

BRITISH SEAMAN MAKES COMPLAINT

Sailor on a Danish Vessel Now in Port Treated Badly—Tells a Strange Story—Will Enter Action Against the Captain

Yesterday, after he had a conversation with our reporter on Water Street, Jonathan Taylor, colored, a native of Kingston, Jamaica, came to the Advocate office and told the following story:

He said he came here as an ordinary seaman on the Danish schr. "Hans," which arrived here a couple of days ago from Iceland. He had been in her since leaving England about August 10th, and says he signed on for £4 10s per month, but that the treatment meted out to him is more than a British subject can stand.

One Meal a Day. Ever since the ship left England, Taylor says, he has been nearly starved to death and he, as well as the rest of the crew had only one meal a day at 12 noon, and this consisted of coffee mostly, with linned bread, which after two days became so hard that he had to chop it with an axe, while it became discolored and absolutely unfit for food, he says, even if a man could masticate it. He never saw a loaf of wheaten bread since boarding the ship, and absolutely no meat. Taylor says, so mean is the captain that while in the cold Icelandic climate, he would not tolerate fires and even begrudged the little coal allowed the cook, who not alone has to prepare the men's meals, but is also compelled to act as seaman.

Will Tolerate No Longer. Taylor has two months money due him and will not tolerate such treatment any longer. The captain says he will not pay him off until he goes back with him to England, as per the articles signed, but Taylor holds that he is not compelled to do so in face of the treatment meted out to him. He is a fine sturdy young fellow, who tells a straight story and who says that he will compel the captain to pay him and give him his discharge.

Would Enlist. He is willing to join our Volunteers or Naval Reservists and passed a medical examination here with the intention of enlisting in our regiment. He says he was told to come to the Armoury Wednesday and did so, but was not taken and thinks this is because he cannot obtain a discharge from his ship. This treatment on board ship may be good enough for the Danes, who are used to it, but it is not good enough for a British subject, he is colour black, white or brown.

Will Meet Captain before a Third. If Taylor tells a straight story, and we have no reason to doubt he does, then the capt. of the ship should be compelled to give him his discharge and pay him his wages. A meal a day and that composed of linned bread and coffee is not the kind of provender to enable a man to work as a seaman or anything else. Taylor says he will meet the captain of the ship before any third person and defy him to disprove his allegations. In passing, we may say, he had with him a young Spanish seaman, who is on another Danish vessel in port, and who says, according to Taylor's translation (he speaks Spanish) that also has been given similar treatment.

DANISH CAPTAIN SUMMONED BY SAILOR

Seaman Jonathan Taylor, whose story of starvation and other hardships inflicted on him by the Captain of the "Hans" we publish elsewhere, yesterday took out a summons against that individual to recover his wages, get his discharge and to make him answerable for the bad treatment accorded the plaintiff on board ship.

SCHOONER ESSEX LOST AT STAG HR.

Mr. H. W. Lemesurier had a wire yesterday from the Customs Collector at Nipper's Hr., stating that the schr. "Essex" had struck Stag Hr. Rock and had become a total wreck. The P. Bradley had landed the crew. Both vessels were engaged in loading herring there.

RUBBING IT IN

The two hop beer vendors, who were before Court yesterday for selling the beverage overproof, were each fined \$100 and \$50 respectively and paid the fines.

If your dealer does not sell Elastic Cement Roofing Paint, we can tell you where to get it. R. M. COWAN, 276 Water Street.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

It is already very well known that the Salvation Army is holding its Annual Harvest Festival Effort. The officers and soldiers of No. 1 Corps have commenced operations in this connection.

That the work of the Army deserves the support of the public is now fully admitted, although it is not so very long ago since an entirely different view was taken of its methods.

A number of the citizens have already helped, and they will be calling on the farmers to help them with vegetables and fruit of any kind. All will be thankfully received by the Corps.

SHIPPING

The "Prospero" left Bonavista at 9.45 this a.m., going north.

The "Portia" left Sydney at midnight for this port.

The S.S. "Bonaventure" will be due at North Sydney from Naples next week and will load coal for St. John's.

The S.S. "Anna," after discharging her coal cargo, goes to Tilt Cove to load copper ore for New York.

The S.S. "Beatrice" leaves Sydney to-night, coal-laden for A. J. Harvey & Co.

The S.S. "Alminda" has discharged her coal cargo and is now loading fish at A. H. Murray's for Naples, whence she will sail next week.

The S.S. "Coban," 2 days from Sydney, with coal to the Reid Newfoundland Co. arrived here at 11.30 last night.

The charters of the "Adventure" and "Bellaventure," now at Hudson's Bay, have expired and they should be back at Sydney next week to load coal for this port.

FISHING BOAT LOST

Mr. W. G. Tucker of Burnt Point, Bay-de-Verde, has written this office informing us of the fact that a (3 qtl.) fishing punt, tarred, with a white streak, one narrow spanker, one bass rudd, 1 1/2 in. 3/4 in. bass mooring attached to steam, with double 1/2 in. bass had been lost by him.

He would be glad if any person having the boat in their possession will communicate with him. [Mr. Fred. Miller of Portugal Cove, on Wednesday, picked up a boat answering to the description given above.—Ed.]

PRIVATE E. SHEA NOT SERIOUSLY HURT

Mr. John P. Shea, of Water Street West, whose son, Private Edward Shea, was wounded in recent fighting at Gallipoli, had a message yesterday through the Colonial Secretary saying that the young soldier had received a bullet in the left hip. He was not seriously hurt, a fact which was learned with pleasure by his parents and other relatives.

OBITUARY

Mary Constance Batten—Death, the inevitable reaper, has once more visited this place (Port-de-Grave) and taken from our midst Mary Constance Batten, wife of John Batten, of Barened. She passed to the great beyond at 9 o'clock, this forenoon, Oct. 12th, surrounded by several members of her family and a number of sympathizing friends.

Her Husband being away in the United States at the time, rendered her death all the more sad. Dr. Pritchard attended the deceased and did all possible to alleviate her suffering.

Deceased was married only about ten months, known and respected by all, and we feel sure that many a tear will be shed for poor Mary Batten. She leaves a mother and father, one sister, Miss Lillie Dawe, of Mr. G. Dawe's employ, and 3 children, one of which, Samuel George, is at the war doing his duty for King and Country, and the protector of loved ones at home.

The community mourns the loss of a friend and sister, and sympathy is general for those who are called to mourn.

IRISHMEN TREATED TO LECTURE

P. K. Devine Gives Members of the B.I.S. an Interesting Discourse on Old St. John's

Mr. P. K. Devine, the editor of the "Trade Review," delivered a lecture last night before the members of the Benevolent Irish Society in their rooms, taking as his subject, "Old St. John's."

Possessed of high literary attainments, a keen observer and a well-developed appreciation of the humorous side of life, few were better qualified to handle such a theme than Mr. Devine, whose experience of city life in its educational, business, social and literary departments, makes him fully acquainted with every phrase of it, past and present.

No wonder then, that the B.I.S. were given a treat, which they highly appreciated. Monday night next Mr. John J. Higgins, B.A. will lecture on "Daniel O'Connell as a Lawyer."

WEDDING BELLS

A very pretty wedding took place at St. Thomas' Church yesterday morning at 7 o'clock, when Mr. Albert Mills, plumber of New Gower St., led to the altar Miss Eliza Brazil, daughter of the late John Brazil, Esq. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Clayton. The bride, who looked charming in a travelling suit of blue serge, carrying a bouquet of sweet peas, was given away by Mr. E. Sparkes, while the groom was supported by Mr. R. Brazil, brother of the bride. The bridesmaids were Miss Violet Edney and Miss Stella Brazil, sister of the bride.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the residence of the bride, where congratulations were tendered the newly wedded young couple. The groom's present to the bride was a cheque, and to the bridesmaids silver brooches inlaid with gold.

After the reception the happy young couple drove to Mount Pearl where they took the train for Seal Cove to spend their honeymoon.

Our Volunteers

Yesterday, the Volunteers had drill indoors, several were inoculated and received leave and others who had been similarly treated before resumed duty. There are now 2,143 on the roster, with the addition of the following:—

- Henry Taylor, St. John's, Chesley Noseworthy, St. John's, Hy. Fanning, St. John's, Jas. Atwill, St. John's, Augustus Gullage, St. John's, Fred. T. Downton, St. John's, Robt. Laurie Maidment, St. John's, Sam Stowe, Norman's Cove, T.B., Wm. Ambrose Chafe, Hr. Grace, Jno. S. Snow, Hr. Grace, Stephen Martin, Hr. Grace, Thos. Stuckless, Piley's Island, Eli Jas. Hutchings, Botwood, Gilbert Antle, Botwood, Brian Maney, Ba. of Islands, Thos. H. O'Quinn, South Branch, Zeans Walter Boone, Burnt Arm, Botwoodville, Medley Seyward Woolridge, Burnt Arm, Botwoodville, Jno. Gibbenick, Square Islands, Labrador, Fred. Jos. Saunders, Griquet, Ernest A. Snow, Griquet, Jno. Leonard Pilgrim, Griquet, Wm. Dowell Oake, Change Islands, Hy. Ed. Seward, Bonne Bay, Francis E. Wheeler, Greenspond, Gilbert Patey, Big Bras, Hy. Jas. Curtis, St. Anthony, Chas. F. Pitcher, Trinity Bay, Jas. Hy. Thorne, New Hr., T.B., Ernest Jno. Rendell, New Hr., T.B., Arthur Smith, Hopeal, T.B., Jno. M. Carey, Conche, White Bay, Alphonus Fitzgerald, Conche, White Bay, Bernard Carroll, Conche, White Bay, Jno. J. Dower, Conche, White Bay, Ed. Hickey, Barren Isld., P.B., Frank Healey, Trinity, Newman Gough, Elliston, T.B., Edgar Wade, Elliston, T.B.

By the Sagona yesterday evening, returned from the Labrador at 7 p.m., yesterday. The ship went down to Hopedale and, unlike the "Erik," had splendid weather all through and made all ports of call. Capt. Parsons says that the fishery on the northern coast of Labrador is now over and all have come up to the coast from Harrison, Sloop Cove, Indian Islands and Black Islands, while some are still at a few of the places, curing the catch, in the fine weather prevailing while the ship was there. The ship passed by a number of the floaters coming south, most of them poorly fished.

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The schr. "Jennie Duff" arrived here this morning to A. S. Rendell & Co. to load fish for Europe. She is from Lunenburg, N.S., where she left Monday and had a good run to port.

SAGONA BACK FROM LABRADOR

Reports Fishery About Over-Floaters Coming South Poorly Fished—Stormy Weather on the Coast

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CONCERT IN AID THE W. P. A.

A very successful and intensely enjoyable concert was held last night at the residence of Mrs. James Harris, Carpasian Road and will be repeated to-night in aid of the work of the W.P.A. Last night's programme consisted of the following:—

- Duet, Misses Delgado; Chorus, Soldiers of the King; Violin Solo, 'Cavatina, Miss Devine; Song, 'Little Grey Home in the West,' Miss M. Shea; Song, 'My Rose of Yestere'en,' Miss M. Doyle; Recitation, 'If, Miss Morris; Song, 'His Lullaby,' Mrs. Cahill; Piano Solo, 'Largo,' Miss Alice Byrne; Song, 'When You Come Home,' Miss Mary Ryan; Song, 'When You Part,' Miss M. McLean; Song, 'Sons of the Sea,' Mr. Cyril Fox; Violin Solo, 'Mazurka,' Sitt, Miss Johnson; Musical Monologue, 'Soliloquy on an Old Shoe,' Mrs. Baxter; Song, 'There's a Land,' Miss Mary Harris; Song, 'My Dear Soul,' Miss Jean Strang; Song, Miss Dorothy Johnson; Song, 'Khaki,' Miss Herder; Piano Solo, 'The Whispering Wind,' Miss Eva Harris; Duet, Messrs. Huskins and Cairns. GOD SAVE THE KING.

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OPENING ANNOUNCEMENT

A. S. WADDEN wishes to announce to his Patrons and the General Public, that his New Store 368 Water Street West (2 doors West of old stand) is now open with a full line of Tobacco, Cigars, Cigarettes, Fruits, Confectionery, etc. All orders personally attended to. Satisfaction guaranteed.

A. S. WADDEN 368 Water Street West

NOTICE.

All Persons holding Receipts for Fish shipped to me on the Labrador coast must present them to my office at Catalina for payment. On no account whatever will they be paid at St. John's. Philip Templeman. Oct 15, 19, 22, 25, 28

PROHIBITION LEAGUE MEET

Committee Formed For City Canvass—Financial Arrangements Made For Campaign

The Canvassing Committee of the Prohibition League met in the Smallwood Building last night with Mr. W. White in the chair. The gathering was large and enthusiastic and the following were elected to canvass the city and distribute literature:—

West End—Messrs. R. English, F. Woods, H. V. Simms and T. Pope. East End—Messrs. W. Woodley, P. Joyce, J. M. Devine, G. Grimes, M. H.A., and J. Cochrane.

The City has been divided into 11 wards and at to-night's meeting other members will be selected to look after sections in the West End. It is hoped that there will be a large gathering at to-night's meeting, when literature will be distributed and the work will be undertaken energetically and canvassing will begin in each ward.

DANGEROUSLY ILL IN OFFICE

Mr. Patrick Buck, accountant at the F. B. Wood Co.'s office, Brien Street, narrowly escaped death on Wednesday night. He worked alone in the office that night after tea and when he did not return at 11.30 his wife and her mother went to the office.

They were horrified on finding her man who is an accountant here, dangerously ill and unconscious. A doctor and priest were quickly summoned and after a while Mr. Buck recovered somewhat but is still ill at his home in Brazil's Square.

Mr. Buck was suddenly seized with heart trouble while he worked and had he not been found he must have succumbed after a short while.

POLICE COURT NEWS

(Before Judge Morris) Two drunks who broke a pane of glass were let go on paying the cost—\$4.50. The case against a man summoned by his better half for non-support, was not proven and dismissed.

LOCAL ITEMS

The cable ship "Mackay Bennett" should arrive here to-morrow from cable repairing work, for a supply of coal and provisions, which will be given her by A. J. Harvey & Co.

Large stock on hand—Gasoline and Kerosene OIL. P. H. COWAN, 276 Water St., St. John's.

Mr. John Mills, a former employee of the F.P.U. Stores is now dangerously ill at his home, on McFarlane Street of cancer of the stomach. His friends fear that his death will be only a question of a few days.

Before you buy Gasoline and Kerosene get our prices. P. H. COWAN, 276 Water St.

Yesterday morning, about two o'clock, the man on guard duty at the Western Station saw three men, all more or less under the influence, pass near there. The belief is that later one of them was attacked by the others and to escape them, forced the doors of Mrs. Hutching's residence, Rosster's Lane, to which the Mail and Advocate referred yesterday.

SCHR. LADY IRENE LIBELED FOR \$3000

This morning the schr. Lady Irene, now at Steer Bros. wharf, was libelled by Capt. Woodman of the schr. A. E. Woodman, for \$3000 damages for the sinking of the "Woodman" in Trinity Harbor on Monday last.

We learn that Jacob Eddy, the owner of the "Irene," will give bonds for the amount.

THE POLIKA HERE FROM MONTREAL

The S.S. Polika, Capt. E. Gronlx, arrived here this morning at 9 from Montreal direct, after a run of 4 days. She brought a large cargo of about 15,000 brls. flour and other goods and will make another trip here.

TRAFALGAR DAY FUND FORMED

A MAN OVERBOARD

A man named John Vaughan, while boarding his schooner at Baine, Johnstone's wharf last night, tripped and went overboard. He was fished out by some outboard men around the premises and Consts. Greene and Wilson, who heard the commotion and went to the premises, took him to the Police Station where his clothing was dried and he was looked after. He remained there as there was no one on board the craft. Const. Greene informed Skipper Murphy, the owner of the craft, at a relatives house on Pleasant Street.

OUR THEATRES

The Trey O' Hearts at The Nickel—Another brilliant programme has been arranged for the Nickel Theatre to-day. It is a specially selected show and will no doubt attract patrons.

Foremost on the bill is the Broadway star feature, entitled "From Headquarters," in which Anita Stewart and Earl Williams play the leading characters. This is a wonderful drama of life, love and honor. It is a story which will grip the heart strings; it is in three reels.

The most popular story, "The Hazards of Helen" will also be continued. There will also be an extremely good comedy-drama, entitled "Poisoned."

The Harmony Boys—Arthur Huskins and DeWitt C. Cairns—will be heard in new songs. The bumper matinee for children takes place to-morrow afternoon; send the little ones early.

To-night's Funny Contest—The great Atlantis Fisk and Jack worked fast and furious to the crowd last night and the applause showered on them was loud and long. The dainty little lady of the globe changed her costumes again last night as she has done each night. In fact the two artists changed nine times each night. They keep putting on new and startling tricks all the time.

To-night the contest will take place and the reserved seats are going quickly.

There will be a special matinee on Saturday under the distinguished patronage and presence of Lady Davidson and the Misses Davidson. Atlantis will have a special programme. The gorgeous electrical novelty and spectacular finish to the act is worth a great deal to see. Send the children to see this marvellous exhibition of skill and daring, combined with the beautiful human butterfly.

Look out also for a great posing statue act, the essence of refinement.

Rossley's West End Theatre—Since the new service of pictures the patrons are very pleased, and all enjoy a visit to Ours in the West End.

There will be a good many improvements soon. Mr. Rossley will soon have a good vocalist for the popular house. Don't miss the good show in the West End.

The Crescent—Mr. Dan Delmar, the Crescent's fine vocalist, sings a new song to-day. The singing of Mr. Delmar has made the Crescent more popular than ever, and to-day he sings one of his best songs.

See the programme in another column of this paper for particulars of to-day's fine picture programme, then go to the Crescent and see the show; it will repay you.

Extra pictures will be shown at the big Saturday matinee. Send the children, they are sure to enjoy themselves.

The British Theatre—Five excellent photo plays and two singers will be the attraction at the popular British for the week end entertainment.

Particular interest is centered in the beautiful two reel narrative, "The Theft of the Crown Jewels," in which Alice Joyce is most prominent.

The balance of the picture-portion of the programme is of the highest standard. Miss Ruth Emblem will sing two splendid numbers, in the second of which she wears an elaborate and genuine hand-embroidered Japanese Kimono. A P. Cameron, the man with 400 odd songs, will oblige with still another new one; he will sing "What Did I Do?"

Committee Will Solicit Funds For Our Wounded Sailors and Soldiers—Concert Will be Held October 31st

Last night the "Aeroplane Committee" met with Mr. W. G. Gosling in the chair. It was decided the Committee be known in future as the Trafalgar Day Hospital Fund Committee. They will carry on the collection for our wounded soldiers and sailors to be finalized on Trafalgar Day, the 21st inst.

The work is being done in response to Lord Lansdowne's appeal which was presented at Wednesday's meeting of the Patriotic Association.

There were added to the Committee Messrs. W. J. Higgins, H. W. LeMessurier, J. Fenelon, D. Baird and W. Reeves, and several present were appointed to ask the aid of the W.P.A. in advancing the work, while the outport magistrates will be asked to form subscription lists.

A concert will be held on Trafalgar Night. The object of the fund is a most deserving one and Mr. J. A. Clift will receive subscriptions at his office in the Clapp building, Duckworth Street.

WILL HOLD A BAND CONCERT

Mr. Wm. Ring, the veteran bandsman and bass players for years in "Bennett's famous band," a splendid musical organization of ye olden days, is here moving in the project of getting together all the old bandsmen of the city, hold a patriotic concert in January likely, for the Women's Patriotic Association.

He intends getting all the old timers together and a concert of this kind would be unique and be greatly appreciated. Mr. Ring deserves success in this.

First Nfld. Regiment

SEALED TENDERS WANTED FOR THE FOLLOWING KIT:

- 150 Brown or Grey single Army Blankets, 200 Hairbrushes, 200 Tooth Brushes, 550 Single Towels at about \$300 per doz.

About 200 Uniforms, 300 Great Coats, 300 Pairs Puttees, 500 Khaki Flannel Single-Breasted Shirts. (One Sample of each made up required.)

Articles are required to be uniform and tenders are requested not to quote less than the quantities mentioned above.

Blankets are required before departure of G Co. State earliest date of delivery of remaining articles.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Send tenders and samples on TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19th, from 2 to 4 p.m. to my office, Water Street.

Tenders will be opened at 5 p.m. on Tuesday. H. OUTERBRIDGE, Captain and Quartermaster, Chairman of Equipment Committee.

FOR SALE—One Mare, 10 years old, in good condition. Suitable for milking purposes. Apply to GARLAND CLOUTER, Catalina, T.B.—Oct 15, 6i

WANTED—Schooners of 50 to 100 tons to freight Lumber from Alexander Bay. Apply. FRANKLIN'S AGENCIES LTD.—Oct 14, 3i

WANTED—Immediately, a Doctor for Change Islands and nearby settlements. Position valued from \$2500 to \$3000, including medicine. Apply to W. H. EARLE, Secretary, Committee—Oct 6, 12i, eod