

The Mailman Was Missing.

Search Parties Sought For Him.

John Murphy who carries the mails between Renew and Chance Cove, put out Saturday morning with his slide and dog team to go to meet the Trepassey courier, Mr. Kennedy, at the latter place. They met, exchanged the mails, had a "mug up" together and Murphy set out to come down to Broad Cove at 11:30 a.m. Saturday. The snow storm which was very violent in that section began about an hour after Murphy had left, and as the man did not show up at Broad Cove Saturday night the people of the place became very uneasy about him, and at 5 a.m. Sunday a search party set out to look for him. The road which the man usually takes was traversed by the searchers and they located the hut used by the mailman and travellers, but as there was no sign of the missing man one of their number was sent back to Broad Cove to report and ask all in the place to take up the quest. At noon Monday another gang set out and spent all day and the better part of the night on the road seeking the lost man. At 5 p.m. Sunday, Murphy, wet, weary, generally used up and famished with the hunger, staggered into Broad Cove much to the surprise and greatly to the relief of the few men left in the settlement. The man said that he lost his way in the storm 4 miles after leaving Chance Cove and wandered unwittingly in towards the country and travelled all day until late at night when he sank exhausted in the woods where there was comparative shelter from the elements. He determined to remain until dawn, and exhibited sense as well as prudence in doing so. He had not the remotest idea then of his position. Had Sunday been frosty he must have perished as his clothes were saturated with the heavy snow which melted on him. He had not a morsel of food with him nor had he matches to light a fire if such were possible. As it was but that he lay with his dogs huddled about him he must have perished from the cold N.E. wind during the long hours of Saturday night and Sunday morning. Shortly after daylight Sunday he left the woods and only after several hours tramping through the deep drifts did he discover his whereabouts and take the proper course for home. The peculiar feature of the accident was that when he was nearing civilization he found that he was only about a mile from Chance Cove from which place he started on the previous morning. The search parties out found his tracks and did not get back to Broad Cove till 10 o'clock Sunday night. All were used up after their long and arduous tramp. They were delighted to find Murphy home before them. Murphy carried a gun with him and when he did not turn up Saturday night many feared that he

A TROUBLE MAKER

Tea and Coffee Poison Breeds Variety of Ills.

A California woman who didn't know for twenty years what kept her ill, writes to tell how she won back her health by quitting coffee. (Tea contains caffeine—the same drug found in coffee).

"I am 54 years old," she says, "have used coffee all my life and for 20 years suffered from indigestion and insomnia. Life was a burden and a drag to me all the time, and about once a year my ailments got so hold upon me that I was regularly 'sick in bed' for several weeks each time."

"I was reluctant to conclude that coffee was the cause of my trouble, but I am thankful that I found out the truth."

"Then I determined to use Postum exclusively—for a week at first—for I doubted my ability to do without coffee for any length of time. I made the Postum carefully, as directed, and before the week expired had my reward in a perceptible increase in strength and spirits."

"Seeing the good that my short experiment had accomplished, I resolved to continue the use of Postum, cutting out the coffee entirely. This I did for nine months, finding, daily, increased cause for gratification at my steadily improving health. My indigestion gradually left me, my sleep returned, I gained 26 pounds in weight, my color changed from sallow to a fresh, rosy hue and life became a blessing."

"Then I thought I would try coffee again, and did so for a few weeks. The punishment for deserting my good friend, Postum, was a return of my old troubles."

"That taught me wisdom, and I am now and shall be all my life hereafter using Postum exclusively and enjoying the benefits it brings me." Name given by Canadian Postum Co., Windsor, Ont.

"There's a reason," and it is explained in the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in plain English."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

had accidentally shot himself. Had the weather been frosty with the snow storm which raged, Murphy stated that he would certainly have perished from cold and hunger.

Something New in Naval Scares.

German Claims to Have Invented Engine Which Will Make All Navies Obsolete.

London, Feb. 6.—The British Admiralty has received news from a reliable source that a type of internal combustion engine has been brought well toward completion by German engineers, which, if it fulfills the expectations of its designers, should give the German navy an advantage in its race for supremacy against the British, and against all other navies of the world.

A prominent engineer, who has learned of the main details of this engine, which its designers have endeavored to keep secret, said yesterday:

"I can conceive that a vessel may be designed, using these engines, which would make the latest 'Dreadnought' obsolete, and it would look as if the revolution was imminent. For such a vessel, the radius of steaming might be multiplied by three or four, or the thickness of armor it could carry greatly increased, or the vulnerability much diminished."

In one of the principal works in Germany a marine plant has been completed, after exhaustive studies and expensive experiments by a most able and confidential staff, which can be destined only for the use of the navy. It is of 18,000 horse-power, consisting of three engines of 6,000 horse-power each; one to each propeller. Each engine has three cylinders producing 2,000 horse-power each, the cylinders being double-acting, the explosion occurring on both sides of the pistons.

The incorporation of such an installation in a warship means the abolition of boilers and smokestacks, also the saving of the space occupied by funnels, as the engines would require less than one-half pound of oil per horse-power hour, which would mean one hundred tons of oil per 24 hours for full power, full speed. Any kind of crude or refined oil may be used.

The original Diesel engine was invented some years ago and the basic patents have expired, but during the past three or four years a great revolution has been in progress in perfecting the reliability, performance of duty and economy of the type. The principal problems have been to secure perfect combustion, to enlarge the cylinder units, to solve the problem of having the explosion transpire on both sides of the piston.

Germany has led in the study and evolution of this engine, and is far in advance of other countries. The internal details of such an engine are easily kept secret, and the perfection of a successful counter design by any other nation would necessarily require a long period of experiments. It appears to the scientific men who know of this work by the German engineers that the German navy may have a profound advantage over its rivals in this engine, which apparently is nearly ready for use. No other navy, it is believed, has advanced nearly so far in work upon internal combustion engines.

New Ships Leave

The S. S. Erna, Baine Johnston's new sealing steamer, is expected to leave Glasgow for this port to-day.

The Lloydens, Mr. Tasker Cook's new ship, which was in collision off that port and received some repairs, should also leave Grangemouth for this port to-day. Both are fine ships; the Erna which was formerly the Prinz Hendrick, being larger than the Florizel. The Lloydens is a ship of about 700 tons and is well built and very strong.

Steamer Off Ferryland.

At 3 p.m. yesterday the station at Ferryland reported a steamer off that place. Her name could not be ascertained and it might have been the Almeriana which left Halifax Saturday morning. It was also thought that it might be the Tabasco which bore away south from Cape Spear yesterday morning. It was thick and the signals of the ship could not be made out.

C.E.T.S.

The regular meeting of the C. E. T. S. Catholic Branch was held last night when 15 members were initiated and 9 others were proposed for membership. Rev. Jas. K. Bell in referring to his approaching departure from St. John's gave a history of the temperance work during the past 5 years, and the Secretary in a short but eloquent speech tendered on behalf of the Society the regret of the members over Mr. Bell's resignation. The meeting concluded with the Benediction.



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What Followed a Scratch.

Mrs. Brown, 7 Calumet Ave., Montreal, says: "While busy in the kitchen one day the oven door fell off, striking my right leg and inflicting a nasty scratch. While this was painful, I never took it as it would become a serious wound, but to my surprise it became very much inflamed and very painful. I found that the dye from my stocking had got to it and poisoned it. The pain and swelling got worse and the wound discharged freely. At this stage someone advised me to try Zam-Buk and I obtained a supply. This balm seemed to draw out the soreness at once, reduced the inflammation and soothed the wound. I naturally persevere with Zam-Buk and within a few weeks the wound was quite healed."

Eczema Banished.

To be covered with sores which sometimes itch and burn and then, when rubbed, can excite agony—sores which look repulsive as well as cause pain—is a disease which has defied all remedies that have been applied to them—what could be worse? Yet this is the lot of scores of people today who suffer from the terrible disease, Eczema. To all such sufferers we will send trial box of Zam-Buk free! Write us, sending 10 stamp to pay return postage.

Use as a Household Balm.

Mrs. W. Blair, 91 St. Catharines St., Hamilton, speaks of the value of Zam-Buk as a household balm. She says: "I one day slipped and fell against a Morris rocker, knocking my knee very badly. The knee turned black and blue and was very painful. I rubbed Zam-Buk well into the injured member and it was indeed surprising how quickly I found relief. The swelling was soon reduced and pain and discoloration banished. By perseverance with Zam-Buk my injured knee was well again in a couple of days."

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Ravages of the Plague.

The black death! If ever any two words have served to set terror stalking abroad in England they have been these, the graphic title of a dread pestilence. The word 'plague' has somehow come to be identified almost solely with the great plague of 1665, possibly by reason of the many records and histories of that particular visitation, says the London Express. Yet for hundreds of years the plague paid England periodical visits—coming from no one knew where. For a century, perhaps, the country would go free. The plague might be heard of in other countries, now in the East, now threatening so near as Amsterdam. And then, when the people had come to feel safe, suddenly there would come the pestilence, striking down its thousands.

Of the first visitation of the black death in 1348 many terrible things are related. It broke out in Dorsetshire in August of that year. From there it moved on to Bristol and Gloucestershire. Then it made a sudden appearance in Oxfordshire. From there the infection was carried to London, and, while that city was busy with the burying of its dead, the black death was sweeping its way almost over the entire country. It is curious to note in connection with the recent outbreak in Suffolk that it was the eastern counties which, after London, suffered most severely from the visitation. The parsons of more than eight hundred parishes in East Anglia were counted among the victims, and in some cases these clergy had to be replaced not once, but two or three times. Nineteen of the religious houses in Norfolk and Suffolk lost their abbots and priors.

Appalling as these figures may be, they are no nothing to the toll taken by the black death from the inhabitants of London. Details of that time of terror are sparse enough, but such records as exist tell a grim story. Stow, in his 'Chronicle,' says that the pestilence 'so wasted the people that scarce the tenth person of all sorts was left alive, and churchyards were not sufficient to receive the dead.' Still more startling figures were set down by the same chronicler, and he states that more than fifty thousand bodies were buried in one piece of ground, bought for the purpose by one Sir Walter Manny, in Spittle Croft, now known as the Charterhouse.

The number, no doubt was exaggerated. Indeed, such a death roll would almost have depopulated London; but it is likely enough that one-third of the population of the whole country were carried off by the pestilence. After that first visit four more outbreaks of plague swelled the tables of mortality during the fourteenth century. Between 1430 and 1440 it came again four times, and there were two or three more epidemics before the great plague of 1665.

With these recurring visitations some measures of precaution came into use. In its earlier stages the plague probably had much of its own way. Such records as exist portray little but a prevalent state of panic; and the chronicles reveal nothing of any attempt to stem the pestilence. It was not until 1543 that there is any evidence of an organized attempt to prevent the spreading of infection. The first plague order was issued in that year, among other things a forty days' quarantine for any house where there was a case of plague. Those of independent means should keep within doors for one month after recovery from plague. Others who could not live without their daily labor should refrain as much as possible from going abroad, and for forty days, when out and abroad, had to carry a white wand, two feet long, in their hands.

Even in those early days the possibility of infection from animals was realized, although there is no evidence of any campaign against rats. It was against domestic animals that precautions were directed most severely, and dogs evidently were regarded as a source of danger. One part of the plague order runs: 'That all persons having any dogs in their house, other than hounds, spaniels or mastiffs, necessary for the custody of safe keeping of their homes, should forthwith convey them out of the city or cause them to be killed and carried out of the city and buried at the common laystall.'

Through all the visits of the pestilence dogs were the objects of special attention. Right up to the last dog clause was found in the plague orders, and by an order of 1563 cats also seem to have come under suspicion. While some of the pestilences spread all over the country, others were confined almost entirely to London. From the latter, the Londoners, if he had the means, might attempt to escape—if he were allowed. Certain of the authorities had no idea of spreading the plague any further than London, and for one, would not allow any emigration from the country.

At the time of the plague of 1563 galleys was set up in the market place of Windsor to hang all such as should come there from London, or even through the town; any one who tried to bring goods by river did so upon pain of hanging without such goods were turned out and their houses shut up.

Thus it will be seen that those afflicted simply had to stay shut up within doors to die or get well, as fortune served them. Ever war those who could afford it there was little in the way of medical attention to be had.

There were the pest houses, certainly, and there evidently surgeons and physicians did their best for the victims. One of these, William King, surgeon to the pest house, is heard of as petitioning for a pension in 1611, on account of 'his great care and diligence in curing such persons as have been sent thither.' Because he had been working there none of his former patients would employ him, and he can scarcely have been recompensed properly for the loss of his practice by a grant of £3 per annum.

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Unusual Honour.

American Receives Medal Never Before Bestowed Out of Britain.

Boston, Feb. 9.—Recognized as one of the leading horticulturists of the world, E. H. Wilson, of the Arnold Arboretum in this city, has been awarded the Victoria medal of honor, a decoration never before conferred on any one outside the British Isles. Mr. Wilson has just been notified by the Royal Horticultural Society of Great Britain that because of his distinguished services to horticulture he has been awarded the medal. Of this highest trophy in horticulture only sixty are given. At the death of any holder the trophy is given to the one who is deemed most worthy. Mr. Wilson's most notable work was the spending of seven years in the interior of China seeking new varieties of useful and ornamental plants for introduction into this country and England.

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IN MEMORIAM.

MARGARET McDONALD.

On February the 9th death visited the home of Michael McDonald, North Side, Salmonier, and claimed as its victim his beloved wife, Margaret, daughter of Maurice and Catherine Daley, South Side, Salmonier. Only two years ago "Maggie" returned from Boston, where she had lived for six years. It can easily be understood the pleasure it afforded her parents and brothers to have her with them again; but her stay amongst them was a short one. Just one year ago she entered her home a welcomed and happy bride. Her sole aim was to make her home as attractive as possible for her husband, but just as their happiness seemed complete by the birth of a little son, "Maggie's" health failed her. The anxiety of her parents and brothers for the recovery of their idolized daughter and sister was indeed sufficient to incite pity in the hearts of many. All that day and her husband's relatives could do to procure relief for her, both physical and spiritual, was done. The nearest doctor lived about 23 miles away, and twice did those anxious brothers, aided by friends who were ever ready to respond to a call for assistance, walk that distance in order to acquit the doctor of the need of his speedy arrival, each time endangering their own health, as the roads at that time were in such a condition from the heavy falls of snow as to render them almost impassable for either man or horses. After much difficulty the doctor arrived, and for nine days the young mother's life hung in the balance. What days for those anxious ones at home, tortured by suspense; but unavailable were all their efforts, for on the ninth day she passed peacefully away surrounded by her friends. On Monday, the 11th, her remains were taken from her home and conveyed to the church on the south side, where the funeral service was performed by Rev. F. O'Flaherty, who also spoke a few consoling words to her sorrowing relatives. As the body was slowly carried from the church the organ pealed forth in low, sad strains. "Nearer my God to Thee," a favourite hymn of her who just then was about to be laid in her last resting place, where the earth closed over her, hiding forever from sight all that was mortal of a loving wife, a cherished daughter and idolized sister. She leaves to mourn her an aged father and mother, five brothers and one sister, Minnie, who is married in Placentia; and her husband. Her death so unexpectedly was a cruel blow to her aged mother, who is in a delicate state of health and almost unable to bear up under such a shock. One and all of her sorrowing friends have the sympathy of the people. We hope, too, that the prayers and Masses which were offered for her recovery are now the means of obtaining for her a speedy entrance to "that life beyond the tomb" where care and sorrow are unknown.

St. Joseph's, Feb. 11th, 1912.

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