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The proposed amendment came up last session and was rejected by the Government then, and at the time it was argued that they had an ulterior motive in so doing. It was charged then that the amendment was rejected because it would give the vote to electors of Bonavista that were resident in the Humber area and that this would materially affect their chances in the bye-election. As a matter of fact he felt confident that had the amendment been granted then the majority for himself and his colleagues would have been decidedly higher. He had opposed this amendment last year when it was before the Select Committee as being altogether wrong in principle and he still held that such was the case. He repeated that he thought that the Leader of the Opposition was taking an altogether unfair advantage of the Bill then before them, to work in this measure.

THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE thought that the proposed amendment was drawing a red herring of the worst description across the Bill by the Leader of Opposition, either intentionally or unintentionally. The House could not in any circumstances consider it. He pointed out that though rejected as an amendment to the present Bill, there was nothing to debar the introduction at another time of an amendment to the Election Act in the form introduced by Mr. Hickman. As a matter of fact he regarded the amendment as being of little service, owing to the approaching Redistribution Bill, that would provide most of those centres with their own representatives.

MR. SCAMMELL regretted that he was unable to be present at the second reading of the Bill to record his strong support of the measure, but that he now took the opportunity of doing so. He deplored the Attorney General's charge that their Leader had purposely drawn a red herring across the Bill. (The Attorney General pointed out to the hon. member that he had given Mr. Hickman the benefit of the doubt and that he had said that it might have been unintentional.) Resuming, Mr. Scammell urged that even with the assumption that the Redistribution Bill passed the House this would in no way provide for any bye-elections that might crop up before the Bill came into operation, which would not be for some years.

THE PRIME MINISTER again pointed out that when the matter had come before the House last year it had been turned down, on the grounds that it was an improper measure and leading to many abuses, and the same conditions prevailed to-day and he still thought and held that it was not a proper measure.

THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION desired to make his position very clear and said that, if this amendment was in any way going to hamper the Bill before the Committee, he would immediately withdraw it. He intimated that the amendment would come before the House in another form later on in the session.

MR. HALFYARD also spoke at some great length on the amendment and strongly urged that legislation be brought in to effect it.

MR. GRIMES deeply regretted the attitude that the Prime Minister took towards the amendment and deplored the disfranchisement of so many men, who were away from their districts and hence could not be relieved unless in this form. He strongly urged that the matter be again brought before the House.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL pointed out that the Bill before the House was purely a private Bill and not one on which the Government took any stand, or had any set policy. But the amendment was a matter that had been rejected by the Government last year, a matter that would bring in Government responsibility on way or another, and should not be introduced in

conjunction with the present measure.

THE PRIME MINISTER totally agreed with the Attorney General, in so much as the present Bill, being a private measure should not have tacked on to it any amendments that would render it a party measure, as the present amendment would. In reply to Mr. Grimes, he said that the Government could not afford to adopt the policy of creating booths in one district for men belonging to other districts, as there would be no stopping it, and every district would have to have booths for every other district in it, and this would lead to much tangle and confusion.

THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION and that whenever assumed that the Government were going to regard his amendment as being a party measure, otherwise, in view of what had happened last year, he would never have brought it in. The present Bill being an amendment to the Election Act, he thought that the time was opportune to bring in any other amendment, but he now quite saw that it was not fit or proper to do so.

Before the Committee arose the MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE & MINES desired to offer his congratulations to his Honour the Speaker, on the fact that the Bill had now arrived at this stage, and that he, the Speaker, had been the first to present a petition on behalf of the women. Now after two years the Bill was in its final stages and only required the concurrence of the other Chamber and the Royal Assent before becoming effective. He had supported the measure always, not because of any propaganda, but as a sincere conviction. He was glad to see that at last the measure was through and that women would be able to utilize their right and help purify public life.

HON. MINISTER OF POSTS AND TELEGRAPHS before the Committee rose, wished to place himself on record as regards the Bill, and began by reading a resolution passed by the G. W. V. A. Continuing his remarks the Minister said in part:—Mr. Chairman I strongly support the measure now before the chair. Yesterday afternoon at the second reading of the Bill the House was pretty well taken up by members on both sides speaking in support of it, and I have only to add my quota and say that I am a firm believer in extending the franchise to the women of Newfoundland. If I were a member of St. John's, either East or West, I would certainly strongly support the Bill, because of the many ladies here present. I am sorry that a number of my lady friends from the district of Harbour Main are not here to-day to help me say that I am strongly in favour of extending the franchise to the women of Newfoundland. Capt. Winsor told

me yesterday that he had promised the women of Bonavista Bay that he would support a measure that would give them the vote. I have no doubt that he got a good many votes by making that promise, and the Hon. Prime Minister also. But the Prime Minister and Capt. Winsor have proved their sincerity in their strong advocacy of the measure yesterday afternoon. The Prime Minister, as always, was sincere and earnest and no one can deny that he is honest in his intentions, and firmly determined to carry out his promises. I feel proud of such a man being at the helm of our country to-day; a man of backbone and a man of honour, whose word is his bond, a man who is determined to do justice to all and recognize that the women of this country should be put on a par with the men when it comes down to the franchise.

I think I might say that I owe my election during the thirty-five years that I have been in politics to the good women in my district. All the good women in my district were on my side. I do not know that there are any bad women in the district; but if they were, they were on the other side of course.

When we think of the good work done by such women as Florence Nightingale, the great heroine of England, and of the women whom we admire who became known to us during the late war, such as Edith Cavell, their sacrifices on behalf of their countrymen appeal to us all. And have we not many an Edith Cavell here in our midst? Have we not Florence Nightingales all over the country, women prepared to lay down their lives on behalf of their brothers, and uncles, and cousins and fathers? Who is doing more on behalf of the country than the women of the country? I say certainly sir, we are doing the right thing in giving the women the franchise. The hand that rocks the cradle is the hand that rules the world. I feel that every member of this House will favor this measure, and I hope to live to see it being carried out, and that please God, we will see some of the ladies take their seats in this House, and I am sure that we will all extend to them the greatest welcome and help. As the father of the House, I would advise all the members to do all that is in their power to give all the encouragement that they possibly can to the women of the country. Perhaps I shall not go back for election to my district, but if I should be prevailed upon to do so, the first section of the people to whom I should appeal for political support would be the women. I expect that you young men, yourself, Mr. Chairman, and all young men that sit on either side of this House, will be out early to-morrow morning canvassing the young ladies, and looking for their votes to help return you to your seats at the next election.

I believe the ladies have as much brains in connection with politics as the men and if I live

long enough I expect to see great and beneficial legislation enacted through their efforts. I regret to say that in my experience I have found the men rather careless as to recording their votes at an election. A man will say, "why should I bother about voting and lose my time and get nothing out of it. I did get a few dollars for a well or a road to my garden but my neighbor got the benefit of that as well as myself." I do not believe this will be the attitude of the women. I imagine they will vote for Mr. Monroe, of whom they have heard so much and whose reputation stands so high in the public estimation, and I feel they will not be disappointed, as he has the ability and integrity to carry out his programme of reforms and to clean up and keep clean. He will give a square deal to the ladies and I hope in a short time to see far-reaching and beneficial results from the enactment of this measure. My congratulations to the ladies and I trust they will enjoy in full measure the privilege extended them.

The Bill passed the Committee and having been reported, was ordered to be read a third time on to-morrow.

The other items on the Order Paper were deferred.

HON. THE PRIME MINISTER:—Mr. Speaker, in rising to move the adjournment of the House I would like to say that on to-morrow I hope to table not only the report of Mr. Crandell, who has been making an inspection of the Dry Dock, but also that of Colonel Mitchell, who has been doing the same, and who is in connection with the firm of W. I. Bishop, of Montreal. Both these gentlemen report that the Dock is in a very dangerous condition, and that it is absolutely necessary to have something done immediately. Colonel Mitchell presents a very interesting report on the whole Dock situation, and I am having it printed and will give every member a copy so that he may consider it fully as until it is read through thoroughly no one will be in a position to discuss the situation. I think it is necessary that some action be taken immediately because the reports of both these gentlemen are extremely alarming. Colonel Mitchell tells me that it is quite possible that the next steamer that goes in Dock will be found up in the Railway Yard and her crew with her, and that it is

very dangerous to use the dock any longer. I want to bring in this report to-morrow so that you all may consider it fully, and I will present Mr. Crandell's at the same time. The latter expert did not go into the details of the situation so fully as Colonel Mitchell who has taken every possible step to ascertain the true condition of the Dock; and not only of the Dock itself but of the piers around it and the general working of the whole situation. The Hon. the Leader of the Opposition asked me the other day if there was any suggestion as to selling the Dock or of giving it over the any body else to operate it. I spoke of this to Colonel Mitchell and he said to get in touch with the firm of Vickers of Montreal. Colonel Peel of the Vickers Company was here last Summer and he asked me to let him know if we were prepared to sell the Dock. Now Colonel Mitchell says that we really have nothing in the form of a dock to sell but it seems to me that as we have to make repairs, if the Vickers people want it they may be a party to those repairs, and in communication with them I asked Colonel Mitchell to get

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and let us know where they stand in the matter. I mention this in advance as I will lay the reports on the table of the House to-morrow for the benefit of the honourable members, and I hope they will give the matter the most earnest attention as it is the most important one.

The House then adjourned until 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

Wednesday, March 12th, 1925. The House met at the usual hour and proceeded to business.

PETITIONS.
MR. BROWN (Twillingate)—presented a petition from Groaies Islands, concerning certain marine works, which petition received the support of Mr. Ashbourne and Mr. Scammell.

MR. LINEGAR tabled a petition from the Boilermakers of St. John's respecting certain amendments to the Boiler Inspection Act. Mr. W. J. Browne supported the petition.

HON. MR. HIGGINS presented a petition from the residents of Torbay respecting a road in that place.

The Bank Amendment Bill was then introduced by the **HON. MINISTER OF FINANCE** and read a first time, and was ordered to be read a second time on Monday.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS.
The following answers were then tabled, in reply to questions on the Order Paper:—

In reply to Mr. Ashbourne, the Minister of Finance and Customs stated that Mr. A. Robertson was in the employ of the Customs Department, that he was being a monthly salary, and if he were a manufacturer's agent he knew nothing of it.

Also in reply to Mr. Ashbourne the Minister of Finance and Customs stated that Mr. P. Skirving was an employee of the Customs Department as an assistant to Mr. A. Robertson, that he was not an employee of Ayres & Sons, Ltd., and his salary would be voted in the usual way.

MR. GODDEN enquired as to

the position of the case against the "Helen Var" and the Finance Minister replied that the case when before the Court had been postponed sine die.

MR. GODDEN asked the Hon. the Minister of Finance and Customs if any seizures of Liquor, Cigarettes and Tobacco, have been made at Wabana during the year 1924; if so, give dates, names of steamers or vessels connected with the seizures and by whom the seizures were made. If such seizures were made what action was taken by the Custom Officials with regard to same, and if no action was taken, why not?

The Minister tabled the following reply:—Telegram from Collector of Customs at Bell Island, November 21, 1924, to Department. "Steamer Romstadshorn arrived to-day. Upon investigation I find the captain with 22 bottles, operator 4, chief of ficer 21, third officer 1, and 2,000 cigarettes not reported. Advise immediately." Reply thereto same date:—"Seize liquor not reported and report under Customs Act, Section 188." On November 24th the Collector at Bell Island wired as follows:—"Carried out your instructions; seized from Romstadshorn 27 bottles liquor, seventeen hundred cigarettes not reported."

Previous to taking up the Orders for the Day, the Prime Minister referred to the news that had come in relative to the Stella Maris. He read the following telegram that the Minister of Marine and Fisheries had received from Captain Burgess of the Prospero:—"Our position lat. 51.53N.; long. 53. 28 W. Steering south west. Searching for Stella's crew. Saw her smoke early this morning. Ice heavy."

He informed the House that they were then endeavouring to intercept the Stella I, which had just left port and order her to return and proceed to the scene at once.

The Lobster Bill and the Women's Franchise Bill were read for the third time and ordered to be sent to the Legislative Council.

The House went into Committee on the Firearms Act.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL explained that as had been stat-

ed the Bill was now recast and some of the suggestions already made had been incorporated in it. It now only referred to the small arms. He offered to rise the Committee in order to rise the honourable members opposite to go thoroughly into the matter. The Opposition availed themselves of this offer, and the Committee rose and reported progress.

HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY in rising to move the second reading of the Highways Traffic Bill said it was somewhat of a subsidiary Bill to the one that was passed a day or two ago, providing for the appointment of a Highroads Commission. The Bill has for its object mainly the operation and regulation of traffic, and the class of wheels, and lights, and brakes and so forth that are to be used.

Primarily the object of the Bill is to give control to the Highroads Commission as the authority to take the place of and perform the duties that are now being filled by the Inspector General of Police, and the privileges of the city council, or municipality of St. John's, and other places over the granting of licenses, and registration.

Whilst part of the fees collected for registration and licenses will still go to the city of St. John's, the remainder will be used and acquired by the Highroads Commission. To-day the man owning a motor car in Harbour Grace, or Carbonear, or any other part of the Island outside of St. John's has to get a license from the Inspector General of Police in St. John's. It is proposed to appoint inspectors at certain points to meet this contingency, so that no undue expense and hardship will not be imposed on those who require to register cars and be licensed as drivers.

It also requires the right to regulate traffic on roads and highways. The rate of speed is a very important point, and the Bill provides a very definite schedule with regard to this particular matter. It provides for a rate of twenty-five miles an hour outside of cities, towns and villages, twenty miles an hour within cities, towns or villages, and only ten miles an hour at intersections or curves where the driver has not a clear view of approaching traffic, and only ten miles an hour when motor vehicles are passing each other on a bridge or on a narrow road.

The Bill also provides that in future the rule of the road shall be that vehicles shall pass each other on the right side, instead of the left as heretofore; and it is proposed to put it into effect on January 1st, 1925, after having been very widely advertised; and after it comes into force, drivers of cars will be required to carry signs in large letters on their windshields marked with "Keep to the Right," until such time as the general public and everybody in



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Section nine is important, because it deals with the responsibility for accidents. It will be borne in mind that in this community we have had several serious accidents that possibly might have been avoided if there were a proper understanding on the part of the drivers and others as to what the law really meant in regard to accidents, and reckless driving, and in cases of criminal negligence.

Provision is also made—and as part of the present policy of the Government, we want to give encouragement to outsiders to come in here—that Tourists bringing their cars with them and staying three months will pay no import duty, and will have the use of the streets and highways on payment of the nominal sum of \$5.00, which will be paid to the Customs. If the Tourists remains longer than three months, further payment can be arranged and it will be left to the Highroads Commission and Minister of Finance to adjust the amount.

He explained that the whole idea of the Bill is to provide facilities for motor traffic and at the same time safeguard the rights and secure the safety of the public. Liberty without license is the whole tenor of the Bill.

Section 13, refers to the Criminal Provisions, and protects the children and public generally, and provides that those using motor vehicles, which may prove a menace or cause serious accident, shall be punished for the same. It is proposed to charge of the wheel. Concerning the Colonial Secretary's statement that the Motor Association had placed itself on record as being wholly in favour of the Bill.

MR. GODDEN said that the Bill was entirely satisfactory, with the exception of one very objectionable feature, and that was the changing of the rule of the road. He regarded this as purely pandering to the American tourist, at grave inconvenience to the people of this country. As to its merit, he regarded traffic as being much better handled on the other side than was done in American and Canadian cities, and the Rule there was to keep to the left. We did not have to adopt any American or Canadian customs here. The general public were opposed to the change, and so had the Motor Association been, but whenever any group discussed it, there was to be found the father of the Bill, Hon. A. B. Morine. He had talked the Motor Association into the Bill, and had by his sheer eloquence persuaded them against their own beliefs, and he imagined that he had done the same with members of the Government. After all there were only 400 motor vehicles in the country (the Hon. Minister here interrupted to say that there were double that number), but there were thousands of other vehicles, and they should receive equal consideration. He utterly protested against the change.

MR. ASHBOURNE regarded the move as being a most unpopular one, and failed to see any cogent reason for it. He had heard a lot about the American tourist that would be coming in here, but then how accustomed to our rule of the road? It was the duty of their side of the House to oppose this change in order that serious accidents might be averted.

THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION had no desire to prolong the discussion, but had to say that his party was utterly opposed to this section of the Bill. It was inflicting a great hardship on the people of the country all for the benefit of the American and Canadian tourists that would be coming in here. He thought that the old rule had been found quite effective in England and should suit here. They agreed with the principle of the Bill, and trusted that before the Bill came into Committee the Government would see fit to drop this section.

MR. WARREN said the mea-

ners were discussing the Bill as if in the Committee stage when it was only in its second reading. The Bill was a Canadian one, in fact the Ontario Act, and he failed to see why this country should be a rubber stamp for any Canadian legislation, as had been the case with many of the measures brought in this session. To break a rule of the road of the House himself, there were some features of the Bill that he would like to see added. The chief one was the necessity of having all wheeled traffic supplied with lights.

The Bill having been ordered to be read in Committee on Monday.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL in introducing the Egress from Buildings Bill, said that this legislation was purely local in origin. It was generally felt that it was only due to the merciful intervention of Providence that in the past there had not been any disasters in public buildings, due to overcrowding and lack of proper exits. Under the Bill it was provided that in case of any assemblage of over 200 persons, there were to be at least two exits of 5 feet in width. The police had actually no authority to make any rules or to take any steps to prevent overcrowding and this legislation was being effected to change this. He felt that all the owners and all those interested in these various buildings would be perfectly agreeable to the Act and realize its importance.

THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION said that the measure commended itself to all in the House and was a perfectly justifiable one, and that there would be no objection taken on his side of the House.

The Bill was accordingly read for a second time and ordered to be read in Committee on Monday.

THE PRIME MINISTER tabled the reports on the condition of the Dock, and had copies distributed, in order that members might acquaint themselves with the conditions existing there. In moving the adjournment of the House until Monday he said the Government had to meet a delegation from Bell Island, and to discuss the Dock question, while there were also several other matters of legislation that had to be considered.

The House accordingly rose to meet again on Monday at the usual hour.

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Bay Roberts, Friday, Aug. 7th.

August 4th, 1914-25.

With the return of August 4th, our minds at once turn back to this historic date in the year 1914. For years events were pointing to the coming conflagration, but even those in authority were, to an extent, blinded to the real situation. Like a "bolt from the blue" came the news of the declaration of war on Serbia by Austria Hungary on July 28th. This was followed by declarations of war on Russia, France and Belgium by Germany. On August 4th Great Britain declared war on Germany. The call for action was clear and imperative and every patriot son of England eagerly answered the summons.

Newfoundland at that time was engaged in peaceful occupations, with no thought of warfare in mind. There was no military organization other than the Church Lads' Brigade, Methodist Guards, the Catholic Cadet Corps and the Highlanders. The Motherland called and before the last of August over 500 men had offered their services, more than half of that number hailing from the ranks of the above mentioned brigades. We well know the thoughts with which we watched the H.M.S. Florizel sail away with the Blue Puttees, many of whom found their last resting place under a foreign sky.

As years passed away many eyes grew weary watching for the war-clouds to lift. Each nation paid a great price in the sacrifice of the lives of its best sons. It was a question of honour which called Great Britain into the war. Hundreds of thousands of the finest men paid the "Supreme Sacrifice" because they counted, "Not death, but dishonour the worst."

As heavy as was the heart of the nation on August 4th, 1914, so light it was on November 11, 1918, when the flag of Peace waved once more over a stricken world, and as we pass this August 4th, 1925, the nation to which we are proud to belong still unfurls the flag of the free.

FARQUHAR & CO'S. NEW STEAMER.

Farquhar and Company's new steamer Skipper, which is to be operated on their Halifax, St. John's, North Sydney, Boston service, sailed from Liverpool on July 17 for Swansea, to load coal, and will probably arrive in Halifax the first week in August according to word received at Halifax on July 25. The Skipper was built to replace the Company's steamer Stella Maris, which was sunk in the icefields while seal hunting.—Trade Review.

Hon. J. R. Bennett Arrives from the Old Country

Hon. J. R. Bennett, Colonial Secretary, and M.H.A., who visited the European continent as a representative of Newfoundland at the unveiling of the monument to the Newfoundland soldiers at Beaumont Hamel, returned from the Old Country last week. The monument contains a bronze plate on which is inscribed the names of all our boys who gave their lives in that great battle. The monument itself is 120 feet high. In the course of the ceremony one of the French Generals spoke very highly of the bravery exhibited by the Newfoundland boys while overseas.

Mr. Bennett was also at Holland when the S.S. Caribou was launched. The christening ceremony was performed by his daughter, Miss Marguerite Bennett.

He also had an interview with Sir Frederick Lewis, Director of the Furness Withy Co., who is very enthusiastic over the possibilities of a future tourist traffic with this country. The Furness Company have just signed the contracts for the building of a sister ship to the S.S. Newfoundland, which has already become exceedingly popular with the travelling public.

The Newfoundland Club gave a dinner in Mr. Bennett's honor which was presided over by Mr. Victor Gordon, High Commissioner.

The present condition of Newfoundland was highly commented upon by various speakers. The move toward industrial development is a very wise and expedient one, on the part of the leaders of the country and should, with other industries, bring Newfoundland far toward prosperity.

TEACHERS EXCHANGE GREETINGS.

The following message from the party of British teachers enroute to Canada was received by Dr. W. W. Blackall, Supt. of C. of E. Schools, on Friday last: S.S. ALAUNIA, via Belle Isle. Blackall, Militia, Bldg., St. John's.

League of Empire Party British teachers visiting Canada greet Newfoundland teachers. Hope meeting later.

ORD MARSHALL. The following message was despatched in reply: Mrs. ORD MARSHALL, S.S. Alaunia, via Belle Isle.

Newfoundland teachers appreciate greetings of British teachers and reciprocate wishes of meeting some day. W. W. BLACKALL.

REV. S. M. STEWART LOSES ALL HIS EFFECTS.

The Rev. S. M. Stewart, Ungava Missionary, who left here on June 26, for his mission, has experienced a very hard trip. He left Montreal by the Hudson Bay steamer Bayeskimo. During the voyage through Ungava Bay, the ship was caught in an Arctic ice floe and was crushed to destruction last Thursday. A wireless message to Montreal states that the crew and passengers underwent severe hardships from an Arctic storm and ice, but were fortunately rescued. All of the cargo taken by the ship was a total loss, among which were the Missionary's supplies and personal effects.—Western Star.

FLOWER SERVICE AT COLEY'S POINT.

Sunday afternoon last was set apart by the C. of E. congregation at Coley's Point for the annual Flower Service. The church looked beautiful with the many floral decorations. The large audience listened with rapt attention to the eloquent sermon which was delivered by the rector, Rev. E. M. Bishop, based on the text, "With Christ, which is far better." Owing to unfavourable weather conditions, the entire service was held in the church, after which the congregation moved to the churchyard where beautiful floral offerings were laid upon the resting places of "those we loved long since and lost awhile."

ITEMS OF NEWS.

Mr. John Batten arrived from Boston, Mass., by Thursday night's train on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Batten, Brigus Road.

Some forty men in charge of Mr. Wm. Russell, went by Thursday's train to engage in work in connection with the laying of a cable at Rantem, T.B.

Mrs. Alex Gordon and family of Canso, N.S., who have been here visiting Capt. A. and Mrs. Parsons, returned to their home by Tuesday morning's train.



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Buy Dawe's (Better Built) Doors.
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WRIST WATCHES \$20.00 to \$45.00.
BRACELETS \$5.00 to \$20.00.
PEARLS \$6.00 to \$15.00.
ROSARIES \$5.00 to \$6.50.
MESH BAGS \$4.00 to \$25.00.
WALKING STICKS \$1.25 to \$15.00.
WATCH FOBS \$4.00 to \$6.50.
CUFF LINKS \$4.00 to \$12.00.
CIGARETTE CASES \$1.00 to \$25.00.
MILITARY BRUSHES \$6.00 to \$11.00.
ASH TRAYS \$1.00 to \$4.00.
TOBACCO POUCHES \$4.00 to \$5.00.
FOUNTAIN PENS \$2.50 to \$5.50.
PENCILS \$1.50 to \$5.50.

These are just a few items of many that we offer and we will gladly answer any enquiry. Please remit with order and save delay.
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197 WATER ST., ST. JOHN'S.

C. L. B. RETURN FROM CAMP.

The lads of "H." Company, C. L. B., returned from Camp at Topsail on Friday evening last in charge of Sergt. Walter J. Mercer. This year's camp has been voted the most successful in the history of the brigade. The lads, with one or two exceptions were in the best of health during the whole time and their sunburned faces tell a very happy tale. Some hundreds of visitors were at Camp on Wednesday and Sunday last and all received a real C.L.B. welcome. Many are the memories which will last, even when snow covers the historic spot—the old camp grounds at Topsail.

The S.S. August sailed from Bell Island to Rotterdam this week with 8,000 tons of coal.

Misses Mildred Antle and Hilda Taylor, of St. John's, are here visiting friends.

Mrs. T. W. Crossman and Mr. Graham Crossman, of St. John's arrived here by motor car today (Friday) and are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Whiteway.

Miss Mary Mercer, of Grand Falls, arrived by Thursday's express and will spend a vacation here, the guest of Mrs. Wm. Belbin.



NEWFOUNDLAND NOTICETO MARINERS

Assizes Harbor STRAITS OF BELLE ISLE
Lat. 52° 17' 0" N.
Long. 55° 21' 30" W.
POSITION—On Copper Island, bearing from Caribou Head, South West by West half West—1 1/2 Miles.
CHARACTER—A fixed WHITE light.
ELEVATION—Height of light from high water to focal plane—42 1/2 feet.
STRUCTURE—Square wooden building. Octagonal tower, painted WHITE.
REMARKS—This light will be put into operation August 15, 1925.
W. C. WINSOR,
Minister of Marine and Fisheries
Department of Marine and Fisheries,
St. John's, 13, 1925.
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ITEMS OF NEWS.

Mr. Ron Calpin, of the staff of the Bank of Nova Scotia, St. John's, was here to spend the holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Calpin.

Misses Stella Merrills and Elsie Pike, of St. John's, are here spending their holidays with friends.

Miss Marion I. Simmons and Mrs. M. Simmons, of Hr. Grace, were here on Wednesday visiting friends.

Nurse Alma Moore was here during the week spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Moore.

Mr. Harry Yetman, of the Anglo Telegraph Office, Hr. Grace, is here at present relieving Miss May Cave, who is spending her holidays at St. John's and Topsail.

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Miss Dulcie Hierlihy, of Ayre & Sons, Ltd., St. John's, was here on Wednesday.

Mr. Norman Badcock arrived from Boston, Mass., during the week and is spending his vacation at Shearstown.

Miss Irene Reid, of Boston, Mass., who has been here visiting her sister, Mrs. Ernest Payne, left for Heart's Delight by Thursday's train.

Mr. Hughie Snow, who has been living in the United States for several years, arrived home this week on a visit to relatives and friends.

Misses Lulu Crossman and Rose Ivamy, of St. John's, who have been visiting friends at Bell Island and Hr. Grace, arrived here this week on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Whiteway.

The Liverpool & London & Globe Insurance Co. Ltd.
The World Auxiliary Insurance Corporation Ltd.
British Fire Offices
Property insured at Tariff Rates. Losses Liberally and Promptly Settled
Gus. Dawe
SUB-AGENT AT BAY ROBERTS.
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A. E. MERCER
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Brown Canvas footwear, Girls, Misses, Boy's, Youth's and Men's, at attractive prices.
Men's White Canvas Boots @ \$2.50.
About 50 pairs Ladies' Job Boots, clearing at \$2.55.
40 pairs Misses' Boots @ \$2.25.
Fancy Cotton Crepes @ 35c per yard.
Fancy Voiles @ 50c per yard.
Dress Goods in various shades and prices.
JUST ARRIVED:
White Enamel Iron Bedsteads; also Springs and Mattresses at lowest cash prices.
Our Stock of Farming Implements, consisting of Hoes, Weeders, Shovels, Prongs, Rakes, Scythes, Scythe Snathes, Scythe Stones, are also at lowest prices.
Our assortment of Scythes consist of the following well-known Brands: B. Y., R. K., Brades and Horseman.
We are also offering to clear a few sacks of general Fertilizer @ \$4.50 per sack.
Always Keep in Mind Our Big Assortment of MATCHLESS & MARTIN SENOUR PAINTS.
A. E. MERCER, Bay Roberts W.

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