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MOMENTOUS HAPPENINGS IN SECOND CITY

The Standard Leads Agitation For a Town Hospital and Reports Current Events

CONCERTS BRINGS IN \$50.00 FOR MARINE DISASTERS FUND

Wedding Bells Ring Out—Dock Damaged By Ice—Attilla's Landing For Glasgow

EVERY little while one sees in the City Press that the General Hospital is full, and that a number of patients, like those in olden days at the Pool of Bethesda, are awaiting in the city, for the moving of the waters. Patients in the outports are told, too, not to come on.

Some of the outports have hospitals, and no doubt find them of great service. Harbor Grace, the Second City, has been needing one a long time and making more or less earnest efforts to get one. Over \$800 was collected by the Guy Committee for that purpose.

The Roddick family has offered lots, and if definite steps were taken to begin work, more contributions, we should think, might be expected. We have doctors, too, and trained nurses.

We want a local habitation, we have the name, one of good omen, The Guy Hospital.

The Government has offered the Customs Building, which will soon be vacant, for the purpose of the Hospital. Many of our citizens are of the opinion that we should accept the offer. The site is not an ideal one, as the Ladies' Hospital Committee pointed out; but especially now that the Colony unfortunately does not seem to have much money to spend even on the best of objects, it is to be feared that to decline the offer would mean indefinite postponement of the establishment of our Hospital.

The Hospital is a thing we cannot do without, unless we are satisfied to entail a good deal of suffering and expense on our people. We should like to see our ladies, to whom we look upon as the ones to grant us this boon, holding a meeting and taking steps to realize our hopes.

Concert in St. Paul's Hall

The entertainment given by the scholars of the High School on Tuesday evening, assisted by a few friends, was an unqualified success. The admission fee was small and there was a crowded audience. The proceeds were donated to the Disaster Fund.

The children acquitted themselves most creditably and elicited considerable applause, particularly in "The Children's Play Hour." All the old nursery rhymes recalled youthful days, and the costumes and demeanour of the young actors created much amusement. The solos of Miss Chafe, Miss Joy and Mr. Collis each called for hearty echoes.

The singing and action of the little girls in "Little Cooks" did them great credit. Miss Dixon's recitation was excellent, and the loud demand for her re-appearance led to the rendering of a second piece, which was equally acceptable.

The programme closed with a humorous sketch, "Rival Relatives" by elder ones, which was well acted and called forth applause.

The expenses were small and left the considerable sum of fifty dollars to the credit of the Disaster Fund.

Helping the Good Cause

We see by Chelsea, Mass., papers that Mr. S. Hawkins is addressing meetings and otherwise working hard as by the way are also other citizens, Newfoundlanders, of that and many other U. S., and Canadian towns, to raise funds for the relief of the sufferers by the Sealing Disaster Fund.

One of our shopkeepers here showed us an extract from a wholesale firm in Old England that breathed in choice terms a fine spirit of appreciation of the situation and sympathy for the widowed and orphaned. The firm had backed up their words by deeds.

Wedding Bells

The marriage of Miss Charlotte Bradbury, trained nurse, daughter of the late Charles and Mrs. Bradbury, to Mr. Willis Pike, formerly of this town, but holding a good position for many years at the Bell Is-

THREE PARTIES DISOWN SCURR

Third Nominee Appears in Lists For Ipswich Bye-Election, Calling Himself a "Rebel" Candidate.—Modest Programme of a Prospective Fourth Nominee.

London, May 19.—Polling takes place Saturday at Ipswich, and to the surprise and disgust, equally of Unionist and Liberal candidates, a third warrior has appeared suddenly in the person of John Scurr, who is vaguely described by his backers as a "Rebel" candidate. Local laborites do not own him.

The general supposition is that if he really goes to the poll, he will not secure above a couple of hundred votes.

A fourth candidate is even talked about, a dissenting minister having expressed his willingness to stand on the modest program of the democratization of Europe.

Masterman, the Cabinet Minister, who was rejected by Bethnal Green, and is now seeking to return to Westminster via Ipswich, intends appealing to the electors on the present Government of social reform,—particularly the National Insurance Act, but declares that he is quite willing for the contest to take the form of a referendum on Home Rule.

Poison Scare Had No Basis

Woman Who Thought She Had Been Given Doctored Chocolates Was Mistaken.

A married lady became very ill yesterday as the result of eating chocolate, which it was thought had been drugged.

A doctor was called and found that the candy had not been tampered with.

The chocolates were given her by her unmarried sister, who was given a sample by a citizen.

She was not acquainted with the man, but he was an admirer of hers and sent them with a note, not signing his own name, asking her to go for a walk with him.

The meeting place was Parade St. The lady called there the first occasion but did not see him. Then he called at her house to know why she did not keep the appointment and was much disappointed when he learned that she had been there.

Although the incident caused a considerable sensation in the neighborhood the chocolates had not been doctored.

OPORTO MARKET

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| Stocks (Std) | 1700 4110 |
| Consumption (Std) | 2410 2395 |
| Stocks (Norg) | 20030 4290 |
| Consumption (Norg) | 3170 3170 |

S. A. CONGRESS

Brigadier Moreham and six members of the Salvation Army leave by the Digby to-night to attend the Army Congress to be held in London shortly.

land Mines, took place at the Parsonage, Harbor Grace, on Saturday evening last, the Rev. T. B. Darby, B.A., performing the nuptial ceremony. They left for their home at Bell Island by the S.S. Othar on Monday morning. The Standard joins with the numerous friends of both bride and bridegroom in wishing them a very happy married life.

Messrs. Baine Johnson & Co.'s brigantine, the Attilla, named after the famous Hun conqueror of Europe, known as "The Scourge of God," arrived here on Wednesday, May 13. She was towed here by the S. S. Ingham. She is loading a cargo of Murray & Crawford's far-famed seal oil and seal skins for Glasgow.

The Attilla is a fine vessel of about 250 tons burden, and looks what she is—a smart saller. The master is Captain Marshall, a native of Carbonear.

Damaged the Dock

The drift ice that was lately in our harbor injured the framework of the Marine Dock rollers, and as the boys expressed it knocked them out of commission. The diver has been at work several days past, and the manager, we are told, hopes to have the damage repaired to-day.

SUPREME COURT GIVES HEARING TO TIMBER CASE

Job Bros. & Co., Ltd., Sue John D. McMartin, et al., For Payment of \$100,000

ALLEGED TO BE DUE ON LABRADOR TIMBER LIMIT

Story of the Transactions Which Led Up to Event On Which Action is Based

YESTERDAY in the Supreme Court before the full bench, hearing was given to the parties in the important case of Job Bros. & Co., Ltd., vs. John D. McMartin, et al., arising out of the disposition of certain timber lands at Sandwich Bay, Labrador.

The facts of the case are as follows: Daniel Ford and R. H. Reid acting for the Labrador Pulp and Lumber Company, a company, incorporated under the laws of Canada, and of which they, with John and Duncan McMartin, were the principal officers, purchased in 1909 some timber property at Sandwich Bay, Labrador, for \$400,000 from Job Bros. & Co. Ltd.

Claims \$100,000

The plaintiff company claims that \$300,000 has already been paid and for the balance a promissory note for \$100,000 signed by the above defendants was given. When the note became due it was dishonored. The plaintiff is now suing on the note. The case has been postponed on a couple of occasions and was finally set for Monday, May 18th.

Furlong, K.C., appeared for the plaintiff. Howley, K.C., represented the defendant, J. McMartin. Owing to the death of Duncan McMartin a couple of weeks ago, and no legal representative being yet appointed to act for his estate he was unrepresented at the hearing. Reid and Ford were also unrepresented. It was understood that several foreign counsels were coming on behalf of the defendants, as an advisory body, but the same had not arrived.

Evidence On Commission

Furlong, K.C., asked to have evidence taken on commission in New York put in. This was evidence of two clerks in John McMartin's employ.

Howley, K.C., consented. Furlong, K.C., proposed to put in answers to interrogatories addressed to the defendant, R. H. Reid. Howley, K.C., objected on the ground that it was not evidence against John McMartin. After some discussion as to their admissibility, the Chief Justice delivered the opinion of the Court. "These interrogatories are now tendered as evidence. We will pass upon them as to their effect on the other defendants later on."

Plaintiff's Case

Furlong stated the Plaintiff's case. "This is an action on a promissory note signed by the defendants. The defence on behalf of the four defendants is that they did not make the note, with a subsequent defence on the part of the McMartins that there was no consideration for the making of the note. The Plaintiff purposes calling evidence now to prove the signature of John McMartin and to put in proof of consideration."

J. W. O'Brien was then called and examined by Furlong, K.C.

Evidence of J. W. O'Brien

"I reside in New York. I am a contractor and was in the employ of John McMartin for about 16 to 18 months, starting in 1911. I saw John McMartin sign a cheque on one occasion. I have seen his signatures on other documents. (The note is handed to him). The signatures on the note are John McMartin, Duncan McMartin, R. H. Reid and Daniel Ford. I recognize the signature of John McMartin. I have seen his signature on about 500 cheques. These were in his office, the office of the Princess Realty Company of which he was President. I used the office with him."

The Circumstances

"I was present at the Belmont Hotel on Oct. 22nd, 1912. John McMartin, Duncan McMartin and Reid were present. Reid asked John McMartin if he had that note. McMartin said he had, went to the desk, took some papers out of his pocket and handed out the note. He told him to be sure and get Ford's name

NEWFOUNDLANDER IS CHARGED WITH MURDER.

Sydney, May 19.—A six year old girl, daughter of Polish parents, was outraged and foully done to death at Birch Grove, near Port Morien, yesterday.

The body was found in a swollen stream where the murderer had placed it.

Death was evidently due to strangulation.

The police have arrested a man, whose name has not been given out but who is said to be a Newfoundland, for the crime.

on it before handing it over to Mr. Job in Halifax.

"I saw the note, John and Duncan McMartin's signatures were on it, and it was for \$100,000, but I cannot swear I saw the date. I cannot identify the date, but the signature is John McMartin's or writing similar to his. McMartin gave the note to Reid who put it in his pocket-book. Reid went to Halifax that afternoon where he was to meet Mr. Job."

Cross-examination Deferred

Howley, K.C., asks that the cross examination be deferred until the next morning and his request was acceded to.

Charles C. Pauling was then called and examined by Furlong, K.C.

"I am solicitor for the New York Central Railroad. I have known John McMartin for five years. I have seen him sign his name often. I know the signatures to the note in question. I can swear the signatures are theirs."

I was counsel for the Labrador Pulp and Lumber Company, of which John McMartin, Reid and Ford were the principal officers.

"I drafted an agreement in connection with Mr. Conroy which was signed in my office by R. B. Job for Job Bros. and Co., Ltd. on the one part and by R. H. Reid for the Labrador Pulp and Lumber Co. on the other. Reid had authority to sign on behalf of the company, being given such power by a resolution of the Board of Directors at a meeting at which John McMartin, Duncan McMartin, Reid and myself were present. I drafted the minutes and sent them to Duncan McMartin to sign. At the time the agreement was read aloud."

For Next Morning

Howley, K.C., asked that the cross examination of Mr. Pauling be deferred till the following morning as there were certain papers in connection with the case which were on the train arriving that night and which were absolutely necessary for the cross examination. The evidence of Mr. Pauling was to be taken at first in New York and the papers were sent up there. Then when Mr. Pauling decided to come and give his evidence in court the papers were sent back. Furlong, K.C., objected on ground that Mr. Pauling had to be in New York on Friday and that the counsel for the other side should show something more definite and in what way papers and documents would effect the cross-examination.

Afternoon Session

The Court adjourned till 3 p.m. and told Howley, K.C., to be ready to cross examine them. On the Court resuming after recess Mr. Howley intimated he would not cross examine as he had not sufficient data upon which to base such cross-examination.

Furlong, K.C., called J. J. McGrath, Notary, to prove presentation of note for payment. Howley, K.C., objected on ground that the statement of claim did not allege presentation, and under the Bills of Exchange Act presentation for payment was necessary to render maker liable. The Court over-ruled the objection.

Carman Examined

T. D. Carman was examined by Furlong, K.C.

"I am accountant at Bank of Montreal. This note has been in our custody, but I cannot say how long. We discounted it for Job's."

Cross-examined by Howley, K.C.

"The Bank owns and holds the note. It was discounted for Job's, by the Bank. It has not been paid, and we hold it. It has actually been discounted. I cannot say when."

Howley, K.C., suggested that the record of the Bank be produced and the transaction shown. The Court ordered the witness to return the following morning at 11 with full facts of the transaction.

The Court adjourned till Tuesday.

BAY ROBERTS PROGRESSIVE AND BUSY BURG

The Guardian Tells of Some Stirring Events in the Conception Bay Town

UNITED TOWNS COMPANY INAUGURATE THEIR SERVICE

Agitation Afoot to Secure a Better Train Service.—Boat Builders Are Busy.

ANOTHER step in the forward march of Bay Roberts was witnessed on Monday evening, May 11th, when the United Towns Electrical Co. turned on the electric current here for the first time and gave electric light to the Reid Bldg. Co.'s railway station, two street lights situated on the Cross Roads and the staff house of the Western Union, Telegraph Co.

Messrs. Murphy and Duff, Directors of the United Towns Electrical Co., were in town to witness the inauguration of the service, and numbers of our townspeople also turned out to witness the event. The street lights were very bright, and the lights in the staff house, shining brilliantly from so many windows, looked very well, indeed. And so, in spite of the conservatism and the carping attitude of some people, Bay Roberts is making progress, and there is no person more delighted or pleased than we ourselves.

Places Lighted

Other places were lighted by electricity during the week, viz. Messrs. D. G. Fraser's and Wm. Parsons' shops.

Now that our people are assured by the Company that the rates for light will be the same as the rates in force in Harbor Grace and Carbonear, we expect that a number of houses and shops will be wired within the next few weeks.

A matter that should engage our attention is the securing of an annual grant from the Government out of the general revenue for street lighting purposes. St. John's receives a grant, why, not Bay Roberts?

Raised \$840.00

The Newfoundlanders in Vancouver are raising a fund for the relief of those who will be deprived of their breadwinners, and already over seven thousand dollars have been realized, writes Malcolm Mercer to The Guardian.

At a concert given to-day by the "Daily Province," aided by the Orpheum Theatre and City Band and other musicians, the sum of \$840.00 (eight hundred and forty dollars) was realized, which brings the fund close to eight thousand dollars. So we say to Newfoundlanders everywhere, "Shall we be laggards in this worthy cause?"

Want Improved Service

We think the people who reside in the towns between Brigus Junction and Filton on the Shore Line should petition the Government immediately for a train service such as the towns between St. John's and Carbonear (with the exception of the area between Brigus Junction and Filton via Whitbourne) have enjoyed for years past. We refer now to a morning and a nightly train. We understand the Reid Newfoundland Co. are willing to do this now, but they are bound by the terms of the railway contract which specifies where and when the trains are to run.

But if the people so desire (and we see no reason why they should not desire as improved railway service) we have no doubt the Government will be pleased to make arrangements with the Reid Co. to give us a train service equal to that enjoyed by Harbor Grace and Carbonear.

Building Ten Boats

Messrs. Isaac and Wm. Thomas Bowering are engaged at present building 10 trapboats for the Hudson Bay Co. Seven of these are almost completed. They are being built on the land near Mr. Isaac Bowering's. The Guardian believes that Bay Roberts should possess a shipbuilding yard, and the sooner the people of this community unite to bring such a thing into being the better will it be for all concerned. The great trouble is lack of unity and cooperation.

W. U. Staff Gave \$150.00

The Western Union Cable Staff of

SAY PARTITION WOULD BE FATAL

Authority on Irish Land Question Argues Against Proposal For Home Rule With Ulster Permanently Excluded.—Eight Prominent English Public Men Also Write Against It.

London, May 19.—That the Home Rule, modified by the permanent exclusion of Ulster, would be the worst possible form of Home Rule, fatal alike to Ireland and, in its reaction, to England, is the statement made to The Manchester Guardian by Lord Dunraven, a well known authority on the Irish land question.

Exclusion, he thinks, even if designed at first to be but temporary, would mean perpetual exclusion, involving aggravation from both sides, the perpetration of all kinds of annoyances and the accentuation of creed and class differences.

"Surely," he says, "the Opposition could not wish this, since some form of Home Rule is inevitable."

Best Basis of Settlement.

"The only national basis for an agreed measure of amendment would be the alteration of those features of the Home Rule Bill conflicting with the position of the Imperial Parliament, under a Federal scheme for the United Kingdom."

Such a Bill must deal with the Customs, Excise and Post Office and it ought, in his opinion, to adopt the Canadian system, whereby the power of the Legislatures subordinate to Parliament is more definite, while all the residual powers and functions remained with the Supreme Parliament.

In this case it would be at least possible for Ulster to accept the measure with such additional safeguards as the Commons, also a second Chamber, which would be largely representation of Commerce.

Hopes For Agreement.

He hoped the Unionists would agree to a wisely constructed Amending Bill. Another protest against the partition of Ireland as the only solution of the Home Rule question appears in the form of a letter to The Daily Telegraph, having eight prominent signatures, including those of Sir Roger Casemans and Darres Figgis. Their argument is that no Irishman desires partition and that every part of the country would suffer. The suggestion is made that a conference of Irishmen should be convened in Ireland, either before or after the passage of the Bill, to consider all possible schemes to avoid so grave an alternative.

Thought Discretion Better Than Valor

One of Huerta's Cabinet, Scouting Danger, Flees From War-ridden Mexico.

Veracruz, May 19.—A. R. Aurelino Urrutia, once Provisional President of Huerta's trusted Councillor in the Cabinet, and who as Minister of the Interior is popularly believed to have been the author of many orders for the drastic punishment and even disappearance of his chief political enemies, arrived to-day among the refugees from the Capital. He has fled from the wrath of Huerta.

Urrutia said he had not been subject to any overt act of hostility by Huerta, but had decided that to remain within the reach of the Provisional President was to court death, being convinced of this by the testimony of friends and by what he himself had seen.

That Proposed Hospital.

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The proceeds of the concert amounted to \$20.40.

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We extend congratulations and hope she will live to see yet many more years.

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TWILLINGATE, BUSY CAPITAL OF THE NORTH

The Sun Sheds Light on the Affairs of This Busy Northern Centre.

DOUBLE-HITCHING FEATURE OF SOUTHSIDE HAPPENINGS.

Salvation Army Entertainment and S.U.F. Concert—Local Hospital Advocated

A DOUBLE wedding took place on the South Side on Tuesday evening when James Gillard and Miss Baggis, daughter of Mr. John Baggis, and Walter Gillard to a Miss Simmons, of the Arm, were married. There was much gun firing and the boys celebrated in good style.

We understand Mr. J. W. Hodges has purchased the waterside premises formerly owned by Mr. Scott and which we announced last week as in the market.

The flag was flying on the new St. Peter's Parish building on Wednesday to show that the work was completed. Mr. Ben. Roberts and his staff deserve considerable credit for the speedy manner in which they have completed the building.

S. A. Entertainment.

An entertainment was held in the S. A. Barracks on Thursday night, at which a good number was present. The A.L.B. Band was in attendance and rendered several selections, opening with "Onward Christian Soldiers." The many musical numbers were well rendered, and Instructor Brewster aided considerably by accompanying on the autoharp. Mrs. Earle acted as accompanist at the organ.

Speeches were given by Capt. Isaac Young, Magistrate Scott and Ensign Earle, and the Editor of The Sun occupied the chair.

After the close of the entertainment ice cream, cake and syrups were handed round by the ladies, and many stayed for the refreshment.

S.U.F. Concert.

The concert held by the members of the S.U.F. in aid of the Deep Sea Mission was held in the Victoria Hall on Monday night. A good audience was present. Mr. Jacob Moore's was chairman who towards the end read a letter from Dr. Grenfell to Mr. Harry Colbourne in reference to the establishment of an hospital here, and which appears elsewhere.

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The details are so far not given, and the matter is so far merely a proposition and may or may not materialize. We see no reason however why it should not develop, and become a fact.

Most people here would welcome such an institution, and Twillingate is certainly the proper place to establish it.

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WEATHER REPORT.

Toronto (noon)—Fresh S. W. winds cloudy. Wednesday—Fresh westerly winds, fair and warmer.