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## Large Church Parade Yesterday

C.L.B.C. AND GIRL GUIDES WITH C.M.B.C. ATTEND SERVICE IN THE CATHEDRAL.

Yesterday's church parade of the 1st Nfld. Regt. Church Lads' Brigade and the Girl Guides was held at 3 p.m. at the Anglican Cathedral. The strength was 400 all ranks. Lt. Col. Walter F. Rendell, C.B.E., was in command. Major Herbert Outerbridge, M.B.E., Brigade Major G. R. Williams, Capt. Stick, Adj. with a full staff were on duty. The Battalion Band under Lieut. E. Vavasour and the Bugle Band under Sergt. Major Bursell gave splendid music. No. 1 Co. Girl Guides of Spencer College was present under their new O.C., Capt. Thomas, the new physical culture specialist at the College and a very worthy successor of their former officer, Capt. Elwyn Nash. We noticed this Company has one new Lieut., Miss Esther Carnell, who is worthily carrying on the splendid record of Spencer Company. We congratulate Capt. Thomas and Lieuts. Jean Hutchings and E. Carnell on the splendid appearance of the College Company. The Girls' Friendly Companies were under command of their former officers, Misses Carter and Allard. The Guides all marched well like the Guards on parade, and even when it rained on the return march to the Armory Headquarters not a Girl Guide faltered or worried about their new hats being spoiled by the showers. The more it rained the steeper they marched!

The Cathedral Men's Bible Class and Sunday School children were also present at the service. The congregation very much appreciated the services of acting Organist, Augustus Stafford and the full Choir. The clergymen present were: Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Nfld., Regimental Chaplain, Rev. J. Brinton, Battalion Chaplain, Rev. and Capt. H. Leslie Pike with the Rector, Rev. Canon Jeeves, M.A., C.F. The Rector preached from the text Chap. 4th V. Micah, "For I brought thee up out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed thee out of the house of servants, and I sent before thee Moses and Miriam." The preacher stressed the point of loyalty and service to the great leaders, and exhorted his listeners to maintain the sentiments expressed by that popular hymn "Fight the Good Fight." At the close of the service the Band played the National Anthem and the Benediction was given by his Lordship Bishop White. The parade marched back to Headquarters in a downpour of rain, but not a Guide or a lad winced although the rain was seeping through here and there to the skin. We congratulate

Lt. Col. Rendell and the Girl Guide officers on the excellent discipline under adverse circumstances. The C.L.B.-C.C.C. Band Concert to be held Monday in the Armory will now take place Friday instead, and the entire proceeds that evening will be devoted to the C.L.B. All friends and supporters are asked to patronize Friday evening's musical treat as the programme will be an extra choice one.

The Brigade Executive will probably meet this week to consider whether it is feasible to continue the broadcasting by Radio of the popular Band Concerts given last spring. If Radio fans would like to have the C.L.B. Band broadcast their music, will they be good enough to write or phone Lt. Col. Walter Rendell promptly, so that the O.C. will know whether the public wish the Band to go on the air or otherwise regularly. The regular meeting of the Officers Mess will probably take place this week to discuss routine matters and the general welfare.

## "The Bat"

CASINO THEATRE TO-NIGHT.

The Harkins' Players will present the famous play "The Bat" at the Casino Theatre to-night. This is the last week of the Harkins' Players engagement in St. John's, and it is to be hoped full houses will greet them at each performance.

"It certainly is one great show." That is the way the famous critic of Life summed up his impressions after witnessing a performance of "The Bat," the tremendously successful dramatic play by Mary Roberts Rinehart and Avery Hopwood. After all has been said and done about "The Bat," Life's critic surely has offered one of the best descriptions that could possibly be given of the play.

"The Bat" is primarily a mystery story. As such, it is unquestionably in a class by itself. In fact, scores of critics have unhesitatingly called it the greatest mystery play ever produced. But there is real drama and there is comedy in "The Bat." In fact, there is quite as many laughs as thrills during the play and as entertainment, pure and simple, it is 100 per cent. plus.

The story of "The Bat" never has been told and never will be if the wishes of authors and managers are respected. The first announcements of the production of "The Bat" as well as the first words which catch the eye when the audience opens its programmes are a request that the story not be told. And thus far, although the play has been seen by more than one million persons, it is doubtful if one has ever broken the confidence imposed.

Suffice to say, the story of "The Bat" is well worth while. It must be. No play in years has had quite the success of this play. Seats now on sale at F. V. Chesman's, Water Street.



The little gray donkey gave a bray as he kicked up his heels at break of day. Then off he trotted, pulling the gig with the Old Red Rooster and Peter Pig.

On and on he trotted, soon leaving in the distance the little bungalow of Aunt Hen. Mr. Merry Sun was climbing up the Big Blue Sky, the birds were twittering in the trees, and Billy Breeze was singing a soft tune in the meadow grasses.

By and by, as they rattled through Chickentown, Peter Pig remarked, "How early does Mr. Lucky Lethind-foot get up?"

"When I crow under his window," answered the Old Red Rooster.

"I have no watch to tell the time I only sing my morning rhyme under his window every morn to tell him another day is born."

"Ha, ha," laughed Peter Pig, "you're a regular feathered alarm clock." Then, clicking his tongue against his teeth, he urged on his donkey. Down the hill they rattled, then across the bridge between Bunybridge and Rabbitville, and before very long they reached Lettuce Avenue. It was yet too early for the kind Policeman Doc to be on his beat, although, if he had, he never would have handed Peter Pig a ticket for speeding. Dear me, no. The little donkey was too slow. Nevertheless, in a short time the old creaky cart turned into Uncle Lucky's yard. Out hopped the Old Red Rooster and strutting over the lawn, he stood beneath dear old bunny's window.

"Cock-a-doodle-doodle-doo!" The grass is wet with sparkling dew. Dear Uncle Lucky, please awake And eat your breakfast buckwheat cake."

"Is that you, Old Red Rooster?" laughed the nice old gentleman rabbit, looking out of his window. "Glad you came back so early. I'll be down in a minute or three, in that Peter Pig standing under the tree!"

"Yes, that's me," answered Peter Pig, although he should have said, "It is I." But never mind, Little Reader. Had he stopped to think maybe he would have answered correctly.

In a few minutes dear Uncle Lucky was dressed and out on the lawn to hear what had happened to the Old Red Rooster.

"Well, I must be going," said Peter Pig. "Mrs. Pig will be wondering why I don't come home, although I telephoned her that Aunt Hen had asked me to spend the night in Chickentown."



"Is that you, Old Red Rooster?" laughed the nice old gentleman rabbit, looking out of his window.

So off he drove, singing in a high, squeaky voice:

"Little donkey, shake a heel, But don't slip on an orange peel."

Just then Little Miss Mousie, the old gentleman rabbit's tiny housekeeper, called from the kitchen doorway:

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And in the next story you shall hear what happened after that.

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### Doctors Astonished

PATIENT WHO SURVIVED A "BROKEN" NECK.

After suffering from what at first was believed to be a broken neck, Mr. Herbert Gray, the son of a well-known Holten-le-Moor farmer, following treatment at the Lincoln Hospital,

has returned home to his wife and child. Some months ago Mr. Gray fell from the steps of a granary, and when he was discovered unconscious, with his head doubled up beneath his body, it was thought he was dead. A doctor found that the vertebrae of the neck had been dislocated, and the spinal cord bruised, but not severed. "They informed me afterwards that my case was looked on as hopeless," remarks Mr. Gray, "and that my life hung

by a thread which might snap at any moment. I could not even be moved to my home lest my head should be jolted." As Mr. Gray made no progress he was conveyed to Lincoln for treatment. Relays of men carried him on a stretcher across ploughed fields, for a single jolt might have meant death, and he was afterwards driven carefully to Lincoln in an ambulance. From the time Mr. Gray was admitted to hospital his condition improved, and

the news of his subsequent recovery brought doctors from London and other parts of the country to see him. On one occasion he was visited by a whole medical conference. Although Mr. Gray has not yet fully recovered, he is able to walk with the aid of two sticks, and hopes by next year to be as fit and well as he was before the accident.

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