

**Civic Commission
Weekly Meeting**

The Goat Case Created Much Discussion—Board Divided as to Impounder's Duty—Two Members of Board Bid Farewell to Brother Commissioners

Chairman Gosling presided at last night's meeting.
Carter, Council's solicitor made a report of the magisterial finding in the case of Mrs. Earle vs. Impounder Duffet, and the S.P.A. versus the same. This caused a general discussion, in which some commissioners held that the Impounder should be "dismissed, and others, that the Commission was responsible. The decision was that the Impounder must pay the fines and expenses of the suits, that he will be retained and that new rules will be elaborated to which he must in future adhere. Commissioner Jackson stoutly defended the Impounder and Commissioner Anderson tried "to get his goat" but was less successful in that respect that the Impounder was with the widow Earle.
Commissioner J. J. Mullaly now informed the Board that he was about to leave the country for a lengthy period and that this would probably be his last appearance at the deliberations of the Commissioners. He eulogized the work of the Commission and especially "put it all over" the Chairman, glorified the prospective charter, which is to be a panacea for all our civic ills, and hoped that some (Why not all?) of the Board would seek election to be allowed (like Morris) to finish their work.
Commissioner Anderson and Chairman Gosling were sorry to lose the assistance of Commissioner Mullaly whose municipal experience rendered his services to the city invaluable, both wishing him every success and expressing the hope that he would return home to the witness of the working of the new charter.
Commissioner Jackson also intimated that he would be leaving the City until after the next municipal election and he too also praised the work of Mr. Gosling and the Board. Mr. Carter, Council's solicitor made a in fact as one was said last took on the complexion of "a mutual admiration convention."
Tenders for hose from Bowring Bros. Ltd., Robinson Export Co., and J. Crawford, were received.
Commissioners Ayre and McNamara will look into the matter.
F. W. Knight, Secretary of the Fire Insurance Underwriters, wrote that with the installation of a 12 inch main on the South Side, insurance rates would be reduced.
The Engineer's report showed that the way pressure in the city was higher than in previous years.
F. Longley of New York, wrote that from reports received he considered the new water service was giving satisfaction.
With the reading of reports from departments, and passing of pay roll, the meeting adjourned at 10 o'clock.

THE KYLE'S PASSENGERS

The Kyle arrived at Port aux Basques at 3 a.m. to-day bringing A. and Mrs. Rose, E. J. Phillips and T. J. Twentyman.

**V. C.
and
British Colonel**

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IS GREAT.
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At the
Royal Cigar Store,
Bank Square, Water Street.

CHURCH SERVICES

Cathedral of St. John the Baptist—Holy Communion at 8 a.m.; also on the first Sunday of the month at 7 and 12.15. Other services at 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.

St. Michael's Mission Church, Casey Street—Holy Communion at 8 and 11 on the 3rd Sunday of the month; and at 8 on other Sundays. Other services, 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.

St. Thomas's—Holy Communion on the third Sunday in each month at noon; every other Sunday at 8 a.m.; Holy Communion on Saints' Days at 7.30 a.m.

Morning Prayer, 11; Preacher, Rev. W. E. R. Cracknell; Children's Service 3.45 p.m.; Evening and Sermon 6.30. Preacher, The Rector, Subject: "Love—A House of Many Mansions."

ST. THOMAS'S—At the evening service the Rector will deliver the fifth of the course of sermons on "What Men Live By," the subject being: "Love—A House of Many Mansions." A cordial invitation is extended to all.

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 p.m.; 4th. Sunday in month, Matins at 11 a.m.; Evensong at 3.30 p.m. 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 and third Sundays in each month at noon.

Wednesdays—Holy Communion and Intercessions on behalf of the War at 10.30 a.m.

Fridays—Evensong and Intercessions on behalf of the War at 7.30 p.m.

Holy Baptism—Every Sunday at 3.30 p.m.

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

Churching of Women—Before any Service.

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

Young Women's Bible Class—Every Sunday at 2.45 p.m. in the Parish Room.

Brookfield School Chapel Evensong—Every Sunday at 3 p.m.

Sunday School—Every Sunday at 4 p.m.

St. Matthew's Church, The Goules, Evensong—Every Sunday at 3 p.m.

Asylum for the Poor Holy Communion—The first Sunday in each month at 9 a.m.

Matins—Every Sunday at 9 a.m.

METHODIST.

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

George St.—11, Rev. C. A. Whitmarsh; 6.30. Rev. N. M. Guy.

Cochrane St.—11, Rev. N. M. Guy; 6.30. Rev. C. A. Whitmarsh.

Wesley—11, Rev. D. B. Hemmion; 6.30. Rev. H. Royle.

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

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

WESLEY—On Sunday evening the Pastor will deal with the subject: "A man's shame." Everybody is invited. The service will be evangelical. Special services will be held every night during the week in the basement of the Church. Admiral Beatty said that the Empire's greatest need at present was a revival of religion.

CONGREGATIONAL—The ordinance of the Lord's Supper will be observed at the close of the morning service.

BIBLE CLASSES

C.M.B.C.—Corporate Communion at the Cathedral at 8 a.m. The usual meeting of the Class at 3 p.m. in the Synod Building. Subject: "Sin."

GEORGE ST. A.B.C.—Come to the special service to-morrow afternoon at 2.30 in the George St. Church. The speaker will be Hon. R. A. Squires. Another special feature will be a quartette by Messrs. Kerr, Mackintosh, Herschell and Young. Collection in aid of the Class Library. Everybody welcome.

WITH THE SEALERS

The Ranger, Viking and Diana sailed to-day for the Gulf fishery and will clear from Channel.

The crews of the Eagle, Terra Nova, Neptune and Sam Blandford will sign Monday and Tuesday and will sail Wednesday for Bonavista Bay ports, which they will sail.

The Sable I will leave this port and is due here Thursday next. It is likely that the ship will sail Saturday next, Sunday the 12th of course being an impossible day for the beginning of the venture.

**Mechanics'
Annual Meeting**

New Officers Installed—Reports Show Society in Good Financial Condition—Vote of Thanks Passed Retiring Pres. Scott

The eighty-ninth annual meeting of the above society was held in their hall last night, a large number of members being present. The reports of the secretary and treasurer were read and showed this old institution to be in good financial standing, having during the past year paid off all its debts, and enters upon the present year with a clean sheet. After the adoption of reports, Mr. Wm. Dunn was appointed chairman and installed the following officers: President—Maurice Colbert. Vice-Pres.—Francis Gushue. 1st. Ass't.—Andrew H. O'Keefe. 2nd. Ass't.—John Preston. 1st. Treas.—M. W. Myrick. 2nd. Treas.—Thomas Dunn. 3rd. Treas.—Wm. Mackey. Secretary—James A. Leahy. G. M.—Francis Stapleton. Auditors R. Debourke, W. Dunn, R. Rodgers.

The officers on taking their seats, thanked the members for the honor conferred upon them, after which the following votes of thanks were passed:—To Mr. John Scott, the retiring president, for the able manner in which he conducted the society's business during his tenure of office; to the editors of the daily papers, for kindly notices, and to all who in any way assisted the society.

10 BELOW ZERO

It was very cold across country last night and this morning, and at Quarry early to-day the glass registered 10 below zero.

OUR THEATRES

THE NICKEL

The Nickel theatre was crowded again yesterday, both afternoon and evening. The pictures, all by high class artists were immense and they were very favorably commented on. The "Who Pays" series and the great Charlie Chaplin comedy were great drawing features. This evening the programme will be repeated and as there is always a large attendance on Sunday evenings the theatre will no doubt be crowded. The big matinee for children takes place this afternoon, starting at 2 o'clock. The big Chaplin comic will be shown and go early to have the time of their lives. All who have seen this Chaplin comedy were delighted with it.

THE CRESCENT

The show at the Crescent for this week-end is one above the ordinary. Last night the hall was crowded and the pictures were of a most pleasing manner. Mr. Parks, the man with the voice, seems to draw the attention of the public more and more each night. This same show will be repeated again to-night, and no one should miss this chance of spending such a happy hour. Don't forget the big matinee at the Crescent this evening. Send the children, they will enjoy themselves in every way.

The postponed Championship and All-Comers' Races will take place at the PARADE RINK on MONDAY NIGHT. Admission 20 cents. General skating till 10.30 p.m. Terra Nova Band in attendance.—mar4

THE PROSPERO HERE.

The S.S. Prospero, Capt. Jos. Keen, arrived here to-day at 1 p.m. with some fish and other freight. Her passengers were C. Benning, P. Walsh, S. Hearn, P. Tobin and 14 steerage.

The ship reports a very stormy trip with heavy frosts in periods and much fog and thick weather also. She reports that the fishery at Rose Blanche and other places is very bad owing to the prevalence of stormy weather, which keeps the boats and vessels from going to the grounds. The ship brought two patients from St. Mary's for the Hospital and they were looked after by Mr. Eli Whiteway.

AT WESLEY CHURCH to-morrow night it is expected that many sealers will be present and all are cordially invited. Rev. H. Royle will preach, taking as his subject, "A Man's Shame."

COOPERS, ATTENTION!
We are Sole Agents for the BEST
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We have them now ready for delivery.
R. CALLAHAN, Water St.

**ICE & WEATHER
—CONDITIONS—**

LaSce—Calm weather, fine; black slob everywhere, no ice in sight.
Seal Cove—Wind N., weather fine and cold; bay still clear; few seals seen but no old ones.
Tilt Cove—Calm, fine, cold; Bay clear.
Nipper's Hr.—Calm, fine, clear; bay clear of ice; no sealing news.
Twillingate—Wind W. S. W., light, fine and cold with snow/showers, bay quite clear, only bay ice on shore; no seals.
Change Islands—Light W. S. W., cloudy, ice conditions unchanged.
Fogo—Wind N.W., good breeze, cold with little snow; ice coming in slowly.
Greenspond—Light S. wind; bay full new slob ice.
Bonavista—Calm, fine, cold; bay caught over with thin slob, but no heavy ice.
Catalina—Light N.E. wind; clear and frosty; no ice.
Codroy—Wind N.W., light breeze, everywhere in sight blocked with ice.
Port aux Basques—Wind N., light, fine; ice a mile off.
Flower's Cove—N.W. winds, fair and cold; ice still light to the land. (March 2nd.—From Quebec.)
Heath Point—Clear N.W. heavy open ice everywhere.
Grinestone—Clear N.W., no water in sight on north side.
Money Point—Cloudy N. W., heavy close packed ice everywhere.
Cape Ray—Cloudy, gale N.W., light, close packed ice everywhere.
Flat Point—Clear, strong N.W., ice making fast.
Point Amour—Clear N. W., heavy close packed ice everywhere, moving S. E.

The address to the Wesley Bible Class to which we referred yesterday and which Mr. W. P. Coaker was set to deliver to-morrow afternoon, will not be given until Sunday, the first of April next.

SHIPPING

The Kyle's express arrived here at 12.30 p.m. to-day and another is due here to-morrow afternoon.
The Poonhook which struck Wash Balls Thursday will likely dock for repairs and will leave again early next week.

HURT BY RUNAWAY HORSE

A couple of days ago a horse ran away from New Gower Street and went with lightning speed down Holdsworth Street. It certainly would have been the cause of killing some person passing along Water Street had not fire constable Con. Kavanagh of the Western Station stopped it. Jumping to the head of the runaway he caught the reins, was dragged some distance but held the animal. He was hit with the shaft in the side and received injuries which still affect him.

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In the Police Court to-day, Mr. Hutchings, K.C., J.P. fined a disorderly \$2 or 7 days and another \$1 or 3 days.

**Citizens Should
Boycott Barons**

The Coal Dealers Sell Coal For \$10.40 While T. A. Bown Can Sell Coal For \$9.00—Rumors of a Public Meeting

How a man can be a Coal Baron and look a policeman straight in the eye passes comprehension. How they can gaze at the misery of the widow and orphan from whom they extract \$2.00 profit per ton on the little they get in their squalid homes is a mystery, and how they face their more honest fellows in club or hall after such extortion only themselves can tell.

"Oppression of the poor" is one of the sins crying to Heaven for vengeance then there will be a hot time for some of our friends when they reach the land for which they are undoubtedly headed. Squalid, half hungry, innocent little ones, deprived men and women with the palsy of age on them, shivering in their hovels over a little coal on which they pay \$2.00 per ton profit, impels the man on the street to ask how does this occur?

Yesterday the Louisburg arrived to Mr. T. Bown from Louisburg with \$20,000 tons of coal which he is selling at \$9.00, while the cargoes of the Alconda and Florizel cost \$10.40. What is the difference between the profit extracted by this man and that gleaned by the coal nabobs that we all know? Rumor! has it that a public meeting will be held to discuss this whole question, when a proposal will be made that the citizens of St. John's boycott the members of the coal trust and pledge themselves to buy in future only from those who refused to enter it—Com.

SAILED FOR GULF.

The S.S. Diana, Capt. Dan Martin, owned by James Baird, Ltd., and the Viking, Capt. Wm. Bartlett, sr., sailed to-day, the former for Channe and the two latter for Port aux Basques. They will leave for the Gulf seal fishery on Saturday next, the 11th inst. The three ships left shortly after 12 noon when the roll had been called and a thorough search of them made for stowaways.

To their captains and crews we wish a most successful voyage and a speedy and safe return home.

A large number of sealers arrived from various Northern ports by the express at 12.30 p.m. to-day. There also came a few recruits to join the Volunteers.

FOGOTA MAY GO

Speaking to Hon. J. C. Crosbie to-day a Mail and Advocate reporter was told by him that it was impossible yet to say whether or not the Fogota would engage in this season's seal-fishery. The ship must be docked, and if possible the repairs to be given her will be done with despatch sufficient to enable her to go out. No captain has yet been designated. The general belief is that the ship will go to the sealfishery.

BEING TOWED BY SISTER SHIP.

Mr. H. W. LeMessurier to-day had a message to effect that the S.S. San Onofre has been taken in tow by another ship of the same line, the "San Gregorio," and is being brought to St. John's where she will receive a supply of coal.

NEWS FROM OPORTO.

The Board of Trade has received the following letter from Lind and Couto, Oporto, dated Feb. 9th: "The market is much overstocked, the demand is very poor and prices are declining. No further supplies should be sent here for some months; otherwise a serious break in the prices may occur as there is still a large quantity of Portuguese cure to come on the market. Owing to rumours of a Government loan, exchange is entirely disorganized and is fluctuating considerably."

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OUR VOLUNTEERS

The volunteers had drill in the armoury yesterday and later had a bathing parade at the Seamen's Institute. They also had rifle practice in the Highlanders Armoury at morning and night. There are now on the roster 2914 names with the enlisting of the following:

Jas. Jos. Greene, Point Verde, P.B.
Jno. J. Mooney, Placentia.
Jas. J. Kelly, Jersey Side, Placentia.
Ted Hanham, Placentia.
Wm. Chatman, Bunyan's Cove, B.B.
Alpheus Chauk, Charlottetown, B.B.
Saml. Eddy, St. John's.
Albert Carter, St. John's.
Zachariah Bailey, St. John's.
Hy. Crimp, St. John's.
Hal. Hussey, St. John's.
Clarence E. Pike, St. John's.
Patk. L. Palfrey, St. John's.
Patk. Smith, St. John's.
Robt. Moore, St. John's.
Thos. McDonald, St. John's.
Robt. W. Kelly, St. John's.
Geo. Kennedy, St. John's.
Wm. Murphy, St. John's.
A. Quinton, Red Cliff Isld. B.B.
Patk. Dwyer, Holyrood.
Rd. Mercer, Topsail.
Albert Horwood, Hr. Grace.
Alwin A. James, Alexander Bay.
Louis G. Hudson, Adam's Cove.
Jno. Lanien, Bell Island.
W. Parry, Bell Island.

HEAVY ARCTIC ICE COMING

With the prevalence of N.E. winds the past few days heavy Arctic ice is now being driven rapidly South and the Gulf fleet got away hurriedly to-day to get round Cape Spear to avoid it. If the wind continues for a few days his port will be blocked with ice.

A PITIABLE OBJECT.

Last night, shortly after 11, a man named Reid, who is over 60 years old, and who in his younger days was a man of splendid physique, came to the lock-up for shelter. He had only just served a term of 60 days for vagrancy and was in a pitiable state, as he was chilled with cold and extremely hungry. He was placed in a cell and given the best attention by Sgt. Courteney, the guard. To-day he was sent down for 10 days by Mr. Hutchings, K.C.

SIX DIPHTHERIA CASES

The past week six diphtheria cases were reported to the Health Authorities. Two were from a residence in Walsh's Square where the disease had already existed. There are 25 cases in hospital. Five houses were released from quarantine.

THE NORWEGIAN FISHERY

The figures for the Norwegian fishery now came here by mail. The latest are:

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| Jan. 29th, 1916 | 954,000 |
| Jan. 29th, 1915 | 1,917,000 |

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**Victorias Defeat
Feildians 5 to 2**

Game Poor One—Viv's Had Matters all Their Own Way—Championship Honors Now Rest Between Vics and Terra Novas

In the League Hockey match last night, which was poorly attended, in the 1st round, the Victorias defeated the Feildians by five goals to two, and can now play off with the Terra Novas to decide the championship. The game was one sided, the Vics especially in the first round having matters all their own way. In the second half, however, the Feildians put more vim into their work and the game showed more of an equality in play at this stage. The Feildians appeared to be playing without their old time dash and vigor. Mr. G. Herder was referee and the line-up was:

- Feildians**
- Strang goal..... Hunt
 - Rendell point Ford
 - Pearce cover Brien
 - Bennett rover Long
 - Winter centre Reid
 - Judgen right Coultas
 - White left King
- Following is the list of goals and penalties:
- First Half.**
- King (V.)—4 mins.
 - Coultas, (V.)—8 mins.
 - King (V.)—11 mins.
 - Brien (V.)—18 mins.
 - White (FN)—25 mins.
- Penalties.**
- Coultas, (V.)—3 mins.
- Second Half.**
- Coultas (V.)—8 mins.
 - Winter (F.)—8 1/2 mins.
- Penalties.**
- King (V.)—2 mins.
 - Bennett (F.)—2 mins.
 - Winter (F.)—3 mins.

CHAMPIONSHIP HOCKEY Match!

VICTORIAS VS. TERRA NOVAS.
Prince of Wales' Rink, Monday, March 6th.
Game starts 7.30 p.m. sharp.
General Admission, 20 cents; Reserved Seats, 30 cents; to be had at Grey & Goodland's.
(By kind permission Lieut.-Col. Conroy the C.C.C. Band will be in attendance.)

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