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## The Loss of the Florence.

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tragedy he heard to Trepassey to be despatched to St. John's, in the meantime sending three fishermen back to the hut for the two sailors who were unable to walk and who were on the verge of death. After being given plenty of food to eat the half-dying sailors were driven to Trepassey. The next morning second mate Hedley and the two shipmates with him left to walk to Trepassey. On arrival there they met a fisherman, told him their story and they were escorted to the telegraph station. The operator here advised them to go and see the magistrate, sending two fishermen to accompany them. They reached the magistrate's house all right. After conversing with the stranded men a short time the magistrate instructed them to go to the boarding house of Mrs. Devereaux with whom he had made arrangements for their lodgings. On Sunday evening, Dec. 22nd, Mate Hedley walked to Trepassey station and wired full particulars of the wreck to St. John's. Two days later, which brought it Christmas Eve, the two invalided seamen, Smeding and Taylor, were conveyed to the house where their shipmates were staying, and where they were attended to by a doctor. On Christmas Day all five sat down together to a hearty meal. The same day Dec. 25th, Mr. T. Kennedy and given clothing, had just been to the scene of the wreck, arrived at Devereaux's house and gave each seaman a dry shift of clothing. Every day until the men left Trepassey they were visited by Mr. Kennedy and given clothing. The five survivors say they will never forget the hospitality and good-heartedness of the people at St. Shott's and Trepassey. On Monday night last the seamen joined the Portia which had such a rough time at Placentia.

### NOTES ON THE WRECK.

On Sunday last, the survivors visited the scene of the wreck for the last time, and near the seashore picked up the heart of a man floating in the water. Later the shoulder and elbow of a body and back of a skull were taken out of the water. The gruesome finds were all wrapped up carefully and buried. There was one passenger on board the Florence. He was a distressed seaman who took passage at Halifax. In almost every marine tragedy we hear of heroism displayed by British seamen. On this occasion Mate John Hedley, who is responsible for the

## Fishermen's Union.

Trinity District Council Holds Meeting at Clarenville.

Special to The Evening Telegram. CLARENVILLE, Tuesday. A number of Union candidates bound for Scilly Cove arrived her last Friday. The s.s. Ethie being delayed, it was decided to hold the District meeting at Clarenville, as to proceed to Scilly Cove would mean the loss of another week. The President arrived on Sunday night and was met by the District Council. At 11 a.m. yesterday the Convention was opened by the Chairman, John Loder. Three sessions were held and the Convention closed at midnight last night. The President left for St. John's at 4 a.m. today. John S. Stone of Catalina was elected District Chairman. Archibald Targett, of Hant's Harbor, Deputy Chairman; John Guppy, Port Rexton, Secretary; George Fowlow, Trinity East, Treasurer. Business of much importance was considered and the President was empowered to arrange political matters for Trinity District next fall in the event of such being necessary. The Ethie will not leave until to-morrow. She takes a full load of freight. The President hopes to visit Scilly Cove in a few days to hold a big Union meeting.

saving of all the survivors, honors go. He is but 18 years old and possesses everything necessary to make a perfect seaman.

A curious coincidence is that among the clothing and cargo that washed ashore at St. Shott's, Mate Hedley picked up a shirt which had belonged to himself.

### NAMES OF THOSE LOST.

The names of those lost are: Captain Barr, Chief Officer Forth, Boston Carroll, sailor Kennedy, sailor Jones, apprentice Stephen Armstrong, mess-room steward Mercer, cook Rooney; Engineers, Chief McBain, Greff, Hewitt, Donkeyman Hewitt. There were a fireman and a chief steward whose names are unknown.

### DIARY KEPT BY A SURVIVOR.

Ship ran ashore at ten past three a.m., Friday, Dec. 19th in fog and sleet. Abandoned ship at four a.m. After getting lifeboats ready; proceeded on the rocks till daylight. Left the rock and came aboard ship again at about eight o'clock a.m. I spoke to captain and mate about taking to the boats, but got no decided answer to leave the ship till about nine o'clock. I leave the ship till about nine o'clock. The second mate. Arrived on shore after having boat overturned on me and shipmate. Released from the boat and found a fisherman's hut, where we found our benefit flour, molasses and tea and also a stove where we dried our clothes. The two sailors and second mate proceeded to the wreck to see if they could render any assistance but found they could not get a rope over the cliff on account of the wind, which was very strong and increasing at the time. Three thirty p.m. returned back to the hut at about four twenty. After having a night's rest, the whole five of us went to the wreck on the morning Dec. the twenty-first but could see nothing of the ship or any particle of her or the crew. Me and shipmate came back to the hut as we were too weak to walk any longer. After being buried under the boat the two other men with the second mate went in search of some people whom they met and told the history of the wreck and also gave information of me and shipmate. Three fishermen came to the hut and asked us if we could accompany them to St. Shott's, but we could not move till next morning when we left Golliver Cove on Sunday morning for the above named place. We stayed there till Tuesday, the twenty-third, when the doctor came up and rowed us down to Trepassey where we arrived on the same night. After meeting Mr. Kennedy who was on the way to the scene of the wreck in the hopes of discovering some of the bodies. I think he was greatly delighted to see us so well after our mishap.

with the boat. He came to see after our welfare every day. The doctor took us to the stores and bought me a change of clothes as mine was burnt to pieces in trying to dry them when I came ashore. I daresay, in my opinion, if it should count, after twenty-six years of travel in salt and steam that if there had been any possible way in getting up the cliff, we would have been able to save our shipmates from such a death. There was ample time to save them. If there had been a Jacob's Ladder or ropes hanging down these rugged cliffs, or any kind of sign board to direct any unfortunate sailor who may ever be cast ashore in such a barren place as the South coast, or if there was a watch tower with a telephone to the nearest village for the fishermen to bring ropes with them. To my knowledge the men were aboard the ship twelve good hours before the ship was washed from under them before they went to their doom. I hope some gentleman of influence will take note of these few lines and have some means of saving life if ever such misfortune befalls any other ship and for the sake of humanity.

From one of the survivors of the s.s. Florence.—EDWIN TAYLOR.

### Another Storm.

After the heavy rain of Tuesday morning the rain veered to the N.W. and blew a hurricane all that afternoon and night, not modifying until yesterday morning. The same weather prevailed all over the country and again the lines of the different telegraph companies were interrupted. It snowed for a while on the Topsalls yesterday and in the city last night.

**PELL IN WATER.**—The danger of skating on the suburban ponds was well illustrated yesterday afternoon when a boy named Belmont of Cabot Street fell through the ice on Mundy Pond. He was rescued by comrades and was chilled before reaching home.

**STABLE UNROOFED.**—In the storm of Saturday afternoon Mr. John Fitzgerald's stable on Brennan Street was unroofed. Mr. Fitzgerald, who later went up to survey the damage, was blown off the roof but escaped without injury.

### Entertainment at Bay Bulls.

Yesterday at 4 p.m. Bay Bulls schoolhouse was the scene of a very enjoyable entertainment, consisting of songs, choruses, dialogues, etc., and a charming Christmas play. Very Rev. Dean Roche and Fr. McCarthy were present, also a large crowd of people from Bay Bulls and neighboring districts. The entertainment was interesting, instructive and amusing. It lasted about two hours. At the conclusion the Dean thanked the children and teachers, complimented the teachers on the success of the entertainment, and thanked the people who were present in such large numbers. —Con. December 20th, 1912.

Berne, Switzerland, Dec. 23.—Hundreds of workmen engaged in construction work on the Mondor tunnel through the Jura mountains between Italy and France had a narrow escape from death to-day when the pickaxe of one of the workmen opened a powerful subterranean stream.

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