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Then and Now.

The upheaval which followed the Napoleonic Wars, the disturbances in labour circles, the poverty, and the movements for political and social reform make a chapter of events almost identical with those which have followed the close of the Great War. Bad as was the legacy left to the world by the Kaiser, the misery and distress, which followed Napoleon's campaign were many times worse. We are not inclined to believe that such was the case, but the following summary of events following 1814 is fairly conclusive and convincing:

1815. Expenditure, 120 millions; ordinary revenue, 46 millions; National Debt, \$80 millions—£43 a head. Great agricultural depression, in spite of Corn Law; farms thrown out of cultivation and labourers out of work. Riots in the north. Corn Law, restricting importation, passed.

1816. General stagnation of trade, extreme agricultural depression. "Bread or blood" riots in eastern counties by unemployed labourers. Whole villages on poor rates. Industrial depression; foreign countries too poor to buy; factories closed down or on short time. Riots in London with firearms after mass meeting of unemployed. Fall of wages and great rise of grain prices after bad harvest. Strong contention of enormous peace establishment of Army and Navy.

1817. Continued depression and unemployment; wide-spread distress; one-third of the population in Birmingham on the poor rates. Public relief works. Much emigration. Active agitation for revolutionary political changes. Outrage on Prince Regent at opening of Parliament. March of "Blanket-bearers" (unemployed) from Manchester. Fears of revolutionary plots. Suspension of Habeas Corpus Act. Excessive expenditure and taxation blamed for depression.

1818. Trade and industry reviving; cotton active. Strike of spinners; rioting by weavers at Burnley. Peel's Factory Act introduced. Much discussion on currency and exchange.

1819. Optimistic spirit prevalent; but checked in the spring by sudden return of depression. Imports fall six millions, exports nine millions. Distress; strikes; riots. Sydney Smith predicts "war of the rich against the poor." Peterloo (fatal charge of Yeomanry on mass meeting in Manchester). Robert Owen's Utopian plan of small co-operative settlements. Universal gloom (fifth winter after Waterloo).

1820. Continued depression. Serious outbreak threatened in Lanarkshire, people said to be in a state of "absolute destitution." Cato Street conspiracy of Thistlewood to assassinate the Cabinet. Distress world-wide. Petition of London merchants in favour of Free Trade. Partial improvement later in year, but agriculture worse than ever.

1821. Continued agricultural distress. Rainous losses. Deflation of currency blamed. High taxation blamed. Strong demand for retrenchment and reduced taxation. Special taxation of fund-holders proposed. Free Trade and non-interference by Government advocated. Protection demanded. Gold coin payments resumed.

1822. General demand by all classes for reduced expenditure. Government "battered to death." Trade improving. Riots and outrages (Whitebait) in Ireland. Potato famine. Large relief funds. Distress relieved and outrages resumed.

1823. Continued agitation about the state of agriculture. Currency blamed again. Proposed reduction of interest on debt and "revision of contracts." Sudden rise of corn prices. Agitation stopped. Optimism rising commercial activity.

1824. Recovery of Agriculture. General prosperity (ninth year after Waterloo). Repeal of Combination Acts.

It will be noticed that such movements as reduction of

armaments, the settlement of international disputes by peaceful methods were advocated, and as long as the blight of war remained uppermost in people's minds found general support, but as soon as normal conditions were restored, the utopian ideas were lost sight of. To what extent history will repeat itself in this connection remains to be seen, but the action of the U.S.A. in declining to be a party to the League of Nations the withdrawal of Spain from the naval disarmament conference, the anxiety of most of the powers to increase their air forces, the gratification expressed whenever some new devilry of destruction is devised are not assuring indications that any great change of heart has taken place.

A Correction

Our attention has been called by several correspondents to an error in mathematics which appeared in Saturday's issue. In reference to the arrangements made by the Minister of Posts and Telegraphs in the handling of money orders, we stated that the amount thereby saved would be approximately \$30,000. As settlements between the Nfld. and U.S.A. Governments are made once in three months, the interest on the overdraft would not be more than \$9,000. We do not withdraw our congratulations to the Minister because the result of his economy is less than we imagined. In fact we are glad to learn that he is taking steps to save even such trifling amounts.—(Sic.)

Presentation to Rev. G. O. Lightbourn

The Rev. G. O. Lightbourn was presented this morning with an address and pocket watch engraved by the pupils and teachers of the East End School, in token of their appreciation of his interest and the kindly help given through his weekly lessons. Mr. Lightbourn, in a few appropriate words thanked the children for their good wishes and assured them that although he was leaving he would always remember his little friends at the East End School. Rev. J. B. Elliott also spoke a few words referring to the rev. gentleman's departure, and promised that he would continue Mr. Lightbourn's good work.

Shortage in Accounts

We are advised that the shortage in accounts in the Postal Department, which reference was made on Saturday, occurred in the Postal Telegraph Branch.

Cartwright Mission Entertainment

Cartwright Mission Circle will give a Concert this evening at 8 p.m. in Canon Wood Hall when a varied programme will be presented by the little people of this society. The patronage of all friends of Rev. H. Gordon is solicited to enable the children to again contribute their annual donation of \$300 for Mr. Gordon's travelling expenses. Tea will be served.

Rosalind in Port

S.S. Rosalind after a splendid passage from Halifax docked at 1 p.m. today. Eight second and the following first class passengers arrived by the ship—Samuel Lewis, Isaac Lewis, May Wylan, Walter Chafe, James Blinton, Genevieve Mercer, Michael Power, H. Crowe, George Harris, J. Moore, Lady Cashin, Sir Michael Cashin, Edward Cleary.

McMurdo's Store News.

SICK ROOM HELPS. Little things that do much to make care of the sick easier, and more effective. Cost nothing compared to benefits received.
Bed Pans, Disinfectants, Cologne Water, Thermometers, Feeding Cups, Hot Water Bags, Rubber Sheeting, Ice Bags, Fountain Syringes, Medicine Glasses, Sterno Canned Heat, and many other useful articles always in stock.

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Shipping.

Schr. Inspiration arrived at Penambuco, Saturday. Crew all well. Schr. Daisy Morris, has arrived at Q. M. Barr's after a splendid run of 25 days from Oporto. Her cargo consists of salt and wine.
Schr. Herbert Pairs has entered Port Union & Co. for Penambuco. S.S. Jan arrived from Halifax at 10 a.m.
Schr. Edith Cavell, Joseph Vallis, master, has arrived at Ramoa to Penney and Sons.

MINARD'S LINIMENT RELIEVES RHEUMATISM.

Pit-Prop Investigation This Morning.

Sir William Coaker on the Stand.

When the enquiry opened this morning Inspector General Hutchings put in a copy of a Minute of Council in reference to the schedule of pay due to police and officers for exceptional duties and for work outside their duties. Section 177 of the Consolidated Statutes was referred to in reference to fees under the Customs Act. After reading it the Commissioner remarked that it appeared possible that a police officer or an assistant might get a share, but the division was subject to the direction of the Governor in Council. Witness said he thought there was a regular scale laid down by the Assistant Collector, but he did not know if it was approved by the Governor in Council. The Commissioner remarked that that was what he wanted to know. These things, he said, while not wrong, would require careful handling or abuses might creep in. When an Act of Parliament provides that matters in the public interest with reference to a particular department are to be approved by the Governor in Council, it is a pity the rule was not followed. If there had been laxity in the past it is possible that the spirit of the matter would make people punctilious in future.
Mr. Geo. Turner was next called and produced a telegram, 15th April, respecting the contract with Rodgers and Rodgers' reply, dated April 16th. Correspondence accounting for the lapse of time between March 1923, when the Justice Department advised the message of repudiation and the sending of the cable on April 1923, was also put in evidence. The Commissioner after reading the correspondence said there was not much done during the month but apparently the responsibility for delay was shifted from the shoulders of the Deputy Minister of Mines to that of somebody else.
When I came to New York from the West Indies, I heard that Rodgers was negotiating with the Department. I was consulted about them by Rodgers whom I met in New York.
Q.—Mr. Rodgers and you got in touch through Mr. Collishaw?
A.—Yes.
Q.—What is Collishaw's business?
A.—Lumber, I think.
Q.—Your companies had financial dealings with him, I think?
A.—Yes.
Q.—What was your position at that time between your company and Mr. Collishaw?
A.—Our obligations were not very great at that time.
Q.—When you saw Rodgers was the whole matter discussed?
A.—Conditions were laid down.
Q.—Did you know anything about the pulpwood market at that time?
A.—Only what I heard from John.
I wasn't interested in trying to make a sale with John. It was only when I had to sign the contract that I took any interest in the price of pulp wood and then, no one else would touch it.
Q.—Dawes' evidence that it was worth about \$15.00 was referred to and was described as nonsense by Sir William.
MR. WINTER—What would it cost to take wood from Newfoundland to the States?
A.—About \$100.
COMMISSIONER—As far as you know the condition of the market then, this was a good contract?
A.—The best contract that could be made in America. Rodgers wanted to be paid to sell the wood. It was got out of the contract when it was ready for signing and I had to give him that covering letter.
Q.—Did you ask any one besides Rodgers?
A.—Only John, but he told me of the difficulty to be encountered in making a sale.
Q.—Who actually drafted the contract?
A.—A lawyer named Noble.
Sir William then went into details concerning Noble's fee, and said he had explained that fee was based on the amount involved in the contract. He said that if he had known what a big fee would be charged, he would have drawn up the contract himself. Rodgers' claim for \$120,000 was referred to by Counsel, and various points in connection with the delivery of the wood under the contract were entered into in detail.
COMMISSIONER—I take it then, from your evidence, that you had nothing to do with the second contract nor do you approve of it?
MR. WINTER asked what Collishaw had to do with the first contract, and was told that witness thought he was acting for the Department. Sir William did not know this for a fact.
A few further questions along similar lines concluded this morning's session.

Personal.

Sir Michael and Lady Cashin arrived by S.S. Rosalind to-day after a six weeks visit to Canada. Sir Michael and Lady Cashin are looking well after their trip and quite a number of friends were at the pier to-day to welcome them home.
Mr. I. Lewis, who has been in the States for several weeks making purchases of spring goods returned to-day by S. S. Rosalind.
Mr. H. J. Crowe arrived to-day by Rosalind from New York, on business in connection with his pulp operations in White Bay.

MINARD'S LINIMENT FOR DISTEMPERS.

Stirring Conflict Between Mother and Daughter Revealed in Great Photoplay At the NICKEL To-Day.

WARNER BROS. Present
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DAN DELMAR Sings
(a) "Yes, I'm Goin'"
(b) "A Swiss Yodel" (Selected).
"DREAMY MELODY." By J. Murphy. A Side-splitting Comedy Sketch
"DON'T WRITE LETTERS" (A Social Melo-Drama)
"JUST A GIRL THAT MEN FORGET" By C. Vinnicombe.
P. SMITH Sings
(a) "Smile Thro' Your Tears"
(b) "Finnigan's Ball"
"My Funny Old Gal." By C. Wiseman.
"DR. QUACK'S PATIENTS"
"THE YELLOW ARM" (4th Episode "At Bay")
THE CRESCENT SLOGAN—"GOOD ALL THE TIME."

TO-DAY'S MESSAGES

REVOLUTION IN BULGARIA DENIED.

PARIS, Feb. 25.
Bulgarian legation in Paris says that the report from London of a Communist revolution in Bulgaria, the alleged departure of King Boris seeking refuge in the province, and the rumor that several ministers have been assassinated belong to "series of false news which certain interested parties are launching periodically to cause unrest and disquiet in industrial and financial circles" concerned with investments in Bulgaria. The Legation declares everything is quiet in Bulgaria.

ABBE DELORME AGAIN FACES TRIAL.

MONTREAL, Feb. 25.
Rev. Father Delorme appeared this morning in the court of Kings bench to stand trial for the third time since the January morning in 1922 when the frozen body of his half brother Raoul, an Ottawa college student was found riddled with bullets at Snowden Junction, a suburb of Montreal. His first trial took up the matter of the Priests' sanity and he was adjudged insane and sent to Beausport Asylum, Quebec. He was released on a sanity certificate of the Sup. Ct. of Canada, but his life, and a disagreement in the jury made on behalf of the Curator of the Delorme estate that the Abbe be considered insane. Counsel in the case are Robert Calder, K.C., Crown Prosecutor and Albert Gormain, K.C. who will defend the Abbe.

J. T. MEANEY IS ON PERSONAL BUSINESS ONLY.

JOHN T. MEANEY, Esq., B.A., Newfoundlander, former Liquor Controller of the Colony and a prominent figure in the Squires' Enquiry, is in Quebec. He declined to be interviewed, stating that he is here only on personal business, having come to see Dr. Mooney of Quebec about some pulp wood matter in Newfoundland.

Magistrate's Court.

Three ordinary drunks arrested over the week-end were released on deposit.
A young man given in charge by his mother for being drunk and disorderly in her home, was bound over to keep the peace.
An incorrigible woman arrested by the police at an early hour this morning appeared before the bar charged with being drunk and disorderly, and second, for the larceny of a purse containing a cheque for \$60.00 and cash amounting to \$35.00, the full amount being \$105.00. Owing to the Crown not being ready to proceed she was remanded to the Penitentiary.
A business man of Bonaville Bay who makes periodical visits to the city was arrested at the instance of a city domestic, charged with being loose and disorderly. The man is supposed to be mentally affected, and he will be examined by a doctor before the further hearing is proceeded with.
The defendant in an assault case was fined \$5.00.

Coastal Boats.

The Kyle will leave Port aux Basques for the North Sydney route this afternoon. Return trip will be made on Wednesday morning to connect with to-morrow's cross-country steamer.
Argyle left Argente 5 a.m. yesterday on Morchesson route.
Bonneville will leave Argente after arrival of morning train.

"The Strollers"

Announce
AN OLDE FASHIONED BARN DANCE
Grenfell Towne Hall, February 28, 1924.
MT. CASHEL SUBURBAN BAND
Double Ticket \$3.00
Proceeds Child Welfare Funds.
Prizes for most appropriate costumes.
Tickets from Committee or Squire J. Paterson, Secretary.
Feb. 11, 1925

GRAND DANCE

(Under the auspices of the Sergeants' Mess of Nfld.)
in aid of
THE SERGEANTS' MEMORIAL FUND,
to be held in the Grenfell Hall,
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26th, 1924,
at 8.30 p.m.
Under the management of the Pushie Bros.
Music will be supplied by members of the Leading Orchestras of the city.
Tickets—Double \$2.00, Ladies' \$1.00, Gents' \$1.50
To be had from members of the Sergeants' Mess Committee, Maritime Drug Store, P. F. Fearn & Co., Ltd., and G.W.V.A.
Feb. 21, 22, 23, 25

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MINARD'S LINIMENT USED BY PHYSICIANS.

BORN.

On Saturday, February 23rd, daughter to Mr. and Mrs. William B. Simmonds, 41 Alexander Street. On Jan. 24th, at 58 Springdale, to Mr. and Mrs. Neil Patrick, a daughter.

DIED.

On Sunday, after a long illness, Mr. Ward Cochran, aged 76 years, leaving one brother to mourn his loss. Passed on to-morrow (Tuesday), at 2.30 p.m. from his late residence, 43 Goodwin Street. Friends and acquaintances please accept this the only intimation.—R.I.P.
This morning, at Mr. Mah, Margaret McCormack, wife of Const. W. Doody, leaving a husband, three children, father, mother, two brothers and three sisters to mourn their loss. Funeral on Wednesday at 12.30 p.m. from her parents' residence, 4 Southside, R.I.P.

Passed peacefully away, at Lehigh, on Sunday, Feb. 24th, at 9.15 a.m. George Manuel, aged 78 years, beloved husband of Mahala, leaving a wife, three sons, two daughters, three brothers, several grandchildren and a large circle of friends. Funeral takes place on Wednesday at 12.30 p.m. after arrival of express. (Old papers please copy.)

IN LOVING MEMORY

of my husband and father, George Crocker, who was drowned from the S.S. Florio, Feb. 24th, 1918. This day brings back sad memories of one who has gone to rest. And those who miss him most today. Are those who loved him best. You are not forgotten, father dear. Your memory will never fade. Our thoughts will always linger around the grave where you are laid.—Inserted by Wife and Children.

IN LOVING MEMORY

of our dear wife and mother, Mary Kearney, who died Feb. 26th, 1923. This day brings back sad memories of one who has gone to rest. And those who miss her most today. Are those who loved her best. Just a token of affection. Tho' afflicted, not alone. Blessed Lord, give and thou has taken. Blessed Lord, thy will be done.—Inserted by her Husband and Children.

IN LOVING MEMORY

of my dear nephew, Willie Garneau, who was lost on the Florio, Feb. 24th, 1918. To-day brings back sad memories of a dear one gone to rest. And those who miss him most today. Are those who loved him best.—Inserted by his Aunt, Mrs. Jane Brown.

IN FOND AND LOVING MEMORY

of our dear child, Daniel Kennedy, who died on Feb. 24th, 1925, aged 14 years. Just a thought of sweet remembrance. Just a memory fond and true; Just a token of affection. And a heartache still for you. The flowers we place upon your grave May wither and decay; But fresh and green within our hearts Your memory will ever stay.—Inserted by Father and Mother.

IN LOVING MEMORY

of my dear husband, George Lane, who lost his life on the Ill-fated Florio, Feb. 24th, 1918. Thou art gone but not forgotten. Never shall your memory fade. Where thou lies thy dearest husband Whom we loved, but could not save.—Inserted by Wife and Daughters.
IN FOND AND LOVING MEMORY of our dear husband and father, Michael Dunphy, who was drowned from the Florio, Feb. 24th, 1918. This day brings back sad memories of one who is gone to rest. Are those that love him best.—Inserted by his Wife and Daughters.