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THE HARBOR.

The address of Mr. Alexander Gray, engineer for the Federal Public Works Department, on the subject of harbor improvement, makes it perfectly clear that the last thing St. John wants is an ill-considered harbor commission scheme. There are two things that may and should be done without delay. One is to press more determinedly than ever for the completion of the breakwater to Partridge Island and the construction of a spur to the eastward of the island, the need of both of which has never been disputed but always admitted at Ottawa. The other thing is to find out what are the plans of the C. N. R. with regard to terminals at St. John and how far it is prepared to go, and what action is contemplated in regard to Courtenay Bay. Mr. Gray makes it clear that development of the eastern and western harbors, should be considered together and a comprehensive scheme embracing both adopted; but the first requirement is to get information at Ottawa. Senator Thorne, in a contribution to the war and metal puts the responsibility for nationalization of this port squarely up to the Government, as it is acknowledged by both the Laurier and Borden Governments but interrupted and not since resumed. The local committee need waste no time chasing rainbows. The course of action is perfectly clear.

THE QUEBEC ELECTIONS.

The Taschereau Government in Quebec received a fairly severe jolt yesterday, despite the fact that it is returned to power with a huge majority. The Conservatives have only 22 seats compared with 62 for the Liberals, but even that is a gain of seventeen compared with the last house. One of the surprises was the election of thirteen Conservatives on the Island of Montreal, against two Liberals. In Quebec city the opposition elected two candidates and they carried Sherbrooke. In the rural districts the Government has its chief strength. Hon. E. L. Patenaude, a former federal minister, is in for Jacques Cartier. Just what has caused the overturn in the Montreal district is not very clear. The Conservative gains were made in the cities. Naturally the Conservative leader, Mr. Sauve, who had so small a following and was new to the leadership, is greatly elated over the increase in his following in the house, including almost the whole Montreal representation. The Government was charged with extravagance and with presuming upon its huge majority. There were also some bickerings in the party, not unusual after a quarter of a century in power. The Roberts affair no doubt had some influence in some quarters, but the Government will no doubt shape its future policy to prevent dissatisfaction in its own ranks and to stem the apparently rising tide of opposition.

GRAND FALLS POWER.

In the course of an article dealing with Grand Falls development the Harbord Observer says:—

"Premier Veniot, whose breadth of vision is broader than any resident of St. John where the universe is bounded by Musquash, Red Head and Partridge Island (outside of which all else is fog) has the opportunity of his life to make himself solid with the electorate of the province. The majority of the people demand that the Grand Falls power be not ceded to a foreign organization, and that it be immediately developed for the benefit of the province as a whole."

What is the particular purpose of his ill-natured fling at the people of St. John? Were they not the first to sin their faith to the policy of developing and distributing power at cost? But they not endorse that policy as if so they must believe the same policy would be good for the rest of the province. As a matter of fact, if the people of this city were asked to express their views they would very heartily endorse public instead of private development of Grand Falls power, which is key to cheap power for industries in the province for all time to come. Why is it that St. John is continually misunderstood and made the subject of attack in some other part of the province? It is unfair and uncalled-for, and it is not good business.

The Observer, however, makes some very proper suggestions regarding the city of the various localities which could be served from Grand Falls. "It says:—

"It would be very well indeed if the interested towns and corporations would memorialize the Government to immediately develop the Grand Falls power for each to state as specifically as possible the quantity of current that each would guarantee to take. Let the towns of Edmundston, Grand Falls, Miramichi, Woodville, Fredericton, Macville, Blackville, Bolesworth,

WHAT'S WHAT

By Helen Deale



While most women like "pretty nice" in the way of decorative dinnerware, a fact that the average man simply cannot understand, there is one or more of his business friends who would appreciate a "fifty" set of dinnerware. If she is a woman who is a man's dinner, it is not of her own free will that she would set herself in a club, hotel or dining room.

Clear soup, served hot, followed by a cold or fried chicken with potatoes, baked with plenty of butter and milk, and a baked apple, medium rare, with mushrooms and French fried potatoes, baked apples with cream, or a baked apple pie, finished up with coffee, cigars or cigarettes—there's a menu that a man would order. "A little bit of all right!"

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MY ROSE AND SONG.

(By Rachel Eva Spurrell)

I have a garden in my heart wherein there grows a flower of sweet rose. From every other flower apart, one sweet white rose, though others blossom and decay, that one rose passeth not away.

There is a music in my life, a song divine; That rings above the world's wild din; Of strife, tears and pain, and of the All other songs of earth gone by, But I shall hear mine till I die.

Roses and songs—what else they all—soon come, soon go; The sweet notes die, the petals fall and time goes on; But life is perfect, love is true, Because my rose and song are you. County Hospital, East St. John.

LIGHTER VEIN.

A group of tourists were looking over the inferno of Vesuvius in full eruption. "Ain't this just like hell?" ejaculated a Yank. "Ah, see American," exclaimed a Frenchman, "where have you been?"

"Let me kiss those tears away," pleaded Gaston, when his sweet lady kept dabbing at her twinkling eyes with her little handkerchief.

"In the hell into his arms. He was busy for the next few moments. And yet the tears flowed on.

"Can nothing stop them?" she gasped.

"No," she murmured; "it is my fever. But go on with the treatment!"

A Coming Railroad Man.

"Ain't—wasn't—er—?"

"It was the baby, and he had made himself a reputation for his little bell."

"Hour. Apple's half—what was left of it—stood on end."

"Grown—always—mumbled—'n'—?"

"I remitted the baby lustily, while the people living across the way rose from their beds and closed the windows obediently."

"Mr. Appel ground his teeth. "To think," he mused wearily, "that I should have lived to become the father of a train announcer."

DELEGATION MAY GO TO OTTAWA

Port Development Matters Considered at Meeting in Board of Trade—Address by Harbor Engineer.

At a meeting on port development matters held yesterday afternoon in the Board of Trade rooms Alexander Gray, Dominion engineer in charge of St. John harbor, Mr. Gray made the statement that the extension of the Negro Point breakwater was essential to any further development of the port. He said that the department of Public Works at Ottawa recognized the value of the port to Canada and the need for the breakwater in the development of a national winter port for Canada. D. W. Ledingham, who recently returned from Ottawa, agreed with him. The Common Council this afternoon was expected to consider the advisability of sending a delegation to Ottawa to take up the matter with headquarters.

In the course of his address Mr. Gray said that the first requirement for any port was a safe and easy entrance for vessels and protection from outside storms when they were inside the harbor. Speaking of grain conveyance he said that their construction cost a total of about \$100 a lineal foot. He read an extract from the report of the port engineer of Portland, Maine, in which Portland was proclaimed as the national winter port of Canada. A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Gray at the conclusion of his address.

After some discussion it was decided to leave the matter in the hands of the Council. The mayor and all the commissioners were present as well as a large number of the committee.

BOTTOMLEY IS TAKEN TO COURT

Ex-M. P. Thin and Worn After Eight Months of His Sentence.

London, Feb. 6.—(Canadian Press)—Horatio Bottomley, former M. P. of South Hackney, who was sentenced on May 29, 1922, to penal servitude for seven years for defrauding people through his victory bond club, attended a sitting of the bankruptcy court here yesterday in connection with his affairs. He looked pale and worn. He has been suffering from neuritis and insomnia. He has been in the prison hospital for eight months. He has been engaged since last July in straightening out his involved affairs.

Annual Meetings I. O. D. E. Chapters

The annual meetings of the Brunswick, Loyola and Royal Arms chapters of the I. O. D. E. were held last evening. The other primary chapters are also holding their annual meetings this week.

Brunswick Chapter.

The meeting of the Brunswick chapter met at the home of Mrs. G. S. Mayes with Mrs. Herbert Wetmore presiding. Mrs. G. Hart gave her report as secretary telling of the patriotic work done, including help to the soldiers, assistance given the G. W. Y. A. and a donation to the Civic War Memorial, and of the child welfare fund and St. John County Hospital fund. The chapter also contributed to the Health Centre, Anti-Tuberculosis Society, Boy Scouts, Goodfellows and St. John County Hospital. Tea was served at the close of the meeting by Mrs. J. H. Allingham, Mrs. J. Herbert Barton, Mrs. J. Norman McLeod and Miss Jennie Clark.

The treasurer's statement submitted by Miss Jean Clark showed total receipts of \$512.84 in the "Let We Forget" fund and a balance in that fund amounting to \$271.82. In the general fund the receipts were \$1,234.78 and the disbursements, \$972.38. The total funds on hand amounted to \$2,234.32.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Regent, Mrs. Herbert Wetmore; first vice regent, Mrs. G. S. Mayes; second vice regent, Mrs. J. H. Allingham; secretary, Mrs. J. W. L. Fenlon; treasurer, Mrs. W. L. Fenlon; Echoes secretary, Mrs. L. Fenlon; standard bearer, Mrs. J. Arthur Coster; Mrs. J. H. Allingham, Mrs. Herbert Mayes, Mrs. Norman McLeod and Miss Jennie Clark.

After the business of the meeting a social hour was enjoyed and the hostesses for tea were: Mrs. J. H. Allingham, Mrs. J. Herbert Barton, Mrs. J. Norman McLeod, Mrs. G. S. Mayes and Mrs. J. W. L. Fenlon.

Loyalist Chapter.

The Loyalist chapter met at the home of Mrs. J. H. Allingham with Mrs. Herbert Vroom presiding. The report of the treasurer, Mrs. Jean White, showed total receipts of \$208.68, donations of \$1,168.37 and a balance in the bank of \$815.21. Miss K. Sturdee, in her report as secretary, spoke of the amount of work done through the year, including contributions to the Civic War Memorial, the Navy League, the "Let We Forget" fund, the Free Kirk, the Gergarten, the Grenfell Mission, the Goodfellows, the County Hospital fund, the Salvation Army, the Wright Memorial Home and the G. W. Y. A.

A. A. The annual sale in the hall had realized the sum of \$895.75, a rummage sale had brought in \$88 and \$101.91 had been raised by a carnival in the arena. The observation of Armistice Day was also mentioned. Miss Fred Foster gave her report as educational secretary.

Officers were elected as follows: regent, Mrs. Herbert Vroom; first vice regent, Mrs. J. H. Allingham; second vice regent, Mrs. R. A. Armstrong; recording secretary, Mrs. H. C. Schofield; educational secretary, Mrs. J. H. Allingham; Echoes secretary, Mrs. K. Sturdee; treasurer, Mrs. C. Schofield; standard bearer, Mrs. G. Furlong; councillors, Mrs. A. C. Bell, Mrs. Hugh Bruce and Miss C. McAvity.

Royal Arms Chapter.

The Royal Arms chapter met at the home of Mrs. W. H. Anderson with Mrs. W. H. Turner presiding. Miss Daisy Stephens reported as treasurer that the receipts had been \$651.72, the expenditures, \$621.72, and a balance on hand of \$29.00. Mrs. Fred E. Foster, the secretary, reported a very busy year. Contributions had been given to the Veterans Order of Nurses, the St. John County Hospital kindergarten, the free milk fund, the Boy Scouts, the White Cross orphanage and the war memorial. Money had been raised at two teas and sales, a rummage sale, the Armistice Ball and by the members as talent money.

HALIFAX MINSTRELS GIVE GOOD SHOW IN ST. PETER'S HALL

The Loyola minstrel troupe from Boston, who are on a bill in St. Peter's new auditorium last evening. Their songs were both tuneful and catchy and their jokes all well "put over." The members of the troupe reached the city late yesterday afternoon and were met at the station by young ladies from St. Peter's parish. Owing to the train arriving late the performance did not get away on scheduled time, but the audience were well repaid for their wait for shortly after the curtain went up and the opening chorus sung the end men started in and from that on their antics, singing, dancing, etc., kept all convulsed with laughter. The singing numbers were very pretty and the soloists were forced to respond to entreaties.

At the termination of the minstrel J. J. O'Toole and a cast composed of members of St. Peter's Dramatic Club, presented a comedy sketch entitled "An Awful Predicament." It was in truth an awful predicament and the manner in which the comedy was brought out kept the audience in an uproar.

The principals in the minstrel were: Messrs. J. O'Keefe, R. Purcell, J. Purcell, J. Wall, W. Conrad, Robert Conway, J. Moulton, C. Paul and the Misses M. Conrad and M. Filice.

Those taking part in the after piece were: J. J. O'Toole, A. E. Palmer, J. E. Conway and the Misses Rose McFadden and Irene O'Toole.

The chorus of the visiting minstrel troupe was strengthened by a number of young ladies and gentlemen of St. Peter's parish. During the evening the accompaniments and musical numbers were rendered by the Young Ladies' Liqueur orchestra.

Frank Winslow, a popular member of the local customs staff, was operated on at the Infirmary on Saturday afternoon for appendicitis. His many friends will be glad to hear that he is resting comfortably and his early recovery is expected.

FINE SCENERY AT IMPERIAL SHOW

Deauville, France, Featured in Gloria Swanson's Picture, Which Makes Hit.

Beach scenes at Deauville, France, home of the one-piece bathing suit, the liveliest summer resort in the world, is the locale for important and colorful sequences of "The Impossible Mrs. Bellew," Gloria Swanson's new Paramount star picture, which is now on view at the Imperial theatre for the first half of this week.

A feature of the Deauville scenes will be the appearance of glorious Gloria Swanson and a hundred of the most beautiful California bathing beauties in the sea costumes of stripes, polka dots, jerseys, silks and satins, all of the scenic artistry display which has made Deauville the best known bathing resort in the world.

It is to Deauville that "The Impossible Mrs. Bellew" flies when gossip in America has so blackened her name as to make further residence impossible. In Deauville she tries to drown her troubles in gaiety, to lessen the pain which came when her little boy was torn from her by divorce court officers just as she was sailing from New York. And it is in Deauville that she has to make a choice between the lovers, Count Radcliffe, a titled Don Juan and John Heitan, a young writer of advanced ideas, a situation that brings strongly dramatic situations.

"The Impossible Mrs. Bellew" was adapted by Percy Heath from a novel by David Lisle. The male lead is assumed by Conrad Nagel, while others in the cast, all members of the Paramount Stock Company, include Robert Cain, Richard Wayne, Frank Ellington, James Elridge, Herbert Standing, Mickey Moore, Pat Moore, J. J. Dunbar, Arthur Hull and G. L. Burston.

The excellent photography was by Alfred Gilks.

Some delightful bill again today and Wednesday but on Thursday the engagement of "The Prisoner of Zenda" commences.

CROWD ENJOYS COMEDIANS

Opera House Audience Entertained by Cameo Revue Company.

The Opera House audience last night after a delay of twenty minutes due to the late arrival of the train from Halifax bearing the members of the Cameo Revue, was treated to a treat, for the revue that has so far graced the stage of that popular theatre, the George Rubin and Tom Crowley capably handled the comic situation, the former in Helmer, a young writer of advanced ideas, the latter in Irish dialogue. Boss Palmer and Lilly Rubin both rendered their offerings in new ways to St. John. George Howard, the subterfuge, is a step ahead of any seen here recently. Lew Caron, who cut points, thus, the story, a lot of class, and delivered capably his every bit. He can both sing and dance. Harry White as a straight man, a member of the quartette came up to expectations, but the honors of the evening go to Walter Berger, whose pleasing baritone voice encouraged peals of applause. His duet with Miss White, the prima donna, was capably rendered.

The show, on the whole, is a good deal above the class of musical comedies that have come through recently, and is the nearest thing to the Bob Ott show by way of comparison.

A complete new show with new songs, dances, costumes and scenery is the promise for Thursday, and the regular amateur night for Friday.

THRONGING TO QUEEN SQUARE

Mae Edwards and Company Playing to S. R. O. Audiences.

Mae Edwards and her excellent company continue to please patrons at the Queen Square Theatre and night after night the S. R. O. sign is rung up, the charming little lady has surrounded herself with an exceptionally good cast, with Jack Warner Corbin in the leading role and Barton Crawford in comedies.

Last night's play, "Is Marriage A Failure," lived up to all the manager said of it. Miss Edwards as Agnes Moran was delightful, a sweet, lovable girl, and her pathos was well done. Miss Edwards were one exceptionally beautiful gown. Jack Corbin as the poor man, could not have been cast better. He has also become a favorite in St. John. Barton Crawford as Mike Moran, was a real treat, one of the best comedians seen here in a long time. The vaudeville comprised five excellent acts. The Mae Edwards novelty or orchestra played delightful music, directed by Mr. Otis.

CHANGES MADE IN IMMIGRATION REGULATIONS

Ottawa, Feb. 6.—(Canadian Press)—To encourage immigration of the farmer and domestic servant classes an order-in-council removes the continuing journey restriction. Under previous regulations immigrants of these classes were admitted to Canada only if they arrived direct from their own country. A further order repeals the provision for a \$5 fee for visa of the passport in the immigrant's own country. In view of the depreciation of foreign currency, the sum of \$5 formerly charged for the visa, has become a proportionately large amount.

A third order removes, in the case of Asiatic immigrants, the necessity for wives and children of legal Canadian residents, to prove the possession of \$250 before they are admitted.

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SWITZERLAND HAS GREATEST INFLUX OF GUESTS SINCE WAR

London, Jan. 10.—(By Mail).—The greatest influx of English visitors to Switzerland since the war has obliged the French railways to double express train accommodation from London and Paris, notes the Geneva correspondent of "The London Daily Express."

The Swiss newspapers and travelers' agencies estimate that between 50,000 and 50,000 British and American visitors are now in Switzerland enjoying winter sports.

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