

Clergyman Hits Slackers Hard

At the morning service in the C. E. Cathedral yesterday in referring to the sacrifices made by the Empire's brave sons on the battlefield, Rev. J. Brinton used the following pertinent language:

"To make no response on our part to the self-sacrifice being offered today, and to the call that sacrifice is heralding throughout the world, is indeed to be slackers of the deepest dye, while to make use of the present situation for enrichment or glorification of self is to trample to false dignity on the sorrows of others and to sink to the lowest depths of humanity."

We heartily agree with the sentiments of this respected clergyman, for they are our own, repeatedly enunciated since the great war began. Those who would enrich themselves at the expense of the suffering poor and who would make war conditions the excuse for their ill-gotten gains, deserve to be pilloried by public opinion of all shades. We are glad to see that the Christian leaders in our midst are championing the cause of the down-trodden masses who are the helpless victims of commercial sharpers and usurers.

CATHEDRAL MEN'S BIBLE CLASS

Yesterday afternoon the first meeting of the C.M.B.C. was held in the Synod Building and over 70 members were present. Rev. J. Brinton presided and extended a hearty welcome to the members and hoped that this year's sessions would be as successful as last. The great war has been brought home more forcibly to the Class than ever in the loss of four prominent members who have made the supreme sacrifice at the front. Their names are: Lieut. W. Ryall, who was formerly in the band; Pte. Herman Noseworthy, one of the readers; Sergt. W. Miles, and Pte. Alf. Reid. A very interesting and edifying address on the "Road to Faith" was then given by the Rev. Chairman. A fine new organ has been placed in the Class rooms and will be of great service in connection with the musical features of the meetings.

The schr. Ford River arrived here Saturday evening, after a good run from Halifax with a cargo of tar, oil etc., consigned to Colin Campbell.

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OUR THEATRES

THE NICKEL

Maurice Costello, one of the most popular actors of the day, who is well known the world over, appears in the leading role of a Vitagraph feature film at the Nickel Theatre today, entitled: "The Man who Couldn't Beat God." The play is a powerful one and other well known artists in the cast are Estelle Mordo, Naomi Childers, Edwina Robbins, Denton Vane, and Gladde James. The story deals with the life of Martin Hengford, who believed that he could erase from his memory the thought of a murder he had committed years before. He became very wealthy, married a beautiful girl, but in spite of all he was haunted by the terrifying visions. The story calls for clever acting, while the scenes are most effective. All should make an effort to see this wonderful picture which will be shown to-day and to-morrow. There will be other pleasing pictures on the programme. "The Dust of Egypt" in five acts, will be given at the Nickel shortly.

THE CRESCENT

One of the funniest Ham and Bud comedies "Ham agrees with Sherman" is shown at the Crescent Picture Palace to-day. Leslie Austin, the greatest Lubin actor, features in "The Greater Wrong", a gripping Lubin feature in three acts. Canada's foremost optical "The Ford Canadian Monthly" contains in to-day's issue some of Canada's famous regiments and a whole lot of other scenes and interesting incidents. Professor McCarthy plays a new and classy musical programme to accompany this big show; don't miss seeing it.

W. P. A.

Grand Falls—34 Shirts, 112 pairs socks, 4 pairs mitts, 2 gun covers. White Rock and Smith Sound—6 pair socks. Musgrave Harbour—14 pairs mitts, 14 pairs socks. New Perlican—42 pairs socks. Cartwright—5 pillows, 18 cakes soap, 2 towels, old white material, 7 handkerchiefs, 1 flannel band. Victoria Cove—20 pairs socks. Rock Harbour—21 pairs socks. Channel—44 pairs socks; 17 shirts. Change Islands—31 pairs socks, 1 pair mitts.

Burin—103 handages, 106 handkerchiefs, 86 pairs socks. Carbonar.—Old white material, 27 body belts, 80 rolled handages, 11 hospital shirts, 3 pairs slippers, 120 pairs socks, 24 shirts. Brigus—46 pairs socks, 130 pairs mitts.

ANNIE HAYWARD,
Convener of Packing
and Shipping Committee.

THE FIRST SNOW

Passengers who came here by Saturday's express says that on the Western section of the line there is now a good deal of snow on the high land and of late the weather has been very cold. Friday night on the Topsails 12 degrees of frost were recorded.

Refused to be Scabs

Saturday a young man came here from Bay of Islands to go to work on one of the ships sailing out of port as stoker. When President Woods of the Firemen's Union explained matters to him, telling him that the Union men were on strike for a living wage and introducing him to a number of them, who have wives and families, the man was indignant, held that he had not been told of the strike and determined to go home again. Another man from Carbonar acted similarly and the Union men congratulated them on the manly stand they had taken and hoped that others would do the same.

BOY WANDERS STREET

At 12.30 a.m. yesterday Sgt. Mackey and Const. Symmonds while doing their beat on Water Street found a boy named St. Croix wandering about. The boy when questioned by the officers admitted he had a home to go to but would not say why he was wandering about the streets. There was nothing for the officers to do but take him to the station, where he was held all yesterday.

St John's Municipal Council Tenders.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned until **THURSDAY, 19th inst., at 4 p.m.**, for the purchase of that building known as the "Coffin House."

The structure is to be removed within fourteen days after the sale, and the place cleaned up to the satisfaction of the City Engineer.

The Council does not bind itself to accept any tender.

By order,
JNO. L. SLATTERY,
Secy.-Treas.

St. John's Municipal Council Tenders.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned until **THURSDAY, 19th inst., at 4 p.m.**, for certain curb and gutter work to be done on Rennie's Mill Road.

All information relating to the same can be secured on application at the office of the City Engineer.

The Council does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order,
JNO. L. SLATTERY,
Secy.-Treas.

Two Boys Drowned at Fort Amherst

Frank Murphy Aged Ten and Gerald Moore Aged Fifteen Lose Their Lives Yesterday Afternoon on the Beach Under Fort Amherst Light—Ingraham Searched all Evening for Bodies

All yesterday, as a result of the southerly wind which blew, a big sea ran in the Narrows, and as a result of this and boyish curiosity a sad tragedy occurred near Fort Amherst Lighthouse, when two boys, Frank Murphy, aged 10, son of Mr. John Murphy, of Hamilton Avenue, and Gerald Moore, aged 15, son of Mr. Thos. Moore, of the same street, lost their lives.

The two lads, with three other companions, left their homes shortly after 2 p.m. and decided to go down the South Side to view the high sea running and any vessels that might be entering or leaving port. Getting down to the Battery and seeing the big waves advancing on and receding from the beach under Fort Amherst, they ran down there and began running out after the waves as they receded and running back as the sea came forward. The boys were not aware of the risk they ran or of the toll of lives which the sea in previous years had taken in the same place. Suddenly a heavy breaker ran in on the beach and Moore and Murphy, who had gone some distance out after the preceding wave, were engulfed in this as it thundered in on the beach and in the backwash were swept into deep water where, after a few moments impatiently battling for life, they sank to rise no more. The boys were overwhelmed by the wave and drowned with such appalling suddenness that the companions of the two lads were terrified and even if means were available and it were possible to make an attempt at rescue, they could not do so.

At least two others of them, we hear, had a narrow escape also. Mr. S. Merrills, who was near at the time, saw the terrible affair, but he also was unable to give any aid. The people at the lighthouse were in a similar position and notified the police of the event. The tug Ingraham was sent out to search for the bodies and remained until night fall, but the bodies were not recovered, nor is it thought they will be, as they were swept out into deep water. The parents of both boys are heart-broken over the untimely and tragic death of their sons, and will have the sympathy of the whole community.

In exactly the same manner three others deaths occurred at this place in the past. Several years ago Thomas Bulger, of Water Street, was swept away and drowned, then a young chap named Cooper, and a few years ago Vincent Murphy, of Mullock Street, lost his life there.

Kyle's Passengers

The S.S. Kyle arrived at Port aux Basques 6 a.m. yesterday with the following passengers:—Jas. Polifka, H. G. Resolof, A. B. Harding, W. Parsons, W. Taylor, Ruth Williams, W. J. Willwood, A. Thompson, C. J. and Mrs. Doyle, G. O. Baultier, W. J. Jones, Miss M. Rose, H. Wilkins, W. E. Pike, S. Tibbo, Rev. Bro. Dennis, J. Kellerson, Rev. H. J. McDermott, S. A. Ennis, W. Snow, J. McPherson, W. Wheeler, A. Harris.

STAR OF THE SEA MEETING

Yesterday afternoon a special meeting of the Star of the Sea Society was convened for the purpose of nominating officers for the coming year. The election of officers will be held next Sunday. The following were the nominations:

President—J. T. Martin.
Vice-President—Jno. Holden.
1st. Asst. V. P.—T. P. Hickey.
2nd. Asst. V. P.—Jno. Murphy.
Treasurer—S. J. Congdon.
Asst. Treas.—F. Kenny.
2nd. Insur. Trustee—Jno. Gladney.
Grand Marshal—R. A. Buckley.
Deputy Marshal—M. Leonard.
Secretary—Wm. F. Graham.

SLEEPING IN GOODS BOX

At 1.55 yesterday morning as Sgt. Mackey and Const. Symmonds were on their rounds the found two little boys, brothers, named Wilshire, ensconced in a dry goods box near the Royal Stores' clothing factory. Both lads are very young and their father died some time ago, while their mother deserted them and left the country. They were taken care of by a kindly lady of the higher levels, but lately the boys have become wayward and we would suggest that the authorities have them placed in an orphanage to save the lads from mixing with vicious boys about the city.

Between 7 and 8 o'clock last night there was some lightning in evidence with one or two showers but no thunder was heard.

Condition of Our Wounded

The following message was received yesterday by the Hon. Jno. R. Bennett, Colonial Secretary:—

LONDON, Oct. 15.—Association Visiting Committee reports conditions of following men in hospital, October list:

Progressing favourably:—490, Keel, 607, Daymond; 718, Burke; 500, Houlihan; 1659, Knight; 2075, LeVigne; 416, Wells; 1402, Dicks; 1420, Sheppard; 1408, Mackay; 1039, Judge; 2022, Carter; 650, Myler; 971, Mahoney; 182, Garland; 355, Luff; 688, Duncan; 1829, King; 615, Godden; 1190, Noseworthy; 1505, Haynes; 1515, Jennings; 374, Caul; 492, Coombs; 1231, McGrath; 1263, Shelley; 1500, Mitchell; 119, Hickey; 1737, Smith; 864, Tracey; 1977, Attwood; 1404, Tilley; 1983, Foran; 118, Jackman; 772, Stone; 1640, Lewis; 401, Murphy; 667, Byrne; 429, Corneil; 1343, Neville; 513, Reid; 242, Kirby; 440, Roberts; 1577, Hidditch; 2028, Coish; 1100, Martin; 1655, Clarke; 272, Mannel; 1474, Delaney; 631, Robinson; 870, Lang; 1128, Conway; 2191, Healey; 1704, Jones; 1081, Gosse; 2151, French; 1670, Higgins; 1390, Wiseman; 1340, Dawson; 1561, Thistle; 1609, Walsh; 1552, Curtis; 553, Tippet; 1518, Churchill; 1255, Gillingham; 683, Walsh; 21, Tilley; 1353, Meaney; 1671, Sheppard; 1601, Boland; 878, Shorje; 1872, Walsh; 1052, Sparkes; 1573, Greeley; 1555, Hillier; 237, Hogan; 1734, Wells.

Improving—13, Field; 1011, Kelly; 1501, Jones; 1472, Coombs; 269, Carter; 147, Rencuf; 2011, Wiseman; 1837, LeDrew; 1990, Uudle; 493, Shirran; 1991, Rowe; 1089, Penny.

Slight improvement—255, Somerset; 1318, Steele.

Died—700, Bastow.

Names reported September and missing from October list, are convalescent or on furlough. Further list will follow.

FOUR PRISONERS JAILED.

The police were not particularly busy Saturday evening and night. They arrested three drunks and a man who was drunk and disorderly in his own home and was handed over to the police by his wife.

SHIPPING

The Portia left Burin, going west, at 1.30 p.m. yesterday.

The S.S. Sagana left Cape Harrison yesterday, bound south, and reports stormy weather on the Labrador coast.

The schr. Katherine O. Mills, 7 days from Halifax, with a general cargo, arrived at S. S. Rendell & Co. yesterday afternoon.

The schr. Wm. C. Smith arrived here yesterday afternoon, coal laden to A. J. Harvey & Co. after a run of 48 hours from Louisburg.

A large number of schooners laden with supplies left here Saturday afternoon, mostly for the northward, and quite a number also arrived in port with codfish, oil, etc.

The schr. Panhook, Captain W. Doyle, has sailed from Sandy Islands, Labrador, for Gibraltar for orders with 8076 qtls. codfish.

The S.S. Susu reports a good sign of fish at Fogo, Joe Batt's Arm and Tilling. Squid is plentiful and when the boats get out they get 2 and 3 qtls. fish each.

The S.S. Banan sailed from New York for here direct at 6 p.m. Saturday and is due here Thursday. This is the only trip she will make to this port.

The following schooners have arrived from Labrador at Wesleyville:—Niobe, 500 qtls.; Occident, 200; Mischief, 200; Cabot, 200. Three of these vessels loaded in the Straits early in the season.

The Prospero reports the fishery over down-north, though little was being done at Battle Hr. before she left there. The ship brought up a lot of fishermen from the French Shore and landed them at points in Green, Bonavista and Trinity Bays.

DEATHS.

BASTOW—At Wandsworth Hospital, London, on October 12th, of wounds received in action, in France, June 28th, No. 700 Private Frederick Donald Bastow, Newfoundland Regiment, elder son of E. Augustus and Margaret A. Bastow, 9, Cook Street, St. John's, aged 22 years.

"Until the day dawn."

LOCAL ITEMS

Capt. John Lewis arrived in the city by to-day's train on a short visit.

The Kyle's express left here at 12.30 p.m. yesterday, taking a number of passengers.

Rev. Brother Ennis, of Mt. Cashel, who had been on a visit to New York, is returning by to-day's express.

Saturday a girl aged 11, developed diphtheria at her home Mundy Pond Road, and is being treated at home.

Beginning to-day the Trepassey train will leave here at 5.30 p.m. each day and returning, will arrive at 11.30 a.m.

Two cases of diphtheria occurred in a house on Hutchings Street yesterday. Two girls aged 14 and 16 respectively are ill of it and are being treated at home.

An alarm of fire was turned in yesterday at 8.27 p.m. from box 116 the Central and Eastern firemen responding with their usual promptness. Soot in the chimney of Mr. D. F. Piercey's residence on King's Road blazed up, but was quickly quenched and no damage was done.

The men on watch in the Western Fire Station the past few nights have suffered severely owing to the intense cold prevailing. Repairs are being made to the furnace and are held up owing to the short shipment of necessary pipes, so that no heat can be had in the building.

To-day several police of the eastern station and a number of civilians are engaged with 5 motor boats in the narrows searching for the bodies of the drowned boys Murphy and Moore. Up to 1 p.m. they had not succeeded in their quest.

Yesterday was the second anniversary of the death of the late Archbishop Howley. At 8.30 this morning a Solemn High Mass of Requiem was sung in the Cathedral for the repose of the soul of the deceased prelate.

Mr. Wm. Jocelyn of Theatre Hill was the victim of an automobile accident Saturday night. He was run down by a machine, had a narrow escape from very serious injury and sustained a sprained and bruised leg. He will be confined to his home for some time as a result.

Harrison Cranford who was hurt in a saw mill at New Hr., T. B., as stated in Saturday Mail and Advocate and who came to hospital by the express had his arm amputated Saturday night. The man to-day is doing very well at the hospital.

Delegate Woods and some officers of the Firemen's Union left here yesterday for Pouch Cove and other places in that section to interview men there who were being persuaded to act as strike breakers. They were satisfied that when the situation was explained no men from that section would come forward to supercede the men now on strike.

Serious Charge Against Mr. F. Woods

Mr. W. F. Coaker, City.

I have read a letter appearing in the Mail and Advocate of Friday's date signed F. Woods, President Firemen's Union, in which M. H. D. Reid is busily assailed. Permit me to inform you that I hold proof that this man, Frank Woods has drawn hundreds of dollars from steamer owners in this city for which no services were performed, which amounts were paid through Mr. A. McLaughlin.

When the steamer owners had placed Mr. Woods in the position they wanted to get him in, so to speak, they refused to pay him further "easy money" and since then there have been no end of annoyances on the part of the firemen.

They have refrained from publishing those facts, but seeing how Mr. Woods has assailed Mr. Reid it is now opportune to let the firemen know what has been going on between the steamer owners and Mr. Woods.

Seeing that space in your Union paper has been allowed Mr. Woods to abuse and misrepresent Mr. H. D. Reid and others, you will, if you are fair and a champion of fair play allow me the use of your columns to place the above facts before the public.

Yours truly,

ONE WHO KNOWS.
St. John's, October 14th, 1916.

[Mr. Coaker has informed us that he has been shown receipts bearing the signature of F. Woods. The charges made above are serious and the whole matter should be immediately investigated.—Editor.]

AN ENCOURAGING TELEGRAM

Mr. W. B. Grieve, Saturday had the following message from Lieut. Hinks, then at Grand Falls, which speaks for itself:—

"As a result of meeting here hope to get at least 20 volunteers. Sending in by Tuesday's express (Jewell, Moulton, Hefferman, McArthur, Brown, Eastman, Cheater, Ivay, Chaull, Trask, Ireland, Samson)"

READ THE MAIL & ADVOCATE

DICKED UP—About two miles off Crouse Harbor, the 17th September, a large Motor Boat, painted Dark Grey, engine had been removed, shaft and propeller intact. For further particulars re salvage and expenses the owner may apply to LOUIS BURTON, Greenspond.—oct10,31

DICKED UP—August 1st, the Head Ropes and Corks of a Cod Trap and Leader. For further information apply to CHARLES HISCOCK, Coward's Island, B.B.—oct13,21

WANTED—Schooners to freight Lumber from Notre Dame Bay. Highest rates. HORWOOD LUMBER CO., LTD.—oct7,61

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