIS PHARMACY

to confer with the people of Chatham re organization of a Children's Aid Society for this county.

The President appointed the following as such committee: Rev. Mr. MacArthur, Rev. Dr. Squires and Aid. Stuart.

Rev. Mr. MacArthur said it was a big problem to provide homes for the feeble-minded. Ontario was away ahead of N. B. in this matter. Ontario has a superintendent for the province.

Aid. Stuart spoke of the pressing need of medical inspection in the public schools. It was optional with each district in N. B. but none had as yet, so far as he knew, made provision for it. He was glad that the Social Service Congress had advocated this among the many other important questions it had considered. The study of Civics, recommended some time ago by the League, was now a part of the course in Newcastle schools.

The meeting adjourned till Tuesday evening, 20th instant, to hear reports from the Scott Act Repeal Petitions and transact general business.

All members and the public are urged to be present.

HOGGIN-DAUGHNEY
At the Baptist Parsonage Wednesday afternoon, William Robert Hoggin of St. Peter's, England, was married to Miss Mary Elizabeth Daughney of Newcastle, Rev. S. Gray officiating.

Miss Pearl Wright who has spent some time in Portland, has returned home.

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