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## Passengers And Crew Of Megantic Held a Service Over Sunken "Empress"

### Ceremony At Scene Of Tragedy Sunday Afternoon Was Most Impressive One--White Star Liner Stopped At Buoy Which Marks Watery Grave Of Those Who Went Down With C. P. R. Ship.

Montreal, June 5.—An impressive ceremony in which the crew and passengers of the White Star Dominion liner, Megantic, joined was held over the spot where the Empress of Ireland lies on Sunday afternoon.

The Megantic from Liverpool to Montreal with 772 passengers and mails arrived at the scene of the Empress tragedy about five o'clock on Sunday afternoon. Captain Hugh F. David, the Megantic's commander, stopped his ship near the buoy which marks the resting place of the Empress and every member of the crew who could be spared from duty was mustered on the main deck. There the ship's company were joined by the passengers who took up positions on

the shelter deck aft of the bridge, surrounding the ship's orchestra. The captain who was on the bridge, bared his head, and his example was followed by the passengers. Led by the orchestra the entire company then joined in singing "Abide with Me." The service was most impressive, and there were many tearful eyes among the bowed heads of those who took part in it. The weather at the time of the ceremony was beautifully fine. No other vessel was in sight, the only thing visible above the waters being the buoy above the sunken Empress. Many of the passengers were affected to a very marked degree, and the Megantic slowly resumed her way to Montreal amid a solemn silence.

## LUNENBURGERS POORLY FISHERD

### Gloucester Skipper Reports That Most of the Vessels on the Grounds Have Done Very Little--Conditions Are All Against a Successful Fishery--Much Ice Around.

Sydney, C.B., June 8.—A despatch from Gloucester, Mass., states that the schooner Arethusa, Captain Clayton Morrissey, the first of the Cape North fleet to reach home, arrived there last Friday with one hundred thousand pounds of fresh cod and forty thousand pounds salt cod. The Arethusa took a frozen baiting on which she secured her salt fish. Capt. Morrissey like others of the fleet, was unable to reach the Magdalens and was held back by the ice for three weeks, until finally he went out around, up the Newfoundland coast and reached the islands, where he baited May 12.

The craft fished off Cape North. Capt. Morrissey, who generally finds them if they are to be found, says the fish were scarce, and on the first set he took practically nothing.

### Got Good Trip.

The Arethusa had only one real good day of fishing, taking 30,000 pounds, the best day's catch on the trip. In spite of the adverse conditions, the craft picked up a trip, making but one baiting, and then started for home.

The Arethusa spoke a large number of the local shakers at Cape North. While the season will be a poor one, some of them may get some fair trips before leaving for home, the crew think.

It will be a hard blow to the Lunenburg fleet the captain reports, a large number of crafts from that port being on the grounds, and many of them have done little or nothing.

## "News" Reference Not Quite Correct

### Official Announcement of the Position Regarding Deputation From Canadian Synod

We are asked to state that in The Daily News of this morning's issue the reference to the proposed visit of the deputation from the Provincial Synod of Canada is not entirely correct.

The position is that the deputation has decided to leave the matter over until the meeting of the General Synod of Canada, in September next, so that the General Synod may give the invitation and appoint the deputation which would speak with greater authority than if appointed by the present Provincial Synod of Canada alone.

As regards "the preponderance of opinion locally" no person is either authorized or able to say what that opinion is.

## FORTY THOUSAND REPRESENTATIVES OF WORLD-WIDE S. A. ORGANIZATION TO ATTEND CONGRESS AT LONDON

### Delegates, Speaking Thirty-Four Languages Will Represent Fifty-Eight Countries.

### UNITED STATES WILL HAVE THE BIGGEST DELEGATION Americans, Led by Commander Eva Booth Will Number Over Seven Hundred.

### PROMINENT S.A. OFFICERS THERE Twenty Thousand of the Delegates Will Come From Places Outside The British Isles.

London, June 9.—Forty thousand men and women, representing 58 countries and talking 34 languages, will gather here on June 11th at the International Congress of the Salvation Army, an event which is held every ten years. At the opening meeting the delegates will be welcomed by Premier Asquith and the Lord Mayor of London.

### Big Delegation.

The largest delegation from a non-European country will be the American, now on the Atlantic, headed by Commodore Evangeline Booth, and consisting of 600 men and women and 100 children. The children are "young soldiers," ranging in age from 5 to 17, and dedicated to the work of the organization when they reach maturity.

The assemblage in London will contain white and blacks, reds and yellows. All the great Caucasian countries of the earth will have big delegations, while there will be delegations of Japanese and Chinese and East Indians, of negroes from East Africa, of Zulus from Zululand, of Kanakas from Hawaii, of North American Indians from the United States, of Maoris from New Zealand.

### Sexes Equally Divided

The total representation from lands outside the British Isles will be about 20,000, while as many more delegates will be contributed by Great Britain. In the total assemblage of 40,000 there will be an early equal division between men and women. The male and female representation in the American delegation is likewise about equal.

In the 58 countries to be represented there are approximately 1,000 army provinces, and every province will send delegates. Delegates from the Orient will wear their native costumes. Each delegation will carry the flag of its country.

Miss Booth, head of the army in the United States, will be the chief figure after General Bramwell Booth, head of the army throughout the world. Other dominant figures will be Commissioner Thomas Howard, chief of staff in London; Commissioner Booth-Tucker, in charge of the Army in India, and Commissioner John Hay, of Australia.

### Good Advertising.

In the American contingent are 100 delegates from New York, the remaining coming from all parts of the country. Four bands are with the American delegates, one each from New York, Chicago, Worcester, Mass., and Flint, Mich. All members of the Flint Band of 45 pieces work in an automobile factory, and the band is being sent abroad at the expense of the business men of Flint, who are thus seeking to let the world know that Flint is on the map.

The other delegates from the United States are paying their own expenses, and the same is true of practically every delegate who will be in London.

On the last day of the Congress, which will be July 4, a remarkable parade is to be held at Crystal Palace. The 40,000 delegates will be in line and 5,000 handmen will play the march music.

Ambassador Page, through the international headquarters of the Salvation Army in London, has invited Miss Booth and the American contingent to visit him at the embassy, and a garden party will probably be arranged for the occasion. It is expected that King George and Queen Mary will also receive Miss Booth and her American followers at Buckingham Palace.

### American Delegates.

The American delegates are to wear modified cowboy hats and will carry the American colors. The brigade of children is under command of Colonel J. E. Margetta. They will carry a banner inscribed "Young America." The Congress is held for the purpose of arousing additional enthusiasm and esprit de corps, of discussing methods of work, and outlining plans for the future, and generally to give momentum to the Salvationist movement for the ensuing ten years. The chief meetings will be held in a huge building on the Strand built especially for the congress. It seats 10,000 persons.

## Five Lives Lost In Tenement Fire

### One Man, Three Women and a Child Victims of Conflagration in New York.

New York, June 10.—In a fire, today, which swept through a five-story tenement, 90 Essex Street, one man, three women and a child were burned to death, whilst eight others were seriously injured.

## Australian Parliament House Scene of Wild Fight Between Government And Opposition

### Government Members Had Prepared For A Quiet Snooze During All-Night Session, But Opponents Stole Their Bedclothes And The Row Was On.

Sydney, N.S.W., June 11.—Wild scenes culminating in fist-cuffs, marked an all night sitting of the Australian Parliament.

Because the Opposition continued its obstruction tactics, the Government decided on a all-night sitting. The Government whip provided the Ministerialists with pillows and blankets. The Laborites, who were not so comfortable, commenced removing blankets and pillows from their slumbering opponents.

A battle royal was the result, and the melee nearly became a riot, when a Labor member struck the Government whip on the jaw.

Efforts were made to separate the fighters and soon almost the whole membership of the House were rolling

on the floor, wrestling, hitting and clawing.

Finally the antagonists were separated, and the debate then proceeded until the Government forced a vote, while two Labor members were out of the room.

The House then adjourned after a twenty-hour sitting.

## MASONIC RECEPTION FOR DUKE OF CONNAUGHT

The city Masonic lodges under English jurisdiction, will meet in the Temple on Friday evening at 8, for the purpose of arranging a Masonic reception for the Most Worshipful Grand Master His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught.

## Paper Scores Bd. Of Trade

### "John Bull" Says Disasters Are Likely While They Handle Marine Affairs.

London, June 11.—John Bull, a weekly periodical, dealing with the maritime disastres scores the Board of Trade, declaring it is not surprised at any maritime catastrophe so long as the control of mercantile marine is left in the hands of the bogus Board of Trade.

It complains that practical suggestions have been ignored, such as a centre deck permitting the launching of boats on either side of the ship's deck; dynamos for the Marconi installation and also both transverse and longitudinal bulkheads.

## ROBBER BARONS IN THE TOILS

### Russian Cossacks Arrest Seventeen Caucasian Princes Who Lived By Plundering the Peasants—Did Not Stick at Murder When They Were Thwarted.

St. Petersburg, June 8.—The manner in which the medieval robber barons used to carry out their system of wholesale plunder and murder has been easily outdone by seventeen Caucasian Princes, who are under trial at Baku charged with robbery and murder.

It is declared that the Princes lived in luxury on the proceeds of the tribute exacted forcibly from the peasantry. If a peasant failed to pay by the date set, the Princes seized his cattle and household property, even his children, and if he protested he was shot.

More than twenty have been killed in this manner. During one of these raids a company of Cossacks surprised and overpowered the titled robbers, who had just killed five farmers for resisting their demands.

### STILL NO NEWS

There is still no news of the missing man, Mr. Littlejohn, who was lost in the vicinity of Terra Nova.

### FAREWELL SERMON.

Rev. J. W. McConnell, pastor of Jubilee Methodist church here for the past four years, preaches his farewell sermon in this city on June 28th, leaving for Amherst the following week. He will be succeeded here by Rev. Mr. Bartlett, of St. John's, Nfld.—Sydney Record.

## Brings Poor News From The Straits

### No Sign of Codfish Yet—Straits Now Clear of Ice—Strong Gales.

S.S. Meigle, Capt. Goobie, arrived at Humbermouth at 7.30 a.m. yesterday from the Straits, having been as far north as Battle Harbor.

The captain reported as follows: "Made every port of call to Battle Harbor, going and returning. Experienced strong gales going down, but had fine weather returning. There is no ice from Red Bay to Battle Harbor, nor any sign of codfish in the Straits."

### PROCESSION AT CATHEDRAL

The annual procession in the R. C. Cathedral grounds takes place next Sunday afternoon.

### KITE LEAVES BRIGUS

S.S. Kite left Brigus yesterday on route to the Labrador.

Schr. Jubilee took 75 tons coal at Sydney last week for Cape Race.

## Trading Co. Premises Now Very Busy Place

## Some Important Tips On Fishery Affairs

### Provisions Have Gone Up In Price

### Molasses And Sugar Advance--Trading Co Sells 5,000 Hhds. Of Salt--Fishing Season Will Be Short One--Concerning Price Of Fish.

The schr. Lizzie Guy, Capt. Mark Guy, is loading at the Union Wharf for Catalina Store.

The Mary Katie, Capt. John Guppy, is taking fishery supplies at the Union Wharf. Capt. Guppy is one of Port Rexton's most successful and independent planters and has been Chairman of the F.P.U. at Port Rexton since its establishment there in 1910. He will leave for the Straits fishery as soon as possible.

The schr. Norman S., Capt. Fowlow, also of Port Rexton, is also taking supplies at the Union Wharf. We wish Capt. Fowlow a bumper trip, this being his first year in charge.

### Store Was Open

The Union Store was open yesterday in order to accommodate the fishermen requiring to do business with the Trading Co. and they greatly appreciated the action of the employees in returning to work in the afternoon instead of taking the half holiday.

The work of repairing the Union Wharf will be undertaken at once by Mr. Jacob Bishop.

The constant attraction to the fish-molasses ever retained in St. John's is now for sale at the Union premises.

Another shipment is due in two weeks. Molasses has advanced two cents per gallon during the last two weeks and is likely to advance to a fancy ermen is the Coaker Engine installed on the premises. To see it work is to purchase it when an engine is required.

Mr. Trenholm, the Coaker Engine expert, is now at Keels, having finished installing at Catalina.

### Prices of Fishery Produce

Dry talqu codfish is worth \$7.40 per cwt and codfish will sell it less losses money.

Herring are worth from \$3 to \$3.30 just now.

LoBSTERS \$27 per case.

Canned salmon will not be worth much. A large quantity is being packed and the price will be from \$4.50 to \$5. No. 1 large salt salmon will be worth about \$22 for the first shipments.

The Unjed Trading Co. has sold 5,000 barrels of herring and could dispose of 5,000 barrels more if available.

The first dry shore fish will fetch big prices. The price will range from \$7 to \$7.50 talqu—far good dry fish.

Don't pickle cod fish. Salt all your fish in bulk if you want the best prices the coming summer.

Having sold out the whole spring shipment of paints, the Company duplicated their paint orders about three weeks ago and received a large shipment yesterday.

### Lots of Molasses

The Company have received also a shipment of molasses from Barbados by the George B. Cluett, the Grenfell mission ship, and the best quality of

price before the fall's trade is over.

Sugar has also advanced considerably—about 20c. per hundred pounds since January—but the price is not likely to go much higher. The Union Trading Co. sold 1,000 barrels since the spring's business opened.

The Trading Co. has sold about 5,000 hhd. of salt this spring, consequently the price of salt is down to the lowest figure. Cadiz is sold at about the cost of it, those handling it have not made much profit this year.

The importers of Santa Pola salt have made good profits although it has been retailed as low as 95c. per hhd. It cost about 75c. per hhd. and Jobs and Bowring will scoop in about \$20,000 profit on the two loads they imported.

### Favorite Salt.

Santa Pola seems to be the favorite salt this spring. The Cadiz quality will be completely cut out from the market here unless the price of it at Cadiz is reduced to the price of Santa Pola. Under ordinary circumstances Cadiz salt would be retailed here at \$1.30 per hhd. this spring instead of \$1.10.

Seven-eighths of the Northern fishing fleet have arrived and within a week the whole fleet will be clear of St. John's. The season is fully two weeks late and the fishing season will be a short one.

There has been no good sign of fish anywhere in the island yet. There is plenty of time yet for a first class voyage and there is no doubt but the result of the fishery for 1914 will equal that of 1913.

Some of the Bays are likely to fare well, for often, when fish is scarce in the early spring it strikes in plentifully late in June and early in July when the body of the caplin strike in to land.

The new Union Store at Selly Cove was opened a couple of days ago by Mr. J. G. Stone. Mr. Simon Percy is the clerk in charge. Mr. Stone is now at Catalina.