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Schooner "Bretta" 24 tons.
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1 Jack Boat 27 ft. keel.
2 Motor Boats with 5 and 10 H.P. Engines.
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On the South Side of Bay St. George, along the line of Railway.
41 About 400 acres good agricultural land, 25 acres cleared and ready for the plough.
42 200 acres very best agricultural land with about 45 acres cleared.
43 100 acres with about 10 acres cleared.
44 140 acres with about 10 acres cleared.

All the above properties are along the Railway Line, on the South Side of Bay St. George, between St. George's and Heatherlow which is only a couple of miles from St. George's and well adapted for farming purposes, and from the Seaboard to Railway Stations. Prospective Railway Stations and settlements and business to big industry should interest prospective practical farmers. For further particulars apply to

James R. Hayes,

O.O. (Our Own) A MAN'S CHOICE—TOAST. Watch the man away from home order his breakfast, Fruit, Coffee, Eggs perhaps; and toast surely! Toast made from OUR OWN BREAD is rich, nutritious, and has a distinctive flavour. THE EAST END BAKING CO. (Our own Bakers). feb18,6mes,ead

Brown & Poisson's Corn Flour feb18,20,22

The Police of Canada have established 37 feet as the distance in which a motor car should stop when travelling twenty miles an hour. In recent official Canadian tests, before seven hundred spectators, a 1924 Buick, going twenty m.p.h., stopped in the record distance of—

16 FEET 8 1/2 INCHES.

The reason? FOUR-WHEEL BRAKES.

Buick BERT HAYWARD Water St. feb18,61,ead

NEWFOUNDLAND NOTICE TO MARINERS (NO 1 OF 1924).

Point Latine—Argentia Placentia Bay.

On March 1st, 1924, the characteristic of the Light on Point Latine will be changed from a FIXED RED to a FIXED WHITE LIGHT. G. F. GRIMES, Minister of Marine & Fisheries, Dept. of Marine & Fisheries, St. John's, Newfoundland, February 11th, 1924. feb18,31

OFFICES TO LET. Two bright offices 13 x 12 each in the G.W.V. Building overlooking Water Street. Both complete with floor coverings, stationary telephones and electrical fixtures. Central heating. Janitor's permanent services retained. Very reasonable rent; apply G.W.V.A. immediately. feb14,11

Rink Employees' Benefit Wednesday, Feb. 27th.

- The following programme is being arranged:— 1. Junior (under 15) Race—Half Mile. 2. Ladies' Race—Half Mile. 3. League Relay (2 rounds each man). 4. Mile Race—Open. 5. Mercantile Relay (2 rounds each man). 6. Bankers' Championship—One mile. 7. Three Mile Race—Open. 8. Half Mile Race—Backwards. General Skating till 10.30. Entries may be made at the Rink Office. Practices can be arranged. feb20,22

By order of the President. N. ANDREWS. feb18,41

INSURED

A Question You Have to Answer sooner or later. If you are insured, perhaps you need more or perhaps the insurance needs renewing. If you are not, you had better look into it right away. And not only your house but its contents. Cover everything. Fire does not care where it begins or what it consumes.

TESSIER'S INSURANCE AGENCIES. Phone 244 P.O. Box 994. feb18,31

FOR SALE! 6 Surreys, 5 Buggies.

C. F. LESTER, HAMILTON STREET. feb18,31

FUSSY WITH YOUR TRY-ON? We care not a jot, because we are fussy too. We won't let a suit go out of our shop that is not just so in every seam and line, every pocket and button. We realize that our reputation as tailors depends upon your personal satisfaction.

J. J. STRANG, LADIES' & GENTS' TAILOR, Corner Water & Prescott Sts. feb17,ead,11

Beldere Orphanage Sweepstake. 1st Weeks' Lucky Number 66,131. Drawn by J. Hoskins and J. Bonnell. feb18,31,ead

B. I. S. Grand Dance Wednesday, Feb. 20th. Music by Prince's Orchestra. Tickets: Ladies, 75c.; Gent's, \$1.00. feb18,31

NOTICE. The Annual Meeting of the General Protestant Industrial Society will be held on Thursday, February 21st, at 8 p.m. in the Board of Trade Rooms. By order of the President. N. ANDREWS. feb18,41

KEEP YOUR SKIN CHARMINGLY YOUNG. Vanishing Cream is a protecting cream from the wintry weather, and prevents chapping. Cold Cream is a cleansing cream for the pores of the skin, beneficial to the hands when chapped, eases the soreness. feb18,20,22

Eversharp Pencils now selling at a discount of 15 per cent. If you are not the owner of an Eversharp now is the time to buy. Eversharp also repaired at short notice. ROYAL STATIONERY COMPANY. feb18,31

St. JOHN'S Grocery Stores

Pork Rib choicest cut, lb. 24c.
Pork Ham Butt choicest, lb. 16c.
Beef, boneless, lb. 9c.
Bologna, pickled, lb. 22c.
Sausages, Canadian, lb. 30c.
Flour, best grade, stone 65c.
Butter, best Creamery, lb. 34c.
Potatoes, large dry, gall. 12c.
Turnips, local, lb. 2 1/2c.
Onions, small, lb. 6c.
Milk, per 1 lb. tin 16c.
Tomatoes, choice, tin 18c.
No. 1 Bread, lb. 9c.
Sweet Bread, lb. 13c.
Butter Bread, lb. 13c.
Chow Chow, (Staple and Strong's), bottle 29c.
Extra Fresh Eggs, doz. 65c.
Jam, Straw, Rasp, 1 lb. pot 35c.
Soup, Mock Turtle, 1 lb. tin 10c.
Small green Cabbage.

IN STOCK BLUE NOSE FRESH BUTTER and STRICTLY FRESH EGGS. BAIRD & CO. Water Street, East. feb18,21,ead

TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT! BIG 3-ACT COMEDY "THE COURTING OF MARY DOYLE" St. Mary's Hall, at 8.30 p.m. ADMISSION ONLY 30c. Proceeds in aid of St. Mary's Bible Class Rooms. feb20,11

League Championship Hockey PRINCE OF WALES RINK This Afternoon, at 3.30. (Under the distinguished patronage of his Excellency the Governor and Lady Allardyce). Feildians versus Terra Novas. Doors open at 2.30. GENERAL ADMISSION 25c. Reserved Seats at Gray & Goodland's (up to 12.30 this morning)—50c., 75c. and \$1.00. Patrons who have bought tickets with the understanding that the game was to be played to-night and who cannot attend this afternoon, may return their tickets at Gray & Goodland's up to 12.30 this morning. To-Night Skaters Night. EIGHT FULL BANDS, STARTING AT 7.30. feb20,23,27-mar1

NOTICE TO SEALERS! Sealing Crews for S. S. "NEPTUNE" and S. S. "THETIS" will sign articles on March 4th and 5th, the day previous to sailing. THE NEPTUNE STEAMSHIP CO., LTD. THE THETIS STEAMSHIP CO., LTD. Job Bros. & Co., Ltd., Managers. feb20,23,27-mar1

SEALING NOTICE. S.S. "VIKING" will sign articles on March 1st. Articles will positively close at 5 p.m. on March 3rd. S.S. "RANGER" will sign articles on March 4th. Articles will positively close on March 5th at 5 p.m. BOWRING BROS., Limited. feb18,30

Puritan Polishes! FURNITURE. Cleans as well as polishes; removes ink stains from desks. AYRE & SONS, LTD., or S. E. GARLAND. BRASS. The recognized standard for Brass, Copper, Aluminum, Nickel, Steel. At all HARDWARE STORES. "MONEY BACK, IF YOU WANT IT" feb18,21,ead

WANTED MEDICAL OFFICERS for sealing ships, must have necessary qualifications for position; apply to BOWRING BROS., LTD. feb18,31,m,w

The Modern Cooking Fat. Use CRISCO in all kinds of cooking as you would butter or lard, but use one fifth to one fourth less, on account of CRISCO'S superior richness. This pure vegetable shortening is the choice of many women. If you are not using CRISCO you are not getting best results from your cooking. Ask your grocer for CRISCO. Paul S. Doyle DISTRIBUTOR. feb20,31

CARD. Dr. M. F. Hogan, Dentist, 142 Water Street, over Lamb's Jewellery Store. (Opp. Royal Stores). Telephone 1255. feb20,31

HOUSE TO LET. That most desirable Dwelling House, No. 24 Cochrane Street; apply to M. & E. KENNEDY, Carpenters and Builders. jan17,11,ead Office 23 Renout Bldg.

Grove Hill Bulletin. CUT FLOWERS: ROSES, CARNATIONS, HYACINTHS, TULIPS, FREZIAS, CALLA LILIES. POT PLANTS: CYCLOMENS, PRIMULAS, FERNS, ETC. Flowers by wire, no matter how far. THE FLOWER SHOP 166 Water Street. feb18,ead

HIRARD'S LINIMENT FOR DIS-TEMPER. feb18,ead,11

LOST—On Saturday, a Black and White Setter Pup, 3 months old. Finder will be rewarded on returning same to J. J. FEHMAN, 78 Water Street West. feb18,31

FOR SALE—House in a very central locality, containing 4 bedrooms, drawing room, dining room, hot and cold water, etc.; apply by letter to "P.L.L." c/o this office. feb15,61

FOR SALE—By F. C. Wills, 226 Duckworth Street, City Terrace. Three Houses on Pleasant Street, Four Houses on Mundy Pond Road, One House on Alexander Street, One House on Hamilton Street, One Bungalow on Pleasant Street; only part cash down and the balance in weekly or monthly instalments. Own your house and be independent. feb15,61

BOARD—Three or Four gentlemen boarders can be accommodated with comfortable Board and Lodging, private dining room and sitting room; use of piano and telephone; good meals and comfortable beds; apply to BUTLERS', 340 Duckworth Street. feb18,31,m,w,s

WANTED—To Buy Banjo, must be in good condition. "L.M.Q." this office. feb18,31,ead

WANTED—In good locality Small Unfurnished Flat, heated; apply Box 20, Telegram. feb19,31

WANTED—To Rent or Buy a Small House in West End; apply by letter to "A.B.L." this office. feb20,31

WANTED—By a Young gentleman Board and Lodging, private family preferred; apply stating terms and location to "R.M." c/o this office. feb20,31

WANTED—To Rent from June 1st to October 1st a large house in Holywood, state number of rooms and price per month; write Box 28, this office. feb16,61

WINTER WANTS—We have them and you need them. Big selection: men's, women's, boys' and misses' wearing apparel; to choose from. Give us a call. THE DOMINION SECOND HAND STORE, 4 Chapel St. jan29,191

Help Wanted.

WANTED—A Good General Servant; apply "ERIN HOUSE" 41 Brazil's Square. feb20,11

WANTED—A General Servant, must be clean; apply MRS. T. H. DAVIS, 9 Franklin Ave. feb18,31

FOR SALE—Dwelling House, No. 27 Young Street, all modern conveniences; apply T. P. Halley, Solicitor, Renout Building. feb20,31,ead

WANTED—A General Girl, with knowledge of plain cooking; only three in family; apply 48 New Gower Street, City. feb20,31

PICKED UP—On Feb. 9th, a Set of False Teeth; owner can have same by calling at 29 Scott St. and paying expenses. feb20,31

WANTED—A Maid, references required, must have a knowledge of plain cooking; apply 105 Springdale Street. feb19,21

WANTED—An Experienced Girl for sitting room; apply SMALLWOOD, Water Street. feb19,11

WANTED—A Maid who understands plain cooking; apply MRS. W. B. FRASER, 101 Gower Street. feb19,31

WANTED—Young Man, about 18 years of age, with slight knowledge of book-keeping, for general office work; apply in own handwriting to Box 55, Telegram. feb20,31

WANTED—Immediately, a Reliable Candy Maker, who has had some experience at Marshallow work; apply ARTHUR T. WOOD, LTD., 48 New Gower Street. feb19,31

WANTED—Immediately, Typist or Clerk (female) with good knowledge of book-keeping; apply to WOOD & KELLY, Temple Building, Duckworth Street. feb18,11

WANTED—An Experienced Maid, one who understands plain cooking; references required; two in family; apply MRS. L. G. HARRIS, Robinson's Hill (after 6 p.m.) feb18,31

WANTED—An Experienced Maid, with knowledge of plain cooking, good wages, washing out; apply by letter to MRS. (Dr.) Donahue, Torbay, or for information to a King's Road. feb19,31

WANTED—By end of February, an Experienced General Servant; references required; apply to MRS. D. JAMES DAVIES, "Irishdale," foot Robinson's Hill. feb18,ead,11



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Dr. Levermore, Winner of Bek's \$100,000, Almost Sorry.

New York, Feb. 6.—To Charles Hermet Levermore the price of peace is \$100,000, to his own front door. Dr. Levermore is glad he won that much money with his plan in the book competition, but he began to realize very soon after the cheque was delivered to him in Philadelphia, that when sudden wealth adheres, peace spreads her wings and flaps away. In the apartment building in which Dr. Levermore lives in a very sad state of Brooklyn, peace was an abject as a clamorous rabble gathered with stocks, automobiles, good things of the third race at New Orleans, museum cleaners and phonographs, all for sale to a man with \$100,000. At his small office on Fifth Avenue, where the embattled professor withstood the importunities of brokers, agents and another crowd of salesmen, peace was also A. W. O. L. "Peace, peace, when there is no peace," exclaimed the annoyed Scandinavian who swabs the tiles and adds the fire in the Levermore's apartment, a job in which he has been exposed to the influence of the doctor's large intellect. "Where is peace? Outside, everybody, or we got 'em!" And so the persistent hosts retired to the curb, beyond the range of the doctor's authority, and planned a new war on Mr. Levermore's peace.

Rather Vexing. There were six stock and bond speculators bivouacked in the corridor of the doctor's office when he landed back from Philadelphia, probably with the cheque in his pocket, to begin a most successful day at the desk where he composed the essay on peace which now disturbs the tranquil routine of his existence. By stealth and audacity he won past them all and gained his office where the telephone was ringing impatiently. He answered. It was someone with something to sell that he simply couldn't do without, although he had reached the age of 67 without it. He hung up, slightly vexed but still at peace. Instantly the jangle resumed.

A Calendar Romance

Our hero was the common sort, when all was said and done. He worked his head off daily and was out to get the MON. The reason for his diligence was commonplace, 'tis true—He tried to swell his salary so it would suffice for TUE. And maybe that's the reason why one day he lost his head. And falling on his knees, he cried, "Oh, maiden, wilt thou WED?" He may have thought this sudden, but it seemed not so to her. She slipped a quick acceptance and said forcibly, "Yeth, THUR." But when they went to keeping house he feared that he would die. For, oh, that modern maiden could neither bake nor FRI. She could not run a bungalow, or even run a flat. So on many sad occasions in a restaurant they SAT. But he forgave her everything—as man has always done. When she presented him one day a bouncing baby SUN. —John Canuck.

International Rotary Convention

TORONTO, Feb. 15.—(By Canadian Press.)—From the tiny acorn grows the gigantic oak. From the inconspicuous luncheon meeting which eight friends in Chicago held weekly to discuss affairs along the business line of such, has grown the great Rotary organization of to-day. In 1904 the first Rotary club was formed with Paul E. Harris, a Chicago lawyer, as President. That was twenty years ago. Since then the internal development of Rotary has been rapid. The fact that "Service" is the keynote of the organization may have something to do with its success and popularity. In 1904 there were 122 Rotary Clubs throughout the world with a membership of 15,000. To-day there are 1,493 clubs with a membership of 92,000, distributed in 29 countries. Representatives of these clubs and countries are to meet in Toronto for the Fifteenth International Convention, from June 18 to 29, both dates inclusive.

International conversations have been held in Chicago, Duluth, Buffalo, Cincinnati, Kansas City, Salt Lake City, Atlantic City, Los Angeles, St. Louis, Portland, Ore., Houston, Texas, San Francisco, Atlanta, Georgia, and Edinburgh, Scotland. Toronto is the first Canadian city to receive the International and the second to be chosen outside the United States. Preparations are being made here for 8,000 visiting Rotarians, with their wives and friends.

The International President is Guy Gundaker, of Philadelphia. Two Canadians have been honored by being chosen for this, the highest Rotary office. These were Rev. E. Leslie Pidgeon, of Winnipeg, who served in 1917-18, and Dr. Crawford C. McCullough of Fort William, Ont., who presided over the International in 1921-22.

How far-reaching and how fully in accord with the best thought of today is the motive power behind the Rotary organization is at once sensed on glancing over the field which its objectives strive to cover. To promote the recognition of the worthiness of all legitimate occupations; and to dignify each member's occupation as affording him an opportunity to serve Society; to encourage high ethical standards in business and professions; to increase the efficiency of each member by the exchange of ideas and business methods; to promote the "science of acquaintance" as an opportunity for service and an aid to success; to quicken interest of each member in the public welfare of the community and to co-operate with

others in civic, social, commercial and industrial development; and to stimulate the desire of each member to be of service to his fellowman and society in general.

To carry out the above programme with best chances for satisfactory fulfilment, membership is confined to those who, generally speaking, should prove fittest to carry it out. A member must be engaged as proprietor, agent or manager, or partner, in full charge of a legitimate profession, business-calling or undertaking, or an executive officer of a company, the classification of which is not already represented. From all of which it is easy to see that the business of the "Rotary" is not placed in the hands of the neophyte, but is entrusted to the experience of those who have already "made good" in one special line. A federation of such men in a manner a federation of sports. From such a body nothing is too much to expect along the march of progress.

The ideas of "Rotary" were cleverly and beautifully expressed in the slogan "He profits most who serves best," which was coined by Arthur Frederick Sheldon at the 1911 "International" held in Portland, Oregon. Something of this service may be visualized by the vast programme of days' work started by the Rotarians at the Atlanta, Georgia, International Convention, in 1917.

Toronto Rotary Club which is to be host at the next big gathering of Rotarians was formed in 1912 with William A. Peace as first President. The membership of this club is 390. The officers, directors, committee chairmen, together with those of the special committee form a body of citizens whose standing in the public life of the community guarantees business efficiency and cordial co-operation in preparation for the 8,000 expected guests. Toronto officials are: Frank H. Littlefield, President; Norman Sommerville, Vice-President; Hugh L. Kerr, Honorary-Treasurer; A. Eldrid, Secretary; Fred J. Neale, Sergeant-at-Arms; Alex. Tamilton, Asst. Sergeant-at-Arms; Directors: Frank Kennedy, Hugh L. Kerr, Frank H. Littlefield, Hawley S. Mott, Morden Neilson, J. Robert-Pear, Fred L. Ratchiff, J. P. Richards, Norman Sommerville, Sidney B. McMichael is chairman of the special committee on the Convention, which includes Harry Rooks, Vice-President; J. F. Stewart, Treasurer; Earl M. Benedict, Convention Manager.

A Truly National Forest Policy

Hon. James Lyons, minister of lands and forests, of Ontario, in a speech in Montreal recently, outlined his ideas of a proper forestry policy and the one he intends to initiate in Ontario. Mr. Lyons' policy would make a fine national forestry policy for Canada. He demands:

Better methods of cutting timber to make possible the utilization of all timber. More extensive use of the by-products now wasted. Proper methods of slash burning to prevent forest fires. An end to the slaughter of young trees for shipment to the big Canadian and American cities at Christmas time.

An embargo on the export of unmanufactured wood. Mr. Lyons stated that the province of Ontario intended to start at once on a survey of the timber and water-power resources of the province in order that proper steps might be taken to provide for the reproduction of timber. He said also that reforestation methods would be studied and that broader efforts would be made towards combating the menace of fire. To that end twelve or fifteen flying boats would be in use next summer and these would patrol the forested areas of Ontario daily. Quick detection of fires is essential to prevent their spread and airplanes would find the fires quickly.

Last year, said Mr. Lyons, more than 2,000,000 acres of forest land was burned over, 45 per cent. of it new timber or second growth. It cost the province \$1,100,000 to fight forest fires or one-third of the whole provincial revenue from the forests.

The need for a national forestry policy for the Dominion of Canada that would protect the capital invested in the lumbering and pulp industries of the country has long been urged. Canada has many millions of dollars invested in her forestry industries and thousands of people find employment in these industries. Yet the entire superstructure of the forestry industry of Canada is in danger—definite, real, present danger. Unless drastic measures are taken to insure a future supply of raw material for these industries they will waste away in the years to come.—Financial Post.

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Wednesday, February 20, 1924.

Economy in Administration.

The Canadian Government, aroused, or possibly it would be more correct to say alarmed, by the demands made by the public through the press are taking steps to reduce expenditure. To what extent official Ottawa is serious in its intention remains to be seen, but that some effort is to be made shows at least that an administration dare not turn a deaf ear to public opinion unless it is willing to face the consequences. An audit Board has been created and an Auditor General appointed. His first duty is to investigate conditions in the Civil Service in order to ascertain in what directions a saving can be effected.

Barring official opposition and the inherent dislike of governments generally to practice economy, he should not find his work difficult, for if one may judge from the figures given in a Canadian journal there is dead wood aplenty upon which to use the axe. It is said that whenever at the opening of the century the number of civil servants numbered 4,000 with salaries not much over \$3,600,000, to-day they number 40,000 and their payroll totals \$50,000,000.

A former Newfoundland politician once said of our administration that it resembled the trappings of an elephant on the back of a cat. If such a remark could be applied to it in those days, what can be said of it now? We have a population of less than a quarter of a million and a public service that is sufficiently elaborate, numerous and costly to administer the affairs of a country many times the size of Newfoundland. We have adopted a policy of economy in salary at the expense of efficiency in service, as a result of which in many of the departments two officials are doing the work that might well be accomplished by one. We have gone further in discouraging efficiency by refusing to adopt the principle of promotion by merit. We have prostituted the service for political ends by using it as a dumping ground for political heaters who, after a brief occupation of some "cushy" job, retire with an honourable pension to live a life of ease.

By adopting the system of examination tests, we should be certain of obtaining none but qualified officials; by promoting those who proved themselves efficient, we should soon have a capable organization, and by paying adequate salaries we should encourage the ablest men to enter the service. Honesty, industry and ability are the three primary qualifications which every public servant should possess. Were such conditions insisted upon, the cost of our administration would be considerably less than it is, and the value of the service would be enhanced.

But where is the Government that would have the courage to effect the changes or to wield the axe?

Echo answers, where?

Rotary Club

WEEKLY LUNCHEON.

Inspector General Hutchings presided at the Rotary Luncheon held on Tuesday at Wood's West End Restaurant, and Rotarian Peter O'Mara in his own inimitable style, entertained the gathering with a short history of the Fire Brigade, interspersing his remarks with many humorous anecdotes of the old days of the Phoenix and Volunteer Fire Brigades.

Mr. O'Mara traced the history of the Fire Brigade from the inauguration of the Phoenix Brigade in 1847, under the command of Captain Lewis, until it disbanded in 1877, in which year the St. John's Volunteer Fire Brigade was formed and of which Prandis Boggs was Chief. They adopted as their motto "Faithful and Fearless," and the records of their work are replete with incidents of bravery and devotion to duty, which speak for themselves, and show that the Volunteer Brigade were ever true to their motto. The Volunteer Fire Brigade disbanded in 1896 in which year the Government enacted a law in which the Fire Department and Constabulary were placed under Government control. Inspector General McCowan holding office from 1895 to 1908; Inspector General Sullivan from 1909 to 1917, and Inspector General Hutchings was appointed in 1917.

Mr. O'Mara told many amusing stories in connection with fire brigades work in the old days, and others where grave fatalities had brought sorrow and grief to the home. He paid high tribute to the old fire fighters many of whom are still attached to the Fire Department or pensioned. Captains Dunne, Kane, Trebble, Reson and McGinn. These men had seen the premises of Mitchell and Higgins were destroyed in 1894, and in which eleven persons were rescued; had done good work in MacCauley's southside fire in 1901, and had stood by Inspector General McCowan when on the deck of the S. S. Aurora he directed the fire fighting operations unmindful of the fact that five hundred pounds of gunpowder and ten thousand cartridges were stored proximately to the furnace.

Mr. O'Mara had seen many Fire Fighting forces in his travels, and was frank in saying that our present equipment and force under the leadership of Inspector General Hutchings, could compare favourably with any Fire Department of the world. He paid well-merited tribute to the energy and initiative of our present Inspector General in bringing our fire fighting equipment up to such a high standard of efficiency.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. O'Mara for his interesting address.

St. John's Boy dies in U.S.

Mr. James O'Neill, well-known by the boys of St. John's twenty-five years ago, died at St. Vincent's Hospital, N.Y. City, Feb. 6th. Mr. O'Neill was born in Harbor Grace, the son of Wm. and Ellen O'Neill, and learned the shoemaking trade with Mr. P. Maher, of St. John's. He was 47 years old at the time of his death and has lived in the United States since 1899. He leaves a widow and 4 children, 1 brother, William O'Neill, of Atlantic City, N.J., and 1 sister, Mrs. James Flynn, of N.Y. City.

Popular Official Honored

Last evening a number of lady friends visited the home of Miss Agnes Power, the popular and courteous postmistress at the West End Branch, and presented her with an address and several articles indispensable in the ordinary department. The recipient, although taken by surprise, thanked the gathering in a witty and humorous manner for the thoughtfulness which prompted their kind act. Tea was served and card games were participated in up to midnight, after which all dispersed with the one wish that Miss Power may spend many years in occupying the position now held by her.—COM.

Kyle Outward

S.S. Kyle, Cap. Stevenson, sailed from the Dry Dock wharf at 8.40 p.m. yesterday, for North Sydney, via Port aux Basques. She took a large foreign mail matter, and the following first class passengers:—Rev. S. J. and Mrs. Pike, Lloyd Pike, Capt. Campbell, besides 10 in steerage.

To-night Merchantile Hockey at 6.30, Harvey & Co., Ltd., vs. The Royal Stores, Ltd. General skating afterwards.

THE TRAINS—Yesterday's West bound train left Glenwood 5 hours and 39 minutes late. The local train was due to arrive at 1.15 p.m. The regular cross-country express will not start at 1 p.m. to-morrow.

The rush for tickets for Able's Irish Rose is unprecedented.

Secretary of Agriculture Examined re Potato Distribution.

At the beginning of the session yesterday afternoon, the Commissioner asked Mr. Howley for some information re allegations concerning Dr. Campbell so that he could summon the persons who made the allegations to give evidence. Mr. Howley regretted that he had no definite information and he had referred to what were rumors around St. John's.

COMMISSIONER—Rumors in St. John's! Heaven, if I were to pay attention to all the rumors floating around about myself!

MR. HOWLEY—I have not heard any.

COMMISSIONER—Well, I have them come back to me. My religious convictions and everything that I ever did have been canvassed wrongly. MR. HOWLEY stated that what he had in mind was that when the Commission was framed and when the statement was made in the House of Assembly, that allegations of wrong doing in the Department of Agriculture and Mines had been made those responsible for the framing of the Commission must have had something to go on. Mr. Howley said he was not personally acquainted with the doings of the House of Assembly but reference could be made to the official reports. Mr. Howley added that he believed there were statements made in some of the local papers editorially and otherwise at the time.

The Commissioner said if Mr. Howley could bring any such materials before him he would see if any persons could be identified who would be useful as a witness.

MR. WALKER said he wished to get particulars in order to see if there was anything in the suggestions made in the House of Assembly on which he understood that the basis of the enquiry had been laid.

MR. HOWLEY said it would not long go towards justice to his client if the Attorney General would make an official pronouncement. His only desire was to disabuse the Commissioners mind.

COMMISSIONER—Until you mentioned the matter, my mind was a blank, I had not heard even by rumor so prevalent in Newfoundland that Dr. Campbell left the country in 1923 much less that he was fleeing from justice. He had not heard that the Government was taking steps to bring him back to stand his trial.

MR. HOWLEY stated that he had read in the Canadian papers of Aug. 1923 despatches about the indictment. The Commissioner replied that he had not been reading the Canadian papers at this time which was months before he had a thought of crossing the Atlantic. He would allow the persons concerned to make their denials but he could not see what use there was for a person to make denial of a matter of which he is not accused.

OFFICIAL PRONOUNCEMENT ON CHARGES.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL asked permission to clear up some of the matters which appeared to be alarming Mr. Howley. He said he did not hear of all the allegations that had been made against Dr. Campbell. The Commissioner then read as follows:—"The allegations have been made that Dr. Campbell has been guilty of the misappropriation of the funds of the Department, and that when he left the colony in 1923, he was fleeing from justice."

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL said this allegation was practically made in the House of Assembly and it was a question for the Commissioner to decide but the statement that "when he left the colony he was fleeing from justice" was not knowledge in the possession of the Government. As far as the Department of Justice is concerned, he gave the statement a flat denial.

COMMISSIONER reading "That indictments were prepared and the Government was taking steps to bring him back to stand his trial."

MR. WARREN—As Minister of Justice at the time, I deny that.

COMMISSIONER—That large misappropriation and misuse of funds in other words "graft" were divided up between Dr. Campbell and Sir Richard Squires.

MR. WARREN—I don't remember any allegations that the proceeds were divided between Sir Richard and Dr. Campbell. The large misappropriation, other large or small is the foundation for the enquiry. As far as facts are concerned I think I have disposed of the most alarming ones.

COMMISSIONER—I am afraid Mr. Howley has not given me any information which would warrant my summoning any individual here.

This practically concluded Secretary Dalry's examination-in-chief. Cross-examined by Mr. Howley, witness said that practically every applicant in St. John's East and West received his share of the distribution.

Re-examined by Mr. Hunt, witness said the informer of rider given the applicant it was called for that a day's work should be given for a barrel of the potatoes, but it was not expected that this would be given. It was simply a matter of applying for the seed and it did not matter if the person had ground or not to set them in. The members of the districts both East and West were responsible for this state of affairs, the witness thought.

ATTORNEY GENERAL, put several questions to the witness, after which adjournment was taken until this morning.

Able's Irish Rose is bound to run a week.—feb20.1

Interesting Debate

FOR TO-MORROW NIGHT. The challenge debate entered into between the M.C.L.I. and Llewellyn Club will take place in the Methodist College Hall on Thursday, February 21st, at 9 p.m.

The subject for discussion will be, "Resolved: That the modern Labor Movement is injurious to the social order." The speakers will be: M.C.L.I.—Rev. E. E. Paterson, H. E. Orwell, L. C. Morris, Geo. Peters, Capt. A. Keen, A. E. Parkins, Wilson Clarke; Llewellyn Club—Rev. Lightbourne, R. R. Wood, L. Colley, R. G. Macdonald, J. G. Hodder, H. Y. Mett, Mr. Turner, Mr. Hollis Walker, K.C. has kindly consented to act as Judge. Special invitations have been extended by the members to the lady and gentlemen friends of both organizations to attend.

Silvia's Outward Passengers

The following have booked passage by S.S. Silvia, sailing to-day for Halifax and New York:—Wm. S. Westover, John T. Kearney, Mrs. Geo. Dodd and 3 children, Alfred Winsor, M. Howell, J. Fiddiger, Mrs. Fiddiger, J. Galway, W. Ellis, Mildred Shea, Malcolm Dame, Lorenzo Adams, Wm. Haynes, C. A. Hayes, John Manuel, W. H. Herder, A. Omond, W. White, T. J. Buckingham, H. Drake, Mrs. M. Burt, Mrs. Blackler, Mrs. Agnes Power, Violet Crocker, Mrs. T. Grant, W. J. Delaney.

Something new at St. Mary's Hall, Wednesday and Thursday, 9.30c. only.—feb20.1

Card Party and Dance

An enjoyable card party and dance was held last night by the R.A. Ladies' Auxiliary at the Armouries. The prizes for the card tournament went to Mr. P. Crowe and Mrs. Geo. P. Coughlan. Following the serving of supper, dancing was indulged in until an early hour, this morning. The Elimination Leap Year Dance proved a special feature, the prize winners being Mr. R. and Miss B. Martin. Mitchell's Orchestra furnished the music for the occasion.

Able's Irish Rose is a play that delights and pleases every part of the house.—feb20.1

Elected Officers

The annual meeting of St. Andrew's Society was held last night, when the reports for the past year were presented and adopted. The election of officers resulted as follows:—

- President—H. D. Reid, re-elected.
- 1st V. P.—R. G. Ross, re-elected.
- 2nd V. P.—D. McIntosh, re-elected.
- Secty.—T. J. Butt, re-elected.
- Executive Committee—J. M. Brown, A. E. Holmes, J. Taylor, J. A. Young, I. Kennedy, W. B. Badie, Jos. McKinnlay, L. Calvert, J. Forbes.

SHIPPING.—S.S. Rosalind leaves New York to-day for Halifax and this port.

Floral Tributes to the Departed

Nothing so nice as Flowers in time of sorrow. We can supply wreaths and crosses on short notice, and guarantee satisfaction. We will endeavour to meet the humblest price. "Say it with Flowers."

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IN LOVING MEMORY

of Ella May Strong, who died Feb. 20th, 1924. Dearest Ella, how we miss you. As the days have come and gone; yet your memory lingers with us as we look around our home. Though we could not keep you longer, And the parting was hard to bear; yet we know you're safely landed in our heavenly father's care. When our tolling here is o'er, And our work on earth is done; And we hope again to greet you, Just beyond life's setting sun.—inscribed by her loved ones.

NOTE OF THANKS.—Mrs. Arnold Webber, of Charlottetown, wishes to thank Mrs. Keegan, Gwynne and Mrs. also Sister Doyle, Nurses Hutchings, Jones, Cunningham, Gardner, Conaghan, and Norbert for their care and kindness to her while at the General Hospital.—adv.

TO-DAY'S MESSAGES

SERIOUS SITUATION CAUSED BY DOCK STRIKE—THE REDS IN EVIDENCE.

LONDON, Feb. 19. While employers claim some slight improvement in the dock strike situation to-day, so far as London is concerned, there are no signs of a let up at other points in the United Kingdom. About 2,000 men are still working at the London docks which is less than one-fifth the normal number.

Secretary Bevin, of the Dock Workers' Union, asserts that the strikers' delegation is increasing everywhere. Cargoes of thirty-one ships are being held up, but as many more are being kept waiting. Meat prices are soaring, and importers say they will suffer in any case, as chilled meat will presently necessitate freighting with consequent depreciation in the value. New phases of the strike are developing. The transporters union has instructed members to refuse to carry goods to or from the docks. Four thousand carriers quit this afternoon finding their journey to docks wasted, and Secretary Bevin asserts 10,000 will quit to-morrow. Railwaymen at Grimsby and Hull, handling fish traffic have refused to work, and big consignments of fish are left stranded. Dockers at different Ulster ports also have struck in sympathy, and Secretary Bevin has called out the Canal workers on the Manchester and Liverpool Canal. The Council of Trades Union Congress unanimously decided to-night to support the strikers' demands, and there seems no likelihood of mediation from any quarter. Red lettered bills appeared overnight on the boardings in Liverpool appealing to dockers to stand pat and affiliate with the Red International. Authors of the Manifesto took occasion to denounce the Labor Government and their dupes. The police were kept busy tearing down these bills.

DESPERATE STRAITS OF PEOPLE IN THE HEBRIDES, AND SCOTLAND APPEALS TO U.S. FOR AID.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19. A cablegram from Lord Balfour to John Stewart, of Sulgrave Institute, in this city to-day, contained the following message: "Reported to us that 30,000 persons in the Hebrides are in danger of starvation. What can Sulgrave do? If anything, please advise by cable. Balfour." Ten months unceasing rain, which has destroyed crops, ruined Scotch natives, hatched hunger, and cut off every means of livelihood has, according to Mr. Stewart, prompted that appeal to the United States for aid. Not since 1846 when the great flood visited the Scotch Hebrides and America went to the rescue with food, clothing and money, have these proud but poor inhabitants sought charity, he declared. Mr. Stewart said he had transmitted an appeal to George Vincent, head of the Rockefeller Foundation, asking that organization to join in a relief campaign, and to President Coolidge upon the basis of additional reports received to-day that 20,000 more persons on the mainland of Scotland between Sutherland and Argyll were destitute, and in grave danger of perishing. Dr. Stewart said he had cabled to Edinburgh for a detailed statement and promising American aid as soon as possible. An appeal to the English Government by the Edinburgh authorities to supplement private contributions with the Government relief, has met with no response according to Dr. Stewart.

A SPECTACULAR FALL IN THE FRANCS.

PARIS, Feb. 19. A spectacular fall of the franc on the exchange has roused the French people to a keener sense of realities than has been manifested since the armistice.

FEARS FOR SAFETY OF CREW.

ATLANTIC CITY, Feb. 19. Coast guards to-night expressed concern for the safety of 25 men comprising the crew of the United States fruit steamer Amelia, which stuck fast on South Bar, Little Egg Harbor Shoals, where she went aground at two o'clock yesterday morning. High seas lashed by a 50-mile north-easter and a blinding snow storm caused postponement of an attempt to float her at six to-night.

TO-NIGHT'S DANCE.—The Ladies' Auxiliary of the B.I.S. Society are holding another dance in their rooms to-night. The Prince's Orchestra will supply the music for the occasion.

S.U.F. CLUB SEALING SWEEP.

Total Catch Neptune	\$100.00
1/2 Catch Neptune	40.00
Total Catch Thetis	40.00
1/2 Catch Thetis	100.00
Total Catch Terra Nova	40.00
1/2 Catch Terra Nova	100.00
Total Catch Eagle	40.00
1/2 Catch Eagle	100.00
Total Catch Ranger	40.00
1/2 Catch Ranger	100.00
Total Catch Viking	40.00
1/2 Catch Viking	100.00
Total Catch Seal	40.00
1/2 Catch Seal	100.00
Total Catch Sagona	40.00
1/2 Catch Sagona	100.00
Total Catch Stella Island	40.00
1/2 Catch Stella Island	100.00
Total Catch Stella Maris	40.00
1/2 Catch Stella Maris	100.00

COME AND SEE ME—\$1.00 EACH. Tickets 10c. Ten Chances on each ticket. Any steamers having odd numbers, the highest numbers—half catches, will take the prize. Any steamer, say, may have 23,003—half catch will read 11,502, this number will take the prize. (Please cut this out and keep for reference).

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We have in stock a shipment of the famous Bear's Virginia Cigarettes. COMPRISING: Bears No. 1 First Quality, tins of 50. Bear's No. 1 First Quality 10's packages. Bear's Ark Royal First Quality, tins of 50. Bear's Elephant Best Quality, tins of 50. The above Cigarettes are considered by Smokers to be the very best high class Virginia on the market. CASH'S TOBACCO STORE, sept 29, eod Water St.

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Effective February 20th, ordinary full rate to Great Britain and Ireland, Eighteen Cents per word, and deferred rate Eight Cents per word. H. A. SAUNDERS, Superintendent.

EARLY CABLES.

REPORT OF ILL-HEALTH DENIED.

LONDON, Feb. 19. — There was no foundation for the report that Prime Minister MacDonald contemplates resigning the Foreign Secretaryship at an early date, and it is equally untrue that his health is equally poor. The Press Association states authoritatively informed. The Premier had a slight cold ten days ago but the present persistent reports regarding his illness and resignation are untrue, the statement concludes.

AUSTRIAN BANK CLERKS ON STRIKE.

VIENNA, Feb. 19. — A strike of Bank employees, which affected four of the largest institutions here yesterday, became effective today in all Banks throughout Austria, including the National Bank. Forty thousand employees are involved. The strikers are asking for higher wages.

DEFENDING ARMSMEN, AUTOMATICALLY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19. — Washington to-day has a new sensation in the disclosure that four of the Sam's first line battleships are so decrepit in condition that it is considered unsafe to operate them at a speed of over 12 knots an hour.

TRADESMEN PROFITING.

LONDON, Feb. 19. — While British business men are scrambling at the stoppage of mails through the dockers' strike, housewives are concerned over the evidence manifest yesterday of the intention of tradesmen to raise food prices. The most notable increase was for meat, which in which issued through the Trade Association explanatory statement purporting to show that the increase was unavoidable and saying they would forthwith submit their reasons to the Government.

SIGNING OF TREATY DELAYED.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19. — The signing of the Treaty worked between the Washington and Ottawa Governments for the suppression of the illicit liquor traffic along the Canadian border, has been temporarily delayed in order that a minor change in the draft sent here by the Canadian authorities may be made. It is understood the Canadian Government while assenting to the greater number of suggestions regarding measures desired by the United States in checking the border liquor traffic, has declined to enter into any arrangements by which ships operating between the two countries would be cleared papers if they carried liquor as part cargo. It has been explained that such course would be in violation of Canadian laws.

BANK ROBBER.

MONTREAL, Feb. 19. — Beating Manager J. A. Roch over the head with the butts of their revolvers, then tying him with cords, ransacking him and carrying him down the cellar stairs, two armed men robbed the Bordeaux Branch of Le Banque D'Hocheville of \$2,300 shortly after three o'clock this afternoon. \$2,000 is ten miles from here.

STATEMENT ON OIL SCANDAL.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19. — Members of President Coolidge's Cabinet declared after to-day's meeting that the matter of the oil land lease disclosures had not been discussed at the session. Attorney General Daugherty left to-day's Cabinet meeting saying he had no statement to make.

OUTLAW STRIKE CALLED OFF.

SYDNEY, Feb. 19. — Thorburn local of the Oilfield workers has decided to call off the outlaw strike and return to work pending the coming referendum on the recently negotiated Montreal agreement. That is the information contained in despatches received to-day at St. M. District Headquarters in Cape Breton. Stellation local expected to follow suit. All strikers are back to work this morning with the exception of about 35 men whom places will be made as rapidly as possible.

FIRE OF INCENDIARY ORIGIN.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19. — Thirteen lives were snuffed out in a few minutes in a fire believed to have been of incendiary origin which swept today swept from the basement to the roof of a five storey tenement at the heart of New York's lower East side ghetto. Seven of those killed were children. The blaze, fanned by gusts from the tenement's open front porch, forced up the staircase blocking the escape of eight families who occupied the building, some in the two upper stories. A witness to find the flames at their bedside, they menaced before they could even try to have a dash through the roaring flames with which they were confronted.

THREE YEARS' WAGE CONTRACT SIGNED.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Feb. 19. — The signing of the three year wage contract for the bituminous miners of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, and West Virginia by miners' and operators' representatives here to-day ended the groundwork for peace in the industry, and according to statements of John L. Lewis, President of the Miners, and Michael Gallagher, spokesman for the Operators, gave assurance of an adequate and continuous supply of coal for at least three years.

PEPPYS BEHIND THE SCENES.

Feb. 19th.—In the street met with Brown, the lawyer; he tells me of Mr. J. McDermott, he had, and was at some time Secretary to President Roosevelt, and became a great man of business, to the pride of all Newfoundlanders, whom he did ever strive to assist. The despatches out of America tell how Mr. Denby, the Navy Secretary, raised up his office, and is because the people accuse him about the leasing of the Navy's oil lands, to the great disadvantage of the country. Many others now on trial for it, and it do seem how every country has its scandals, nor is Newfoundland the worst of them. I to the Secretary, but Lord, how few are seen now to hear it, so the Chamber will sign empty Mr. Terrace's mishap with some argument between Mr. Howley and Commissioner Walker about his cross-examination. Mr. Howley asking that he be allowed to question concerning certain allegations against Dr. Campbell, which he will disprove and the Commissioner will inquire into them. Home to dinner, but my wife in high ill-humor, having a falling out with one cousin, and in great fear of losing her. Pretty to hear her talk of the girl's unreasonable, seeing how these fallings out are most often the fault of her own ill-temper, but fear to tell her so. Asam to the Supreme Court, where I have a mind to hear J. Winsor's trial, and the charge against him that he did rescue someone from the watch. The trial mighty discourse, being much argument by counsel and great swaying of legal authorities, enough to make my head swim, almost so to the Currier's Rink, the first time of my going this year, but I did not play, and think I forget how to throw a stone, from being away so long. Home, very weary, and to bed.

ROUNDING UP WILD HORSES.

CLINTON, E.C., Feb. 19. — The last great round-up of the wild horses of Caribou will be staged this spring. Every cowboy in the district will take part. The animals will be sold at \$5.00 a head and those not sold will be shot. There are literally thousands of wild horses overrunning rich grazing lands and the event of rounding up will be effective in removing a nuisance which is becoming every year more pronounced.

MCKENZIE NOT YET RELEASED.

MONTREAL, Feb. 19. — T. G. McKenzie, Canadian, who was kidnapped three weeks ago near Jincinet, Mexico, by a band of revolutionaries, led by Hippota Villa, is still held captive for \$200,000 ransom. Hon. F. B. McCurdy, McKenzie's brother-in-law, who is in Montreal from Texas, stating that a courier bearing a letter to Villa from De La Huerta, the Rebel leader, demanding the release of the prisoner, was despatched from El Paso a week ago, but owing to the rapid movements of the Rebels, the courier was succeeded in getting in touch with them.

Curtain 8.15 p.m. at St. Mary's Hall, Wednesday and Thursday, 30c. only.—Feb 20, 21.

Prize Distribution

AT QUIDI VIDI. — Christ Church, Quidi Vidi, was the scene of an impressive service on Sunday last, at 6.30 p.m., when the little church was filled to its capacity, with a congregation gathered together to hear the Rev. G. O. Lightbourn's farewell address.

Conspicuous amongst the congregation were the children, who were eager to hear the words of farewell. The Rev. Gentleman had to say to them and to receive from him, the prizes for work well-done in their Sunday School. He expressed his great pleasure, at having the privilege of presenting their Sunday School prizes to them and told them that there was something higher than prize winning in the Sunday School to strive for and that was to strive to learn more and more about the Bible and the great truths which Jesus Christ came to teach. He asked them to do their utmost in the days to come, in endeavoring to learn their lessons and to learn more and more the spirit of the Christ Child, in order that they may become fit for the Masters use.

The prizes were then presented in the following order:

- 1st Class (Girls)—1st prize, Irene Flynn; 2nd prize, Mildred Flynn; 3rd prize, Mary Morris.
- 2nd Class (Girls)—1st prize, Mary G. Snow; 2nd prize, Rita Horwood; 3rd prize, Mary E. Snow.
- 3rd Class (Girls)—1st prize, Agnes Amnison; 2nd prize, Hannah Horwood; 3rd prize, Margaret Morris.
- 1st Class (Boys)—1st prize, William Harris; 2nd prize, Weston Horwood; 3rd prize, Alexander Snow.
- 2nd Class (Boys)—1st prize, John Morris; 2nd prize, Chesley Snow; 3rd prize, Bertram Harris.
- 3rd Class (Boys)—1st prize, Maxwell Flynn; 2nd prize, Gerald Morris; 3rd prize, Arthur Amnison.

Specialists—Irene Flynn, highest number of marks; Mina Martin, oldest girl; Philip Snow, oldest boy; Cyril Martin, consolation prize; John Morris and Rita Horwood, for attendance.

P.S.—We take this opportunity of wishing the Rev. G. O. Lightbourn god-speed and every success in his new field of service and we would also like to thank, very heartily, those who so very kindly gave us donations of books for prizes. Their names are Mrs. Geo. H. Cook, Mrs. E. B. Lewis, Mrs. Geo. R. Cook, Mrs. E. Maidment and Miss Mullett.

McNardo's Store News.

For The Toilet. — We have all the necessities and luxuries. The daily bath is beneficial when only good soap is used. The condition of the teeth depends upon good dentifrices. We can supply you with the best of Toilet Articles.

Bath Soaps, Bath Salts, Toilet Water, Sponges, Tooth Brushes, Tooth Powder & Paste, Hair Brushes, Combs and Hand Mirrors. We have a large and complete stock.

Friday and Saturday. — At our Candy Stall you will always find a delicious selection of Chocolates and Candies, fresh every week at special week end prices.

This Week End. — We are featuring Mor's Fine Cocoa-nut Assorted Bon Buns; Chocolate Montevideo, Milk Chocolate Creams, Stuffed Dates, Whipped Creams, Creamed Butternuts. All fresh, delicious and wholesome.

And Our Week End Special. — Butter Scotch Lumps 40c. lb. Italian Mixture 35c. lb. Chocolate Creams 35c. lb.

MINARD'S LINIMENT FOR RHEUMATISM.

Run Runners' Paradise

Newfoundland, a dry colony of the British Crown, is a run runners' haven. No liquor may be sold there, but a law passed last August permits it to be stored in government bonded warehouses at a nominal fee and transhipped without formalities. A British steamer can land at St. John's place her stock of wet goods in the warehouses for a duty fee of 75 cents a gallon, or about \$7.75 a case, and it can be withdrawn whenever desired, and in whatever quantity is desired, for smuggling into the United States or any portions of Canada.

Packed Houses Greet Majestic Zyls

ACCLAIMED BY ALL, THE BEST YET. — Evidently the people of St. John's are elated with the "Zyls" the musical team now scoring success after success at the Majestic Theatre, as again last night, capacity houses greeted the talented performers and repeatedly cheered the various items on the programme. Already thousands who attended on Monday and last evening are speaking highly of the Zyls whilst the artists themselves claim the big items of their repertoire are yet to be submitted. The song "You" was exceptionally pleasing and we hope to hear further renditions from this artist. The expert manipulation of the musical table was indeed a treat whilst both claimed the entire approval of all present by their saxophone offerings. The musical act from every aspect was a brilliant success deserving well the repeated applause and encores as recorded. The chief film picture "Boston Blackie" or "The Story of the Water Cross" is a drama of an unusual character. It deals principally with the brutal overbearing inhuman conduct of an American prison warden who applied a terrible torture to kill the spirit of an innocent inmate. The production a seven part Paramount full of action from start to finish. The News Reel is likewise very interesting one of the items is the now celebrated horse race between "Zav" in Magonistia and "My Own".

AT VALLEY NURSERY.

The thermometer at the Valley Nursery last night registered 23 degrees of frost, while this morning 12 degrees was recorded.



WILLIAM RUSSELL IN 'BOSTON BLACKIE' WILLIAM FOX PRODUCTION.

New Record Set By Sun Life of Canada.

MR. D. JOHNSTON, Local Representative of Sun Life Assurance Co.

Evidence of widespread prosperity is afforded by the statement published by the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada covering its transactions for the year 1923. This Company, which is international in its character, operating in over fifty countries, reports substantial advances in all departments, confirming its position as the leading insurance Company, and maintaining its high rank amongst the great financial institutions of the world.

Of particular public interest is the fact that no fewer than 318,443 policyholders are assured under ordinary contracts issued by the Company, while in addition 22,731 employees of a great diversity of industries are protected under Group Insurance policies.

These figures, taken in conjunction with the impressive gains in business, demonstrate a growing confidence of practical and family responsibility on the part of the public, and indicate the universal confidence in which the Company is held.

The large increases in new business and total business in force are well supported by the striking advances in those figures indicative of the strength and resources of the Company.

Throughout the fifty-three years of its active operation, the aggressive policy which has brought the Company to its present position has been accompanied by wise and conservative management. It will be a matter of special gratification to the great army of participating policyholders that the years in the general prosperity of the Company in the form of increased dividends.

The business in force at December 31st last reached the tremendous total of \$78,765,243, showing an increase for the year of \$7,300,373.

The new business written during the year amounted to \$119,604,657, the policies actually issued and paid for being 35,975, for a total of \$107,581,255.

During the year the payments to policyholders in a manner he has made peculiarly his own.

Yet "The Sign of the Rose" is in no sense a picture that strikes only the gentler chords. There are "big" screen epics and thrillers—such as a fire on an ocean liner, staged with terrific realism; an automobile accident that shocks by reason of its fidelity to real life; and the quiet, tense scenes in the gorgeous flower shop. Of their kind no better moments have been seen on the screen. They literally throb with suspense and nervous apprehension.

Our friends and parishioners are particularly requested to come, St. Mary's Hall, Wednesday and Thursday, 30c. only.—Feb 20, 21.

Screen production of the Sign of the Rose Merits Superlative

Caustic Comment by New York Critic Reviewing Geo. Behan's Picture.

George Behan's "The Sign of the Rose" merits all the superlatives piled in an endeavor to excite interest in less deserving photoplays.

This is the caustic comment of a New York critic describing the special attraction at the Nickel Theatre beginning to-day. Equal commendation could scarcely be won by any but an extraordinary picture.

There is excellent reason for this. The production reflects the concentrated experience and artistry of the star, stage and screen veteran of the score of successes, and is magnifi-

The Queen's Messenger

TABLEAUX AND SKETCH FOR S. P. A.

"The entertainment held in the Casino last night in aid of the S.P.A. was very successfully produced, and was greatly enjoyed by the capacity audience. It was in two parts, the first consisting of a number of tableaux vivants picturing scenes in the early part of the 19th century. These were most realistically presented, and the elaborate costumes considerably enhanced the beauty of each scene.

Song and dances, excellently rendered, interspersed the tableaux. The second part of the entertainment was a chess act play entitled, "The Queen's Messenger." This was very ably presented by Mrs. H. O'Rourke and Mr. H. Randall. The entertainment will be repeated to-night when another large audience is expected to be present.

MINARD'S LINIMENT FOR HEAD-ACHE.

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Don't let the children miss the wonderful Musical Act at to-day's Matinee.

Minstrel Show at Crescent Big Success

WILL BE REPEATED TO-NIGHT WITH CHANGE OF PICTURES.

Last night's Minstrel Show at the Crescent Theatre was an unprecedented success. They crowded the theatre long before the programme started and many hundreds were obliged to go away unable to gain admittance. To give a descriptive synopsis of everything that took place would occupy considerable space in this paper, so we will say it all in a few words. The whole entertainment was worthy of high tribute for it was indeed a feast of merriment and melody.

The headlines were Dan Delmar and Charlie Wiseman, who held the huge audience in convulsions of laughter and were the recipients of many encores. Mr. Paddy Smith, Conversationalist is gifted with an originality which was for him a prolonged applause. Edward Peters and James Murphy as First Edition, and men were also good, whilst the Boni Brunnels of melodious Messrs. Raymond, Michaels, Neville and Day treated the house to a selection of choice Southern airs which found ready response. "Spike Hennessey's Ghost," formed the second part of the programme. This is a laughable farce comedy which answers the purpose for which it is intended, namely to bring the laughs. Dan Delmar deserves much praise for his composition "In Dear Old Newfoundland," and last night's audience clearly showed their appreciation.

Priscilla Dean in Drifting

IRISH CONCERT TO-MORROW NIGHT.

There is scarcely a movie patron in the city to-day who does not know of the dynamic actress, Priscilla Dean, and it is generally admitted she is in a class by herself. To-night at the popular Star she will be seen in a Universal Jewel production De Luxe entitled "Drifting," which is a picture best suited for this Star. It is a story of a human soul drifting to—and one which abounds with excitement from beginning to end.

As will be seen from the ad, the colored artists will give an Irish concert to-morrow night at which all the popular and well known Irish selections will be rendered. Those will include Mr. Foster singing "That Tumble Down Shack," Mr. Hawkes "Ma-ushla," and Mr. Zahrisle "Where the River Shannon Flows." As will also be seen from the ad, the well known William Duncan is booked for Friday night in a big production entitled "Playing Wild," and it goes without saying Duncan will surely deliver the goods. The management wishes to announce that Mr. Foster ("Charlie") will on Monday night sing his masterpiece, entitled "The Bells of the Lighthouse," and it is going to be something worth going miles to hear.

SUZANNE WON AGAIN.

NICE, France, Feb. 11.—Suzanne Lenglen gained her usual triumph in the Nice lawn tennis tournament, just concluded. The French star took the final in the women's singles from Mrs. Shepherd-Trower, of England, 6-4, 6-0. In the mixed doubles, Mme. Lenglen and H. Anschlimmer had a walk-over against Mrs. Satterwaite and J. M. Hilliard.

SOUTH AFRICAN SOCCER TEAM FOR ENGLAND.

BLOEMFONTEIN, South Africa, Feb. 11.—The South African Football Association has decided to send a soccer team of twenty players to tour England next season. The South African footballers will play twenty-four matches in England.

MONDT GOT 'KAYPED' STECHER.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 12.—Joe "Toots" Mondt, Colorado cowboy wrestler scored a knockout here over Joe Stecher, former heavyweight wrestling champion. It was not a boxing bout, however, and the referee awarded the decision to Stecher.

Mondt had won the first fall in one hour and 24 minutes with an arm lock and the men were grappling for a second fall when Stecher tried for a flying scissors hold after about 24 minutes of rough work and appeared to have struck Mondt low. Anxiously, Mondt swung one to the jaw and scored his opponent Stecher had to be carried to his corner. Referee Bates disqualified Mondt.

REFEREE LYNCHED IN ITALY.

Home Team Fans at Lugano Were Incited by His Ruling. London, Feb. 15.—A football referee

In the Realms of Sport

CUBIANA.

The Ladies' Curling Club competed for the Club Trophy at the Curling Rink yesterday morning, and after a keenly contested match, Mrs. F. V. O'Brien was the victor, with 22 points. Mrs. A. W. Kennedy followed a close second, scoring 21.

BANKERS' LEAGUE.

The Royal Bank of Canada and the Bank of Nova Scotia were the contesting teams in last night's game. The Royal's won by a score of four goals to two.

MERCANTILE LEAGUE.

A Harvey & Company's team defeated Jas. Baird L'd, last night by a score of 19 goals to 1. Harvey's team is a well balanced one and their team work and their combination was a feature of the game. Harvey's will no doubt have to be reckoned with, and at present they look like the likely champs of the Mercantiles.

THIS AFTERNOON'S GAME.

This afternoon will see the last game in the regular league series when the lovely Terra Novas meet the Feldians. Should the Terras upstage the dope—should we say—then it will mean another meeting between the Guards and Feldians—However, this is not the age of miracles and we don't look for anything like this happening. We understand that the Terras will use the same line-up as was used against the St. Bon's. The Feldians will be greatly strengthened by Tommy Winter, who will play centre.

AFTER 9 YEARS.

It's a long time between championships—at least in hockey circles at the Methodist College. It was in 1915 when "Tuffy" Stick was Captain, that the boys last had a look in at the silverware. Since then they have been trying to build up a strong team, but just as their chances looked bright, their players would leave school to play their part in business affairs of the Colony.

We heartily congratulate the lads on going through to the Championship without suffering a defeat.

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MINARD'S LINIMENT FOR COUGHS

Thrills of a Man Hunt

A NEWSPAPER CRIME SPECIALIST DESCRIBES HIS EXPERIENCES.

From the clock over the House of Commons the hour of two in the morning booms forth. Over the Thames lies a thick haze. It is a dreadful night. The damp, dank cold has pierced one's very vitals. The pilgrims of the night, the human derelicts, huddle closer together. I watch them and I think:

I think how I would like to go to my warm bed. I have visions of a hot bath. Before me there rises scenes of comfort. But until that big clock chimes two-fifteen I am a prisoner.

Within the sound of the washing waves some fifty miles away a murderer has been committed. A lovely woman lies dead, and it is suspected that she has been killed by her husband, who has disappeared as mysteriously as though the earth had opened and swallowed him up.

On the Suspect's Track.

He may be perfectly innocent. He may have some absolutely clinching answer to the dreadful charge which has been levelled against him. But he does not come forward. And so long as he remains in hiding the man hunt with all its attendant thrills must go on.

Every policeman in the country is armed with a full description of him. The drag net is out. From that big silent building on the Thames Embankment known as Scotland Yard wires are being "pulled."

Ports are being watched. Every railway station is under observation. Hotel and boarding-house proprietors have been warned by the police to be on the look-out for a man answering the description of the fugitive. It seems incredible that he can slip through the meshes of the net which has been spread for him. But in a case of this kind—no never knows.

The editor of the great daily newspaper to which I am attached as the crime expert has given me explicit instructions. I am to keep Scotland Yard under observation until two-fifteen every morning. That is the time the last edition of the paper goes to press.

A Reputation at Stake.

Suppose I grew tired of waiting—as, indeed, I did—and deserted my post at two-fifteen. Suppose that at two-ten the news came through to Scotland Yard that the fugitive was caught. And suppose, further, that some other paper had secured that vitally important item of news and I had missed it. Then—the fat would be in the fire.

My reputation as a journalistic crime investigator would be tarnished. My editorial controllers would point at me as the expert who had allowed himself to be "scooped." This is a thing they do not easily forget in the region of adventure known as Fleet Street.

So, as I say, I was a prisoner until two-fifteen every morning, when I had to send through to the office a brief telephone message consisting of the two words, "Nothing doing." But what I went through in order to send that "all clear" message no one knows but myself.

For eleven nights in succession I was on the same duty. My expenses bill shows that during that period I had seventy-nine telephone calls to various places, chartered twenty-three taxi-cabs, "tipped" eleven people for giving me information, and spent something like £10 in addition. Yet I did not write a single word for my newspaper after I left the office for my nightly vigil at a few minutes past six in the morning!

In a man hunt of this kind the glamour begins to wear off after midnight. The crime investigator pays periodical visits to the Yard and picks up the latest information—if any. But

"They almost melt in your Mouth."

said a visitor watching the baking of macaroons in the Brooklyn bakery of Drake Brothers, a few days ago. Said the head baker, "That is because all of the ingredients are well-mixed and every cake which is baked by these bakers who take pride in all of their work. Their eyes are awake to any possible imperfection



it is on his own ingenuity that he has to rely.

Following False Clues.

At a low estimate I should say that twenty people, during my eleven nights' vigil, told me definitely that they had seen Major Bailey. I investigated every clue, but they all ended in failure. And in following up these clues I estimate that, in the London area alone, I travelled a hundred miles.

I haunted coffee stalls. I went into various clubs of a dubious character. I encountered crooks of all nationalities who were very mysterious but not in the least helpful. I tried to get some line which would show me that the missing major was being sheltered by a woman. In short, I tried every dodge known to the newspaper crime investigator to get a "beat" on my rivals. It was no use.

But each night I still hoped. As each fore came up, as each biting blast gripped my marrow during those eleven nights, I still had visions that with the coming of the morning my "scoop" would be "splashed" on the leading pages of my journal.

Had I Blundered?

The fact that no such scoop appeared was not my fault. I could not be expected to locate a man whom the whole of the police force of the country had failed to trace.

I had in my pay a number of people who were to bring me the latest information to given spots at given times. One woman came to the coffee stall near Westminster Bridge and assured me that she had absolute evidence that the fugitive was at Croydon. So I went to Croydon.

My visit was futile. The man believed to be the fugitive was slightly like him, but beyond that the clue ended as so many others had done—in failure.

All the way on the journey back from Croydon to Westminster my mind was in a turmoil. Suppose that during my absence news had been received at Scotland Yard and I had missed it! I could scarcely bear the thought.

The End of the Vigil.

Reaching the familiar building I thrilled as I saw a man on an opposition paper hurrying away. The time was exactly two o'clock. In cases such as this minutes are precious. Had he got the news I so ardently craved?

If so—and it was close on press time—I had made a bad blunder by going to Croydon when my explicit instructions had been to take the responsibility for Scotland Yard and Scotland Yard alone, through which any official information would come.

With a beating heart I rushed up to the office on duty. There was nothing doing. My rival had been hurrying away to catch his train!

For that night my vigil was over, and thankfully I returned home to bed to dream of the thrills of a man hunt.

Produce and Provisions

(Trade Review)

Codfish—The exports for the week were 2,508 quintals codfish and 1,134 haddock, by the schr. Fax, from G. M. Barr (Barr), for Operto; 3,478 quintals by the schr. Freedom for Barbados from A. S. Rendell & Co.; 3,888 quintals by the Marion D. Conrad, for Pernambuco, from Job Bros. & Co. And there was shipped by the Dippy and Sachem, respectively, 2,530 quintals to Spain, 2,335 to England, 150 to other ports, with 360 for the West Indies and 22 for the United States. The Rosalind took 1,012 quintals to the West Indies and 1,156 quintals to the United States, while other shipments by these vessels were 932 barrels herring, 36 barrels salmon, 8 tons cod liver oil, 47 tons cod oil, and 417 cases lobsters. The Norwegian fishery shows a shortage of 1,000,000 as compared with last year.

Common Cod Oil—The price of fish oils in New England States were generally well maintained, as stocks of most products are small, but the situation lacks new features of importance. Former quotations are repeated, but consumers are not disposed to anticipate any large requirements.

Cod Liver Oil—Reports from Norway are that the market is very firm. There are a number of buyers but stocks are so low that sellers refuse to name prices until further reports of the fishery now in progress are received. The prospects for the new fishery in the Lofoden district seem good but weather has been very stormy.

Flour—Though there is no particular activity in the Flour Market, conditions are not altogether below par and each week sees some business doing, but of course nothing of any considerable magnitude is looked forward to before the opening of the Spring. The market has a very firm aspect at this writing and as the tendency in Western Milling Centres is for enhanced figures, owing to rather heavy foreign purchases of flour, the belief is now entertained that the local market will not witness a sharp advance in prices for flour in the near future. For some time past the importations of this article have been small, but this week a change was recorded in this respect, and increased consignments have been noted.

The imports for the week were 370 barrels by the Sabie I, from Halifax, and 3,930 barrels by the Rosalind from New York. The total of 4,300 barrels. The same prices as last week are quoted at this writing, viz; \$7.50 to \$8.10 per barrel wholesale.

Pork—Those who are interested in the provision trade say that all classes of goods retain a very firm tone, and that at the present time at least there is no indication that the prices now quoted in the local market will be any lower for some time to come.

Pork, however, seemed to be the one exception during the week and a sudden decline in the market was the record. In the case of certain grades this amounted to from 75c. to \$1.00 per barrel, but according to the views of people who specialize in this class of goods the slump will not endure, but will be merely temporary, and figures will revert to the former ruling or may soon show a further advance. The stocks carried by the packing concerns, we are advised, are not particularly heavy, and the break in prices dealers say is not of a nature calculated to endure for long. There is some business doing right along, though not of any particularly large volume, and imports are expected to be large. During the week the pork receipts were 320 barrels by the S.S. Rosalind from New York. The quotations in the local market, wholesale, are: Hams, \$32.00 per barrel; fat back, \$30.50; S. C. clear, \$30.50; family back, \$30.00; regular plate, \$29.50; bacon pork, \$28.00; ham butt, \$28.50; spare ribs, \$24.75.

Tea—As we stated last week, this market has a very strong tone, and the signs are that prices will advance considerably between now and the mid-spring months. As a matter of fact conditions in the market during the past week were of such a character that this commodity advanced by 2 cents per lb. over the previous week and the end is not yet. Some signs of the revival in activity in the market and considerable quantities of goods have been changing hands of late. With the opening of spring the stocks of tea now held in the city will be considerably augmented by shipments from the Old Country, and the United States. During the week the consignments received here were 15,000 pounds from Halifax by S. S. Sabie I, 22,500 pounds by S.S. Sachem from England, and 1,250 pounds by S.S. Rosalind from New York—a total of 48,750 pounds. The price at present obtaining in the local market varies from 34 to 50, 60, 75, and 80 cents, according to quality.

Sugar—The sugar market which for some time had been fluctuated somewhat and inclined to an easier tendency, changed very suddenly during the past week or ten days. It is now strong and the price of the different grades is considerably higher. There is considerable demand noticeable for this class of goods and the idea entertained by most dealers is sugar is that the present advance is but the herald of further advances in the future. Consignments of sugar are being received in the local market re-

gularly, and the imports for the past week were 1,575 barrels by the S.S. Rosalind from New York. The prices quoted here are—granulated in barrels, \$9.75 wholesale; granulated (sacks of 100 lbs.) \$9.75; brown sugar in sacks, \$9.40.

Miscellaneous—Among the miscellaneous imports for the week were 275 cwt. butter, 1,275 boxes soap, 2-400 packages currants, 50 cases kerosene oil, 2,800 bags meal, 60 barrels coal tar, and 525 rolls roofing felt.

Though trade is so slack the prices quoted all the winter still hold good, viz; \$36.00 per ton. As regards oak, a good trade is now in evidence, the market being very active for all classes of goods, though no advance has been noticed in the prices of the various classes of goods. The figures ruling during the week were P.E.I. black, \$3.85 per sack; white \$3.45; white 2 feed, \$3.35; mixed, \$3.20; corn, \$3.10; crushed corn, \$3.25; yellow feed meal, \$3.00; white corn, mixed, \$2.30.

Tired Nervous Mothers

are the direct cause of much unhappiness in our homes; their condition irritates and wears upon the husband and often ruins a child's disposition. This condition of the mother is often due to some weakness which makes her entirely unfit to perform her household duties and bear the strain upon her nerves that governing children involves. Every woman who finds herself in this condition should remember that statistics prove that 33 out of every 100 women who suffer from female ills are helped by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and lose no time in giving it a fair trial.

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Leaving a surplus over all liabilities and contingency funds of	\$17,872,000
(An increase for the year of \$2,603,000)	
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New paid assurances issued during the year totalled ...	\$107,391,000
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The 318,443 ordinary policies of the Company protect homes and businesses at home and abroad, while in addition 22,731 commercial and industrial employees are protected under Sun Life group assurance policies. Dividends to policyholders again materially increased.

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Slow Going

Editor Evening Telegram
Dear Sir—I have read in the local papers from time to time that the Minister of Posts and Telegraphs has been trying to make some improvements in our Postal Department so as to bring it up to date if possible, and I believe he has succeeded to a certain extent. I can assure him, however, there is still room for further improvements, when I state that it has taken from Dec. 18th, 1923, to the 8th February, 1924, for a letter to reach its destination, about 63 miles away. If that is not quick dispatch, I don't know what to call it. Just imagine, two months from St. John's to Bay Roberts. I think it is high time for the Honorable Gentleman to get after the dribbles in that locality so as to make them get a gate on and try to serve the public in a better manner in the future, and at the same time to give the parties responsible to understand that they are the servants of the public and are paid by the public. By inserting the above in your valuable paper, you will greatly oblige.

Yours respectfully,
QUICK DISPATCH
St. John's, Nfld., Feb. 18th 1924.

Distribution of Relief

Editor Evening Telegram.
Dear Sir—The rock hauling at the West End rock shed seems to me to be for the rich man and not the poor, because they can get rock for \$1.00 per ton loaded at the shed and still they are being just three times that amount. There are 25 men at the quarry at \$2.00 per day, and they are

Island Bought

Ten Stick Island, mentioned recently in a despatch from the New Herald, got its name in a "quarry" of considerable height, though only a few hundred yards in circumference. It used to be a favourite mark for men-of-war engaged in target practice while stationed in the group, so that it seemed in danger of being gradually shot away.

The chief who owned it protested, and claimed compensation. The captain of the patrol ship to whom the claim was presented promptly bought the island for the British Crown, paying ten sticks of tobacco for it, and the chief went on his way rejoicing.

With Tobacco

All parishioners are asked to support us at St. Mary's Hall, Wednesday and Thursday, 30c. only.—Feb. 21.

Snow Fences

Editor Evening Telegram.
Dear Sir—In response to a petition to the Council from the residents of LeMarchant Road a snow fence was placed across Buckmaster's Field, which very satisfactory results. Every other winter during January month this road would be blocked with snow, which often reached to the telephone wires, caused chiefly by the ground drift from the big open field to the North. To-day in spite of several big storms the road is open and quite passable to Fire Department, etc. As a result of this year's experience the fence should be about three feet higher as the present fence is nearly covered, and the fence should be extended East from Mr. Ball's residence and West from the Rectory to Mandy Pond Road. This would handle the large accumulation which is now near St. Clare's Hospital. The residents as well as the thousands of people who use LeMarchant Road are deeply indebted to the Council for this progressive move in the interests of the city.

Yours truly,
CITIZEN.
Feb. 16, 1924.

DOMES DEVELOPMENT.

Toronto, Feb. 11.—The ore body cut on the 1,690 foot level of Dome Mines by diamond drill several weeks ago has been opened for 100 feet and is twenty feet wide. Development on twelfth level also are showing well. Ore sent to mill for treatment is to be increased to 1,700 tons a day this spring.

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Cancer Cure Charges

...a Woman's Cry of Pain—
Story of Horse Ointment for Humans.

...establishing pain and disfigurement endured by a variety of people, who imagined they were undergoing "cancer" for cancer, were described by the magistrate at Doncaster in the prosecution of David Williams, Upton-street. He was charged with causing grievous bodily harm to Mrs. Alice Fairham, of Tinckley-street, Bentley, and also with obtaining £11 from Mrs. Fairham by false pretences. In the county court recently Mrs. Fairham was awarded £100 for damages alleged to have been caused by defendant's treatment for cancer. Mr. R. P. Fashley, the Public Prosecutor, mentioned apart from the present charges further ones of inflicting grievous bodily harm would be preferred in respect of other people, and there would also be additional cases of obtaining money by false pretences. In four instances the individuals had been prisoners at one time was a coal miner. He then became a farm-labourer, and next a carter with his own horse. In 1916 he became a baker, and three years later commenced a "cancer cure" as his only source of employment. In a circuit which he had printed he guaranteed a cure without operation. His treatment, he claimed, destroyed the "poison and fangs" spread over the system, and the circular concluded, "No cure, no pay." Another circular described Williams as the "servant of the most high God" and referred to the "blessing God had bestowed upon him more than upon mankind." He commenced to experiment on human beings, and the cruelty he inflicted was terrible, continued Mr. Fashley. He had no system. His object, apparently, was personal gain, and to obtain as much money as he could out of his victims. He had no knowledge of cancer at all, and, unfortunately for his victims, he had a very thorough knowledge of the treatment of horses. Books on veterinary work belonging to him were found when he was arrested. Various ointments and pastes which he used had been analyzed, and a veterinary surgeon asserted that all the substances used were employed only as external applications in the treatment of animals. As a result of the corrosive employed, prisoner's patients had suffered from sores, swellings, eruptions and loss of blood. In some cases lumps of flesh had been taken away, and the other details were too horrible to mention. Mrs. Fairham was 56, and for a considerable number of years had been treated by a competent doctor for a singular tumor of the breast, which was not cancer. Thinking that she was suffering from cancer, she got into touch with prisoner, whom she agreed to pay £2 a week. One lotion Williams applied was "so powerful" that the woman's mouth had to be sealed. She suffered great pain from blisters. Then accused applied a wretched green ointment, which further aggravated the complaint. There was a powerful caustic, consisting of lead oxide and copper sulphate, which was known as "blue vitriol." As a result of prisoner's treatment, Mrs. Fairham's condition was rendered malignant, and at present she is confined to the development of cancer. Mr. Fashley described the experience of prisoner's other patients. One man, he stated, was nearly mad owing to Williams' treatment. This was Mr. James Baddiley, to whom accused gave a small bottle, the contents of which were "worth £d. a drop," and this contained his secret. He cut up two figs, poured the so-called secret over them, and instructed the patient to eat the figs when at bed. Williams once wrote: "The Lord has given me power to cure cancer." He told one man suffering from cancer on the tongue that he would cure him completely in six weeks, the fee being £2 a week. To make him give some brandy, and to put drops of what he called the secret cure. A youth named Hutchings, who was treated by prisoner, stated that prisoner's treatment had arrested the complaint in any case. The politician used by Williams was composed of linseed, lead, sulphate of copper, and extract of lead. He got £18 for the treatment of the boy, and in another case £2 was obtained. A miner was treated, and the union subscribed £19 towards the cost. Williams applied lotion for cancer on the tongue, and four holes were in the man's neck. Details of other cases were given, and in reply to the chairman, Mr. Fashley remarked that in regard to one case he did not say prisoner's treatment caused death. Mrs. Fairham gave evidence stating that she asked for her money back but could not get it. She was worse now than before Williams' treatment.

Open for Business

The "Fifth Avenue" Store

formerly the western store of The English-American Clothing Co.—having been enlarged and thoroughly renovated throughout, will OPEN FOR BUSINESS ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23rd, under an entirely new and up-to-date management.

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The Eel's Wonderful Homing Instinct

The wonderful homing instinct and the remarkable passage by land and sea of the eel was discussed at the British Association. Dr. J. Schmidt explained to the Zoological Section that "the breeding ground of the eel had at last been definitely located at a spot in the Atlantic northeast of the West Indies. From this breeding ground eels migrated at the age of three years, and following a northeasterly course, arrived ultimately at the coasts of Great Britain. The impulse forcing them to set out on this journey was apparently the search for fresh water, and there seemed to be no limit to the efforts the young eel would make in his endeavor to reach it. In illustrating this point the lecturer exhibited slides of young eels unable to ascend waterfalls, wriggling a tortuous path over rocky ground, and in some cases crossing fields. "It was, he said, remarkable that fish hatched in deep salt water in the Tropics should undertake so great a journey to a colder climate. After a sojourn of about twelve years in British waters the eel was impelled by some mysterious force in Nature to return to his place of origin, and, reaching there, soon after reproducing the species, died."

Another glimpse of this wonderful chapter in natural history is given by a correspondent of the Observer, who says:—"The male eel does not proceed upstream beyond the limits of tidal waters. In those he may remain from five to six years before attaining sexual maturity, and a total length of not over twenty inches, when he takes to the sea once more. "The female persists in her journey upstream, wriggling through minute interstices, or climbing the rough and weed-crown surface of lock-gates, until she ultimately reaches some suitable fresh-water pool, or gentle stream or deep ditch, in which she remains for from five to twenty years—burying herself in the mud in hard winter weather. When sexually mature she may be from two to three feet in length, and at this time, the head (like that of the male, under similar circumstances) becomes longer—owing to a forward growth of the jaws—and the neck thinner; while the eyes acquire a greater brilliance and an enormous size. By river and estuary she makes her way down to the sea—meeting there from four to six successive husbands, and devouring each of them after mating—and swims straight to the immemorial spawning ground at the bottom of the Atlantic, which occupies a comparatively small area—between 22 and 30 degrees N. and 48 of 60 degrees W.—thus trenching on the eastern border of the Sargasso Sea. "Here she swims straight down to the bottom of the ocean—in this region presenting a deep depression, where the water is still and free from currents—one of the advantageous which doubtless led to the selection of this locality for the safe deposition of the small and delicate ova. Here she lays her eggs and dies; and here, in absolute darkness, (for sunlight penetrates to but a small fraction of its depth) in an abysmal strata, the eggs are hatched."

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Bogus Telegram to a Bishop

On a charge of aiding, abetting, and counselling Miss Alice Mary Winstone to utter a forged telegram purporting to be written by the then Prime Minister (Mr. Stanley Baldwin) to the Bishop of Sodor and Man; Walter James Kerran, an honorary curate of St. Matthew's Church, Douglas, Isle of Man, was at Liverpool Police Court fined £10 and 15 shillings costs. A charge against Miss Winstone was withdrawn. Mr. Howard Roberts, who prosecuted, said the telegram, drafted while Mr. Kerran and Miss Winstone were crossing by steamer from the Isle of Man to Liverpool on December 29, read:—"Denton Thompson, Bishop of the Isle of Man.—Meet me Adelphi three to-morrow afternoon. Most important.—Baldwin. On receiving the telegram the Bishop postponed an engagement to move a Church Enabling Bill in the Upper Legislative Chamber of the Isle of Man and went to Liverpool. There he found that the telegram was a hoax. On December 26 Mr. Kerran made a statement to the Chief Constable of the Isle of Man, in which he said that the telegram was sent as a joke, adding: "I decided to come and see the Chief Constable after the passing of the Enabling Bill on December 8 as I had heard there was a lot of fuss about it. I swear I never gave the Enabling Bill a thought when I wrote the telegram. Mr. Chappell, defending Mr. Kerran, a middle-aged man who pleaded guilty, called Mr. Mark Karine, formerly a member of the House of Keys, who said that for the last five years Mr. Kerran had acted as an unpaid voluntary curate at St. Matthew's Church, Douglas, and had been an efficient worker. He was inclined to take a humorous view of things and to indulge in jokes. Mr. Chappell said the young woman who was put in Mr. Kerran's charge was distressed with seasickness, and in order to divert her he attempted to joke. It was in the minds of some people that the labours of the House of Keys were to be rewarded by a translation to a see in England, and that the bishop would bear such translation with equanimity, and Mr. Kerran thought the sending of a telegram might be an amusing "leg pull." Counsel for Miss Winstone said she was formerly employed at a hotel in Douglas and was not assistant manageress of a cafe in England. She did not remember Mr. Kerran referring to the bishop, but gathered from his manner that he was playing a joke on someone. "I think the reason for sending the telegram given by Mr. Kerran's counsel makes the joke a singularly offensive one," commented the stipendiary.—London Daily Mail, Jan. 25.

The very latest of fur collars, ties with a huge ribbon bow and streamers, being a revival of a quaint old fashion.

The Auctioneer—a Parable of Saged the Sage

"I passed a Jewelry Store, where a Red Flag was hung. And I stepped within. And the crowd was not large, nor was it very active, but the Stock was moving. For one man bought a Watch for seven-eighths five, and another bought a Tea set for twenty-three-sixths five. And most men went out bearing something that they had purchased. "And as I stepped out, the Auctioneer came out also, and another took his place. And it chanced that we walked together. And I saluted him, and said, I would have speech with thee. "And he said, I am running out for an Early Lunch, for I must get back for the Crowd that cometh at the Noon Hour. Come with me. I pray thee, into this place appointed for those who eat, and let us have a Sandwich together. "And I accepted his invitation. "And I said, I am interested in the way thou doest thy stunt. "And he said, Mine is an interesting Business. My name and my face are familiar to all who are in the Auction Game, for I advertise in the Trade Papers, and I am the Best Known Auctioneer in the United States. "And I think that he was not lying to me. "And I said, Talk shop unto me, I pray thee. "And he said, The whole secret of the Auction Business is to sell things to people who have had no idea that they wanted them and to make them glad they did it. Thou'st sawest a man buy a Watch, and he had a good watch already. Thou'st sawest another buy a Silver Tea set, and behold, his wife hath more dishes than she knoweth what to do with. There be few men who enter Auction Rooms with intent to bid. It is my business to sell goods unto them. "And I said, Dost thou sell Jewelry only? "And he said, Jewelry and Art almost wholly. I sometimes sell Books in Sets, but if so, I cause a Clerk, and usually a bright girl, to be seated behind the counter, and to give me as I take up each set a few words about the Author, and with the First Volume open at a good passage to read aloud. And I read distinctly, and I am careful most of all never to mispronounce a name, but to speak it with distinction and familiarity and respect. Thou knowest of the woman who liked to hear the blessed word Mesopotamia; even so, the distinct articulation of the names, Werdsworth, or Goethe, or Chalybe, doth go far toward the sale of a set of Books. But I am not literary, and have had little schooling, therefore do I specialise in Jewelry and Art, for I know that field. "Behold, the curse of the Jewelry Business and the blessing of the Auctioneer is that the Jeweler buyeth a dozen articles of a kind and selleth seven or eight before that style changeth, and his profits are tied up in dead stock which runneth fast into money. And his reputation in the community is his best asset. And he seeketh for me to help him out and I suggest a Remodeling Sale. So he buyeth some new Wall Paper for his Remodeling Sale, and I sell his Old Stock, and mix in enough of my New to keep it going. And many a Jeweler do I save from the Sheriff, and the goods are as good as those, that he hath kept in stock. But I could never run a sale on the demand of those who come with intent to buy. "And I said, My business is like unto thine, for I must deliver goods unto those who have not come to buy; even as the prophet said, I am found of them that sought not after me. So must those who come to scoff remain to pray. "And he said, If I were not an Auctioneer, I should like to be a Preacher. Think of the chance a man dot have at a lot of folk, who come with no idea of Getting Religion, and of surprising them into taking home a fine assorted lot of Christian Virtues. For verily, the Preacher hath the goods. "And he said, Every Theological Seminary ought to require of every Student that he shall serve for a year as an Auctioneer, and they should ordain no man who cannot deliver Religion unto them who had no intention of getting it, and who are tickled to death over their Bargain. For thou sellest Good Stuff, and so do I. "And I meditated long on the words of the Auctioneer, O The Christian Century.

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NOTICE—A Special Meeting of the Juvenile T.A. & B. Society will be held on Thursday evening, 21st inst., at 7.30 o'clock. Free tickets for the Annual Entertainment will be distributed. A large attendance is requested. By order, JOHN P. KELLY, Secretary.

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"Still, there lived something of a slave-like subject in us, and, therefore, fate has laid upon us the lot of slaves." That is in one quotation the quintessence of the memoirs of Count Zedlitz-Trutzscher, formerly Marshal of the Court of the last German Emperor ("Twelve Years at the Imperial Court"). This book, which contains all that Von Zedlitz experienced in his long years' acquaintance with William II. and his coterie, completes and gives the finishing touches to the picture of the modern Byzantine Court of Berlin, painted in vivid colours by such men as Bismarck (in the third volume of his memoirs), Prince Philipp Eulenburg, in his reminiscences, Field-Marshal Waldersee, General Count Moltke, the incapable Chief of Staff at the outbreak of the war, and others of the "friends of the fallen monarch." It contains, as the writer says himself, monologues and jotted-down notes of the thoughts that he could not dare to utter, and opinions which put him in the wrong with his surroundings, and made him feel lonely at court.

"Seldom has a reigning prince been kept so completely in ignorance about the truth as William II., and seldom has a dethroned monarch been told the truth so thoroughly as the master of Doorn Castle," says Dr. Ernst Feder in a leading article in the Berliner Tageblatt, about this sensational revelation. One has the impression that it is not a scandal-

Supreme Court.

TRIAL OF JESSE WINSOR CONTINUES.

(Yesterday afternoon proceedings.)

The trial of Capt. Jesse Winsor charged with riot and rescue was resumed at 2.30 p.m. yesterday, when the evidence of Constables P. Wade, A. Morgan, Seaward and M. Cahill was taken, which closed the case for the Crown. Before Mr. Morine, K.C., called the first witness for the defence, he put forth the plea that the accused could not be tried on the indictment of "rescue" unless the rescued men had been first convicted by a proper court. The trial was not a legal one, therefore there was no trial. A lengthy argument arose over the law points raised, following which the Chief Justice retired to his chamber to consider the matter. About half an hour later he returned into court and informed counsel that the charge of rescue would be stricken out, but that the other charges be proceeded with.

Mr. Bradley opened the case for the defence and called as his first witness, Cornelius Wall and Joshua Winsor, were called and examined by Mr. Morine and cross-examined by Mr. McNelly, after which the Court adjourned until this morning.

St. Michael's Flok

HELD ENJOYABLE ENTERTAINMENT.

A pleasing entertainment was held last night in St. Michael's and All Angels Lecture Hall, to an appreciative audience. The first part of the programme consisted of songs and instrumental solos, all of which were rendered in a most delightful manner. A playlet "Mistaken Identity," followed, the St. Michael's troupe forming the cast, played their respective parts to perfection. Before the close, the Pastor, Rev. J. Nicholls, gave an illustrated lecture on London, in which many slides were screened, showing the principal churches and buildings of that city. The lecture proved both entertaining and instructive. The affair was a decided success and terminated with singing the National Anthem.

Wesley Debate

VERDICT FOR NEGATIVE.

A record attendance was present at Wesley Young Men's Literary Class last night when the following resolution was debated:

"Resolved that a bounty on fish caught in Newfoundland would be to the best interests of the country." The set speakers were Messrs. E. Bursey and A. E. Hayward for the affirmative and M. Roberts and A. N. Holmes for the negative.

The affirmative maintained that the fishery is the backbone of this country and should be encouraged by giving a bounty on fish. The giving of a bounty would encourage a better class of our men and raise the standard. The affirmative further contended that if this country is in its present condition of depression a greater interest must be taken in the fishermen and movements put forward to encourage them in their occupation. A bounty on fish would be the means of keeping a great many of our young men from emigrating to foreign lands.

The negative contended that a bounty on fish would not be a financial boon to the country. If the Government was to pay this bounty it would mean that the people would have to be taxed still heavier to meet the additional expenditure. The negative further pointed out that no country would pay a bounty on a major industry. The class was also honored by the presence of Captain Abram Kean. The Captain when called upon to speak was given a hearty welcome and delivered a splendid address on the subject. When the vote was taken it was found that the negative had won by a fair majority.—B.S.

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Leap-Year Customs

There will be twenty-nine days in February this year, for 1924 is a leap year. A leap year is one whose number in the Christian era can be divided by four—without remainder, century years—1900, and so on—being excepted.

The necessity for leap years lies in the fact that the solar year consists of 365 days 5 hours 48 minutes, and therefore periodic readjustment is necessary.

The most famous custom associated with leap year is the one which gives women the privilege of proposing on every 29th of February.

This privilege is legendarily said to have been coined out of St. Patrick by St. Bridget. In more recent times the right has, apparently, been extended to cover the whole year.

Though it is woman's privilege to propose during leap year, there is a certain etiquette to be observed. According to one old authority, should the man to whom she offers her hand decline it she may claim from him a silk dress, but only if at the time of proposing she is wearing a scarlet petticoat and shows it to him.

According to a seventeenth-century writer, when a woman exercises her leap-year privilege "no man will be entitled to the benefit of clergy who doth in any wise treat her proposal with slight or contumely."

In parts of New England there lingers a curious superstition that in leap year beans grow on the wrong side of the pod.

Don't forget the St. Mary's Y.M.C.A. to-night and to-morrow night—Feb. 21.

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British Empire Exhibition Committee

With the shipment by the Digby a large quantity of the bulk of the exhibits for Newfoundland, most of the exhibits to be done has been completed. Every endeavour has been made by the Executive Committee and the various Sub-Committees to economize to the utmost, and, making due allowance for maintenance and running expenses of the Newfoundland exhibition in London, it is felt that the Government Grant of \$50,000 will not be exceeded.

The Digby 126 cases were shipped covering about 700 individual exhibits.

Some cases contain specimens of the various sea-birds, fresh water birds, mammals and other birds which may be found in the country.

Other exhibits are Caribou, Caribou Heads, Beavers, Muskkrats, etc. A magnificent specimen of a salmon has also been secured and sent.

It is hoped that these exhibits of fish, etc., will interest Tourists and Sportsmen in particular, as well as the general public, and that they will be very popular.

Over two dozen framed photographs have been sent over which show very clearly, various parts of the coast and inland scenery.

Under the Mining Industries Exhibit, 114 samples have been sent over, representing 78 different mineral properties in the country. The mineral specimens are Copper Ores, Lead and Silver Ores, Pyrites, Magnetite and Gold Quartz, Chromite and Manganese Ore, and Iron Ores, as well as such non-metallics as asbestos, lime-stone, granite, slate, building and ornamental stones, and shale. Data is being prepared in connection with the mineral exhibit for the information of possible investors showing where these ores are being worked, and where it is thought to be in workable quantities.

Part of the exhibits under the heading of Fishing Industries have been prepared, covering old and young haddock of different varieties, seal skins, black and tan seal skin boots, a pair of jaw bones of a sperm whale, together with the teeth, and some samples of whale oil are included under this heading. A complete set of Liver Oil Plant together with specimens of non-freezing cod liver oil has gone forward from the firm of W. A. Munn.

The balance of the exhibit under this heading will cover fresh haddock, boneless codfish, flaked codfish, and other preserved fish specimens, as well as herring, squid, and smelts and also further samples of oil, and salt dried fish will be sent over at a later date.

An interesting part of the exhibit will be the vegetables and wild and garden fruits. These have been put up in attractive and uniform jars, and will show that agriculture can be carried on in this country, although perhaps to a limited extent.

When a shipment has gone forward under the heading of timber industries. Some time ago some 40 cases of pulp wood and paper were sent over from Grand Falls through the generosity of the Anglo-Nfld. Dev. Co. This Company is also preparing small models of pulp making machinery. These will be so constructed and arranged, as to give a good idea of the chemical and mechanical processes of preparing pulp from wood ready for manufacture into paper.

In addition to this, the Sub-Committees have collected specimens of timber from various parts of the country, principally the Bay of St. George's, Red Bank, Lake and St. George's District. Specimens of pit-props from various districts have also been sent forward.

Another interesting exhibit under the heading of manufacture, is that sent forward by the Riverside Woollen Mills. This covers wool blankets of different colours and weights, as well as a number of heads of yarns and some samples of homespun and mackinaw cloth, rugs, coats and socks.

Two cases of articles manufactured under the auspices of the Grenfell Association have been sent, consisting of mats, skin boots and slippers, ivory carvings, basket work and samples of woollen goods.

But the next shipment, a number of interesting curios from the Museum of Esquimaux and Beothic origin will be sent forward. Although these articles will not interest the investor, they will undoubtedly create enquiries, and bring forth information about the country and will serve their purpose in that respect as an advertising medium.

The Executive Committee has been advised that other exhibits are being prepared by the following firms: Messrs. Gaden's Aerated Water Co., Standard Mfg. Co., Imperial Tobacco Co., Colonial Cordage Co., St. John's Mill Mfg. Co., United Can Co., Thompson Leather Co., Archibald Boot & Shoe Co.

A case of bricks manufactured by C. & M. Pelley, of George's Brook, Trinity Bay, has been received.

It can thus be seen that our manufacturing industries are fairly well covered, although it would not be too late, even now, for others to decide to prepare an exhibit.

A special sub-committee is preparing data on the potential water powers of the country. This information will show particulars of water powers that are at present being used, and those not yet developed.

Another committee is collecting particulars for a general pamphlet for distribution to visitors to the Newfoundland Pavilion. It is intended that this pamphlet will be illustrated, and of the size of a Folder that can be easily put in the pocket.

The information contained in this pamphlet will be interesting and concise, and will thus tempt the owner of one to make himself acquainted with the contents.

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 That gladsome, glorious racket when the motor starts to go!

How sweet it is to hear it when arms and back are sore,
 And you have turned that pesky crank till you can turn no more,
 When you have choked and primed it and almost in despair,
 Have made up your mind to travel and leave it standing there.

When vain seemed all endeavor and everything you know,
 How lovely is that music when the bus decides to go!

You've tried with steaming kettle to warm its frozen throat,
 You've grunted long and sweated to earn that glorious note,
 You've counted precious minutes flying past you as you stood
 And wondered if you primed once more and cranked—perhaps it would.

And then a cough of gladness that brings an end to woe—
 Oh, sputter of enchantment, that motor starts to go!

Apollo never heard it nor all the muses divine,
 That glorious note of rapture which earns this song of mine;
 Only my anguished brothers who own garages cold,
 And suffer wintry mornings their tortures manifold,
 Can understand the rapture that sets the face aglow
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Household Notes.

It is an excellent idea to have a slate or a memorandum pad hanging in a convenient place in the kitchen or pantry.

After removing grilled sweet potatoes from the broiler, dip them in melted butter and sprinkle with salt and pepper.

It is best to serve a rather tart flavored sauce with a heavy steamed pudding. Lemon or currant jelly sauce are good selections.

If you wish only a slight onion flavor to your food, place a few finely chopped bits of it in an aluminum tea ball and cook with the food.

To one cupful of mashed sweet potato add four tablespoonfuls of milk, a pinch of salt and two well beaten eggs. Cook as the usual omelet mixture.

If the cover of a large tin bucket is flattened out and a hole cut near one edge, into which a lifter will fit, it makes an excellent stove lid that will heat very quickly and yet protect utensils from soot.

To one cupful of mashed potato add one-half cupful of coconut, one-half cupful of sugar, one tablespoonful of melted butter, the beaten yolks of 2 eggs, one beaten white, one cupful of milk and flavoring. Bake into a pastry crust and top with a meringue.

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Obituary.

ISAAC H. ANGEL.
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Yesterday morning Superintendent H. A. Saunders, of the Anglo-American Telegraph Co., received a message from Mr. Trainfield, stating that Mr. Isaac H. Angel had passed away at Sydney. Mr. Angel was one of the pioneer cable operators, and came to Newfoundland, after the successful laying of the Atlantic Cable by the "Great Eastern," between Valentia, Ireland and Heart's Content, Nfld., on the 27th July, 1866. Of all his contemporaries of the early days of the Atlantic-Cable, only one now remains alive, viz: Mr. Bellingham, who was retired some years ago, at present residing in England, like the deceased gentleman, has attained the age of an octogenarian. Mr. Angel had as his co-workers in the early days, when the primitive "mirror" was the instrument in use, such expert operators and inventors as Lindy, Weedon, Perry, Trippe, Bartlett, Daloume, James, Bellamy, Hin and Courtzen, Nevitt, Woodcock, Charlton, Dickinson and others. For many years Mr. Angel was one of the expert operators in Heart's Content, and was retired on a pension in 1894. Shortly after he removed to Sydney, Cape Breton, where he again took up his calling, and continued there until the end. Not alone was "The" an expert cable operator, but few men in this country were possessed of such manual, vocal and instrumental talent, and this was always put into effect by his organizing concerts for church and charitable purposes. For several years he was organist in the Church of England choir at Heart's Content, and indeed he proved that he could manipulate the keys of the instrument, as well as the keys of the Atlantic Cable. As I knew him, and I worked with him, he possessed the stamp which cannot be forged of a gentleman, gracious and easy in deportment, courteous and winning in manners, thereby he found his way without any effort, to every heart. When engaged in the concerts he gave an exhibition of his brilliant talents, strong emotional ability, and distinct articulation. The famous musician, the late Professor D. A. Flynn, often told me that Mr. Angel was certainly one of the most accomplished musicians he knew—particularly on the organ and piano. His passing has severed a link in connection with telegraphy in this and other countries, because he had practical experience in the evolution of the telegraph system from the early days of 1866, covering a period when we had only one "string" between Ireland and Newfoundland to the present day; and now telegraph communication is established and successfully worked to almost every civilized country in the world. Now that he has gone (in his 82nd year), the Anglo-American and Western Union Telegraph Companies, as well as all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance, will review with grateful appreciation his long and faithful services. He fought the good fight—and may he rest in peace.

The Prince of Wales' Visit to South Africa

London, Feb.—(Can. Press.)—The Prince of Wales' proposed visit to South Africa this summer is a subject of considerable interest, not only because of the long journey and the new experiences involved in the tour but by reason of the fact that it will bring his Royal Highness' series of visits to the Overseas Dominions to a conclusion. With the completion of the South African visit the Prince of Wales will have seen infinitely more of the British Empire and its resources than any other member of the Royal Family, though his father, King George, was accounted a great traveller before he came to the Throne.

It has now been settled that the Prince of Wales shall sail from Southampton for South Africa on the afternoon of Friday, May 2. Among those who will accompany him are Vice-Admiral Sir Lionel Halsey, Comptroller and Treasurer; Sir Godfrey Thomas, Private Secretary and either the Hon. Piers Leigh or Lieut. the Hon. Bruce Ogilvy, Esquerry. The Prince will travel direct to Cape Town, where he will be officially welcomed by the Earl of Athlone, Governor-General of South Africa, and General Smuts, Premier of South Africa. One of the first engagements of the Prince will be to inspect the military garrison of South Africa. Arrangements are being made for his Royal Highness to visit the whole of the important cities and towns in Cape Colony, the Orange River colony, the Transvaal, Natal, and Southern Rhodesia. While a large number of public engagements are contemplated, due care is to be taken to intersperse these with opportunities for sport and for purely social engagements.

There is talk of an expedition after big game in the vicinity of the Zambesi and Limpopo rivers, and something of this description is certain to be included, should the time prove sufficient. The Prince has intimated however, that he cannot devote more than three months in this tour, owing to his engagements at home later in the year.

While he is in Rhodesia his Royal Highness will pay a visit to the graves of Cecil Rhodes and Sir Leander Starr Jameson in the heart of the Matoppo Hills. Other plans for his Royal Highness include the descent of one of the deep level gold mines in the neighborhood of Johannesburg, and a visit to the great diamond mines of Kimberley, while he will likewise visit the principal battlefields of the South African War.

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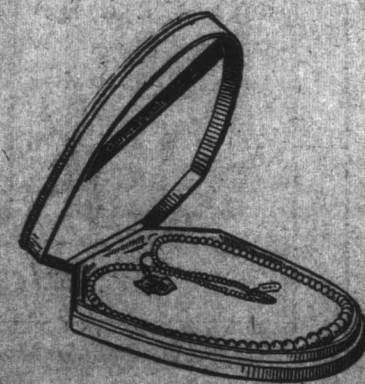
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