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RAMBLING NOTES for 1915.

(I. C. MORRIS.)

CHAPTER XII.

At St. George's my attention was attracted by an unoccupied building which impressed me as being either a hall or a school-house, but on enquiry I learned that it had been used as a hotel. But it was its rather swampy location that aroused my curiosity, so on further enquiry I learned a little more of its story, and which may be recorded as follows. The building is a two storey flat-roofed one, and is about sixty feet by thirty. At first it was erected at Sandy Point on the other side of the harbour, and was used in connection with church purposes, but when the railway was built, owing to so many people leaving Sandy Point, several buildings were taken down, and brought over and reconstructed on the south side of the harbour, now known as St. George's proper. This particular building was sold, and the purchaser decided to shift it over as it stood intact, not even the chimneys were removed. To make a success of the undertaking, he had to consider two propositions: first, he had to wait until the harbour would be frozen over, and secondly, he had to procure the right man to accomplish the task. With the winter season came the frost and ice, and in the meantime the right man turned up. Not many men would attempt such a task, and only one of indomitable will would take such a task. But the emergency usually finds the man, and so it came about that in the person of the late Captain Nathaniel Butt, the right person was found.

At first the building was raised by the use of jack screws, and then it was properly blocked and secured. The next step was to place slides, runners and rollers under it, and then attach the ropes for hauling. With these preliminaries completed, a fine day was awaited, and then there was a scene witnessed that not often occurs. With the dawn assembled the men and boys, some eighty or a hundred in number. To the ropes were harnessed horses and oxen, and at the

head stood the brave Captain. With all ready, and every man in his place, the order was given to pull, and lo! as if by magic, the huge building moved, and the procession led the way. The men shouted and cheered, the oxen strained, and the horses pulled, and in a few minutes the structure was clear of the main land and out upon the smooth ice of the harbour. The scene equaled Mark Twain's ascent of the Alps.

For a little while a halt was called, and then a fresh start was made. The ice was in good condition, but it would not do to risk a halt upon it, as the weight of the building and men and oxen was too great. With the possibility of the ice collapsing in mind, the procession kept on the move, and every man pulled his best, and every trace of the harness was kept tight, and every pair of oxen was goaded on. Soon the middle of the harbour was gained, and ere the sun had gained its zenith the procession halted and the building was secure on dry land.

Not much of a feat in a sense, but there are lessons in it worth learning. Unfortunately some of us get so wonderfully big, and so extremely self-important, both in matters of Church and State, that we imagine we know it all, and therefore need not learn. The poet Cowper speaks of this class of people where he says:—"From such apostles, O ye mired And lay not hands on heads that cannot teach, and will not learn." The shifting of the building taught us a good lesson in perseverance, in united effort, in early rising, in good planning, and in the value of every class of labour. The good captain did his work; the men under him did their work, the boys did theirs, the horses had a place and the humbler oxen increased the power; thus all united and made "a long pull and a strong pull, and a pull together," and success crowned the effort and the seemingly impossible was accomplished.

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The Patriotic Committee of Bell Island, Collection during October, per T. Davis, Secretary	100 60
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Ship Harbor, per Mr. Griffiths	9 20
Mussey Harbor, per Capt. L. Dawe	1 60
Members of Fern Black Preceptory, Grand Falls, per George B. Hickman	13 45
Pilley's Island, per Robert Verge	21 35
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W. W. Bible Class, Hant's Pt., per Mrs. Emerson, Treasurer W.P.A.	10 00
Proceeds of Dance at the C. L.B. Hall, held by Misses Blanche Burridge and Nina Barnes, per Lady Davidson	125 00
Per Rev. A. S. Adams: Collection at Methodist Church, Hickman's Hr.	9 20
Collection at Methodist Church, Britannia	6 70
Proceeds of Afternoon Tea held by Miss May and Masters Frank and Stanley Jeans, per Evening Telegram	5 50
Per Daily News: Tea and Dance organized by Mrs. A. Walsh, Mrs. Thomas Lee and Mrs. Jas. Fleming, held at the residence of Mrs. Caldwell	23 04
Proceeds of Concert and Tea held at the residence of Mrs. L. Duchaine, 181 LeMarchant Road	22 00
Proceeds of Dance held in the Frontiersmen's Hall by Mrs. James Keats, Misses Martha and Annie Murphy, and Miss M. Fowlow, on Nov. 22nd	28 47
Dance and Supper held by Mrs. John Dawe at 60 New Gower Street	23 30
Per Daily Star: Collected by Miss Florence Morris from the employees of The British Clothing Company, Ltd.	6 17
Proceeds of Dance held in the Frontiersmen's Hall by Misses Annie Dalton, Maggie Murphy and Annie O'Neill, on Dec. 6th	36 63
Proceeds of Bazaar held by Misses May and Ada Frost, Mary Francis and Lizzie Francis	25 23
Total	\$14,744.52
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For the Cot Fond.

The bazaar and tea which was held in St. Mary's Hall in aid of the Cot Fond on Dec. 9th by Misses May and Ada Frost, of Water Street, and May Francis and Lizzie Stafford, of the Southside, raised the sum of \$25.23. The above wish to thank the Rev. Mr. Uphill for use of the hall, the R. N. Co., for electric light, Mrs. McCoubrey for crockeryware and Mr. Hamlin for printing tickets, all free of charge; also those that kindly gave donations and the ladies that helped serve tea and made the affair a success.

Interesting Lecture.

Before a large gathering at the Methodist College Hall last night, the Rev. J. W. McConnell, B.A., of Amherst, N.S., delivered an interesting and instructive lecture on "John Bull on the Banks of the Nile." The subject is one of special interest just now and it was treated most interestingly by the lecturer, his story being enhanced by a number of lantern slides. At the close a vote of thanks proposed by Rev. D. B. Hammon and seconded by Mr. John Leamon was tendered the lecturer by Dr. Duncan who presided.

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Mechanics' Pass

Votes of Thanks.

A special meeting of St. John's Mechanics' Society was held last night to receive the records from the Fair Committee. The reports which showed the Exhibition and Sale of Work to have been a great success, both socially and financially, were received by the Society with much enthusiasm. Votes of thanks were unanimously passed and ordered to be placed on the records and published in the public press as follows:—
To the Right Hon. Sir E. P. Morris, K. C. M. G., for the very deep interest taken by him in the Fair and in particular for his thoughtful kindness in writing personal friends on the work and position of the Society, to which action on his part might be mainly attributed the great success of the undertaking.
To the Hon. Robert Watson for his kindness in conducting and announcing the result of the Guessing Competition for the handsome watch presented by Messrs. Garrett Brownriggs, F. Brocklehurst, P. Power.
To the many people who contributed cash and other donations as also those who made up work for the Fair, the ready sale of which justified the praise given by visitors as to the taste and skill which the work evidenced.
To the Catholic Cadet Corps and the Total Abstinence Bands for their kindly giving Concerts on Monday and Tuesday during the Sale.
To the ladies in charge of the different tables and their assistants whose energies and unselfish efforts were so well rewarded.
To Mr. M. J. Doyle and his Committee for the work performed by them during the three nights and particularly in connection with the Dance which was so enjoyable to the large number who attended, and so creditable to the Committee in charge.
To all who in any way helped towards the success of the Fair and who now will be glad to learn that the receipts \$1,328.38 were sufficient to defray the expenses incurred by the long-needed repairs to the building, namely, the putting on of a new roof and the construction of a new entrance to the rooms.
To Proprietors and Editors of the daily papers for free advertising and grand description of the opening, which helped in no small way towards the success of the Sale of Work.
Signed on behalf of Society.
JOHN P. SCOTT, President.
JAMES A. LEAHEY, Secretary.

If you choose a princess dress, keep it as simple as possible. The boat dress is one of the most convenient garments ever invented. Vests are very important, and some of them are trimmed with fur.

TO THE CATHOLIC CADET CORPS AND THE TOTAL ABSTINENCE BANDS FOR THEIR KINDLY GIVING CONCERTS ON MONDAY AND TUESDAY DURING THE SALE.

TO THE LADIES IN CHARGE OF THE DIFFERENT TABLES AND THEIR ASSISTANTS WHOSE ENERGIES AND UNSELFISH EFFORTS WERE SO WELL REWARDED.

TO MR. M. J. DOYLE AND HIS COMMITTEE FOR THE WORK PERFORMED BY THEM DURING THE THREE NIGHTS AND PARTICULARLY IN CONNECTION WITH THE DANCE WHICH WAS SO ENJOYABLE TO THE LARGE NUMBER WHO ATTENDED, AND SO CREDITABLE TO THE COMMITTEE IN CHARGE.

TO ALL WHO IN ANY WAY HELPED TOWARDS THE SUCCESS OF THE FAIR AND WHO NOW WILL BE GLAD TO LEARN THAT THE RECEIPTS \$1,328.38 WERE SUFFICIENT TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE LONG-NEEDED REPAIRS TO THE BUILDING, NAMELY, THE PUTTING ON OF A NEW ROOF AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW ENTRANCE TO THE ROOMS.

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