

Wanted

1 CAR BIRCH WHARF STICKS, and 1 CAR SPRUCE OR FIR LOGS LEWIS DAWE.

Don't Fail to Attend the SERVICES under the auspices of the Bethesda Pentecostal Assembly of God in the Union Hall Sunday at 3 p.m., also at 7 p.m., when the subject will be: 'The Soon Coming of the Lord.' All are welcome.

The annual meeting of St. Matthew's Church was held in the Academy on Thursday night. A large number attended. Reports showed the Parish had a very successful year. Rev. E. M. Bishop, the Rector, presided. Mr. Robert J. Mercer was re-elected People's Warden, and Mr. John W. Dawe was re-elected Rector's Warden.

The Hockey match between Brigus and a picked team from the Guards and Fieldians at the Princes Rink, St. John's, on Feb. 15th, proved to be a very interesting one. In the first period the Brigus boys put up a strong front and for a time it looked as though they had matters their own way. But in the second period St. John's pulled up and at the finish of the game the score was City-6, Brigus-3. The game was clean and with practice the losers would be a hard team to defeat.

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LOST—A Waterman Fountain Pen. Finder will be rewarded by returning to Dr. Prichard.

OBITUARY

There passed peacefully away on Saturday, Feb. 10th, after a short illness, Florence Marion, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. French, of Country Road. The deceased had been in apparent good health until about a week before her death, when she contracted a heavy cold which hastened her end.

Florrie, as she was generally known, was very bright. She often assisted in playing the organ in Coley's Point Meth. Church and Sunday School. Of a cheerful nature, she brought gladness wherever she went. Thus, the news of her passing came as a shock to her many friends.

The Curtis Mission Band, of which she was a member, attended her funeral in a body. She was laid to rest in the Methodist Cemetery, Coley's Point, Rev. S. Baggs officiating. She leaves to mourn beside a large circle of friends, her father, mother one brother, Max, in the United States, and one sister, Stella, at home. Her father is also away from home in the U. S.

A very pleasant evening was spent on Wednesday, Feb. 14th, at the home of Mrs. George Cave, when she gave a Scout Tea. The ladies attended splendidly and enjoyed the social hour and good things prepared by Mrs. Cave. The proceeds of the evening showed that Scout enthusiasm is still as keen as ever.

DIED

At St. John's on Tuesday, February 13th, at midnight, Elizabeth Burnham, relict of the late Frederick Burnham.

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Bay Roberts, Friday, Feb. 16, 1923.

A GENERAL ELECTION.

It looks now as if the rumors concerning the holding of a general election this Spring, presumably in May, are correct. Everything at present points to this, and we would not be at all surprised to find some definite announcement made soon.

It is also said the Legislature will not be summoned again for the despatch of business. When adjournment was taken in August last it was with the understanding that the House would meet again in October, but this did not happen.

There are several matters of the utmost importance to Newfoundland to be considered, namely, The Railway, the Humber Deal, Reduction of Taxation, etc.

The public of Newfoundland have not been able to obtain any information regarding any of these matters except in a general way, but we presume if an election takes place details, correct or otherwise, will be given, and John Citizen will be given a chance to make his choice.

The present standing of the parties composing the present Legislature are as follows:—

- Liberal-Reform Party, led by Sir R. A. Squires and Hon. W. F. Coaker ... 22
Liberal-Progressive Party, led by Sir Michael Cashin ... 12
Independent ... 1
Vacant seat, late Capt. John Lewis I ... 36

Vagious rumors concerning the Leadership of an Opposition to the present Government are in circulation. It being generally understood that Sir M. P. Cashin will not again lead a Party, the gentlemen named as Leaders are three in number, viz: Sir Robert Bond, Mr. John R. Bennett, at present representing St. John's West, and Mr. A. B. Morine.

It is thought that Sir R. A. Squires and Hon. W. F. Coaker will be the twin leaders of the Government forces. No doubt the electorate will see a great many changes in the personnel of the parties. Some of the present members it is said are to be retired and placed in permanent Government positions, while others will be consigned to the political scrap heap.

Whatever happens, it is absolutely certain that never before in her history has Newfoundland required a more qualified, honorable and conscientious body of parliamentarians to deal with her affairs and save her from political destruction.

The vast majority of our people want to remain in their Island Home, and others who were forced to emigrate to other countries would wish to return if conditions were such that they could reasonably hope to secure employment to obtain a living for themselves and families.

THE FISHERY

There is no doubt about the fishermen's position at the present juncture in Newfoundland. He is engaged at the mainstay and the foundation industry of this country, and much as other industries are important contributing factors to the general good of our Island Home, we cannot hope that they will ever take the place of our fishing industry.

There is a chance, though, that if some serious, practical and united effort is not made soon to place the fishing industry where it rightly belongs, Newfoundland is bound to get a rude awakening.

The bulk of Newfoundlanders are to the fishery. Their fathers and grandfathers, and great-grandfathers before them sniffed the salt and invigorating air from the ocean, and venturing out on the billows of the mighty deep in craft and skill,

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Notice to Fishermen.

On the 13th June, 1922, the Government reduced the Export Tax on Fish, viz: Cod, Haddock, Hake, Ling, Pollack and Halibut, dried or otherwise preserved.

On the 17th November, 1922, the Government removed the export tax altogether from the above named fish, and the amount paid as export tax was to be paid the Exporters and they to repay the fishermen.

This was found impossible because the Exporters could not be sure of whose fish was exported and whose was not, so on the 22nd January, 1923, the Government decided to pay 10 cents per quintal to all fishermen who actually caught any of the above named fish, provided he produced a receipt or certificate where it could be proven that the fish was sold between the 13th day of June, 1922, and the 17th day of November, 1922, both days inclusive, and thereby was entitled to the 10 cents per quintal that the Government have decided to give.

The following Committee:— H. V. HUTCHINGS, ESQ., Asst. Deputy Minister of Customs, W. H. CAVE, Minister of Shipping, HON. W. W. HALFYARD, Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, HON. ELI DAWE, A. W. PICCOTT, ESQ., ROBERT PIKE, ESQ., under the direction of H. W. LeMessurier, Esq., Deputy Minister of Customs, has been appointed to go into the payment of this refund. As this work represents the payment of 10 cents per quintal on somewhere near one million quintals of fish to about twenty or twenty-five thousand fishermen, it must be understood that the payment of such a sum to such a number will take time. Therefore, for the guidance of the fishermen, and to facilitate the work and quick payment, the following is requested of those who are entitled to receive payment:

- 1st—Have you sold any fish either for cash, barter or credit of your account to anyone between the 13th day of June, 1922, and the 17th day of November, 1922, both days inclusive.
- 2nd—If you have the original receipt from the person to whom you sold fish, with the purchaser's address, forward it to the Secretary.
- 3rd—If you have no receipt, get a sworn statement from the person to whom you sold the fish, stating the date of sale and quantity sold, with the name and address of the purchaser.
- 4th—A Shareman applying for repayment must get an account of the total catch as landed and sold, and in each case a record of the vessel, and the name and address of each man composing the crew, so that he may get the payment direct for himself.

Owing to the large number of fishermen involved, the first payment will not be made until March 10th, and it will be for receipts received up to February 25th. Second payment will be made April 10th and will be for receipts received up to March 25th. Third payment will be made May 10th, and will be for receipts received up to April 25th. Fourth payment will be made June 10th, and will be for receipts received up to May 25th. Fifth payment will be made July 10th, and will be for receipts received up to June 25th. Sixth payment will be made August 10th, and will be for receipts received up to July 25th. Last payment will be made September 10th, after which date the accounts will be closed and no further applicants will be considered. Positively no payments will be made other than, on dates named, and it is useless for anyone to bring receipts to the office and expect payment.

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H. V. HUTCHINGS, Asst. Deputy Minister of Customs, St. John's. H. W. LeMessurier, Deputy Minister of Customs.

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