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DIED.

On Sunday, Nov. 22nd, after
a long illness, Simon Mercer,
aged 72 years. Left to mourn
are a widow, one son, two sis-
ters, Miss Mary Mercer and Mrs.
J. Hutchings, both residing at
Halifax, N.S., also six grand-
children. Funeral took place on
Tuesday, Nov. 24th, to the C. of
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JAS. G. BAGGS.

ITEMS OF NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. Chesley Hann, of
Grand Falls, arrived here last
week on a visit to friends.

Mrs. John Moore and Capt.
Phinney were in Carbonear on
a brief visit during the week.

The schooner Exotic, owned
by Messrs. J. & H. Morgan, went
to Cupids during the week with
a load of coal from the Avalon
Coal Company.

Mr. Roy B. McLeod, left here
by Tuesday evening's train for
St. John's to go by the S. S.
Hethpool to Sydney, N.S., where
he will spend the winter with
relatives.

C. L. B. Notes.

Headquarters, St. John's, are
glad to note the enterprise of H.
Co. Bay Roberts, in broadcast-
ing their news through the col-
umns of the Bay Roberts
Guardian. Congratulations
friend "J". Carry on. All ranks
are glad to read your reports.

Story of the Brigade.

The C. L. B. was founded by
Lt.-Col. Gee in London on St.
Martin's Day, Nov. 11, 1891. The
1st Nfld. Regiment was organ-
ized in St. John's, Nfld., by Har-
old Blackler, who afterwards be-
came Sergeant of his Company,
and bore as Regimental number
No. 1. The late Rt. Rev. Bishop
Jones was the influence that
made the brigade go. The first
Chaplain was Rev. J. S. Thomp-
son, an Englishman attached to
the Cathedral. The first officers
were Captain Meville, A.D.C. to
His Excellency the Governor, Sir
T. O'Brien, Captain Melville
was an ex-officer of the 17th
Leicester Regiment. Captain C.
Waring Hayward was Captain of
A. Co., No. 119. The latter was
in British Columbia when the
Great War broke out and was
one of the first to volunteer
there, and saw service with the
Canadian troops. His brother the
late Lieut. Hayward and Al-
C. Goodridge also were A. Com-
pany officers. The late Mr. Joseph
Shea and Messrs. Will,
Harry and Arthur Donnelly also
helped Captain Arthur Melville
very materially in the early or-
ganizing. Headquarters, Lon-
don assisted financially by rais-
ing a subscription.

DIED.

There died at Sydney on No-
vember 15th, David Slaney, 105
years old. He was the oldest
man in Cape Breton and he died
at St. Anthony's Home for the
Aged, in North Sydney. He was
a native of Newfoundland.—
Acadian Recorder.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC WORKS.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

The Department has found it
necessary to effect a change in
the matter of paydays. In future
pay-days will be observed as fol-
lows:—

Mechanics, Labourers and
Other workmen will be paid
on Saturday of each week.
Bills or accounts for ser-
vices rendered or goods sup-
plied will be paid fortnight-
ly, on the FIRST AND
THIRD SATURDAY of
each month excepting petty
bills for vegetables, fire-
wood and forage, etc., pur-
chased from residents of out-
lying settlements which
will be paid every SATUR-
DAY.

All bills or accounts properly
certified and on hand in the De-
partment for approval and audit
on the preceding TUESDAY will
be available for collection on the
following SATURDAY.

The above also refers to al-
locations in connection with
Roads and Special Grants.

In the event of any SATUR-
DAY being a whole holiday, bills
must be in the Department on
the preceding MONDAY and
payment will be available on
FRIDAY.

All those concerned will please
govern themselves accordingly.
C. E. RUSSELL,
Minister of Public Works,
Department of Public Works,
November 7th, 1925.
Nov. 13/25

S. U. F.
Convention

The annual convention of the
Society of United Fishermen
took place in St. John's last
week. Delegates gathered from
the various lodges in Newfound-
land and the Convention was
voted to be a successful one by
all present. "Dawe" Lodge, No.
82, of Bay Roberts, was well re-
presented by Messrs. Robert J.
Mercer and Wm. E. Mercer, who,
no doubt have brought back ex-
cellent reports.

The election of officers took
place on Nov. 18th, after which
the Grand Lodge adjourned to
the Sterling Restaurant where a
banquet was held.
At the end of the banquet the
newly-elected officers were in-
stalled and the Grand Lodge was
duly closed.

WORK ON PUBLIC
BUILDING AT CORNER
BROOK PROGRESSING.

The work on the new Govern-
ment building is progressing
rapidly. The walls are practical-
ly finished and the cribbing for
the large cornice running around
the roof is being put in by the
carpenters. From the size and
what one can see of the work at
present, this building bids fair
to equal some of our first class
houses in the country. The citi-
zens at Corner Brook are taking
a lively interest in their town,
helped by the N. P. & P. Co.
One often thinks what lovely
towns and villages would be in
this country of ours if at some
time in the past we had individ-
uals or corporations who were
willing and like the N. P. & P. Co.
give of their material and en-
ergy towards their building and
improving like as is being done
at Corner Brook.—Cor. (Corner
Brook) in "Telegram."

BRIGUS BRIEFS.

By the S.S. Meigle there ar-
rived the following passengers
from Labrador: Mr. and Mrs.
Ernest Jerrett, Mr. Jack Watts,
Mr. J. Donovan and wife, Mes-
srs. Thomas Meaden, Peter
Whalen and George Clarke.

The Supreme Circuit Court
was here last week with Mr.
Justice Kent presiding and Sher-
iff Carroll, D. F. Kent, Clerk, J.
Cahill, Crier, Miss Walsh, Steno-
grapher. The following lawyers
were also in attendance: Messrs.
W. R. Warren, K.C., John Bar-
ron, L.L.B., Eric Jerrett, L.L.B.,
R. A. Parsons, B.C.L., L. R. Cur-
tis. Only two cases occupied the
attention of the Court.

Mr. G. K. Laing was in town
last week as a guest of Mr. H.
G. Chafe.

Mr. E. V. Jerrett is visiting
his father at the General Hos-
pital, St. John's.
"LACHESIS."

The Ocean
Around New-
foundland.

By A. G. HUNTSMAN, Director
of Atlantic Stations, Biological
Board of Canada.

What is the significance of
this continental shelf and
whence has it come? The valleys
and the ridges correspond with
those to be seen in the adjacent
land. The St. Lawrence river
is continued by the submarine
Laurentian valley or channel
which cuts across the Gulf of
St. Lawrence, passes through
Cabot Strait, and continues to
the side of the continent where
it connects with the open ocean,
and where its bottom is nearly
two thousand feet below the
surface. Was this shelf origin-
ally above the surface and dry
land? Many facts support such
a view. There is evidence that
parts of the coast are still sink-
ing, stumps of trees being found
below the present surface level.
It is the ocean covering these
sunken plateaus and valleys
around Newfoundland that in-
terests us now.

It need not be thought sur-
prising that Newfoundland and
its fishing banks should have
been the part of North America
that was first known and exploit-
ed by Europeans. Jutting out
so far into the Atlantic, they
could not be overlooked. The
early records are but vague and
imperfect. The Norsemen in the
ninth century reached Iceland,
then Greenland, and still later
they crossed to the main part of
North America. The best inter-
pretation of their American voy-
ages has been made by Mr. W.
A. Munn. Helluland with its
flat rock and inland snow-cover-
ed mountains is at the mouth of
Hamilton Inlet, Labrador. Mark-
land with its trees, its level land,
its "wonder-strand", and its
Keelness is the Porcupine coast
with fifty miles of sand beach
some distant south of Hamilton
Inlet. Finally, Wineland with
its grassy meadows, its vines, its
wineberries, and its (compara-
tively) long lays is Postolet Bay
at the northern extremity of
Newfoundland, which seemed a
land of plenty to those who knew
only the bleakness of Iceland and
Greenland. From Leif's booth's
at Pistolet Bay it was possible
to go west to the white sands
(Blanc Sablon at the inner end
of Belle Isle strait), east and
north to Markland, and east and
south to "Hop". Here could be
met the Eskimo, with their ka-
yaks, and double paddles, which
seemed to revolve when in use.
Belle Isle Strait with the strong
currents and Belle Isle in the
middle of the outer end was the
Norsemen's "stream-firth". But
where were the grapes, that the
Norsemen found, and that grew
not farther north than Massa-
chusetts? The Norsemen speak
only of "vinber" or wineberry,
that grow in bunches. A spec-
ies of viburnum, called squash-

berry in Newfoundland, grows
abundantly in Postolet Bay, and
its bunched red juicy berries are
still used for wine and jelly.
There is no need to take the
Norsemen in their primitive ves-
sels twelve hundred miles far-
ther. They lived for awhile on
Belle Isle Strait, that is still a
highway from Europe to the
American Continent, being on
the shortest route from the
British Isles to Canada.

NEW MAIL CAR ON
CROSS-COUNTRY ROUTE.

At the request of the Postal
Authorities, the Newfoundland
Government have had a new
mail car built, which will be put
on the cross-country route. This
car is the first of its kind to be
introduced here and has a lay
out on the principle of the C.P.
R. cars which are used in Can-
ada. It is equipped with long
desks and pigeon-hole distribut-
ing boxes, and will offset the
necessity of having the mail in
two cars, as ample space is pro-
vided for storage as well as for
assorting mail matter. This im-
proved car may be called a travel-
ling post office. Those res-
ponsible for this improvement
are to be congratulated.



Funeral Notice!

The members of Victoria
Lodge, No. 3, L. O. A., are re-
quested to meet in their Hall on
SUNDAY, NOV. 29th, 12.30 p.m.
to attend the funeral of the late
Brother John Parsons,
Shearstown.
By order of W. M.

NOTICE.

The ANNUAL MEETING of
VICTORIA LODGE, No. 3, L. O.
A., will be held in Victoria Hall
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tend.
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House of Assembly Proceedings.

OFFICIAL SYNOPSIS

(Continued.)

THE MINISTER OF POSTS said that most of these recommendations would be adopted by him in the course of time. Today, the Minister said, that Department was one to be proud of, and possessed of one of the best working staffs in the public service. He again related the occurrence of two of his officials, when he first assumed office, found reading his, the Minister's, own private correspondence. Col. Ross advised the Minister, upon hearing of this occurrence, to immediately dismiss such officials. The trouble with him was that he had been too considerate with those men. Whilst he controlled that Department, he would tolerate no such conduct. He felt confident that no further trouble was likely to result. The only trouble that he could perceive that still existed was that some of the officials were underpaid.

THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION was glad to hear such a good account of the Post Office, and he felt that, under the Minister, would make good headway as an efficient department. He had heard a rumour that in order to reduce the personnel of the department the Government were offering a six months' salary in order to get rid of some surplus clerks.

THE MINISTER OF POSTS said this recommendation had been made by Col. Ross but the Government had not adopted it. They would not increase the staff but would try to transfer some of the surplus clerks to other departments as vacancies occurred. The department had been over-staffed for years and this was the fault of governments for years gone by.

MR. HALFYARD said one would conclude that there had been a vast improvement in Post Office affairs. What one chiefly wanted to know at this juncture, was what money was being saved. The member said that when he was head of the department, he had adopted the same plan as the Minister was now adopting. He referred to the statement of Mr. Leaward, the postal official at Corner Brook, and thought he had been rather hardly treated.

THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION continued the course of his remarks on the Taric and kindred subjects. He claimed the highway policy and the tourist traffic as being altogether too speculative for a Government to venture on. At the best the tourist traffic would not show a success for several more years to come. As to the roads scheme, we should cut our cloth to suit our purse, and start slow with the repair of existing roads. The dock scheme, he likewise held as being too ambitious for our exchequer to handle. He then touched upon the condition of affairs at the Post Office and Colonel Ross' report thereon. With regard to this and all other departments he wanted to see a Civil Service Commission.

MR. CASHIN, though he had received a copy of the Tariff Commission's report, he still desired further time to study it and suggested rising the Committee.

THE FINANCE MINISTER replied that any section he wanted to further consider would be allowed to stand over but the tariff sections had to show progress.

The Clerk then started to read the sections and about one hundred were read when Mr. Cashin again objected to any more business being proceeded with.

MR. CASHIN said it was getting late and he did not think it was fair to keep members until three o'clock in the morning. He had to go to work at half past eight every morning—(Minister of Finance—So do I)—and had to get home early at night. Surely the Minister did not want anyone to vote for the Tariff without having a chance to consider it. He wanted an opportunity to read the Commissioner's report, and he wanted the Committee to rise so that he could get a chance to go through it and so be able to cast his vote intelligently. He claimed no-

body could explain the Tariff, not even the Minister himself.

THE PRIME MINISTER said he did not know what vote Mr. Cashin would be referring to but it appeared to him that the honourable member was more or less against the Government and if that he so it might be better for him to find a place on the other side. He thought members ought to stand by their party and if not they ought to go over, Mr. Cashin had shown himself opposed to the Government for one reason or another, and if he wanted to leave the Government ranks he ought to go over to the other side. They had had party meetings and Mr. Cashin had gone away and spoken against the Government—practically denied them more or less—and his (the Premier's) feeling was that if he had not confidence in them the only thing he could do was to get out of the party.

MR. CASHIN said he would take his dismissal like a man, and then started on a lengthy speech in which he criticized the actions of the Government, and intimated he would take his seat in the middle of the House.

At 3 o'clock this morning the Committee rose and the House adjourned. Previous to the adjournment Mr. Warren gave notice that he would at this afternoon's session raise a question of privilege.

APRIL 28.

The House met at the usual hour with Major Cashin sitting in the centre of the House.

PETITIONS

MR. HALFYARD presented several petitions: from Burgoyne's Cove and other places on the subject of a road, from Heart's Desire on the subject of trap-berths, from Melrose and other places on the subject of a motor truck. Capt. Randell and Mr. Gledhill supported the petitions.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.
The House went into Committee of the Whole on Resolutions relating to the Encouragement of Shipbuilding and Rebuilding.

CAPT WINSOR said certain Bills on this subject had previously been introduced by him. Certain changes were now seen to be essential and were foreshadowed in the Resolutions before the House. Another matter that was now being dealt with was to provide for proper boat accommodation on passenger steamers. No provision had been previously made to decide upon the matter of re-placing old gear in new hulls.

MR. ASHBOURNE wanted to see an increase in the bounty for building in order to bring it up to the bounty on re-building. MR. HALFYARD supported the suggestion which had been raised by the member for Twillingate.

CAPT. WINSOR said that en-

couragement would not be given people to build new hulls and equip them with old gear. When they re-built the hulls however, the old gear would belong to the ship itself.

THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION said that when the Bill was first before the House they had urged upon the Minister the matter of arranging for those people who had not hauled up their vessels. He was in full accord with the suggestions of Mr. Ashbourne and Mr. Halfyard as to the difference between the bounty on building and re-building.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL said the previous Bill had referred only to repairs, and when it went to another place further points in connection with the whole Act were brought forward. In order to give consideration to suggestions arising elsewhere, the Act was repealed and now is being re-moulded and brought before the House.

CAPT. RANDELL said that no definite specifications were laid down as to the keel, sternpost, keelson, deckbeams and the like, and that this was most important.

THE PRIME MINISTER felt very grateful to Capt. Randell for his suggestions, which were very instructive and would receive the earnest consideration of the Government.

The Committee rose and reported having passed the Resolutions. A Bill to give effect to them was then introduced and read for a first time.

MR. WARREN rose to discuss a question of privilege, which he felt should be dealt with immediately, and the House was some persons are suddenly imbued with a spirit of desiring to protect the public. This they accomplish by sitting close by a warm fire, writing letters to the Press, casting reflections on and making insinuations against the integrity of others. He referred to recent letters signed by J. A. W. W. McNeily. Considerable correspondence has been taking place between that gentleman and the member's legal partner, Mr. Harry Winter, and now that he has been worsted by Mr. Winter, he makes an attack on him. He declares shareholders are influencing the Bill in the House, but he does not say who they are. Much more influenced, he declares, would the company's solicitor be. As a matter of fact Warren and Winter are not the solicitors of the N.P. & P. Co., Ltd. Mr. C. O'N. Conroy is and in his absence Mr. Winter has been acting.

(To be continued.)

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

(Continued.)

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it, and thereby they have assisted in unfair competition with the straightforward manufacturers, who regularly and honestly paid the tax. I hope the Government will take steps to collect from such delinquent manufacturers, and thereby satisfy those who recognized and paid the tax.

The other important matters referred to in the Speech will be coming before us in due time in other form, and ample opportunity will be afforded us for their consideration, and I think I may promise the Hon. the leader of the House interested attention and assistance on the part of members generally. I had hoped that the Speech would promise the introduction of a Bill granting Woman Suffrage, which our lady friends have been so zealously striving for for several years past, I learn with interest and pleasure, however, that the Prime Minister proposes introducing such a Bill during this session as a private measure, thereby affording every member on both sides of the House entire freedom of action. This will probably make it more generally acceptable and I hope there will be an unanimously favourable vote.

HON. SIR M. G. WINTER congratulated the Hon. President on his appointment and thought he was well qualified to hold the position in dignity and ability. He also welcomed the new members. Their presence added to the importance and debating powers of the House. The one

portion of the Speech from the Throne he wished to refer to was the removal of the duty on pork, beef and kerosene oil. Everyone was pleased no doubt to see the reduction in taxation and the Government had done it with the view of giving cheaper supplies in the spring. On Wednesday the resolution to remove the duty was tabled in the House of Assembly and yesterday down in the Customs House the duty was taken off and the articles put on the free list. Does this mean that the fishermen are to get cheap pork at the expense of the importer. It will mean that the importer will lose three dollars on every barrel of pork and two dollars and a half on every barrel of beef approximately. There are from 15,000 to 20,000 hls. beef and pork in the market now, say 10,000 barrels of pork at \$3 and 10,000 barrels of beef at \$2.50 on which the removal of the tax would mean a loss to the importers of some \$50,000, principally in St. John's. The Government might just as well have taken that money out of their safes. And there was no necessity for doing it now. If these duties were taken off on the first of May, which is the supplying time in this country, the stock now on the market could be sold, and no one would be the loser. An instance of this happened in 1923 when there was a heavy duty on sugar. It was proposed to take off 2 or 3 cents of the duty and because of the large stock in town the resolution

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W. J. WALSH,

Minister Agriculture & Mines.

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NOTICE

To Owners and Masters of British Ships

The attention of Owners and Masters of British Ships is called to the 74th Section of the "Merchant Shipping Act, 1894."

75.—(1) A Ship belonging to a British Subject shall hoist the proper national colors—

- (a) on a signal made to her by one of His Majesty's ships including any vessel under the command of an officer of His Majesty's navy or full pay, and
- (b) on entering or leaving any foreign port and
- (c) if of fifty tons gross tonnage or upwards, on entering or leaving any British Port.

(2) If default is made on board any ship in complying with this section the master of the ship shall for each offence be liable to a fine not exceeding one hundred pounds.

At time of war it is necessary for every British Ship to hoist the colours and heave to if signalled by a British Warship; if a vessel hoists no colours and runs away, it is liable to be fired upon.
H. W. LEMES-URIER
Register of Shipping.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

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wasn't put into effect for some two or three months afterwards. The result was that the sugar was sold and no one was the loser. Then again discrimination is being shown in this connection. Pork now put on the free list means family mess, ham butt, and fat back pork used by the fishermen and better classes but on pigs heads, jowls and spare ribs, which are largely used by the labouring classes in St. John's the duty is retained to their disadvantage. If the duty is taken off one, it should be taken off all. The tariff needs remodelling. It was understood that the Government was going to act on the report submitted last year, but apparently nothing is being done. The Hon. gentleman felt very strongly on the injustice done to the trade by this resolution without the notice which could have been given and the losses would not have resulted to either the revenue or the importers.

HON. MR. MORINE said that the questions raised by Mr. Winter had not occurred to him and that he would have great pleasure in bringing them before the notice of his colleagues. In repealing taxes it was difficult for some persons not to suffer, just as it was difficult to prevent some persons from making large sums of money when taxes were increased. Considering the large stocks held by some, and the season of the year—when the fishermen were not buying—it might be expedient to consider a repeal or to make a concession pleasing to all. He was not in sympathy with discriminating between certain classes of the people. The taxes had not been put on by the present Government. An attempt had been made to take off some taxes placed on by others. It was rather ungracious to create a class distinction. To imply that the Government meant such a distinction to be made was wrong. He hoped that the Government would be in a position to take off other duties later on. There was no thought of suspending the Income Tax. The intention was to repeal it. One great objection to the Income Tax was the facility it gave to persons to pry into the business of others. It was not so in other countries such as the U. S. A. where returns had to be sent to Washington, but in a small community such as ours where everyone was known it had this objection. Here the Act had not been properly applied, favour had been shown, taxes had not been paid, and returns not made. While it was impossible to place the blame, yet any one who knew anything of its carrying out, would be glad to see it repealed. Simplicity of taxation should be aimed at. If comparisons were drawn between taxation here and elsewhere it might

be shown that our rates were not so high in proportion, although our duties appear so. In Canada there were city taxes, provincial taxes, etc., while such things as roads, relief, asylums were kept up by local taxation. The Customs tariff provided for nothing of this kind. The instituting of municipalities in favourable localities would enable the people of those places to tax themselves locally and to their benefit. The Woman's Franchise Bill Mr. Morine thought, should be dealt with as a Government measure. But it was to be treated in a non-partisan way and introduced as a private Bill and had good chances of success. Hon. Mr. Bishop expressed the wish that the session be a prolonged one. Mr. Morine pointed out that a long session did not always mean the accomplishing of a great amount of business, generally the reverse. Sessions were usually long because work was not ready. The short session of 1898 accomplished double the work done by many of much longer duration. There was no reason why prorogation could not take place at the end of March.

There were one million dollars spent in Charitable Institutions, Medical help, etc. After slight inspection there was no difficulty in seeing fraud stamped everywhere. Bills of expenditure for work done had been in some instances certified by men who had done the work. In some districts it appeared that every man, woman and child had been ill. Another instance appeared where a student had been distributing passes between parts of the Colony and Labrador in large numbers. There had been no restraint exercised. Districts nearest the institutions had largest expenditures. Those remote could not have been neglected yet had smallest expenditures. Fortune Bay for instance, sent no one to the hospital and had no more spent on local doctors. In another district in the more prosperous half of it where there were four or five doctors, the expense was ten times as great as in the other and poorer half where there was only one doctor. He was not blaming the doctors but it appeared that the presence of a doctor and relieving officer were inducements to have people obtain treatment which was paid for by the Government instead of by themselves.

Regarding the Washington claims Hon. Mr. Morine stated this would not likely amount to very much. He thought it very much exaggerated and the expense of dealing with the matter would likely be much greater than the award given the other side. As to the Pensions question. This is really a terrible outlook, but must be dealt with. People should not have been taken in office after a certain age, but there are cases of men being placed in one branch or another because they are not fit for anything else, and in this good natured country they are allowed to remain or are pensioned after a short period of service. Reforms are being contemplated and must be made and the question is what are we going to do with some men, old men, who have been in the service for a long time. There is the trouble with making reforms. Your head says you ought to make it, and your heart is afraid to do so. We are grappling with the Post Office, but do not know what is going to be the result. The Government have already been considering the framing of a Pension Act and have been studying the Canadian Pension Act. With reference to hon. Mr. Gibbs' remarks he regarded him as Leader of the Opposition, so to speak, and must pay more attention to him. He thanked him for not being more severe, but he (Hon. Mr. Gibbs) was not particularly complimentary in his remarks concerning the Hon. President, although he apparently intended to be. He said the Government were compelled to appoint him. In a sense that is correct, compelled by his ability and fitness for the position. But we are not closing his lips, and it is hoped that when in Committee he will be able to take part in debate and be just as effective as ever. In reference to the new members Mr. Morine unintentionally had forgotten, on the previous occasion, to welcome Mr. Ayre to the House. He did welcome him heartily. Mr. Ayre's family played a very important part in our community and much was to be expected from a man of Mr. Ayre's experience and ability.

The Redistribution Bill might call forth some discussion with regard to boundaries, etc., but in the main Mr. Morine felt it would be very satisfactory. Certain things had to be kept in mind. First we had to deal with the denominational aspect, then the historic side and the desire to keep old districts together. Another matter was the question of area. We had to take sparsely populated settlements such as the Southwest coast which were difficult to arrange compared with thickly populated districts such as Bonavista and St. John's West. The districts have been worked out on a 6,500 representation having regard for not interfering with the denominational rights of any. In order to carry out the policy it was necessary to have 40 seats.

The Catholic representation will work out 13 seats which is precisely their representation, and the Protestant seats will number 27. By bringing the representation down to 6,500 persons, it will bring about the desired changes in St. Barbe and the South West Coast. To illustrate, Burgeo & La Poile has a population of about 8,000, and Fortune Bay about 12,000. By drawing a line demarcation on the eastern end of Burgeo from Ramea east to the western end of Fortune Bay, we were able to create a new district of Hermitage, with a population of about 6,500. Burgeo and Fortune Bay will become next in size. By coincidence the Catholic people of the country are so hived together, so to speak, on the Peninsula of Avalon, that they get 11 representatives from this area. In order to get 6.00 per member in the district of Placentia and St. Mary's it is done by creating three districts; St. Mary's and Trepassy will elect one member, and the eastern and western sides of the bay one member each. The redistribution has worked out from a denominational standpoint splendidly, in fact, much better than one could hope.

The Hon. Mr. Gibbs in referring to pauper relief, waxed eloquent over the dole system and wanted to know if that was the way to make people self-reliant and invite initiative. He would like to ask any member if the system of feeding the unemployed the last few years invited initiative or self-reliance? In his opinion it invited initiative to get away from work and get paid for nothing. Nothing had been done by the Government to endanger anyone's self-respect or self-reliance; whatever could be said in favour of giving out work as in the past. Spending on rock breaking did not improve the Badger Road and prove the self-respect, initiative or morale of the people engaged. He did not like to hear the word pauperism used, and did not think people disgraced themselves or lost self-respect by accepting Government help in time of need. The disgrace would be if such people had not taken advantage of work when offered and had brought these conditions on themselves. If a man refused work when offered him, and was lazy, the fault was not in giving the dole but in creating the necessity. He resented the idea that the poor man or woman is disgraced or pauperized because they needed the dole. The need might be brought about by illness or any other cause, the poor man or woman is disgraced to receive it. It was wrong to take for granted that what was given by the Government as relief tended to pauperize. On the other hand it was wrong and a greater disgrace to accept money for work that was non-productive, and which nobody wanted. Acceptance of the latter was sheer hypocrisy. The question was, what could the Government do. Some people said build a bridge or something else, work could be done equally as well in winter as in summer. No business man has attempted work in winter when it could be done in summer. The Government was acting along business lines and saw that no profitable work could be undertaken in winter, and resorted to giving relief. It looked the situation straight in the fact and gave help where help was needed.

With reference to Bell Island it was a different matter. To know what to do or what to say was a matter of serious thought. If the Government went to work and attempted to prescribe hours of work and rates of wages, what would happen? The Company would say there are men clamouring for labour and at the same time you want shorter hours; we are not going to accept such proposals as shorter hours and are going to close down. We had no control down here, headquarters were in Canada and Bell Island merely a branch. The Government, Mr. Morine said, might make it hard for the Company but might make it harder for ourselves. We had not the power to control it. A few years ago a contract was made which he opposed, and which he knew could not be carried out, and the result had been bad. He believed that every one, no matter what his political creed, had a desire to help the miners out but we should not hand out false hopes and stipulate demands, this would make it more hard for them. The question needed serious thought and required diplomatic effort.

In conclusion, he said there would be ample opportunity to discuss the tax criticisms of Hon. Mr. Gibbs at a later date, when the report of the Tariff Commission would be taken and the new tariff itself introduced, and would defer any remarks at present. Dealing with the tax on Banks, he said the proposed legislation was brought about of its enormous growth. Last year the Bank of Montreal paid 33 per cent of its net profits in this country to the local treasury. The banks were taxed one half of one per cent on all deposits in hand on Dec. 31st last year, which was considered unfair as it may happen that some deposits were made only a few days previous, and others might be withdrawn a few days later. The new tax would be levied on loans and deposits and would not affect the whole being paid the Government at the present time to any great extent.

On the motion to draft an address in reply, the following were selected as the Committee: Hons. Dr. Robinson, W. J. Ellis, J. Anderson, J. Davey and C. P. Ayre.

Adjournment was taken at 6.30 p.m. until Tuesday next at 4 o'clock.

HEAVY TOURIST TRAFFIC IN SEPTEMBER.

According to official figures from Immigration Officer Christie, of North Sydney, a total of 2635 passengers passed between North Sydney and Newfoundland during the month of September. Of this number 1564 were tourists and Canadians returning from Newfoundland, 49 were immigrants coming to Canada to live and 1022 were persons going to Newfoundland on business or pleasure. For the half year ending September 30, the total number of passengers passing through North Sydney over this route were 12,206. Nfld. Weekly, Boston.

SOO MICH, Nov. 9.—Wreckage from the barge J. L. Crane lost in a gale on Lake Superior, Thursday night, came ashore today, indicating that the barge had foundered and the crew of nine including one woman were lost.



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Placentia Bay	88,000
Twillingate District	28,785
Bonavista South	26,104
Bonavista North	5,930
Bay de Verde & vicinity	31,900
Conception Bay	9,440
St. George's District	14,628
Ferryland District	59,850
Fogo District	57,505
St. John's & vicinity	42,360
Burin District	141,925
Fortune Bay District	86,202
Burgeo & LaPoile	27,546
St. Barbe District:	
Bonnie Bay Section	23,321
Englee Section	86,890
Total Shore	801,164
LABRADOR	
Landed on Coast	112,800
Brought Home	246,420
STRAITS	
Landed in Straits	17,000
Brought Home	35,000

Total catch for season 1,212,884 About 40,000 quintals of the above are now in salt bulk for Winter Spring Cure.
Owing to stormy weather in October 50,000 to 80,000 lost.
Signed: W. C. WINSOR,
Minister Marine & Fisheries.
November 19, 1925.

BOSTON NEWS.

(Nfld. Weekly, Boston, Mass.)
The Checker Taxi Co., which operates one of the largest fleets of taxicabs in Boston, has been having considerable difficulty lately as the result of a strike amongst its old employees. The men went on strike about a month ago because the Company refused not to employ non-union labor, and to seek a higher scale of wages. The matter was adjusted for a while, but the strike broke out anew and the Company dismissed the strikers from their service.

The ousted employees immediately sought to prevent new men from taking their places and a near riot occurred when the cabs appeared again on the streets. Fearing harm to their property and to their employees, the Company appealed to the state for protection, and now the unusual sight appears of each Checker taxi plying its trade with a uniformed policeman sitting alongside the driver.

The Parker House on School Street, a hotel often frequented by Newfoundlanders on a visit to Boston, will close its doors to the public within a few days, for it is soon to be torn down and replaced by a new modern and more commodious structure. The present Parker House is the home of many old and interesting associations in the history of the city of Boston. Charles Dickens, during his visit to Boston, had rooms at the Parker House, and his old quarters are still the object of much interest to sightseers and literary folk.

A slight accident occurred at the Dry Dock, St. John's, last Saturday morning when the ground at the top of the Dock, where excavation work is going on, foundered and about 40 tons of silt dropped into the basin below. Soon afterward the foreman of construction had piles driven into the side of the Dock which prevented an earth slide. No one was injured.

A tragic accident occurred at Corner Brook last Wednesday when Alex MacDonald, aged 17, belonging to Grand River, who was working on the steamer Strandhill, fell into the hold, a distance of 25 feet, and, striking his head on the keelson he was instantly killed. The body was forwarded to Grand River for interment.

Ron O'Toole, Newfoundland champion long-distance runner, smashed his previous records in the Prince's Rink, St. John's, on Monday night, Nov. 16th, by winning the five-mile race over Jimmie Hawbolt, of Westville, N.S. Much enthusiasm was expressed by the capacity audience in the Rink.

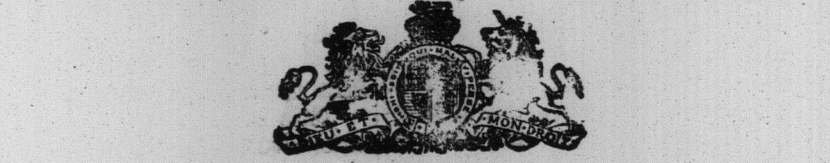
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OBITUARY.

There passed peacefully away at Shearstown on Nov. 20th, after a short illness, Edward Badcock, aged 83 years. Left to mourn their sad loss are five daughters, Mrs. George Titford, Mrs. Robert Mercer, Mrs. Emma Saunders, Shearstown, Mrs. Wm. J. Cooper, St. John, N.B., Mrs. George Snow, New York, U. S. A., two sons Edward and Thomas Badcock of Shearstown, also 26 grandchildren and 6 great grand-children. Funeral took place on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 22nd, to the Meth. Cemetery, Rev. Chas. House officiating, and was attended by the brethren of the L.O.A., of which Society deceased was a member.

NOTE OF THANKS.

The family of the late Edward Badcock, of Shearstown, desires to thank the many kind friends who rendered assistance at the time of their sad and sudden bereavement. Especially do they wish to mention Mr. and Mrs. Ebenezer Sparkes, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. John Snow, Mr. James Mercer, Mr. Leonard Snow, Mr. Jas. G. Baggs, undertaker, and Miss Nora Sparkes, who presided at the organ during the service at the Church. Also those who sent wreaths to adorn the casket, viz.,—Mrs. James Mercer, Mrs. John Holmes, Miss Emma Saunders, Miss Bertha Titford, Miss Clara Badcock.

Mr. Geo. C. Snow wishes to thank the following for letters of sympathy at the time of the death of his dear wife: Mrs. Isaac Goosney, Mr. C. E. Russell, M.H.A.

Mrs. Simon Mercer and son desire to thank all those who assisted them in any way during the illness and at the time of the death of their dear husband and father. Especially do they wish to mention, Mr. Geo. H. Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Mercer, Mrs. Zebedeo Earle, Messrs. John Russell, Edward Cave, Andrew Wood, Albert Mercer, Donald Mercer, W. J. Bartlett, A. French; also Miss M. Fraser who presided at the organ during the funeral service, and the following for wreaths:—Willie and Susie Mercer, Gladys and Johnnie Mercer, Miss Lizzie E. Bishop, Mr. Arthur Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. H. Snow, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Wood, Mrs. Edward Cave, Mrs. Stephen Cave, Mrs. Wm. Mosdell, Mrs. John Mercer, Miss D. Parsons, Mrs. Nathan Mercer and family, Mrs. A. J. Wood.

BARENEED NOTES.

Mr. Jack Newell arrived home from St. John's on Wednesday, Nov. 18th.

Mr. John T. Boone, who has been working at St. John's, met with the painful accident of having his arm broken. He arrived home on Tuesday, Nov. 17th. We hope that he will have a speedy recovery.

Mr. Hedley Bartlett arrived here recently from St. John's and is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Bartlett.

The C. of E. Woman's Assn. intend holding their annual sale of work and tea in the school-room the second week in December. We wish them success.

Mr. Raymond Batten went to St. John's on Friday, Nov. 20th, on a visit to friends.

Miss Ethel Bartlett went to St. John's on Thursday, Nov. 19th, and will remain there for some time visiting friends.

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ITEMS OF NEWS.

Miss Rita Lee, of the Avalon Telephone Company's office, Hr. Grace, was in town on Thursday.

Capt. Phinney, of the Grace Maternity Hospital, St. John's, was here spending a few days, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Moore.

The Annual Sale of Work and Tea was held on Wednesday and Thursday nights in the Meth. Schoolroom, Coley's Point, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid. The Scout Band under Bandmaster Dawe, were in attendance and rendered some suitable selections during Wednesday evening.



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Bay Roberts, Friday, Nov. 27th.

An Empire Mourns

On Friday last the great British Empire was plunged into sorrow when it became known that Queen Alexandra, widow of the late King Edward VII. and mother of His Majesty King George V., had passed away after a brief illness.

From March 10th, 1863, when Princess Alexandra became the bride of Edward, Prince of Wales, she has been beloved by the British Empire, over which she was later a Queen.

The "Sea King's" daughter from over the sea" has, by her life of charity, kindness and goodness, won a place in the hearts of her loyal subjects which few monarchs could fill. She, with her beloved husband, King Edward, enjoyed a reign of peace and since his death she has continued her good works.

As wife and mother Queen Alexandra tasted the deepest joys of womanhood and her noble influence has reached to the utmost end of the Kingdom.

The funeral, attended by six sovereigns from foreign countries, took place to-day (Friday) at 11.30 in Westminster Abbey, where the body will lie in State while the public will be permitted to pay its respects to the late Queen Mother.

This evening the body will be taken to Windsor Castle and on Saturday morning, after the committal service, attended by the members of the Royal Family and the members of Queen Alexandra's household, it will be placed in the Royal tomb house under the chapel.

His Majesty the King has ordered Court mourning for her late Majesty Queen Alexandra from the 20th November and half mourning from the 20 January to the 20th February.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE MRS. PARSONS.

Word has been received by Mrs. John Elms, of this town, stating that the funeral of the late Mary Parsons, wife of Mr. Joseph T. Parsons, of Toronto, Canada, formerly of this town, took place on Tuesday, Oct. 13th, from her late residence, Hazelwood Ave. to St. John's Cemetery, Kingston Road. The funeral service was held in St. Barnabas Church, of which deceased was a member. The remains were enclosed in a beautiful casket, which was entirely covered with magnificent floral tributes. The pall bearers were Messrs. George Elms, James Elms, John Downson and John Hickey. A large congregation, including the Auxiliary of the Church and many Newfoundlanders, attended the solemn service.

The S. S. Coban, Capt. C. D. Lewis, arrived here on Monday morning and discharged a cargo of North Sydney screened coal at the Avalon Coal Company's premises, Coley's Pt. She sailed again on Thursday.

Bay Roberts Boy In High Repute

Dr. Samuel A. B. Mercer Occupies Chair at Toronto University and is Far Famed as Archaeologist.

(By Viator, in The Daily News)

How many Newfoundlanders know that the leading Archaeologist of the North American Continent is a native of Bay Roberts? Yet, so it is. The announcement in a Toronto morning paper of the first of a series of Lectures on Archaeology and the Bible, by the Rev. Dr. Samuel A. B. Mercer attracted attention; with the result that 3 o'clock found Viator seated in the new Trinity College Library, where an eager throng of ladies and gentlemen, amongst them many professors, clergymen and university students in cap and gown, were in attendance. A programme of the series was read with interest, and the opening lecture listened to with rare enjoyment and with profit by everyone of the appreciative audience.

Regarded as Master.

Doctor Mercer is no stranger to Toronto University, on whose platforms he is a familiar and always welcome figure. It was interesting to note that his popularity had been achieved not by isolated efforts, but by courses extending over many weeks, during which interest, sympathy and admiration had increased with each attendance. So much so that the announcement of a new course by this great scholar and christian gentleman brought amid torrents of rain, men and women of all ages to sit at the feet of this twentieth century Gamaliel.

Many Accomplishments.

Samuel A. B. Mercer, C.E., M. A., Ph.D., D.D., is Professor of Semitic Languages and Egyptology in Trinity College, Toronto. Editor of the Journal of the Society of Oriental Research, Chicago; Founder of the Anglican Theological Review, New York, and Editor of the Biblical and Oriental Series. The three degrees, Master of Arts, Doctor of Philosophy and Doctor of Divinity are not unusual in combination where great scholars are the wearers, but the C.E. is rare. Dr. Mercer is thorough, and recognizing the value of a Civil Engineering course to an archaeologist, whose aims were practical as well as philosophical he counted the time well spent which he spent in his Engineering studies. His scholastic honours have been won in many universities, including Toronto, Chicago, Wisconsin and Heidelberg, whilst his reputation as historian, archaeologist and writer is known whenever men of letters and students foregather.

Course in Archaeology.

For the past two seasons Professor Mercer has been lecturing at Toronto University, with Archaeology as his theme. The current course deals with "Archaeology and the Bible," a subject of absorbing interest. "New attempts are continually being made to interpret difficult situations in Bible times, and new light is ever being thrown upon Biblical problems. Oriental Archaeology has contributed more than any other science to an adequate understanding of the Old and New Testaments." These words form the preamble to the syllabus, the Doctor adding "In these lectures it is proposed to pass in review the main contributions which Archaeology has made to the study of the Bible. Emphasis will be placed upon new evidence, and older evidence will be reevaluated."

Numerous Lectures

- The course now in progress at Trinity College will occupy eleven weeks, and will consist of eleven lectures.
- Nov. 5.—The use and abuse of Archaeology.
- 12.—Genesis I-XI and Archaeology.
- 19.—The Patriarchs and Archaeology.
- 26.—The Exodus and Archaeology.
- Jany. 14.—Old Testament Law and Archaeology.
- 21.—Early Palestine and Archaeology.
- 28.—The Kingdoms and Archaeology.
- Feb'y. 4.—The Jews and Archaeology.
- 11.—Israel's Literature and Archaeology.
- 18.—Israel's Literature and Archaeology, contd.

25—The New Testament and Archaeology.

Gaps in History. In the opening lecture Dr. Mercer discussed the uses and abuses of Archaeology, pointing out amongst other values the un-filled gaps which the science was helping to fill. There was a period of 450 years during which the Israelites were in Egypt concerning which there is silence in the written records. Archaeology has thrown light and continues and will continue to do so. It furnishes the student with a background and an atmosphere. It illustrates many situations in the Bible. It confirms many Biblical situations concerning which there may have been doubt, e.g., the story of the Exodus. It explains many differences heretofore regarded as irreconcilable. Once in a while it contributes something really new. In illustration reference was made to Gihon and Pison, the missing rivers of Eden, the Sea of Reeds, and Mount Sinai.

Native of Bay Roberts

Doctor Mercer was born in Bay Roberts, son of the late Samuel Mercer, and grandson of the late Nathaniel Mercer, of Mercer's Cove. His mother was a Miss Brown also of Bay Roberts, where many relatives of the distinguished savant still live. A married sister has been visiting the old home town during recent months. Doctor Mercer was here some five years ago, and with his wife, a lady from Grafton, Mass., U.S.A., hopes to spend a part of the summer of 1926 amid the familiar scenes of his boyhood days. From a schoolmaster in White Bay he has raised himself to a position of influence, dignity and authority in the world of science and letters rarely attained. For some time he was a teacher in the Bishop Field College, and thereafter was ordained as Priest in the Anglican Church. He has travelled extensively, and is the author of several works, all of them regarded as authoritative; yet he is still in his forties. It needs no prescience to point to a future in which the name of Bay Roberts' distinguished son will be held in even higher honour and the fame of this cultured and scholarly priest and scientist become a household-story in all christian lands.

Expects to Pay Visit.

At the conclusion of the lecture it was the writer's good fortune to enjoy a few minutes conversation with Dr. Mercer. His love for native land has no whit abated. Of Dr. Blackall, Principal Wood and Sir William Lloyd he holds many happy memories. To Mr. George Bursell of the Treasury Department many kind remembrances were sent. During the long years of separation correspondence between the two Bay Roberts

friends has been continuous, and their friendship and fellowship unimpaired by absence. They were trying days to Newfoundland and the Empire and trying days to the civilized world when Dr. Mercer last visited his native land. Of the venerable Dr. Shea, he holds many hallowed and happy memories. If his contemplated visit becomes one accomplished, the hope will be general that the privilege of hearing the great archaeologist may be accorded to his fellow-countrymen even though holidays supposedly imply surcease of toil.

ITEMS OF NEWS.

Mr. Solomon Eveleigh, of Newstead, N.D.B., was here during the week on a brief visit to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cave. He returned to him home by Thursday morning's train.

The Ladies' Aid of Central Meth. Church held their Annual Sale of Work and Hot Supper in Snowden Hall on Tuesday and Wednesday nights, Nov. 24th & 25th. The affair was well patronized and a substantial amount was realized.

MARRIED.

At the Parsonage, Curling, Bay of Islands, on November 9th at 7.30 p.m., Gertrude Louise, only daughter of Mrs. and the late Orestes Davis, of Harbor Grace, to Jesse Gordon, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. Thistle, of Pouch Cove, St. John's. The ceremony was performed by the bride's brother, Rev. Ernest Davis, pastor of the United Church of Corner Brook and Curling.

WILL TAKE OVER INSTITUTE.

The Globe learns that a local branch of the Y.M.C.A. of Canada, will shortly take over the Seaman's Institute in St. John's to run. The building will be taken over by the new management, it is understood, at the beginning of the year and a meeting of the Grenfell board to finalize matters will be held next month. —Daily Globe.

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