

Loss of the Brig

"Experiment."
CAPTAIN, MATE AND FOUR OF
CREW DROWNED.

The following melancholy intelligence of the death of Capt. R. Bransfield, master of the brig "Experiment," and son of Mr. Richard Bransfield of Cocker's Cove, has been received by Robert Pack, Esq., Carbonear:—

Poole, Oct. 18th, 1921.
We are sorry to inform you that yesterday the brig "Experiment" of and from Carbonear, Nfld., R. Bransfield, master, laden with oil and fish bound to Poole, was brought into St. Mary's by three or four pilot boats which fell in with her in the morning to the southwest of the island with all the sails, rigging etc., thereto belonging, the said vessel being on the evening of Wednesday last, been struck by a heavy sea whilst laying to, which threw her on her beam ends, when she instantly filled with water, through the companion and fore hatch or scuttle, by which means the master and mate, who were in the cabin, and four of the crew were drowned. Three men were saved by getting on the foretop, the vessel having righted after the masts were carried away, and floated with her deck level with or rather under water. She is not at St. Mary's pier, and the water having been got out of her this morning, the bodies of the master, mate and seaman, have been found in the cabin and fore-castle, and we shall get them buried here as soon as possible. The following are the names of the saved, Adam Snellgrove, Henry Rogers and George Barfoot. — From Conception Bay Mercury, Dec. 16, 1921.

Loyal Orange Association.

"RISING SUN" LODGE, NO. 1.
The members of "Rising Sun" Lodge, No. 1, L.O.A., held their annual meeting last night at the Harbor Grace Standard of December 9th, when the following were elected as officers for the ensuing year:—

W.M.—Bro. W. H. Harris, elected.
D.M.—Bro. Albert Rogers, re-elected.
Chaplain—Bro. D. Herald, re-elected.
R. & S.—Bro. L. Sheppard, re-elected.

Treas.—Bro. Jordan Sheppard, re-elected.
D. of C.—Bro. Albert Wells, re-elected.

1st Lect.—Bro. George Harris, re-elected.
2nd Lect.—Bro. R. Noseworthy, elected.

1st Com.—Bro. A. Kennedy, elected.
2nd Com.—Bro. Thos. Davis, re-elected.

3rd Com.—Bro. John Parsons, re-elected.
4th Com.—Bro. Ed. Taylor, elected.

5th Com.—Bro. Thos. Higgins, elected.
I.T.—Bro. John Martin, re-elected.

O.T.—Bro. Thos. Lilly, re-elected.
Auditors.—Bros. John Butt, H.M.C. and W. H. Harris.
The past year has been a successful one both numerically and financially. The Installation of Officers will be held on Jan. 12th when officers from every Lodge in the District will be invited to attend. The election of Officers was conducted by P. M. John Butt.

Distribution of Prizes.

HIGH SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT.

(Harbor Grace Standard, Dec. 9.)
St. Paul's Hall was the scene of a very interesting event yesterday afternoon, when a large number of parents and friends met to witness the High School Entertainment and Prize Distribution. Rev. W. R. J. Higgett performed the duties of Chairman in a very pleasing manner. A short programme of songs, recitations and drama, had been carefully prepared, and each part was well rendered. Although it may not be well to single out any item for special mention, yet the exhibition of drill by the senior girls conducted by Miss Noel was faultlessly done, and reflects great credit both on the Teacher and the performers. When the time came for the distribution of prizes, etc., the Principal of the School invited Rev. W. R. J. Higgett, Mrs. Higgett, Rev. W. E. R. Cracknell and the Teachers, Misses B. Noel, B. Willis, and M. Willis, to seats on the platform. Rev. W. E. R. Cracknell presented the prizes, and C.H.E. Diplomas, and made the fortunate pupils happy by his kind and witty remarks. Miss Noel very graciously presented the Needlework prizes, all but one of which she had donated. Then came a very pleasing feature, namely, the reading of an address, and presentation of a gift—a beautiful coffee percolator—to Miss Noel, who has resigned her charge, and leaves the High School to-day. The address was read by Miss Hazel Sheppard, and the presentation made by Master Jack Dove on behalf of the school. Miss Noel was so touched by this kind act that she asked Rev. Mr. Higgett to thank the Teachers and pupils for her. This he did in a very appropriate manner, paid a well-merited tribute to Miss Noel's work, and then on behalf of the Board of Education presented her with a gift of gold as a token of appreciation of her services. Mr. A. J. Goodland, the Principal,

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Doctor Johnson

AUTHOR OF FIRST ENGLISH DICTIONARY.

On Dec. 13, 1784, Samuel Johnson died in Bolt Court, Fleet Street. He was born in 1709 at Lichfield, Staffordshire, where his father was a bookseller. He completed his education at Pembroke College, Oxford, which University bestowed upon him the honorary degree of LL.D. because of his distinguished learning. He became under-

master of a free school at Market Bosworth, in Leicestershire, but left it because the principal was too haughty. Johnson then entered on literary employment, in which he became celebrated. In 1735 he married Mrs. Porter, widow of a mercer in Birmingham, who inherited about £800, with which money Johnson opened a boarding-school, but as it did not succeed he moved to London a year later with David Garrick, the celebrated actor, who had been one of his pupils, and who introduced on the stage of Drury Lane theatre Johnson's play, "Irene" (Greek for "Peace"). Johnson contributed to the "Gentleman's Magazine" composed a poem called "London," in which he satirically described Parliament as "Debate in the Senate of Helliput." From 1750 till 1753 he produced the "Rambler," of which periodical all but five pages were written by himself; but his most important and longest-lived work was his dictionary of the English language, which appeared in 1755, after which Oxford University conferred upon him the degree of Master of Arts, and King George the Second granted him a pension of £300 a year. The last years of Dr. Johnson's life were overshadowed, partly through

the growth of physical ill and partly through the deprivation of the amenities of Streatham, owing to Mrs. Thrale's marriage with the Italian musician, Pioszi. The faithful Boswell, too, could visit London only on occasion, and confesses to have been remiss in writing after his return to Scotland in June, 1784, when he saw Johnson for the last time. It was obvious then that the doctor's life was approaching its close, but it was not

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until the beginning of November that his condition gave cause for anxiety. Happily, the fear of death to which he had often owned, passed from him with the decline of his bodily strength, and his end was calm and peaceful. The day before he died, Miss Morris, daughter of a particular friend of his, called and asked Francis (Johnson's black servant) to be permitted to see the doctor, that she might earnestly request him to give her his blessing. Francis went into his room, followed by the young lady, and delivered the message. The doctor turned himself in his bed and said, "God bless you, my dear." These were the last words he spoke. He lingered, however, until about seven o'clock in the evening, when he expired "with so little apparent pain that his attendants hardly perceived when dissolution took place." A week later he was laid to rest in Westminster Abbey, his old schoolfellow, Dr. Taylor, officiating at the graveside, and the pall-bearers including Edmund Burke, Mr. Windham, Bennet Langton, Sir Joseph Banks, Sir Charles Banbury and Mr. Colman.

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