

News of the City and the Outports

Band of Hope Tea Was Great Success

Children Went Through a Splendid Programme at Canon Wood Hall Last Night

Last night the members of St. Thomas's Band of Hope were given their annual tea and entertainment in the Canon Wood Hall. At 6.30 the members sat down to tea and thoroughly enjoyed themselves of all the nice things that were so kindly provided for them.

After tea they all assembled to the Upper Hall and a splendid program was gone through, consisting of:

Dialogue—"The nigger's night school," by 12 little girls.
Song—"The Little Stars."
Action Song—By ten wee girls dressed as dolls.

Recitation—A. Snow.
Song—Mable Martin.
Action Song—"Merry Cooks."
Recitation—E. Coaker.
Ventriloquist—Mr. Wheeler.

Farce—"Mrs. Brown's Visitor," Misses L. Stevens, Noonan (2), Coaker.

The entertainment was enjoyed by all. There was a large attendance, amongst whom were the Rector, Rev. C. H. Barton and Mr. Monroe.

Great credit is due to Miss Alice Hunt and Rev. G. H. Hewitt, Supt. of the Band of Hope, in making the concert so enjoyable.

Before the entertainment was brought to a close, the Rector, Rev. G. R. Godden, M.A., thanked the many friends for their attendance and also wished to thank those who so kindly sent donations and in helping to make the evening so successful.

The singing of the National Anthem brought the enjoyable programme to a close.

At the Synod Hall

The children of the Cathedral Band of Hope were given their party in the Synod Hall last evening.

At 6.30 the children sat down to an excellent tea, the tables being presided over by Mesdames White, E. R. Bowring, R. B. Job, W. H. Crowley, W. N. Gray, R. B. Grieve, W. W. Willis, E. M. LeMessurier, H. Outerbridge, Gilbert Shears, Miss Horwood, Miss E. Long and Miss Miller.

A concert followed and was enjoyed by a large audience. Misses Windeler and Purchase were in charge of the programme. The junior pupils of Miss Short's school contributed some pleasing items.

At the close Rev. Canon White thanked all for their assistance.

The singing of the National Anthem brought the evening to a close.

PLEADED GUILTY

The lad arrested yesterday charged with stealing a piece of rope from a schooner, pleaded guilty in the afternoon, and was fined \$5 or 14 days.

WATER OFF

As no notice was given by the Council last night regarding the shutting off of the water supply, much adverse comment was indulged in by our citizens. Later it became known that connections with the main supply were being made to give a supply to Mount Cashel.

MUTT AND JEFF AT THE NICKEL

The usual large audience was at the Nickel Theatre last evening. The programme was a lengthy and varied one and gave general satisfaction, and all left the building speaking in the highest terms of the Nickel.

The programme opened with a pretty story entitled "The Little Tease," a two reel feature by the Biograph Co., telling of an innocent girl of the country who is lured to the city by bad companions. She runs away from the city life and finds peace and comfort in the old home. The acting is very clever in this film. "Don't Let Another Know," is another story of every day life which made a deep impression on all who saw it. The scenes are such that appeal to every human heart.

"Broncho Billy and the Slip Sisters" is a Western love drama, showing the rough points of human life. "A Matter of Matrimony" is a screaming comedy depicting the life of a bachelor sailor.

The popular entertainers "Jeff and Mutt" were shown in Mexico at the Nickel last night. The singing of Miss Gardner and Mr. McCarthy was of a high order, and they were loudly applauded. The pictures will be seen again this evening.

To-morrow Maurice Costello and Rose They will appear in "The Weapon."

Season's Prizes Are Distributed

Mr. A. G. Gibb Chairman of Pleasant Event at St. Andrew's Club Last Night

The prizes won at St. Andrew's Club during the winter were presented last night. Mr. A. G. Gibb occupied the chair and nearly all the members were present.

The winners were Messrs. C. Campbell, W. Burns, C. Melville, D. McFarlane, W. Eadie, E. Robertson, W. Thompson, W. Neal, C. Campbell, D. G. Grant, R. Lillie.

Concert Held

A concert was then held the following assisting: Messrs. Gunn, Pratt, Ellis, McFarlane, King, and Parsons, with songs by Messrs. Young, McIntyre, Grant, Stirling, Mitchell, Stevenson, R. H. Anderson, Hon. J. Anderson, McIntosh, Lamb, Alderice, and a recitation by Mr. W. Hodge, who is now visiting the city from Scotland.

Hon. J. Anderson then proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman and congratulated him on the excellent programme.

The singing of the National Anthem and Auld Lang Syne brought the evening events to a close.

The Club's dance takes place in the rooms on Tuesday, June 3rd.

THE EXPRESSES

Yesterday's express arrived to-day. Wednesday's express is due at midnight.

LAW SHOULD BE ENFORCED

There is a Municipal rule that all drivers of horses should be 18 years old. Citizens would like to see it enforced.

THE FLATROCK CASE

In the breach of fishery rules case at Flatrock heard before Judge Knight yesterday, judgment was given for the plaintiffs, Martin, this morning.

BREACH OF PROMISE CASE COSTS \$800.00

In the Carbonear breach of promise case which was settled out of court the deft. Josiah H. Penney, Jr., pays the plaintiff, Georgina Horwood, \$750, and \$50 costs.

CONCERT REPEATED

The concert given at Canon Wood Hall last evening, will be repeated this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The proceeds are in aid of the new school at Quidi Vidi.

FIONA DISABLED

The Revenue cruiser Fioan, Capt. E. English, arrived at Placentia yesterday with her main steam pipe broken. It has been brought here and will be repaired by the R. N. Co. The steamer will be detained about a week in consequence.

INTERESTING LEAFLET

We thank Mr. W. H. Goodland for a copy of a leaflet published in England by Rev. James Bell, formerly of this city.

The publication pays a graceful tribute to Newfoundlanders generally, makes special reference to the recent sealing disasters and concludes with the following verse referring to the sealers:

"Men who make their country breathe them
As her noble sons,
Worthy of their lives;
Men who never shame their mothers,
Men who never fail their brothers,
True, however false be others,
Give us such men."

Recent Events In The Courts

Happenings in the Supreme Court and at the Magistrate's Daily Levee.

Supreme Court

Job Bros. & Co. vs. John McMartin et al was postponed until Monday. Patrick Horan vs. O. Hannaford will be heard to-morrow.

Magistrate's Levee

One drunk was discharged, and another fined \$4 or 14 days. Const. Walsh summoned a man for having no prichard to his cart; dett. had to pay costs.

An Assyrian arrested under warrant on a charge made by a girl, gave bonds to appear when called on.

Bellaventure To The Rescue

Will Endeavor to Cut Out the Tritonia And Assist Her to Port.

The S.S. Tritonia is still in the ice off Fogo. The captain reports it a little slacker but the steamer is still unable to get free.

The cargo has been shifted aft, and she is now making very little water in No. 1 hold practically none. She is not in danger of sinking. The Bellaventure, Capt. Randell, leaves at 4 p.m. to cut her out, and if successful the Tritonia will come to St. John's for repairs.

SHIPPING

NO WORD OF MORWENNA

There is no word of the S.S. Morwenna leaving Sydney.

FLORIZEL AT 4

S.S. Florizel is due at 4, according to a wireless received by Harvey & Co. this morning.

NASCOPIE AT WABANA

S.S. Nascope arrived at Wabana yesterday with a cargo of coal. She makes another trip there from Sydney before returning to St. John's.

KINTAIL PASSES

S.S. Kintail passed the narrows at 11.30 a.m. She is bound from Sydney to Carbonear with a cargo of coal, and has made a quick round trip.

CARGO OF COAL

The schr. Henry M. Stanley, 9 days from Louisburg, arrived this morning with a cargo of coal consigned to W. H. Hynes.

PASSED OLD MATTRESSES

The S.S. Lintrose, which arrived at Basques yesterday, reports that when 28 miles S.W. by W. of Chancel Head, she passed eight old mattresses on the ice.

It is thought they were thrown overboard from one of the sealing steamers last month.

S.S. FLORIZEL IS DUE THIS EVENING

Schrs. Exotic, Vatcher and Maggie Sullivan, Cheater, will sail shortly for the northward with supplies. Their crews are expected to arrive by the Fogota.

Last night Messrs. Shea & Co. had a wireless from the Sardinian which sailed from here for England on Tuesday forenoon. She was then 234 miles East of St. John's, and apparently clear of ice.

COASTAL BOATS.

BOWINGS.

Portia arrived at St. Joseph's at 8 a.m.

Bowring's coastal department had a message from Capt. A. Kean yesterday afternoon that the Prospero returned to Seldom, having been forced to retreat from Joe Batt's Point. Runs filled with heavy ice, winds north west. Will wait southern winds.

CROSBIE'S

Fogota arrived at Wesleyville at 10 a.m. and left at 10.45.

Sagana left La Scie at 5 a.m. for the northward. The ice is off the shore.

REID'S

Bruce arrived at Basques at 6.45 a.m. The express left on time.

Lintrose left Basques at 4.45 p.m. yesterday.

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PERSONAL.

Mrs. John Browning leaves England by the Carthaginian Saturday.

Mr. G. Kennedy, M.H.A., arrived from Avondale yesterday.

Second Engineer West of the Beothic, left by the Sardinian to study for a chief's ticket.

Mr. A. B. Morine left Montreal Tuesday night and is due by Saturday's express.

Mr. J. T. Croucher arrived from North Sydney yesterday to make arrangements for the summer's fishery operations at Battle Harbor.

PREPARE FOR THE WORST.

Are you prepared for a fire? Most folk are not! One of my liberal notices will make the calamity easier to bear. It will cost you nothing to ask for a low rate and very little to be perfectly secure with Percie Johnson's insurance agency.

FEAST OF GOOD THINGS

"Martha" in English, is the most delightful grand opera presentation possible, and the second act, including the beautiful "Last Rose of Summer," will be sung by Mme. Scotney and her assisting artists from the Boston Opera House on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evening, June 1, 2, and 3, at the Methodist College Hall. Mme. Scotney will sing the title role; Mme. Cara Sapin, prima donna contralto, will be "Nancy"; M. Alfredo Ramella, leading tenor of the Boston Opera Co., will be "Lionel"; and the ever welcome basso, Mr. Howard White, is cast for "Plunkett."

Has Poor Opinion Of Mediation

Earl Grey Believes That Present Conference Will Do Little For Mexico.

London, May 14.—The Standard says that Sir Edward Grey, British Secretary for Foreign Affairs, has had under consideration a despatch from Sir Lionel Carden, British Minister to Mexico, dealing exhaustively with the whole Mexican situation. This is to be submitted to a Cabinet meeting together with the Foreign Secretary's notes, thereon.

It is understood, according to The Standard, that Earl Grey advises that no useful purposes will be served by South American mediation and that he will indicate a line of policy which will go far to minimize the possibility of further bloodshed.

Won Big Stakes At Newmarket

Lord Londonderry's Horse Came In First and King George's Second. —Stakes \$12,000.

Newmarket, May 13.—Lord Londonderry's Coroyra to-day won the Newmarket stakes for three-year-olds. King George's horse was second, and Sir Ernest Cassel's third. Five ran. The race was run over a course of a mile and a quarter. The stakes were valued at \$12,000.

China to Have New Constitution

Peking, May 11.—The Convention constituted recently for the amendment of the Provisional Constitution, has read for the third time the amended Constitution, and has forwarded it to President Yuan-shi-kai. The promulgation of the new Constitution is expected at an early date.

In brief, it provides for a single Chamber legislature, and substitutes a Secretary of State for the Premier. It is understood that Hsu-shih-chang, Grand Guardian of the Emperor, will be appointed Secretary of State.

Men Rescued Just in Time.

Liverpool, N.S., May 5.—The Gloucester fishing schooner Jorgina, Captain Rose, arrived here and reported having picked up in a gale of wind, six men and their dorries off the French fishing vessel La Normande, of St. Pierre, on Bank Quero, May 2nd.

The captain states that half an hour longer and these men would have all perished. The rescued men were sent to the French consul at Halifax.

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