



Evening Telegram

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Tuesday, December 26.

Nothing Without God

A startling headline, some one will say, and a tremendous expression, but the thought was suggested yesterday (Christmas Eve) by a sermon preached from the pulpit of St. Mary's Church, by the very eloquent rector thereof, discussing every-day affairs in language that must have reached into the very centre of the hearts of every member of the congregation, the preacher struck a note that appealed. The theme was reconstruction, and it was treated in a manner that was not only unusual but unique. Nothing without God. Everything in the building up, the process of erection of mind or material was as nothing unless God was behind it. The church, the world, the kingdom, in the everyday life of each man or woman could not succeed, could not prosper unless God were behind them and encouraging them. Christmas could not be, would not be, without the directing power of Deity. And it is in the forgetting of the Omnipotence of God that all deeds fail, all are as naught. The building up of the world after the horrors of four years of war is being attempted, but the one thought of all—that of God—appears to be absent from the minds of all who attend Peace Conferences, and spend their time in labor which can be of no effect unless Deity is brought in and the name of the Creator invoked. It is a thought, a stupendous thought for this season, and one that as we approach the New Year, all must consider. Nothing without God. Nil sine numine. Why not begin the process of rebuilding with God for the base and coronal of the fabric?

The Martyrdom of St. Stephen.

(From the Acts of the Apostles.)
STEPHEN, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up steadfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God, and said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing on the right hand of God. Then they cried out with a loud voice and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one accord, and cast him out of the city, and stoned him; and the witnesses laid down their clothes at a young man's feet, whose name was Saul. And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit. And he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

Saturday's Gale.

CITY LIGHTS OUT.

A storm of wind, first from the West and afterwards changing to South, prevailed for some time on Saturday and made it very unpleasant for the many Christmas shoppers who were about. Shortly after 7 o'clock the electric lights were put out of commission and for nearly two hours there was much confusion. Many skylights and small panes of glass were shattered by the gale, which also tore off several sheets of copper roofing from the Court House.

STOLE A COAT.—On Sunday night a laborer, who has a record in police circles entered the Cochrane Hotel and diverted himself of the remnants of an overcoat, which he hung on a peg, and then coolly put on a "latest model" that was hanging nearby. The thief made good his escape without being noticed.

The Centaurus Tragedy.

CAPTAIN AND MATE HELD ON MURDER CHARGES.

As a result of the affray on board the Danish schooner Centaurus, which occurred as the vessel was entering Harbor Buffett, P.E., on Tuesday evening, Dec. 19, Capt. K. Rasmussen has to face the serious charge of homicide and the mate, Erik Knudsen, a charge of being an accessory after the fact. Both men appeared before Judge Morris at the Magistrate's Court on Saturday afternoon and were sent to the penitentiary on remand for eight days. As has already been reported, the victim of the tragedy, K. Lovenssen, A.B., died about two hours after being shot. The body, brought from Harbor Buffett by Saturday's train, was placed in the Morgue where a post mortem examination was held by Drs. Anderson and Templeman. The finding of the surgeons was not made known, but it is learned that one arm of the dead man was practically shattered to pieces by gun shot. What led up to the shooting cannot be ascertained, but it is known that there had been a rough and tumble fight in which Lovenssen had used the captain and mate. Both show marks of violence on their persons to this effect. These are the two men who were reported as being wounded. Lovenssen was on deck when shot, and only three members of the crew of five are implicated in the tragedy. A double barrel gun, said to belong to the captain, and with which he is alleged to have shot Lovenssen, is now in possession of the police. A version of the affair, which seems to be fairly well borne out by facts, is that there had been a quarrel on board ship, and that both the captain and the mate were forced to the cabin by Lovenssen. It was from below deck that the gun was discharged. The shot struck Lovenssen in the left arm severing an artery. At this time the Centaurus, was being steered by the cook and anchor was eventually made in a cove near Harbor Buffett. Mr. Wareham to whom the vessel was consigned, and who had come out in a motor boat to pilot her in, failed to locate her in the Bay, met Captain Rasmussen waiting for him on shore. He was informed of the tragedy and asked that a doctor be sent. The arrest of Capt. Rasmussen and Mate Knudsen was made by Detective Constables Lee, Whelan and Bennett, at nine o'clock on Friday morning. Both Lee and Bennett went out from town by Thursday's train to join the Sebastopol at Argentia. The train did not arrive until 4 p.m., although the Sebastopol had there several hours ahead. Magistrate O'Reilly and Detective Whelan of Placentia, with Dr. Templeman, who were to proceed to Harbor Buffett with the city police, were obliged to wait over until Friday. The Sebastopol with the party on board left Argentia at 6 a.m. and arrived back again at 1 p.m. The police had no trouble in making the arrests. All the crew of the Centaurus were brought along and the vessel was left in charge of Mr. Wareham, J.P. The body of Lovenssen had been taken ashore by the J.P. and respectfully confined. After the arrival of the party from Argentia the police had no means of proceeding directly to St. John's, so that a number of teams had to be engaged to drive them to Placentia, a distance of some six or seven miles. Here they remained over night, the prisoners being lodged in the police station. On Saturday morning they joined the train and arrived in the city at 2 p.m. Cook A. E. Hansen and G. Herrlin A.B., who were apparently were not implicated in the affair are being held as material witnesses in the case.

Digby Reported.

DUE AT MIDNIGHT.

S. S. Digby reported at noon today as being 150 miles east of Cape Race. The ship is expected to reach port at midnight. The Digby is making a long passage from Liverpool, being now 13 days out. The Atlantic liners arriving at New York and Halifax report very boisterous weather crossing, and apparently the Furness ship has encountered the same conditions.

Mary Pickford as "Little Lord Fauntleroy" at the Majestic. One show only, commencing at 8 o'clock.—dec26.11

Blizzard at Twillingate.

TWO SCHOONERS ASHORE.

The following message was received to-day from Twillingate by the Deputy Minister of Customs: "Schr. Utowana, loaded for St. John's with dry shore codfish by Wm. Ashbourne, dragged ashore on the Wig Rock during a northeast blizzard Saturday evening. Schr. Emblem of Hope also ashore on Pearce's Rock. This vessel was in ballast. Both are badly damaged. It is understood that they are insured, as was also the fish cargo of the Utowana. Salvage of fish from the latter is proceeding."

Stafford's Ginger Wine for New Year 15c. per bottle. dec26.11

Christmas Services.

R. C. CATHEDRAL.

Midnight Mass was celebrated at the R.C. Cathedral on Christmas Eve night. His Grace Archbishop Roche was celebrant, being assisted by Rev. Dr. Carter, Rev. Frs. Flynn, Kennedy, Sheehan, St. John, and Rev. Mr. D. Green as Master of Ceremonies. Rt. Rev. Monsgr. McDermott, V.G., occupied his seat in the Sanctuary. A guard of honor was present from the C.C.C. under command of Major J. J. O'Grady and Lt. Christopher. The singing by the choir was an eloquent rendition of music. Rev. Fr. St. John preached on a text from the Gospel for the day. At the conclusion of Mass the C.C.C. Band rendered Mozart's Gloria.

ST. MICHAEL'S.

The celebration of the Nativity began at St. Michael's with the 1st evening of the Feast, which was sung on Christmas Eve at 6.30. After this service the Rev. E. J. R. Nicholls, Rector, preached a sermon in preparation for Christmas. The text was the words, "The seed is the word." The Rev. gentleman gave an exposition from these words on "the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar," proving from the Catechism, the Bible and Our Lord's own words that He is present in the Sacrament under the veils of bread and wine. The Rector also took occasion to wish the people a very Holy and Happy Christmas, and thanked them heartily for their good gifts they had given him. On Christmas Day the services began at 6.30 a.m., when the Rev. H. L. Pike was the celebrant at the Holy Sacrifice. At this hour—and also at the 8 o'clock Eucharist—large numbers of the congregation made their Communions. The great service of the day was at 11 o'clock when the Rev. Dr. Facey of Queen's College celebrated the Holy Eucharist, being assisted by a large congregation. This service took the form of a Missa Cantata, all the parts of the Liturgy being sung as well as the old Christmas Hymns "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" at the offertory—the Adeste Fideles after the consecration—and "While Shepherds Watched" at the close of the service. The altar was adorned with many lights and flowers and a set of new white silk vestments were worn for the first time, and added dignity and beauty to the rite. In his "St. Michael's Leaflet" the Rector thanks the people for some very fine gifts, notably a Processional Cross and a Banner of St. Michael, and a new chasuble. This new Parish, started in faith last Easter, is making headway and gathering many friends and new members to its aid. Laus Deo!

ST. MARY'S.

Christmas Day was celebrated at the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, most devoutly, the congregations at all services being enthusiastic witnesses of the commemoration of the greatest festival of the year—the Nativity. At Morning Prayer, the Rector was assisted by Rev. H. L. Pike, the order being arranged with due regard to the importance of the birthday of the Saviour. The decorations were in keeping with the season, the scarlet and green of holly, blending with the virginal white of the frontals and antependiums. A full choir was present and as the familiar notes of "O Come All Ye Faithful," "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," "While Shepherds Watched," "Angels from the realms of glory," rang out from the organ, under the skillful manipulation of Mr. G. B. Lloyd, there was a general feeling of uplift, and the large congregation joined most heartily in expressing praise. The Anthem "Unto Us a Child is Born" was exquisitely rendered by the choir. A. B. S. Stirling preached a sermon, the worth and thoughts of which should remain as a lasting memento of the fifth Christmas season since the conclusion of peace. The carol service, later, was enjoyed by young and old alike, and the choirmaster, organist and chorists are to be congratulated on maintaining the standard of Christmas service for which St. Mary's has ever been famous.

ST. ANDREW'S.

The annual carol service by the St. Andrew's Church Choir was held in the church Sunday night at 10.30 o'clock. The spacious edifice was filled to its utmost capacity long before the service commenced, and extra chairs had to be placed in the aisles to accommodate the large gathering. The carols which were prepared under Mr. Moncrieff Mawer, the organist and choirmaster, with a choir of 35 voices, proved very interesting to all lovers of sacred music.

CONGREGATIONAL.

The services at the Queen's Road Congregational church, on Sunday, were attended by a larger gathering of worshippers than usual. The Minister, Rev. B. T. Holden, M.A., occupied the pulpit both morning and evening, and delivered eloquent sermons at both services. The clergyman in the evening preached on "The Promise of Peace" to a large congregation. The subject was treated with very telling effect. The Rev. gentleman dwelt largely on the question of another war, the horrors and cruelty of

which would be even greater than the last conflict, he said. The choir rendered special Christmas music for the occasion, which was both beautiful and inspiring. Included in the Anthems sung was a solo very pleasingly rendered by Miss Florence Barnes, "The Heavenly Song." At the Christmas morning service the music was repeated. Miss Barbara Langmead contributed a solo, "The City of Light," her voice being never heard to better advantage. The rendition of the Anthem "Behold I Bring You Good Tidings," by J. Goff was a feature of the musical service. The collection taken up at the Christmas service was for the Benevolent Fund.

WESLEY CHURCH.

The services at Wesley Church on Sunday and Christmas Day were well attended, and excellent sermons from Revs. C. H. Johnson and J. G. Joyce were heard with deep interest, the former speaking on the "Genealogy of the Saviour," and the pastor in the evening on "The greatest of names. For thou shalt call his name Jesus for He shall save his people from their sins." The Anthems this year were well chosen and rendered with fine precision, and good volume in the alto parts, particularly in Stainers' "All this night my heart rejoices." On Christmas Day the "First Christmas Morn" was an inspiring outburst of holy song, and an eloquent sermon was delivered by Rev. J. G. Joyce, B. A., S.T.L. from the text, "For unto you is born this day a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord," in which he proved that Christ was the revelation of God, that He was the Son of God manifested for the salvation of men and the son of man, that in our human life He may be an example and a leader for all to copy and follow. A very fine Anthem, "O Holy Night" by Vine was a brilliant rendition. Mr. H. Chaplain taking a very high tenor obbligato part in fine voice, and the basses contributing their share in strength and combination. After the service yesterday morning and the choir had detained Mr. Pratt, the esteemed Choirmaster and Organist, to make a Christmas presentation of some useful gifts, the Quarterly Official Board asked him to further stay, when the Pastor, Rev. Mr. Joyce in well chosen words expressed the very great obligation the congregation felt towards the Organist for his gratuitous service so willingly rendered, and stated the music and singing furnished so splendidly by the choir during the year contributed in no large measure to the success of the church, both as to attendance and the inspiration of the hearty singing of a well-trained choir behind him contributed much to enable him to deliver his message, and the whole souled singing of Wesley Church had been favourably commented on not only by visitors in the city. The Financial Steward, Mr. W. Horwood then handed Mr. Pratt a purse containing several gold pieces. The Recording Steward also stated that he had been instructed to send to Miss Sparkes who plays at week evening services, and Mr. James Young who had readily filled the position of Organist during Mr. Pratt's absence from town, a tangible recognition of their appreciation of his valuable assistance in a time of need.

Obituary.

D. WILFRED CURRAN, M.M.

The passing of D. Wilfred (Fred) Curran, M.M., second son of Thomas and Beatrice Curran, 31 Leslie Street, came with great suddenness to those of the community who best know him. Death called at the home of the deceased on Christmas Day, which made the passing of the loved one all the more sad. The deceased was ever a well known figure in our community. He received his education at the Methodist College, and at the outbreak of the war was one of the first to respond to the call of King and Country, having left here with the First Contingent of the Newfoundland Regt., and for his valor and devotion to duty, later, was awarded the Military Medal for heroism in the Battle of Monchy, which engagement took place on April 14th, 1917. Deceased was a prominent member of St. Andrew's Club, ex-member of the Nfld. Highlanders, and was highly esteemed by the members of the Presbyterian Church who all regret his passing. He leaves to mourn, father, mother, three brothers, Arthur, Charles, Wallace, and one sister, Mrs. Green of Montreal, to whom will go out the sincere sympathy of the whole community in their hour of bereavement.

Essence Ginger Wine 15c. per bottle.

For one week only, ending Saturday, December 30th, we are selling Stafford's Ginger Wine at

15c. per bottle.

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Assorted shades.
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Leather Soles and Heels.
In Brown, Grey, Blue, Ganet, Black, Red, Old Rose at \$1.50
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Fur trim, leather soles.
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CHILDREN'S SPATS.

In Black and Fawn, reduced to \$1.20
Sizes 8-10 Misses' Spats Fawn and Black Sizes 11-2 reduced to \$1.40.
Regular \$1.75 to \$2.00 the pair.

WOMEN'S BLACK SPATS.

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10 Button High Cut
Reg. 1.80 value
Our Price \$1.20

PARKER & MONROE The Shoe Men

Schooners Go Adrift.

ICE TAKES VESSELS OUT OF WOODS' ISLAND.

The following message was received on Saturday by the Deputy Minister of Customs from the Sub-collector at Woods' Island: "Ice went out last night, taking all vessels with it. Schr. Aviator went ashore at Carter's, but is apparently not damaged. The Helen Vair lost both anchors but got under sail in the Bay. Schr. Spencer Lake lost one anchor, but held at the east side of island with remaining anchor. Schr. Jean Smith and Judique went out of sight." Later messages reported that the Schr. Aviator came off without damage and the Spencer Lake and Judique arrived back to Woods' Island. The Jean Smith was located in Woods' Island harbor and the Wm. C. Smith at Middle Arm. None of the vessels suffered any damage beyond the loss of anchors and chains.

Old Ladies' Comfort Boots for \$4.00 the pair at SMALL-WOOD'S Shoe Sale.—dec18.11

The Christmas Post.

Amongst the local Christmas literature which we have received this season, two numbers have been issued by lady publishers. Already we have acknowledged the receipt of "Yuletide Bells," published by Miss A. English. The same courtesy is due Miss F. Cooper, publisher of the Christmas Post, a copy of which we received on Friday last. The Christmas Post is a neatly arranged booklet of twenty pages. Containing a forceful editorial on "Christmas as it ought to be," and several entertaining articles more or less allied with the festive season. The illustrations in the number show the landing of the Prince of Wales, scenes on the West Coast, and at St. John's. The number sells at 10 cents per copy, and should command a ready and willing purchasing patronage.

TEMPERATURE.—At The Valley Nurseries last night it registered 16 degrees of frost; this morning 4 degrees.

"Give Me This."

Give me this, a home at Xmas time. With sounds of little voices full of mirth; With power to fulfil all wants of me To cheer and help, to celebrate his birth.

And give me this, a home bedecked to show, Requirements of all such needs on earth; With all the love of God, I've one to give, And worship this, the memory of His birth.

Give me this, the power to show that I, Could lessen, and make grand, that Xmas trust; To give and feel the better for it, why To please and show I recognize his birth.

And give me this a conscience free and light, To strengthen, and uphold, if I should more; As try to be so selfish on a night, When He the Saviour, of the world was born.

R.B.H.

Elsewhere in our advertising columns will be found an Auction Sale of damaged Flour from S.S. Gunner. During the past fortnight some thousands of barrels of Flour have been sold and this will be the last opportunity of obtaining some of the most popular brands of Flour at reasonable prices.—dec26.11

McMurdo's Store News.

TUESDAY, Dec. 26.
If you feel liverish or have any sign of stomach trouble or headache, we suggest the use of Montserrat Health Salt. A few doses of which will make a great difference in your outlook upon life. Handy tins 40c. Just arrived Listermi, two sizes. There is no better remedy for bad breath not arising from serious stomach trouble than Listermi.

From Cape Race.

Special to Evening Telegram.
CAPE RACE, To-day. Wind south east, weather dull; nothing sighted to-day. Bar. 30; Ther. 35.

FINAL NOTICE!

You are hereby reminded that the Grand Card Party and Dance, which will be held in the Club Rooms by the B.I.S. to-night, will cause you as many thrills, and give you as many pleasant surprises, as any Dance which you may have attended in recent years. Young and old are therefore requested to attend, so that they may not be disappointed.

By Order,

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NOTICE!

NFLD. GOVERNMENT COASTAL MAIL SERVICE.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

S. S. SEAL.

S.S. SEAL sailed on 24th inst., direct for Fogo. From there she will sail direct for Griquet, calling at regular coastal ports returning, landing freight. Will Shippers please note that freight shipped on December 20th and 21st for ports in Green Bay to go forward by Portia, was shipped by the above sailing of Seal.

W. H. CAVE,
Minister of Shipping.

Rosalind Outward.

S. S. Rosalind sails for Halifax and New York at 6 o'clock this evening, taking the following passengers: J. O'Brien, Mrs. John Robinson, Miss Stella and Frank Robinson, E. R. Bowring, Jr., Rev. Dr. Powell, John B. Orr, Henry Fraser, J. Ellis, Thomas

Kennedy, Miss Bowden, Mrs. G. Bowden, and about 20 second class.

Mary Pickford as "Little Lord Fauntleroy" at the Majestic. One show only, commencing at 8 o'clock.—dec26.11

Eat Mrs. STEWART'S Home Made Bread.—oct4.6mo

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BOLSHIEVIST

Workers of the day yesterday at the annual conference for 1923 of its chief interest in a survey of the purpose, and to the movement of unemployment against capital on their part, dec26.11

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Announcement of the Press of Commons to members representing unions.

NOTES

The unemployment is encouraging, and the search for the remainder of the Employment Bureau, Labor. Nearly all affairs better than in and in most sections described from fact.

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Notwithstanding the well is already a search for the remainder of the Employment Bureau, Labor. Nearly all affairs better than in and in most sections described from fact.

AFRAID TO ATTEND

Hearing a rumour of St. Paul's cutting of Quebec, Christmas was made but slight rumors were spread all the week that destroyed on Xmas Eve of assistance from the extra precautions taken since was small.

A LITTLE THING

While police refuse as the drier Christmas six deaths are actually bootlegging whisky five men and one woman will be held to-day.

A WARM

This city had the warmest in years, when the day five degrees below United States as a record of warm weather holiday with no snow there in the country.

Magistrate's

Sixteen drunks arrested on Saturday night, day morning were taken to the police station on paying the cost of paying of cab. A drunk and disorderly pay costs. A laborer of the day for being drunk, after an overcoat value of property of Mr. McNulty, the accused, for eight days.

TRAIN NOTES

Sound express was late arriving in St. John's. The Kyle was left for New York yesterday. The express from Port au Prince arrived at the depot at 8.30.

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