

Arthur Batson Is Wounded

The friends of Arthur Batson will regret to learn that his father, Mr. H. G. Batson, of English Harbor, Trinity Bay, has received the following telegram from the Adjutant General at Ottawa, dated April 15th: "Sincerely regret in form you that 80,013 Pte. Arthur Richard Batson, infantry official, yesterday admitted 23rd General Hospital, Etaples, France, April 8th, gunshot wound in head, and further particulars will be sent when received."

Whilst residing in St. John's Private Batson was employed in Ayre & Sons' dry-goods department, and left here for British Columbia about six or seven years ago. He enlisted with the 31st Battalion at Calgary, crossing with the Second Division, and was sent to Flanders in September last. By recent letter we learn that his Battalion has been in the trenches directly in front of Kemmel and Loere, small villages in Belgium, six days in and six days' rest, when they were comfortably housed in wooden huts, with fire and straw beds—naturally their ideas of comfort are somewhat different than when at home.

Early Saturday morning some thief knocked a piece out of the plate of glass window in Mr. Matthew Kent's grocery on Water Street, near the Cross Road and got away with a lot of cigarettes &c. He broke the glass with a stone and the matter has been reported to the police.

Not long since, in the East End, a thief got into the residence of a lady during her absence and going to a bureau, in which she had \$7.00 kept, took a portion of the cash. The thief seemed to have some conscience left and evidently believed the woman could not afford to lose it all.

KYLE'S PASSENGERS S.S. Kyle arrived at Port aux Basques 1.55 p.m. yesterday with the following passengers—J. T. and Mrs. Ready, G. Hardy, A. Bryne, D. A. Ryan, C. A. Sullivan, D. Greene, E. Bartlett, W. A. Munn.

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OUR THEATRES

THE NICKEL The Nickel Theatre will re-open today with a big Easter holiday programme, which will be one of the finest ever seen in the city. Nickel patrons will be delighted to learn that the popular ragtime singer, Howard C. Stanley, returned by the Stephano on Saturday, for a short engagement. He is the King of Ragtime, and has a large selection of the latest song hits. John Lane, the well known baritone of America, is coming to the Nickel shortly. To-day there is a grand feature film in three acts by the Selig Company, entitled "The Man with the Iron Heart." There are other splendid pictures which will afford pleasure and profit to all. The latest musical selections will be rendered by Burnard Spencer, Miss K. Ring, and Joseph Ross. On Wednesday the "Exploits of Elaine" will be continued. The Nickel has been thoroughly renovated and is now in first condition. Be sure and see to-day's pictures and hear Mr. Stanley sing.

CRESCENT. Mr. Frank DeGroot, a noted singer from New York, arrived by the Stephano and will open a limited engagement at the Crescent Picture Palace to-day. Mr. DeGroot has a powerful bass baritone voice and no doubt will have a most successful season at the popular Crescent. During last week the theatre has been painted and renovated from ceiling to floor and is now in first class condition. See the regular advertisement for particulars of to-day's classy picture programme.

ENTERTAINED CATHEDRAL CHOIR Yesterday after last mass, a custom which has prevailed for more than 40 years, was observed, when the members of the Cathedral Choir were entertained at the Palace. Mr. F. J. Morris, the senior member of the Choir, proposed the health of His Grace Archbishop Roche, to which Rt. Rev. Monsignor McDermott responded, and in the course of his remarks announced to all present that His Grace has been completely restored to health. The health of the Monsignor was proposed by Professor C. Hutton, organist, and heartily honoured, Monsignor McDermott making a happy response.

AT R. C. CHURCHES Large congregations attended the Easter services at the R. C. Cathedral yesterday. The High Altar had been beautifully decorated and at 11 o'clock mass High Mass was celebrated by Rt. Rev. Monsignor McDermott, assisted by Revs Drs Greene and Carter. A beautiful programme of music was rendered by the choir under Prof. C. Hutton.

At St. Patrick's at 10.30 a.m. yesterday High Mass was sung by Rev. H. Renouf, P.P., assisted by Revs Frs Pippy and Sheehan. A very fine programme of sacred music was rendered by the choir under the baton of Prof. P. J. McCarthy.

Mr. H. W. LeMessurier had a message yesterday saying that the schr. Hilda R. had harbored at Trepassy with a cargo of salt from Santa Polo. She is bound to Hr. Grace, consigned to McRae's.

'What Do You Know About This?'

Stephano's Officers Give New York Newspapermen a Few "Good Ones"—Newfoundland's Wealthiest Nurse off to the Firing Line "For the honor of my family the least I can do is to go abroad to act as a nurse. I have no brothers and my sisters are too young to do any thing to help others. My parents are dead; why should I not do my share in the great work?" So spoke Miss Elsie Doyle, who arrived here yesterday aboard the steamship Stephano, of the Red Cross Line from Newfoundland. Miss Doyle is said to be one of the wealthiest young women of Newfoundland. She is a niece of the late Hon. John Harris, president of the legislative council of Newfoundland. She is going to London to report at the Queen Alexandra's Imperial Hospital Service, and believes she will be assigned to duty on the firing line in France.

"At least, that is what I hope will be allotted to me," she said. "I was graduated from the King's County Hospital training school for nurses in 1914, and spent an entire year after that in active work at the hospital. So, you see I am well qualified to take care of the wounded. Besides, most of the soldiers from Newfoundland are fighting in France, and I am sure that those of them who are wounded would like to know that they are being nursed by one of their own country women. Nevertheless, I shall be only too happy to give all my heart to the work, no matter where I am ordered to go."

Other passengers aboard the Stephano told of the marital spirit which pervades Newfoundland and has resulted in her giving up for the war thousands of young men—the very flower of the nation. At St. John's they said, a submarine mesh net is spread across the harbor and no ship can come in or go out of the harbor without the raising of this net, like a drawbridge. A similar net has been placed at Halifax, Nova Scotia. At the latter place there are immense camps; and, said one of the officers of the Stephano, "last week 20,000 soldiers were sent to England from one of those camps. They were transported on board four steamships, the Olympic, the Adriatic, a Cunard line ship and one belonging to the Canadian Pacific line. Although 20,000 sounds big, they scarcely left a gap in the camp, so many soldiers are concentrated there."

The sealing season has been exceptionally prosperous. The Florizel, alone, a sister ship of the Stephano, brought in 52,000 seal skins. And others, smaller ships, did proportionately well, according to officers and passengers of the Stephano.

SOLDIERS' SHOOT FOR PRIZE Yesterday the volunteers had a shooting competition at the South Side Range, competing for the third prize put up by R. B. Job, Esq., given for the purpose of encouraging the men to reach the highest possible efficiency with the rifle. The men shot from a 200 yard range at the moving figure target, and considering the bad weather conditions prevailing, did good work. The winner was Pte. Angel who scored 14 out of a possible 20 points. Privates Hoddinott and Moore were the previous winners.

WILL SUPPORT HOSPITAL COTS Mr. D. M. Baird informs us that Burin and Grand Falls will each support an hospital cot each for the duration of the war. This should encourage others to do likewise.

ANOTHER NEWFOUNDLANDER WOUNDED. Pte. Walter J. Smith, who is with the 40th Battalion Canadian Volunteers in France, in a letter to his father, ex-Sergeant Smith, by last mail, states that he has been wounded in the head and leg, and is now in hospital in England, where he is getting on fine. Walter wishes his friends to know that he is doing his best, and will be off to the front again as soon as he is sufficiently revived.

OBITUARY MR. PATRICK P. REDMOND With expressions of sincere regret upon their lips many citizens, friends of Mr. Patk. J. Redmond of Carter's Hill, learned with surprise of his death, which occurred Saturday afternoon after a very brief illness. Mr. Redmond's passing resulted from an attack of heart trouble and neurasthenia. The deceased was well and favorably known all over the city and was a young man of kindly disposition and possessor of many gentlemanly traits. Mr. Redmond was a prominent member of the Cathedral Holy Name Society and was chief organizer of concerts and other features, which during the winter months were a source of pleasure to its members. For years Mr. Redmond worked with the firm of George Neal and was a favorite with his fellow employees. He leaves a wife and five children, two sons, one of whom is Master Evelyn Redmond of Steer Bros' grocery, a brother, Mr. Thos. Redmond of Pennocks, and several other relatives. The death of her husband is a sad blow to Mrs. Redmond, coming as it does, so suddenly, and only a couple of weeks after the demise of her brother, the late R. J. Costigan of Bell Island. To the bereaved family the Mail and Advocate extends its sincere condolence in their affliction.

LOCAL ITEMS

Mr. E. L. Garneau of Messrs Garneau, Ltd., of Quebec, is at present on a business visit to the city. Mr. P. H. Cowan who was on a business visit in Canada returned by the Stephano Saturday. Mr. J. P. Kielly, manager of the Nickel theatre, returned by the Stephano Saturday after a business visit to Canada and the States. Mr. and Mrs. E. Collishaw are now visiting friends in Nova Scotia and will be due here May 1st. They spent March and half of April at St. Augustine, Florida. Rev. Dr. Whelan, P. P. North River, who has been visiting New York and other parts of the United States, returned by the Stephano. One of Hr. Grace's oldest citizens, Mr. C. L. Kennedy, now over four score years, is very ill at the "Second City."

As some people have been enquiring about the schooner "Percy Roy," we are asked to say that she left Torre Vega not long since with a salt cargo for this port. We understand that the Port au Port Line Quarries will open shortly and that there will be a boom on there. They will want 400 men and the output of the quarries is expected to be very large. The funeral of the late Mr. W. B. Savin which took place yesterday afternoon was attended by large numbers of citizens. At the R. C. Cathedral Rev. Dr. Greene gave the final absolution and interment was at Bellevue cemetery.

Capt. John Lewis, in the banker Metamora, is doing very good work and keeping up his reputation as a successful banking master. He has 700 qts. fish for about a month's fishing, taken at the Rose Blanche grounds. The George Street Mission Band will hold an Easter service in the church basement this evening. Mrs. Story presiding. In the programme will be featured a scene in a Chinese hospital with a missionary doctor at work. Miss Bradbury of the College will speak and all are invited.

Mr. H. F. Shortis, our well-known able historian and literary man, will lecture on Wednesday night in St. Joseph's Hall, Holytown, on "Heroes of Newfoundland." It will be for the benefit of the church, of which Rev. Dr. Kitchen is the energetic pastor, and we bespeak for the lecture a large attendance.

Letters received in the city recently from people in Canada say that Rev. Father McCandlish, who for some time past had been seriously ill is now almost completely restored to health. Mr. McCandlish with Fathers McPhail, Brick and Holland of the Redemptorist Order, conducted a mission here some three years ago.

AT WESLEY CHURCH At 10 o'clock yesterday morning Mr. T. M. Gillingham addressed the United Classes of Wesley Church, taking as his subject: "The principles of Right which have actuated Great Britain to take part in the present war." A large gathering of men were present and all were glad to have the privilege of listening to such a splendid address as that delivered by Mr. Gillingham.

SCHOONER PUTS IN LEAKING. The schooner "Lita D. Young," which left here fish-laden for Alicante on Saturday, put into Bay Bulls Saturday afternoon leaking, and will likely have to come back here to be surveyed, and possibly docked for repairs.

At Cochrane Street Church

The services yesterday were bright and joyous as befitting the Easter Festival. The ladies of the congregation had decorated the platform with choice flowers. In the morning Rev. H. Royle preached, and in the evening the Pastor. Both sermons dealt with the great truth of the Resurrection and were listened to with close attention by the congregation which filled the auditorium on each occasion. The morning service was attended by the boys of the Regiment. The music by the Choir, appropriate to the Great Festival, was well rendered, while in the evening Miss Herler sang the solo "Hosanna," by Granier. Her beautiful voice never sounded to better advantage, her notes were clear and pure and she sang with very great expression. The congregation find the Sunday School auditorium to be very convenient and suitable for worship, but they are all longing to get into the new church, and it is hoped that the pews, which have now been on the way for nearly two months, may soon arrive.

St. John Ambulance Brigade Hospital Fund The Treasurer of the St. John Ambulance Association gratefully acknowledges the receipt of \$23.00 for the Red Cross Fund from the Donavista Methodist Church per Rev. Dr. Curtis and Mr. H. G. Milfin. St. John's, April 22, 1916. LEFT R. N. R. AND JOINED VOLUNTEERS. Ambrose Perks, son of the late Sgt. Perks, who was 16 months in the British Navy and made several trips on the now famous "Appam" to Africa, arrived here last week, having left the Naval Service. He, however, is loyal and patriotic, as well as a brave lad, and on Friday last donned the khaki, entering the volunteers. All honour to him. Ambrose is a C. C. C. boy.

"OURS" IN FIRING LINE A gentleman received a letter Saturday from Capt. Gus O'Brien of Ours saying that they were just moving to the French front when he was writing a hastily scribbled note. After a short while he will be sent back to London on business connected with the volunteers. Forty of the boys who were wounded at Gallipoli, volunteered—being fit—to go with the 96 which left Ayre on the 25th of March. All these are now in France waiting or possibly already into a scrap with the "Boches."

THE CABOT BACK, MISSING MEN GIVEN UP The S.S. Cabot returned to port Saturday without having found a trace of the brothers Scammell who were caught in a storm while sealing at Little Fogo Island a couple of weeks ago. The ship skirted the edge of the ice for several days but not a sign was visible of the men and all hope is now abandoned.

WHERE TO GET THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE The Mail and Advocate can now be had at the following stores:— Mayo's—Duckworth Street. Mrs. Gallivan—Duckworth St. East Mrs. Peckford—Foot Signal Hill Rd Mr. Gosse—Plymouth Road. Mrs. Kelly—King's Bridge Road. Mrs. Hayse—King's Bridge Road. Mrs. Brien—Colonial Street. James Whelan—Colonial Street. F. Fitzpatrick—Gower Street (top of Nunnery Hill). Mrs. Organ—Military Road. Mr. Parsons—Catherine Street. Mr. E. Parsons—Corner Hayward Avenue and McDougall Street. Mrs. Wadden—Pleasant Street. Mrs. Doughton—Fleming Street. Mr. Fitzpatrick—Field Street. Miss E. Lawlor—Head of Long's Hill. Mrs. Bulger—Head of Carter's Hill. M. A. Duffy—Cabot Street. M. J. James—Cooktown Road. Mr. Horwood—Barter's Hill. Popular Store—Casey Street. Mrs. Tobin—Casey Street. Mrs. Cummings—Head of Casey St. Mrs. Healey—Corner Water St. and Hutchings Street. Mrs. Fortune—Corner Water Street and Alexander Street. A. McCoubrey—(tinsmith) New Gower Street. Royal Tobacco Store, Water Street. Mrs. Joy—New Gower Street. Capt. Flett—Cor. Gower and Prescott streets. Mr. Ryan—Casey Street. Mrs. Collins—Foot Patrick Street Water Street West. Mrs. Keefe—Hamilton Street. P. J. Morgan—Pennywell Road. Chas. Truscott—New Gower Street. Miss Murphy—Water St. West.

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SHIPPING

The S.S. "Irthington" left Cadiz on the 20th inst. for this port with a cargo of salt to Bowring Bros. The schr. Violent Courteney arrived here from Santa Polo yesterday after a 28 days run to Geo. M. Barr, with a cargo of salt. The S.S. Fogota arrived here yesterday afternoon after a good run, coal laden to Crosbie & Co., from North Sydney. The S.S. Neptune sailed at 10 a.m. yesterday for New York with a full cargo of pale seal oil, shipped by Job Bros. & Co., and will likely bring a general freight back to this port. The S.S. Nevada, Capt. Willet, arrived here yesterday after a fair run from Louisburg with a full cargo of coal for the Reid Nfld Co. After discharging she will be docked for a survey and overhaul. The S.S. "Meigle" arrived at Louisburg at 5.30 a.m. to-day and did good work, having only left here Saturday evening. She met only a few strips of loose ice, and will make several trips until the freight congestion is relieved.

DIANA INCREASES CATCH Messrs. Jas. Baird, Ltd., had a message from Capt. D. Martin of the Diana Saturday night, saying that she had picked up 1,000 old seals. The weather, however, was reported stormy, making it difficult to secure the fat. The ship has now, roughly, 8,000 seals. TO OPEN THE B.D.V. LINE We learn from the Reid Nfld. Coy. to-day that a construction gang under foreman Edward Flynn went down over the Bay-de-Verde Branch this morning and will start to get the line ready for freight and passenger traffic. The Company hope to have trains running regularly over this line a week from now.

CHANGES IN SHIPPING The S.S. Fogota will take up the Prospero's route on the Northern Coast, sailing Wednesday forenoon. Her mate Captain Roberts will go skipper of the Susu, which leaves this evening, taking up the Fogo mail service. The Lady Sybil sails this evening for Halifax in command of Capt. Moore who has left the Fogota to join her. Capt. Dalton leaves the Lady Sybil to join the Fogota, his old ship.

MORE DIPHTHERIA Saturday a young woman, of Plymouth Road, and a girl, aged 5, of Fort Townsend, developed diphtheria, and both were sent to Hospital.

STILL BETTER GULF NEWS We learn from Bowring Bros. to-day that they had another message Saturday night from the Viking saying that she had struck another patch of old harps. The Diana was in sight and it looks as if both ships will secure good fares if not full trips as they can hunt until the 30th inst. The weather was very foggy when the ship struck the seals.

LECTURE

Under the auspices of Atlantic Lodge, No. 1, I.O.O.F., ON— Wednesday, April 26th at 8.15 p.m. Lecturer: REVD. EDGAR JONES, Ph.D. Subject: "Is the World Growing Better?" Pianoforte Solo: H. Gordon Christian, A.R.A.N. Solos: Messrs. H. Courtney and C. Trappell. Tickets on sale at the door or from any Oddfellow.—ap24.3i

St. John's Municipal Board Notice to Ratepayers The Collectors will call at the following localities this week:— EAST END Monday, 24th—Holloway and Flavin Streets, King's Road and Nunnery Hill. Tuesday, 25th—Colonial, Bannerman, Cummins', Wood and York Streets. Wednesday, 26th—Dicks' and Allan Squares, Livingstone and Balsam Streets, Long's Hill and Harvey Road. Thursday, 27th—Military and Renne's Rds, Knight's St., Stuart's Ave., College Square and Carver Street. Friday, 28th—Catherine, McDougall, Maxse Streets and Hayward Avenue. Saturday, 29th—Barnes', Allendale and Circular Roads. WEST END Monday, 24th—LeMarchant Road, Gear and Boncloddy Streets. Tuesday, 25th—Brazil's Square, McFarlane St., Central St. Wednesday, 26th—Flower Hill, Clifford St., Monroe St. Thursday, 27th—Casey St., Gilbert St., Charlton St. Friday, 28th—Cabot St., Murray Street, Young St. Saturday, 29th—Power St., Brine St., Plank Road, Job Street and Hutchings' Street. JNO. L. SLATTERY, Secy.-Treas. ap24.1i

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