

## FAMOUS NAMES ON VESSELS

HISTORY, MUSIC, LITERATURE  
—SAINTS AND SINNERS.

Choice of Appellations Varied and  
Versatile—Desire for Happiness and Virtue.

The Canadian shipping list reads like an atlas or a journal of exploration. The sailor's general geographical interest is shown in the names of many distant countries, such as Arabia and Armenia, and especially on the Pacific coast, in Japanese appellations, such as Shinyei Maru, Herschel, recalling as it does the great English astronomer, indicates an interest in celestial phenomena, which is confirmed by Orion, Gemini, Uranus, and names of other constellations, besides a host of Stars and Stellas. That there are still difficulties in spite of these twinkling aids to navigation seems to be the lesson of the ships White Squall, Ioe Surge and Rocket. But the fact that the sailor does not fear to call his ship after the elements which are his enemies shows that he is not superstitious. On this principle German names would by no means be words of ill omen for Canadian cruisers.

### Literary Efforts Few.

The paucity of literary ships seems to hint that the sailor is not a great reader. The shipping list does not resemble a college curriculum or a bookseller's advertisement. Of novelists we find Hugo, whose "Toilers of the Deep" no doubt recommended him. Sir Walter Scott is remembered by a namesake ship, and a score of Ladies of the Lake. There is no evidence of a nautical interest in popular fiction. There is nothing later than Uncle Tom, Topsy and Ben-Hur. The sailor whose favorite muses are those of history and heroic poetry naturally disdains the best sellers. The poetry the sailor reads is likewise old-fashioned. Shakespeare, strange to relate, has no ship to himself, but Ophelia and Romeo are remembered. The ships Zuleika and Mazepa recall Byron, and Minnehaha suggests Longfellow. No doubt 15-inch guns and armored turrets will demand names of greater explosiveness and velocity, something perhaps from Kipling or Robert Service.

### A Poor Speller.

In spite, however, of these evidences of erudition we have to tax the sailor with a neglected education. The fault may be due to bilingualism, but at any rate ship names abound in mis-spellings. Goliath does duty for Goliath. Lia for Leah, and Lidie for the diminutive of Lydia. But the worst is the "Germinnia," a ship owned by a Frenchman on the Lower St. Lawrence, who learned his English, as many other French-Canadians have done—under a Cockney instructor.

### Music in Evidence.

The lack of a Terpsichore is atoned for by many musical ships, such as Andante, Crescendo and Eri King. On the whole the sailor's musical fancy seems to turn to musical comedy with light opera. Gilbert, the playwright, has a flagship of his own escorted by the Mikado and the Iolanthe; but H. M. S. Pinafore is strangely missing, and Sullivan, his musical collaborator, is completely unknown. But it may be that the growth of

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Canada's shipping trade will provide room for this and other names which have been so far omitted, in newspaper parlance, solely for lack of space. The fascination of some of the heroines of the foot-lights has not been unrecorded. There are ships called Edna May, the Jersey Lily, and Julia Opp—after the wife of Mr. Faversham, Maud Allan and Mazurka keep time together. Quick Step bridges the gulf between the classical dancers and the dashing College Widow, which is George Ad's contribution to the Canadian marine. The ships Alhambra and Tivoli betray a knowledge of London Music Halls; so that, all told, the sailor, it must be admitted, knows Who's Who in dramatic circles.

### The Feminine in Evidence.

His feminine names are not, however, taken from the ballet, but from the domestic sphere. Fully forty per cent. of Canadian ship titles are feminine Christian names. The Canadian sailor certainly loves a lass, and above all a lass named Mary or Marie or some kindred form. There float upon our waves more than two hundred sea nymphs of the family of Mary. In fact the Marys have it as easily as the Johns among the male names. There are over sixty Johns, including John Bull and John L., but not John D., and among the Jacks there is, of course, Jack Canuck.

### Staggering Imagination.

But the masculine names are nothing compared with the feminine. In fact the sailor's devotion to feminine names almost staggers the imagination. There are over one hundred varieties which range metaphorically from Dan to Beersheba, literally from Ann to Zoe. There are aristocratic ones such as Euphemia and Millicent and all the home favorites such as Lizzie and Libbie and Addie and Carrie—but never a Carrie Nation. Among the Jennies there is a Jeanne d'Arc, and among the Annies an Annie Laurie. Some famous names are, however, neglected. There is no Maud Muller in the flotilla of Mauds; no Little Mabel among the Mabels; no Ida M. Tarbell among the Idas.

### Matrimony Excepted.

There are plenty of endearing terms such as Gazelle, and promises of fidelity such as True Love, but very little hint of matrimony, except in the Village Bride. And there is no reference to babies nearer than Winslow, the famous soothing syrup. The evidence of the shipping list seems to confirm the sailor's reputation as a winking light of love. Only one ship, Veuve, backs up W. W. Jacobs' theory that bargemen and other mariners have a penchant for widows. Delilah and Vampire seem to indicate that at times the course of love does not run smooth for the sailor, but no ship is as vituperative as The Serpent's Tongue of William Watson.

### Many Evils.

Ship names such as Four Idlers, Loafer and Becalmed attest that the sailor occasionally has time on his hands. And that Satan finds mischief for idle hands is revealed in ships which we cannot possibly call good, such as Gambler, Monaco, Nap and Lucky Jim. That there are crooks in every profession seems to be the lesson of Slippery Joe, though, of course, the name might merely indicate that this particular vessel can outswim any of its rivals. Double interpretations are possible with regard to other names. Geneva, for instance, may refer to Calvin and not to gin; Usher to Poe's Fall of the House of Usher and not to Scotch whiskey. Magnum, however, looks as if it referred unmistakably to champagne, but, after all, there is very little evidence of intemperance on board ship. If the names of our future battleships preserve a discreet silence on the subject of grog and rum punch it will perhaps be only a just tribute to naval sobriety.

### Devoted to Saints.

Any faults that the sailor may have are more than outweighed by an enthusiastic devotion to saints. There are more than two hundred Saints' names on the shipping register. St. George is the most popular for steam craft, but St. Joseph heads the poll for the sailing vessels. Probably no boat bears a more unique name than the good ship St. Joseph Three Salmon. Possibly the Western grain growers might forego their opposition to a navy if the battleships were called by such names as Manitoba No. 1 Hard or Alberta Alfalfa.

Ships like Grit and try show a nautical interest in pikes; and Dan Patch and Shrub reveal a fondness for the track and the cinder path. One ship is also called after a golf course, namely Lambton, the appropriateness probably consisting in their common possession of bunkers.

### Canadian History.

It would not be well to conclude without mention of the great number of Shamrocks and Thistles and the even more numerous Maple Leafs. The shipping register is as it were a log book of Canadian history. It shows that English, Scot-

ish, Irish and French elements have united to form a Canadian marine. The Britannias and British Lions sail or steam amicably beside the Canadas and Beavers. It is a little difficult to tell from these ships' names whether our sailors advocate cash contribution or whether they are in favor of naval autonomy. They seem at any rate to practise some kind of Imperial co-operation.

### A Happy Family.

On the whole the names he has given to his ships seem to show that the sailor's lot is as happy as his tastes and character are varied and versatile. He looks on the bright side of things. He calls no vessel The Wreck. The comradeship of friends and brethren is recorded by such ships as the Two Friends and The Four Brothers. The steamer Golden Rule, Good Intent and Happy Homes clearly indicate that the sailor's main desire is for happiness and virtue. There should be no difficulty in persuading Canadian youths to serve on ships like these. It may be that the problem of naval recruiting will be best solved by the judicious selection of attractive ship names.

### One on Mr. Foy.

The Attorney-General for Ontario, the Hon. J. J. Foy, is fond of a good joke, and his enjoyment is not lessened by the fact that the joke is on himself. Quite recently he was hurrying to the Niagara Navigation wharf in Toronto, carrying his lawyer's bag, which was well filled with documents. A newsboy proffered his wares, but Mr. Foy shook his head, however, on second thought said, "If you want to earn a nickel you can carry this bag to the dock." The boy agreed, and



Hon. J. J. Foy.

they set out. On reaching the wharf Mr. Foy started to the private gate, which is used by directors and other officials, but his companion shouted, "Hi, you can't go in there." "Why not?" said Mr. Foy. "Cause that's private, just for de big guns," was the answer. "Well, that's all right. Do you know I own this wharf?" returned the Attorney-General. "Naw ye don't," said the urchin. "What makes you think I don't?" "Well, if you owned dis wharf you'd give me more'n a nickel to carry your bag."

## SUMMER HEAT HARD ON BABY

No season of the year is so dangerous to the life of little ones as the summer. The excessive heat throws the little stomach out of order so quickly that unless prompt aid is at hand the baby may be beyond all human help before the mother realizes he is ill. Summer is the season when diarrhoea, cholera infantum, dysentery and colic are most prevalent. Any one of these troubles may prove deadly if not promptly treated. During the summer the mother's best friend is Baby's Own Tablets. They regulate the bowels, sweeten the stomach and keep baby healthy. The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

### Nice Old Lady.

She was a charitable old lady, of a somewhat inquisitive turn of mind, and she was paying a visit to a naval hospital. Presently she came up to the bedside of a poor fellow who was one of the victims of a gun explosion. "My poor fellow," she said, depositing a bunch of grapes within his reach, "Your sensations and sufferings at the time of the accident must have been terrible. Can you—will you describe them to me?" "Well, mum," he said stolidly, "I don't know as I can; but I can tell you I was on deck attending to my duty with the gun, when all of a sudden there was a most infernal row—and then the nurse says, 'Sit up and take this.'"

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### APES OF GIBRALTAR.

History of Their Retention on the Rock.

Travellers to Gibraltar are always on the lookout for the famous apes of the rock, the only wild monkeys in Europe, and will be interested to learn that their threatened extinction has been averted.

Until about twenty-five years ago these monkeys held undisputed possession of the upper part of the rock and were seldom seen; but when the fortification on the summit was begun the animals spread to the lower levels and were one of the sights of the place. One locality Bruce's Farm, they avoided for years. The story is that long ago they became very troublesome to the owner by raiding his fruit garden. After various expedients to get rid of them had failed, some one caught a young monkey and tying it to a tree left it to starve to death. This cruelty was resented by the band, which, it is said, carried away the dead body and never afterward approached the place.

Ten years ago there were fifty or sixty apes on the rock, but many were shot or trapped, and three years ago only three old females were left to represent the stock. When this came to the knowledge of the commandment he issued orders for their protection, and imported from Morocco a male and four females; but the three old females attacked and soon killed the newcomers. A second experiment was equally unsuccessful, but in 1911 a third male was obtained, who fought his way into the good graces of the old females and became the sire of several young monkeys that will now, it is expected, replenish the stock.

Unfortunately this sire became so dangerous, viciously attacking the people who would befriend him, that he was lately condemned to be shot. The sentence, however, was commuted to imprisonment for life in the London Zoo, whither he was transported on a battleship and where he now dwells in an admired captivity in Regent Park.

The Gibraltar ape, which is not a true ape, but a macaque, is especially interesting to zoologists because of the isolation of its species in the northwest corner of Africa, for it is restricted to the mountain fastnesses of the Barbary States. All the other members of the genus Macacus are Asiatic, its nearest ally being the rhesus or sacred monkey of India. The monkey the Japanese depict so constantly in drawings and carvings is another near relative.

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"Now," asked the teacher, "who can tell me what an oyster is?" Silence for a moment, while small brows were knit in strained effort at remembrance. Then little Tommy's facial muscles relaxed, and eagerly he raised his hand. "I know," he triumphantly announced. "An oyster is a fish built like a nut."

A young preacher picked up Bishop Pierce's hat and put it on his own head and it was exactly a fit. "Why, Bishop," said he, "your head and mine are exactly the same size." "Yes," replied the Bishop, "on the outside."

Lady of the House (inspecting the kitchen)—Why, Bridget, how untidy you are! See here, I can actually write my name on the dust on top of this stove! Bridget—Shure, an' what a fine thing it is to have an education.

### BULLET PHOTOGRAPHY.

Remarkable Results Obtained by the Camera.

Moving pictures have just been made at the rate of one hundred thousand a second in contrast with the rate of fifteen or twenty a second, which is enough when reproduced on a screen to give the eye the impression of a continuous picture. The only thing that moves fast enough to make such tremendous speed worth using is a bullet, and some extraordinary pictures of bullets have been taken at this rate, seventy-two pictures being taken of a revolver bullet as it moved ten inches from the muzzle.

Pictures of a bullet passing through a stick of wood showed a queer condition. The bullet passed completely through the thin stick and was well on its way beyond before the wood gave any sign of distress. Then some tiny splinters started out, following the bullet; the stick began to split; and after the bullet had proceeded some distance the stick suddenly fell to pieces. No camera shutters are fast enough to take pictures at anything like this speed; so no shutter was used.

Instead, a series of electric sparks was flashed, the sparks following one another at the rate of one hundred thousand a second, each spark making a picture. The film was mounted on a wheel about three feet in circumference, and the wheel was revolved at the rate of nine thousand revolutions a minute. When all was ready the bullet was shot, the sparks flashed and the wheel revolved, the actual exposure being limited to a fraction of a second so as not to pile up pictures one over the other.

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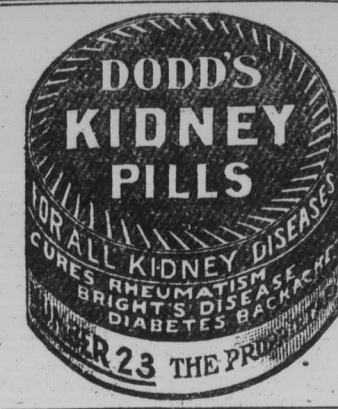
"I tell you, old man, there's always room at the top," said Jimpsonberry. "I haven't a doubt of it," said Languish. "But the worst of it is there's never any elevator to take you up."

### Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

### A Puzzling Question.

"I want to ask you a question, dad," said a lad to his parent. "Ask your mother?" answered the tired father. "Well, but it isn't a silly question I want to ask you." "All right,"—wearily—"what is it?" "Well, if the end of the earth was to come and it was destroyed when a man was up in an aeroplane, where would he land when he came down?"

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"Is she musical?" "Yes—she and a natural voice, a she."