

Evangelists in Newfoundland.

A Review of Their Work.

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ARTICLE X.

We have now written of the principal Evangelists who have visited our city within the past forty-three years; and we trust that what has been said was worth while. The actors in those scenes have mostly passed away, and only a small percentage of our readers will recall those events. Personally I met all those people of whom I have written, and their faces are still fresh in my memory, and their various traits of character are well remembered. I learned a great deal from them; and having spoken in public myself for most of the period mentioned, I have had a special interest in such people, and have been a sort of fellow-worker with them.

Those were the prominent men of their class; but there were others whose names are worthy of being mentioned; and who, though their stay was brief, rendered masterly service. Foremost among these stands the world-renowned name of Mark Guy Pearse. None but have read and heard of him, but not so many of us have heard his voice, for it is only by a rare chance that such masters come this way, and when they do come, the field is too small for them to stay very long.

It is some fourteen years since Mark Guy Pearse honored St. John's with a visit; and the lectures which he gave at that time must still be fresh in many minds. If nothing else be remembered, the vast assemblage of people who sought entrance to his meetings, will be sufficient memento to his popularity. Of his lectures, two stand out in bold relief, as masterpieces of oratory, and as up-to-date subjects then; and the same would apply to them now. One was his lecture on "Christian Socialism," and the other was that of "A Bit of Bread." The first aroused a keen interest among those who lean to extreme socialistic views, and who, because of their extremes, are carried away with their own particular side of the question.

One particular statement of the lecturer was very obnoxious to these friends, and in conversation with some of them afterwards, they repudiated the principle which the great man had stated. Here is what he said: "Socialism aims to pull down that which is up; Christian Socialism aims to lift up that which is down." A few such sentences as that, embody a great amount of hard fact, and they go to illustrate the greatness of the man of whom we now write. The sentence is pregnant with meaning to present day disputes, and it was the utterance of such sentiments, and the authorship of such sentences, both in print and on the platform,

that gained for Mark Guy Pearse, that fame, which is so justly his.

The second topic seemed a rather simple one on the face of it; but when the master touch of the lecturer had presented it, there was a dignity and a value attached to it, which at once elevated it. It was only a bit of bread; and yet upon that apparently insignificant factor, depended the life of the whole world. To have listened to the story of the evolution of a bit of bread, from its first stages in the sowing, until, and all through, its last stages in the reaping, was to see how really great the bit of bread is, and how really small, and utterly dependent, a man is. At the time it looked that way; but the late war has confirmed all that the good man said; for the whole world has learned the value of a bit of bread.

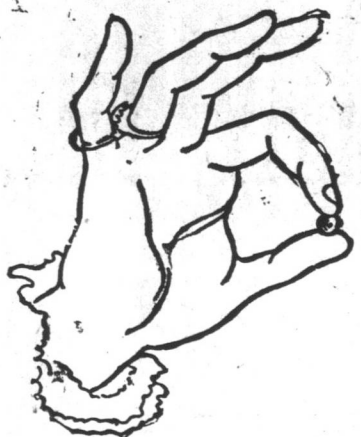
Such men as Mark Guy Pearse ever stand out as leaders in their calling; and every generation is the richer because of their work. The last half of the nineteenth century produced many such great men, among all the churches, and their impress upon society has been deep and abiding. In Church, State, Art and Literature, these master minds have ruled; and all their teaching has been in the march of advancement. No mere superficial theories did these men teach. They penetrated into the certainties and meanings of life; and imparted the highest ideals to the people.

Some people say that the first half of the twentieth century, so far, has not produced such a great class of men of this character, as was produced in the last half of the nineteenth century. This opens up a big question. True it is, that there is more invention, and that education is more generally advanced, and that science is daily adding to its laurels; but, confining the question to its limits, have the churches and the states as many great and outstanding leaders to-day, as were in evidence a generation ago? A man to lead today should be greater than one who led in the past. The people are not so confiding now as they were, and that which drew the crowd once, has lost its attraction. A man great in the past would not be so great at the present; and it is beginning to look as if the people intend to do more of their own thinking than they have hitherto done—such at least is the tendency of modern education.

But whatever turn the wheel may take, and whatever power Democracy may attain unto, it must still stand a principle among men, that somebody must lead; and it is of these leaders we have been writing, and foremost

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amongst them will long stand, the renowned name of the Rev. Mark Guy Pearse.

Glovertown Welcomes Heroes.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Dear Sir:—Please allow me space in your valuable paper to make a few remarks regarding the reception given to our heroes on their return from the war. On Saturday, Feb. 8, there was great excitement around when it was found that the s.s. Corsican had arrived at St. John's the evening before, and that five of our boys were on board, and would be leaving for home the next day by train. Preparations were then made for building an arch and decorating it. Then on Sunday all the men having horses and sleighs beside a number of other friends, decided to go to the station, about four miles distant, to meet the boys on their arrival there, whom we thought would arrive about 12 o'clock in the night. The arch was beautifully illuminated and all the houses along the road displayed lights in every window. Crowds were around awaiting to hear the whistle of the train, or the faint sound of sleigh bells in the distance. All at once sleigh bells were heard, but great was the disappointment when it was found to be some one coming bringing the news that the train with the boys would not be due until 10 o'clock next morning. It was a very disappointed crowd who then wended their way home to wait until the next

morning. However their patience was rewarded the next day at 11 o'clock, when the train whistle was heard at the station. We knew it would take about an hour for them to drive out, and quite a crowd gathered around to await their coming. When suddenly the joyful sound of sleigh bells were heard, and we could see them coming in the distance, cheers arose from all present, and I tell you it was an exciting time when the sleighs with four of our boys (one stayed behind at St. John's) stopped right in the midst of the crowd. Then began the cheering again, and the hearty welcome home and the hand claps. But with all the joyful excitement, there was still a sadness as the father of two of our brave boys, "who had made the Supreme Sacrifice," went forward with tears rolling down his cheeks to welcome home the companions of his two dear lads who had lost their lives. On Monday, Feb. 17, the W.P.A. gave a reception in the schoolroom in honor of our returned heroes, when the boys and their parents with a number of other friends, about 100, sat down to a hot dinner at 7.30 p.m. After dinner was over (and I think it was enjoyed by all), ice cream was served to the guests, and after the tables were cleared the doors were opened for all who wished to come in to the entertainment, when the following programme was rendered:

Song, "Welcome Home," by Mr. and Mrs. Arnold.
Chorus, "Three Cheers for the Red, White and Blue."
Recitation, Mrs. E. Sweetapple.
Address, Pte. John Wells.
Solo, Mrs. B. Barry.
Recitation, Miss Maggie Arnold.
Chorus, "Hard Times Come Again no More."

Several other places were prepared, but owing to the lateness of the evening we had to cancel them. Pte. Wells gave us a very interesting address, and showed some curios, among them being a German helmet. He told us that he took it from the head of a German. Some one in the audience asked, "What became of the head," at which Jack (as he is most commonly called), turned, and said, "Ah, that's telling," and we were left to form our own opinions as to how he got it. The young people were then given the use of the school for games, etc., until 12.30, after which hour all dispersed feeling quite tired out, but delighted with the evening's programme.

Thanking you for space, Mr. Editor, I remain, yours truly,
ONE PRESENT.
Glovertown, Feb. 28, 1919.

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MILITIA ORDERS—No. 34
By J. R. BENNETT, Esq., Min. of Militia.

1.—Honours and Awards:—
His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards:—

MILITARY CROSS.
Lieut. F. Hopson.

MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL.
1861, R.S.M. James M. McKay.

2.—Appointment:—
Captain B. O'Reilly (late R. A. M. C.) to be Captain in the Royal Newfoundland Regiment from Feb. 10th, 1919.

3.—Promotion—Amendments:—
Royal Gazette of September 11th, 1917 is amended as follows:—
The following to be Lieutenants from August 28th, 1917:—
2845, Corpl. Robert E. Evans,
2962, Corpl. Harold S. Knight,
3278, Corpl. Michael J. Penny.

4.—Promotion:—
Lieut. R. Grandy (attached R. A. F.) to be Acting Captain with effect from October 28th, 1919.
2nd Lieut. W. M. Churchill to be Lieut. with effect from 26th October, 1918.
3rd Lieut. W. L. Munn to be Lieut. with effect from February 25th, 1919.
The following to be 2nd Lieutenants with effect from December 1st, 1918:—
Cadet (3119 Act. Sergt.) A.A. Syme,
Cadet (579, C.S.M.) C. A. Melville,
Cadet (3338, Act. Sergt.) B.W. Kean,
Cadet (3335, Act. Cpl.) A.N. Burgess

5.—Retirement:—
The following are retired with effect from 25th February, 1919, and placed on the Reserve List of Officers:—
Capt. S. Robertson, Capt. J. Clift, M.C., Capt. G. Harvey, Lieuts. A. L. Summers, A. Noseworthy, M. Churchill, J. Strang, G. Tresise, E. Ellis, W. T. O'Rourke, H. Small, L. F. Hickey, C. Watson, H. J. Power, W. L. Munn; 2nd Lieuts. T. B. McGrath, W. J. Clouston, N. James, C. Melville, A. A. Syme, E. W. Kean, A. N. Burgess, J. Dee, J. Lang, D. Stares.

W. F. RENDELL, Lieut. Col.
Chief Staff Officer.

MILITIA ORDERS—No. 35.
The undermentioned Officers have been brought to the notice of the Secretary for War for valuable services rendered in connection with the war.

Newfoundland Contingent:—
Major C. MacPherson, M.D., Royal Newfoundland Regiment, C.M.G.

1.—Honours and Awards:—
Extract from the Second Supplement to the London Gazette, dated July 6th, 1918.
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PROCEEDING TO ST. PIERRE.—It is probable that the schooner W. T. White, which ran ashore near the Harbor Breton Lighthouse a few days ago while on her way there from English Harbor West, will proceed to St. Pierre for repairs. She is leaking badly, and her codfish cargo has been considerably damaged.

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