

Pleasing Time at Smithville

After parading at the headquarters last night the Nfld. Highlanders, under command of Captains Henderson and Herder, paraded to Smithville, with their pipers playing, and on arrival the prizes earned in the shooting competition in the Armoury were presented. Several of the members who had been at the front and now home on sick leave or furlough were taken along in motors. The chair was taken by Capt. Henderson who welcomed back the returned soldiers and congratulated the winners of the prizes. The prizes were presented by Capt. W. J. Morris to the following men:—

Corp. J. Adams, with a score of 142 out of a possible 160 points, won the silver cup and medal, donated by Lieut.-Col. Paterson. Drummer W. Clouston (1st Nfld. Regiment), with 139, taking Major McKay's prize. In the special competition Lieut. A. Reid's prize fell to Sergt. S. R. Steele and Capt. Henderson's to Sergt. McNevin, the scores being 95 and 81 out of a possible 110. Pte. R. Vasey with 130, and Pte. R. Pushie with 121 of a possible 160 points, won Capt. Munn's and Major McKay's prizes in the Junon competition. In the group competition, 10 shots' standing rapid fire at the disappearing target. Pte. R. Pushie was first with 55 points and Pte. F. Squire second, with 51. The possible was 80 points and the prizes were donated by former Lieut. Col. McNeil, and W. Campbell. Mr. J. C. Hepburn's trophy for best target shooting in the whole competition was won by Pte. R. Wells, (1st Nfld. Regt.), with a score of 37 out of 40.

Refreshments were served during the evening in capital style by Mr. L. Furlong and the Misses Furlong and Drummer Wheeler entertained all with "We McGregor." At 11 o'clock the brigade returned to the armoury.

The temperature along the railway last night was the lowest for the season and reached the freezing point.

Capt. James Young of Twillingate who is now here on business is celebrating his 73rd birthday to-day. Capt. Young is still hale and hearty despite his age. He is a brother of Mr. Peter Young of the Smith Coy., Ltd.

(On account of whom it may concern)

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A. S. RENDELL,
Notary Public.

OUR THEATRES

THE NICKEL

The mid-week programme at the Nickel theatre which will be given to-day and to-morrow, is made up of the best pictures obtainable. The feature film is a brilliant melo-drama by the Lubin artists, entitled "The Great Ruby", which is in five acts. The leading part is taken by the well-known actress, Octavia Handworth, and there are no less than twenty-five artistes in the play. It is a melo-drama which bristles with sensations. One of the scenes is a desperate fight in a baloon in mid-air. "The Great Ruby" made a bigger hit at Drury Lane, London, than any other melo-drama of recent years. It ran for two seasons there. Other pleasing pictures are included in the bill.

THE CRESCENT

Wally Van, the favourite Vitagraph comedian and Nitra Frazer feature in "You're next," a roaring comedy at the Crescent Picture Palace to-day. Gertrude Robinson, Alfred Paget and Charles Perly are presented in "The Indian" an exciting three reel Indian war feature produced by the Biograph Company. "The Lost Bracelet", a society melodrama by the Lubin Co. Mr. Sam Rose sings a new ballad, Professor McCarthy presides at the piano, playing the latest and best music. Don't miss seeing this show to-day, its great.

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FIREMEN WANT INCREASE

As reported by us on Monday the Firemen's Union met that night to consider the matter of a request for a raise of wages. The steamer owners had been written to on the 26th September asking that an advance be made by October 1st. No answer having been received all the city stokers were instructed to strike and letters were sent the Union men on the Bay boats with similar instructions. They demand \$45 per month for the coastal service and \$50 per month on foreign voyages. The men at present get \$37 per month except those who were on the Terra Nova running to Europe who got \$50. All the men in local ships have quit. The President of the Channel Union should reply to-day.

Pension Scheme is Discussed

Hon. Dr. McGrath Presents His Report of Facts Gathered During His Recent Trip to Canada on What the Dominion is Doing in Providing Pensions for Her Returned Invalid Soldiers

The meeting of the Patriotic Association held last night was a very important one and was largely attended, Lady Davidson and the ladies of the W. P. A. Reception Committee being in the gathering. When the minutes had been read by the Acting Secretary, Mr. W. J. Higgins, His Excellency the Governor dealt with several matters contained in them and presented a report from Dr. Patterson relating to our sick and wounded in England. Letters from Col. Franklin and Dr. McPherson were read, the latter referring to registration of the graves of our dead. His Excellency referred to the submarine menace, showed that we were amply protected and referred also to applications for furlough.

The meeting was primarily called to hear the report of Hon. Dr. McGrath as to his recent enquiries into the Pension Scheme prevailing in Canada. Dr. McGrath very exhaustively reviewed the principal features of the Canadian scheme, and supplied very important data not alone from Canadian, but also from British and American sources. To her totally disabled soldiers, Canada is paying to-day from \$480 to private soldiers to \$720 to lieutenants, \$1000 to captains, \$1,200 to majors up to \$2,700 to Brigadier Generals. For partially disabled men there is a sliding scale, depending on their ability to help themselves, running from 80 per cent. of the above to cases where a gratuity of \$100 or less is given with discharge. Death pensions are figured out on the same basis as total disability. It has been estimated in Canada that for a force of 100,000 men the pensions will ultimately amount to \$7,184,000 annually. On the assumption that this Colony will ultimately have 5,000 men in the field, he figures out that the cost to us will be about \$350,000 a year. He also referred to the manner in which Canada provides for her sick and wounded soldiers, of the means taken to provide employment for the men.

Pension Board, consisting of the following was nominated by His Excellency—Hon. Dr. McGrath, Hon. M. P. Cashin, Hon. M. G. Winter, Paymaster Willis, R.N., Capt. Carty, Messrs. C. P. Ayre, J. A. Clift, R. F. Horwood, H. E. Cowan and R. A. Templeton.

His Excellency having read certain rules by which the Committee might be guided, Mr. W. B. Grieve thought that such a matter might be left to the members themselves. Dr. Lloyd, while not objecting to politicians acting on the Committee, opposed their having anything to do with making awards. This caused quite a discussion, but as it was shown that their powers were only temporary and held good only until the meeting of Parliament, the Governor's nominations were affirmed.

Capt. Carty, before the meeting closed, testified to the kind treatment accorded our soldiers while in Quebec, and en route home.

OFFICIAL CASUALTY LIST

FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

Not Previously Reported.

1516 Private George Small, Moreton's Harbour, N.D.B. Admitted Wandsworth, tonsillitis, Oct. 7th.

2055 Private Kader Squires, Salvage, B.B. 2nd. Southern Hospital, Bristol, trench fever, severe, Oct. 7th.

2014 Private Harry Hussey, 3 Hagerly Street, At 6th Stationary Hospital, Rouen, Sept. 28th, gunshot wound right arm.

2045 Private Allen Batton, 15 Long's Hill, At 2nd Western Stationary Hospital, Manchester, October 7th; appendicitis, slight.

1712 Private William Whittle, Fox Cove, F.B. At 25th. Stationary Hospital, Calais, October 9th. Dangerously ill, nephritis.

JOHN R. BENNETT,
Colonial Secretary

LOCAL ITEMS

The Prospero left Conche at 11 a.m. yesterday, going North. She should be now on the return voyage.

The S.S. Thelma arrived here this morning 7 days from Philadelphia with a cargo of hard coal to A. J. Harvey & Co.

The banker Natonia arrived at St. Jacques yesterday from the Straits with 200 qtls. and reports codfish scarce in that sections.

The shack in Freshwater which the man Baird, who was arrested Saturday occupied, was demolished by order of Inspector General Sullivan.

Some of the farmers on Freshwater Road complain that thieves are decreasing their stocks of potatoes and turnips at night. The police who have been appraised will likely round up the depredators.

Rumour had it yesterday that there would be a strike of the city longshoremen if the demands of the stokers of ships for an increase of wages were not complied with. Officers of the L.S.P.U. say that the matter had not come up for consideration.

A Brave Young Soldier

John O'Neill, a private in Ours and son of the late Mr. And. O'Neill, cooper of the West End, arrived here with the rest of the boys by Monday's express, accompanied by his brother Fred. John, in an action just before the big push of the 1st July, received a bullet which went under his right arm and lodged in the right lung. It is there still, the doctors in the hospital to which he was assigned being fearful of the outcome should they operate to extract it. It does not give him much trouble as yet, but it is causing the brave young soldier some uneasiness. His brother Fred performed a very gallant act though no recognition of it has been received. About a week before the drive when a trench with 10 comrades a grenade was thrown in by the gentle Germans. Young O'Neill picked it up and threw it out. Just as it left his hand (the left one) it exploded and badly shattered the hand. His action saved his companions from serious injury if not death.

THE THIEVES ARE CAUGHT.

Last night the police who have been on the watch for the arrest of those who broke into George Neal's office and who stole from Mr. North's place on Hamilton Avenue, as told in the Mail and Advocate yesterday, made a capture. From a close observation of certain happenings Detective Sgt. Byrne visited the South Side, Hill at 10 o'clock and there found in a shack with their parents Wm. Woodland, aged 18, his brother Michael, aged 11 and Laurence Neill, 16, who were placed under arrest. They each admitted stealing, canned beans, syrups, cigarettes, bread, sausages, etc. to the value of \$5 from Mr. North, and on being arraigned before Mr. Morris, K.C. in Court to-day, put in a plea of guilty. All were remanded for 8 days pending investigation by the police into the other depredations in which it is believed they were concerned.

READ THE MAIL & ADVOCATE

Mosdell's Attack is Condemned

His Attempt to Challenge Coaker's Patriotism Will Only Rebound to Coaker's Glory and Place Him Still Higher in the Estimation of His Countrymen—Mr. Hawco Speaks Out Plain

(The Editor of St. John's Daily Star)

Sir.—Yesterday's issue contained a front page editorial, the contents of which could only emanate from a cankered brain, and its foul odor only find circulation in the immediate atmosphere of its composition.

Your illogical attempt to challenge the patriotism of Mr. Coaker in the scurrilous method adopted by you can only rebound to Coaker's glory and place him still higher in the estimation of his countrymen, for, it, as you say, Coaker raised a protest against the disposal of the two ships you referred to, then he did so in the public interest and not, as you insinuate, for selfish motives. A public, I may say, sir, that is being gradually bled to death, financially, by a clique of profiteering sharks whose morning and evening liturgy is, more dividend, O Lord, and not for a cessation of hostilities. The safeguarding of public interest is safe, while in the hands of Coaker and men of his type, the country has learned to know and understand Coaker, his patriotism, attainments and abilities are well and firmly founded and his countrymen only await the opportunity that shall enable them to lay at his feet the highest honors within their gift.

We regret, sir, the sinking of the *Stephano*, but we are sufficiently sane to understand that our British ship, regardless of destination, is legitimate prey for German pirate craft, and to know that being British we are at war with Germany, therefore our ship was not singled out for destruction, as you would have us believe, but unfortunately, like many others, was in the zone of danger and suffered accordingly, and eventually sir another little rise in the price of commodities shall bring it home more clearly to us that another of our ships has passed out of our service, but malignant attacks on Coaker's patriotism is uncalled for, untimely and unmanly.

Yours truly,
M. E. HAWCO.
Oct. 10th, 1916.

Father Matthew's Celebration

Last night the members of the T.A. & B. Society and their lady friends had gala time in celebration of the anniversary of Father Matthew. Fully 200 were present in the club rooms where they enjoyed themselves thoroughly. The rooms were beautifully decorated, the banner of Father Matthew being prominently placed. President W. J. Ellis presided and Dr. McDonald, the Society's new physician, was also present. Dancing began at 9 p.m. and the fine band of the Society furnished the music in capital style. Refreshments were served during the night and this very enjoyable reunion did not conclude until an early hour this morning.

REID'S STEAMER REPORT.

Argyle left Placentia 8 p.m. yesterday.

Clyde left Horwood 11.20 a.m. yesterday inward.

Dundee left Valleyfield 3.20 p.m. yesterday outward.

Ethie left Lark Harbor 6.20 a.m. yesterday outward.

Glencoe left Port aux Basques 4 p.m. yesterday.

Home left Fortune Harbor 1.30 p.m. yesterday outward.

Wren left Trinity 7 a.m. yesterday outward.

Kyle arrived Port aux Basques 8 a.m.

Sagona north of Flat Islands.

Meigie left Port aux Basques 8.45 p.m. yesterday.

Neptune at St. John's.

GOOD FISHERY WEST.

The Portia reports that there is an excellent sign of fish on the West Coast from Channel down to Burin. Squid is very plentiful and in fine weather trawlers average 15 qtls per day for 3 hands in a dory.

Early in the summer three men from Grand Bank went down to Red Island in the Straits and averaged for the time spent there \$230 per month. If present conditions continue up west there will be an excellent Fall fishery.

Recent arrivals from Labrador

report that winter is making its appearance on the northern part of the coast. There have been recorded some showers of snow and ice formed in some of the inner harbors and creeks.

OUR VOLUNTEERS

Yesterday the volunteers were put through various drills in the Armoury. There are now 4,099 on the roll with the addition of the following:—

- Walter Joy, Hr. Main.
- Alex. Keefe, St. John's.
- Raymond Cullen, St. John's.
- Geo. Hutchings, St. John's.
- Leo Mackay, St. John's.
- Rd. Coady, St. John's.
- Albert Duffett, St. John's.
- Gordon Ross, St. John's.
- Martin Barran, St. John's.
- Andrew G. King, New Bohaventure, T. B.
- Jas. Foster, Barred Islands, N.D.B.
- Ernest Blake, Barred Islands, N.D.B.
- Ralph Jones, Trinity East.
- Ernest Lidstone, Kite Cove, Ex. plots.
- Jno. D. Devereaux, Ferryland.
- Cyril Darby, Burin.
- Ily. Tulk, Lamaline.
- Wm. Ed. Hillier, Lamaline.
- Robt. Cooper, Random Head, T.B.
- Vincent Carew, Cape Broyle.
- Fred Jewer, Lewisporte.
- Hardy Rideout, Lewisporte.
- Fred Jones, Moreton's Hr.
- David Leary, Portugal Cove.

Published by Authority

UNDER the provisions of "The War Measures Act, 1914," His Excellency the Governor in Council has been pleased to order that the following Regulations shall come into effect on the 12th day of October instant:

- 1.—The Port and Harbour of St. John's is closed entirely to the entry of shipping at night, from midnight on the 12th October, until further orders.
- 2.—Lights will remain extinguished, until further notice, at Cape St. Francis, Cape Spear, Bull Head, Ferryland and Fermeuse, also the light at Fort Amherst and the leading lights of St. John's.
- 3.—No lights are to be shown in exposed places in the Town of St. John's or its vicinity. Motor cars are forbidden to show head lights on roads visible out at sea.

JOHN R. BENNETT,
Colonial Secretary,
Dept. of the Colonial Secretary,
10th October, 1916.
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Lecture Grenfell Hall, Oct. 11th

MR. H. C. THOMSON.
BY the kind permission of the President and Committee of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Club, a lecture will be given in the Grenfell Hall, King George V. Seaman's Institute, at 6.30 p.m. on WEDNESDAY evening next, Oct. 11th, by Mr. H. C. Thomson on the "Shortage of Fish in the United Kingdom and the practicability of obtaining a supply from Newfoundland," with Mr. Piccott, the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, in the chair. There will be no charge for admission. His Excellency the Governor and the Premier have kindly consented to be present.—oct10.2j

TRAIN REPORT.

Monday's No 1 arrived Port aux Basques 7.50 a.m. to-day.
Tuesday's No 1 arrived Duder Brook 6.15 a.m. to-day.
To-day's No 2 left Port aux Basques 9 a.m.
Yesterday's No 2 arrived Miller town Jct. 8 a.m.

St John's Municipal Council

Wanted Immediately
20 or 30 Labourers,
Apply to the Foreman,
Windsor Lake.
JOHN L. SLATTERY,
Secretary-Treasurer.
oct. 11.

PICKED UP—About two miles off Crouse Harbor, the 17th September, a large Motor Boat, painted Dark Grey, engine had been removed, shaft and propeller intact. For further particulars re salvage and expenses the owner may apply to LOUIS BURTON, Greenspond.—oct10.3j

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