

"The Fighting Newfoundlander"

Unveiled in Bowring Park.

Memorial is Gift of Sir Edgar Bowring to The City.

The beautiful surroundings provided a wonderful setting for the ceremony which attended the unveiling of the "Fighting Newfoundlander" at Bowring Park yesterday afternoon. The statue was unveiled in the presence of a large gathering of citizens, by His Excellency the Administrator. Several war veterans were present, many of whom had been on familiar terms with the late Sir Edgar Bowring, D.C.M., M.M., who served as the model for Capt. Basil Gotto's splendid sculpture. Looking down upon the Waterford Valley from its commanding position in front of the Park Bungalow, the statue, every line of it breathing action, typifies the spirit of those gallant gentlemen who for four long, weary years fought for their country against militarism on the shell-scarred fields of France, Flanders and Gallipoli. It is to Sir Edgar Bowring that our thanks must be given for this fine piece of statuary which will ever serve as a reminder of the glory won by Newfoundlanders on the field of battle. Then Sir Edgar, the city has no more generous benefactor and Bowring Park, which was given by him to the city, will perpetuate his name. The statue was unveiled at 3.30 p.m. and Sir William Horwood then spoke as follows:

THE ADMINISTRATOR'S SPEECH.
The statue which I have just had the privilege of unveiling is inscribed "A Tribute to the undying memory of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment" and "presented to the city of St. John's by the Honourable Sir Edgar B. Bowring." The most of us can vividly recall the embarkation of the First Five Hundred. We can picture them as they marched down Water Street, gallantly singing familiar airs and cheerily bidding good-bye to friends who lined the route to the troops, but the galaxy of their demeanour did not deceive us. We knew them; there was none amongst us who did not know some one or other more intimately; among them was the flower of our youth bright with promise of future usefulness; young men no city or country could afford to lose. Notwithstanding the assumed gaiety, assumed in love for aching hearts at home, we knew they had no illusions as to the task they had undertaken, but had counted the cost and stood prepared to make the sacrifice.

There was not a man of them who could not have truthfully have said "I would that war should cease, I would the globe from end to end might now and reap in peace." They bore no malice nor hatred in their hearts; the lust of blood was far from their thoughts; on the contrary, theirs was the aversion to war in-born in citizens of a democratic and peace loving community. But each man felt in his soul that, "He needs must fight."

To make true peace his own. He needs must combat might with might. Or might would rule alone."

They possessed a stern sense of duty and with it a capacity for doing what they did not want to do when it became apparent to them that it was the thing that needed to be done. They knew that nothing sacred or

Your Excellency and my friends all—I wish at the beginning of my remarks to thank most cordially H. E. the Administrator for coming here to-day and unveiling this statue of the "Fighting Newfoundlander." In speaking of this statue it is not for me to say much about it. It is from me that the statue originates and it is here chiefly because I want in this Bowring Park of ours something that will for evermore bring to mind the valorous deeds of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment. The deeds of the Regiment from 1914 to 1918 are well known to us now living, but in the years to come when the great war may possibly have been forgotten then this statue will remind our children of the noble deeds of our regiment.

The statue we have here to-day is "The Fighting Newfoundlander." Many have called it "The Bomber." This is not really correct. Although the figure is in the act of throwing a bomb that does not make it a bomber. It is a special man. In the early days of the war the men fought with rifles and often carried bombs as well. This figure of the "Fighting Newfoundlander" was made by the eminent sculptor Basil Gotto, who knew our Newfoundland Regiment very well at Winchester where he came into contact with the men and formed warm friendship with some of the officers. It was here that he got the idea of this statue and the idea of modelling a statue of the "Fighting Newfoundlander." I have always had a particular interest in the Regiment and visited it at Salisbury, Fort George, Ayr, Edinburgh, Stob's Camp, Winchester, and twice on the Continent. It was at Winchester I first saw the statue.

My duty to-day is to make a formal presentation to the city of St. John's of this statue and I now make the presentation, hoping that it may be of interest to generations to come, and that St. John's may feel inclined to accept it and look after it henceforth.

MAYOR COOK ACCEPTS GIFT.

Mayor Cook, on behalf of the city, received the magnificent gift. His Worship said in part:—

On behalf of the citizens of St. John's, I have great pleasure in accepting your magnificent gift. It will always serve to remind us of the great and noble deeds performed by the Newfoundland Regiment. It will be a reminder of the valor of the men who left our shores to fight the great battle for Justice and Liberty. As we look back with pride to what our ancestors have done, there will be this statue to remind our children and their children of the patriotism and heroism of Newfoundlanders during the Great War. For over a century and a half the Bowring family has been connected with the commercial and social life of Newfoundland. We have had some very generous men of your family, but you, Sir Edgar, have exceeded them all. You have given the people of St. John's this park which gives pleasure to many thousands of people. Newfoundlanders generally owe you a debt which can never be repaid. I can only echo the wish of all the people, that you may be long spared to see how fully your magnificent gift is appreciated.

PRESIDENT BAIRD SPEAKS.

Captain A. B. Baird, President of the G. W. V. A., speaking on behalf of that Association and Veterans in general, expressed the thanks of the ex-service men to Sir Edgar Bowring for his splendid remembrance. He said:—

"It has always been a great pleasure for veterans of the Great War to attend the ceremony of the unveiling of a monument erected to their dead comrades, as it shows us who have returned that they who have made the Supreme Sacrifice have not been forgotten. This statue, erected by one of Newfoundland's own sons, will serve to remind us of the trust that we have left in those who died. We must remember that many of them have left widows and orphans. The Great War Veterans' Association has not only to think of the dead, but of those left behind, and I assure you that it is only by your support that this can be accomplished. It is only by united effort that the widows and orphans of our dead heroes can be looked after. The G.W.V.A. are exceptionally pleased to be present at this ceremony this afternoon."

Hon. J. D. Ryan, as a citizen of St. John's, thanked Sir Edgar Bowring for his gift. He referred to the splendid record of the Regiment and also the devastating effects the recent war had had on the world.

The ceremony then concluded with the C.E.S. Band playing the well known hymn, "Fight the Good Fight," the large gathering joining in singing the verses. The National Anthem then brought the proceedings to a close.

From Cape Race.

Special to Evening Telegram
CAPE RACE, to-day.
Wind East, fresh breeze, raining. The steamer Portia passed West at 4 p.m. yesterday. Rosalind passed in at 4.45 and Cabot West at 7.15 a.m. to-day. Bar 29.70; ther. 60.

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The bride who was given away by her father, looked very charming, attired in a wedding gown of cream satin trimmed with pearls, with bridal veil, and carried a bouquet of carnations and maidenhair fern. She was attended by her cousin, Miss Louise Wright, who wore pink silk with red to match and also carried a beautiful bouquet. Mr. Peter Squires, brother of the groom, ably performed the duties of best man.

Following the ceremony at the Church the wedding party drove around Quidi Vidi Lake and back to the home of the bride's parents where a sumptuous supper was partaken of, all doing full justice to the inner man.

The proceeds of the present to the bride was a handsome patch for set, to the bridegroom a signet ring and to the groomsmen a stick pin.

Amongst the many valuable presents of which the bride was the recipient, was a beautiful bed-room set from her co-workers at John Maunders, testifying to the esteem in which she was held. The Telegram joins with the many friends of the bride and groom in extending best wishes for their future happiness over the matrimonial sea.—W.L.

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DEAD.

On the 11th inst. Yers, darling child of William and Bertha Breen, aged 7 months.

This morning, Marie May, darling child of James and Margaret Fitzpatrick, aged four months.

IN LOVING MEMORY

of our dear mother, Agnes Petersen, who died Sept. 14, 1920. May the Sacred Heart of Jesus have mercy on her soul.

—Inserted by her children.

NOTE OF THANKS.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien and family desire to thank the following kind friends for the wreaths and flowers to adorn the coffin of their loving daughter, Alice, and for letters of sympathy in their recent sad bereavement:—Sir John Crobie, Sir Michael Cashin, Mr. J. R. Bennett, Mr. W. J. Higgins, Capt. Bonia, Mr. Michael and John Hambrick, Dr. Mitchell who attended her at home, Mrs. Adrian and Mrs. Howard, Mr. and Mrs. R. Lester, Sister Oakley, Mrs. O'Brien, Nurse Mayo, Miss Breen, Misses J. and A. McLaughlin, Miss C. Whiffin, John O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. H. O'Brien, Miss Burton, the Sullivan family, Mrs. Stone, Mrs. Neville, Mr. and Mrs. R. Coady, the Misses Turner, Mrs. Tracey, and all kind friends.—adv.

NOTE OF THANKS.

B. Brynolsson desires to express his sincere thanks to all those who assisted in every way in his late sad bereavement. Particularly am I grateful to Sir Michael and Lady Cashin who made all arrangements for the burial of my dear wife in my absence. I wish also to thank Mr. Jos. Fitzgibbon, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sapp, Mr. Thomas, Mrs. B. Shortall, Mrs. Margaret Tobin, Mrs. and Mrs. James Tobin, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Nelder, Mrs. M. J. Robinson for their many acts of kindness.—adv.

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Mrs. O. Crocker and family desire to thank the following for wreaths sent to adorn the casket of her dear husband and father:—The Masonic Fraternity, Sir Richard and Lady Squires, Sir John and Lady Crobie, the employees of the Standard Manufacturing Company, Ladies Association of the Knights of Columbus, Lady Cashin, Mr. and Mrs. P. Sless, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Taylor, Mrs. Bartlett, Mrs. Tesler, Mrs. J. R. McCoubrey, Miss May Parlong, Della Reilly, Mrs. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Curlew, Miss Annie Roberts; also those who sent letters and notes of sympathy and helped in any way during their trouble, Miss Joyce, Dr. McParson, Rev. Dr. Green, Rev. Dr. Carter, Rev. Dr. Kennedy, Mrs. S. Larkin, Messrs. Dowden and Edwards, Mrs. and Mr. T. J. Foran, Miss May Murphy, Mrs. Murphy, Whalen, Western Bay, Mrs. Gertie Tobin, Western Bay, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Benoit, Glensdale, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. J. O'Brien, Canton, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Fowler, Waynard, Mass.; and also all kind friends who helped them in the sad hour of their bereavement.

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