

Grand Falls Patriotic Association To Have a Monthly Collection

Will Form Permanent Patriotic Fund to Collect Monthly Voluntary Contributions—Men Earning 18 Cents or Under per Hour Will Pay 1/2 per Cent—Those Over That Will Contribute 1 per Cent—Stirring Speeches Are Given by Various Speakers—Movement Meets With Unanimous Approval

During the past nine months, the Town Hall at Grand Falls has been the scene of crowded public meetings in connection with the war. The meetings in connection with the Aero-plane Fund and the Recruiting Campaign bore splendid fruit, but that held on Tuesday, May 2nd, shows that the community here is not content to work by fits and starts, but is settling down to a period of steady effort.

The meeting was called by Grand Falls Patriotic Association to discuss the following resolution:

WHEREAS, it is desirable that a Permanent Patriotic Fund be established, this meeting endorses the action of the Patriotic Association in suggesting that a voluntary contribution be collected monthly, the rate to be half per cent from men earning 18 cents or under per hour, and one per cent on all wages above that rate.

Mr. N. Pike, J.P., deputy chairman of the Association, occupied the chair and was supported on the platform by Dr. Chamberlain, Rev. W. Dunn and T. E. Loder, Adjt. Brown, and Messrs. Jos. Goodyear, C. Raines and G. Way.

In his opening remarks, the Chairman clearly showed to the audience what the proposal meant, and how necessary it was that the Association have a fund to meet any emergency.

Dr. Chamberlain then read the resolution, and in proposing it showed how fair it was to all.

Mr. Goodyear seconded the motion, and in a stirring speech drove home to his audience how small after all was the sacrifice asked of them in comparison with the lives of the boys at the front. The insignificance of the monthly contribution was still further emphasized by the statement that many spent more than that at the Nickel.

The other gentlemen on the platform followed up the remarks of the previous speakers, the W. P. A. coming in for a generous share of appreciation, and the amount expected by this systematic method of contribution being estimated at \$300 for the month.

The Chairman now invited discussion by the audience, as it was quite possible that there might have been points left obscure which further discussion would clear up.

Messrs. Drover, Wills, Hobson, J. Hayward, Simmons, Soper, Batstone and Cooper, all spoke, but while there were one or two criticisms on details, one and all were heartily in favour of the absolute necessity of a permanent fund being established, and on the vote being taken, the principle was carried overwhelmingly.

In answer to a point raised in the discussion, Rev. W. Dunn proposed and A. Duggan seconded that the executive of the Patriotic Association together with the clergy of Grand Falls be a Board of Trustees to administer this fund, and it was carried unanimously.

BONAVENTURE'S CREW HOME

Capt. Randell and crew of the Bonaventure arrived here by the Kyle's express yesterday from Russia via Finland, Norway and England. On arrival, in conversation with The Mail and Advocate, the men related an experience on the other side similar to that related by the crew of the Adventure—in whose company they were—a few days ago. They told the story of the sufferings of the crew of the British ship "Sup- pho," whose crew were caught on the ice floes and who all perished miserably except three, the Captain while insane committing suicide. Captain Randell and crew are in excellent health.

THE KING VS. ROBERTS.

Jury Finds Verdict Of Guilty.

In the second trial of the King vs. Job H. Roberts for conspiring to defraud an insurance company, was tried yesterday before Chief Justice Horwood and a special jury. The jury after retiring at 10 o'clock last night returned to court at 11.35 and through their foreman, Mr. David Baird, announced that they had found the prisoner guilty. At the same time they strongly recommended him to the clemency of the Court. Sentence will be imposed Monday. The prisoner was taken to the penitentiary at midnight.

A FINE SCHOONER.

The very fine schooner "Lucania" not long since bought by Mr. Ambrose Norris of Three Arms, arrived here yesterday with a cargo of gasoline. Capt. Norris, who is a son of Mr. Jas. J. Norris of Three Arms, N.D.B., brought the ship to port and will be in charge of her permanently. She is a well built vessel of 104 tons net, 108.9 feet long, 25 feet beam, 1.8 feet deep and was built at Gloucester in 1904. She carries a Bridgeport engine and will make a number one addition to our mercantile marine.

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minister this fund, and it was carried unanimously.

Towards the end of the meeting, Mr. Wm. Scott, the general manager of the A. N. D. Company, moved from the back of the hall, and took his place on the platform. He had not intended to speak, but after hearing the discussion he felt impelled to emphasize that this was to be a purely voluntary effort. If any man present wished to consult him in connection with the matter he would be pleased to meet him at a convenient time, and after learning his views, to lay them before the Committee.

During intervals in the proceedings, the Town Band and the Salvation Army Band delighted their hearers with appropriate selections, and congratulations are due Bandsmasters Kellind and Brewer for the efficiency of the bandsmen. The meeting closed by the singing of the National Anthem.

J. H. BALLEM, Hon. Secretary, Grand Falls Patriotic Association

CHURCH SERVICES

Cathedral of St. John the Baptist—Holy Communion, 8 a.m., (1st. Sunday in the month, 7, 8 and 11); Matins, 11 a.m. (1st. Sunday in the month at 10); Children's Service, 3.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon, 3.30.

St. Michael's Mission Church, Casey Street—Holy Communion, 6.30, 8, and 11 a.m. (Choral); Children's Service, 3.15 p.m.; Evensong, 6.30 p.m.; Preacher, Rev. J. Brinton.

St. Thomas's—Holy Communion, 8 a.m.; Morning Prayer and Sermon, 11 a.m.; Preacher, The Rector; subject: "The Crown of Reward on the Brow of Toil." Children's Service, 3.30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon, 6.30; Preacher, Rev. C. A. Moulton.

Christ Church, Quidi Vidi—1st. Sunday in month, Matins at 11 a.m.; 2nd. Sunday in month, Holy Communion, 8 a.m.; 3rd. Sunday in month, Evensong at 6.30; 4th. Sunday in month, Matins at 11. Evensong at 3.30 on the 1st., 2nd and 4th Sundays in the month.

Virginia School Chapel—Evening Prayer every Sunday at 3.30 p.m. PARISH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN St. John's West.

Sundays—Holy Communion every Sunday at 8 a.m.; also on the first Sunday in each month at noon; Matins at 11; Evensong at 6.30.

Fridays—Evensong and Sermon at 7.45.

Holy Baptism—Every Sunday at 3.30 p.m.

Public Catechizing—The third Sunday in each month at 3 p.m.

Sunday School—At 2.30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Young Women's Bible Class—Every Sunday at 3 p.m. in the Parish Room.

The Holy Communion with special intercessions on behalf of the War is celebrated on the first Wednesday in each month at 10.30 a.m.

METHODIST

Gower St.—11. Rev. H. Royle; 6.30 Rev. D. B. Hemmeon.

George St.—11. Rev. D. B. Hemmeon; 6.30 Rev. Dr. Fenwick.

Cochrane St.—11. Rev. Dr. Curtis; 6.30, Missionary Platform Service.

Wesley—11. Rev. Dr. Fenwick; 6.30 Rev. H. Royle.

Presbyterian—11 and 6.30, Rev. J. S. Sutherland.

Congregational—11 and 6.30, Rev. W. H. Thomas.

S. A. CITADEL (New Gower Street)—Sunday's meetings: 7 a.m., Prayer Meeting; 11 a.m., Holiness Meeting; 3 p.m., Public Meeting; 7 p.m., Revival Meeting. Mrs. Colonel Otway will preach. Adjt. and Mrs. Braze will be in charge of the meeting.

COCHRANE ST.—To-morrow will be observed as Missionary Sunday in Cochrane Street Church. The preacher at the morning service will be the Rev. Dr. Curtis. At the evening service the chief speaker is to be the Rev. J. S. Sutherland, M.A., of the Presbyterian Church. The report is to be presented by a member of the Mission Board. Collections for the General Missionary Fund. Special singing by choir. All are welcome.

WESLEY—On Sunday evening the Pastor will preach a Patriotic sermon "Some lessons the war teaches." At the close of the service the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered, to which the Volunteers, both Army and Navy, with their parents, are invited.

ADVENTIST—The subject Sunday night at the S.D.A. Church, Cookstown Road, will be: "The Race of Life." All welcome.

C. M. B. C. The Class will meet for Corporate Communion at the Cathedral to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock. The Harbor Mission work will re-open with a service on the wharf of Messrs Bowring Bros at 9 o'clock. The address will be given by Rev. Canon White. The usual meeting of the Class will take place in the Synod Building at 3 o'clock. Subject: "The Eternal Christ."

REES PLEADS GUILTY In the Supreme Court to-day the man Thos. Rees of Bell Island, charged with incest and to whose case The Mail and Advocate exclusively referred was arraigned. On being charged with the crime he pleaded guilty and was remanded till Monday when he will be sentenced.

The C. L. B. will hold a church parade to-morrow (Sunday) week, attending Divine Service at the C. E. Cathedral at 2.30 p.m. Over 60 recruits who recently joined will take part and will by that time have received their kit, which was imported not long ago.

Civic Commission Weekly Meeting

Several Increases in Salary Asked For—Some Are Granted—Council Not Responsible For Damages in Duffett-Earle Case—Pay Day Changed to Friday

At weekly meeting of the Civic Commission held last night, Mr. Gosling, the chairman, presided.

The Secretary of the Board of Works wrote in answer to the Commission's note that repairs to the road near Kent's Pond are being considered.

Supt. Grimes of the Constabulary wrote that he would look after the matter of wharf shores being piled in a certain cove.

Messrs. Conroy and Higgins of the Imperial Oil Co. wrote that the Board of Fire Underwriters would not increase insurance rates if their clients erected a plant on the South Side. If an increase occurred owing to this their clients would make good. A letter from Mr. F. W. Knight, Secretary of the Fire Underwriters was read in re the matter, and if the plans conform with the requirements of the International Board of Fire Underwriters, and full guarantees are forth coming the Company can build.

John Ryan, timekeeper, will not get the increase of wages applied for.

A number of old employees of the water works asked that their wages be increased from \$1.60 to \$1.50 a day.

The increase will be given. W. Sinnott, assistant foreman of roads, applied for increase.

Mr. Sinnott will be placed on the higher pay record.

G. Gillingham and Son asked permission to erect concrete and iron fence in Golf Avenue. Referred to engineer.

W. Fanning was given permission to repair house, corner of Pope's St. and Barter's Hill.

Wood and Kelly asked if the Council intended purchasing house and land at the junction of Casey and New Gower Streets, owned by W. Martin. Will be considered later.

T. P. Halley, for Jas. Haw, asked that attention be given defective drain Toppail Road. Referred to the Engineer.

The Solicitor reported that the Council was not responsible for the damages in the Duffett-Earle case.

The Engineer reported that Mr. Brehm was erecting a building near the butterine factory, without permit. The law will be complied with and the erection removed.

Adopting the unanimous report of the Office Committee the labourers will be paid 6 p.m. Fridays instead of Saturdays, as at present.

The Engineer will report on C. J. Fox's complaint re condition of the street car tracks.

Applications for permission to repair stables owned by M. B. Vail of Barter's Hill, and P. F. Collins's house, Wickford St., were referred to the Engineer.

J. C. Taylor's plans for dwelling on Leslie Street were approved and Jno. Bartlett can build addition to his house, Cornwall Avenue.

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WANDERERS' CLUB ANNUAL

Last night at the offices of the Imperial Tobacco Co. the Wanderers Baseball Team held their annual meeting. Mr. C. E. Hunt presiding. The reports presented and adopted were very satisfactory. The following officers were elected: President—C. E. Hunt. Vice-Pres.—F. V. Chesman. Secretary—T. V. Hartnett. Treasurer—P. E. Outerbridge.

The Executive Committee, consisting of the following members was re-appointed. Capt. A. Montomgerie, D. McLeod, J. S. Benedict, J. B. Courtney and P. Johnson. Messrs Hartnett and McLeod were appointed delegates to the League and Manager and Captain respectively. It was announced that seven members of the Wanderers are on active service and that several are at present in training or have applied but not yet passed the medical exams. This shows the Club has played the game as far as enlistment is concerned and the announcement was received with applause. Several members were admitted to membership after which the meeting closed.

The past week two cases of diphtheria occurred, and one death was noted from the disease. One house was relieved of the quarantine, and there are now 14 patients in hospital and three being treated at their homes.

LOCAL ITEMS

The S.S. Erik will sail to-day for THE Cove to load ore for New York. Capt. Taylor, one time master of the Bruce, goes if her.

The S.S. Bloodhound arrived here yesterday from Lousburg to Balne, Johnston & Co. after a run of two days, coal laden.

Very Rev. Dean O'Rourke of Bay St. George arrived here by the express yesterday and is a guest of Dr. Campbell.

VOLUNTEERS CUT UP ROUGH

Yesterday evening a number of volunteers who were engaging themselves in a rather rough manner adjourned to Buckerrough's Field where for an hour some of the worst scenes ever witnessed in that section were noticed. The men fought and kicked and pummeled each other and several were severely cut and roughly handled, one young man named Yeung being particularly badly hurt. Rumour had it to-day that he had died from the effects of his injuries, but this we could not verify. He had to be brought to a doctor for treatment.

Last night on New Gower Street very disorderly scenes occurred and the police were powerless to interfere the force there, two men, being inadequate.

WESTERN FISHERY REPORT

The Board of Trade received the accompanying reports yesterday dated April 29th.

From A. H. Ingraham, (Ramea)—The catch to date is 1950 qtls. with 40 for last week. Four dorries and four skiffs are fishing. Prospects are very good and there is plenty of herring at Bay de Veau. The boats were out only two days this week as it takes so much time getting herring. Five skiffs are at Connoire securing bait.

From F. R. Dinham, (Eagle Point to Mall Bay). Prospects are poor and the only bait is a little herring in nets. The catch of codfish is 2350 qtls. Lobsters are scarce, the traps averaging from 50 to 120.

THE CRESCENT.

See Ham and Bid in "The Hypnotic Monkey" at the Crescent Picture Palace to-day, it is just one laugh. "More Than Friends" is a strong drama of the Underworld. "A Letter to Daddy" is a Biograph melo-drama. "A Man Afraid" is a great society drama in two reels, featuring Richard C. Travers. Mr. Frank DeGroot sings a comic number "McCarthy" on Monday a great three reel Diamond special: "The Cause in the Constitution" will be attractive.

ASSAULTED THE POLICE

Yesterday a seaman who had imbibed too freely went into the Shipping Master's office and threatened to clean it up. Mr. Carter sent for the police and when Consts Woodford and Braze arrived the mariner sailed in to them. After a fierce struggle they got him to the lock-up and to-day Mr. Hutchings, K.C., fined him \$5.00 or 14 days for drunkenness and \$10.00 or 20 days for assaulting the officers.

1st Newfoundland Regiment.

THE Superintendents of Education are organizing a School in connection with the Regiment, for the purpose of affording to recruits educational facilities. There is wanted immediately a number of ladies to assist in the work, and those who are willing to take part in the good work are invited to meet the Superintendents at 4 o'clock on Monday, the 8th inst., in the Council of Higher Education Chamber, Colonial Building. Volunteers must be prepared to attend the School from 11.30 to 1 and from 4.30 to 6 daily for one month. Experience in teaching is not necessary.

OBITUARY

MR. W. K. MORRISSEY, H.M.C. After a very brief illness, the death occurred at his residence, Colonia St., last night of Mr. Wm. Kelly Morrissey who for the past 43 years has been a faithful and zealous official of His Majesty's Customs. Mr. Morrissey was an Irishman by birth and had reached the advanced age of 80 years. Mr. Morrissey had been about and was in apparently fair health, until Wednesday, and though everything possible was done to prolong life by his physicians the end came last evening. To the bereaved relatives The Mail and Advocate extends its sympathy.

A Reproduction of a Letter in "The Dry Goods Economist"

The Following is Taken From the "Dry Goods Economist" of April 1st, 1916, Published in New York—Whether or Not Ayre & Sons Wrote the Letter we do not Know, we do not Say They Did—But as it Has Appeared in a Prominent Trade Journal we Reproduce the Article as it Has Reference to Local Matters

THE RETURN GOODS EVIL

Newfoundland Subscriber Tells How Privilege Is Sometimes Abused

Editor of the Dry Goods Economist: Dear Sir—In the last issue of the "Economist" the writer was particularly interested in an article on the "Returned Goods Evil," so much so that he thinks it worth while to give you a few instances that have occurred in our trade in Newfoundland, some of which, I expect, will be unique.

We do a wholesale and retail business, and approbation in a small place like this necessitates delicate handling to avoid giving umbrage to customers whose good will we wish to retain. We are sometimes driven rather hard in the matter of sending goods out on approval, as some have no compunction in asking the most absurd favors. There are wheels within wheels, people related one to another, making most judicious discrimination necessary, as the refusal to submit articles for approval, no matter how inconvenient to us, may eventually mean the loss of hundreds of dollars. The worst feature about the matter is that it is not the poor class of customers who are delinquents, but the better class, well educated and holding positions which entitle them to call themselves "ladies"; but they think it "smart," and that the people doing business are too green to notice it.

I give the following instances which have come under my own observation. In every case there is no room for doubt; each occurred exactly as stated:

Trimmed Hats.—We have known these obtained on approval, possibly the day before Easter Sunday. Simultaneously with the return of the article on Monday as not being suitable, and bearing eight or ten pin holes, an assistant informed us that she had seen that hat in front of her at church the previous day.

Men's Hats.—The day before Palm Sunday a lady had a silk hat sent home for her husband. On Monday it was returned, as "it did not suit." The sweatband was marked, but so slightly that there was a doubt if used; but as on the intervening Sunday the Irish Society paraded with a piece of spruce at side of hats, which is given by the church, the writer forced the silk bow slightly open with a penknife and discovered quite a number of small pieces of spruce droppings, which proved beyond a doubt that it had been worn. It was promptly returned to the party, with a message that as it had been used we could not take it back, and the bill which accompanied it was paid at once.

Coats.—It is quite a usual thing for ladies' coats to be returned with sweets in the pockets, pray-books or prayer-books.

Muffs.—We find gloves in these. Boots.—These have, in some instances, been worn out of doors, then sand-papered or scraped with glass, and when we remonstrated with the party we were told they were worn only across a room.

Hearth Rugs.—These have been returned after being used on a floor during a bridge party the previous night.

Curtains.—People have had these and returned them the day following some kind of show at their houses.

Table Covers.—These have frequently been used and returned.

White Bedsteads.—On one occasion one was returned the day after the identical assistant who gave it out had seen it covering the bed on which a corpse was lying.

Cut Goods.—It is quite customary for people who have a standing account to select goods and have them cut off, and afterwards to return them, saying they did not match. This has been done with half-yard silk or satin without as much as asking "by your leave."

Goods for Patterns.—Coats, costumes and dresses have been had on approval and sent to dressmakers to copy. A short time ago a party made quite a fuss because we would not consent to a coat going to her on approval. However, after considering the matter we consented to let it go out the last thing at night, to be returned the next morning if unsuitable. During the night one of our assistants called to see a dressmaking friend of hers and the first thing she saw was the coat, which, of course, was promptly returned the next morning. Children's dresses, pinafores, etc., have

been had repeatedly for the mother's to copy at home, and we have known it to be remarked by an outsider that whenever she needed a pattern or design of anything new all she had to do was to send down to Ayre & Sons' and have the goods on approval.

Some people think we have nothing else to do but send out parcel after parcel of goods for them to pull about at their homes to satisfy morbid curiosity, and return the whole without making one selection. One customer thinks nothing of sending down for from \$70 to \$80 worth, such as hats, gloves and small goods. She lives not more than five minutes' walk from the establishment, is in the most perfect health, and there is no reason whatever why she could not inspect and decide upon the goods at our store. There are numerous other instances in which we are victimized by our customers, who amuse themselves at the expense of business houses here; but we have them all "spotted."

I have never had the pleasure of meeting you; my son Jim has, I understand. Should I ever go your way I shall call in and have a shake and a bottle of lemonade with you.

Yours very truly, AYRE & SONS, St. John's, Newfoundland.

DEATHS.

CHEATER—Annie Jeannette, darling child of Baxter and Caroline Cheater, who died May 5th, of pulmonary congestion, aged 9 months—"Asleep with Jesus."

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St. John's Municipal Council

Notice to Contractors.

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