



W. P. A.

CHRISTMAS GIFT FUND FOR SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

Correction. — In Tuesday's list, Nov. 9th, the name of George B. Hatfield should read Miss Margaret Hatfield.

Already acknowledged	\$2,941.94
Mrs. Joseph Sellers	10 00
A. S. Pearce, Petrie's Hotel	5 00
Bishop's Falls	5 00
Mrs. Jas. Angel	5 00
Mrs. D. G. Jerrett, Brigus	5 00
Miss Mabel LeMessurier	5 00
Mr. and Mrs. J. Tapp, Harbour Grace	4 00
Misses Gladys, Ruby and Marie Roberts	4 00
Misses Viola, Emeline and Marjorie Joliffe	2 00
Misses Alice, Florence and Jennie Miller, Topsail	3 00
Wm. Green	3 00
Mrs. F. E. Penney, Carbonear	2 00
Mrs. J. B. Poole	2 00
Mr. and Mrs. Jas. H. Martin	2 00
George and Philip Knowling	2 00
Mrs. J. W. Morris	2 00
Mrs. J. B. Martin, Bell Island	2 00
Austin Maddock, Carbonear	2 00
Mrs. A. G. Hudson, Lower Island Cove	2 00
Mrs. C. Prowse	2 00
Mrs. John R. Harvey	2 00
Gerald Chater	2 00
Mrs. S. S. Stentford, Heart's Content	2 00
Mrs. John Learning	2 00
Miss M. Duff, Bishop's Falls	1 50
Mrs. Fred Thomas	1 00
Mrs. H. Fitzgerald	1 00
A. M. G. Bailey, Harbour Grace	1 00
A Friend	1 00
Mrs. W. Wilkinson	1 00
Harold Payne Taylor	1 00
Mrs. J. M. Cleary	1 00
Miss N. Anthony, Bell Island	1 00
Hazel F. Martin, Bell Island	1 00
Mildred J. Martin, Bell Island	1 00
Mrs. M. J. Snelgrove, Lower Island Cove	1 00
Perry's Island Sunday School	1 00
Mrs. Richardson	1 00
E. E. Scott, Grand Falls	1 00
Miss Tucker	1 00
Misses Nora and Shirley Wood	1 00
Mrs. Maude Barrett	1 00
Ethel Rogers	1 00
Mrs. Edward Clow, Ferryland	1 00
Laura T. Rogers St. Leonard's, Placentia	50 00
F. F. Purneaux, J. P. Kelli-grews	1 00
Mrs. Jane Tilley	1 00
Marion and George Cook	1 00
Mrs. F. K. Morry	1 00
Mrs. M. Maddigan	1 00
Miss Gertrude A. Long	1 00
Master Harry Roberts	1 00
Mrs. John M. Wilcox	1 00
Mrs. N. Rabbitts	1 00
A. M. Rabbitts	1 00
M. B. G. Rabbitts	1 00
G. A. Rabbitts	1 00
Mrs. J. L. Butler, Kelligrews	1 00
Miss Ethel Tapp, Harbour Grace	1 00
Mr. Joseph Miller, Sr., Topsail	1 00
Mrs. Joseph Miller, Topsail	1 00
Mrs. Jas. Kelly, Freshwater, Placentia	1 00
Margaret Chisholm, Manuels	1 00
William Chisholm, Manuels	1 00
Mrs. M. Sheppard	1 00
Mrs. Elizabeth Carey	1 00
Mrs. John Bolen	1 00
Miss M. Squires	1 00
Miss M. Hillyard, Blackhead, Bay de Verde	1 00
Miss A. Hillyard, Blackhead, B. D. V.	1 00
Miss Edith LeGrow, Broad Cove, B. D. V.	1 00
Miss Given LeGrow, Broad Cove, B. D. V.	1 00
Don. Vatcher	1 00
Mrs. James White, New Perlican	1 00
Mrs. Willis Pittman, New Perlican	1 00
Mrs. Harriett Jones, Bishop's Falls	1 00
Grand Falls	146 55
Hon. George Knowling	100 00
F. B. B.	10 00
W. P. A. Trinity East Branch	10 00
Miss Bessie Roberts (Change Islands)	5 00
Miss Peterson	5 00
J. F. (Bonavista)	2 00
Frances Kennedy (Avondale)	2 00
Rev. J. T. and Mrs. Newman (Botwood)	2 00
Mrs. W. H. Duder	2 00
Mrs. C. H. Burridge	2 00
Mr. and Mrs. Rowell	2 00
Mr. G. W. LeMessurier	2 00
Miss E. A. White (Bishop's Falls)	2 00
Mrs. John Collins (S. E. Placentia)	1 00
Mrs. John Grace (Placentia)	1 00
Mrs. E. C. Snelgrove (Catalina)	1 00
Mrs. C. F. Snelgrove (Catalina)	1 00
Mrs. G. A. Cloutier (Catalina)	1 00
Miss Newman (Botwood)	1 00
Miss H. F. Moore (Lewisporte)	1 00

Mrs. Samuel Snelgrove	1 00
Mrs. George Butt	1 00
Miss Bertie Hallett	1 00
Miss Phoebe Hallett	1 00
Miss Marie West	1 00
Vita Maunder	1 00
Mrs. J. G. Green	1 00
Mrs. Ewing	1 00
Miss LeMessurier	1 00
Church Choir (Musgrave Town)	1 00
Mrs. George Yetman (Brookfield, B.B.)	1 00
Miss E. Skeans	1 00
Mrs. Edward Brophy	1 00
Mrs. Wm. Brophy	1 00
Miss Rose Brophy	1 00
Miss Violet Edgcombe	1 00
Miss Eliza Doming	1 00
Mrs. Heale	1 00
Miss Carrie Heale	1 00

MARY MACKAY.

W.M.S.

The St. John's district convention having concluded, a goodly number of delegates and visitors met yesterday afternoon for the purpose of finalizing matters preparatory to the organization of a Branch of the Society for the Newfoundland Conference. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. Storey. Mrs. Hemmon gave the address of welcome, which was replied to by Mrs. Maddock, of Carbonear.

Mrs. Maddock, organizer for Carbonear and Northern District and Mrs. Hunter, organizer for St. John's, presented very comprehensive reports of the work done in their districts. Notwithstanding the changed conditions, owing to the war, very encouraging results were reported. Much interest was centered in the first meeting of the Branch, and so the session on Thursday evening was well attended. Mrs. Smallwood had the honour of presiding.

The duties of the Secretary of Circles and Bands were outlined in a most interesting manner by Miss Gertrude Parsons. The work of the Society for the past twenty-five years was ably reviewed by Mrs. Fenwick. Much has been gained by the affiliation with Nova Scotia, and the experience thus gained will now be of inestimable value to those upon whom the responsibility of conducting the Branch business will devolve. The Constitution was read and explained, after which the election of officers took place, which resulted as follows: Honorary President—Mrs. (Dr.) Curtis.

President—Mrs. E. G. Hunter. 1st Vice-Pres.—Mrs. (Rev.) Matthews. 2nd Vice-Pres.—Mrs. (Dr.) Fenwick. 3rd Vice-Pres.—Mrs. (Rev.) Harris. Recording Secy.—Mrs. John Maddock. Corres. Secy.—Mrs. Eugene Lindsay. Treasurer—Mrs. Joseph Peters. Secy. Circles & Bands—Miss Gertrude Parsons.

Assistant Secy. Circles and Bands—Miss Kate Gooby. Supt. Christian Stewardship—Mrs. A. E. Parkins. Auditor—Mr. Will G. Currie. District Organizers—St. John's, Mrs. (Rev.) Paine; Carbonear, Mrs. J. Maddock; Bonavista and Twillingate, Mrs. D. P. Osmond; Assistant, Mrs. A. Dabour; Western, Mrs. (Rev.) Pincock; Secretary of Literature, Mrs. Will G. Currie.

The evening programme was as follows:—

Leader, the new President. Prayer and Praise Service.

President's Address. Solo Miss Elsie Herder.

Report, Mrs. John Maddock. Reading, Miss Bradbury.

Messages of cheer and goodwill from the city Pastors and Dr. Fenwick.

A message of congratulation from Mrs. Ross (President of the Board of Managers).

Mrs. Hunter, the first President of the new Branch of the W.M.S. came in for a goodly and well-merited share of congratulations, and thanks were extended to all who had aided in making the programme so successful.

Newfoundland has given three missionaries to the W.M.S., Mrs. Annie Pinsent, Miss Gertrude Martin and Miss Ethel Hickman, of Grand Bank.

The new Branch has chosen for its watchword, "Speak unto the Children of Israel that they go forward."

Not by might, not by power but by My Spirit, saith the Lord.

A Communion service was held during the afternoon and at the close a social hour was spent.

BRAGGING.

By GEORGE FITCH. Author of "At Good Old Swash." Bragging is the art of putting your best foot into the other fellow's ear at every opportunity. The world is full of braggards. They are our most ambitious class. A bragger never loafs on his job. While other men are resting at night, he will leave home and tramp two miles to find some other man who will stand quietly while the bragger tells him, with one finger hooked into his coat button, how a great many people had said to him that it was an awful thing to elect Wilson president, while really big men, like yours truly, with the prehensible finger, are allowed to languish unperished by fame.

The bragger can be readily distinguished by his long, crooked forefinger. It is his weapon. He hunts the unwary citizen and hooks onto him as Paul Jones hooked onto the British ships. When this is done, he begins to brag, and the only ways of escape are to cut off the finger or give up the coat.

Braggers brag about everything in the world, just as kickers are never at a loss for a subject. If a bragger is rich he brags about it. If he isn't, he brags about how soon he is going to be or how he once was, or because he doesn't join in the silly race for the dollar. Some braggards insist on hanging their own laurel wreaths on themselves, while others are more refined about it and merely repeat to you what some friend has said about them. Some men are so expert that

they can brag half a day about their modesty, and get away with it in safety.

Braggers have done wonderful deeds ever since Baron Munchausen the dean of the profession, raised it to an art. Nations have been saved offhand in grocery stores, and bygone wars have been made ten times more horrible by the deeds of gallant braggards who have thoughtfully preserved themselves in time of strife behind a gum tree in order to anni-

hilate the foe later on in a more healthy atmosphere.

The bragger is a happy man because he can always find someone to believe him. He lives in an atmosphere of glory and admiration, and as he supplies most of it himself, he never runs short. We need never worry about trying to praise a bragger, because whatever we say is a pale nothing to what he thinks. Braggards make themselves very useful to quiet busy men by talking

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COAL CARGO.—The s.s. Coban arrived at Placentia at 9 a.m. to-day with a cargo of coal to the Reid Nfld. Co.

FOGOTA RETURNING.—The s.s. Fogota left Cat Harbor at 10.30 a.m. to-day, coming south.

THE GIANT JUNIOR SAFETY RAZOR, 50 cents with 2 blades; a great favorite. For cheapness, simplicity, and despatch, beats all others. Sold at the National Stores, The Central Pharmacy, J. M. Devine's and Geo. Langhead's. Outport orders add 5 cents for mailing. CHESLEY WOODS, 232 Duckworth Street, Sole Distributor.—Nov 20/15

PETREL ON MAIL SERVICE.—The s.s. Petrel, Capt. N. Kennedy, left here early this morning for Lewisporte to assist the s.s. Clyde on the Notre Dame Bay service.

1st Nfld. REGIMENT.

Casualty List.

OFFICIAL, Nov. 20.

178—PRIVATE THOMAS JOSEPH KELLY, Placentia. Recently arrived in England. Enteric.

703—PRIVATE PATRICK SWEENEY, 39 Gower Street. Recently arrived in England. Dysentery.

914—PRIVATE BERNARD GORDON FREY WILLIAM GARDNER, 5 Oxford Street, Margate, Kent. Recently arrived in England. Dysentery.

Additional Information.

CORPORAL RICHARD JNO. HICK, 13 Murray Street, previously reported suffering from debility, has recently arrived in England, with valvular heart disease.

PRIVATE THOMAS JOS. SMYTH, 11 Bond Street, previously reported with severe dysentery at Alexandria, has recently arrived in England.

CORPORAL ALFRED MARKS, of Halbeath Lodge, Lochmether, Scotland, previously reported wounded, has recently arrived in England.

PRIVATE WILLIAM THISTLE, Charlton Street, previously reported with enteric, severe, at Alexandria, has recently arrived in England.

COMPANY QUARTERMASTER SERGEANT C. C. OKE was reported at Alexandria on Oct. 25th, dangerously ill. Yesterday his father received a message saying that he was sick of dysentery but progressing slowly in No. 21 General Hospital, Alexandria.

SERGEANT EDMUND J. HIGGINS—Word was received yesterday by Mrs. Higgins, Military Road, that her son was in hospital at Malta. The message did not state whether he had been wounded or was ill, and it may reasonably be presumed that his case is not any way serious, or he would have been referred to in the casualty lists.

Steamer to Call at Groais Islands Urgently Needed

Clement's schooner, Gardner, master, is now overdue here from the Groais Islands with the products of the season's voyage of fish on board, including a deck load of oil, and grave anxiety is felt for her safety and the lives of those on board. All told, passengers and crew, the schooner has 19 souls. The schooner left Groais Islands last Monday week and was last seen off Catalina on Monday last just at the beginning of the storm, but has not been heard of since. It is feared that she was caught in the storm and was driven to sea. Mr. W. M. Clapp, M.P., member for St. Barbe District, and who is ever anxious in the welfare of his constituents, interested himself this morning and interviewed the Deputy Colonial Secretary and in turn the Minister of Marine and Fisheries. The Minister immediately communicated with Mr. Crosbie, of the Nfld. Produce Company, and arranged to have a steamer leave here this afternoon to go in search of the supposed missing craft. Frequently Mr. Clapp has represented to the Government and to Downing Bros., Ltd., the desirability of the coastal steamer Prospeo calling at Groais Islands once every spring and fall, or two trips a season, thereby removing the risks and dangers encountered by fishing folk going to and from Groais Islands in craft.

Charged With Larceny

Within the past fortnight the police authorities received complaints that articles of clothing were being missing from city residences. Detectives Byrne and Tobin were detailed to hunt up evidence. Last night these two officers arrested a 25-year-old outboard man as a suspect and who is charged with the following larcenies: (1) 1 overcoat and 1 pair of kid gloves, valued at \$21, the property of T. V. Gibb; (2) 1 suit of clothes, 3 shirts, 1 neck tie and 1 undershirt, valued at \$35, the property of J. O. Hawvermale; (3) 1 overcoat and 1 shirt, valued at \$23, the property of Thomas Bailey; and (4) a leather grip, containing samples and paper, valued at \$25, and belonging to Thomas Isaacs. The suspect has been remanded for eight days. Other arrests are expected to follow shortly.

Here and There.

WILL CONNECT WITH GLENCOE.—Passengers leaving here on Monday morning's regular train will connect with the Glencoe at Placentia.

AT HUMBERMOUTH.—The s.s. Lochburg arrived at Humbermouth from North Sydney this morning with a cargo of coal to the Reid Nfld. Co.

GEORGE STREET A.B.C.—The regular weekly session of George St. Adult Bible Class takes place at 2.30 to-morrow afternoon. A large attendance is particularly requested.

DIPHTHERIA EPIDEMIC.—Three more new cases of diphtheria were reported to the Health Office yesterday evening from Barnes' Road, Pennywell Road and Port Townsend.

NOTED ENGINE BUILDER DEAD.—In the November issue of the "Engineering and Naval Architect," a lengthy death notice appears of Mr. Hugo MacColl. It may be of special interest at this juncture to state that he was the builder of the engines of the s.s. Adventure, the first of our steel sailing fleet and which has just been paid to the Russian Government. He was the founder of the Wreath Quay Engine Works at Sunderland.