

Mr. O'Driscoll Explains

Dear Mr. Editor, Pardon my intruding once more on your space to right myself in connection with the Water-Pipe order. I asked for a statement of figures wherein the Chairman stated my price was \$2220.00 too high, I contended my price was only \$665.33 higher. Instead of answering my request for a statement you will notice some evasive answer was given. Another thing developed to my surprise, the Chairman admitted that Hazen and Whipple and Longley would be paid for their services whether the pipes were bought from them or otherwise. I was given to understand I was given to understand I should have a chance to figure and one member said to me, "I suppose we will have to give Mr. Longley something for this trouble a couple hundred or so," but he did not think they would exact anything. That I said is none of my affair. Don't you think, Mr. Editor, the gentleman referred to should have said in justice to me, they were committed to Mr. Longley for the purchase of the pipes instead of allowing me to keep telegraphing back and forth for two weeks and each time saying, "your prices are too high." Will the Council deny they were going to buy through Mr. Longley at \$22.20 after his first offer of \$22.70 had been withdrawn, with the statement that freights had advanced. It was at that point I requested a chance to figure and it was then I should have been told they were committed to Mr. Longley. I claim by my preventing the Council from buying at \$22.20, I saved to the Taxpayers a total of \$1758.50, but after Mr. Longley is paid for his services as their agent it will be interesting to see how much the City will lose instead of gain. Mr. Harris thought I should show the Council where they were wrong. I think it is up to the Council to show the taxpayers (of which I am one) the they saved \$2220.00. Mr. C. P. Ayre, Mr. Bradshaw and Mr. McNamara who are all large taxpayers themselves and who supported Messrs. Harris and Gosling should also interest themselves. I am thankful to Mr. Mullally and Mr. Isaac Morris who acted in a courteous manner towards me at the meeting, and I feel sure every well thinking citizen will agree, we all should have a full statement of the doings of our civic officials. Again, thanking you Mr. Editor for intruding so much on your valuable space.

Yours truly, P. O'DRISCOLL. P.S.—Since writing the foregoing I have received a statement from the Council re difference between my price and R. D. Wood's which is not correct.

S.U.F. Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Grand Lodge, S.U.F. was held last evening in the British Hall, the worthy Grand Master, J. A. Clift, K.C., presiding. The annual report showed the Society to be in a very flourishing condition, two new lodges having been added during the year. The membership at the present time is 3638 members in 43 lodges. The Society have showed their loyalty and devotion to their ing and Country very materially since the war began, many members having joined both army and navy. The Society has also contributed a considerable sum to the Patriotic Fund. The following officers were invested for ensuing year:— Worthy Grand Master—Bro. J. A. Clift, Deputy Grand Master—Bro. G. A. Davey, Grand Chaplain—Bro. J. House, Grand Chief Officer—Bro. A. Edgcombe, Grand Second Officer—Bro. George Reid, Grand Purser—Bro. W. H. Goodland, Grand Quartermaster—Bro. W. McAllister, Grand Look Out—Bro. A. E. Withycombe, Grand Secretary—Bro. J. C. Phillips.

Venus Drawing pencils are perfect.—ap12,tf WEATHER REPORT Toronto (noon)—Moderate to fresh South West wind, partly fair today and on Wednesday, but occasional showers in most localities. Cape Race (noon)—Wind West, dense fog; heard nothing pass. Roper's (noon)—Bar. 29.85; ther. 72.

Yours truly, Western Bay North Local Council, Western Bay North, April 7th. We understand that Mr. Noah, whose store was partly destroyed by fire on Saturday night, carried insurance to amount of \$4,000.00 on his stock.

The Annual Meeting Of St. Mary's Church

The annual meeting of the Parishioners of St. Mary's was held in the Parish Room last evening, a large and representative gathering being present. The Rector reported all parochial organizations to be in a flourishing condition, and increasing in strength. Sixty-one parishioners are now serving their King and Country either with the 1st Nfld. Regiment or the Royal Naval Reserve, and two have made the great sacrifice in laying down their lives for their peace and safety. On the Roll of Honour the names of Levi Jerratt and Harold Stanley will ever be held in veneration by their fellow parishioners. The Rector was also pleased to report that with the sanction of the Bishop, the Rev. H. L. Pike had consented to accept the curacy of St. Mary's, and will (D.V.) take up his work on the 1st of May. The financial statement as presented by the Finance Warden, showed the finances of the Church to be in a most excellent condition. The following officers were appointed for the ensuing year:— Rector's Warden—Mr. L. C. Chafe, People's Warden—Mr. W. J. Pike, Select Vestry—G. W. Ellis, Captain E. Dawe, Thos. Cornick, Albert Whitten, G. B. Whitten, Capt. C. Herald, A. Osmond, Stephen Bradbury, Geo. Gardiner; Honorary Members—Jas. Worrall and Wm. Churchill, Finance Committee—J. L. Noonan, F. H. Axford, L. Bartlett, J. W. Chafe, Ed. Ellis, W. C. Chafe, Edgar Dawe, John R. Harvey, Robt. Pike, E. G. Cousins, F. Russell, A. Melvin, E. A. Crowther, S. Bursell, Cemetery Committee—William Cook, F. Bursell, J. Oakley, John R. Harvey, Capt. Herald, Industrial Committee—F. Bursell, Capt. Dawe, G. B. Williams, Lay Delegates to Diocesan Synod—Jas. Worrall and William Churchill, Supts. of Sunday Schools—E. Churchill and Edgar Dawe, Organist—G. B. Lloyd, Sexton—Geo. Reid, Sidesmen—Rowland Williams, W. C. Chafe, Edgar Dawe, F. H. Ellis, Harry S. Ford, R. Pike, Auditors—G. B. Lloyd and Arthur Ebsary.

The usual votes of thanks having been passed with acclamation, one of the most successful and united meetings of the parishioners was brought to a close with the Doxology.

WHAT'S THE MATTER? (Editor Mail and Advocate.) Dear Sir,—What's the matter with most of the Government's members? Are they stricken dumb at the news that their Administration has admitted a deficit of \$300,000, that some of them do not get on their tired feet—or is it cold feet—and say something? Higgins lounges in his seat, the youth, hailing from Avondale seems to think the House of Assembly and the discussion of the Public welfare a joke, whilst the individual of "spar" notabley imagines, judging from his insolent demeanor, that the whole affair is honored by his august presence. For Heaven's sake suggest to those members the advisability of doing something—if even the singing of a—in return for the people's support which placed them where they are. Kaiser Morris who perceives how serious the whole situation is, is doing his best to even make a "bluff," his not weary wiggles sufficiently inflated into the "Bluff methods of the Morris school" to give his leader a hand?

"VISITOR" OBITUARY (Editor Mail and Advocate.) DANIEL SELLARS Dear Sir,—Will you allow me space to say a few words about our late friend, Daniel Sellars, who on the 25th of March died suddenly in the Methodist schoolroom, while in prayer. He was in his 69th year and leaves a wife, one son and four daughters to mourn. Our Council extends its heartfelt sympathy to them in their sorrow. Yours truly, Western Bay North Local Council, Western Bay North, April 7th.

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SEALING NEWS

The following are the messages received last night:— S.S. Beothic, (last night):—"Made better progress to-day; got 500 seals." TO A. J. HARVEY & CO. S.S. Adventure, (last night):—"No seals; Bellaventure the same; jammed since March 20th; wind W. S. W." TO BOWRING BROS. S.S. Eagle (last night):—"Total stowed 4,000; men hauling seals all day; Florizel alongside." S.S. Florizel (last night):—"Alongside Eagle; among her N. E. pans; position 15 miles N. of Store House Island; nothing today; 2,400 stowed." Port aux Basques, (last night). Terra Nova arrived about 5 o'clock, came in to land strikers; has 2,500 seals; no report from other steamers. Copy of message received from S.S. Nascopie, dated April 13th, 1915:—"Nine Tuesday—'Fifteen miles N. East Fogo, still jammed in Middle Cake; water all round; wind S. West; following ships in sight: Neptune, Florizel, Eagle; all well." (Sgd.) JOB Message to Bowring Bros. to-day: From Viking—"North Bryon Islds. large sheets ice difficult to get through; nothing new to report." Messages to Marine and Fisheries: Change Islds.—Wind S.W.; foggy; ice 8 miles off yesterday; five punts out; killed 10 young hares; no steamer to be seen. La Sclé.—Wind S.W.; raining; ice eight miles off shore and open, moving south rapidly; Bay clearing fast.

Rossley's Theatres Last night hundreds were unable to gain admittance to Rossley's. At 8:15 there was no standing room. One of the greatest features ever seen was the pictures of the Regatta, 1st Contingent at Pleasantville, and the 2nd Contingent tramping through the snow to the wharf embarking on the Neptune; far-reaching to the assembled thousands; leaving the Narrows behind; the Dominion in sight; on board the big liner; good-bye St. John's. Many a mother had a look on her boy again on the screen. The 2nd Contingent is beautifully clear. Ballard Brown and Miss Madge Locke were seen in a fine Irish act, entitled "Daddy." Those two artists have magnificent voices, and among their songs were "The Village Blacksmith" "My Hero," "It takes an Irish heart to sing an Irish song," "My Home Land" and others. On Friday night the great go-as-you-please competition.

Ours in the West End

Crowded to the doors last night, the one verdict for pictures and singers "delightful." See our brave soldiers on the screen at Rossley's, marching to the Neptune and sailing out to the Dominion. A marvellous film. See yourselves, see your friends, Ballard Brown and Miss Madge Locke in a great sketch. The funniest artists that have ever been seen here. Don't forget the great competition on Friday night, three big prizes. All over fourteen may compete; sing, dance, recite, tell stories, juggle, be a ventriloquist. The audience decides the winners. On Saturday three prizes for children. Bring out the talent of St. John's; give in your names at Rossley's.

Bread Line in Germany

Germany has begun the era of bread tickets, and a very curious tragic-comical era it promises to be. Even the All-Highest has his bread ticket. The very palace of Potsdam is parcelled out into so many human beings, if the *aeuro* were to be forgiven that speaks of the Hohenzollerns in terms of humanity, and each has his bread ticket—neither less nor more. If the Archangel Gabriel were to appear—an apparition which would never surprise Wilhelm II—as a German general, he, too, would have his bread ticket. Necessity knows no other law. To the people of Germany the new dispensation is, of course, galling, disquieting and terrible. To the allies it seems the faint beginning of some of the wages of sin.

On Sunday last, a man named Turk, of Harbour Buffet met with a serious accident while handling a dynamite cap. In some unaccountable way it exploded and almost severed his left hand, four of the fingers being blown off. The injured member was bound up and Turk came on to Placentia for medical treatment, and from there he was ordered on to the Hospital where he was taken last night. It is probable that an amputation will be necessary.

Volunteers Parade

Before dismissing the Volunteers' parade yesterday, Capt. E. S. Ayre read out the following:— Regimental Order, by Lieut.-Col. Sir W. E. Davidson, K.C.M.G., Officer Commanding: April 12th, 1915. (a) The Lieut.-Colonel Commanding has been pleased to approve the following promotions:— E COY.:— To be Corporal—K. Goodyear. To be Lance-Corporal—H. Taylor, J. Demister, H. Power, R. W. Ross, J. J. Gray, J. W. Bartlett, A. J. Gallishaw, W. H. Lench, J. Sinclair, P. Tobin, T. Mahoney. (b) Corp. S. Norris is transferred to F. Co. with rank of Lance-Sergeant. Until further notice, the following have been appointed Acting Section Commanders in E Company:— Section 1.—L.-Corp. J. W. Bartlett. 2.—L.-Corp. T. Mahoney. 3.—L.-Corp. H. Taylor. 4.—L.-Corp. W. H. Lench. 5.—Pte. W. H. Grant. 6.—L.-Corp. P. Tobin. 7.—L.-Corp. J. Sinclair. 8.—Pte. W. P. Costello. 9.—Corp. K. Goodyear. 10.—Pte. F. M. O'Toole. 11.—L.-Corp. J. Remister. 12.—L.-Corp. H. J. Power. 13.—L.-Corp. R. W. Ross. 14.—Pte. W. B. Crossman. 15.—Pte. E. L. Brathwaite. 16.—L.-Corp. J. J. Gray. Acting Section Commanders Grant, Goodyear and Ross will act as Platoon Sergeants when required. Until further notice, L.-Corp. A. J. Gallishaw will act as Section Commander of No. 1 Section, No. 5 Platoon.

ENLISTED

The number on the roll of volunteers is now 1,571, the following names having been added yesterday:— St. John's—Sylvester Murphy, Leo Walsh; Renewals—Mt. Guiney; Lewisporte.—Ed. Moyles, Fred. Frenake; Holyrood.—Augustus Penny, M. Hickey; Botwood.—Robt. Watkins; Ladle Cove, Fogo.—Harold Coish; Grand Falls.—Jas. Waugh, Thos. Dunphy; Cape Broyle.—Peter J. Cashin; Hr. Grace.—Hy. Sellers; Spaniard's Bay.—Thos. Roberts;

Religious Reception

At St. Patrick's Convent, Riverhead, on Tuesday, 6th inst., there took place the very pleasing ceremony of Religious Reception. The young lady who that day received the White Veil was Miss M. Goss—called a religion Sr. M. Bridg—daughter of Mr. T. Goss, of Torbay. The ceremony was performed by the Archbishop-elect, assisted by Rev. J. F. Cox, S.J., and Rev. Fr. Pippy of St. Patrick's, Fr. Cox, in a very touching address, reminded the novice of the obligations of the step she was that day taking, and also of the "hundred-fold" promised by Our Lord to those who leave all to follow him. The Archbishop, Clergy, with the parents and friends of the newly-received were afterwards entertained by the good Sisters of the Community.

SHIPPING

S. S. Meigle comes on direct from Port aux Basques to be put in readiness for the Straits Service. The Kyle arrived at Port aux Basques at 2 p.m. yesterday with the following passengers—C. A. Henderson, A. L. Lintoop and W. Morris. The S.S. Roanoke, 17 days out from Liverpool has not yet arrived. It is thought she is detained by head winds and ice. The S.S. Sagona takes up the service on the South Coast, between Placentia and Port aux Basques, whilst the Glencoe is being overhauled in the dock.

LOCAL ITEMS

Kyle Express is due at 10 p.m. Velvet pencils for commercial use.—ap12,tf The young men's circle of King George Institute hold a temperance meeting in the Grenfell Hall tonight. A small ice-berg is now aground in the Narrows, right in the way of shipping, making navigation dangerous, particularly after nightfall. Wallace's Chocolates R most excellent.—ap12,tf Up to 6 o'clock last evening 16,000 seals had been landed from the S. S. Bonaventure, and it is expected her cargo will be discharged this afternoon. The seals average 49 lbs. Don't forget to ask your grocer about LaFrance & Satina Tablets.—ap12,tf Evangelistic services are to be continued on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday evening's of this week in George St. Church. Service begins at 8 o'clock—a hearty welcome extended to all.

Capt. Wilson Succeeds Capt. Randall

Following the resignation of Captain Randall, Capt. Andrew Wilson, has been added to the list of master mariners employed by A. Harvey & Co. and will in future command the Adventure. Capt. Cough it is said will transfer to the *Bonaventure* and Capt. Cross will go in charge of the *Bellaventure*. The newly appointed captain has a splendid record as a seaman and master and for many years has been in the service of Baine Johnson & Co. command of whose barquentine, the Lake Simcoe, he now relinquishes to enter on his new duties. Congratulations to Capt. Wilson.

Concert in Aid of the Poor

The concert in aid of the poor of the City which had been postponed owing to the illness of the director, Mr. Gordon Christian, L.R.A.M., was held at the College Hall last night, being very largely attended. The programme was beautifully rendered, each of the performers being encored and was as follows:— 1. Selection—"La Marseillaise." The Russian Hymn, Rule Britannia. C.C.C. Band. 2. Song—"Mrs. W. C. Job." 3. Solo—Selected.... Miss Colton. 4. Violin Solo—"Adante" Mendelssohn. Miss Sybil Johnson. 5. Song—"A Song of Thanksgiving"—Francis Alliston Mr. F. W. Ruggles. 6. Recitation—"The Lie"—Annie Hamilton Donnell. Miss Curtis. 7. Selections by the Band—"Gloria"—Mozart. (From Mozart's Twelfth Mass.) 8. Duet—"Rhapsodie Hongorise"—Liszt. Mrs. Logan and H. G. Christian. 9. Song—"Bone Pastor"....Mozart. Mr. Charles Hutton. 10. Solo—"Be Thou Faithful Unto Death" (from St. Paul).—Mendelssohn. Mr. H. Courtenay. 11. Selection by the Band—"The Hallelujah Chorus"....Handel. (From Handel's "Messiah") 12. Song—"Potted Poetry"—Mr. A. P. Cameron. 13. Recitation—Selected. Mr. T. O'Neil. C.C.C.—NATIONAL ANTHEM.—Band. Owing to slight indisposition, Mrs. G. W. B. Ayre and Mr. S. W. Cornick were unable to take part, and their absence was deeply regretted. Special mention may be made of the "at his best in rendering the "Little Yellow God," Mrs. J. Baxter playing the accompaniment. Also, of the C.C.C. Band's recitation of the "Gloria," which was undoubtedly one of the most excellent pieces they have ever given, and which evoked the personal praise of His Excellency. In every way the concert was successful, and the director, Mr. Christian and all others who assisted may well feel proud of their work in providing such a musical treat.

Venus and Velvet pencils will give you satisfaction.—ap12,tf

The Boy Stood On The "Swilers" Deck

The boy stood on the "swilers" deck. Of Harvey's good ship "Bon." A barrel of flippers near him stood, Owned by a man from Pon. He smacked his lips, his eyes grew bright. And joyful seemed that lad. He said, it won't be very long Before I'll have a gad. Beside the barrel, he stood awhile. A sturdy lad was he. He looked as cute as Longley. Who fooled poor Pat O'D. That old tune Tipperary, So he warbled like a bird. I'd bet my life John Slattery The like has never heard. See now the head he raises. From the barrel of flippers fine. He dumped two dozen in a boat, That floated on the brine. And then he made a dash for it, Like Mike O'Leary runs, That Irish youth who captured And killed eight German Huns. A stalwart man is standing now, Where once the boy had stood. No muscle moves upon his face. 'Tis like a block of wood. He looked as cold as those who broke The rocks in Gosling's day. Bootjacks, he cried my flippers. Some one has stole away. Across the stream with steady gaze, With spy glass to his eye, The flippers in a boat he spied, Rowed by that little boy. What could he do, why nothing now. For he'll never see them again. A flippers fry, that little boy, To-day holds in Tank Lane.

C.L.B. ARMOURY BOMBARDED

On Thursday Evening the C.L.B. Armoury will be BombarDED by the Armies eager to see the Twelfth Annual Indoor Sports. The C.L.B. needs YOU. Will you answer the call? Special Regiment of Ladies required. Don't forget the date, Thursday, 15th inst. 8 p.m. Admission: Chairs 20c.; Gallery 10c.—ap19,13

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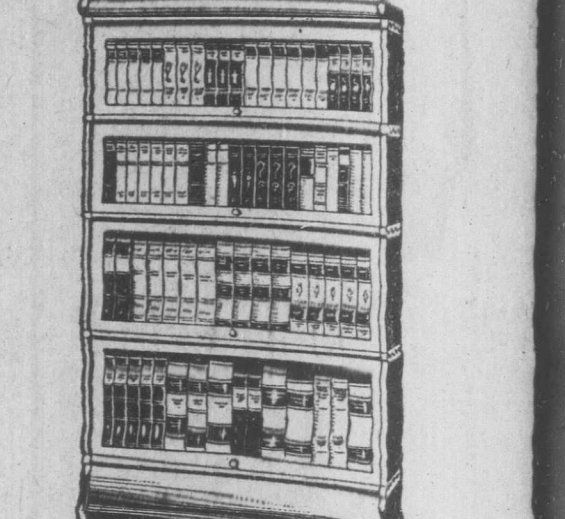
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Wanted—An Engineer holding a Second's Certificate to take Chief's position on a steamer. Apply by letter with references to A.B.C., this office.—m31

NOTICE!

The General Meeting of the St. John's (Nfld.) Curling Association will be held in the Curling Rink this Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. The prizes won during the season will be presented to the winners. The Curlers are looking forward to a pleasant evening and a full attendance is requested. By order, A. H. SALTER, Secretary-Treasurer. ap13,11



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