

## The Present Crisis

"Once to every man and nation comes the moment to decide, In the strife of Truth and Falsehood, for the good or evil side; Some great cause, God's new Messiah, offering each the bloom or blight, Parting the goats upon the left hand, and the sheep upon the right, And the choice goes by forever 'twixt that darkness and that light."

In these lines James Russell Lowell sets forth some of the outstanding features of the approaching plebiscite in this country. A great opportunity has come to the people of Newfoundland to finish once and for all the stupendous evil of the traffic in intoxicating drink. If this falls, such opportunity will probably not come again to the men of the present generation. In the past we have been tinkering with the business, voting it out in certain sections and allowing it to remain in other sections, at once to flow over the border and largely undo the good work accomplished. The people of the outports have generally voted right; but the application of their vote has been limited; now they have the golden opportunity of making their decision effective. A majority of voters in St. John's Districts have always voted for drink; now they have the privilege of making amends for all—insofar as that is possible. The slain by the cup they cannot recall; the weeping and broken-hearted wives and mothers they cannot undo; the souls lost forever by the traffic they cannot redeem; and an awful responsibility rests and must forever rest upon those who by their influence and their votes made possible the ruin of so many for time and for eternity. The results of their influence and their votes have gone before to meet them at the bar of a justly offended God. Good were it for such men had they never enjoyed the privilege of the franchise than to have used it to destroy men. Now approaches another opportunity of saying to this gigantic evil—"thus far and no farther." The people of Newfoundland are to be divided into two camps—one camp on the Lord's side determined to do all in their power to remove this great obstacle to the onward march of the Kingdom of Christ in this land. The other camp made up in part of men swayed by greed of gain and carnal appetites, and in part of the lethargic and the careless. These will find excuses, ready made, for their conduct; they always do; but what will such excuses be worth in the light of the realities that confront us?

Here is a traffic recognized by good men the wide world over as an evil, a gigantic evil; an evil so stupendous that the full toll of its effects can never be estimated. It has sent some of our ships to the bottom of the sea with all their precious cargoes of life and property. It has cut down young men in their prime and sent them to dishonoured graves. It has made possible a host of other crimes too numerous and vile to enumerate. It has

helped to fill our jails and penitentiary; it has added to the roll of those in our hospitals and our Lunatic Asylum. It has robbed homes of the comforts that should have been theirs; it has left wives, mothers' and little children hungry and cold and naked. It has despoiled some of the finest types of our manhood, ruining them morally, intellectually, physically. It has rendered the ministry of the gospel of no effect on the part of many in this land, sending them into an eternity for which they were not prepared. And now the clock of destiny is striking. God has given us another opportunity to be free from the curse so huge that W. E. Gladstone computed its effects greater than those of war, famine and pestilence combined. This is for us the "strife of truth with falsehood"; this presents "the good or evil side"; this is the "great cause, God's new Messiah, offering each the bloom or blight." This will part the goats upon the left hand, and the sheep upon the right, and the choice will go by forever 'twixt that darkness and that light."

In the conflict for the overthrow of this foe of God and man we hope to have representatives of every class in the country. Many business men will be with us, as the business men of Canada and the United States have been in the fight for the freedom of their countries. At the present time the business men of British Columbia are lining up for Prohibition in that Province. The labouring men should be with us, as members of their class suffer most by giving to the saloon money sadly needed by their families. A large proportion of the fishermen will be with us; for they have already voted it out of their own settlements. And is it too much to hope that in the moral conflict between good and evil the clergymen of the different denominations will be engaged actively against the drink demon? Can any of us question for one moment what the attitude of Jesus Christ would be if as a man amongst men He lived in Newfoundland to-day? Would He bow the knee in the temple of Bacchus? Would He smile upon the saloon as it made moral wrecks of men redeemed by His precious blood? or would He pour upon the traffic the corrosive of His bitterest curse? What then should be the attitude of those who are His ambassadors, His representatives among men? We believe the clergymen of Newfoundland are God-fearing conscientious men who desire to correctly represent their Divine Master; and, therefore, we hope to see an unbroken front arranged against the liquor traffic. Should this become a reality, its doom is a foregone conclusion.—Methodist Greening for September.

## Cape Report.

Special to Evening Telegram.

CAPE RACE, To-day. Wind east, light, weather dull. The morning boat Minoru and s.s. Fortin passed west yesterday. The s.s. Senlac passed in at 10.30 a.m. to-day. Bar, 29.62; ther. 54.

## Irish Hand Out Bad Defeat to the Cubs.

The unexpected happened yesterday afternoon when the B. I. S. and Cubs clashed with the result that the Wanderers are now the holders of the championship pennant for 1915, without having to face off again with any other team for this season. The players, scores, and officials at the game were:—

B. I. S. Simms . . . . . Carew  
Clouston . . . . . Barnes  
Crawford . . . . . French  
St. John . . . . . 1st base  
Crawford . . . . . Campbell  
Collins . . . . . McGrath  
Winter . . . . . R. McGrath  
Tessier . . . . . Channing  
Ryall . . . . . Grace  
Hall . . . . . Doyle

The score by innings follow:—  
B. I. S. . . . . 1 1 5 1 1 2 5 5 x—21  
Cubs . . . . . 1 0 0 0 3 2 4—12

Messrs. Cheaman and Hiltz were umpires and Messrs. Outerbridge and Hartnett, scorers. The standing of the clubs now is:—

Wanderers . . . . . 750  
Shamrocks . . . . . 500  
Red Lions . . . . . 500  
Cubs . . . . . 500  
B. I. S. . . . . 250

The B. I. S. trained hard and the Cubs could not stand the pace of their opponents. Carew's twirling and McGrath's effectiveness of third were mainly responsible for the success of the B. I. S. It was Manager McGrath's first time in harness this year and he showed yesterday that he has the ability all right. The Cubs displayed poor fielding. This is the second year the Wanderers have won the Allen Cup.

## To-day Marks Many Anniversaries.

To-day, Sept. 9th, marks anniversaries in connection with the R. C. Cathedral here. First it is the Diamond Jubilee anniversary of the consecration of the Cathedral, at which His Grace, Most Rev. Dr. Hughes, Archbishop of New York, officiated, Sept. 9th, 1855, the other Bishops present on the occasion being Rt. Rev. Dr. Mullock, Rt. Rev. Dr. Charbonnel, of Toronto, Rt. Rev. Dr. Connolly, of New Brunswick, and Rt. Rev. Dr. McKinnon, of Arichat; next it is the 46th anniversary of the late Bishop Power's arrival and likewise the 45th anniversary of the first arrival of the late Archbishop Howley in St. John's after his ordination.

## Ship on Fire Reaches Port.

With clouds of smoke issuing from the interior of the ship, indicating fire, the S. S. Joseph W. Fordney, laden with cotton flax and 21 days out from Archangel, bound to Boston, steamed slowly into port yesterday and anchored in the harbour. Fire was discovered in the cargo in No. 6 hold, but it was kept under control by pouring in water. The outbreak, the origin of which is unknown, started on Monday last. When first detected a furious blaze raged. It was an anxious time for the crew who worked hard pumping water into the hold. They succeeded in subduing the flames, though yesterday morning the cargo was still smouldering and it was decided to come here. All yesterday the ship's sea pumps were kept going. A survey of the ship's cargo and damages are now being made. The steamers is 3,567 tons gross; 2,297 net; 344.5 feet long and 31 feet deep. She is owned by the Merida S. S. Co., Cleveland, U. S. A. and was formerly the Mira, owned by Bowring Bros. Ltd., and ran in the cargo trade for the Dominion Company. The agents at the ship are Bowring Bros.

## What Are You Doing for that Eczema?

"Nothing; I've about given up trying to cure it."  
"That is not wise. Do as I did and you will probably be cured in a short time. I used Zylex and Zylex Soap with it and my Eczema began to improve at once. A couple of boxes cured. You can get Zylex at your druggist."  
Zylex, 50c. a box; Zylex Soap, 25c. a cake. Zylex, London. eod,tf

## Hr. Grace Notes.

Several nurses from the General Hospital, St. John's, arrived on Saturday night to spend Sunday in this town among the number we noticed Nurses Archibald, Cron and Larder. They left for the city by Monday morning's train.

Our Naval Reserve boys who were on the Niobe, arrived on Saturday to spend a couple of weeks with friends here. The boys have been twelve months at sea, and their ship has done good work.

Dr. Goodwin is having his new dental parlor and operating room fixed up in the house lately purchased by him from Mrs. W. H. Thompson. The doctor is having a large bay window put in on the southern side of the building which will give him all the light he requires.

A stone cutter is now here cutting the name of Mrs. Agnes Peterson on the monument in the Presbyterian cemetery.

Mrs. W. H. Thompson and her son Mr. Ian M. Thompson, left yesterday for Botwood, where they will take a steamer direct for England, en route to Scotland. Their many friends wish them bon voyage and much success and happiness.

The marriage of Miss Holmes, daughter of Rev. A. A. Holmes, of this town to Mr. Allan Vatcher, of Freshwater, took place at the Methodist Church here yesterday afternoon. The ceremony was performed by Rev. F. R. Matthews in presence of a large number of well wishers. Miss G. Holmes was bridesmaid and Mr. Chesley Holmes was best man. The happy couple left on the afternoon train to spend the honeymoon at Holyrood, taking with them the best wishes of all their friends.

Mr. M. Hayse and his two sons went out fishing early on Monday morning, and as it was blowing hard all day, and Mr. H. did not return late in the evening his family became uneasy about him. His staunch little boat made the harbor next morning very early as he had taken shelter in one of the coves outside, during the night.

Mr. Weir, of the Blind School, Halifax, gave a very interesting illustrated lecture in St. Paul's Hall on Monday evening. The object of the lecture was not so much to raise funds at present as to interest people in this laudable work. His explanation of how the blind, deaf and dumb are taught to work and thereby make their lives so much happier than they would otherwise be, was very interesting. A very large number of our citizens responded to the poster announcing the meeting, and all went away delighted.

The Garden Party in aid of the Hospital Cot Fund, held in the Rectory grounds last evening between 3 and 6 o'clock was very enjoyable and the handsome sum of \$65 was realized.

Miss Elsie Parsons left for Boston yesterday afternoon on a visit to Mrs. Mayor Oakes (see Miss M. James). Her visit will extend over several months. —COR.

Hr. Grace, Sept. 8, 1915.  
**New Manager.**

Mr. Hubert Watson, well known in the city, who for some time has been Manager of the Royal Bank of Canada at San Pedro de Macoris, R. D., has been appointed to act in a similar capacity with the new branch of the Bank opening at San Jose, Costa Rica. At present he is in New York and will be leaving soon for his new quarters. His many friends in the city will be glad to hear of his promotion.

**MADE EXECUTIVE MEMBER.**—Rev. Dr. Jones, Rector of St. Thomas's Church, has been elected a member of the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Synod.

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## School Children Can't Afford Handicaps

In a remarkable test, recently made under the supervision of a western Board of Health, over 9000 school children were questioned as to what they ate for breakfast.

A large percentage of the breakfasts consisted of coffee, bread and butter; coffee and oatmeal or some other cereal; coffee and hotcakes; coffee and biscuits; coffee and coffee cake, or coffee alone. Probably the same conditions prevail generally.

**"IS IT ANY WONDER," SAYS THE EXAMINING PHYSICIAN, "THAT 23 PER CENT OF THESE CHILDREN HAVE FREQUENT HEADACHES?"**

He was thinking of the chief cause—coffee. It IS no wonder when we consider that coffee contains the powerful drug, caffeine, a nerve poison and notorious cause of headaches, heart trouble, sleeplessness, irritation, and other ills! The results of tea drinking are similar to those of coffee, because they both contain the same drug.

Parents often wonder why their children are sickly, dull and backward in school, when frequently the cause lies in the homely, accepted habit of giving them a beverage containing an insidious poison.

When scientists and Boards of Health everywhere are speaking out against the dietetic dangers to which children have been so long subjected, it is high time that parents take heed and correct these conditions. No child should be permitted to use tea or coffee. It is easy to furnish them instead the pleasant, pure food-drink—

## Instant Postum

Made from wheat, roasted with a bit of wholesome molasses, Postum contains the goodness of the grain and is a most delicious beverage, economical, convenient and free from drugs or any harmful substance.

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