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Suffragettes Defy The Authorities.

LONDON, Aug. 9.—The Women's Social and Political Union, the headquarters of the militant suffragette movement, issued a statement to-day regarding the sentences pronounced by the Dublin court on Wednesday on Mary Leigh, who was sent to jail for five years for wounding John Redmond, and on Gladys Evans. The union defies the authorities, calling the sentences an outrage which were not devised as a punishment to fit the offences but to terrorize other women.

Accused Roosevelt of Inconsistencies

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—The progressive platform and former President Roosevelt's true views occupied the attention of the public last night in the closing hours of the first debate of the Stanley steel trust investigation. Representative Lafferty of Oregon interpolated the progressive platform into the debate and Representative Gardiner of Massachusetts,

a republican, pointed out what he called inconsistencies in Mr. Roosevelt's position. "He believes in the Sherman anti-trust law, and in the recognition of trusts," said Mr. Gardiner. "He is riding horses going in opposite directions."

"Have you read the Colonel's speech?" asked Mr. Lafferty. "Yes, and it is entirely different from the views he expressed in the Outlook in November. He does not make himself clear on anything. He is not clear on immigration, the tariff, or anything else."

Republicans In Spain Again Active

MADRID, Aug. 9.—The government is much perturbed over Republican activities in Barcelona and Valencia, where there are indications of a revolutionary plot, the signal for which is to be the declaration of a general strike.

The Republicans in Argentina, are said to have remitted lavish funds to Spain for the furtherance of the conspiracy. Additional troops have been concentrated in the affected centres, and regiments whose officers are known to be particularly attached to the monarchy have been brought into Madrid. The war minister, General De Luque, is remaining in the capital to deal with eventualities.

Lower Freight Rates

Council Thinks Town Is Discriminated Against and Will Bring Questions Before Railway Commission

The old but ever new question of excessive freight rates charged by the C. P. R. was the theme discussed by the Town Council on Friday evening and it was decided to consult with the Board of Trade and leading merchants in an effort to gain redress through the Railway Commission.

Those present at the meeting were His Worship Mayor Ketchum and Couns Jones, Mair, Balmain, Gibson and Dibblee.

Coun Dibblee reported that George Nicholson had been appointed to assist Night Watch McCarron, one to be on each side of the bridge after 11 o'clock each night.

Coun Mair reported that the firm of J. D. Dickinson Company were doubling its capacity. They were building 140 new vats, and expected to have everything going in full swing in a few months.

E. K. Connell, secretary of the Board of School Trustees presented the annual report of that body, which was read by the Mayor, and on motion of Coun Jones and Mair, received and filed.

Moved by Coun Mair and Balmain and passed that all bills as read be ordered paid.

Coun Dibblee—I find the appropriation for sewers was \$800. We had to do a lot of unforseen work, and I have but \$150 left. We promised to put in sewers on Charles and Union Streets. To do so it will cost some \$500. I do not wish to have an over draft in my department and I decided to leave the matter with the Council.

Coun Jones—I know of no reason why the people who are asking for sewers should not get them. We are all anxious to get rid of the cess pool nuisance where ever it exists in town and I think no fault will be found if there is an over-expenditure in that department.

Moved by Couns Jones and Mair and passed that the sewer committee be authorized to put down at once the sewers on Charles St North and Union Street South as explained by the chairman of the sewer committee.

Coun Gibson—It will be noted that I have expended \$500 for a fire alarm striker, which was absolutely necessary, and that the sewer committee will not be the only one to exceed its appropriation; in fact I am \$65 over-drawn at present.

Moved by Couns Gibson and Jones and passed that the clerk notify John H. Bagley, driver of the town team, that among his other duties he be instructed to keep clean the street crossings between the hay scales and the Reformed Baptist church, and empty the garbage cans twice a week or oftener if necessary, under the instruction of Supt. Fields.

Moved by Couns Dibblee and Mair and passed that Supt. Fields be instructed to have all crossings scraped off, not covered by the former motion, and that the burdocks and other such flowers be cut down that can be found on Connell street and from the bridge to the Lower Corner.

Coun Jones—The motion just passed is a good one. The town should set a good example for cleanliness to the individual citizen. If the superintendent has to hire extra men, he should see that the work is done. A clean town is a good advertisement to outsiders, probably better than the baseball team is supposed to be.

Coun Dibblee—I think something should be done in the matter of the Imperial Packing Co case, which has been before the Council before. If I am correctly informed, the company has broken faith with the town. We should insist upon the company being placed on the tax list. We bonused the company and they agreed to do certain things which they have failed to do. They were to keep the factory insured and the policy was to be made payable to the town, but the insurance policy is not so drawn up. A committee should look into the matter.

Coun Balmain—The contract was a jug-handled affair. The town agreed to do a lot of things and did them, but the company agreed to do nothing.

Coun Mair—The only thing we can do is to put the company on the assessment list. When the bonus was granted the company was supposed to employ a certain number of hands. We paid our money over, signed the contract but the contract was never signed by the company.

Moved by Couns Mair and Dibblee and passed that a committee of the whole Council confer with the assessors in the matter of the Imperial Packing Company or any others, with power to act.

Coun Dibblee—It is well known by the Council that the McNaught foundry has recently removed from Woodstock. That foundry under favorable conditions would employ 60 hands. It was also noted that Mr. McNaught stated in the newspapers that the excessive freight rates charged by the C. P. R. was the cause of the removal of foundry. This question of freight rates should be looked into by the Council. The town should employ a man to collect statistics in the matter and bring it before the Railway Commission. Cheaper freight rates means a lot to every merchant in town. It would also help the laboring man. In the matter of fuel I have been informed, whether correctly or not I have not had time to examine into, that G. W. Upham recently brought in a carload of wood but the freight was so high that Mr. Upham would not pay it and the C. P. R. sold all the wood for freight and demurrage.

If that is so it is a serious state of affairs. The Council should take the matter up with a good man, find out how badly we are discriminated against and then we can bring the matter before the Railway Commission. The statistician would do the work for \$200 and I would be willing to contribute \$25 of that amount myself.

Mayor Ketchum.—If the action is to benefit the merchants solely it would be hardly right for the town to go into the matter. The merchants have a real grievance, but the power of the Council is prescribed and one must be very careful in dealing with the finances of the town.

Coun Dibblee did not like the idea of the Mayor throwing cold water on such a very important matter.

Mayor Ketchum said that personally he was in favor of doing something but many ratepayers already think that we have made grants for purposes contrary to the powers given us.

Coun Jones—The contention of the Mayor is legal. We are not authorized to vote any money for individual cases. It could be got at in another way. The town brings in at least \$400 worth of coal and wood. Now as a corporation we might appoint a man to get statistics to see if the C. P. R. is charging us too much. As Councilors we have a perfect right to do that.

Moved by Couns Jones and Dibblee and passed that a committee of three be appointed to consider the matter and co-operate with the Board of Trade and merchants, to devise some means of getting redress, if it is proven that the freight rates are excessive, even if necessary bringing the matter before the Railway Commission.

The Mayor appointed Couns Jones, Dibblee and Balmain said committee. Adjourned sine die.

Mrs Edward Saunders

Mrs. Geo. Saunders received a telegram on Friday announcing the death of Mrs. Edward Saunders, which took place at Vancouver, B. C. on Thursday last. Deceased was in her 78th year.

She left here about seven years ago to make her home in Vancouver. She is survived by three sons, Dr. E. H. Saunders of Vancouver; W. S. Saunders of Calgary, and Guy Saunders of Montana, and two daughters, Mrs. Wallace McElroy and Mrs. McAdam of Vancouver. The remains will be accompanied to Woodstock on Thursday by Mr. and Mrs. McElroy and the funeral will be held from the C. P. R. station.

Mrs. F. P. McAlpine and daughter, Ellen, of Birmingham, Alabama, are expected to arrive in town today. They have been visiting Mrs. McAlpine's sister, Mrs. A. A. Challenger and brother Edw. B. Winslow, of Dayton, O. They will be the guests of Mrs. A. F. Winslow while in town.

Fisheries on the Coast of Maine

"Bangor Commercial."

There is a scarcity of lobsters along the Maine coast just at present and those received in Bangor are retailing for 35 cents a pound. Summer residents at the seashore resorts are, in some cases, finding difficulty in getting a sufficient supply and the fishermen are unable to fill all the orders they receive.

One well-known Bangor man who is spending the summer down the bay, has hit upon a plan which he says has never yet failed to bring him lobsters whenever he wants them. He occasionally takes a bottle or two of beer with him when he does his marketing.

"I can get more lobsters with a couple of bottles of beer than I can with a hundred dollar bill," he explained, Thursday.

Other sea foods are to be had in abundance although it is not likely that the lobsters will be much more plentiful or much lower in price, before next April Cod and haddock arrive in the city daily and are retailing for eight cents a pound.

Although the season for Penobscot river salmon is over, fresh St. John river salmon come into town each day and they are retailing in the local markets for 35 cents a pound. The fish are firm and hard and their meat is delicate and finely flavored and commands a ready sale.

Although, a few shad find their way into the markets here, now and then, the season for them is partially over for this year. Halibut are more plentiful this week than they were last and the retail price on them has dropped from 25 to 20 cents a pound.

The scarcity in bluefish, which has existed for the past week or ten days, seems to be over and large quantities of them are now being received. They are caught in the vicinity of Block Island and retail for 15 cents a pound. Swordfish are scarce still, and they are retailing for 20 cents a pound.

Tinker mackerel, which are shipped here from Portland and Boston, are arriving in quantities and are retailing for from 15 to 18 cents a pound. There is a scarcity of the larger mackerel, however. The mackerel are moving eastward along the coast and it is expected that there will be good catches in Maine waters before long.

Both oysters and clams are being sold here in bulk during the summer now-a-days—something which was unheard of a few years ago. They are mostly used for making chowders. One local market sells, on an average 30 gallons of clams and 20 gallons of oysters each week.

Fish are about the only article of food upon which prices have not soared upward during the past few years. As yet no means have been devised of effecting a corner on the products of the ocean. But perhaps that will come later.

Ezbon Churchill M. D.

Dr. Ezbon Churchill, one of the oldest practitioners in Carleton county, and who for a great many years practised at Bristol, died suddenly Wednesday night at the home of Sherman Demerchant, Canaan this county. He left home on Monday for a short visit, but he was stricken with paralysis on Wednesday evening and passed away in the night. The doctor was in his 71st year and for the past 15 years owing to feeble health, has been residing in Woodstock. He is survived by a widow, two daughters, Mrs. Ivory Hall of Maine and Mrs. W. H. Kendall, residing in New Hampshire, and one son Bruce of this town.

The body arrived in Woodstock on Thursday evening, Woodstock Lodge No. 11, F. & A. M. had charge of the funeral which took place at 2.00 on Saturday afternoon from his late home in Main street to the Methodist cemetery, where the burial was made.

DIED

PHILLIPS—At Pembroke on Thursday August 8th after a long illness, Mrs. A. C. Phillips, in the 18th year of her age.

McLean.—On Monday morning August 12th, Rankin Richard, aged 9 months, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest McLean. Funeral on Wednesday, Aug. 14th. Services conducted by Rev. A. C. Berrie.

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