

When Chris'mas is Near

It's almos' Chris'mas an' Betty an' me
Is hein' as good as we kin be,
'Cause Ma says, "Santa is look-
in' round
To see where had boys and girls
is found!"
So Betty is mindin' our baby
Jim
An' I don't tease ner bother him.
We gotta' be good the live-long
day
When Chris'mas isn't fur away.

Las' night, jes after we went ter
bed
An' Betty an' me had our
prayers all said—
We heard a noise in the yard
below
An' footsteps on the creaky
snow,
An' Betty whispered, "Ma knew
alright—
Santa has been aroun' to-night!"

An' then I said, "Well, I was
good,
I tended the cow an' chopped
the wood,"
Betty said, "I minded baby Jim."
An' I said, "I didn't stick pins in
him!"

So we're allowin' when Chris-
mas comin'
An' Santa is givin' out bugles
an' drums
To the good boys an' girls, that
Betty an' me
'Ll have the full of a Chris'mas
tree.

Chris'mas mornin' we'll creep
downstairs,
Jes' as the first peep o' day ap-
pears,
Findin' our stockings filled to the
brim
An' find another fer baby Jim.

On the Chris'mas tree there'll
be something fer Ma
An' a great, big parcel 'at is fer
Pa.
So now we're bein' as good as
kin be
'Cause Santa is watchin' out,
you see.

—G. M. R.

BARENEED NOTES.

Miss Fannie Batten, who has
been unwell lately, went to St.
John's by Friday evening's
train to enter the Mental Hospi-
tal for treatment.

Mr. J. Bradbury, who has
been working at St. John's, ar-
rived here by Saturday's train
and returned again on Monday.

Miss Mary Batten went to St.
John's by Monday evening's
train.

Mr. Arthur Boone went to St.
John's by Monday evening's
train.

Mr. Samuel Batten went to
St. John's by Monday evening's
train.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bower-
ing, of St. John's, arrived here
on Saturday to visit friends.
They returned home on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stevens, of
John, went to St. John's on Mon-
day on a visit to Mr. and Mrs.
Richard Bowering.

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"AIREDALE" TOTAL LOSS.

Something of a mystery hangs
around the loss of the S.S. Aire-
dale, which became a wreck on
Coudar Island, St. Lawrence
River on Dec. 7th. The ship
bound for St. John's with a full
general cargo when the accident
occurred. The public despatches
state that the ship went ashore
when the pilot Jules LeChance,
mysteriously disappeared from
the ship and left her without a
guiding hand. After the 25th
of November, all the buoys are
taken up in the River St. Law-
rence and ships sailing in these
waters do so at their own risk.
The loss of the cargo will be felt
severely in St. John's, particu-
larly as the greater part of it was
needed for the Christmas season.

In the recent popularity con-
test, which was held in connec-
tion with the G. W. V. A. Circus
at St. John's, Miss Dorothy Eb-
sary, received the highest num-
ber of votes, proclaiming her
the most popular young lady in
St. John's. She was crowned
"Queen of the Circus" on Satur-
day night last.

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C. E. Russell - Proprietor.

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Presents, 50c to \$1.00.

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vertisements must be paid for at
the time of insertion. The num-
ber of insertions must be spec-
ified.

Bay Roberts, Friday, Dec. 11th.

Poll Declared IN ST. JOHN'S MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

At 5 a.m. on Thursday the
poll was declared in the Municip-
al Elections at St. John's by T.
J. Foran, Returning Officer,
which resulted in the following
being elected Councillors: Joseph
Fitzgibbon, Dr. A. Tait, W. E.
Brophy, P. E. Outerbridge, J. T.
Martin, C. W. Ryan.

The election has been watched
with great interest, especially as,
for the first time, there were 3
lady contestants, Mrs. Julia
Salter Earle, Mrs. F. McNeil and
Miss May Kennedy. For some
time, while the ballots were be-
ing counted, Mrs. Earle was in
the running for sixth place. In
the final count Mr. Ryan was el-
ected by a small majority.

The new Councillors are to be
congratulated on their success
at the polls and it is hoped that,
after their term in office, the
capital City of St. John's will be
cleaner and better.

The figures announced at the
close of the count were:—Fitz-
gibbon 1587; Tait 1451; Brophy
1351; Outerbridge 1279; Martin
1266; Ryan 1258; Mrs. Earle
1244; Collier 997; Ruby, 976;
Murphy 906; Dowden 854; Bul-
ley 735; Mrs. McNeil 615; Chafe
572; Miss Kennedy 543; Smith,
527; McCarter 520; Murdock
384; Collett 236; Kennedy 153.

To Shopkeepers.

Those wishing space for
Christmas Advertising, kindly
send copy as early as possible
in order to reserve desired space.
THE GUARDIAN.

CONTRACTORS RETURN AFTER SEASON'S WORK.

Messrs. E. and J. Bowering,
building contractors, returned
recently from Grand Falls and
Corner Brook where they have
constructed quite a number of
buildings during the past season.
In Grand Falls, Messrs. Bower-
ing built twelve bungalows for
the Anglo-Nfld. Development Co.
and a gent's furnishing store for
the Royal Stores, Ltd., besides
other work for private individ-
uals. In Bishop's Falls a splen-
did R. C. Church was constructed
by them. They also built the
department store of Goodyear
& House Ltd., at Corner Brook.
This store, as well as the other
buildings, is a credit to and re-
flects great praise upon those
responsible for the work. Mes-
srs. Bowering have given em-
ployment to about twenty-five
men from this town and vicini-
ty. By the appreciation which
has been given them by those
for whom they have worked,
Messrs. Bowering expect a busy
season next year.

The crew of the schooner
"Josie and Phebe" went to St.
John's by this (Friday) morn-
ing's train en route to their
homes in Bonavista Bay.

Special Notice to Subscribers

We appreciate, in no small de-
gree, our subscribers who re-
sponded to the Subscription
Notices which we sent out re-
cently. There remain a few
others who have overlooked
sending in their Subscriptions
and we would be grateful if
they would do so at once.

On and after Dec. 31st, 1925,
all subscriptions to The Guard-
ian which have not been paid in
advance will be discontinued. We
do not wish to lose a single
reader, and, therefore, we urge
you to pay up so that we may be
able to meet our liabilities. We
thank you in anticipation.

THE PUBLISHERS.

THE VIKINGS

(Trade Review.)

A good movement has been
started by Mr. H. F. Shortis to
perpetuate the memory of our
sealing captains. He is making
a collection of the photos of all
these bye-gone heroes, and being
enlarged the pictures are being
hung in the Museum, where the
other sealing exhibits are dis-
played. Those that have been
collected so far are pictures of
Capt's. Terry Halloran, Edward
White, John Pumpfrey, William
Munden, Azariah Munden, Wil-
liam Jackman.

The photos still at Mr. Par-
sons' to be enlarged are those of
Captains Richard Pike, Charles
Dawe, Joseph Barbour and Sam-
uel Blandford. He is promised
several others, including Capts.
P. Muldowney, James Wilcox and
Alex. Graham. For 50 years
Mr. Shortis has been writing up
the heroism of these vikings
and he is doing a labor of love in
perpetuating their memory in
this way by showing up the
deeds of valour and prowess of
these physical giants, all being
men of splendid physique.

A picture of the old time
sealing occupies a place in the
centre on the wall and it makes
a splendid display that will be of
increased interests to the com-
ing generations, also to the vis-
itors who will be coming here in
the future, many of whom no
doubt will be able to claim rela-
tionship with these vikings of
the past. Most of the photos
were enlarged by Mr. S. H. Par-
sons and are works of art.

NOTE OF THANKS.

Mr. and Mrs. George Parsons,
of Shearstown, wishes to thank
all those who helped them in
their recent sad bereavement,
during the brief illness and at
the time of the death of their
loving father, John Parsons. Also
those who sent wreaths to
adorn the casket, viz.,—Mrs. Geo.
Parsons, Mrs. Thos. and Eliza-
beth Ann Hedderson, Mrs. Thos.
Fry, Mrs. Thos. Butler, Mrs. Livie
Deering, Mrs. Isaac Earle and
family, Members of Cromwell
Lodge, L. O. A., Cromwell Lodge
Band for music at the funeral,
Members of Victoria Lodge, L.
O. A., of which deceased was a
worthy member; also Victoria
Lodge for letter of sympathy.

ITEMS OF NEWS.

Dr. Anderson, of Heart's Con-
tent, was here during the week,
the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C.
Bailey.

Mr. Walter Crosbie, who has
been superintending plastering
work at Corner Brook arrived
home on Monday.

Mr. Samuel Dawe and Miss
Grace Dawe arrived from Bos-
ton, Mass., by Thursday night's
train on a visit to their parents,
Mr. and Mrs. S. Dawe, Coley's
Point.

Mr. Wm. T. French, who has
been working at Grand Falls,
arrived home last week and will
spend the winter with his par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J.
French, Coley's Point.

BRIGUS BRIEFS.

Last Thursday and Friday the
Meth. Ladies Auxiliary held
their annual sale of work, real-
izing the splendid sum of \$425.-
00.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Chalker, ac-
companied by son and daughter,
motored from St. John's last
Sunday and spent the day vis-
iting old friends here.

Miss Laura Cantwell, who has
been attending Littledale, St.
John's, returned by car yester-
day for her Xmas holidays.

The many friends of Mr. Fred
Bartlett are looking forward to
having him here for Xmas, for
shooting and the different sports
Nfld. affords at this time of the
year. Fred is a son of Capt.
Moses Bartlett and has been in
New York the past few years as
operator in the Commercial
Cable office there.

Mr. C. A. Jerrett has now
completely recovered from his
recent illness and is able to get
about again.

Mr. Herbert Cramm, our popu-
lar school-master, paid a flying
visit to St. John's last week on
business.

"LACHESIS"
Brigus, Dec. 9th.

ITEMS OF NEWS.

Capt. Wm. Bartlett, of Brigus,
was here to-day (Friday).

Mr. George Cave arrived from
Boston, Mass., on Thursday.

Mr. John Batten, of Coley's
Point, arrived from Boston,
Mass., by Thursday night's train.

Mr. George Mercer, who has
spent the past season in Boston,
Mass., arrived home on Thurs-
day night.

Mr. Max Dawe, of the firm of
Wm. Dawe & Sons, was in St.
John's during the week on a
business visit.

Mr. Walter Norman, Postal
Telegraph operator at Corner
Brook, arrived here by to-day's
(Friday's) noon train.

Mrs. White and daughter,
Bonnie, who have spent the last
few months visiting her mother,
Mrs. Edward Snow, left for
Summersville, P.E.I., by Tues-
day's express.

NOTE OF THANKS.

The C. E. W. A. of Bay Rob-
erts wish to thank all those who
assisted in any way or helped to
make their Sale of Work, which
was held in the Parish Hall on
Dec. 2nd and 3rd, a success.

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IN MEMORIAM.

In fond memory of a loving
father, John Parsons, who
died on Nov. 23rd.

Our hearts are left in sorrow
For one we loved is gone
To enjoy his Heavenly mansion.
With his loved ones 'round God's
throne.

But one day we hope to meet
him
On that bright and happy shore:
Father, mother, sisters, brothers
There to part no more.

Dearest father thou hast left
us,
From our home we miss thy
face,
And thy vacant chair leaves
memories
Of a father's loving voice.

But some day we hope to meet
thee
In that Land of Peace and Joy.

—Inserted by Mr. George
Parsons and family.

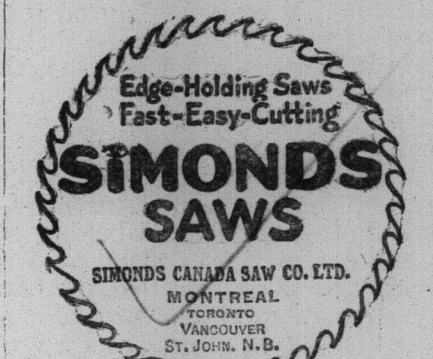
Mrs. Wm. Dawe, who has been
receiving treatment at the Hos-
pital, St. John's, returned home
on Saturday night last, and is,
we are glad to know, very much
improved.

Big Sale of
Dress
Goods
2,000
Yards
25 per
cent.
Under
Cost.

Nicholle & Inkpen
Co. Ltd.
315 Water Street.
St. John's.

Lost

A pair of Lineman's PLIERS.
Finder please return to CHAS.
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ward.



NEWFOUNDLAND POSTAL TELEGRAPHS

NOTICE!

Local Wireless Stations have
been opened at Burgeo and Cape
LaHune, Tariff 25c. for first 10
words and 2c. for each addition-
al word. Address and signature
free.

Telephone Stations have re-
cently been opened at Laurence-
ton connecting with Norris' Arm
and Big Barachois, connecting
with Placentia.

GEO. J. VEITCH,
Superintendent.
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Christmas Goods for
Christmas Season.

THE CHRISTMAS SEASON is fast approaching us and we are
consequently confronted with the thought, Where shall we pro-
cure a suitable gift for our family and friends, for the giving of
such a gift always helps to strengthen the cords of good-will and
friendship that helps to make life worth living.

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