

## C.C.C. FAREWELL TO VOLUNTEERS

Function Was Held At T. A. Armory Last Night Before Big Crowd

The members of the C.C.C. who have volunteered with the First Newfoundland Regiment farewelled at the T. A. Armory last night. The Volunteers numbering over a hundred were in charge of Captains Carty and O'Brien. Company No. 1 of the C.C.C. has practically been wiped out by the Volunteers; of a strength of 75 six weeks ago only five now remain, the others having volunteered for the front.

Among those present were several French residents of the city and others representing Russia, and were pleased with the programme. The rendering of the National Anthems of the Allies and the singing of La Marseillaise by Mr. Clem Benning brought down the house.

**Prominent Men Present.**  
Lieut. Col. Conroy, Hon. John Harris (Chairman of the C.C.C. Committee), F. J. Morris, K.C., T. H. O'Neil, J. L. Slattery, T. Power, W. J. Oakley, L. Spens, Captains Carty and O'Brien of the Regiment, Capt. Murphy, Meehan, Perez, Burke and other officers were also present.

Mr. Frank J. Morris of the C.C.C. Committee gave an address. He showed to the Volunteers that their cause was just, and that their presence at the front was a call from the Motherland and that it was a call of duty. He had no doubt as to the result of the existing struggle, which so far as England was concerned, was only to redeem and keep inviolate a treaty.

**Serve the Empire.**  
Lieut. Col. Conroy on behalf of the C.C.C. spoke to the Volunteers in very touching words, urging upon them to keep to strict discipline, to serve the Empire as was expected and to ever be true members of the Catholic Cadet Corps.

Both speakers were listened to with the deepest attention.  
Mr. J. L. Slattery had charge of the programme and rendered "It's a long way to Tipperary," Messrs. J. L. Slattery, Jr., and Mr. T. Halley presided at the piano.

**Lengthy Programme.**  
The programme was:—Rule Britannia, J. L. Slattery; "Mr. Murphy," T. Power; "The man with a single hair," "After all your boys are gone," L. Murphy; "Break the news to Mother," "Far Away," C. J. Fox; band selections (1) A Long Way to Tipperary (2) American Airs; recitation, B. Keeping; "A Long Way to Tipperary," J. L. Slattery; "La Marseillaise," C. Benning; "Taps," "Bonnie Scotland," Pte. T. Morrissey; "Hymn to the Czar," J. Burnstein; "Cadets Can't Lose," "Roamin' in the Gloamin'," J. M. Atkinson; address by F. J. Morris K.C., member of the Committee; "Waiting till the moon went by," Corpl. Gardner; "Have a Banana," Bugler Bennett; recitation, "Louis Philippe and Queen Victoria," "Jack Pots," T. H. O'Neil; "Way Down East," Pte. Mullooney; "Go where glory waits thee," C. Benning; address by Lt. Col. Conroy. "God Save the King."

**Band in Attendance.**  
The C.C.C. band which was in attendance rendered several patriotic selections.

The C.C.C. members take our best wishes, we wish them all luck, and can assure them that when they return as we know they will, for Britishers "can't lose," we will give them a reception such as has never been given in the city before.

**Well Attended**

The patriotic concert at the Casino Theatre last night was largely attended. The concert was another great success. We regret that pressure on our space today prevents a longer notice.

**Leaves Pt. Nelson**

Messrs. A. Harvey & Co. had a message yesterday that the Bonaventure left Port Nelson on the 25th ult. for Sydney.

**Lost At Bonne Bay**

A message was received at Bonne Bay today that in the gale of Saturday night and Sunday morning much damage was done to fishing boats. Schr. Virgin Belle was driven ashore and became a total loss.

**To Load Remounts**

The Donaldson steamer Marina and Parthenia, which were at Botwood to load pulp for England, left yesterday in ballast to load remounts for the Canadian Contingents.

## GOVERNOR PRESENTED COLORS TO THE FIRST N.F.L.D. REGIMENT

The Donors of the Flag Were a Deputation From the S.O.E., Who Handed it Over to His Excellency—Stirring Event

**Presentation of Colors.**  
The presentation of the Colors to the First Newfoundland Regiment took place at Pleasantville yesterday afternoon in the presence of a large number of ladies and gentlemen.

At 3 o'clock the battalion marched in company form to the Social Grounds and there lined up.

His Excellency who is Lieut.-Col. of the Regiment, was attended by Capt. Goodridge, A.D.C., and with him were the Premier, Sir E. P. Morris, and several members of the Upper House. His Excellency first received a deputation from the Sons of England Society, donors of the flag, consisting of the following gentlemen:—

**The Donors.**  
Bros. G. B. Lloyd, S.D.G.P., Hon. R. A. Squires, S. G. Collier, N. Andrews, T. Hallett, C. W. Udle, W. H. Goodland, J. R. McCoubrey, T. J. Pope, A. G. Williams, Dr. Anderson, K. Ruby, J. Chaffey, J. S. Taylor, W. P. Butler, W. S. Pike, Gordon Pike, S. Merrials, T. Smith, J. Hemans.

Bro. G. B. Lloyd P. G.D. in asking His Excellency to accept the Ensign stated that it had been won by Dudley Lodge in a competition for bringing in the largest number of members in one year.

On behalf of the Society he was pleased to be able to hand it over to His Excellency, and he felt certain the Newfoundlanders would uphold its traditions.

**Colour Squad.**  
The Color squad consisting of Sgts. Taylor and Steel, Corpl. Shortall, Cliff Newman, and Oke, were lined up in front of His Excellency. Lieut. R. H. Tait, who was in command of the squad, knelt throughout the presentation.

The Governor then addressed the assemblage in terms which touched the hearts of all. The Honor of Newfoundland was now in the hands of our Volunteers, and he wanted that honour upheld. A great trust had been committed to them—that of representing us in the great battle for Light and Freedom. He felt sure they would uphold the traditions of the

Colony and Empire well, and he felt sure that His Majesty the King will be pleased to let the Regiment be called the Royal Newfoundland Regiment. His Excellency's address was full of patriotism and goodly advice.

**His Heart With Them.**  
There is no denying the fact that His Excellency's heart is wrapped up in the Newfoundland boys. He is proud of them and so was every one else that had the pleasure of being present yesterday. He has been instrumental in making arrangements for their welfare while in the Old Country; he will watch their movements with the greatest interest; he will pray for them that they be given courage in all things and under all conditions to act as gentlemen.

The Rt. Hon. the Premier spoke briefly and assured the Regiment of the warm sympathy of the Colony. They were making history and the future Pedley or Prowse would devote a page of our history to the Newfoundland Volunteers. He wished that more could have been done for them, but he felt that what was undertaken had been well done.

**A Sacred Trust.**  
The Governor then presented the Flag to Lieut. Tait with the command: "Guard it with your life, and do not return without it. Wherever you are let it be the emblem of patriotism and manliness, around which they should press to victory that would bring credit to the King and the Colony."

The men were then inspected, after which Sir Walter addressed the officers. The well being of the men depended much on them. They should be brave and to preserve unswerving their reputation as gentlemen, to do nothing that would alienate the loyalty of their men from them, to see to it that when in a tight place the men would not hesitate to follow, and at all times to set an example to the men so that the dignity and honour of their colony might be preserved intact.

The balance of the afternoon was pleasantly spent by all.

**EDISON DRAMA AT THE NICKEL**

Splendid Week End Programme Offered

The Week end programme at the Nickel Theatre this evening is a splendid one.

The Edison Co. presents Mary Fuller in a strong and social drama in two reels entitled "Alexia's Strategy." Two young bank clerks are rivals for the hand of the President's daughter. One, knowing that the other is winning the girl makes a false entry in his ledger and steals the equivalent amount of money. Circumstantial evidence convicts the innocent; but the girl's strategy copes with the situation in a very clever and delightfully acted way.

"The Struggle is a typical Western drama, in which one old friend Broncho Billy Anderson is featured. "Objections over-ruled" is a screaming farce-comedy by the Biograph fun makers.

The Vitaphone artists present a beautiful love story, "The Sacrifice." It is a dainty social photo-play. A young man losing trace of his old love, he finds a new one. The new finds the old and reunites her with her sweetheart to the sacrifice of her own love.

"Our Children is a comedy-drama by the Keystone Co.

Mr. De Witt C. Cairns sang "Till Sands of the Desert" last night. This interesting song has lost none of its attractiveness. Tomorrow afternoon there will be the usual bill ones.

**Oport Market**

The price of fish 26 to 40 for large 22 to 34 for small. Poor demand.

**Colonel Turner of S. A. Headquarters, Toronto, will visit St. John's on October 3rd and conduct the following meetings:—**

11 a.m. United Holiness Meeting in S. A. Citadel, New Gower Street.  
3 p.m. Public meeting, S. A. Hall, Livingstone Street.  
7 p.m. Public meeting in S. A. Hall, New Gower Street.  
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## PRESENTATION AND FAREWELL

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Sergt. Major Cake replied in a hearty for their most valuable and useful present.

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Song—Sergt. W. D. Edwards.  
Col. and Mrs. Rendell—Prop. Sergt. Major Cake; resp. Sergt. C. Strong.  
Song—Sergt. F. Marshall.  
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Mrs. Rendell sent word to say she was sorry that she could not be present with the lads, but wished them good luck and God-speed.

Cheers were given for Mrs. Col. Warrant and Non-Com. Officers Mess Rendell, The Volunteers, and the Warrant and Non-Coms. Mess.

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An enjoyable evening was brought to a close by the singing of Rule Britannia, Soldiers of the King, The Marseillaise, and God Save the King.

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## TEN SONS IN THE ARMY

The attention of King George having been drawn to the fact that Mr. and Mrs. Calpin, of York, have ten sons in the Navy and Army, Sir William Carlington has written that the King has heard the fact with the deepest gratification, and sends his congratulations, "and hopes you will convey the same, together with his best wishes, to them for success, health, and happiness in their noble career." They have also received the congratulations of the Prime Minister.

## S. A. Farewell

The No. 2 Corps of the Salvation Army has arranged a farewell meeting and tea for the Volunteers of their denomination tonight.

Brigadier Morehen and Staff Capt. Cave will address their soldiers and friends are invited to attend the meeting.

## WEDDING BELLS

**Wadden-Murphy.**  
Miss Gertrude Wadden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Wadden, Power Street, and Mr. J. J. Murphy, of the R. N. Co., were united in matrimony at St. Patrick's Deanery yesterday afternoon by the Rev. J. J. McDermott.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a beautiful dress of silk crepe, trimmed with union and shadow lace. Miss Rose Lundrigan, who wore a cerise crepe gown with black picture hat, was bridesmaid, while Mr. N. J. Wadden supported the groom.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, where the health of Mr. and Mrs. Murphy was enthusiastically toasted.

During the evening the happy couple drove to Ferndale where they will spend their honeymoon. The bride is the recipient of a large number of handsome presents including a set of wicker chairs from the proprietors of the Royal Stores, where she had been employed as head milliner, and a silver tea service from the employes.

The Mail joins with other friends in wishing the bride and groom every happiness.

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## SETS FORTH CASE OF RETAIL GROCER

Correspondent Criticises the Attitude of the Wholesaler

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir,—Apropos of the present situation and its effect on the retail grocers of this city, I would like to bring to your attention the newly introduced system of the wholesaler dealers in demanding practically cash (weekly statements) from the middlemen who has always paid his accounts, and when no reasonable arguments, "and hopes you will convey the same, together with his best wishes, to them for success, health, and happiness in their noble career." They have also received the congratulations of the Prime Minister.

We will take for example a case recently pointed out to me, and what is true in this particular instance, is to a greater or less degree, the position with a large number of the retail grocers of this city just now. This gentleman said he started business ten years ago with very little capital of course, and after all his time he had at the present moment reached a stand still, through no fault of his whatever.

**Awkward Position.**  
He had done fairly well putting up with the usual number of little sticks and stabs, and the premises which he had at first rented was now practically his own, but like every other body in the business he had necessarily to carry a certain amount of stock and a certain amount of book debts, but the privilege hitherto enjoyed by him that of owing a trifle to the wholesalers to offset that due to him by his customers had now been withdrawn, and this was the awkward part of the present situation.

It is not my intention to criticize in a carping spirit the action of the wholesaler dealers, but I think those who have always paid their bills should get at least more than a week's credit, more particularly when only two short months ago they could get

any terms they liked, provided always they had something behind them in the shape of security.

**The Insistent Problem.**  
The difficulty I am desirous of pointing out is simply this: The grocer in similar circumstances to the one quoted above is faced with this position. He sells his stock to a number of customers and receives payment in the manner in which the purchaser gets remunerated for his labor, by the week, fortnight or month; and as was the case in many instances within the last few weeks, people who were getting paid by the month, honest people mind you, came when pay-day arrived to settle their accounts but the first question put to the grocer was, I hear they are giving out no credit now and I have come to pay my account, but if you are not prepared to go on as heretofore, I cannot pay you. I must protect myself and use this money to procure my groceries for the coming month, as I will not be paid again until this date in October.

Now how can the grocer give out a month's credit when he can only get a week to pay his own bills, and his little savings locked up in a premises on which he could not raise five cents under existing circumstances?

It is utter nonsense for the wholesaler to say that a man half a lifetime at the business is going to select the worst pays amongst his patrons to give credit to, and it is just as absurd to imagine that people can live without eating, for even if the dry goods people and those dealing in all other commodities feel the times hard, nobody is going to starve himself unless he is forced to do so, even though he stints himself in many other lines when occasions such as the present require it.

It is also ridiculous to ask the grocers pay up everything they owe, and they will get more, when if they put the same proposition up to their customers they are met with the response that they are not in a position to do so, and the argument that the grocers will not be able to get in any of their accounts, is also only silly twaddle.

**Mostly Pay Weekly.**  
Any grocer doing a business from \$12,000 to \$20,000 annually (those doing less would not come under this heading) has at least two hundred customers and the largest proportion of them pay their bills weekly, if they fail to pay after one week they are lopped off, and who can honestly say

## SOROSIS SHOES

*The Judgment of America*  
says that

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**Top-Notch of Stylish Footery**

and the Women of St. John's can endorse that statement.



**Our New Fall Stock Includes the Popular Cloth Top Shoe, in the following styles:—**

- Black Top, Buttoned, Patent Lea. Vamp.
- Black and White Top, Buttoned, Patent Lea. Vamp.
- Grey Top, Buttoned, Vici Kid Vamp.
- Fawn Top, Buttoned, Tan Vici Vamp.

## AYRE & Sons

LIMITED

**Sorosis Agents for Newfoundland.**

PERSONAL

Miss Eva Mundy, sister of Mrs. (Dr.) Mosdell, arrived from Toronto by yesterday's express to spend a three weeks' vacation in the city.

**Good Samples Of Local Produce**

Steer Brothers now have on sale some excellent produce raised on their own farm. All of this is of excellent quality, but their cabbage deserves more than passing mention.

The majority of the heads seen by the Mail representative weighed fifteen pounds and upwards and were fine sound specimens superior to anything imported.

Steer Brothers deserve great credit for their enterprise which, as well as the fact that the purchaser can have an easy mind as to the conditions under which this produce was raised, should lead our people to encourage this local industry in practical fashion.

**Inquiry Held**

An enquiry into the drowning of Captain Connors was held this morning. Mate Doyle, J. Connors and J. Walsh, who was at the wheel, gave evidence.

that the loss of one week's grocery bill for an ordinary workingman's family amounting to about \$5 would embarrass a business of the proportion above mentioned.

The question simply resolves itself into this; that if the retail grocer has not the stock to continue giving the credit to his customers as he always did and he is obliged to go elsewhere, the honest dealer who has always paid his way, will be forced to the wall, and the wholesaler will not profit a great deal by it, if he does not lose more than he gains.

I see no reason why the conditions prevailing before the declaration of war should not continue in the city, and if there is scarcity of labor trade will no doubt be affected to some extent, but who will say the grocer is going to give away all his substance on "tick," when he has everything to lose and nothing but ruination to gain by so doing.

—OBSERVER.

SHIPPING

The Portia sails this afternoon.

The Prospero left Little Bay at 4.30 p.m. yesterday.

The sch. Nellie M. is loading codfish at Grand Bank for Brazil.

The s.s. Orithia, arrived at Botwood yesterday from Glasgow with 900 tons coal.

The Danish sch. Ofelia is loading fish at Tibbo & Sons, Grand Bank for Oporto.

The David Morris, for Harvey & Co., and Laura, for Marystown Trading Co., are loading at Marystown for Europe.

The Clementine, 27 days from Barbadoe, via Cape Broyles and the Dunure, 34 days also via the Southern Shore, arrived yesterday with cargoes of molasses.

**Stephano Sails**

The s.s. Stephano leaves at 3 p.m. tomorrow taking Mrs. Tobin, B. Tobin, Mr. Scott, Rev. A. G. Richards and wife, D. McLeod, Miss Johnson, Miss Lundrigan, Miss Lambert, Mrs. P. Allen, Miss F. English, Miss Angel and six steerage.

**Meet This Evening**

The weekly meeting of the Civic Commission takes place this evening.

**Preached At Sydney**

The Rev. Dr. Cowperthwaite of St. John's, Nfld., preached yesterday at Jubilee Methodist Church, says The Sydney Post.

During the course of his sermon he made an eloquent plea on behalf of the Belgians and referred incidentally to the handsome contributions made by Sydney to the Newfoundland sealers disaster fund last spring.

**GERMAN AFRICA BEING INVADED**

London, Oct. 1.—The Invasion of German Southwest Africa proceeds successfully.