

MR. MACDONALD TELLS OF PLANS

What Tuckerstown Development Will Mean and How it is to be Carried Out if House Approves—The Golf Course a Big Feature

POINTS OF THE TUCKERSTOWN PLAN.

\$3,000,000 are ready for investment here in the Colony.

There's not a cent of "Promoters' money" involved. Everything is ready to start actual work.

It only depends on getting clear title to the land.

Visitors from England as well as from the States will be attracted by the golf course.

A large cottage colony will be provided for.

There will be employment at good wages for numbers of our people.

The Colonial Treasury is certain to benefit by enlarged trade. This will result in greater prosperity to all.

Unless the land is secured no further steps can be taken.

The above statements were made yesterday by Mr. C. B. MacDonald in the course of an interview with the "Royal Gazette."

He is the American financier who came to Bermuda last Fall with Sir Frederick Lewis' party and whose present visit has resulted in the petition for incorporation of Furness, Withy's Company which is now in the hands of our Legislature.

Mr. MacDonald has handled many big enterprises with success in the course of his career; he is keenly bent on making the local plan succeed.

"This is not a money-making scheme," he declared; "the transportation company will of course expect its reasonable profit on the passenger trade, but our object is to provide a recreation spot for people who like myself are in love with the kind of outdoor life Bermuda affords."

"The place is unique in its appeal and we wish to make it better known and more accessible."

"My idea is to have a golf course second to none in the world; the sort that would bring here enthusiasts from Great Britain as well as from all parts of the States."

"This is an expensive plan; a great deal of hard work is involved, owing to peculiar local conditions. But I feel confident that there is no insuperable obstacle. The thing can be done and I should like the opportunity of doing it, with the co-operation of Mr. Raynor who has proven his ability in so many other places."

It may be remarked that Mr. MacDonald is the original golfer of America. He played as far back as 1872 at the famous St. Andrew's links in Scotland and he has played ever since. He is today one of a committee of fifteen appointed by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrew's to control the rules of the game and is the only member of that body who resides outside Great Britain.

It was his influence that led to the introduction of the game in the United States. About the time the World's Fair, people in Chicago, where he was then living, began to take it up and soon after golf courses were laid out in Boston and at points on Long Island. Soon the game "caught on" everywhere, until now there is hardly a village in the country that lacks a course of some sort.

Mr. MacDonald won the first Championship match in 1895. He planned the National Association's course at Southampton and his enthusiasm has never waned. He was the means of getting such men as Mr. Robert Lincoln and the late Mr. H. C. Frick and many others interested. When he raised \$70,000 for the purpose of building the course, he got a sort of a thousand dollars from each, as a sort of a "kick" for his services. He has a sense of gratitude toward the game which has saved so many of the elderly and sedentary from doctors' bills and expensive cures. It is in a like spirit that he undertakes this Bermuda development.

"Just as soon as our petition to the Legislature is granted," he says, "we are prepared to go to work here. But we want first of all, the good will of every Bermudian."

"There is a human element to be considered in every phase of this negotiation. We think that each man, woman and child in the community will benefit from what we propose and we do not want to do anything that will be contrary to the popular interest."

Each individual with a stake in the Parish will retain his right and have the chance to get a better home, to maintain it in good order and to earn better wages as long as he or she lives.

"That the local business would benefit generally throughout the Colony, is obvious from the fact that we are prepared to spend \$3,000,000 here in the islands as soon as clear title can be obtained to the land."

"The people we propose to interest in the cottage part of the development and those who would patronize the new hotel are men of standing who would form a desirable asset in any community."

"With the sort of transportation which the Furness, Withy line stands ready to provide, these islands will become easily accessible to a greatly increased clientele."

"The money invested would all go into tangible improvements; there would be no provision for any promoters' shares."

"Of course all this is contingent on the favourable action of the Legislature; unless the site chosen is available we would find it impossible to secure any similar land of the same extent. And this plan depends on our ability to have ample scope for extensive improvements."

In connection with the survey of Tuckerstown for the Purse, Withy Co., Mr. W. L. Hopkins, partner in the firm of Warren and Wetmore, of New York, is looking over the situation from the hotel point of view. As an architect, he is reporting on the best sites available for buildings, having gone over all the ground.

Like Mr. C. B. MacDonald, the golf course expert, he is an enthusiast in regard to the proposed scheme.

DEATH OF OLDEST RESIDENT.

Miss Mary Richardson, of St. George's, Passes Away at Age of 90.

On Tuesday morning at her residence in the Old Ferry Road, there passed away the oldest inhabitant of St. George's and probably the oldest in the whole of Bermuda—Miss Mary Richardson.

She was in full possession of all her faculties except the sense of hearing, and almost up to the last she enjoyed good health.

She had reached the advanced age of 90 years and it was one of her wishes that she live to complete the century mark, which she only just failed to do.

The funeral was held at 3.15 p.m. on Tuesday afternoon in the Parish Church and was conducted by the Rev. A. T. Tucker, and Rev. F. M. Bruntin. Very few and grand attendance of the deceased acted as pall bearers.

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A CELEBRATED ARTIST

Mr. Gari Melcher and his Impressions of our Islands.

An American artist, whose work long since won him recognition in Europe as well as an established fame at home, is Mr. Gari Melcher, now a guest at the Hamilton.

When he arrived Mr. Melcher brought with him a bundle of sketches, but until yesterday they remained free from colour, an intimate association with Mr. MacDonald having kept him ceaselessly on the road and from Tuckerstown. The artist occasionally laments this cruel fate, which hinders him from his work, but consoles himself with the thought that some day he will come again, to wander and paint at will.

These visitors are old friends and the word pictures of the Water Street man so wrought on Mr. Melcher's fancy that he boarded the ship and came to see for himself. His only regret now is that many of the delightful vistas he has marked as subject for his brush will have been lost when the sailing season begins, sailing season and sailing luncheon. However, Bermuda has such a wealth of natural attraction that both painters and golfers can indulge their tastes.

Mr. Melcher finds much that pleases him in our island scenery and fully intends to come for a longer stay when opportunity offers. He is one who works for the sake of the working and who must have occupation; a change of scene is his idea of relaxation, provided there is material of the right kind to keep his brain and his brush occupied.

A graduate of the Beaux Arts in Paris, he studied under Lefebvre and Boulanger winning in 1886 the gold medal of the Salon. Three years later he was awarded the Grand Medal of Honour. Other distinctions came to him from the art masters of Antwerp, Berlin, Munich and Vienna. He has pictures in the Luxembourg ("Maturity") and the Royal Gallery at Dresden ("The Ship Builder") and in other galleries of Europe.

His natural decorations, "Peace and War" in the Congressional Library at Washington have attracted wide attention, while fine works of this nature from his brush are to be found in the principal public buildings of many American cities.

He is an Officer of the Legion of Honour and of many other orders of merit abroad. He is a member of the Beaux Arts Society and of the Society of Painters and Sculptors, London, as well as of similar bodies. His home is in Detroit and he has a winter place on the James River in Virginia. At his New York studio he has done much portrait work.

ALLIES AND RUSSIA AGREE ON POLICY

London, Feb. 24.—Agreements of considerable importance were reached yesterday's session of the Supreme Allied Council and immediate announcement is expected according to some morning newspapers. Resumption of trade relations with Russia, says the Mail, was decided upon in principle with important reservations.

The Soviet government will be asked on its part to abandon propaganda and recognize existing loans while the Allies do not propose to encourage border states to make war on the Bolsheviks. It is understood decisions were reached with complete unanimity and received the assent of Premier Millerand. Resumption of political relations between the Allies and Russia was not pressed the Mail understands, so the real difficulty of the Russian situation, recognition of the Soviet Republic, remains unsolved.

Premier Millerand is understood to have voiced the fear of France that United Russia might be a serious menace to Western Europe while Premier Lloyd George and M. Kautsky have taken the view that Russia has been broken up and is not dangerous.

Reports therefore that Premier Millerand have agreed to decisions reached by the Council are taken to mean that a middle ground has been found on which the Allies can stand until developments show true conditions.

Poland is said to have been won over to the British view but Roumania is reported to have asked guarantees from the Allies relative to the risks involved in direct negotiations with the Bolsheviks. Representatives of the Baltic States and Finland are also said to have been promised support should there be further aggression on the part of the Soviet Government.

ORDER TO FAMOUS ARTIST.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—Sir William Orpen the distinguished artist, has refused an offer of \$1,000,000 for painting 300 portraits which is said to have been made him by an American. "It is quite true that the \$1,000,000 to paint portraits came to me from America," Sir William said today in confirming the report, according to the Daily Mirror. "To undertake such a contract however would take as long as 300 years."

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FT. HAMILTON SAILS.

The S. S. Ft. Hamilton sailed yesterday from New York at 11 a.m., with 251 first class passengers and 24 second class.

GHOULS ROB ROYAL TOMB STRAL CROWNS AND JEWELS

Berlin, Feb. 24.—Burglars rifled the mausoleum of Charlottenburg Castle Sunday. They forced the lid and removed the jewels from Queen Louise's coffin but failed to open the other coffins. They removed the gold and silver and gilded crowns lying on the coffins of Emperor William I, Empress Augusta, Prince Albrecht, and others. The mausoleum of the royal palace was erected by Genetz.

PARTY DESERTING PRESIDENT.

Washington, Feb. 24.—The possibility of a substantial break in the Democratic ranks on the Peace Treaty in the Senate, led to the party leaders to meet yesterday for a caucus to discuss a possible change in party policy and further served to revive hopes of the Republican Senators for ratification of the treaty with the Republic reservations adopted at the last session of Congress. Republicans declared that 22 Democrats, only a dozen short of the number required to insure ratification, have expressed their willingness to desert President Wilson and take the Republican reservation programme as it is. Democrats say this estimate is exaggerated but admit that there have been defections.

RATE OF EXCHANGE.

Feb. 24.—Sterling exchange 60 days 33½; demand 338.

N.Y. STOCK QUOTATIONS.

New York, Feb. 24.—
Am. Sugar 83 ½, Am. T. & T. 62 ½, Am. Can. 57 ½, B. Loc. 108 7 8, B. and O. 36 ½, Beth. St. 85 ½, C. P. R. 122 ½, C. M. and S. P. 39 1 8, C. C. Sugar 42 ½, Gen. Motors 69 ½, Good Rub. 78 7 8, G. N. Ore 37 5 8, I. M. M. Com. 20 5 8, L. & N. 46 ½, Mex. Pct. 171 5 96, M. S. Pac. 28 7 8, N.Y. Central 72 ½, N.Y. N. H. 75 ½, N. & H. 34 1 8, Penna. 43 ½, Pres. St. Co. 92 ½, Reading 75, Retail Stores 69 ½, Roy. Dutch 96 ½, South Pac. 96 ½, Tex. Oil 174, Union Pac. 118 ½, United Fruit 182 ½, U. S. Rubber 97 ½, U. S. St. Com. 92 ½, West. Elec. 51 ½, opened this a.m. at 95 ½.
Total sales, 1,200,000.

THE CRADDOCK SCHOLARSHIP

Mr. Roger C. Smith, fourth son of the Royal General and Mrs. Smith, is the first applicant to receive the award of The Craddock scholarship. This Scholarship entitles the holder to two years' training on H.M.S. Conway, for the Merchant Marine.

DAY'S RACING AT SHELLEY BAY

Large Crowd Watches Events and Enjoys Some Good Sport—The List of Winners

The meeting yesterday afternoon of the Bermuda and Garrison Hunt Club produced excellent racing, and the pity of it was that the weather was so poor. A very large crowd turned out, and a strong south-westerly wind blowing made things uncomfortable. Fortunately the rain held off until the last, so that the spectators did not get too wet.

In the Free for All trot or pace, Victor Volo failed to live up to the form shown in his training, and The Abegweit again won from him. Victor Volo will break, and he did this just when he seemed about to win.

We looked for great things from the latest importation of the 2.40 class, in the shape of Teddy Berow. He and Spider managed to win one heat each necessitating a third heat, which the latter won. Dan. T. did not do any good in the 2.30 class. In the first heat he failed to finish the course, and was so disqualified from entering the second heat. This race went to The Abegweit.

The new importation, Peep, for the flat races, won both of her entries. There was a protest against her in the second for boring, but the stewards over-ruled it and gave her the victory.

It was said that one man had been able to ride her in training gallops, and he managed to get home on her.

Stumpy, with Col. des Voeux up, again won the Hurdle race, owing to Tipperary Boy creating all the jumps, though he finished first.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Willcocks, attended the races, with Major W. D. Hollis, A.D.C., in attendance. The visiting element was well represented, and a large number of Bermudians "made holiday."

Following are the details:

Free for All, 1 mile heats, 2 in 3.
Purse £30; £10 to 2nd.
Mr. J. H. Bradley's Victor Volo (Owner) 3 2

Miss M. Tompkins' King Shirley (Mr. S. Paschal) 2 3
Mr. W. D. Hollis's The Abegweit (Dr. Peniston) 1 1
Time—2.27, 2.26

Paquet Maiden, for horses that have never won a race in Bermuda, 1 mile; weights 10st. 7lbs. Purse £30; £10 to 2nd.

Mr. Hastings Outerbridge's "Peep" 1 (Mr. Geo. Lightbourn)
Princess Livery's "Tipperary Boy" 2 (Mr. C. Peniston)
Mr. Lambert's "Wilton Chief" (scratched)
Time—1.54.

2.40 Class, 1 mile heats, 2 in 3.
Purse £15; £5 to 2nd.
Princess Livery's "Spider" 1 2 1
Mr. Geo. Miller's "Spotless" 3 3 3
Mr. N. White's "Teddy Berow" 2 1 2 (Owner)
Time—2.37, 2.29½, 2.35

Somerset Purse, for horses 15 hands and under, weighs 10st. 7lbs. 2lbs. allowed for every 1-inch under 15 hands. 5 mile. Purse £15; £5 to 2nd.

Mr. Lambert's "Wilton Chief" 1 (147lbs.) (Dr. Peniston)
Princess Livery's "Howard" 2 (145lbs.) (Mr. C. Peniston)
Mr. Geo. Miller's "Duchess" 3 (139lbs.) (Capt. Leighton)
Time—1.11.

Prospect Hurdle Race, Open Weights 10st. 7lbs. 1½ miles over 8 flights of hurdles. Purse £20; £5 to 10 to 2nd.

Col. Hyde's "Stumpy" 1 (Capt. des Voeux)
Maj. Willcocks' "Wilton Chief" 2 (Capt. Leighton)
Capt. Apperley's "Josephine" 3 (Owner)
Princess Livery's "Tipperary Boy (dis)" (Mr. C. Peniston)
Time—3.20

2.30 Class, 1 mile heats, 2 in 3.
Purse £20; £5 to 2nd.
Mr. Hollis's "The Abegweit" 1 1 (Dr. Peniston)
Miss Tompkins' "King Shirley" 2 2 (Mr. S. Paschal)
Mr. N. White's "Dan T." 3 (disq.) (Owner)
Time—2.31½, 2.31½

Warwick Handicap, Open, 1 mile. Purse £30; £10 to 2nd.

Mr. Hastings Outerbridge's "Peep" 1 (Mr. G. Lightbourn)
Mr. Lambert's "Wilton Chief" 2 (Dr. Peniston)
Dr. Trout's "F.O.B." 3 (Mr. C. Peniston)
Time—1.55½

PENAL REFORM SCHEME.

Rome, Feb. 24.—Deputy Lombardi yesterday presented a Bill in Parliament calling for the abolition of life imprisonment and solitary confinement. Agricultural or industrial work would be substituted for imprisonment. This work would be compulsory and the earnings of the men would be used to support themselves and to indemnify such persons as they had injured in the commission of their crimes. Prisons would be used only for persons under arrest and awaiting trial. Trials would be compulsory not later than six months after a person was arrested. Even in these prisons work would be compulsory.

CANADA-AUSTRALIA S.S. LINE.

Vancouver, Feb. 25.—The regular Canada-Australia service of the Canadian government merchant marine was inaugurated yesterday when the S.S. Canadian Imperator cleared for this port heavily laden with a general British Columbia cargo for Sydney.

GERMAN PAPERS SUFFER.

Berlin, Feb. 24.—A general meeting of German newspaper editors, held at Weimar, developed the fact that the newspapers are at the brink of a catastrophe owing to the enormous cost and uncertain supply of paper materials and machinery. The government was called upon to save the situation by providing measures to overcome the shortage.

PROHIBITION DIFFICULTIES.

Chicago, Feb. 24.—An expedition bent on ironing out by force if necessary difficulties of prohibition enforcement in the Michigan upper peninsula was started from Chicago last night. Maj. A. V. Dalrymple, Federal Prohibition Director for the Central States, left with a party of prohibition agents for Iron County, Michigan, where County officials are said to have overpowered government agents last week and taken contraband wine which had been seized by the government men.

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