

Takes Strong Objections to Mr. Murphy's Style of Verse

Says Our Local Bard Will Never be Arrested For Style—Feels Certain His Attack on Mr. Slattery Will Find Few Champions—Gives a Short Review of What he Says is James's Past History—Says James Has Treated None too Well Those Who Formerly Assisted Him

If Jimmy's a poet, I doubt it. But for fifth he wins by a mile. His get-up reminds me of the lost tribe. He'll not be arrested for style.

With work he isn't much worried. Excepting pay-day he's never around. The rest of his time he is bothered in trying to keep good men down.

(Editor Mail and Advocate) Dear Mr. Editor,—I read with much displeasure Jimmy Murphy's dirty attack on our much-esteemed citizen, Mr. Slattery, a man who by hard work and faithful service has won the admiration of all irrespective of religion or politics. It would not be minded so much if this same self-style poet, whose various contributions are perfumed with an undesired stench that is unbearable to a mortal who may have any sense of cleanliness to live up to.

For many years Jimmy was encouraged only by his able second, P. T. McGrath, who has gained unenviable reputation for literature of this nature. Jimmy, at the last elections, was allowed to denounce the Government, but in doing this he was employed by McGrath and others, and shortly afterwards he enjoyed, as he previously did, the good will and free space of the Herald editor and the Prescott Street sheet.

I know a great deal of this double dealing conceived by Jimmy, who, perhaps, will deny all this and more to follow, but as I was a party supporter last elections I am now in a position to tell all I know about his visits to the Opposition papers and McGrath's house, but for the present I will confine myself to his latest outburst of mud-slinging. He refers to the dead and for this alone he disgraced the Irish name he claims his own.

It would be alright if he was getting any pickings, as he does, from the various government departments like the Penitentiary (\$30.00) and others. He has played the traitor to all. What did he say about Cashin, who, whilst Jimmy was in the hospital, kept his family and gave him other things besides? How did he serve Mr. Gibbs and others? What did he say about P. T. McGrath, his brother Tom and their father? And this is the same scalliger who would put himself in a class to write about Mr. Slattery.

No more for the present, I remain,
A. T. A. & B. MAN.
St. John's, Nfld., May 1st., 1916.

P.S.—It has often occurred to me why the Government don't give Jimmy some work to do for his big salary and side pickings. Several of his publications are the most ridiculous, only enough printed to satisfy advertisers and a few more, whilst the Government pay handsomely. This is

"FOLLOWING THE CUSTOM"

MURPHY, THE BARD

DEAR Murphy, I warn you such anger spells danger. If a bloodvessel breaks, you are are likely to die. And you cannot disprove that your dues are still owing, So you see, me dear Murphy, it's no use to try.

You never can injure by scurrilous language

John L., who for years has so well served this town. If there's no better means to defend your position, Don't you think, Murphy darling, you better sit down.

There's no use in growling, you'll have to contribute. So what is the use of making a row.

It's better to swallow the medicine quickly. Pay up what you owe, then, and pay it up now.

Then, when it comes to a civic election, And you as a candidate wish to appear,

You'll be free to revise the work of the Council, You'll have nothing against you, Murphy me dear.

—VERITAS.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

A Saturday session is not a usual circumstance in connection with either much of the Newfoundland Legislature, but owing to the pressure of business on the Order Paper, and to try to dispose of the Sealing Bill the Legislative Council had a busy sitting Saturday. Hon. Mr. Gibbs made a lengthy speech in support of the Bill as presented, though later several amendments were moved and debated, some of them passing and several sections passed in their original form. To-day the Council meets at 3 p.m. to, if possible, finalize this Bill and to take up several other measures sent up from the Lower House Saturday.

SAGONA'S PASSENGERS

S.S. Sagona arrived at Port aux Basques 7.45 last evening with the following passengers—Miss C. B. Parsh, Miss E. Wetmore, Miss L. Locke, J. Doane, Miss J. Ellis, Miss E. Bonner, H. S. Knight, J. W. Lewis, Rev. Mr. Langford, Rev. M. G. Hudson, O. Jackson, F. Pike.

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another form of begging and its time it was stopped. Only reliable publications should be considered and encouraged. If Jimmy was working for any particular firm he wouldn't get thirty dollars a month. That is if ability counted.
T. A. & B. MAN.

OUR THEATRES

There is a powerful three act social drama entitled "The Family Divided." This is adapted from the play "The House Divided" by H. S. Sheldon, a beautiful production featuring Edna Mayo and Bryant Washburn. This is a very interesting story, and the acting and photography are perfect. Bert Stanley, the ragtime artist, will be heard in another of his clever novelty songs, and Jack Lane, the singer of popular ballads who received such an enthusiastic reception last week has another very pretty song. The whole programme to-day is attractive and everyone should make an effort to see it.

THE CRESCENT

The Crescent Picture Palace presents a big week opening picture and musical programme to-day. Mr. Frank DeGroot sings the favourite bass song, "When the Bell in the Light House Rings Ding, Dong," a special favourite of his. The Edison Company presents "The Scorn of Conscience," a powerful drama with Margaret Crussing and George Wright. The Biograph Company presents "The Little Runaways," a melodrama, and "The One Forgotten," a strong Western drama with Isabella Rea. The Selig Company with a reel of interesting world news, and the Vitagraph Company with a screaming comedy, "Cutty, the fortune hunter," with Wally Van, the classy Vitagraph comedian. This is a great show, don't miss seeing it.

LOCAL ITEMS

The S.S. Ranger passed Cape Ray this morning, coming from the Gulf.

Yesterday a case of diptheria developed on Pleasant Street, the patient, a boy, being sent to hospital.

R. G. Winsor Esq., M.H.A., left by the express yesterday for his home in Westville.

The May devotions in the R. C. Cathedral and St. Patrick's and St. Joseph's churches began this evening at 7.30.

The S.S. Erik which is now being given a clean-up will take a load of seal oil, and will sail for New York about the latter part of the week.

The schr. Jean arrived to Crosbie & Co. yesterday morning from Macco and a run of 28 days. She had fine weather, except for the past few days.

Yesterday the three city detectives, Sgt. Byrne and Consts. Tobin and O'Neill were busy on a special mission and paid particular attention to the West End of the city.

The Viking arrived at St. Lawrence Saturday morning, since which she has been held there with a southerly wind, rain and fog. It was clearing to-day and she should leave this afternoon.

Saturday night there was considerable disturbance on New Dover St. and a squad of police did duty there. There was much drunkenness in evidence and the police made six arrests during the evening and night.

The S.S. Petrel left here Saturday afternoon to take up the Trinity Bay service but had not gone far from port when a mishap occurred to the engines, and she had to run back to have repairs effected, and this will be done promptly to enable her to get away again to-day.

THE "SUSU" IN PORT

The S.S. Susu, Capt. Roberts, arrived here yesterday at 4.30 p.m. after making all her ports of call, going and coming. She had dense fog all the way and had to lay up at nights owing to this. She brought up a number of seals, captured on the shore and some oil, and her passengers were:

Mrs. T. Humphries, S. Harris, Mrs. H. Butt, G. Bussey, Miss Willis, S. Abbott, L. Webb, Mrs. C. Greene, Mr. C. Greene, A. King, W. Truck, J. Jones, R. Burt, Mr. Goodyear, G. Tuck, W. Howell, J. Davis, F. Thistle, J. Bauld, S. King, G. Parsons, F. Abbott, J. Waterman, B. W. Oke, R. Oakley, Mrs. J. Parsons, V. Torrville, R. Parsons, J. Robins, Capt. A. Elliott, E. R. Elliott, several others in saloon and 35 second class.

The "Susu" reports that the fishermen of Fogo District are now busy preparing for the coming codfishery. There is no ice south of Twillingate, but from there North there is a great body of it, which keeps many schooners from coming along for supplies.

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LATEST Aged Man Suffocated as Fire Destroyed Building

Fanning's Dwelling on Barter's Hill Scene of Big Blaze Last Night—Kerosene Oil Kept in Shop Helps to Spread Flames—Mrs. Fanning's Uncle, Mr. Ptak O'Neill, is Smothered in His Bed—Loss Estimated at About \$5000—Adjoining Houses Also Suffer Considerable Damage

A German Threat

ATHENS, May 1.—Replying to the protest from Berlin against the transportation of soldiers over Greek railways, the Greek Government informed Germany, says the Journal d'Athens, that the Cabinet recognized that such an act would be a violation of neutrality. This action, the newspapers added, followed the declaration from Germany that in the event of such transportation German aeroplanes would be obliged to bombard railways and transport trains.

Will Sink All Ships Carrying Food To England

ROTTERDAM, May 1.—The captain of the Dutch ship Berklestom, sunk in the North Sea on April 23 by a German submarine, is quoted by the "Nieu Rotterdamse Courant" as declaring the commander of the undersea boat told him the Germans intended to sink all ships of every nationality carrying food to England.

OUR VOLUNTEERS

The volunteers had drill in the Armoury Saturday and rifle practice the South Side. The following enlisted, making 3,642 on the roll: Albert Cranford, New Hr. Raymond Downing, St. John's. Wm. Coady, St. John's. Jas. McCormack, St. John's. John Dunn, St. John's. Ralph Hayter, Trinity. Chas. White, New Perlican. Wm. Jno. Seward, New Perlican. Arthur Sexton, Bell Island. Malcolm Martin, Hr. Grace. Ernest Gill, Hr. Grace. Jos. W. Hynes, Glenwood. Daniel J. Moss, Gumbo.

C. C. C. DANCE

To-night, Monday, the C. C. C. Easter Dance takes place in their new hall (King's Beach) and those who attend are assured of an enjoyable time. The proceeds will be devoted to the wiping off the debt of the new dance and concert hall, which eventually will be a means of support of the corps and band, and considering the number of members, who have volunteered since the outbreak of the war we feel that the dance to-night will receive the support it deserves and thereby help the brigade to continue the work of training the youth of the city, which must now be admitted has been most effectively done by the city brigades during the last number of years. The services of the C. C. C. Band have been so freely given for Regimental and general patriotic purposes, that we are sure the public will be glad of this opportunity to assist them in securing the funds of which they are so much in need.

"DIANA" REPORTED

Mrs. T. W. Crossman had a wire this morning from her nephew, Mr. Herb Crossman, Chief Steward of the Portia, as follows: "Saw Diana harbored at Cape La Hune yesterday; too far to speak."

POLICE COURT NEWS

Mr. Frank Morris, K.C., presided to-day. Three drunks were each fined \$1 or 3 days; a drunk in charge of a horse, \$5 or 14 days, and a disorderly a similar penalty.

A CORRECTION

In our issue of the 27th of April under the heading of "Money Spent on Account of General Contingencies," an item appeared as follows: "Parker & Monroe, 12 pairs of boots, \$209.76." This of course was a typographical error and should have read "72 pairs of boots."

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suffocated quickly by smoke. The remains were removed to Mr. J. T. Martin's mortuary rooms where the body was confined. Dr. Roberts was called to hold a post-mortem.
Mr. O'Neill was a cooper of trade, was in his 80th year and was well known and respected in the city. The loss to Mr. Fanning is a very severe one and he will have the sympathy of the whole city. His house was a large one, the shop was well stocked and on the whole, including his furniture, only \$1400 was carried in insurance, which would be only a moiety of his loss.
Mrs. Shea also loses heavily, as well as Mr. O'Brien, who had to run from the house with his children who were in bed when the fire occurred.

OBITUARY

MR. JAMES POWER.

There passed peacefully away at his residence, Monroe Street on Saturday afternoon, an estimable and respected citizen in the person of Mr. James Power, cooper, after an illness of several months' duration. Mr. Power was one of the good old-time coopers, whose ranks have become sadly depleted of late years, and like all those of the old school was an adept in the trade. For a period of 35 years, since completing his apprenticeship with the late Robert Moore, he was in the employ of Allan Goodridge & Son, Ltd., and was a trusted and faithful servant of the firm, the principals and employees of which held for him the highest regards and esteem. A man of kindly and affable disposition he numbered amongst the people of the city, many friends, who will learn of his passing with sincere regret.

DEATHS.

MULLALY—On May 1st., Patrick Mullaly, carpenter, a native of Souris, P. E. Island, aged 80 years. Funeral on Wednesday at 2.30 p.m. from his son-in-law's residence H. V. Simms, 84 Pleasant Street. Friends please accept this the only intimation.—No flowers.

St. John's Municipal Council

TENDERS

TENDERS, addressed to the undersigned, will be received until Noon on WEDNESDAY, for the purchase of a suitable HORSE for the Sanitary Department.
Weight not under Twelve Hundred pounds (1200).
The Horse to be subject to the approval of the Council's Veterinary Surgeon.
By order,
JNO. E. SLATTERY, Secy.-Treas.

Another venerable and highly respected resident of St. John's passed over to the Great Beyond at the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. H. V. Simms, Pleasant Street, this morning in the persons of Mr. Patrick Mullaly. Mr. Mullaly had been ill for some time and reached the ripe old age of 80 years. He was a native of Souris, P. E. I., and was a carpenter by trade, having been many years foreman with the Messrs Southcott. He was a relative of Rt. Rev. Monsignor Sinnott who visited St. John's on the occasion of the consecration of Archbishop Roche, and has a nephew studying in Montreal for the Jesuit Order. One daughter survives the deceased, Mrs. Hy. V. Simms, to whom *The Mail and Advocate* extends its condolence.

TENDERS

For the following Machinery for the Manufacture of Plain and Fancy Biscuits will be received by the undersigned until MONDAY, May 1st. The lowest or any tender not necessary accepted.

- I. Wire Cut Soft Dough Machine, including 6 Dies.
- 85 Steel Pans.
- Reeve Ceiling Transmission.
- 1 Excelsior Pat. Convertible Cutting Machine.
- 1 4bb. Dough Mixer, T & L Pulleys.
- 1 1 1/2bb. Dough Mixer, T & L Pulleys.
- 1 No. 3 Dough Break, 17 inch Rollers.
- 1 Reversible Dough Break.
- 1 30 gall. Cake Mixer.
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