

**Ships Slaughtering The Whitecoats**

Good news was received by Messrs. Bowring Bros. last night as the following wireless will show. Capt. Winsor of the Terra Nova said: "Position 46 miles N.E. half E. of the Banks. Six thousand killed and gannet. Bloodhound in company. All well." A private message received last night from the Gulf says: "Diana struck a small patch on Tuesday, and killed five thousand." No further news was received last night but the general opinion is that a most successful seal fishery will be recorded for this year.

**NATOMA FOR ST. PIERRE**

The tug Ingraham left here yesterday at 5 p.m. in charge of Capt. Duke Rose for Rose Blanche to float the stranded "Natoma." Diver Squires went along with all necessary gear, will go under the vessel and caulk the holes in her, after which the tug's powerful pumps will be used to get the water out of her. When raised she will be towed to St. Pierre where she will be docked for thorough repairs.

**VOLUNTEERS MAKE RECORD ROUTE MARCH.**

Yesterday afternoon the volunteers, march and established what is considered a record for the distance. They proceeded along Cornwall Ave., down Molloy's Lane, out Waterford Bridge Road and along Patrick St. and LaMarchant Rd. to the armoury, covering the distance in 98 minutes, despite the poor condition of the roads and the fact that delay was caused near Bowring Park owing to the drum being broken.

**FOR INFORMATION OF FISH SHIPPERS.**

Yesterday Mr. Lemessurier, Deputy Minister of Customs, forwarded the following letter, which speaks for itself, to the Board of Trade: "You will be good enough to inform exporters that the export of fish to Greece will not be permitted, except under a license, expressly approved by telegram from His Majesty's Government, and such license must be obtained in advance from the Customs after any commercial transaction is completed, with the Greek market."

**IRISH NIGHT**

The concert and dramatic entertainment under the auspices of the Ladies' St. Bonaventure's Association in the College Hall on St. Patrick's night promises to be a great success. His Excellency the Governor and Lady Davidson and suite will be present. The promoters are doing everything to make the entertainment an attractive one. The "Souvenir Programme" is a work of art, and all interested in our Regiment should get one. The tickets are going rapidly but there are a few good seats left yet. Half of the proceeds are for the W.P.A.

**MR. FRELICH BACK.**

Mr. S. Frellich, the popular and efficient manager of the British Clothing Co. of this city returned here by the S.S. Stephano last evening. Mr. Frellich visited New York and other large American centres in connection with the business which he so ably supervises and his sojourn was not alone profitable, but enjoyable, as he met many friends, while abroad.

**ST. JOHN'S GROCERY STORE BURGLARIZED.**

The midnight prowler, out for theft, is still on his rounds, and last night paid his unwelcome devotions to certain places on the Higher Levels. Getting into the rearward of J. J. St. John's grocery store, Lemarchant Road, by way of Carter's Hill, he quietly got out a pane of glass in the window and entered and ransacked the place. He burst open the till and stole over \$5 in cash, besides getting away with goods of considerable value. The police, no doubt, will soon land this "operator."

**WOMAN BREAKS HER SHOULDER.**

As Mrs. Knight was passing down Dick's Square last night, she slipped on the ice, fell heavily, and broke her shoulder. She was conveyed home and attended by a doctor.

**R. N. R. MEN RETURN**

Naval Reservist Mr. Lacey of St. John's who had been serving on the auxiliary cruiser Carrarovan the past 12 months returned here by the Stephano. Some 35 other R. N. R. men who had put in their year's service arrived back from the Old Country by train last week.

**\$90.00 Stolen from Store**

The party who was operating when the recent epidemic of midnight robberies were perpetrated, certainly must have been pretty busy, for he visited a large number of shops and stores and his industry was worthy of a better cause. Among the many places "touched" was F. B. Wood's West End restaurant, Water Street, where he got away with approximately \$90.00 in cash extracted from the safe. This receptacle though containing a combination lock was not closed properly and the thief got away with the cash easily.

**MAIL MATTER HELD UP.**

Men here from the Bellaventure say that when she was at Alexandrovsk, some 7,000 pkgs. of mail matter was held there, to be forwarded to Petrograd and thence to all parts of the world. The war has greatly interfered with Russia's postal service, but relatives of those on the steamers which went out to Russia can reply, their letters being forwarded, though the process may be slow.

**PASSIONIST PRIESTS ARRIVE.**

By the S.S. Stephano there arrived last evening the four Fathers of the Passionist Order who will preach missions at the Cathedral, St. Patrick's and other sections of the Archdiocese during the Lenten season. The Fathers come from West Hoboken, New Jersey and are Rev. Fathers Robert (the leader of the mission), Hubert, Vincent and Columban. Just before leaving New York, Father Robert had a consultation with His Grace Archbishop Roche, whose health has greatly improved of late. The Fathers will begin the mission at the Cathedral on Sunday next, and Father Robert will deliver the panegyric on St. Patrick at High Mass in St. Patrick's Church to-morrow. Father Robert, who is Irish by birth is a brilliant preacher.

**LOCAL ITEMS**

The Florizel passed Cape Race at 7:55 this a.m. and is due here at 3 p.m.

A case of diphtheria developed yesterday in a Cathedral Hill residence. The patient, a boy of 7 years, was sent to hospital.

To-morrow being the Feast of Ireland's Patron Saint, The Mail and Advocate will not be published.

Mr. A. B. Morine left Toronto this a.m. for here. He will probably reach the city by Monday's express.

The annual parade of the Star of the Sea Society will be held at Holy-Road to-morrow, with a concert and dance at night.

The people of the Southern Shore are now busy getting ready boats, etc. for the fishery. The good price for cod is an incentive to early preparation.

Mr. M. Maddigan, who for many years was second hand at the seal fishery with Capt. Arthur Jackman, has been appointed to fill the position in the Day Boat of Customs, held formerly by the late M. Ready.

Mr. Geo. Nicholle, Manager of Nicholle, Inkpen, Chafe, Ltd., leaves by the Stephano on Saturday for a business trip to Canada and the United States.

Mr. Hy. F. Shortis, the well known literary man and historian, was asked by the Star of the Sea Society to lecture at Placentia but was reluctantly compelled to decline being unwell. He will do so, however, at a future date. Mr. R. J. Devereaux M.H.A., will lecture before the Society.

Mr. Cyril J. Fox, Secretary, informs us that the Glee Club concert, held Shrove Tuesday night, netted the goodly sum of \$126.40, the amount including a cheque for \$10.00 from H. E. the Governor. The amount will form the nucleus of a fund which will be later distributed amongst the three city orphanages.

**WOMAN SEVERELY BURNED**

Mr. Eli Whiteway had a message today saying that a woman resident of Britannia Cove, T.B., had been severely burned by accident. He was asked if she could get a cot in the Hospital here and answered in the affirmative.

**Steamer Torpedoed; Passengers Safe**

LONDON, Mar. 16.—A despatch from the Erik of Holland says that a wireless message has been received there stating that the Jigedutch reports the passenger steamer Tubania, putward bound from Amsterdam, to the River Plate, has been torpedoed and is in a sinking condition near the Northdr Light Ship. All the passengers have been taken off in boats.

**NORWEGIANS HUNT SEALS IN GULF.**

We clip the following from the Sydney Record of March 10th: "The Norwegian sealing steamer Njord, Capt. Olsen, has been at Louisburg for some time, preparing for a sealing voyage to the Newfoundland icefields, and will leave to-day in quest of the coveted pelts. Shipping master W. J. Ross signed on sixty-five men for the voyage, and went with them to Louisburg on Tuesday. The majority of them belong to Newfoundland. Ned Doris, of this town, goes as second engineer. This promises to be a good trip for the men. Each man will receive ten dollars per month, and ten dollars additional for each one thousand skins taken by the ship."

**SCHOONER ASHORE TOTAL WRECK**

Mr. H. W. LeMessurier had a wire to-day saying that the schooner Orlando, Wilson Rose, master, from St. John's to Grand Bank to St. John's with 654 qts dry fish was driven ashore by ice on the West Side of Trepassy Harbor this morning, is full of water and will be a total wreck.

**A THOUGHTFUL ACT.**

Yesterday, before the Volunteers were dismissed, a large quantity of candy sent forward by the St. Andrew's Lady's Guild, was given the men by Corporal Ellis. The men were highly delighted and cheered the fair donors.

**A Royal Commission For Saskatchewan**

REGINA, Sask., Mar. 9.—A Royal Commission, composed of two Supreme Court Judges of Saskatchewan, will be appointed by the Government immediately to investigate the charges that a number of Liberal members of the Assembly were bribed in December, 1913, to oppose the Government Bill to abolish the bar, and that a conspiracy was entered into between certain persons in 1913 to bribe members of the Assembly in connection with the Government's liquor policy, introduced into the Assembly in the session of 1915, and that attempts were made to bribe certain members. This commission has been decided upon as the result of the report today by Chairman Sutherland of a select committee, which investigated I. E. Bradshaw's charges of bribery.

**Don't Give Offense to Friendly Nations Says Sir Ed. Grey**

LONDON, Mar. 9.—Sir Edward Grey, secretary for Foreign Affairs, expressed the opinion in the House of Commons today that it was very desirable at the present time that published articles, cartoons, moving pictures, etc., should not give offense to friendly nations, but he said they could not be prevented unless they contravened the law. This was Sir Edward Grey's answer to a question whether he was aware that the friendly relations between the United States and Great Britain had been injured by offensive articles and cartoons published in Great Britain, reflecting upon American diplomacy, and whether steps should be taken to counteract this influence.

**King Constantine Says Greeks Are Not Pro-German**

LONDON, Mar. 9.—In an interview with the Athens correspondent of the Chronicle, King Constantine said that his conference with General Sarrail had done much to revive confidence in the Entente Allies. "As far as I am aware," King Constantine is quoted as saying, "the Greeks as a body have never been pro-German, but putting it mildly, the series of pin-pricks administered by the Franco-British have made them anti-Ententists. I am now told that the pin pricks are to cease, but even though a radical change in the treatment toward Greece has been inaugurated, the irritation caused by the former system will take some time to disappear."

**A Fine Programme for the Mid-Week at THE NICKEL.**  
"VENGEANCE OF WO FANG,"  
a thrilling episode of that greatest of all series.  
"THE EXPLOITS OF ELAINE,"  
"NERVES OF STEEL,"—A powerful melodrama. "FOR BETTER—BUT WORSE"—A sure-fire Keystone comedy.  
"THE GREATER COURAGE."  
A beautiful three-part social drama by the Essanay players, featuring Edna Mayo and Bryant Washburn.  
FRIDAY—WHO PAYS? and THE WAR O' DREAMS—in three parts.  
Performances Throughout the LENTEN SEASON for the City RELIEF Fund.

**Commerce Raider Attacks Shipping**

Standard Oil Tanker Communipaw Receives Wireless to This Effect

NEW YORK, Mar. 9.—Wireless warnings that a German commerce raider, possibly accompanied by consorts, was attacking shipping in the Atlantic, were received by the Standard Oil tanker Communipaw, which arrived here to-day from Algiers. The first message was received on February 17th, and was partially in code. It read: "Abmb calling caww and reported being chased by a suspicious ship, which she believes to be a German raider. Position wch and wxw. Course west." The Communipaw was some miles south of the Azores when this message was received. At noon a second message, apparently from the same ship, arrived. It said: "Altered course to wpm and na." The third and most significant message was received about 8 o'clock that evening. Its text was: "German steamer is attacking shipping in the Atlantic and may be assisted by captured vessels which she armed. Description: 6,000 tons, speed fifteen knots, combination freight and passenger steamer. Carries two guns and is posing as neutral."

The Communipaw was the centre of sensational rumors last December when it was reported that she had been attacked and sunk by a submarine in the Mediterranean. After she had been attacked and sunk by a submarine in the Mediterranean, some days during which Washington tried in vain to ascertain her whereabouts she put into Algiers and her captain denied that any attack had been made.

**French Count In New York Says Germans in Trap**

NEW YORK, Mar. 9.—The French are far from discouraged at the recent advance of the Germans toward Verdun—they are delighted with it. Court George de la Rochette, an officer of the French Army, said yesterday at the Hotel Buckingham, where he is stopping on leave of absence. "The Germans are in a trap and realize it only too well. Both armies are most of the time well hidden and protected, it is the side which is exposed that suffers. The French can well afford to wait and their ammunition is plentiful. The pressure of discontent from the interior of the Empire forces the Germans out. That is what we expected and are waiting for—fully prepared. The Germans may finally take Verdun, but what of it. It will cost them about 380,000 men."

The Count was in Buenos Aires at the beginning of the war and immediately joined his regiment, first stationed near Alcala and later in the Champagne district. He said that in the recent French offensive in that district, a German division was to have left for Russia the day before but was unexpectedly delayed and called back in time to fight. Its absence would have made considerable difference in the German defense. The Count has unbounded confidence in the French to meet any emergency and in the loyalty of every soldier.

**DOMESTIC DILEMMA**

"William, dear," said young Mrs. Bill El Rod, "would you enlist if your country called you?" "I don't know what to say. If I answer 'No' you'll say I don't love my country, and if I answer 'Yes' you'll say I don't like to stay at home."

**29 Germans Killed By One Canadian**

With Bayonet and Pistol He Slaughtered Teutons in Trench

**NIGHT ATTACK MADE**

Hero of Incident Will be Decorated With the Victoria Cross  
NEW YORK, Mar. 9.—John Taylor, of Winnipeg, lieutenant in the Sixth Canadian Infantry, killed twenty-nine Germans with his revolver and bayonet, in a short hand-to-hand fight in a captured German trench, according to Capt. G. C. Drury, who left Taylor in London. Taylor is to be decorated with the Victoria Cross for bravery.

Arriving aboard the liner California, bound for his home in Montreal, the captain gave a vivid account of the fight: "The night of February 7," said Captain Drury, "two companies were told to cut the German entanglements at a point near Ypres. They worked in the darkness amid a driving rain for five hours, and the company finishing first opened fire to distract the Germans' attention from the others. The second company cut through the wires and piled pell-mell into the trench, slashing, shooting and stabbing as they fell."

"The Germans had no stomach for bayonet fighting; they tossed aside their arms and ran. Lieut. Taylor emptied his revolver, accounting for a man with every bullet. Then a huge German swung his rifle-butt at Taylor and the lieutenant threw a revolver at him, knocking him unconscious. After that Taylor waded in running his blade through one man after another. At last his bayonet stuck in one man's canvas belt and Taylor for the first time seemed to realize what he was doing. Then nausea overcame him and he dropped. Reserves came up and we held trench."

**Sir Sam Hughes On Prohibition**

HE RHYMED ABOUT IT—NOT MUCH TO SAY TO INTERVIEWERS.  
"There is a little public house and that every man can close. And that's the little public house—that's just beneath your nose."

Major-General Sir Sam Hughes repeated this little rhyme in the King Edward Hotel to-day when asked for his opinion on prohibition in Ontario. That was all he would say—except to recommend the advice to the personal application of the newspaperman to whom he was asked what Ontario was doing in the matter at the moment. Sir Sam said he'd not know anything that was not in the papers, and that he had not time to read the papers.

As he left the dining room, after breakfast with General Logie, Colonel Newburn, Colonel Bickford, his brother, Dr. J. L. Hughes, and members of his staff, Sir Sam faced a small army of newspaper men. He remarked that if the Germans were no more formidable than his interviewers, there would be no cause for anxiety, and said that he had nothing to announce. He then turned to attend to the groups of civilians and officers waiting to speak to him.

**THE CRESCENT PICTURE PALACE.**  
WALLACE BEERY IN A LIVELY COMEDY TO-DAY.  
"The Confession of Madame Barastoff,"  
a Broadway Star Russian Military feature in 3 Reels with Gladden James and an all Broadway Star cast.  
"HER REALIZATION,"  
an Essanay Society Drama.  
"EDUCATION,"  
a great Comedy with Wallace Beery.  
GOOD MUSIC AND EFFECTS.  
A COMFORTABLE AND WELL VENTILATED THEATRE.  
ST. PATRICK'S DAY.  
"ARRAH NA POGUE,"  
a great Irish Drama in 3 Reels.

**NOTICE!**  
All Local Councils, in the District of Twillingate, will please send their district assessments of Five Cents per member, to Fred. House, jr., District Treasurer, Twillingate.  
W. B. JENNINGS, D.C.

**NOTICE OF REMOVAL AND PARTNERSHIP!**  
Hon. R. A. Squires, K.C., LL.B.'  
ANNOUNCES the removal of his LAW OFFICES to the New BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA Building at the corner of Beck's Cove and Water Street, and the formation of a PARTNERSHIP for general practice as Barristers, Solicitors and Notaries, with MR. J. A. WINTER, eldest son of the late Sir James S. Winter, K.C., under the firm name of Squires & Winter.  
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