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A YEAR OF NOTABLE PROGRESS

In reviewing the events of the year as they applied to Newfoundland at the end of 1924, we spoke of it as the Good Year. Looking back over 1925, we think for equally good reasons it stands out as a year of Progress. In industry and commerce, in matters political, in social and in educational affairs, there has been a marked advance along the whole line, and so far as is possible the way has been cleared for even greater progress in the year, upon the threshold of which we are standing.

With regard to our industrial life, there is much for which we have good reason to feel thankful. In the fisheries, which are always attended by risks and not infrequently visited by disaster, the loss of life has not been greater than usual, although the sea took such heavy toll of the fishermen of the S.W. Coast, and while the prices received for fish have been lower generally than in the previous year, the loss has to a considerable extent been offset by the increased catch. In some quarters, it is reported, an improvement has been noticeable in the cure of the fish, but there is still considerable room for improvement, and if only the Government, the fishermen, and the merchants would put their heads together before the season opens in 1926, the chances are that a simple remedy could be found for most of the minor defects in the industry; as for the major evil, the TAL QUAL SYSTEM, it could easily be disposed of once and for all by a resolve on the part of everyone concerned to place loyalty and honesty before the desire for personal gain. As the motto for 1926 we would suggest "BETTER FISH AND BETTER METHODS," and all our energy and all our available resources should be applied to the improving and stabilizing of our greatest industry.

Last summer witnessed the opening of the Power and Paper Plant at Corner Brook, an event which marked another advance in an industry already a close rival with the fisheries for first place. The construction operations entailed an enormous outlay, and that fact together with the floating of another loan recently caused some misgiving locally, owing to the obligation undertaken by the Colony when the contract was made, but it is to be hoped that the chief difficulties of the corporation have been overcome and that the venture will prove in every way successful.

At Grand Falls, the home of the pioneers in this industry, the Anglo-Nfld. Development Company, the success in the past is even evidenced by the bright prospects for the future, and the extension of operations recently is the best assurance of the confidence of the proprietors in this great project.

The road building policy launched by the Government, has not cost less, we should imagine, than was anticipated, but the money has been expended to good purpose and the results are even better than anticipated. A considerable section of the country has been opened up for traffic, thereby providing not only facilities for communication, but increased opportunities for the development of farming and other industries. A new hotel, the construction of which is being pushed forward rapidly, marks the first step forward in the movement to encourage tourist traffic. Skeptical at first, the public generally have come to believe that its success is assured, and await its completion with lively interest. A Tourist Bureau has been established, and already elaborate plans have been considered to conduct an active publicity campaign and to arrange for the disposal and the entertainment of visitors.

The criticism first heard when arrangements were made to build a new dock, has died down. The preliminary work of demolishing the old dock showed that the material was in an excellent state of preservation, but as the work proceeded, the necessity for replacing the structure became more and more apparent, and the inroads that had been made by time and the elements at the eastern end in particular showed clearly that to have continued using it would have been perilous, and to patch it up would have led to endless expense. The work performed is admitted to be excellent even by those who were at first most bitterly opposed to the project, and everything points to its completion on time and at no greater cost than estimated.

In the railway service two great improvements have been effected, namely the re-railing of the road bed as far as Clarendville, and the adoption of the steam coaches on the eastern end of the line and at Humbermouth. At the western terminus the Kyle, which had outgrown her usefulness with the increase of traffic, has been replaced by the Caribou, a larger and in every respect a more up-to-date boat. This change necessitates increased landing facilities at Port aux Basques, an improvement which has long been overdue.

Business throughout the Island during the year has been satisfactory, and many of the firms which lost out in the unequal fight during the years of stress are once more finding their feet, and are showing every indication of returning to their former activity and usefulness. Owing to the work available on the roads, the railway, the dock, the hotel, in the paper industries, on Bell Island as well as in general occupations and in extended operations in the fisheries, there is more money in circulation than ever before, and for the first time in many years there has been an absence of unemployment throughout the Island.

While the year records a great disaster in educational activities in the fire which destroyed the Methodist College, it marks advances in other directions, and even that calamity has not been without certain beneficial results. It has awakened sympathy for and interest in education not only in the Methodist community but generally, and the effect was at once seen in the energetic steps taken by the former to replace and add to their school system.

The formal opening of the Memorial College and the Normal School in September was an event which marked a great advance in our educational facilities, and has had the effect of impressing upon the whole community that there is only one road that leads to progress and prosperity, and the name of that road is KNOWLEDGE.

Newfoundland was again represented at the Wembley Exhibition, the result of which has been of material benefit from an educational, commercial, and a social standpoint. It has taught us to know our Empire better, and the Empire to become better acquainted with us, to let us hope, our mutual advantage. It has brought the Colony more prominently before the eyes of

THE DYING YEAR

Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,
The flying cloud, the frosty light;
The year is dying in the night;
Ring out wild bells, and let him die.

Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring happy bells across the snow;
The year is going, let him go;
Ring out the false, ring in the true.

Ring out the grief, that saps the mind,
For those that here we see no more;
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,
Ring in redress to all mankind.

Ring out a slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party strife;
Ring in the nobler modes of life,
With sweeter manners, purer laws.

Ring out the want, the care, the sin,
The faithless coldness of the times;
Ring out, ring out my mournful rhymes,
But ring the fuller minstrel in.

Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander, and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease,
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kinder hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

the world, and we believe has tended to raise us considerably in the estimation and regard of the various peoples who visited the pavilion. Certainly it has focussed attention upon our industrial resources, the effect of which should be, if we avail of the opportunities, to our material advantage.

In social and political affairs it is sufficient to mention the success which has attended such undertakings as the Women's Suffrage League, the Child Welfare Association, the Children's Playground Movement, the visit of the Parliamentary Delegation, the P.M.D.F., the Grenfell Mission, the Twillingate Hospital, Nonia, the Medical Association, and the many other activities of one kind or another operating in our midst. In one and all progress has been the watchword, and progress has been made, and having come to the end of our labours for 1925 with such a feeling of gratification, we have every reason to believe that the future of our country is full of promise.

The realization of those hopes depends upon the measure of confidence shown in our resources, the extent to which there is co-operation and integrity in our endeavours, the determination to succeed, and above everything else, faith in the Giver from whom all good gifts come.

THE TELEGRAM EXTENDS TO ALL VERY BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!

Restoration of Methodist College Bldg.

The restoration of the Methodist College Bldg., destroyed by fire about a year ago, is going on apace, under the supervision of Mr. Geo. Fettes, of New York, who has been on the job since July last. Brick and stone work on the outside was completed before frost came and recently the building was roofed in, so that operations are now confined to the interior. While the outside of the structure shows but little change from that existing before the fire, the interior, however, has been completely rearranged.

Exterior Work.

The exterior work consisted of replacing the bricks, damaged by fire, and the placing of a new pediment to Lowe's Hill front, with heavy stone coping and stone finial; the closing of the central entrance and making one on each of the two sides of the building, and the addition of a second entrance on the Harvey Road side. The roofs on the east and west wings have been completed, as is also the deck roof of the centre portion. The sloping roofs are ready for slating. The work of laying the slates will be carried on when weather permits. The entrances from Long's Hill are on the east and west sides of the building and they connect by a twelve-foot wide corridor.

Inside Layout.

The first floor above the basement contains five commodious classrooms, toilets for boys and for girls, boys' playroom, about 50 x 5 feet and ample accommodation for clothes. Access to the second floor is by two reinforced concrete stairways, one on the east and the other on the western side. The second floor is similar in layout to the first in that it contains 5 classrooms, and girls' playroom, but it has in addition a teachers' room and principal's office. The stairways from the school flats lead up to the Assembly Hall on the third floor. This room, 52 feet wide and 70 feet in depth, opens on Harvey Road by the double entrance mentioned before. The stage, which, before the fire, was on the west side of the building, is now situated on the southern end. It is 32 feet wide by 28 feet deep and will have drop curtains. There will be dressing rooms on both sides. The stage is reached by enclosed passageways. The third floor contains, besides the auditorium, 4 ladies' rooms, mod-

ern kitchen and lavatory. On the opposite or east side is the M.C.L.I. assembly room and lavatory. The assembly room will have built-in bookcases. Space for an organ loft is provided on both sides of the stage, and on a level with the galleries, which are placed to run north and south on the two sides of the hall. Access to the galleries is by way of the stairway hall, and also through the doors on Harvey Road. There is also an emergency exit leading to the roof of the covered passageway to the same road.

Building Is Fireproof Division.
An important feature in the reconstruction programme is the provision of fireproof walls, arranged so that if an outbreak of fire occurs one side, the other half of the building can be closed off. The electric wiring is all being placed in galvanized conduit and a staff of electricians is now engaged installing a bell and signal system. A vaporizing heating plant has been installed by C. A. Hubley and the building is kept at a temperature which makes it comfortable for the workmen. All the plumbing has been installed and the bath and plaster men are now busy coating the walls and ceilings. B.C. fir trim will be used throughout, and all the floors will be of hardwood.

The general contractors, The Hordwood Lumber Co., hope to have the building ready for occupancy sometime during March.

Card Party and Supper

A most enjoyable Card Party and Supper was held at the home of Mrs. John Tucker last night. The affair was under the auspices of the Ladies' Branch of the B. of L.P. and C. An excellent supper was served at the conclusion of the card games and speeches were made by the gentlemen friends and the President, Mrs. Jones afterwards delighted her hearers by her talk on the objects and aims of the Ladies' Association. The affair came to a pleasant close at an early hour in the morning.

Personal

We were pleased to have a visit yesterday from Mr. E. P. Murray, J.P., a highly esteemed resident of Harbour Main. Mr. Murray has for forty years been a regular subscriber to the Telegram.

TO-DAY'S MESSAGES

FRANCE DECIDES TO SETTLE WITH KRIM IN HER OWN WAY.

PARIS, Dec. 31. France will establish and maintain peace in Morocco without entering into negotiations with Abdel Krim, the Rifian Chief, it was declared today by Premier Briand and M. Painleve, Minister of War, in discussion of the overcredits necessary to carry on the North Africa operations. Capt. Gordon Cumming who claims to be in Paris with Krim's peace proposals, having been sent to Paris for that purpose, will not be received, and may be asked to leave Paris. Krim is making ready to resume war in the spring.

Spencer Club Dance

The Spencer Club Christmas Dance which took place last evening, was largely attended and proved a complete success in every way. The music which was provided by Mrs. Jardine's Orchestra was up to the usual high standard, while the catering was in the hands of the Spencer Club ladies, who performed this task in their usual creditable manner. The lucky winners of the Elimination Dance were Mr. George Lawrence and his partner Miss Gladys Baird. The Spencer Club dances are always eagerly looked forward to and many will be glad to know that it is the intention of the Club to hold another on Shrove Tuesday night.

Employees of Hudson's Bay Co.

HOLD ENJOYABLE RE-UNION.

The Sterling Restaurant was the scene of a very enjoyable gathering last night, when the Hudson's Bay, St. John's Agency staff, the men on fur-trough and a number of lady friends held a card party, dinner and dance. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. Butler, Mr. and Mrs. S. Bradbury, Mr. and Mrs. H. Small and Miss Fanny Power of Corner Brook. In a great measure the success of the evening was due to the capable manner in which the proceedings were handled by the Chairman, Mr. W. J. Carson. The card games proved quite exciting and the prizes were won by Mr. Harvey Small and Miss Isabel Gumberg. Mrs. Kavanaugh had the honor of carrying off the booty prize. The catering was of an elaborate order, and credit is due to Mr. Sterling and his staff for the efficient manner in which the dinner was served. Excellent speeches were made in honoring the toasts, and songs were contributed by Mrs. Small, Mr. Carson and others. Messrs. Carmichael and L. A. Ewing were amongst the speakers. The gathering dispersed at an early hour this morning with the singing of Auld Lang Syne.

Seaman Drowned From Harriet

WAS RICHARD KENNY.
Yesterday, a message received from Messrs. Costa Basto & Co., of Oporto, gives the name of the seaman drowned in the wreck of the vessel Harriet, as Richard Kenny, a native of Petty Harbor. In a previous message the name given was that of Thomas Miller, who was cook on the vessel. Kenny is a single man of about 39 years of age. He leaves a sister, mother, two brothers and one sister.

A Safe Place for Sliding

Yesterday evening an assembly of about 150 youngsters with sleds, skis and hockey sticks could be seen having a most enjoyable time in the fields near Dwyer's Bridge. Not the slightest mishap occurred nor was there any quarrelling in evidence. This place is much safer for youngsters than sliding amongst the city traffic.

The Crib at Belvedere

During the past week hundreds of people have paid a visit to the Crib at Belvedere. Always an attraction, this year the Crib is more beautiful than ever, and the singing of the little orphan girls makes an appeal that is so irresistible to those who attend that invariably they make a second or third visit before the festive season closes. The Crib may be seen any afternoon up to January 5th.

T. A. Ladies Will Entertain

ON NEW YEAR'S NIGHT.
The ladies of the T. A. & B. Society are holding another of their interesting entertainments at the T. A. Hall to-morrow night. An energetic committee has prepared an elaborate programme. Dancing will begin at 8 o'clock, followed in which will be many novelties in keeping with the New Year. The Gem Orchestra will furnish the music. Supper will be served at eleven o'clock.

CALENDAR.—We acknowledge the receipt of a Calendar from the Robinson Export Co.

Obituary

JAMES M. CARBERRY.

Profound sorrow will be felt in the community when the news of the sudden passing of Mr. Jas. M. Carberry of the Royal Stores, becomes general. Mr. Carberry was in his usual good health yesterday and retired at 9.30. At one o'clock this morning, he was seized with a fit of coughing, and his wife becoming alarmed called Dr. Macpherson and Rev. J. Brinton. Before either reached the bedside, the vital spark had fled—death being due to heart failure.

Deceased in his younger days served as an apprentice with Mr. Colton, Cooper of the Southside, but he gave up the occupation after a short period to take a position as steward on S. S. Dundee. In 1907 he joined the Royal Stores staff and had been employed in the Furniture Department as Assistant Manager up to the time of his death. Mr. Carberry was beloved by all who came in contact with him. He was prominent in the C. of E. Institute, Oddfellows, Masonic and Nfld. British Societies. Left to mourn are a widow, 3 daughters, Muriel, of the Broadway House, Hattie at Wood & Kelly's Office, and Ethel at School, and also one son, Albert, who is at present in Porto Rico. Two brothers, Edward and Gilbert and two sisters also mourn his passing, to all of whom and in particular to his grief-stricken widow, the Telegram extends sympathy.

PATRICK KENNEDY, (Woodfords).

There passed away at the General Hospital yesterday afternoon, fortified by the rites of the Catholic Church, Patrick Kennedy, aged 44 years, a native of Woodfords, Harbor Main. The deceased, who was an expert rigger, was employed at construction work at Corner Brook and up until three weeks ago was employed in the same capacity at the Dry Dock. Mr. Kennedy was an excellent guide and woodsman and will be remembered by many sportsmen who went shooting over the Skibbereen barrens. He leaves to mourn a wife, eight children, two sisters and one brother. The funeral will take place on Saturday at Chapel's Cove.—R.I.P.

Church Services

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.
St. Mary the Virgin—New Year's Eve 11 p.m., Watchnight Service, Collection for the Orphanage. New Year's Day: 8, Holy Communion; 11, Matins and Sermon.
St. Michael's and All Angels—New Year's Day—8, Holy Eucharist; 10, Matins; 11, Holy Eucharist (sung); 4, Tea for Sunday School Children and Catechism Class in Lecture Room.

UNITED CHURCH.
Watchnight Services will be held in Gower, George, Cochrane and Wesley Churches at 11 o'clock to-night.

MARRIED.

On Dec. 26th, at the C. of E. Cathedral, Eva Jane Newman of Upper Island Cove to George Allan Harding of Portugal Cove.

DIED.

Suddenly last evening, Edward Hayes, aged 77 years, left to mourn are 1 son and 2 daughters. Funeral on to-morrow at 2 p.m., from his late residence, 18 Warbury St., off Leslie Street, Interment at Kilbride.—R.I.P.
Suddenly, at 2 o'clock this morning, James M. Carberry, aged 53 years, leaving a wife, three daughters and one son. Funeral on Saturday, at 2 p.m., from his late residence, 103 Freshwater Road. Friends and acquaintances please accept this the only intimation.
Passed peacefully away yesterday afternoon, at the General Hospital, fortified by the rights of the Holy Catholic Church, Patrick Kennedy, aged 44 years (of Woodfords). Left to mourn are a wife, 8 children, 2 sisters and 1 brother. Interment takes place at Chapel's Cove, on Saturday.

IN LOVING MEMORY
of Richard Power, who died Dec. 29, 1925. May his soul rest in peace.
Dearest Richard, how we miss you. Never can your memory fade; Loving thoughts forever linger Around the grave where thou art laid.
—Inserted by his father, mother and sisters.

IN LOVING MEMORY
of Jessie Bryan, who died Dec. 31st, 1925, aged 22 years.
Safely, safely gathered in,
Free from sorrow, free from sin;
Passed beyond all grief and pain
Death for thee is truest gain.
For my loss I must not weep,
For my loved one long to keep;
From the home of rest and peace
Where all sin and sorrow cease.
—Inserted by her Mother.

Card Party.

The Feildian Ladies' Association are holding a **CARD PARTY** in Bishop Feild College on **Tuesday, Jan. 5th,** at 8 p.m.

Tables may be had by applying to Mrs. A. Carnell or Mrs. Berteau. dec31.11

NOTICE—The Wise Man will Harken—will the man that is prevailing around the Hill, of Chips night time take warning, and stay home with his family as he is known, and watched by "FOUR." dec31.11

Greetings

To Our Friends and Patrons

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