

# The Central Guardian

**THE THREE ACT DRAMA "Breezy Point"** will be presented in Kensington on Thursday night, April 26th in aid of Red Cross Funds. 167

**—CONCERT—**Come to the Concert in North Bedouque Hall, Friday, April 27. Admission 25c. Proceeds for Red Cross. Programme begins at 8. 166

**R. A. & R. C. MUSIC EXAMINATIONS.**—Word was received last night from the Secretary of the Associated Board of the Royal Academy and Royal College of Music, London, England, that the steamer "Valencia" on board of which were the Theory papers for the written examinations to have been held on April 28th was torpedoed off the Irish coast, March 22nd and returned to London in a disabled condition. The written examinations are therefore postponed until further notice. All teachers and pupils having signed applications please accept this notice. 166

**BRITISH MAIL.**—In future it will not be possible to give any information whatever in regard to the sailing of mail steamers for overseas or even as to the time at which the mail will close to connect with such steamers, but it is permissible to state that in the past a full mail has been despatched weekly to the United Kingdom and it is recommended that parcels and letters should be mailed from day to day and they will go forward by the most expeditious route. 166

**GAVEL OF HISTORIC WOOD.**—At a meeting of the Caledonian Club last night, Ex-Governor McKinnon in the chair, Mr. John Rogerson, St. John, New Brunswick presented through Mr. T. P. White, an historic gavel made from wood intimately associated with Scotland and Scottish history. The head is of wood from Burns Castle on the banks of Loch Mabon which was buried in the Loch over two hundred years. The haft is of Neith Wood from Dumfries, near the home of Burns. The thanks of the Club were unanimously tendered Mr. Rogerson, and he was also made an honorary member of the Club. 166

**REPORTS GREATLY EXAGGERATED, SAYS CAPT. MURCHISON**

There have been persistent reports for some time of late from certain quarters that the carryer steamer is leading to such an extent that her condition is unsafe. Captain Murchison, who is in command of the steamer, declared that the reports are grossly exaggerated and that they were spread by persons seeing the circulating pumps of the steamer in action and not understanding their use. The pumps were installed on the Captain's recommendation this winter and by their aid the ship is kept free without extra cost. The Captain says it is quite true that the steamer is leaking somewhat about the bows where some of the rivets have become loose. He further says the steamer is leaking about one half the extent of what the Stanley leaked (in proportion to size) the second year after coming out to this country and that she leaks to about a third of the extent (in proportion to size) of what the Earl Grey leaked in the same period. The "Prince Edward," says Captain Murchison is just as staunch and powerful today as she was on the day she left the stocks except for a few rivets loose. She hammered through more ice in one week last winter and this winter than any previous ice-breaker we have had broken through in a whole winter. This winter she met the hardest ice and frost since the service opened in 1877. She went through 35 miles of barrier both last winter and this winter. The steamer has not missed a trip this winter. From January 1st up to today is just exactly 98 week days and this is the 98th single trip. Sunday trips have been made to make up for any time we have got behind. 166

Capt. James Roach and George LeBlance, deck officers, leave this morning to join the Atlantic Navy, Halifax. 166

Messrs. Frank Payne and Charles Wilson, A.R.C.E., have enrolled for Atlantic service in the Navy. 166

Mr. Charles Meikle, Summerside, has arrived in the city to enter upon his duties as steward of the S. S. Northumberland. 166

**GIRLS! HAVE WAVY THICK GLOSSY HAIR FREE FROM DANDRUFF**

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**S. S. HARLAND.**—Owing to the Car ferry steamer occupying about all the available space at Bruce Stewart & Company's wharf, the Harland is being operated, for the present at least, from the Plant Line wharf. Business will be done in the office formerly occupied by the Plant Line people. 165

## FOR TIRED SCHOOL CHILDREN

Boys and girls who have been bending over their desks for weeks and months, and often studying at home late into the night, get into a weak, nervous, run-down condition, and wise mothers will take the advice of our local druggist, E. A. Foster, and give such children Vinol, because it is a non-secret preparation which contains the oldest and best tonics known, and is guaranteed to strengthen and restore health to weak, overworked, run-down people, and to cure chronic coughs, colds and bronchitis, or you can get your money back. E. A. Foster, Druggist, Charlottetown, also at the best druggists in all Prince Edward Island towns. Vinol is sold in Montague by H. J. Mabon. 165

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## THE OPPOSITION SEVERELY CENSURED

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curities comprising the Sinking Funds. I have also examined the Accounts Payable and Revenue Due books, papers and certified statements submitted to me. I believe this report shows justly and accurately the indebtedness of the Province as at December 31st, 1916." 165

That, he thought, disposed entirely of Mr. Bell's contention that the External Auditor had not full and free access to all the information necessary to make a complete audit. (Applause.) He was very much amused to find the way the Opposition treated the public accounts. The Leader of the Opposition asserted that the Government had an annual deficit of \$40,000. Mr. Johnston had said it was \$70,000, while the member from West River said it was \$80,000. (Laughter.) They do not seem to be able to read or understand the public accounts, and therefore he was not surprised when the Leader of the Opposition said he would leave the public accounts to the public, that they were the best judges. (Applause.) 165

Mr. PROWSE said that he had intimated to the Leader of the Opposition the dates of the sittings of the Committee, so that he could not say that he did not know of the meetings. Mr. SAUNDERS said that he did not receive the notice Mr. Prowse referred to. 165

Mr. PROWSE said that it was true. Mr. Saunders was not in his seat at the time, but he gave the notice to his Leader. 165

Mr. McNEVIN said Mr. Saunders was present at the first sitting and read from the minutes to show that the date of the next meeting was fixed then so that Mr. Saunders had no excuse. 165

Mr. BELL said he intended no discourtesy to the chairman by absenting himself from the sittings of the Committee. He had been so busy that he had not found time to attend. HON. A. E. ARSENAULT said Mr. Bell had pursued peculiar tactics in this matter. Last year he raved against the Government for not putting him on this Committee. Again, this year he insisted upon being placed upon it, and the Government told him that they thought he was too busy to attend to the duties. He insisted, and the Government let him have his wish. Now he comes and says: "You are right, I am too busy to be on the Public Accounts Committee. He hoped Mr. Bell would take their advice next time it was offered him. He could take whatever satisfaction he liked out of the situation he found himself in. After some further discussion the amendment was carried by 14 to 12, and the House adjourned at 1:10 a.m. 165

## THE AUTO QUESTION. TUESDAY, APRIL 24.

The question of opening the roads over which the autos now run to a seven days' service was settled in the Legislature unanimously, when a non-party measure, introduced by Mr. MacDonald, was voted into committee. A division took place on the first clause, when four Conservatives, viz: Hon. Messrs. Wood and Kennedy, and Messrs. McNevin and Dewar voted against it, and three Liberals, Messrs. McMillan, Howatt and Saunders, voted for it, making a majority of five. The amendment, Mr. Prowse exercising his casting vote, which he gave in favour of the clause. The only other clause was carried by a majority of two votes, and an additional clause proposed by Mr. Hughes that a plebiscite be taken was defeated by three votes. Mr. Dewar voting for, and Messrs. McMillan, Howatt and Saunders against. The bill was then reported to the House, and the report adopted on a similar division. There was a large attendance of the public during the debate, and the proceedings were followed with the keenest interest throughout. Last night in a crowded House the report of the Falconwood Investigation Committee was tabled. It read as follows: To the Honourable, The Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly. Your committee appointed to enquire into and report upon the charges submitted by Mr. George E. Hughes relating to the Provincial Infirmary and certain officials of that institution beg leave to report as follows: 165

The authority and scope of the Committee is set forth in the following resolutions: 165

**RESOLVED**, That a committee of five members of this House be appointed by this House to enquire into and report upon all charges made or submitted by George E. Hughes, a member of this House, from his place in this House, on Tuesday, the Third day of April, instant, as set forth in a document in writing, dated the First day of March, instant, purporting to be signed by William J. Murphy and others and laid upon the table of this House. (2) That the committee shall have power to send for persons, papers and records and to examine witnesses on oath. 165

**RESOLVED**, That the Special Committee appointed by this House on Wednesday, April 4th, 1917, to enquire into and report upon all charges made or submitted by Mr. George E. Hughes, a member of this House, on Tuesday, April 3rd instant, certain officials in the Provincial Infirmary, have power to hold Sessions either at Charlottetown or at the Provincial Infirmary. Your Committee met at the Provincial Infirmary on Thursday the 12th instant. Dr. Conroy appeared and represented the Trustees and Mr. McKinnon appeared on behalf of Mr. James Byrne against whom most of the charges were directed. Mr. Hubbard, the official Stenographer, was duly sworn and the Committee proceeded to take evidence at about 2 o'clock on the said 12th instant. The charges as set forth in the document referred to in said resolution are as follows: 165

1. Studied persecution of blind, crippled and infirm men.
2. Banishing away ladies and men from Charlottetown who have come out there to see friends of theirs.
3. Neglecting to distribute a sufficient number of blankets to make the men comfortable at night while in the meantime blankets are locked up in the closets.
4. Pulling old infirm men out of bed, on the floor, and striking them. This has happened three or four times only recently.
5. Permitting inmates to quarrel and fight in the dining-room at their meals and making himself ridiculous also before the inmates.
6. Permitting an old man of 70 years of age to carry on scandalous actions with a deaf and dumb girl inmate in the presence of nearly eighty (80) men and women; during meal hours. This old man is an old chum or crony of Byrnes, being acquainted for years before coming here, and both are from King's County.
7. Allowing inmates to take the meals being put up by the inmates in a contemptuous manner. The inmates also quarrelling and with those men nearly every day.
8. Opening windows and letting in cold wind on those men in bed, or in wheel chairs.
9. Allowing all the patients effectives such as clothing, money, tobacco, matches, etc., to be stolen by inmates (who should be in the Penitentiary). There are closets here with locks and keys, and they are of no account whatever. "Everything is stolen."
10. Allowing trunks and valises (stored in the attic) to be burst open, and no protest made by them against such villainy. It is likewise charged in said document that Dr. Goodwill discharged James Byrne as attendant in said institution about two years ago for inability and inefficiency in the carrying out of his duties, that the Government has become very degraded under his management during the last three years about brought principally by Byrnes. 165

The following witnesses were examined under oath: Abraham Bonnell, William J. Murphy, Linus Campbell, Langlin McPherson, John H. McInnis, Oliver Thompson, Donald McLeod, James Byrne, Peter Trainor, Addie Dingwell, Mrs. M. Newbury, Mrs. Louisa Bonnell, Edward Praught, Dr. Blanchard, Dr. Conroy, Dr. McMillan. All the Members of the Committee were present while the evidence was being taken on the 12th, 13th, and 18th instant, with the exception of Mr. Saunders who was absent on the last named day. Annexed hereto is the extended report of the evidence as taken by the official stenographer. The evidence disclosed that there was no ground for any of the charges made or submitted by Mr. George E. Hughes, a member of this House, from his place in this House the 3rd day of April instant, as set forth in a document in writing bearing date the 1st day of March, 1917, that the said document was mainly compiled by William J. Murphy, an inmate of said Institution, having been copied by him from an original dated the 31st of Oct. 1916, after the same had been revised and amended on his behalf and appears by his verbal evidence and said original document and is annexed hereto, that the other inmates of said Institution whose names are appended to said document had not, nor had any other inmate of said Institution anything to do with compiling or writing said document dated 1st of March, nor with said original document nor with revising or amending same, nor did any of those examining the evidence excepting said William J. Murphy know what was contained in said document or that such charges were being formulated against said Institution. That the said William J. Murphy has mental delusions and is not always accountable for his actions and the fact has been established by the evidence that the charges contained in said document are the outcome of such delusions and have no foundation on fact. That the said James Byrne, against whom specific charges were directed,

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has been shown to have been not guilty of the charges preferred against him, nor any of them, but on the contrary the evidence disclosed that he has been an efficient and careful attendant and he had never been dismissed, nor had there ever been any intimation of his dismissal from said Institution. That your Committee inspected the Institution throughout and are able to report, said Institution to be well kept, the inmates are carefully looked after, good and sufficient food and clothing are supplied, the building is well heated, the officials connected with said Institution are all competent and faithful in the discharge of their respective duties. **ALBERT P. PROWSE**, Chairman. **R. J. McLELLAN**, **A. J. MacNEVIN**.

Mr. A. P. Prowse in moving the adoption of the report, carefully analyzed the history of the charges made by Murphy, showing that alterations had been made in the original. Mr. Johnston took exception to some of the remarks by Mr. Prowse and rose repeatedly to points of order until at length the Speaker became so aggravated that he ordered the hon. member to "sit down and take his medicine." Mr. Johnston reported that the Speaker had lowered the dignity of his office. The Premier on a point of order said that the House could not allow the hon. member for Cardigan to cast aspersions upon the Speaker

in that manner. Unless he apologized it would be necessary for him to ask the Clerk to take down the words. Mr. Johnston would not withdraw unless the Speaker withdrew his remark. The Premier said that the hon. member could not dictate to the Speaker. Mr. Bell said that the Speaker had also used unparliamentary language and asked that his words should be taken down. The Premier said that could not be done. Mr. Bell must show his authority for such an act. Mr. Bell said he could not do so at the moment. The words having been taken down, the Speaker on the suggestion of the Premier refrained from taking further action until tomorrow.

Mr. McLeLlan then seconded the adoption of the report in a very able speech in which he showed a thorough grasp of the subject, and parried with much skill many interjections by Mr. Johnston. Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Johnston then introduced a minority report, in which they regretted that the scope of the enquiry had been confined to the charges made by Murphy, and repeated a number of allegations which they said they wanted to be included but were debarred therefrom. A discussion followed which was still in progress when the Guardian went to press.

## NOTICE

The attention is directed of all persons interested in the grave plots of the old Protestant Cemetery on Elm Avenue, Charlottetown, who have not contributed toward the Restoration Fund; and they are hereby requested to have the headstones and monuments belonging to their plots in said Cemetery straightened and properly set up while the work is proceeding. If unable personally to attend to this request—arrangements to have the work done can be made with the undersigned. By order of the Committee. **H. M. DAVISON**, Secretary. 165-4-25Wed,Fri,Tues,Thur.

## FURTHER BRITISH GAINS IN MESOPOTAMIA

(Special to The Guardian.) LONDON, April 24.—The Turks in Mesopotamia have been driven from their position between Samarra and Ishtablat, the War Office announces. The British pursuing them occupied Samarra Station yesterday, capturing sixteen locomotives and 226 railway trucks. Samarra is about 90 miles north of Bagdad and practically midway between Bagdad and the city of Mosul. 165

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## PERSONALS

- Mr. W. C. Balcom of Hantsport, N. S., in the City.
- Mr. Harry Tidmarsh, City, returned yesterday from Montreal.
- Mr. W. J. Brown, City, returned yesterday from Halifax.
- Mr. A. A. Scoles, of Summerside, returned yesterday from Guelph, Ont.
- Rev. John Gillis, Southport, came over from the mainland yesterday.
- Mr. E. H. McEachern, City, arrived home yesterday from a business trip to Montreal.
- Mr. Keith S. McGougan, of Malpeque, is among the visitors to the city this week.
- Rev. L. E. Ackland, of Summerside, returned yesterday from Halifax, to which city he has been appointed to a pastorate.
- Mrs. L. R. Harris, from Regina, Sask., was among passengers who arrived in the city by the ferry yesterday.
- Captain G. Munton, of R.C.R., Halifax, arrived in the city by the car ferry yesterday.



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