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As the end of the year is approaching, we must ask our friends to be so kind as to send in their Herald subscriptions. We need the money and trust that subscribers who have not already paid will not delay. What is put off from time to time is liable to be neglected altogether; so please remit now.

Evasive and Misleading.

The morning and evening Charlottetown papers supporting the Government are engaged in the task of distorting and obscuring the facts in connection with the midnight attempt to serve papers on Mr. M. C. Delaney, to which we referred in our last issue. In these lucubrations there is palpable a studied attempt, possibly inspired, to whitewash the chief operator in the extraordinary escapades in the vicinity of Mr. Delaney's residence on the night of the 21st, and the morning of the 22nd ult. The evident object of these newspaper articles is to create the impression that Mr. Delaney's conduct is reprehensible, and thus to divert public attention from the very unusual actions of the nocturnal perambulator, who took such a wide departure from professional etiquette.

The Patriot touches the matter in a light, evasive flippant manner; slurs over the notorious facts of the case, and by means of half-truths strives to draw its readers onto a wrong trail. It does not hesitate to state that the "legal gentleman" in the case essayed to introduce himself to Mr. Delaney under the assumed name of "Mr. McIsaac"; but carefully refrains from mentioning the fact that this "legal gentleman" is none other than J. J. Johnston, K. C. Is it conduct becoming a "legal gentleman" to prowl round back yards, for hours, late at night? Is it conduct becoming a King's Counsel to attempt to gain admittance to a man's home towards midnight by means of false statements; by assuming another person's name? The Patriot passes over these facts without a reference. The Patriot attempts to minimize the improper conduct of the nocturnal trespassers by stating that they kept the kitchen door in view by peeping through a knot-hole; but the sworn statement of Mr. Johnston is that for this purpose they "bored a hole through a board fence." The Patriots course in this, as in other cases, seems to rest on the principle that the chief function of language is to conceal facts.

The Guardian's reference to the matter under review is just as evasive and deceptive as that of the Patriot. As a matter of fact its treatment of the question is more shabby than that of its evening contemporary; inasmuch as something better might have been expected from an organ that sometimes makes a pretence of independence. It cannot conceal the cloven foot.

The Guardian makes an attempt to leave the impression that the HERALD's knowledge of the part Mr. Johnston played in these midnight escapades is confined to the letter received from Mr. Delaney. That epistle contains but a mere scintilla of the available information on the question. The great source of knowledge concerning this matter is Mr. Johnston's own sworn statement; his affidavit filed in the office of the Prothonotary at Charlottetown. This document is open to the Guardian, if it wishes to gain accurate information to convey to the public. In this lengthy document Mr. Johnston gives a detailed account of his movements; his attempt to lure Mr. Delaney from his own fireside at a very late hour of the night by telling him that he was "Mr. McIsaac"; his ambush in the backyard and his view of the back door "through a hole in a board fence." All these facts are minutely, indeed graphically described in this wonderful affidavit.

Were the Guardian actuated by a desire to enlighten its readers concerning what took place on Mr. Delaney's premises on that memorable night; were it desirous of accurately informing itself regarding these matters, it would peruse Mr. Johnston's sworn declaration. Having done that it would be in a position to state whether or not it is in accordance with the dignity of the legal profession to hang round a man's premises late at night, concealed for hours behind outbuildings; whether or not it is becoming a King's Counsel to vouchsafe false information regarding his own identity; to represent himself as some one else.

Bermodesy Has Spoken

On Thursday last, a by-election for the British House of Commons was held in the Bermodesy division of Southwark, a Parliamentary borough of London. This is a typical working class constituency, and the result of the election had been anticipated as a good test of public feeling in London and the country generally. A strenuous fight was made by both Government and Opposition, and the result was a sweeping victory for the Unionists, and a corresponding depressing defeat for the Government. John Dumphreys, the Opposition candidate carried the riding by plurality of 827 votes, in a three cornered fight. Bermodesy is a somewhat changeable constituency; but in the general election, three years ago, the Liberal candidate was elected with a majority of 1,759 and four years previously when the Conservatives swept the country, the riding was carried by the Liberals by a majority of 658. From this it will be seen that a great change in public feeling has taken place among the electors of Bermodesy. This is only one seat of the six hundred and seventy represented in the House of Commons; but the politicians, both on the Government and Opposition side regarded it of sufficient importance to look upon the result as a fair test of public feeling throughout the country. That being so, we may fairly assume that a general election now would result in the defeat of the Asquith Government. The questions at issue were the budget, by the Government supporter, and tariff reform by the Unionist. Dumphreys, the member elect, is an uncompromising advocate of preferential tariff and made his fight on that issue. If straws show which way the wind blows, we may conclude that tariff reform has the floor in British politics.

Before a crowded audience in Toronto last Monday evening, Mr. R. L. Borden, Leader of the Opposition spoke with great deliberation and evidently weighed his words carefully. He unhesitatingly reaffirmed his adherence to the National Defence Policy, as outlined in the House of Commons resolution, last March, with one single modification, providing that in

sudden emergency Canada should be prepared to make grants of money to assist Imperial Defence. "So long as we fly the Empire's Flag in Canada," said the Conservative Leader "We cannot hold aloof from the Empire in time of Danger." Loud cheers greeted this statement.

St. Peter's Bay.

Our Province contains no spot more profusely enriched with quiet scenic beauty, or possessing greater natural attractions, in the summer season than St. Peter's Bay. Standing on the bridge at Head St. Peter's Bay on a cloudless day a most enchanting panoramic view unfolds itself from every side. Turning to the east or to the west a diversified landscape of wonderful beauty spreads out before you. From the east the sluggish waters of Bay River slowly meander through various windings. Approaching the bridge the river turns in a somewhat sudden angle to the south, and then swings west again, narrows into a rapid channel, sweeps under the bridge and is merged in the broadening waters of the bay. This little strait constitutes the "meeting of the waters" of the River and the Bay, and "There is not in the wide world a valley so sweet As the vale in whose bosom the bright waters meet." Rolling away to the west, till it flows into the Gulf of St. Lawrence at St. Peter's harbor nine miles distant, is St. Peter's Bay. On either side several head lands jut out into the bay and at one place a mussel bed, save for a narrow channel, extends from shore to shore and at low water is quite visible. On the south the Midgell, Marie and Morell rivers flow into the bay, and these indentations and the projections already mentioned, give it a width of varied dimensions. At the harbor's mouth on the north side there are great white sand dunes that loom up, as they shimmer in the silvery haze of summer.

On either side of the bay, broad well-tiled farms extend down to the water's edge, and their fertility is vastly increased by the countless tons of shell mud that are yearly extracted from the rich mine beneath the adjacent waters. A drive along either side of the bay, especially on the north, presents a charming panoramic view. From Morell to Head St. Peter's Bay, the railway line runs close to the waters edge, and affords one of the most attractive views along the whole line.

On the north side of the Head of the Bay, high above the village and overlooking the surrounding country, stands St. Peter's Catholic church, from whose cross-crowned belfry three daily the angelus solemnly rings, briefly inviting to prayer and meditation. It is now some twenty-five years since this beautiful Gothic edifice of brick was erected. The spire, beautiful and lofty, was struck by electricity a few years ago, and so shattered as to necessitate its removal. A new spire was erected in its place and numerous other repairs and improvements were effected. These are now completed, and on Sunday last the church was reopened with solemn and appropriate ceremonies.

Among improvements effected within the past year was the painting of the spire and roof and all exterior wood work. But the greatest and most expensive of improvements was the painting and gilding of the interior. This was most skillfully and artistically executed. The colors are admirably blended and the graceful architectural lines of the edifice are well brought out. The whole interior, from the vaulted ceiling to the wainscoting is painted in snowy white; while the capitals of the columns, the junctions and intersections of the arches, the gornices, the pendants from the vault, the ornamental boquets at the bases of the mural columns and all other ornamental appendages are finished in gold leaf. In a word the whole interior from wainscot to vault presents an exquisite vision of white and gold. The high altar and the two side altars are painted in a deep shade, with all the ornaments, pinnacles and carvings in gold gilt. The columns are marbled and present a beautiful appearance. With its beautiful architectural lines, its graceful tracery and exquisite finish this church is a veritable gem. "A fit abode wherein appear enshrined Thy hopes of immortality."

The painting was executed by Mr. Joseph McInnis of Charlottetown, and Mr. H. B. Finlay of St. Peter's. The artistic brushes of these skilled painters left the stamp of their genius on the charming interior of this inspiring "ark of worship undefiled." The end crowns the work, and last Sunday saw the crowning of their labor for the pastor and people of St. Peter's. A already stated the church was solemnly reopened to divine worship. The solemn opening ceremonies were blessed with the beginning of the Forty Hours Devotion. The pastor, Rev. E. J. Gillis was assisted on the occasion by Rev. A. McIsaac, St. Ann's and Rev. A. Bernard McDonald, St. St. Dunstan's College. Rev. Dr. McDonald and Rev. Father McKay were the preacher of the sermon of circumstance. His text was from the Gospel according to St. Matthew: "Thou art Peter and upon this rock I will build my church." The Rev. preacher commenced by complimenting the large congregation present on the successful completion of the work begun over twenty-five years ago. He then delivered a learned dissertation on the importance and necessity of religion, and pointed out the provision our Lord had made for supplying that necessity. He founded a church and placed it under the charge of a Head to whom he gave ample powers. He showed that that church exists now and is vigorously carrying on her work and is attracting to her, as of old, all classes of men. The authority given her by God has enabled her to withstand all attacks made upon her, etc. The devotions were attended by large throngs of people.

Awful Marine Tragedy.

An awful marine tragedy occurred in the Bay of Fundy on the coast of New Brunswick on Monday morning of last week, when the ocean steamer Hestia of the Donaldson Line, from Glasgow, was driven ashore on the rocks and totally wrecked with the loss of 34 lives. The disaster occurred in the vicinity of old Proprietor's Lodge off Seal Cove, Grand Manan Gannet Rock Light was not far away, and the ship does not appear to have been very far out of her course. It appears that a light on Old Proprietor's Lodge was out of commission, and this may have led to the disaster. There was a tremendous north easterly gale and the seas were running mountains high. The ship's company consisted of 36 officers and men and there were 4 passengers. Three of the passengers were young Scottish lads coming out to their father who had settled in the State of Virginia. The four passengers and 30 of the crew were lost, including the Captain.

So far as is known they launched three boats. But they were destined to have not even the use of these. In unfastening the tackle of one of the boats it dropped from the davits into the sea and was soon beyond recovery. Then preparations were made to prevent a second similar mishap. Another boat was made ready and was soon filled. Into it were put the four boys and over a dozen members of the crew. They had barely taken their places when the tackle gave way and without warning the boat, with its human occupants, was precipitated into the swirling waters. The boat capsized and the boys and the crew were left to their scanty resources to combat with the adverse elements. The boat soon righted and one of the boys was seen clinging to it, holding with the grasp born of desperation and without strength to make another effort. Again the boat was capsized, it is believed, and disappeared.

Meanwhile those aboard the vessel used the only possible means of rescuing their comrades; they prepared to launch the third boat. It was their last remaining hope and they tarried some little time to make certain that this craft should not go the wasteful way of its two predecessors. When it was assured that the tackle was strong enough to permit of a safe lowering the men piled in, including Captain Newman. It was too small, however, and it was seen that all could not go. The six men, the only survivors, who were rescued by lifesavers afterwards, were those crowded out. They lowered the boat slowly, finally the tackle sagged and those aboard the boat were at last in the sea. Immediately there began efforts at rescuing the men and boys who had been overboard previously.

To the sailors still on the steamer there came plaintive cries from the drowning boys, one in particular went to the depth of their hearts. In an agonizing voice with the Scottish accent, native to several of them, which had endeared the lads to them during the voyage, there came the cry: "Mother, I'm drowning, save me." Except for a repetition, much weaker, this was the last heard from the drowning.

The saved are, third mate Stewart, second engineer Morgan, seaman Kean, McKenzie, Smith and McVicar. Third mate Stewart, now in charge of the stranded vessel, and

of the remaining members of the crew, sought to work out his responsibility. They looked about for means of safety although they know only too well that the boat in which Captain Newman had gone off was the last on the ship. A raft was rigged and placed in readiness for launching. A supply of water and food was lashed to it. Personal belongings were forgotten. The six men left on the ship were the only ones saved, as already stated. The ship was almost completely submerged, and the abandoned men took to the rigging as the only means of safety, and here they remained until about noon on Tuesday, when they were rescued by the schooner Ethel and the Seal Cove lifesboats.

One or two upturned boats drifted ashore and several bodies of the drowned passengers, officers and crew, have been picked up at different points along the coast of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

Jewelry and other Valuables.

The jewelry and other valuables which the military authorities have collected from the ruins of Messina Italy and for which no claimants can be found are estimated to be worth \$20,000,000. The vast collection of riches is heaped up in the subterranean vaults of the citadel and in wooden shelters, and is entrusted entirely to the honesty of four officers, who have not even sufficient soldiers to guard the shelters. In one of these shelters the soldiers have constructed rough shelves on which diamonds, and gold are piled in the most extraordinary manner. A matchbox, contains a necklace of pearls valued at over \$20,000, an old pair of boots and a pair of cards there is a simple envelope containing state bonds of \$400,000 made out to bearer. In another small wooden box lies a diamond solitaire, worth a fortune, which was registered by the soldiers as a white stone. Further on a petroleum can contains gold coins amounting to \$10,000. There are also safes innumerable filled with hundreds of gold watches, rings, chains, bracelets earrings, pocketbooks and treasures of all sorts. All these riches have been found in the superficial excavations carried on up to the present, while the wealthiest part of the town—the first and second floors and the cellars,—is still untouched.

LOCAL and OTHER ITEMS.

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We deeply regret to have to record the rather sudden death of Rev. Daniel Hazbes, priest of the diocese of St. Paul Minn., and a native of Bedford in this Province, which occurred on Sunday the 29th October. His death took place in the hospital at Mankato, Minn., where his brother Rev. Robert Hazbes is pastor. We extend our sympathy to his many friends in the Province. R. J. E.

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The Market Prices.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Items include Butter (fresh), Butter (sub), Calf skins, Ducks per pair, Eggs, Fowls, Chickens per pair, Flour (per cwt.), Hides (per lb.), Hay, Mutton, Pork, Sheep pelts, Turkeys, Geese, Blk cats, Pressed hay, Straw.

CANADA, PROVINCE OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

In the Prob- to Cou t, Fifth day of October, A. D. 1909.

In re Estate of George D. Longworth, late of Charlottetown, in Queen's County, in the said Province, deceased, testate.

By the Honorable Richard Reddin, Surrogate, Judge of Probate, etc., etc.

To the Sheriff of the County of Queen's County or any Constable or literate person within said County, Greeting:

Whereas upon reading the petition on file of Charles H. B. Longworth, Merchant, Minnie Mayne Longworth, Widow, Angus A. McLean, Barrister-at-Law, executor of the last will and testament of George D. Longworth, late of Charlottetown, aforesaid, deceased, testate, praying that a division may be made for the purpose hereinafter set forth; You are therefore hereby required to cite all persons interested in the said Estate to be and appear before me at a Probate Court to be held in the Court House in Charlottetown, in Queen's County, in the said Province, on Wednesday, the tenth day of November next coming, at the hour of twelve o'clock noon of the same day, to show cause if any they can why the Accounts of the said Estate should not be passed and the Estate closed as prayed for in said petition, and on motion of Mr. Donald McKinnon, Procurator for said Petitioners; And I do hereby order that a true copy hereof be forthwith published in the Herald newspaper published in Charlottetown, for at least four consecutive weeks from the date hereof; and that a true copy hereof be forthwith posted in the following public places respectively, namely, in the Hall of the Court House in Charlottetown, at or near Love's Livery, East Royal, and on the School House, West Royal, so that all persons interested in the said Estate as aforesaid may have due notice thereof.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the said Court this fifth day of October, A. D. 1909, and in the sixth year of His Majesty's reign.

(Signed) RICHARD REDDIN, Surrogate Judge of Probate, Donald McKinnon, Esq., Procurator. Oct. 6th, 1909—41

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