

ACKNOWLEDGES HIS OBLIGATION TO THE C. L. B.

An 'Old Boy,' Writing From Western Canada Tells of Lasting Influence of its Training

LI.-Col. Rendell, of the C.L.B. has received the following interesting letter from Ernest F. Chafe, whose address is P.O. Box 803, Victoria, B.C. The writer was a member of the C.L.B. of this city, and he apparently appreciates the training he received. He says: "I know you will be surprised to hear from me but I have been one of the lucky ones and am therefore able to write you again. Thanks the C.L.B. "What I am writing you for in particular is to thank you, and the Brigade as a whole, for the training which enabled me to stand the hardships which I have gone through and come out of alive. If ever I appreciated what the Brigade has done for me it is now, and I thank you one and all that I am alive to-day. "I feel quite sure that any lad who sticks to the Brigade and what it teaches him will be able to undertake and hold his own in almost anything. I am very sorry that I am not able to reward the Brigade in any other way at present than thanking them, but I hope to be able some day to do something more than that. Makes Him Proud. "I am very glad to see so many Newfoundlanders willing and ready to defend the best old flag on earth. I feel quite proud that I can say we are doing "our little" for the good of the cause. "I am in St. Joseph's Hospital where I had an operation on my foot which was badly frozen last winter while on the ice and although I had it cut six times on the island it is still bad. I won't be able to walk for at least six weeks. I expect to go home for a trip when it is well, but not before the last of January. Won A Prize. "I was back here in time for the last shoot of the season. I won the long range prize and tied with two others for the short range. That was more than I expected, after having been away for so long—thanks to the Brigade again. "I want you to remember me to all the officers and lads of the C.L.B. and advise them from me to stick to it. Also, please, wish them a very happy Christmas for me. "I will close now. Wishing you, Mrs. Rendell and all the family a very happy Christmas and a bright and prosperous New Year."

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SWEDISH SHIP REACHES PORT SHORT OF COAL

The Swedish steamer Swydlund, 28 days from Sundsvall, Sweden, bound to Baltimore with a cargo of wood pulp, arrived in port Saturday short of coal.

She experienced terrific weather all the way across the Atlantic, and as coal ran short, the captain decided to come here for a supply.

The Furness Why Co., are agents and will supply her.

The Swydlund is 3031 tons gross, 1844 net, 330 feet long 48 feet wide and 22 deep. She was built at Greenock in 1905.

Attendance Good At the C.M.B. Class

There was a large attendance at the C.M.B.C. yesterday afternoon in spite of the disagreeable weather.

Rev. J. Brinton presided and delivered an interesting address. The annual meeting takes place on Sunday next.

PARADE RINK opens for season to-night; Ice in splendid condition; Music by Terra Nova Band.—Jan. 4, 11

Two Two-Reel Films At the Nickel To-day

Another elaborate programme has been arranged for the Nickel Theatre this evening, and it is sure to give every satisfaction.

There are two two-part films. One is "Race Memories" by the Pathe players. It is a most exciting and unusual drama—a tale of rivalry in love in two ages—ancient and modern. No picture like this has ever been seen in St. John's before and it will no doubt draw large audiences as everyone will be anxious to see it.

The other is a Keystone comic "In the Clutches of the Gang." Fatty Arbuckle, Ford Sterling and the Keystone "Cops" produce the fun in full measure.

There will be a Hearst-Selig news pictorial and a brilliant and thrilling melodrama—"Reconciled in Blood."

Miss Margaret Ayer will sing a new song. As the stores close at 6 this evening there will no doubt be a large attendance at night and patrons should go as early as possible.

Boy 17 Years Old Jailed For Theft

A lad 17 years of age, resident of Bell Island, was brought to town Thursday charged with stealing a suit of clothes, 3 pair boots, 3 pair underwear, 2 pair braces and \$3 in cash, a total value of \$32.30, the property of John C. Stewart, Bell Island, on Dec 20th.

The prisoner was before Judge Knight Saturday and was sentenced to four months in jail.

Died of Diphtheria

The little girl Florrie O'Neil, 6 years of age, who was reported suffering from diphtheria on Wednesday, died at her home Thursday.

The remains were interred Friday.

Hockey Annual

The annual meeting of the Hockey League took place last week at the office of the President, W. J. Higgins. The Crescents, Victorias, Feldians and St. Bon's were represented.

The reports were favorable and \$56 was voted to the Patriotic Association. Because of a number of its members volunteering, the Crescents resigned from the League, and their place will be taken by the Terra Novas. Practice will commence shortly.

Names Omitted

(Editor Mail and Advocate) Dear Sir.—The Committee of Management of the United Societies of Wesleyan Church regret very much the omission from the list of names of those published in Saturday's issue, of Mrs. (Rev.) Guy, Misses Oakley, Adey, Whiteway and Hamlin; also of Messrs. Chaplin, Hirst and Gaulton, who added in no small measure to the success of the evening. J. S. T. St. John's, Jan. 4.

Note of Thanks

David Coady and family wish through the columns of your much esteemed paper to sincerely thank all kind friends who assisted them in their great trouble, and also those who sent wreaths, telegrams and letters of sympathy. The Minnie sails for Babia to-day with 3200 drums fish from Alan Goodridge & Sons.

Conscription In Gt. Britain Is Hinted At

Thousands of Young Men of Military Age May be Forcibly Recruited.

London, Jan. 3.—A hint that the British Government contemplate the introduction of conscription for increasing the Army and Navy, was dropped by Thomas J. Macnamara, Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, while speaking at the Browning Settlement this afternoon.

Referring to the fact that there were many thousands of young men in the United Kingdom without dependants, who had not answered the call to the colors, he said: "If they think they are going to enjoy a life of freedom at the other fellows' expense, they won't enjoy it much longer."

B.L.S. Dance—Twelfth Night. Tickets may be had from members of L. & A. Committee and Miss L. Higgins, Gents', 80 cts.; Ladies', 60 cts. No double tickets.—Jan. 4, 11

WAS WORK OF A GERMAN SUBMARINE?

Berlin, Jan. 4.—It is reported here, though not officially confirmed, that a German submarine sank the British battleship Formidable with two torpedoes and was herself sunk three hours later by mines.

It is said that all on board the submarine were lost.

The identity of the submarine is not revealed in reports telling of her loss. They are being widely circulated but the Admiralty states that at present it has no information to give out.

The Storm

Yesterday's storm was the worst for the winter, and property in various parts of the town was damaged.

The street car service was interrupted but the employees shovelled it out during the evening.

Today only one track on Water Street is being used.

The Bay boats were all storm bound.

The country roads were so bad that many of the country people were unable to come to the city yesterday with milk.

WANTED—A Reliable Girl who understands Plain Cooking. Small family. Good wages. Apply to CAPTAIN ABRAHAM, Ordnance St., next door to the East End Fire Hall.—dec31, jan. 2, 4, 5, 11

FOR SALE—A 15 H. P. Steam Engine, almost new. Just the thing for a small factory or Lumber Mill. Will be sold at a bargain. For further particulars apply to G. MORGAN, Gazette Office, Board of Trade Building.—dec23, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15

FOR SALE—One Dwelling House, Store and Work Shop combined. Will sell at a bargain. For further particulars apply to W. J. DOVE, Chance Hr. East.—dec5, 11

FOR SALE—A Few Barrels of Splendid Partridge Berries (preserved in water tight packages) at \$4.00 per barrel. A splendid lot for retailers. FISHERMEN'S UNION TRADING CO.—dec31

FOR SALE—We have a quantity of Large Dry Codfish, suitable for eating, which we are retailing at a reasonable figure. Anyone wanting eating fish should see this before buying elsewhere. FISHERMEN'S UNION TRADING CO.—dec18

NOTICE.—Trinity Bay Councils of the F.P.U. will please notice that January 16th will be observed as Union Day in Trinity District, when every Council is expected according to the Constitution to parade. By order, J. G. STONE.—dec8

TO LET

The office lately occupied by Mr. John Syme, Commission Merchant, situate on Water Street West, next to premises occupied by J. J. Mullaly, Coal Merchant. Apply to BAINE JOHNSTON & CO., Agents.—nov14

PATIENT ESCAPES FROM THE ASYLUM

Maurice Farrell, an inmate of the Insane Asylum, escaped yesterday, and visited a house near Mundy Pond.

His whereabouts were reported to the police and Consts. Carrigan and Forsey took him back to the institution.

Carthaginian Due

There is no word of the Carthaginian to-day. She is due this evening. It is thought she will have only six or eight hours delay here. Mr. Rolfe, of Crosbie & Co's, Capt. Randall, of Baine Johnston's new steamer, and Mr and Mrs. W. S. Monroe are booked by her.

R.N. C. CHANGE TRAIN SERVICE

The R. N. Co. has made a change in its cross country daily service.

An express will leave every day excepting Friday's but sleepers and diners will go out only on Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Sleepers and diners will be only attached to the incoming expresses on Sundays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

From the West

'Jack' Furneaux, son of Mrs. Furneaux, Monkstown Road, who has been in Western Canada for the last three years, returned by the express Saturday and will remain the winter.

Rev. G. Godden Ill

Rev. G. Ross Godden, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, has been ill since before Christmas. His physicians have advised him to take a health trip to a Southern climate.

Sick Soldier Returning

J. Cuthbert Channing, son of the late J. Channing, druggist, one of the 1st Nfld. Regiment, who was invalided home from Salisbury Plains reached Halifax last week and is believed to be returning by the Stephano due to-morrow.

He is suffering from a sore knee.

Dance—B.L.S. Hall—Twelfth Night. Tickets: Gents', 80c.; Ladies', 60c.—11

Good Number

We thank you for the Mail and Advocate Xmas Number and so much interesting reading. We are glad to have it to send to our boys at Inverness, Scotland, as the Volunteers like to get the papers very much. Wishing you a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Presentation

J. C. Noseworthy, of H. H. Murray's firm was met by the employees in his department on Christmas Eve and was presented with a handsome walking stick. He thanked them very much for their kind appreciation, also wishing them a Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

Women Sentenced

Head Dawe arrived by the Prospero with two female prisoners—mother and daughter—from St. Brendan's, B.B., who are sentenced to 6 months in jail each for concealment of birth.

SHIPPING

Portia arrived at Pushthrough at 4 and left at 6 a.m.

Prospero sails northward at 10 a.m. to-morrow.

S.S. Queen Wilhelmina leaves Liverpool to-morrow for St. John's.

There is still no word of the Durango.

S.S. Stephano left Halifax at 6 last evening for St. John's. She is due to-morrow.

The Olinda, Capt. Courtenay, sails for Brazil to-day with 5811 lbs. fish, containing 4427 qts. fish from Bowrings.

PERSONAL

Mr. Bert Hayward of A. Harvey & Co's office has gone to the Mediterranean in the Adventure.

Capt. J. Vatcher, of the barqt. Gaspe, who spent Christmas at his home returned to town Saturday night. His vessel is now ready for sea.

ADVERTISE IN THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE

STOCK - TAKING NOTICE.

Our Dry Goods, Grocery and Hardware Departments will be

Closed

all day MONDAY, January 4th.

Provision Store open as usual.



FOR GUIDANCE OF COUNCILS

Union Disaster Fund Rules, 1915.

1. Any Council wishing to avail of the benefits of the Disaster Fund on behalf of members of such Council must qualify for such benefits by forwarding annually a collection or subscription from such Council. The collection should, if possible, be taken up on Parade Day, the said collection or subscription to be paid into the Fund by the first of April in each year.

2. Members of the F.P.U. belonging to a Council qualified under Rule One, who contribute Ten Cents annually to the Fund, and are qualified under Rule Three will be entitled to the benefits of the Fund. The personal contributions of members must be forwarded to Head Office by the first of April in each year, and only such as contribute and whose names appear on the list of contributors sent in by the Officers of the qualified Council will be entitled to the benefits of the Fund.

3. Members belonging to a Council qualified under Rule One and who personally qualify under Rule Two, who apply to the Fund for aid or whose nearest relatives, in the event of the death of the said member, apply for aid from the Disaster Fund, must do so through their Local Council and such Council must forward with the appeal, bills or certificates showing that the member on whose behalf aid is requested, did, during the current year, purchase at least a Suit of Oil Clothes or \$5.00 worth of F.P.U. Tobacco or \$5.00 worth of Butter or Tea, either through an F.P.U. outlet store, the Trading Co's Store at St. John's, or elsewhere.

4. Assistance will be afforded qualified members of the F.P.U. from the Disaster Fund, who

- (a) Lose a limb or limbs when such loss is not the cause of his own misconduct and when not otherwise compensated, and such assistance may be allocated either for the purchase of an artificial limb or limbs, or to supply food or clothing to the members of his family as his Council will recommend to the President of the F.P.U.;
- (b) Lose their lives by drowning, shipwreck, accident, or disaster,

Stories the Walls Tell

CORRESPONDENT writing to the London Evening News says:

"The town of Bergen-op-Zoom, Holland, is full of heartbreaking pictures to-day, but to me the most pathetic of all is the writing on the walls. It is a tremendous tribute to the good-heartedness of the Dutch that they do not mind their scrupulously clean houses being defaced for the moment in this way. Scribbled in white chalk all over the walls, shutters and fences, windows, tree trunks and pavements, are the addresses of the frenzied refugees, trying to get in touch with their lost relations. "On all the trees, too, little bits of paper are pinned, covered with addresses and measures, such as "The family Montchier can be found in the Church of St. Joseph, under the grand altar," or "Anna de Cart with Pierre and Marie and grand mother are in the school of music."

"Les Souers Martell et grandmere are in the Church of the Holy Martyrs." "La Famille Demain are in the fifth tent of the encampment on the artillery ground." "M. and Mme. Aridge and their seven children are in the Comety Theatre." . . . So closely are the walls and shutters and windows and trees scribbled over by now that the three hundred thousand addresses are most of them becoming indistinguishable."

Some of the spiders of Java have webs so strong that a knife is required to cut them.

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(Editor Mail and Advocate) Dear Sir.—Kindly give me space in your valuable paper to thank the members of the Journeymen Coopers Union, for their handsome contribution forwarded to me on Christmas, also the many kind friends who assisted me in other ways. The spirit in which same was given shows the sympathy and thoughtfulness they have for one who has been deprived of his sight.

I trust God may grant them all a Bright and Prosperous New Year, and I thank you Mr. Editor, for the use of your valuable columns. —GEORGE C. WHITTEN, Per C. South Side, Dec. 29, '14.

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