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KING CONSTANTINE RECONCILED TO ALLIES STAYING AT SALONIKI

ATHENS, Jan. 5.—The King of the Greeks appears to have considerably altered his viewpoint of last month, for speaking to an Associated Press correspondent to-day of the present situation, the Greek King, while reiterating his determination not to be forced or persuaded to abandon neutrality, no longer insists on the demobilization of the Allies, and seemed to be reconciled to the idea of the Allies remaining at Salonika until the end of the war. On good authority, the Associated Press learns that M. Venizelos has already twice been approached with respect to terms on which he would accept the Premiership, and he is said to have refused to consider the proposal at the present on the ground that Greece would now be unable to be of any practical assistance to the Entente Powers beyond what it is already doing. He, however, left the matter open for further discussion, presumably in spring, when Greece's aid may be valuable.

Late Doings In Albania

PARIS, Jan. 4.—A large German submarine has been conveyed in sections by the Smyrna railroad to Aden, thence taken to Budrum Bay in the Eastern Mediterranean, according to a despatch, says the Athens correspondent. The despatch adds that the German and Austrian bluejackets in command are putting the submarine together. A Beratad, Albania, telegram says that 30,000 Bulgars, after occupying Elbasan, from which place the Serbians retired, taking everything of military value with them, have reached Luma, 12 miles from Tirana. The despatch adds that shots were exchanged on Saturday between the extreme outposts of the Italian garrison at Durazzo on the Adriatic Sea, and Albanian irregulars commanded by Bulgarian non-commissioned officers.

CRENOWITZ EVACUATED?

LONDON, Jan. 5.—The Petrograd correspondent of the Havas Agency announces that the Austrians have evacuated Crenowitz, the Russians having seized all heights dominating the town.

Cables Hampered by Severe Weather

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—Trans-Atlantic cable communication continues uncertain by reason of the severe weather conditions which have existed for several days about the British Isles. The Western Union Telegraph Co. and French Telegraph Cable Co. have both announced that until further notice all messages are subjected to great delay and that the service is practically suspended.

RESIGNS FROM CABINET

LONDON, Jan. 4.—Announcement was made in the House of Commons to-day of the resignation of Sir John Simon, Secretary of State for Home Affairs.

Greek Steamer Has Trying Trip

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—The Greek steamer Thessalonika which was being towed to New York by the steamer Patria was again adrift in a gale 300 miles east-south-east of New York early to-day, her tow lines having parted during the night. Wireless messages sent by the Thessalonika to other steamers asking aid told the shore stations of her plight. The Thessalonika has been disabled and virtually adrift for about ten days. It was first reported that her engine rooms were flooded. Yesterday word came that her 300 passengers had been transferred to the Patria which then took the crippled steamer in tow.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—The crew of the Greek liner Thessalonika wish to abandon the ship, which has been at the mercy of gales and high seas for ten days, according to a radio message received here to-day from the steamer United States. The Thessalonika, which has been helpless owing to the partial flooding of her boiler and engine rooms, sent a message to the steamer United States, saying that ninety of the crew remained on the Greek steamer, but that all the passengers had been safely transferred to the steamer Patria of the same line. At noon the steamer United States was approximately forty-three miles away from the Thessalonika which had been sending out wireless messages during the morning, requesting the United States to tow her to this port. The position of the disabled Greek ship, according to the latest message, was 300 miles south-east of Sandy Hook.

GOING UP.

ST. JOHN, N.B., Jan. 4.—A total of 291 recruits were signed on in New Brunswick last week as compared with 196 for the preceding week. Registration led with 63 and St. John followed with 59.

DESPERATE STRUGGLE RAGING

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—A news agency despatch from Rome to-day says a desperate and most important struggle for mastery of the Adriatic is now raging near the Austrian naval base at Cattaro, where combined Austrian naval and land forces and Montenegrins. The Austrians are making a determined attempt to capture Mount Lowcen, the Gibraltar of the Adriatic. Its retention by the Montenegrins threatens the Austrian hold on Cattaro. Since the beginning of the war, Austria has made Cattaro harbour its naval base for operations in the Adriatic, Aegean and Mediterranean. Cattaro is absolutely impregnable from Mount Lowcen, where the Montenegrins a year ago installed heavy artillery. For six days the Austrians have been attempting to drive the Montenegrins from this position. While Austrian troops are attacking on the slopes from Ruskokvgora, Gherbal and other points, Austrian warships in Cattaro harbour are fiercely bombarding Montenegrin positions. If the Montenegrins can hold Mount Lowcen, they plan later with the assistance of the Allies to drive the Austrians from Cattaro. Until the Austrians are driven from this base they will continue to dispute the supremacy of the Adriatic with the Allied squadrons.

OFFICIAL BRITISH

LONDON, Jan. 4.—British headquarters report a successful bombing attack by a small party of our troops. An enemy grenade attack affixed near Tahure. At other points are artillery duels. Russia reports that in the Chartorvsk region and at Scypa, enemy attempts to approach the trenches were repulsed with severe losses. Violent fighting continues north-east of Crenowitz. The Russians are advancing, despite numerous counter-attacks. BONAR LAW.

BELGIAN.

PARIS, Jan. 4.—The Belgian official communication of to-night follows:—"Last night and to-day violent artillery action took place along the Yser. The enemy bombarded several troops to the rear of our lines and attempted without success to counter attack our batteries which had brought the German batteries under their fire."

RUSSIAN.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 5.—An official statement says the Germans tried to cross the Dvina in the region of Elisenhole, but were thrown back by our fire. We put to flight Germans wearing white coats, who attempted to approach our trenches in the region of Tsargrad station. In the region of Czartorysk the enemy was driven from the woods between Koshukhnovk and Podcherevitshi station. In the region of the Middle Stripa, our troops having crossed a line of wire entanglements, occupied enemy trenches east of the village of Bielavintze and took by storm an isolated fortified enemy work. North-east of Crenowitz we occupied a line of trenches and repulsed, by their concentrated fire of our artillery, enemy counter attacks, the enemy sustaining heavy losses. In the Caucasus the situation is unchanged.

German Imports Greatly Reduced

LONDON, Jan. 5.—Germany's export trade has been substantially destroyed, says the Foreign Office, in a paper presented to Parliament to-day outlining the policy adopted to enforce the blockade of Germany. The paper adds that German imports also have been greatly reduced, such important staples as cotton wool and rubber being excluded, others like fats, oils and dairy products being obtainable in Germany only at famine prices, while advices reaching His Majesty's Government show discontent among the population and food riots in some of the large towns.

Auxiliary Steamer Said to Have Flown Stars and Stripes

LONDON, Jan. 5.—A British official statement issued to-day says that Sir Edward Grey, Secretary for Foreign Affairs, answered the complaint made by the Germans, through American Embassies regarding the destruction off the coast of Ireland of a German submarine crew by the British auxiliary lary Baralong, by referring to various German outrages. Sir Edward Grey offers such incidents, including the Baralong case, to any impartial Tribunal composed of, say, officers of the United States Navy. The United States Navy and the Foreign Office has presented to the House of Commons full correspondence between Ambassador Page and Sir Edward Grey concerning the case and memorandum from Germany concerning the sinking of the submarine. It includes affidavits from six Americans, J. M. Garrett, Kln, Mississippi, Charles G. Hightower, of Crystal City, Texas; B. E. Palen, Detroit, Mich.; Edward Clark, Detroit, Mich.; R. H. Gosby, Crystal City; Jas. J. Curran, Chicago. The above were all mulctees aboard the steamer Nicosian which witnessed the Baralong's destruction of the submarine. Further affidavit from Larimore Holland of Chattanooga, Tenn., who was a member of the crew of the Baralong was submitted. All affidavits speak of the Baralong as disguised and flying the American flag.

WILSON TO PROCEED CAREFULLY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—There was no lessening in the tension of the new submarine crisis to-day with President Wilson's return to the White House to take personal charge of the situation, but there was marked indications of the President's intention to proceed carefully and deliberately before committing the United States to the next step in its already strained relations with the Teutonic Powers. At the State Department hope was expressed there would be an opportunity to settle the crisis amiably. It was stated the American Government believed that Austria's assurances in the last Ancona Note were given in good faith. Two points, it was emphasized must be cleared up before the next move is made. It must be established whether the British liner Persia was actually torpedoed, if so, what was the nationality of the submarine.

KITCHENER DENOUNCES NORTHCLIFFE

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—The London correspondent of the Herald, in the course of a despatch dealing with the report of Lord Derby on recruiting says:—"While Mr. Asquith is making his statement on recruiting in the House of Commons to-day, preliminary to the introduction of the single men Compulsion Bill, which I am now informed excludes Ireland, Lord Kitchener in the House of Lords will discuss the problem which has been really forced on the country by the rabid conscriptionists, who, under the inspiration of the Northcliffe Press, have muddled everything and forced the introduction of a measure which would be unnecessary if many thousands of men fit to fight had not been diverted into the making, instead of discharging, shells. "Sir John Simon, who disagreed entirely with the majority of the Cabinet on the question of compulsion, has not withdrawn."

CREW HAVE TAKEN TO LIFE BOATS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—A wireless message, which came in fragments at 8.35 to-night, from the Greek liner Thessalonika, stated that the crew had taken to life boats.

RUSSIANS ARE ON THE OFFENSIVE—MAKE GOOD PROGRESS

Allied Authorities Active at Saloniki

PARIS, Jan. 4.—King Peter of Serbia who is stopping at the Serbian Consulate in Salonika is expected to preside over the reorganization of the Serbian army. According to Salonika despatches to the Havas News Agency on Jan. 2, the army is gradually being assembled at Salonika, groups of from 200 to 400 men each arriving from time to time. King Peter, adds the despatches, will address a rescript to the Serbians in favor of the sacred union, for the liberation of invaded Serbian territory. Whether he will visit Athens will depend on political and military developments. It is reported that King Nicholas of Montenegro will come to Salonika. The allied military authorities continue to arrest all persons suspected of espionage. The construction of strategic lines of a total length of 100 kilometres has been begun for the fortified region along the front.

LONDON, Jan. 5.—Everywhere on the Stripa and in the Volhynian districts of Russia and East Galicia the Russians are on the offensive.

Official communications from both Petrograd and Vienna show that Crenowitz, the capital of Bukovina is now the position around which the most important fighting is in progress. The Russian War Office reports the Russians have occupied a line of trenches north-east of Crenowitz and have repulsed strong counter attacks. A Reuter despatch from Petrograd gives the report of the evacuation of Crenowitz and the capture of a large number of prisoners, including many Germans, by the Russians. There has been a strong advance by the Russians on this front, though Vienna says that Russian attacks have been unsuccessful, and that their losses have been appalling, in one Sector six miles in width, 2,800 Russian dead having been counted. On none of the other fronts has any change of importance taken place. Austrians have captured an Italian trench near Tolmino. The Montenegrins have captured Bogovac from the Austrians, inflicting on them severe losses. Unofficial advices from Athens report that thirty thousand Bulgars as having reached the region of Tirana, northwest Elbasan, in Albania, and that Albanian irregulars, commanded by Bulgarian officers, have exchanged shots with Italian outposts near Durazzo, on the Adriatic. It is asserted there are one hundred thousand Serbs now in Albania, who will soon be ready to re-enter the fray.

The Result of Derby's Scheme

LONDON, Jan. 4.—Lord Derby's recruiting figures for the period between Oct. 23 and Dec. 15 show that 1,150,000 unmarried and 1,679,263 married men presented themselves for service. Of the grand total of 2,829,263 married and single men, 103,000 unmarried and 112,431 married men enlisted immediately, while 840,000 single men and 1,344,979 married men registered. Of the single men 207,000 were rejected, while 221,853 married men were not accepted by the recruiting officers.

Greeks Now Want A Supply of Coin

PARIS, Jan. 4.—The Petit Parisien declares that the Note which M. Romanos, Greek Minister to France, has handed Premier Briand protesting against the arrest of Consul at Salonika as violation of Greece's neutrality was couched in much sharper terms than the Greek complaints to Berlin and Vienna regarding the Teutonic aerial raid on Salonika. The newspaper adds that the Greek treasury is getting empty and the government is thinking of applying to the Entente Allies for a loan, which however, is unlikely to be granted. SAYS NOTHING DOING

Serbian Army is Re-organized?

PARIS, Jan. 4.—According to a Havas despatch from Athens, under date Jan. 3, an officer of King Peter's suite at Salonika declares that the Serbian forces concentrated in Albania, not including the Serbian detachments co-operating with the Montenegrin army, number 100,000. These forces, adds the despatch, are almost completely reorganized, and shortly will be amply provided with uniforms, artillery and horses. No decision has yet been reached as to how these forces will be utilized.

BERLIN, Jan. 4.—Official from the War Office to-day says that there were no important developments yesterday on any front.

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Of the Fifth Annual Meeting of Trinity District Council, Held at Winterton, Dec. 17th, 1915.

The fifth annual meeting of Trinity District Council of the F. P. U. opened at Winterton on December 17th, 1915, chairman J. G. Stone presiding and Friend Robert Hiscock acting deputy. The meeting being called to order and general routine gone through the following address of welcome was then read by Friend Ernest Parrot, Chairman of Winterton Council.

Address of Welcome.

Winterton, Dec 17, 1915

To the Chairman, Officers and Delegates of Trinity District Council:

Dear Sirs,—The undersigned on behalf of Winterton Local Council extend to you on this occasion a hearty welcome. Seeing this is your first visit to this place we trust your short stay with us will prove beneficial to this Council and the District in general. Your presence this evening is a delight to us, and no doubt before this District Council closes we will be proud of your visit and be more fully determined to stand by the Union and President Coaker.

Since the District Council met last we are delighted to find the Union is making such rapid progress with regard to commercial and political matters. The stand taken by the Union Party in the House of Assembly the past session was, we believe, the greatest eye-opener the country ever witnessed and the fight put up for our interest as under-dogs, was, we feel sure, appreciated by every Union man, for which we are expressly thankful. May the day soon come when the F. P. U. Party will be the leading power of this country.

As a district we can look back upon the past year with pleasure and with brighter hopes of greater prospects than ever before. We are glad to find from the reports of this year that the Union is making such rapid progress, also fighting its way against mountainous obstacles, against enemies that would endeavour to crush the Union to the dust and have tried every conceivable way to over-power our President. But its no easy task, because our cause is solely for the uplifting of our fellow man, to procure for each his own and to see that every man gets a square deal. Therefore, we should be men determined to stand undivided to the cause which has been so nobly laid down by our esteemed President, feeling sure that the time is not far distant when his noble efforts for our own uplifting will be crowned with noble success.

The War.

We are still living under the shadow of this great world-conflict. Nations are struggling with nations on the blood-stained fields of Europe and other foreign soil, but we fervently trust that the end is not far distant, when peace will be proclaimed universal.

We hope and trust that your short visit will be enjoyable to all present and that the business set forth will be respectfully considered to the District, the Union and the uplifting of our native land.

We again welcome you and trust this event will linger long in our memories and never regret the time when the District Council paid us its first visit. As the year 1915 is nearing its close we take the pleasure of wishing you all a merry Christmas, and we fervently trust that 1916 will bring happiness and prosperity to all.

Respectfully submitted!

ERNEST PARROT,
EDDIE HISCOCK,
GEORGE GREGORY,
SIMON PIERCY,
ALLEN ANDREWS,
JOHN GREEN (of Jas.)
ROBERT PINHORN.

The Chairman then delivered the following address:

Chairman's Address.

My Friends—I gladly and warmly welcome you, one and all, to this Fifth District meeting which is a part of that great organization, the F. P. U. Last year we met at Catalina and without a doubt all who were present at that gathering remember well the wonderful enthusiasm amongst the many delegates present. Therefore, again, I bid you a hearty welcome to this district meeting at Winterton and trust our mutual conference together may tend to our encouragement and to the advancement of the Union.

At our last meeting many matters of importance were discussed and I am pleased to say that some of the matters then spoken of has since been carried out. We hope to see in the near future that many more important matters in relation to the District will be accomplished as the result of this meeting. District meetings are to my mind very valuable, especially in bringing us together from the dif-

ferent places in the districts when various public matters can be trashed out.

In relation to the Union this year there has been a marked advance. New Union stores are in operation and general interest in the Union has been aroused so that a remarkable increase in the business all round has been the result. Last year was rather a trying year with most of the business men and it was only through good management that they came out on top. The Trading Co., however, succeeding in paying a dividend of eight per cent, for which the manager, Mr. Coaker, deserves to be highly complimented. His devotion to business and interest taken in the welfare of the country is a sufficient proof of his determination to uplift poor old Terra Nova and its hardy sons of toil.

Next year, we are informed, that a start will be made at Catalina with the object of erecting buildings suitable for a large business to be controlled by Export Co.; also a ship and dockyard which will be sufficient to accommodate the trade, which if carried into effect will not only be the means of making that town flourish, but will be of great benefit to Trinity and Bonavista Bays. Let us do all in our power to assist Mr. Coaker in his immense undertaking. Who is there that can say Mr. Coaker and the Union cannot accomplish this.

Great things have been already accomplished by this great organization, the F. P. U., through its leader, and if we, as a union, will only stand shoulder to shoulder greater things will follow that will without a doubt amaze the country. It is men of the Coaker type that we want in this little country, men with plenty of go ahead in them, such as Mr. Coaker has; and when we get more of his make-up then it will be very easy to see the result. Every man who has the Union at heart will, I am sure, back him up, not only Union men, but I firmly believe non-Union men as well.

Fish for the past three or four years has been in good demand and through the untiring efforts of the President of the Fishermen's Protective Union good prices were realized. The same applies to codfish.

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The achievements of the present opposition since taking their seats in the Assembly during the past two years has shown to the country that they are capable of holding up their end of their plank, and the time rolls along again let us hope that we shall all be in a position to carry into effect every plank which was passed at the Bonavista Convention, commonly called the Bonavista platform, and when that is done I think we can all rest assured that a brighter day will dawn for poor old Newfoundland.

The public, I am sure, are fully satisfied with the way everything has been published in *The Mail and Advocate*, especially in regard to the way public money has been expended, and without such a paper the public would certainly be in the dark. This paper has the largest circulation in the colony and I strongly appeal to our Union friends to send in their subscriptions and make it still larger. Remember this is the only source from which you can drive such good, sound and reliable information in relation to your produce and the affairs of the Colony. Therefore satisfy your self that this paper is your own and is the official organ of the Union, from which you derive a vast amount of good by taking *The Mail and Advocate* you are certainly helping yourselves.

I am pleased to say that at last I have been afforded an opportunity of coming over the Heart's Content Branch. Whether we can afford Branch Railways or not it remains now to be seen. As a matter of fact I cannot see why the branch should end there without being continued to the end of the District, and if the country can afford to put it as far as Heart's Content I don't see any reason why the continuation should not soon be undertaken. This is the year we want employment for our men who reside on the South Side of the Bay, as the fishery has not been good there for the past two years. From Heart's Content down there are only two good harbors; therefore, if the branch was continued the whole amount of business below would be done by rail. Those people living from Heart's Content down are paying their proportional part of the revenue and are justly entitled to all the benefits afforded them by the train.

The Government should make a special effort to extend this line as soon as possible for the convenience of the people who reside down the shore. Now, that I have expressed my views in relation to the Heart's Content branch and its continuation, I feel fully justified in speaking of a very important matter with which we have been confronted for the past three or four years, and that is the Bait Problem from which our country suffers to the extent of a million dollars are more.

Scarcity of bait is indeed rather a serious affair and something which all you men who are now present should be deeply interested in. It is not unknown to many of you that captains of bankers had to send their men home after laying up their schooners all for the want of squid.

There are sometimes, places in the Colony, where squid can be obtained and if somebody was appointed by the Government to look after this important business I believe much good would be the result. Where we have railway and steamship accommodations at the principal settlements and with a few motor boats employed I think something could be accomplished that would tend to help us over this difficulty.

Bait depots and cold storage would I think be the means of increasing the earning power of our people to a very large extent and the Government would lose but very little money if any at all.

Trusting that all who are present will always be ready to help on this work begun by Mr. Coaker, and in conclusion allow me thank the whole district for the confidence placed in me during my term of office as chairman of the District Council, remembering that my heartiest support will be always with you on such occasions. Therefore whoever you may select as chairman for the ensuing year, let us hope, that he will take more interest and will be far superior in every respect than myself.

Wishing you all a very happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

J. G. STONE,
District Chairman.

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NOTICE OF REMOVAL AND PARTNERSHIP!

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NOTICE

THE First Annual Convention of the Conception Bay District Council of the F.P.U. will be held at BAY ROBERTS on MONDAY, the 18th instant. The Convention will open at 4 p.m. at the F.P.U. Hall. All Officers of District Councils and Local Councils of the F.P.U. in the Districts of Harbor Main, Port-de-Grave, Harbor Grace, Carbonear and Bay-de-Verde are members of the Conception Bay District Council and should be present at the Convention. Any such Council through its Delegates, may by resolution bring any matter before the Convention. A Permanent Official, to attend to Union matters in Conception Bay will be selected.

W. F. COAKER,
Chairman C.B.D.C.

St. John's, January 3rd, 1916.

Roosevelt is Not In the Running

CHICAGO, Jan. 1.—Col. Roosevelt is not a candidate for either the Republican or the Progressive nomination for the Presidency at this time, in the opinion of Medill McCormick, the former Progressive leader in Illinois, who returned to-day from New York. "While in New York I had a talk with Col. Roosevelt," said Mr. McCormick. "So far as I know the Colonel has done nothing to indicate that he

will be a candidate for the Republican nomination for President or for the Progressive nomination either. In three States he refused to permit his friends to put his name upon the primary ballot."

Mr. McCormick denied that he attended the dinner given Friday night by Judge Gary and attended by the Colonel and a number of his political friends.

Asked if it is Col. Roosevelt's intention to keep the Progressive machine intact and to have it ready for business in the event that the Republic-

ans take some action similar to the nomination of Taft in 1912 Mr. McCormick declared he had not discussed the matter with the Colonel and that he had no authority to speak for him.

It was said on excellent authority to-day that National Committeeman Iskes was the Progressive leader who had taken option on the Florentine room and twenty-five sleeping rooms at the Congress Hotel during the Republican convention. It was denied by the hotel management that the contract had been closed.

PROGRAMME FOR WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY AT THE NICKEL.

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"DAUGHTER OF KINGS"—A delightful comedy-drama.
CROSSED LOVE AND SWORDS—A Keystone riot.
FRIDAY—CHARLIE CHAPLIN AND MABEL NORMAND—THE BEST ALWAYS.

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The following committee was appointed to reply to the Chairman's address, namely, Ernest Parrott, Simeon Peary, Isaac J. Randell, Isaac Burridge, John Gulliver.

The Treasurer then gave the following statement:
Treasurer's Report.
Mr. Chairman and Friends I beg to submit my annual report, giving in detail for the past year the financial statement of the district as follows. Assessments from the various councils, viz.:

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| Petley | 95 |
| Trinity East | 285 |
| Champneys | 80 |
| Clareville | 85 |
| Snook's Harbor | 1.10 |
| Trouty | 2.25 |
| Pope's Harbor | 1.65 |
| Melrose | .60 |
| Winterton | 6.90 |
| New Chelsea | 2.00 |
| Brownsdale | .95 |
| British Harbor | 2.40 |
| Hants Harbor | 6.00 |
| New Bonaventure | 3.75 |
| Port Rexton | 9.70 |
| Catalina | 19.30 |
| Lady Cove | .55 |
| Elliston | 8.00 |
| English Harbor | 4.30 |
| New Perlican | 1.40 |
| Hillview | 1.80 |
| St. Jones Within | 2.00 |
| Burgoyne Cove | .95 |
| Trinity | .80 |
| Foster's Point | 1.50 |
| Shoal Harbour | .90 |
| Ireland's Eye | .80 |
| Sibley's Cove | 1.15 |
| Hickman's Harbour | 1.00 |
| Green's Harbour | .45 |
| Hodge's Cove | 1.10 |
| Old Bonaventure | .90 |

Total amount received for the year now ending \$94.65
Cash received past Treas. 18.75

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| Total | \$113.40 |
| The disbursements: | |
| Paid District Officers' expenses | \$19.04 |
| Messages | .98 |
| Incidentals | 1.10 |
| Trading Co. | 89.26 |
| Balance cash on hand | 3.02 |
| | \$113.40 |

Bal. due Trading Co. 1913 43.61
In vacating my office for the year now closed, I beg to extend my thanks for the many acts of courtesy extended to me during my term of office.

Respectfully submitted:
GEORGE FOWLOW.
Moved by Ernest Parrott, seconded by John Gulliver and resolved that the Treasurer's report be adopted and two auditors be appointed. The following were appointed—Ellis Hiscock and Isaac J. Randell.

Moved by Isaac J. Randell, seconded by George Hiscock that the meeting adjourn until 9.30 a.m. to-morrow, carried. Meeting adjourned at 11.30 p.m.

SECOND SESSION.
Pursuant to adjournment the Chairman declared that the Council open for the transaction of business at 9.30 a.m. The following resolutions were then adopted:

- That a lighthouse and fog alarm be erected on the Horse Chops.
- That a beacon light be erected at Manuel Island, Catalina.
- That the Reid Nfld. Co. be compelled to construct proper and effective cattle guards at settlements along the whole of the Bonavista railway, as the present guards are but cattle traps and thousands of dollars worth of cattle are being destroyed.
- That a telegraph office be opened at Trinity East.
- That telephone connection be extended from Port Rexton to Champneys and English Harbor, from Britannia Cove to Snook's Harbour, Lady Cove and Hickman's Harbour, from Elliston and Melrose.
- That a breakwater be built at Winterton.
- That New Perlican be dredged.
- That the railway be extended

from Heart's Content to the end of the District.

The committee to draft reply to Chairman's opening address presented the following report:

Address in Reply.
Mr. Chairman.—The committee appointed to draft a report in reply to the address delivered by you at the opening of this Fifth Annual District meeting of the F. P. U. beg to submit the following as their report:

Section 1.—We are in full sympathy with you in selecting Winterton as the place of meeting of this District Council and in full concord with what you say, and trust all Union friends and delegates will accept the warm welcome accorded them by you, Sir, and trust that this mutual conference will enable us to put more confidence in the Union than ever and will be the means of strengthening the District and the Union.

Section 2.—We also feel found of the way in which the business of the different companies of the Union were managed by President Coaker and we were really surprised also to find that the companies declared a dividend of 8 per cent under the most trying conditions that ever confronted the Colony.

Section 3.—We are also glad to hear that it is the intention of the President to erect a large business premises at the renowned town of Catalina, also a marine slip and dock, as well as an electrical plant to be used in connection with the business and for the lighting of the settlement. This will, Sir, we believe, be a great boon to Catalina and to the whole Bay. We therefore ask every Union man in the District to take up as many shares as possible in the Export Co.

Section 4.—We are, Mr. Chairman, proud of you and friend Targett for the stand you have both taken in the House of Assembly as representatives of this District. The achievements of the Opposition members since taking their seats we feel very proud of indeed.

Section 5.—The way in which public matters were exposed is sufficient to convince us all that we have the right man in the right place. The fight put up by the Union members for our advancement is a credit to any political party, and may God speed the day when we shall have a Union Party alone. Experience has taught the Union that it is better to stand alone in order that the Bonavista Platform may be carried out.

Section 6.—We are certainly in accord with you in your disapproval of the Heart's Content Branch not coming to the end of the District, and with you, Sir, we would like to see it extended all the way down the shore, thereby giving the people from Heart's Content down the benefits of the railway, and we trust that the resolution which we put before District Council will have the desired effect.

Section 7.—We also, with you, agree that the most serious matter now facing this Colony is the Bait Problem which the Government should lose no time in trying to adjust. Money can be found for every other use and we are of the opinion that some small amount at least should be granted for this purpose. Therefore, we feel fully justified in our opinion upon this matter, and we feel sure the President of the Union will give this matter his heartiest support.

Respectfully submitted:
ERNEST PARROTT,
SIMEON PEARY,
ISAAC J. RANDELL,
ISSAC BURRIDGE,
JOHN GULLIVER.

Moved by Reuben George, seconded by Walter French and resolved that the address in reply be adopted. Moved by Robert Hiscock, seconded by John George that this Council adjourn until 2.30 p.m. Council adjourned at 12.30.

THIRD SESSION.
Pursuant to adjournment the Chairman declared that the Council open for transaction of business at 2.30 p.m. The auditors then presented the following report:

Auditor's Report.
Mr. Chairman.—We, the undersigned, appointed to examine the books and vouchers of the Treasurer wish to report that we have gone through same

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SEE MR. BALLARD BROWN AS THE BARON.
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ELOIL HISCOCK,
ISAAC J. RANDELL,
Auditors.
Moved by Ernest Parrott, seconded by John French that the Auditors' report be adopted.
Election of Officers.
Chairman—J. G. Stone, re-elected.
Deputy Chairman—A. Targett, re-elected.
Secretary—John Guppy, re-elected.
Treasurer—George Fowlow, re-elected.
Moved by Robert Hiscock, seconded by Robert Pinhorn and resolved that on Jan. 17th, 1916, be the Union Parade Day for all Councils in the District.
Moved by Isaac J. Randell, and seconded by George Hiscock that the place and date of next meeting be left with the Chairman.
Moved by Ernest Parrott, seconded by Thomas Briton and resolved that all expenses in connection with the Dist Council be paid. Suitable speeches were then delivered by the newly elected officers.
Moved by George Fowlow, seconded by John French and resolved that the minutes be adopted as a whole.
Moved and seconded that this Council do now close. Council closed by the singing of the "National Anthem."
J. G. STONE,
Chairman.
JOHN GUPPY,
Secretary.
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The Coal Famine-- Barefaced Robbery

THE HERALD yesterday attempted to justify the robbery of the poor of the sum of \$14,000 on coal, and published interviews with Alex. Harvey, J. C. Crosbie, and Morey & Co., all of whom explained that the advance in the price of coal was intended to prevent extravagances in using it during the coming winter. What fools those mortals be! Patsy published such rubbish, hoping his old trick of fooling the people would succeed once more. What need is there to rob the poor to the extent of \$2.80 per ton on coal in order to compel them to economize. How many poor laborers wives or widows will burn two buckets of coal where one would suffice? Only a deliberate rascal would advance such a plea for such rascality. We are positive that no householder is buying coal this week who will be able to afford to waste an ounce or would waste an ounce even if coal was \$5.00 per ton. The excuse is but a pretext for the wholesale robbery of the poor, for every ton of coal that was in stock on Monday that sells at \$10.80 per ton will be regarded as nothing short of robbery by every fair thinking man in the Colony.

Don't talk to the people P.T. about contracts made by coal dealers that will be filled and must be filled at old price. Catch Alex. Harvey or Jimmy Morey accepting binding contracts of this nature, in view of conditions apparent to all since July. Go talk such nonsense to the lunatics at the Asylum. P.T. and E.P. wont find such bluff so easily swallowed as their ugly nightmares on Godless Schools were in 1913. Get off your despicable roosts and try to be men once during your miserable existence, and get coal for the poor at \$6.50 per ton, and give up excusing the rascality of men who on Monday demanded \$10.80 for what they were selling on Friday at \$8.00. What is the use of Governments in war times if a ship owner can ask \$5.00 for what was worth \$1.50 six months ago. If the enemies warships had captured our carriers or gained mastery over our seas then all would calmly submit to the inevitable, but the only enemy encountered is the grabber of gold filtered from the miseries of the people under war conditions, when hundreds of the sons of those who are the severest sufferers are dying for their King on foreign soil, thousands of miles from Home and Country.

Shame upon you Alex. Harvey and Jas. Morey! who would be base enough to despoil the widows and the very poor of \$1.40 on one half ton of coal on the one hand, while on the other they are posted as Patriots and idolized by the King's representative. If the \$2.80 was put on as Messrs. Harvey and Morey claim in order to compel economy in the use of coal, then hand over the \$2.80 taken per ton to the ladies of the Dorcas and St. Vincent De Paul Societies, who will see that those who suffer most will benefit by the charge and not those who are living on the fat of the land and fare sumptuously daily.

No one but an idiot will swallow P.T.'s excuses or John Alexander's excuses, or accept the logic advanced by the men who are pocketing not only \$14,000.00 on soft coal but another \$11,000 on hard coal, or a total of \$25,000; all because they don't want the poor to use much coal at \$10.80 per ton. Fancy piling on \$2.80 on hard coal, which supply is normal, in order to keep the poor widows and laborers from using too many ounces of soft coal per day at \$10.80! Robbery! Why robbery is too tame a word for such rascality. Those men should be taken by the populace and compelled to walk barefooted through the City streets, and then placed in the Penitentiary for five years. Talk about Government for the people and by the people! Who will deny that the Morris Government is not a clique representing about 20 per cent. of the electorate, that has done all it possibly can to kill "government for the people and by the people?"

Three months ago we publicly called the Premier's attention to conditions and pointed out that there would be a shortage in the coal supply unless he did something to overcome it. The Erik, Terra Nova and Eagle could have made six trips each since November 1st and landed 7000 tons of coal. These ships were available under certain conditions. They were not utilized because no one in the Government is sufficiently interested in the people to get busy and make a business deal with the owners of those ships. In addition the Bloodhound, Ranger and Viking could have made six trips each to Sydney since November 1st and landed 5000 tons. These could have landed all the coal that was necessary had they been used. They were allowed to remain at their anchors in the Harbor all this season while the cry for coal was loud enough in November to reach any hearts but that of the so called Government of Newfoundland. If there had been \$20,000 saw-offs or \$20,000 slices of timber areas, or shares in mining claims, something would have been done, but as it was only the poor laborer and the hard-pushed-large-familied mechanics that were to suffer by a coal shortage, then the reply was "to H— with them, let them fudge for themselves; we are here for what we can make for our pockets, and let them shiver!"

The Government possesses the only key to unlock the door of this outrage and let Morris take possession of all the coal,—hard and soft,—and sell the soft to the poor at the cost of it, while the hard coal should sell at \$13.50,—the price fixed by the local Germans—and the profits given to the charitable societies to buy soft coal for the poor. The Erik, Terra Nova and Eagle could be commandeered and operated at the value of \$150.00 per day each. They could make a trip to Louisburg in ten days. They would bring 2500 tons of coal each trip. The cost to the Colony would therefore be as follows:—

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| Total cost of 3 steamers per day, say at \$500 for a 10 days trip. | \$5,000.00 |
| Freight on 2500 tons of coal at \$2.00 | 5,000.00 |
| Cost of coal at Sydney, per ton | 3.40 |
| Cost of landing and cartage, per ton | .90 |
| Cost of incidentals | .20 |
| Cost of freight | 2.00 |
| | 6.50 |

These are war times and our ship owners have sold their ships in order to make large profits and any Government working for the interest of the people would be justified in taking those steamers two months ago, or for the next six weeks, and delivering coal to the people at \$6.50 per ton, and the Colony would not be asked to pay one cent for the blessing.

If the Opposition Party in the House were entrusted with the Government of the Colony to-day just such action as above outlined would be taken, and those who would not like it could dislike it. And if Morris does not take similar action, he should be branded as a slave to local German interests, a vile enemy of the City and the Poor, and a coward of the most despicable quality. Come, Mr. Kent, your constituents are looking to you for action in their hour of betrayal. Will you arise to the opportunity and convene a Mass Meeting of the Citizens of St. John's and demand immediate action by the Government or their immediate resignation?

Come, Billy Higgins, you, who the Poor of St. John's elected to the honor of being an M.H.A. for the important District of St. John's East, will you be false to the interest of those who confided in you two years ago, and sit silent and tame while St. John's citizens are being outraged by Government inaction and coal dealers grabbing? Will you be a party to the betrayal of the interests of the citizens of St. John's, or will you prove yourself worthy of the confidence reposed in you two years ago by the fishermen and working men of St. John's East? If you hold up your finger and demand action to protect the interests of your poorest constituents as well as every right thinking elector of St. John's, the Premier will not dare to deny you what is proper. Will you avail of this crisis to prove yourself a true man and forever reign in the esteem of your fellow citizens, or will you cower and fear and be written down a coward of the most wretched description and forever be despised by every free thinking man in the community? Let the citizens of St. John's watch Mr. Higgins, for he must take some action or die politically. Mr. Kent has declared his willingness to back the Government in any proper way and is ready to lead a new Government which will immediately take action as above outlined.

Mind readers, coal will still advance in price if the Government wont act immediately. Instead of \$10.80 the price will be \$14.00 by the end of March if the local Germans are to be allowed a free hand to do as they have been doing. Is it any wonder the people are expressing their indignation outwardly and without restraint. Is it any wonder they are proclaiming the Premier to be the Greatest Bluffer the Colony ever produced and classing John Alexander to be the most noted hypocrite that ever trod Newfoundland soil, while P.T. is regarded as the most despised journalist ever known to the people of Newfoundland.

The Herald And The Coal Barons

In a desperate attempt to conceal the real facts of the case, The Herald last evening, published what it pleased to call "interviews with the coal dealers," thinking no doubt, that by adopting such a course public indignation would be somewhat appeased. It was the same Herald, the Official Organ of the Morris freebooters, which shouted some few weeks ago that the Premier was dealing with the matter; and that things would be immediately made right. We must now take it that the Premier failed to deal with the matter, and instead of coal remaining at the old price, the Premier's efforts have resulted in an extra \$2.80 being clapped on every ton of coal which the Coal Barons of Water Street have had in their sheds for weeks. Was it intended as a New Year's gift from the Premier to his people? Truly this is on a par with what every one expected when they read in The Herald that Morris was attending to the matter. No one expected him to deal intelligently with such a problem. He has failed in this, as he has in all other matters, he has taken in hand since the unfortunate day he got the reins of power.

In thousands of dollars for junketing trips, printing, compiling public messages, etc., and now he has the bold audacity to advise the poor half paid laborers of this City to economize. Verily! he has an exceeding overflow of gall. In the interview with the Coal Barons, which is really a cloak for the Premier's shortcomings in the matter, we notice Mr. A. J. Harvey deploras the fact that the laboring people must suffer. To read that gentleman's explanation of the sad facts one could almost see him shedding tears. "We raised the price of coal," says Mr. Harvey, "so as to stop large quantities from being sold out and to provide for the INCREASED FREIGHTS ON FUTURE SHIPMENTS." Here's a new kind of patriotism for you. To provide for the "increased freights on future shipments" we have added \$2.80 a ton" says Mr. Harvey. Well now what's to prevent the grocer now from adding a dollar a barrel on flour to-morrow to provide for the increased freight rates which may come into effect in 1926? Mr. Harvey we suppose has given in his cheque for the Patriotic Fund. Quite true is it that it was acknowledged in Mr. Harvey's name, but who really furnished the "bucks?" Again: "We must keep the factories going" says Mr. Harvey. "Sure thing, pop! If the factories stop the fat dividends which Mr. Harvey and the other patriotic gentry on Water Street scoop in will of course stop and that must be prevented, even if coal must be sold to the poor of St. John's at \$20.00 per ton. Isn't this about right, Mr. Harvey?"

We notice that The Herald last evening advises the people to economize. For downright gall in solid slugs this easily takes first place. Patsy McGrath advising the laborers of this City to economize! Why McGrath should be ashamed to write the word economize. If the Government of which he is a well paid heeler had to economize a little during the past six years our people would not be so badly off to-day as they are. McGrath has scooped

down when the Directors can gather in the coin, and in this connection we have had our eyes for some time on some factories; and we will have something to say about conditions in them in the near future which will make the public sit up and take notice.

As regards hard coals, we note Mr. Harvey says, "that there is sufficient for the City's needs, if people do not rush along and buy up large stocks in order to be on the safe side." Very good news, indeed, but; suppose the people do rush along with their orders, would Mr. Harvey raise the price of hard coal a few dollars a ton to protect himself against increased freight rates next fall? We wonder would he!

Mr. Harvey, like the Editor of The Herald, advises the laboring man to economize as much as possible. Well, isn't that rich! Does Mr. Harvey think the laboring men of St. John's are paving their backyards with the "black diamonds?" We take it that the laboring man, the mechanic, the clerk and the widows of this City have been doing quite a lot of economizing the past two years. How much did Mr. Harvey and the Water Street gentry do in the way of REDUCING the cost of living the past two years? Are Harvey's biscuits any cheaper than they were? Away with such tommy rot! Too long have our people been compelled to live on this hot air talk. They are now about sick of it.

In concluding his address to the public, Mr. Harvey desires them to know, "that his firm is, or was yesterday, negotiating for the charter of a steamer to freight coals here." Mr. Harvey well knew months ago what quantities of coal his contracts for factories and other public institutions called for. He also knew how much coal he then had in stock; and must therefore have formed some idea of how many tons of coal he would be short for the City's fall and winter trade. That was the time to worry? about chartering a steamer and not now when the situation is acute. Perhaps he was waiting for "Nifty" Ned to do something. If he was, he was sure to meet with disappointment.

Continuing, Mr. Harvey says: "We are now making arrangements, looking about, to see what can be done to get ships for next spring and summer to freight coals to St. John's." Well, if we are not all frozen stiff by that time we may be able to get a bucket or so at the rate of \$???. per ton.

Hon. Mr. Crosbie is also in a h— of a quandary as to what the outcome will be. Poor man he is simply worried to death over the unfortunate affair! So much has he been worrying that he has no idea of what the other Coal Barons are doing to meet the crisis. Poor fellow! He didn't know of course a week ago that the price was to be raised after the New Year. No; honest injun he didn't. If he had any idea of such a thing being done he would have kicked against it, and made the price a few shillings higher. So eager was Hon. Johnny to help out the poor of the City that he has actually cleaned out his shed, and now 'ow and behold! the "Susu" will not be able to sail for the North to-night because there is not enough of coal left in the shed to fill her bunkers. Too bad, isn't it?

Hon. Mr. Crosbie thinks, that he rise in the price may be due to the fact that some of the coal lately being sold was taken by firms of the "piles" they had for filling contracts, and this of course must be replaced by new imports at increased freight rates. Of course Mr. Crosbie doesn't supply any Government institutions, so this does not apply to him. These

Coal Barons who supply the Government Departments have tendered so low that they will lose money on their contracts! Mr. Crosbie goes a little better than Mr. Harvey, for he says, "if the people use coal sparingly the wooden ships IF they go to Sydney may fetch enough to pull us over the winter" whereas Mr. Harvey says, "we must wait till the spring or next summer."

The third "cold weather" dealer to be interviewed by The Herald is our friend Mr. Jas. Morey who does business on Queen Street. Mr. Morey, too, deploras the exceedingly high rise in freight rates, and says, "he, too, has been selling coal to the City trade which he had to fill his Government contracts," and, "that he must, too, charge the extra \$2.80 to meet the increased cost of importing further shipments to meet this deficit in his "Government coal bin."

It strikes us that the coal dealers are very solicitous for the Government offices. Of course it would be cruel to have these hard working gentry working in a place insufficiently heated! Now if Mr. Harvey would direct his attention to the firemen of these buildings we think he would find good and just grounds for suggesting them to go easy on the "diamonds." For those of us who visit the various public buildings well know that the heat is something unbearable. We quite understand of course that it may be necessary to keep all furnaces going in such a place as the General Hospital; but take the Custom House for instance. At times the heat here is enough to sicken one; and of course it is the laboring man who is taxed and taxed to death to pay for it.

In order to differ a little, from the other two gentlemen, Mr. Morey takes us over to Naples and tells us of the increased cost of coal there, and ends his interview with the Official Organ of the Government, by gently disclosing the information that the price may yet increase and that if we behave ourselves and say nothing but "cough" up the "coin" we may be able to hook a few bucketfuls later on.

This whole business in one huge brazenfaced grab. It is unwarranted and uncalled for, and is one that deserves the severest condemnation that is possible to call forth upon it. Talk of Patriotism. This is Patriotism with a vengeance! Selling coal to-day for \$10.80 which was sold three days ago for \$8.00 is nothing more or less than a barefaced piece of robbery!

The public should exert themselves in this matter and set up a howl that will at least appal the shameless robbers. As we pointed out yesterday, the Government have the remedy in their hands, will they apply it? Will Crosbie and Co. pull Morris by the nose and prevent him from doing the right thing in the interest of our City laborers and mechanics?

Patsy once informed us that Morris said "to h— with the mechanics!" It now looks as if Edward the Bluffer would send them there to thaw. If the public take this latest piece of rascality without a kick they will wake up some fine morning and find their lockers empty, their wood pile gone and themselves the prey of the Water Street Czars. Now what are they going to do about it?

ANOTHER BRUTAL ASSAULT.

Another atrocious assault was committed last night on a little boy, the son of a prominent citizen, by an imbecile, who was arrested, and who is being dealt with to-day. He will likely be sent to the Lunatic Asylum

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Editor and Business Manager

JOHN J. ST. JOHN

ST. JOHN'S, N.F.L.D., JAN. 5th., 1916.

We have received an illustration of what the people doing business here think of the poor. Within the past 48 hours Inspector O'Brien, fearless official that he is, has had to destroy 400 lbs of poultry held so long by dealers to squeeze the big price out of the poor that it became unfit for human food.

This is a crime in the face of a beneficent Providence. Many a poor invalid would be the better of some of this food if it were sold at fair price at first, and many a delicate woman or sick child would benefit by it. The Almighty in His goodness has so shaped things for us that we can afford to import such food. Then why abuse His goodness in this way.

This is a crime and outrage, and the perpetrators are beneath the contempt of Christian people.

GLEANINGS OF GONE BY DAYS

- January 5
- HENRY D. WINTON, Sr., proprietor Public Ledger, died, 1885.
 - Elfrida Pike murdered at Harbor Grace, 1870.
 - Right Hon. W. E. Forster, Viceroy of Ireland, died 1886.
 - William Vinnicombe, pilot, died, 1897.
 - James Cox's houses, Water St., burnt, 1892.
 - Late A. H. Seymour appointed Sheriff Northern District, 1892.
 - Philip Halley, H.M.C., died, 1894.
 - Hon. William Taylor (a Newfoundland resident of Boston), died, 1894.
 - Father Labelle, Quebec, died, 1891.
- and should have been placed there long ago.

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Water Street Stores Dept.

NIGHT SCHOOL OPENED

The Commercial Night School opened on Monday at 7.45 p.m. at Springdale St. Commercial School, with a good attendance of students, all grateful for this excellent opportunity extended to them. A brief address was given by the principal, Mr. P. C. Butler, and the most popular subjects selected were English (including reading, debating and spelling), arithmetic, stenography and book-keeping.

Only about twenty more pupils are required to complete the classes already arranged. Electric light has been installed by the Reid Nfld. Co. and the rooms are very comfortable and well equipped for successful work and the classes will be held each Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings. Several scholarships, prizes and positions, the best prizes of all, have been promised the school to encourage deserving students, and every young man and woman desirous of advancing in business should aim to secure the certificate of this school that is bound to be recognized by the business firms of the city.

The teachers have adopted the specialists' plan: Mr. H. J. Bishop, A.A., in English, Arithmetic and book keeping; Miss Pelley in stenography; Mr. G. V. Lee in instruction and repairing. Intending students can obtain full information by phoning Mr. Lee, telephone number, 56; or by writing to the Principal, or calling at the school, or 139 LeMarchant Road from 7.45 to 9 any evening this week or next. By all means advance education and the deserving young men and women of the country. This work should be taken up in the outports as well this winter.

Riverside Blankets are made from selected woods.—dec29,61

OUR THEATRES

THE CRESCENT.
The Crescent Picture Palace is showing to day Lawrence Marston's celebrated drama, "An Innocent Sinner"; Katharine Lasalle, the famous Broadway Star, appears as "Hulda" in this great masterpiece. "Indiscretion" is a strong society drama, Edgar Jones and Louise Huff feature in this play. "Mixed Flats" is a very laughable comedy; all the Lub-in comedy stars are on deck in this comedy. "The Tattooed Hand" in 2 reels, an episode in the girl detective series, will be shown on Friday and Saturday.

ROSSLEY'S.

The pantomime "Beauty and the Beast" is now in full working order, going without a hitch. It is a show full of clean innocent amusement. Among the many pupils of Mrs. Rossley there is one tiny tot, aged three years, who is one of the very cleverest children ever seen in this city, or any other city for that matter, and to see the beautiful performance of this baby is simply past belief. It speaks volumes for the long hours of the tedious labour. Mrs. Rossley has bestowed on this little star and also her care and kindness, to gain the confidence of this mite, who performs her part, like a true actress. There is no hesitation or shyness. She's a wonder! She's a marvel and worth three times the price of admission alone.

Riverside Blankets. The more you wear them the better you'll like them.—dec29,61

AN EXCELLENT ARTICLE

The most absorbingly interesting historical sketch we have seen for some time is that penned by Mr. H. F. Shortis in the initial number of "Colonial Commerce." It deals with a phase of our local history about which little seems to be known—the Spanish connection with Newfoundland. Mr. Shortis sheds much light on this period and his article which will be continued in the next publication has been read with great interest.

BITTEN BY DOG

Last evening as a boy named Ryan of Flower Hill was passing up Barter's Hill he was set upon by a vicious dog and severely bitten about the leg. The blood flowed over his stockings, saturating them. There are two or three fierce dogs kept in this thoroughfare which should be speedily destroyed.

BIG SALE OF TICKETS.

The sale of tickets for "Within the Law," the opening bill of the Klark-Urban Co. for Monday night is proceeding rapidly. There are still a number of good seats left at the Atlantic Bookstore and those who would like to see a splendidly drama ably performed should purchase quickly.

"Within the Law"

Masie Cecil, the leading lady of the Klark-Urban Company, has never had a role in which she has appeared to so great advantage as in the part of Mary Turner, the principal character of "Within The Law." It is as much due to her skillful acting as to the author's ingenuity that the play has been creating a sensation wherever they have played it. She has the sure touch of the artist that reveals her as one of the most finished leading women on the stage. Whether in the plain frock of the shop girl, or the ultra-stylish gowns of Mary's more prosperous days, she acts the part of the avenging woman with a shading that is nearly faultless. "Within the Law" will be the opening play at the Casino Theatre, Monday Evening, when the Klark-Urban Company opens a limited engagement. Seats on sale at Atlantic Bookstore.

A PATHETIC SIGHT.

In the blizzard which raged yesterday afternoon a man could be seen coming out Allandale Road towing a heavy load of wood which he had cut miles in the country on a catamaran. It appeared to be green and was hardly the material that the bantons of St. John's would use to heat their "pablos" don't you know. This poor creature was glad to get it and endure hunger, cold and misery in its procuring to heat his humble home.

The coal stocks are held by the "Barons" for the factories so that "labour" may not suffer. The solicitude for "labour" is altogether too sudden to be genuine. We wonder if the conserving of the coal stocks for factories has not more to do with the conservation of fat dividends to directors and shareholders. Our people are becoming wise to some of the coal and flour sharpers of St. John's.

OPORTO STOCKS.

| | Past Week | Prev. Week |
|----------------|-----------|------------|
| Stocks (Nfld.) | 46530 | 34840 |
| Consumption | 1940 | 2525 |
| Stocks (Norg) | 2950 | 2410 |
| Consumption | 350 | 765 |

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BONAVISTA STANDS TRUE TO COAKER AND THE UNION

(To Editor of the Mail and Advocate.)

Dear Sir,—May I be permitted to express in the columns of your fearless paper my sentiments with regard to the heroic work performed and accomplished by our noble President. Those of us who know him know he is the only one who has ever come forward and made a fight for the poor of Newfoundland.

I venture to say if President Coaker didn't take a stand for Prohibition, it would never have been carried. I heard many a man say, who was opposed to him, after the ballot was counted: "Who can we thank for this? No one but President Coaker." There is one thing we all must be thankful for and that is, we had a fearless Coaker while this greatest war the world has ever seen is on, to keep down the price of provisions, and

to keep up the price of fish, because, if there was no Coaker, we would not have got flour for \$7 and fish would have been considerably less.

Go ahead, Mr. President, with your noble work. Thousands admit to-day that if there was no Union and no Coaker we would be back now where our forefathers stood.

God hasten the day when our noble President and his Union Party will have the ruling power of Newfoundland. And 1917 is sure to bring that day.

We all know that the stand you have taken is for right. Go ahead, Mr. Coaker, we are all with you in the fight.

We all join in wishing you a Happy New Year.

BONAVISTA.
Bonavista, Dec. 31, 1915.

Kindhearted Fishertfolk of Deep Hr., T.B., Help Brother Toilers in Distress

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir,—Please allow me space in your valuable paper, the Daily Mail, to express my thanks to the kind and most noble men and women of Deer Harbour, Trinity Bay, for their kindness to myself and crew in our loneliness of darkness and distress. On December 9th, 1915, at 10 o'clock a.m. we left St. John's, loaded with provisions, for New Perlican. About 3 o'clock p.m. the wind blew a hurricane with rain and sleet. Seeing the wind was too heavy to reach our destination we decided to run the schooner for Deer Harbour. The all-wise hand of Providence guided us as we could see nothing for wind and sleet until we were ashore on the rocks, just outside the entrance of the harbour. One could hardly tell what to do. First we thought of the destitute homes that would be in Perlican if the provisions were lost. We managed with a heavy sea running to get ropes to the shore to keep the schooner from going off, which we did with great difficulty. We then made our case known to the people of Deer

Harbour.

There was no question asked what was on board, the only question asked, was is the crew safe, and the next thing was let us save the provisions. Every man and boy in Deer Harbour came to our assistance, even Mr. Marsh, an old man of 75 years of age came to lend us a helping hand. Everything was done in silence until every parcel was ashore on the rocks. We were then taken to comfortable homes, where we put on dry clothes and partook of warm food, after which we got about an hour's rest.

We could not get a message anywhere until the next day when we sent a message to William Cotter at New Perlican. His schooner being moored for the winter, Mr. Cotter got a crew with Captain Penton, and I am thankful to say everything was landed at New Perlican in safety; thanks to the good men of Deer Harbour.

Yours truly,
WILLIAM HEFFORD.
New Perlican, Dec. 21, 1915.

OBITUARY

JAMES HEALEY.

We regretfully record the death, under very sad circumstances, of James Healey, of Holyrood (North Side). Arriving home on the eve of Christmas to spend a short period with his aged parents, after an absence of six years in New York, he was seized with an acute attack of pneumonia, and succumbed to his illness on the 28th inst., at the age of 31 years.

The feature of his sad and mournful death was this:—His young wife, who had some time previously come home, and his parents looked forward to poor Jim's coming as a bright and happy phase in the festive season. His brother Martin, of the 64th Canadian Regiment was also home on a brief furlough and his time expired on the very day of our deceased friend's death. This made the family gloom all the deeper, and the brave soldier boy would have yielded to the promptings of nature, had not the fortitude of his heroic mother impelled him to take his place for King and Country, Seldom, indeed Seldom does such a sad and unique event occur.

The funeral took place on Thursday morning, the 30th inst., after Requiem Mass, when all that was mortal of our departed friend was consigned to Mother Earth in the family plot at Chapel's Cove.

We tender our heartfelt sympathy to the sorrowful young widow and the parents and relatives of the departed. May he rest in peace!

Holyrood (North Side).
Dec. 31, 1915.
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Western Bay Elects Union Road Board

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir,—It affords me much pleasure to inform you that on the 16th of December, aist, we held our Road Board Election and that we elected five union men on the new Board. This will show our enemies that we are not falling behind, but rather more-determined than ever to force the Union ahead. The old road board seems to be "cut" quite a lot.

Yours truly,
JAMES TAYLOR,
Secretary
Western Bay, Dec. 27, 1915.

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ENJOYABLE CONCERT AT GRENFELL HALL

A large audience attended the Concert given at the Grenfell Institute last night in aid of the funds of the institution. His Excellency the Governor and Lady Davidson, Rev. Dr. Jones, Hon. R. Watson and many other prominent people were in the assemblage and a most interesting programme was cleverly executed. It consisted of songs by Messrs. Jones and King; recitations by Miss Curtis and Mr. Eddy; piano solo, Mr. Hurst; violin solo, Miss Johnson; selections by H. M. S. Calypso String Band; mandolin solo, Miss Sharpe and Mr. Thomas; and the sketch entitled 'The Suffragettes.' The latter was the principal item, and was presented by Mrs. Outerbridge, Mrs. Colville and Miss Hayward in a manner which created much amusement, and at the same time clearly demonstrated their ability as entertainers. The various other numbers were nicely given, particularly the selections by the Band, composed of Messrs. Jago (2) Luxon, Lloyd, Macklin, Laundry and Berley. His Excellency the Governor at the request of Rev. Dr. Jones, addressed the assemblage and heartily complimented Manager Jones on the marked ability evidenced in his management of the Institute. Refreshments were served during the evening and the affair concluded with the singing of the National Anthem.

GREEN BAY HERRING FISHERY REPORTED GOOD

Herring were yesterday reported to be very plentiful in Notre Dame Bay but as the Sisu reported ice is making there, this will likely impede the fishermen in hauling the fish. The herring fishery in this Bay this year will be the best for several seasons past.

SERVICE OF INTERSESSION

The Presbyterian Congregational and Methodist Churches will unite tonight in an Intercessory Service at George's St. Church at 8 o'clock. Rev. J. Sutherland, M.A., will be the speaker, taking as his subject "Nations and their Rulers." A cordial invitation is extended to all and no doubt a large congregation will be present.

BELIEVED CLOTHES STOLEN

Two out-harbour men went to the police station yesterday afternoon and reported that a bag and valise containing clothing owned by them had been stolen at the Railway Station. They were amongst a number of men who came by train to go to Bell Island, and the police who investigated believe that the packages had been put by mistake on slides taking other men's belongings to Portugal Cove and that the owners will get them later.

MINERS RETURNING TO WORK.

All the miners of Bell Island who had been to their homes the past two weeks for the Xmas holidays are now returning to work. Several who could not connect with the steamer for the Island at Kelligrews, arrived here by train yesterday afternoon to go in Portugal Cove. There will be great activity on the Island all the winter.

REACHED OPORTO SAFELY

A telegram received by the Board of Trade yesterday stated that the following vessels had reached Oporto: Marion Adams, Alameda, Wilfred Marcus, and Lady St. John. All loaded fish from the S.W. Coast.

THE COAL BARONS.

(Editor Mail and Advocate)
Dear Sir,—I applied New Year's Eve to several coal dealers for a quarter of a ton of coal and couldn't get it. Mr. Robinson of the "News" says in to-day's paper that the Government are "enquiring into conditions." I would like to ask if the Government's "enquiry" will keep the fires going in the humble little homes of the city's poor, many of them Sir E. P. Morris and Mr. J. B. Bennett's constituents. Now that the Government is "enquiring" while the poor are freezing, Sir Edward might start the enquiry by dealing with some of the coal barons associated with the Government who are grinding the faces of the poor.

POOR WIDOW.

St. John's, Jan. 4th, 1916.
CHILDREN PLACED.—Thomas Warren, of Woods Island, Bay of Islands, wish to place two motherless children aged nine and five years. Any person willing to take such children as their own, should communicate with the above.—Jan. 4th, daily

IN MEMORY OF HON. JOHN HARRIS

One by one our friends are leaving
For the happy, golden shore.
Why should we for them be grieving
When we'll meet our loved once more.

One has gone; and one we treasured
For his kind and many ways.
Moderately his views, he measured,
Wisdom's rite pursued his days.

Wealth is mighty when we use it,
Though some souls in doth enthrall.
'Tis a curse when 'we abuse it;
One kind heart is 'worth it all.

One kind heart, and he possessed it,
Which had grown with him from birth;
And the orphan often blessed it,
And the widow knew its worth.

He was honest, he was truthful,
And he loved his native Isle;
And with vigour, almost youthful,
Late and early he did toil.

Many who since boyhood knew him
Miss him, and have shed a tear
When they wandered to his tomb
Where he sleeps at Belvidere.

Such is life and all its pleasures,
All things bloom but to decay.
Death will rob us of our treasures
Like our friend is took to-day.

JAMES MURPHY.
Jan. 4th, 1916.

LOCAL ITEMS

Riverside Blankets. Insist on getting them.—dec29,6i

Several recruits recently entered the police force and Sgt. M. Savage is busy each day at Fort Townsend instructing them in drill &c.

The members of the police force who had been doing special duty outside the city for several months past and amongst whom were Sgts. Nugent and Ryan, returned here New Year's Eve. They have resumed their regular duty in the city.

We advise trappers to send their furs to Nfld. Fox Exchange, 276 Water Street.—nov23

A sailor who has been several times before the Court on a similar charge was arrested last night for vagrancy. He comes from the Southern States and is homeless and friendless and when brought to the station was suffering much from cold and hunger.

PARADE RINK OPEN TO-NIGHT. ICE IN SPLENDID CONDITION.

Many of our local fishermen believe that cod is plentiful off this port in deep water and if bait can be procured some intend to give winter fishing a trial in their motor boats. This is a venture which will be watched with interest and it is hoped will be successful.

Riverside Blankets and Yarns made up to a Standard, not down to a price.—dec29,6i

There is almost a complete absence of ice to-date in the St. Lawrence and Cabot Straits, and braving the risks of the sudden storms steamers and sailing craft can come and go without trouble. It is not often that such conditions prevail at this season.

It was intensely cold across country Monday night, especially at Quarry where the thermometer went to 5 degrees below zero. It was pretty cold last night, also the glass in some place recording zero. Little snow has fallen to date and trains run without trouble.

The schr. 'Robert J. Dale,' sailed for Pernambuco yesterday, taking 4169 qts. codfish, shipped by Bowring Bros. Ltd.

SHOP THIEVES AT WORK.

In coming suddenly into her shop on Freshwater Road last night, Mrs. C. Marshall was surprised to find a boy inside the counter. He had opened the till and had the contents, all the day's sales, a considerable sum of money on the counter. He had left the street door open so that he could get away quickly without making a noise. When the woman came in he jumped over the counter and escaped. She has, however, given a good description of the lad to the police. On several occasions of late she has missed money from her store.

There will be a celebration of the Holy Communion, with special Intercessions on behalf of H. M. Military and Naval Forces, in St. Mary's Church (Southside) on to-morrow, Thursday, morning at 10.30 a.m.

READ THE MAIL & ADVOCATE

LATEST WAR MESSAGES

Germans Destroy All Sea Traditions

LONDON, Jan. 5.—The Daily News, in an editorial to-day pointing what it terms consist in the Baralong evidence says:—
"It is possible, even probable, that sea warfare, since the sinking of the Lusitania and the Arabic has assumed a degree of savagery which formerly was inconceivable. The Germans," says the Daily News, "have torn up kingly traditions and it is idle to expect their examples should be wholly unattractive. When the war is ended it will be one of the most urgent and difficult tasks of civilization to re-establish them. So far as the German protest is concerned, Sir Edward Grey's half ironical offer to submit all cases to an impartial tribunal is a fair enough reply."

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

ROME, Jan. 5.—The Basilica, in St. Peters, was closed to-day because of a young man named Antonio Giovannoli, attempted to commit suicide in the sacred edifice.

Giovannoli shot himself with a revolver. The wound was slight, but as blood had been spilt, the Basilica was closed in accordance with the rules of the church and will not be re-opened until it has been reconsecrated, which will probably be to-morrow.

BELGIAN OFFICIAL.

PARIS, Jan. 5.—The following statement issued by the Belgian War Office says:—
"After a quiet night the artillery battle was resumed with violence in the sections of Dixmude and Dreigraeben. During the morning, to the north of Steenstraete, there was a fight with grenades, which resulted to our advantage."

AS RESULT OF AN EXPLOSION

LYONS, France, Jan. 5.—Eight soldiers and one civilian were killed and nineteen soldiers and one civilian injured here yesterday by the accidental explosion of a shell in the artillery park.

ARE SAID TO HAVE EVACUATED CZERNOWITZ

LONDON, Jan. 5.—A Reuter despatch from Petrograd says the Teutonic forces are reported to have evacuated Czernowitz, Bukowina, and it adds that a large number of prisoners have been taken, including many Germans.

NOT CONFIRMED.

the evacuation of Czernowitz, but LONDON, Jan. 5.—A Russian official communication does not confirm says that northwest of Czernowitz we have occupied a line of trenches and repulsed strong counter attacks.

OUR VOLUNTEERS

Yesterday the volunteers held Swedish and other drills in the Armoury. Recruiting is proceeding apace and yesterday the total reached 2701, with the addition of the following yesterday:—
Hy. Allardyce, Aberdeen, Scotland.
Walter Andrews, St. John's.
Jno. Adams, Hr. Grace.
Frank Pumphrey, Hr. Grace.
Jas. Hennessey, Hr. Grace.

The funeral of the late Mrs. George Armstrong which took place yesterday afternoon was largely attended. Mr. M. W. Myrick was undertaker, and at the R. C. Cathedral the final absolution was imparted by Rev. Dr. Greene. Interment was at Belvidere cemetery.

A QUERY.

If the coal barons keep the coal to supply the factories, and householders must go without it, how will the operatives work if they have not coal to prepare their meals? Coal, they say, must be conserved. They will not sell for \$8.00 per ton but \$10.80; yet get all you want. The scheme is too thin.

POLICE COURT NEWS.

F. J. Morris, K.C. credited to-day and fined two drinks \$1 or 7 days each.

The seaman of the Southern States, held for vagrancy, was sent down for four months.

Three drunks were discharged and two assault cases were heard in one of which accused paid the costs. The other was withdrawn.

THE CASINO THEATRE

Limited Engagement. Commencing Monday, Jan. 10.
MATINEES WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAYS.

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A solid car of Special Scenery. Change of Play Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Prices—20, 30, and 50 cents. Seats now on sale at Atlantic Bookstore.

YESTERDAY'S LATE WAR MESSAGES

Single Men Are Called to Colors

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—A news agency despatch from London this afternoon, says that single men, between the ages of 23 and 26, inclusive, who enlisted during the recruiting campaign, were called to the colours. They are to report for service on February 8th.

French Gov't Plays Bulgars' Game

PARIS, Jan. 4.—The Minister of the Interior announces that the Consuls of the Teutonic Allies, arrested at Salonika have been brought to Marseilles and from there conducted to the Swiss frontier.

OVER 2,000,000 SLACKERS.

LONDON, Jan. 4.—Lord Derby's report shows that the total men of military age in England, Scotland and Wales, who were not enlisted when the census began were:—
Single men, 2,179,231 married men, 2,832,210; total, 5,011,441. The total attested, enlisted and rejected men was 2,829,263. This shows that there are 2,182,175 men who did not offer their services.

HE PROPOSES, BUT—

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—A representative Stearnson, Republican, Minnesota introduced a resolution to-day aimed at British interference with American trade with European neutrals. He proposes to empower the President to prohibit the exports of war munitions to any belligerent controlling the sea and preventing exports of food or food products from the United States.

SUNK IN COLLISION

LONDON, Jan. 4.—The Peninsular & Oriental Steamship Co. issued a statement to-day to the effect that the steamer Geelong was sunk in collision with the steamer Bovilston.

BRITISH MAKE GAINS NEAR YPRES.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—After a fierce artillery bombardment of the lines of the Germans for over ten days, the British to-day captured almost a mile of trenches north-east of Ypres, according to a news agency despatch received here late this afternoon.

SEEKING INFORMATION

PARIS, Jan. 4.—A despatch to the Havas News Agency from Salonika, under Sunday's date, says, the British authorities have offered a reward of 50,000 francs for information of the presence of German submarines in the Aegean Sea.

ALLIES TAKE OVER KAISER'S PALACE.

LONDON, Jan. 4.—The British Government has notified Greece that the Kaiser's summer residence, Villa Achilleon, on the Island of Corfu, will be taken by the Allies for use as a hospital, according to a Central News despatch from Athens.

OFFICIAL CASUALTY LIST

JANUARY 5th, 1916.
1322 Private John Spearus, 28 Colonial Street. Dangerously ill with enteric, Malta, Jan. 3rd.

Additional Information.
479 Private Patrick J. O'Keefe, 125 Bond Street. Previously rheumatism, Malta. Now reported to be admitted to The Third London General Hospital, Wandsworth; myalgia.

240 Private John Hipditch, Paradise, P.B. Previously reported, eye trouble, Malta. Now reported to be admitted to Third London General Hospital, Wandsworth; defective eyesight.

J. R. BENNETT,
Colonial Secretary.

French Artillery Does Good Work

PARIS, via London, Jan. 4.—The following statement was given out tonight by the French War Office:—
"In the Artois our artillery inflicted considerable loss upon groups of the enemy's workmen in the sector of Thelus. North of Arras our batteries carried out a heavy bombardment against German troops observed in the suburbs of Boye.

In the Vosges an effective fire was directed against the enemy's works in the region of Balschwiller, to the north-west of Altkirch the enemy's trenches have been demolished and a munition depot blown up.

In the East, certain Bulgarian detachments have pillaged villages on the Greek frontier. Upon our front nothing noteworthy has taken place. Our Expeditionary Force at the Dardanelles says artillery fire has been less active. During the days of Jan. 2 and 3 there have been no events of importance."

WILL COLLECT ALL POSSIBLE AFFIDAVITS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Late to-day, after conferring with President Wilson, Secretary Lansing sent orders to the American Consuls at Alexandria, Malta and Cairo, to gather at once all available affidavits from the Persia survivors, and cable summaries. The idea is to bring information speedily.

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PORTIA'S PASSENGERS.
The Portia, sailed West at 2 a.m. to-day with a full freight and these passengers:—F. Cox, Capt. Penny, S. J. Young, J. Dominey, W. Brown, L. Rose, A. Smith, J. H. Dee, S. Solo, Misses McDonald, Gardner, Jones, and Norris.

The S.S. Florizel is now sailing South from New York and will make two trips. She will be here again by the middle of February.

ADVERTISE IN THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE

Notice!

THE Third Annual Meeting of Harbor Grace District Council will be held at BAY ROBERTS on the 18th instant at 11 a.m. Prior to the Meetings of the Convention all Local Councils will please send Delegates.

A. MORGAN,
Chairman.

Notice!

THE Fourth Annual Meeting of Port-de-Grave District Council will be held on the AFTERNOON of MONDAY, the 17th instant, at 2.30 p.m., at Brigus. All Local Councils will please send Delegates and prepare any resolutions to be submitted to the Meeting or the Convention which meets at Bay Roberts the following day.

GEO. GRIMES,
Dis. Chairman.

Notice!

THE Fourth Annual Meeting of Bay-de-Verde District Council of the F.P.U. will be held at JOB'S COVE on the 18th instant, after the arrival of the train from Carbonear. All Councils will please send Delegates and prepare any resolutions to be submitted to the meeting.

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