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WAR VETERANS FAVOR PROPOSAL

They Endorse Move To Dispense With Department of Civil Re-Establishment.

The Executive of the Nova Scotia Command of the Great War Veterans Association met in Halifax recently. One of the principal matters dealt with by them was to endorse the proposal made in Ottawa, and which was referred to in a despatch from the capital published in The Morning Chronicle, to dispense with the Department of Civil Re-Establishment and put the work of the Department under the Department of National Defence. In view of the economy which it is felt this will mean, the Executive of the Nova Scotia Veterans are sending to all the branches in the Province to support it, providing that the Defence Department administers the work of Soldiers' Re-Establishment as a civil branch and not under military regulations.

Those attending the Executive meeting were A. E. Andrew, Windsor; H. T. MacKenzie, Bridgetown; B. W. Roscoe, Kentville; R. R. Murray, Amherst, and H. F. Hamilton, Secretary.

FOR IMMIGRANTS

C. N. R. To Have Lunch Counter Cars To Cater To Comfort Of Newcomers.

Moncton.—Extensive preparations are being made by the C.N.R. to meet the heavy traffic which is expected in the Spring when immigrants begin to arrive in Canada in large numbers. All colonist car equipment that can be spared from service is being brought into the shops and overhauled and in some cases remodelled.

At the Moncton shops four cars are being converted into lunch counter cars. A lunch counter, almost the whole length of the car, is installed together with a kitchen. A staff of five waiters are placed behind the counter and during the trip hot and cold meals are served to passengers. In addition to these lunch counter cars the C.N.R. will have in operation lunch-counter colonist cars.

DEATH ENDS AGONY OF ANNA. POLIS MAN BURNED AT CARNIVAL

Lawrence Weare Succumbs To Injury An Hour Before Arrival Of Wife And Daughter.

Annapolis Royal.—Death, at noon Wednesday last, ended the terrible agony which Lawrence Weare had suffered since 8.30 o'clock Tuesday night, when his body was horribly burned as a result of his costume catching fire on the ice at the carnival here. Immediately the flames had been extinguished by other skaters, who wrapped their coats about the human torch. Weare was removed to the home of his parents, near the rink, and there, under the direction of Dr. Braine, everything possible was done to save the injured man's life. He died just an hour before the arrival in Annapolis Royal of his wife and four-year-old daughter, who had been visiting for a week in Windsor. Mrs. Weare was notified of her husband's precarious condition Tuesday night, and took the first train home, arriving here at 1 p.m. Wednesday.

Weare's body was removed to his own late home on Victoria Street and a short funeral service was held there Thursday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock by Rev. A. Gibson, after which the remains were taken for interment to Woodlawn cemetery. Graveside services were conducted by the Odd-fellows of which Order the deceased was a member.

The late Lawrence Weare was a highly respected citizen of Annapolis Royal, where he was born thirty-eight years ago. He was the second son of Mr. and Mrs. William Weare. He was a shoemaker by trade, and was a returned soldier with an enviable record of overseas service.

Besides his wife and daughter, the deceased man is survived by his parents, two brothers and three sisters. Edward Weare, of Annapolis, and Town Councillor Douglas Weare are the brothers. The sisters are: Mrs. I. Rogers, of the Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Co., and Miss Winnifred, of Annapolis Royal, and Mrs. Harold Ritchie, of Boston.

An obstinate heart shall be laden with sorrows.

OBITUARIES

George Gordon.

The death took place at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital of Mr. Geo. Gordon, beloved husband of Lillie M. Gordon (nee Tupper). Funeral services were held at his late residence, 1 Cypress Street, Brookline, Mass., on February 18th.

Mr. Gordon was in his 67th year, and is a nephew of the late Donald Gordon. He married the daughter of the late Miner Tupper, of Bridgetown, N. S. He is survived by a widow and two daughters: Mrs. J. K. Elliott, of Brookline, Mass., and Miss Irene E. Gordon. Interment was at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Boston, Mass.

John K. Winchester.

Annapolis Royal.—John K. Winchester, a highly esteemed resident of Lower Granville, died at his home at an early hour last Tuesday morning, aged seventy-one years. The deceased had been in failing health for some time, and several weeks ago was taken to Halifax for treatment, but medical aid seemed unavailing, and after his return he sank rapidly.

Mr. Winchester was born at Lower Granville, in the house in which he died. He married the daughter of B. W. Shafner, who, with two daughters, survive him. One daughter, Mrs. Farrington, is at present in Lowell, Mass.; and the other, Mrs. M. W. Hale, is on her way home from Paris, France, and is expected to arrive this week with her husband.

Thirty-seven years ago Mr. Winchester moved from Granville to Lowell, Mass., where he spent twenty-five years with the Street Railway, returning to his old home in 1912. He was a staunch Liberal, one of the old school, and leaves a host of friends.

Mrs. Susan Mullen.

Bear River.—Last Saturday at noon there passed away a respected citizen, Mrs. Susan Mullen, widow of the late James H. Mullen. Although in failing health for some time, death came suddenly after two days' illness of arteriosclerosis. She is survived by three daughters: Mrs. Fred C. Harris, at home; Mrs. R. A. Harris, of Bear River; Mrs. Janie Ray, Cambridge, N. S.; seven grandchildren and a great grandchild, Mrs. Ella Eaton, of Upper Granville, is a half-sister.

BUSINESS CONDITIONS SOUNDER THAN YEAR AGO

The Royal Bank of Canada business letter for February says:

"At a time like the present, when business conditions are uneven, it is difficult to make any statement which will apply to the Dominion as a whole. The year 1923 we look on as having been a moderately good one, with certain striking exceptions, some favorable, others the reverse. We believe that 1924 is commencing with fundamental conditions sounder than they were at the beginning of 1923, and with sections of our weakest territory improved condition. Finally we see no reason why the improvement should not continue in moderate degree throughout the full twelve months of the present year."

ATLANTIC UNDERWEAR ANNUAL MEETING

Hon. O. T. Daniels Re-Elected President, A Position He Has Held Since Death Of First Pres., F. W. Sumner.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of Atlantic Underwear, Limited, was held on Tuesday afternoon at Moncton.

The Manager stated that last year the plant had produced to its largest capacity and turned out the most goods in its history.

The financial report met with the full approval of the shareholders in view of the difficulties which mills were undergoing as to competition with countries whose cost of labor and standard of living was much lower than ours.

This company has paid a 7 per cent. dividend on the preferred shares since its organization, and on Tuesday the Directors declared a half yearly dividend of 3 1/2 per cent. on the preferred, payable in April of this year.

J. L. MacDonald is the Manager and Secretary. Hon. O. T. Daniels was re-elected President. He has filled that office since the death of its first President, F. W. Sumner. B. P. Saunders, of Halifax, was elected a director in place of E. R. McDonald, retiring.

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WHY EAT APPLES?

Because they are good to eat. When it comes to splitting this opinion of practically every normal human being who has ever had a chance at a good one into special reasons, we must admit large empty spots in our knowledge. The best analysis we can make shows quite a little water, some sugar, some more or less digestible bodies related to the starches and sugars, an acid and a little flavor, merely a trace by weight, but enough in odor value, from a good specimen, to scent a large room. The apple's fuel value is slight. It is neither that an apple cannot rot, they certainly do, but it is rare that they rot offensively. Lastly, they appear to supply, though in small amounts, minerals needed by the system in form in which the system can take them in.

How far they carry the curious and scarcely known "vitamines" is not certain, for we do not know what these really are, nor how many there may be of them, but the apple's acids and salts certainly have a gentle stimulating action upon the intestinal peristalsis, which is the pulsing motion which carries the digested food along.

Some think that they have a definite medicinal effect, and if a medicine is "what does you good" they surely have, but there is almost the certainty of an apple habit being established. This craving is only satisfied by the use of several apples per day, and in many cases their constant use has been followed by death between the ages of 80 and 90 years. Mr. Artemus Ward pointed out that it was no great virtue in an apple that one a day would keep away a doctor, since an onion a day would keep everyone at some distance, but the regular eating of one or more apples certainly lessens the need for "physics" of any sort. A fair amount of the value of apples to the human system remains with the juice when this is squeezed from the ground fruit, and, although the flavor is slightly the worse for the pasteurizing, the constituents remain unchanged. In many cases the only care taken is to exclude air from the container, while allowing the carbon dioxide to escape. This gas results from the oxidation of a part of the sugar, and so there is loss of food value, but, in spite of this, the fluid continues to be used as a beverage.—Rural New Yorker.

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RECOGNITION OF HEROISM



THE story of the Japanese earthquake disaster made appeal to Canadians for many reasons, and the Government of this Dominion did not hesitate to lend practical aid to the sufferers in stricken Japan, which staggered under one of the worst disasters in history. A ceremony the other day in New York, which gave recognition to Captain Samuel Robinson, who was in command of the Canadian Pacific steamer "Empress of Australia," which happened to be in the harbor of Yokohama at the time of the disaster, is particularly interesting, bringing to light the fact that this gallant officer of the mercantile marine was instrumental in the rescue of approximately three thousand persons. Honor to whom honor is due has been worthily and fittingly done in the presentation of the C.P.E. by the British Consul-General at New York, in the presence of a distinguished gathering, which included Mr. E. W. Beatty, Mr. Grant Hall and other high officials of the C.P.E. Canadians cannot help feeling a thrill of pride when reading the odyssey of Captain Samuel Robinson. The spirit which inspired Columbus and Vasco de Gama and M. Gerbault pervades the officers and the men of the British mercantile marine, and the gallantry of Canadian sailors today is not altogether different from what imbued those old seamen—Phoenicians, Vikings, Portuguese, Italians—who risked their lives in the earlier days. The world, we sometimes lament has no more mystery left and nothing more for explorers to do. From China to Peru, from Pole to Pole, all is known and mapped and even photographed. But we need not fear that British seamen will lose their gallantry and daring of past history because there are no more worlds to conquer. How many Canadian boys growing up today will read with a thrill of pride of the achievements of the officers and men of the good ship Empress of Australia in a time of great trial and difficulty in the burning waters of Yokohama—and will want to grow up and, if the occasion demands it in the days of the future, go and do likewise.

The old famous sea captains, Columbus and Drake, and all the rest who are gone "to the haven under the hill" did their work nobly, manfully and well, with their crews to help them. Captain Robinson's heroic endeavor will stand out as a bright, particular page in Canadian Pacific steamship history, where, taking immense risks, the morale, courage and proud sea history of the men of the mercantile marine were again exemplified in their brightest colors. It is well for the world that there are men of the Captain Robinson type in command of those great ships flying mercantile marine flags on the seven seas. The Government of Japan will take a suitable opportunity to give due appreciation of the valuable help rendered by the C. P. steamships and their officers for a service gladly rendered in token of our friendship and our common humanity. However clouded the outlook may be in other quarters, we have always been able to see a patch of blue sky over Japan, whose friendship is doubly precious to us in these days. If we reflect upon the possible consequences of a serious earthquake in our houses and streets in Montreal, we can form some idea of what happened in Tokio and of the dreadful devastation wrought in a few hours. The stoutest heart must have quailed in that Inferno where human beings were perishing by hundreds of thousands—so that we offer to Captain Samuel Robinson the heartiest of congratulations for his share in a noble work—nobly performed.

The foregoing tribute to Captain Robinson appeared as an editorial in the "Montreal Gazette," and is but one of many recognitions of his heroic actions. The passengers of the "Empress of Australia" have presented to the Pacific liner a tablet which commemorates the part she, her captain and crew took in the relief and rescue work at the time of the disaster, and prior to the sailing from New York on January 30 of the "Empress of Canada," which he now commands on world cruise, the "Montreal Gazette," and is honored the intrepid Commander at various luncheons and dinners, and demonstrated that his heroism has won for him universal respect and admiration. Canadian boys may, indeed, read with a thrill of pride of the achievements of the officers and men of the "Empress of Australia."

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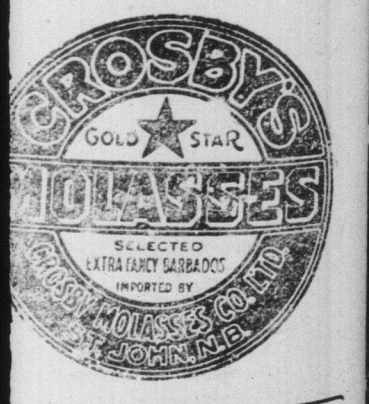
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