

TERN SCHOONER IS BURNED IN BAY

Crew Compelled to Leave
Blazing Vessel in
Lifeboat.

The tern schooner Marthas Parsons, well known in the port of St. John, which she has visited many times, has been destroyed by fire at Spencer's Island, according to telegrams received by the Telegraph-Journal yesterday afternoon and last night.

The schooner, loaded with lumber under deck and piling on deck, sailed from Hantsport, N. S., and owing to weather conditions put into Parrishore roads on Saturday, Dec. 8. She sailed from the latter port on last Monday, Dec. 10, and worked well down the Bay of Fundy, but owing to the storm was obliged to anchor off Spencer's Island Light for shelter. Yesterday morning everything looked clear and Captain Morrissey gave orders to the crew to hoist the anchor. Sails were all set and it was intended to proceed on the voyage to New York.

In the forward house is a large gasoline engine which is used in hoisting sails and anchor. This engine was set in motion for the purpose of bringing up the anchor. With a back fire from the engine there was an explosion and immediately the house was on fire. In a short time, despite the earnest efforts of Captain Morrissey and crew, the vessel was all in a blaze. A bucket brigade was brought into service and at one time the crew of the vessel thought that they had the fire under control, but it evidently had worked under the deck into the cargo and then burst up through the deck, enveloping the ship from stem to stern in flames. The crew were compelled to leave the burning craft and row ashore in their lifeboat. They took shelter in the light station. They managed to save some articles. Other articles were saved by crews from nearby vessels. Shortly after the crew left the burning craft all three spars fell and nothing could be done to save the Parsons from destruction.

Burning to Water's Edge.

The Marthas Parsons was a schooner of 455 tons register and was built in 1915. Late last night the schooner could be discerned through a driving snow storm, and it appeared that she was ablaze from stem to stern. The masts had fallen and the railings had gone, so the ship was fast burning to the water's edge.

Albert Parsons, one of the owners, was due to arrive at Parrishore last night on the steamer Prince Albert.

It is expected that there will be nothing to salvage but even if the cargo is insured, it could not be learned last night how much insurance was carried on the ship. The fact that she was insured, it is thought that it would be for an amount only about one-third of her value.

FAIRVILLE AND VICINITY.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Ketepee and Morna Outing Association was entertained on Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Willis Waring in King street, West St. John. There was a good attendance of members and the evening was pleasantly spent with music and games. The hostess served delicious refreshments.

Mrs. Augusta Waters, of Sand Cove road, is seriously ill at her home, her friends will report to learn.

Mrs. David Linton, of Sand Cove road, will leave on the evening train tonight for Boston where she will spend the Christmas season with her sister, Mrs. Fred Hazen of Linden avenue, Somerville, Mass.

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was injured a few days ago at the winter port by falling down the hatchway of one of the steamers when the staging on which he was standing gave way. He is now able to resume work.

Charles Godfrey has returned to his home in Havelock street West St. John, after spending a few months at Kenora, Ont.

James Anderson, who has been ill for the last few months, is now sufficiently recovered to return to his work and his friends are pleased to learn of the improvement.

Miss Bertha Hennessey, of 29 Golding street, who has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Arthur in Silver Falls, has returned home.

Mrs. N. Scott is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hosford, St. Patrick street, St. John.

Richmond Smith, who has been visiting friends in Bloomfield, has returned to his home in Sand Cove Road.

Frank Smith has returned home from Ontario and will spend the winter months with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Smith, of Sand Cove Road.

He Said a Mouthful

Professor—Describe centrifugal motion.

Student—That's the way your head feels after drinking some of this anti-prohibition hooch.—Exchange.

RED CROSS ANXIOUS ABOUT FINANCES

Secretary Reports Relief
Work Increased—Prepar-
ing For Christmas

The serious condition of the finances of the provincial Red Cross was discussed at the regular meeting yesterday afternoon in the depot in Prince William street with the president, R. T. Hayes, M.L.A., the president, in the chair.

C. B. Allen, as treasurer, drew attention to the financial situation. He pointed out that expenditures had averaged \$2,000 a month and by the end of March the funds would be exhausted. At the annual meeting in January a decision must be reached. Either a campaign for funds must be launched or the work must be curtailed.

Secretary's Report.

The report of Miss Ethel Hazen Jarvis, the secretary, was in part as follows:

During the last month it has been my pleasant duty to visit Jacques River, Restigouche county; Nash's Creek, Campbellton and Bathurst where our Red Cross nurse, Miss Pettie, has been at work for some time. She reports there is a wonderful opportunity in Bathurst for work but she has been handicapped in that there is at present no active Red Cross branch. During the last week I visited Riverside, Albert county, and had one of the best and enthusiastic meetings I have ever held. While in Riverside I visited the hospital which comes more nearly to fulfilling our dreams of a glorified Cottage hospital than anything I know.

During the last month the following branches have been formed in their annual report forms: Andover and Perth, Chatham, Lakeville, Fredericton, Shediac, Centerville, Milltown, Riverside, Woodstock, Plaster Rock, Hartland and Salisbury. Fredericton is helping with a free dental clinic held at the Victoria hospital.

\$7,500 For Jap Relief.

Our Japan appeal is waiting only to hear from one branch before closing. We think the province made a most generous contribution sending more than \$7,500.

An appeal was sent out for the Christmas Stock Fund for the sick soldiers in hospital. This appeal, like Japan, seems to have been made to generous hearts for already we have had a splendid response. The latest contribution was Plaster Rock, \$12.

Membership fees have come into the depot from Chatham, Norton, Lakeville, Nictau, Riley Brook, Plaster Rock, St. John, Millville and from Lakeville came a most welcome donation of \$45.85 towards the work at headquarters. Greenwish Women's Institute forwarded \$10 as an appreciation of the Red Cross clinic lately held in their midst. From Rothesay has come a splendid donation of 122 jars of jellies and jams for the sick boys at East St. John, and one dozen shaving brushes. The sum of \$35.10, as proceeds from sale of baskets sent to the depot, was forwarded to River Glade. We have also assisted the sale of the Memorial Workshops' products.

Relief Work Increased.

The relief work at the depot has greatly increased and as it is largely local the St. John Red Cross have generously come to our aid. During ten days there were 28 local calls. Besides the local relief, garments have been given Soldiers' Settlement, Port Nursery, Lancaster hospital, East St. John, and Seamen's Institute, a total of 988 during the last month.

During the last month a case thought to come under the Last Post Fund was called to the attention of the Dominion secretary, Mr. Hair. We are glad to report that the latter has completed an organization in our province, thus making it easier to deal with any later case.

At the depot during the last week 130 Christmas socks have been cut out and the boxes packed for the Soldiers' Settlement by willing members of the St. John Red Cross. Next week the Christmas socks will be filled for the hospitals by the hospital committee.

Treasurer's Report.

The treasurer's monthly statement showed total receipts of \$3,483.25, expenditures of \$1,046.77 and a balance of \$2,436.48.

Central Greenwich sent a contribu-

tion as a mark of appreciation of the recent clinic. The Soldier Settlement Board home department, through Miss Mabel Marvin, sent thanks for assistance to a soldier's family and an individual who had received assistance sent thanks also.

Miss Meiklejohn, in giving the report of the nursing service, told of the illness of two nurses and the work accomplished by the remaining five, which totalled 361 visits, supervision of 2,384 school children, 53 follow-up cases among the children and 57 health talks given. A successful clinic was held at Brown's Flats.

Mrs. E. R. Taylor, for the hospital committee, reported work on the Christmas socks for which \$386 had been contributed by the branches; help given in the recent sale of soldiers' work and the matter of the care of tubercular former service men being brought before Hon. Dr. H. S. Bland.

The sewing committee report showed 124 garments were received and material for 125 as well as 47 skeins of yarn were given out.

Miss Tremaine welcomed.

Miss Tremaine was cordially welcomed on her return to take charge

of the Red Cross work. She told of busy times at Quebec, where many parties of children were brought into Canada and announced that Miss Ola Martinoff would assist her at St. John this winter. Miss Martinoff's remarkable talents as a linguist would be very valuable.

Mrs. Lawrence reported on the relief work of the St. John branch.

It was decided to hold the annual meeting on the second Friday of January and to invite representatives of the different branches to attend. Mrs. Lawrence, Miss Jarvis and Miss Frances Stetson were appointed a committee to arrange the programme.

STONE WINDOW BROKEN

A large window in the store of McAuley & Boire, 5 Mill street, was demolished in a mysterious manner last evening, shortly after 7 o'clock. A man who was standing across the street stated that an automobile was passing down the street when there was a crash of glass and then he discovered that the store window was broken. It is thought that a stone had been picked up by the automobile tire and thrown violently against the window causing the damage.

CONCERT PLEASES HOSPITAL PATIENTS

The patients of East St. John County Hospital were delighted with the concert given to them last evening by the members of the Victoria street Baptist choir. Mrs. Blake Ferris favored them with two solos, in specially good voice, receiving hearty applause. Misses Irene and Alberta Brown played a piano duet; Mrs. O. W. Brentnall sang two solos, Messrs. Walters, Sparks, Barr and Macaulay, a male quartet, sang; Mrs. R. Burk and Miss Brown sang in a quartette with Messrs. Sparks and Macaulay; and comic songs were sung by George Wallace. The performers were on the second floor of the establishment. They were invited to return whenever they could find the opportunity.

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