

OUR THEATRES

AT THE CRESCENT
'The Test of Chivalry' is the headliner at the Crescent Picture Palace to-day; this great feature is produced in three reels by the Selig Company and features Vivian Reed and James Bradbury.

ROSSLEY'S BRITISH THEATRE.
There is some very fine pictures shown at the Rossley's British Theatre. The Moth and the Star being a great feature by the Kalem players.

POLICE COURT NEWS.

Mr. Hutchings, K.C. presided in the Magistrate's Court to-day. No less than ten offenders occupied the sinner's seat, all of whom had quaffed too deeply of the cup that inebriates.

SCT. NOONAN GETTING BETTER.

Sgt. Noonan, who arrived in the city yesterday from Bell Island, left to-day on a visit to Placentia. He is a veteran of Gallipoli and France, and suffering from dysentery and frostbite while on service, was placed in hospital, where he was several months.

C. W. A. XMAS TREE

The Cathedral Women's Association will hold a Christmas Tree and Sale of Work in the British Hall this afternoon and to-night. Some splendid presents will adorn the tree, all of which will sell at 20 cents each.

GOOD VALUE SMOKING TOBACCO 15c. per Cut M. A. DUFFY, Sole Agent.

The W. P. A.

Twillingate—31 pairs socks, 1 pair mitts, old material. Belleoram—27 pairs socks. Curling—19th shipment—13 pairs socks, 7 shirts.

ANNE H. HAYWARD, Convener of Packing and Shipping Committee.

GAME SCARCE WEST.

The S.S. Portia last night brought a shipment of five carcasses of venison from Puntthrough. The people up the S.W. Coast say that game of all kinds is very scarce, especially rabbits, partridge and caribou, very little of which can be found on the best grounds.

LARGELY ATTENDED FUNERAL

The funeral of the late Miss Hannah Bennett, daughter of Mr. M. Bennett, of Water Street West, who died after a short illness Saturday, took place yesterday afternoon from her late residence, Water St. West, was largely attended.

THE PORTIA HERE.

The S.S. Portia, Capt. Joe Kean, arrived here from the Westward last night at 9.30. The ship on the Western run had blustery weather and head winds with high sea often, though every port of call was made up to Bonne Bay and return.

C.C.C. BAND WILL PERFORM.

At midnight Mass on Christmas Eve in the Cathedral the band of the Catholic Cadet Corps will render the "Gloria." The members are now busily practicing this beautiful composition.

LOCAL ITEMS

A boy, 8 years old, was sent to Hospital to-day ill of diphtheria.

Yesterday a young woman residing at Duckworth Street was sent to hospital ill of diphtheria.

The stores were open last night from 6 till 9 a.m. and as the weather was fine, good business was done. They will remain open till the 30th of the month.

The volunteers yesterday went for a route march under Capt. O'Grady, going to Nagle's Hill and Quidi Vidi and covering 12 miles in good time. They had drill in the armoury later.

Population: Berlin and Vienna on Verge of Starvation

A business man of this city, as recently as Friday last, heard from a Swiss German friend who had been to Berlin. The letter is dated Nov. 5th from a place called Oiten, a Swiss town on the Aaz, 23 miles S. E. of Basel, with a population of about 7,000, and about 25 miles by rail from the German frontier.

Information from a source of this kind makes it evident that shortage of food throughout the German Empire and Austria-Hungary may eventually become the deciding factor in the world struggle for peace.

Berlin.

A magnificent city, the capital of Prussia, and since 1871, of the German Empire, and the third largest city of Europe. By rail it is 177 miles S.E. of Hamburg, whilst from London it can be reached in 25 hours.

Vienna.

The capital of the Austrian Empire with a population of a little over 2,000,000, and the whole of Austria 29,000,000; in addition we have to add the population of the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy of 21,000,000.

Here we have a combined total of 115,000,000 human souls on the verge of starvation. What can save these tottering Empires from destruction? Would a revolution save the remnants of a once glorious Empire? Would the military-German bayonet prove a revolution and frighten the populace from turning the whole Empire into a Republic. Will it come?

Why suffer things to reach so averse. It always has been so. And only now does knowledge grow. To that high point where all men know—Who would be free would strike the blow.

And how long will men suffer so. Until his soul of freedom stings. And, strengthened by his sufferings, He breaks the worn-out leading strings.

And calls to strike reckonings, Those cosiest things—unworthy kings.

Who are the workers of war? The kings of the earth.

And who are the kings of the earth. Only men—not always even men of worth. But claiming rule by right of birth.

MOVEMENTS OF SHIPPING

Mr. LeMessurier, C.M.G., had the following messages to-day: The schr. Gossip and American vessel Rex arrived at Bonne Bay to load herring for Gloucester.

The schr. Maud Thornhill arrived at Grand Bank with general cargo from Boston.

The F. M. Toro left Berlin for Oporto with 3,416 qts codfish.

The Harry W. Adams left Berlin for Coruna with 3,350 qts codfish.

The Belinda Tibbo arrived at Grand Bank from P. E. I. with a load of produce.

Last Night's "At Home"

The members of the Kirk held an "At Home" last night in the Presbyterian Hall. Mr. J. C. Hepburn filled the duties of Chairman. Addressing the audience he stated that the object of the gathering was to extend a hearty welcome to Rev. and Mrs. Dickie, following the formal induction of Friday night.

SHIPPING

The Prospero left Fogo bound South at 10.45 a.m. yesterday.

The Portia sails West Thursday morning with a full freight.

The Ingraham with the schr. Gladys in tow arrived from Fermeuse last night.

The Neptune left Sydney at 6 p.m. yesterday with a full freight for the Red Nfld. Co.

The schr. Emanuel of Denmark which arrived from Iceland Sunday will load at Baine Johnson & Co.'s for Europe.

The Portia reports that when at Bonne Bay last week herrings were plentiful but very stormy weather prevailed and the fishermen could not haul their nets.

The S.S. Erik arrived from Halifax this morning with a general cargo to James Baird, Ltd. She made a good run down and is discharging her freight at Shea and Co.

The Portia reports that generally on the S.W. Coast codfish is scarce except at Channel and one or two other places. Owing to stormy weather the fishermen cannot do much.

The schr. "Gladys S." which was brought here yesterday by the tug Ingraham from Fermeuse, where she had been ashore, is pretty badly battered. She has lost her keel and must be docked for repairs.

NEW CUSTOMS DETECTIVE

Rumour has it to-day that Const. Patk. O'Neill, who for some time had been on the Detective Staff of the Police Force and who recently has been doing special duty, will be given the position of Customs Detective, recently made vacant by the death of the late W. K. Morrissey, Const. O'Neill is a very eligible man for this service and we think the appointment would satisfy the public. At present Const. O'Neill is acting on this capacity.

A CRIMINAL ASSAULT.

Last night the police arrested a Volunteer named James Lannon, who is charged with indecent assault committed on a boy at the Seaman's Institute. The details of the case are of a character which, of course, must preclude publication. The man appeared before Mr. Hutchings, K.C., J. P. in Court to-day, and the hearing of the case was postponed until to-morrow.

American Marines Have Brush With Natives

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—In an encounter between American marines and natives at Marceir, San Domingo, on Nov. 29, a number were wounded on both sides. The affairs were reported to the Navy Department to-day by Capt. Knapp, commanding the forces at Hah and San Domingo. The despatch said no Americans were killed and that only a few marines were injured. It did not indicate the number of the native losses. The fight occurred while the American forces were investing Maceris, disarming the natives and establishing themselves in accordance with the military rule recently proclaimed.

The Reconstruction Of the Cabinet

LONDON, Dec. 4.—Premier Asquith announced in the House of Commons this afternoon that King George had approved of reconstruction of the government. Mr. Asquith suggested that after to-day's business had been concluded the House would adjourn until Thursday. Premier Asquith stated the reconstruction of the government involved no departure in any shape or form of the policy pursued since the beginning of the war. He did not deny that the resignations of all ministers were in his hands.

Britain and Greece

LONDON, Dec. 4.—In the House of Commons to-day Lord Robert Cecil said the British government considered King Constantine and his government to have been involved in the event at Athens and that the British government, in conjunction with its Allies, would take immediate steps to bring about a radical solution of the question which had arisen.

C. E. T. S.

A public meeting of the above society was held last night, at which Canon Field occupied the chair, a large number of members and friends being present. After a brief opening address by the chairman, the following programme was performed: Mandolin selection, Mr. Thomas; song, Miss Jones; song, Mr. Seymour; song, Miss Ellis; recitation, Miss Quick; song, Rev. Mr. Moulton; reading, Mr. MacDonald; song, Mr. Edwards; addresses, Mr. MacDonald, who spoke of "Some chairmen of the C.E.T.S. I have known," and Rev. Dr. Jones (who had just come in from the Presbyterian Hall where he had been representing the Bishop at the reception of Rev. Mr. Dickie) who gave a rousing speech on "How to make the C.E.T.S. more interesting." The meeting was from every point of view a success, and is a grand augury of a new lease of life in the society, under the energetic chairmanship of Canon Field.

TEA AND CONCERT.

To-night at St. Patrick's Hall a tea followed by a smoking concert will be given by the Daughters of Empire to the returned soldiers and sailors. It will open at 8.15 and a number of the B. I. S. members will take part, as well as the soldiers. A pleasant evening is assured all and all soldiers and sailors who have been on active service will be welcome.

DEATHS.

HOLLAHAN.—Killed in action "Somewhere in France," July 1st, Private Joseph Hollahan, South Side, son of Samuel and Julia Hollahan. Left here with Company E and was a Gallipoli veteran. Leaves to mourn a wife and one son, also a father, mother and four brothers. One in the R.N.R. and two sisters living in Montreal. Private Hollahan was a brother-in-law of the late 2nd Lieut. S. J. Ebsary, and Private F. E. Ebsary, who died in Cairo, September 23rd, 1915.

HEARN.—This morning, after a tedious illness, John Hearn, aged 77 years. Funeral on Thursday at 2.30 p.m. from his late residence, 124 Duckworth St. Friends will please accept this, the only intimation.—R.I.P.

NOTICE

A MEETING will be held in the Board of Trade Rooms, at 11 a.m. to-morrow, Wednesday, which will be addressed by Major Green, on the subject of Fresh Fish Exportation. All members and their friends are specially requested to attend.

ARRESTED FOR THEFT.

At 7.30 p.m. yesterday Detective Tobin arrested a young man named Alexander Thompson, charged with the larceny of a quantity of codfish the property of John Delgado, a Spanish gentleman, now here purchasing cod, and the larceny of two suits of boys' clothes, the property of Lewis Burton, valued at \$10, which he stole from the owner's craft. The clothes were recovered by the police. The accused pleaded guilty, and was sentenced by Mr. Hutchings, K.C., to 3 months imprisonment.

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OBITUARY

MR. JOHN HEARN.

The death of Mr. John Hearn, the well-known wine and spirit dealer, occurred at his residence at 2 a.m. to-day. Mr. Hearn had been unwell for some time past but was able to be about and only a couple of days ago was obliged to keep to his room. Mr. Hearn was a man well and favourably known in the community, was a tailor by trade but for many years was engaged in the cod and seal fisheries, before he went into business on Duckworth Street. A widow and one son, Mr. Wm. Hearn, are left to mourn the deceased, and to them the Mail and Advocate extends its sympathy.

ANOTHER DROWNING ACCIDENT.

Mr. Lemessurier of the Customs was to-day in receipt of the following telegram:—

"A drowning accident occurred at Humbermouth. Two men, John Gillet and John Mosher, left home to go hunting Monday morning. During the day they separated looking for caribou. As Mosher failed to arrive at the appointed place Gillet went in search of him and found his tracks tracing him to a pond. Here he discovered that Mosher had attempted to cross the pond and Gillet found the hole in the ice through which apparently Mosher disappeared. A search party has gone to the scene of the tragedy to attempt to secure the body."

DEATHS.

The schooner Bella Franklin, Captain Hynes, arrived at 3 p.m. yesterday after a quick run of 9 1/2 hours from Catalina. The captain reports Union matters flourishing at his home town. He will load freight for Port Rexton and Catalina Union Stores.

V. C. and British Colonel

Dark, Mixed IS GREAT.

TRY IT

At the Royal Cigar Store, Bank Square, Water Street.

NOTICE—Councils in the District of Bay-de-Verde

who have not yet paid their Assessments for 1916 and 1917 to the Bay-de-Verde District Council please do so by forwarding same to WILLIAM BURSEY, District Treasurer, Caplin Cove, B.D.V.—daily, dec4,3i; wkly, dec16,1i

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