

THE NICKELS

"THE ROYAL BOX"

The production of the Royal Box at the house of masterpieces last night was witnessed by hundreds of people who thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated this splendid picture. The story concerns a favorite actor of a century ago in England, named James Clarence, the bon comrade of the Prince of Wales, and one who occupied a peculiar, popular position with the playgoers of that day. During his career in Drury Lane he becomes mixed up with several aristocratic families which association brings many dramatic scenes, and the incidents are so powerfully interwoven that exciting and thrilling climaxes occur. At one time Clarence publicly insults the Prince and his friends who are witnessing a Romeo and Juliet scene. Finally the actor leaves for America, and peace and quietness reigns with the families, with his presence disturbed. A very prominent part is taken by Miss Gertrude Coughlin who is one of the leading ladies of the day.

AT THE CRESCENT

The Crescent to-day has a very special bill to present. The principal attraction there will be exclusive views of the ill-fated Cunard Liner "Lusitania," which was torpedoed by the Germans a few days ago. There are also five picture films, which are, from their choice selection, bound to please you. Mr. Delmonico sings that latest march ballad "Dancing 'neath the Irish Moon." Be sure and attend the Crescent to-day, if you do you will enjoy yourself.

CONTEST AND COMEDY ACT AT ROSSLEY'S

Rossley's was crowded to the doors at both their theatres. The East End has a splendid programme. Mr. Ballard Brown and Miss Madge Locke in songs, stories and dancing, then there is the very funny sketch with Jack Rossley, Mr. Brown, Mrs. Rossley and Madge Locke; simply a laugh a minute. The pictures are beautiful and the crowd enjoyed all the performance. The contest to-night promises to be a big affair, there are some names of good first-class amateurs. The early door will be open again to accommodate those who were unable to get tickets. There is in preparation a delightful pantomime: "Little Bo Peep and Boy Blue" with new costumes and scenery, and the orchestra par excellence.

"OURS" IN THE WEST END

There was a crowded house last night at each performance at the cosy little theatre, and the sweet little singer was well applauded. There is always a good show; the pictures are the very best and all up-to-date, good music, and a clean, well-managed house, the very place to spend a pleasant evening. The contest at Rossley's East End Theatre tonight promises to be the very best yet, to judge by the number of names given in.

At Grenfell Hall

The entertainment under the auspices of the St. John's Boy Scouts held in the Grenfell Hall on Wednesday evening, was a great success, the hall being filled to its utmost capacity. The Lord Bishop of Newfoundland presided, and in his opening address dwelt eloquently with the aims and history of the organization, pointing out the good work it had achieved in the Old Land and the good that was bound to accrue from its establishment here. An interesting programme of songs, recitations, musical anthems and club swinging followed, the string band of H. M. S. Calypso furnishing orchestral selections. An address was also given by Mr. P. G. Butler, Scout Master, who proposed a vote of thanks to the Lord Bishop, those contributing numbers, and the Manager of the Institute, after which the National Anthem brought the pleasing event to a close.

GIRL SCOUTS

The members of P. Patrol, Girls' Scouts, had an enjoyable picnic at Mount Pearl yesterday.

PICNIC PARTIES

Picnic parties were also arranged and held in the adjoining suburbs, and hundreds of citizens availed of the excursion trains to get countrywards, amongst the number being the usual coterie of ardent troutlers.

AMBULANCE BRIGADE

The good ladies of the Ambulance Brigade were early at work, and the sale of patriotic badges must have been very large, which, considering the laudable object in view, viz.—the establishment of a Bed for Red Cross purposes, must have been very gratifying.

READ THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE.

LOCAL ITEMS

Mr. C. B. Simmons of Carbon-car is in the city.

Wallace's Chocolates R most excellent.—ap12,tf

The weather along the railway to-day is calm and fine with temperature from 40 to 50 above.

A plentiful supply of fresh cod was in the city to-day. The fish sold from 25 to 35 cents each.

College Hall, Monday, June 7th, at 8.15. Tickets at Dicks' Book-store.—jnc2,4,2i

The Kyle's express with passengers and mail is due in the city this evening.

The Trepassy train arrived at 11.30 a.m., bringing only a few passengers, amongst whom were Messrs Goodridge and White.

Venus Drawing pencils are perfect.—ap12,tf

Considerable amount of ice is around the coast still, particularly in Bonavista and Trinity Bays, the ports there being yet blocked up.

Over 250 persons went out by the first afternoon excursion train yesterday. The weather being delightful the run over the line was enjoyed by all.

Yesterday, the King's Birthday, we had ideal "Kings" weather and the holiday was enjoyed to the full by His Majesty's loyal subjects in the city.

Venus and Velvet pencils will give you satisfaction.—ap12,tf

Some large catches of trout are reported from the Southern Shore, and Mr. Williams of Bay Bulls secured 14 lozen at a nearby pond there yesterday.

The funeral of the young lad Spears who died at the Hospital as a result of a shooting accident, took place yesterday and was largely attended. Interment was at Belvidere.

The boy Rogers, who was shot at and wounded by a companion named Kelley last Sunday morning, is not much better, and the Hospital people are not sanguine as to his recovery.

U can get Elastic Cement Roofing Paint in 1, 2, 5 and 10 gallon ins from your dealer.—ap14,eod

On Wednesday afternoon and night several drunks were arrested, whilst yesterday the number was added to. Most of those were permitted to go yesterday on paying the usual fine, while the rest will tell His Honor all about it to-day.

It has been decided to bring the S. S. Mancunia here to be docked, as she is in a very leaky condition. The steamer whilst on her way to Bonavista Bay, struck a small berg, and sustained injury as reported.

The unfortunate woman who attempted to take her own life yesterday by throwing herself in Quidi Vidi Lake, was examined by Dr. Mitchell this morning, and being pronounced insane, was removed to the Asylum.

Don't forget to ask your grocer about LaFrance & Satina Tablets.—ap12,tf

The usual small boy element of troutlers with Bamboo Rods, were also very much in evidence on the country roads, and the ball players—baseball and football—were having a try preparatory to the opening of the season.

The R. N. Co'y received the following message from Capt. Goobie of the Meigs last night, from Bonne Esperance: "Made all ports of call to Lance au Loup, and landed mails and passengers. Meigs now at Bonne Esperance, Straits filled with ice, will leave first opportunity."

The funeral of the late Mrs. Alexander Rodger took place yesterday from the family residence on Barnes Road and was very largely attended. Interment was at the General Protestant Cemetery, Riverhead. Rev. J. S. Sutherland, M.A. of St. Andrew's, being the officiating clergyman.

GARDEN PARTY

Then in the city proper we had the garden party at Government House grounds, and all our moving pictures shows on, with holiday attractions—all doing a roaring business—and it is very pleasing to think that all our festivities and holiday rejoicings passed without any accidents so far as known.

SHIPPING

S.S. Durango was to leave Liverpool for here yesterday.

S.S. Ethie left Clarendville at 4 a.m. to-day.

S.S. Dundee left Port Blandford at 2.25 a.m. to-day.

S.S. Stephano left New York yesterday at 11 a.m.

S.S. Portia left Fortune at 11.20 a.m., going west.

S.S. Clyde and Dundee are detained at Catalina by ice.

S.S. Kyle left Port aux Basques at 10.30 last night for North Sydney.

S.S. Prospero was at Elliston yesterday afternoon, last report.

Schr. Robert J. Dale arrived last evening from Louisburg with a load of coal.

S.S. Argyle arrived at Placentia at 9.30 a.m. yesterday and sailed again this p.m.

Schr. Winifred entered at Rammea on Wednesday to load codfish from Penney & Sons for Oporto.

Barqt. Dunure left Bahia on Friday last for Barbados, where she will load molasses for here.

S.S. Tabasco will be the next boat leaving London for here direct and sails on Thursday next.

S.S. Bonaventure left Placentia yesterday morning for Louisburg, having discharged a cargo of coal for the R.N. Co.

S.S. Gladby was off this port yesterday and ordered on by the Furness-Withy Coy. to Montreal to load grain for England.

S.S. Glencoe sailed from Placentia at 7 p.m. yesterday with the following passengers:—L. Le-Feuvre, B. A. Brazil, M. Pope, Wm. Garland, Mrs. P. Murphy, Miss E. Kelley and 2 second class.

S.S. Sagona reached port yesterday morning from North Sydney bringing a general cargo to the Reid Nfld. Co. The steamer will be fitted up for the Labrador service, which will likely not commence this year until late.

Kyle's Passengers

The Kyle brought the following passengers across to Port aux Basques yesterday forenoon:—Miss Annie Gaulton, J. C. Cozins, Miss H. Bishop and C. Sutherland.

Bruce's Passengers

The Bruce arrived at Port aux Basques this morning at 6.45 with the following passengers:—R. and Mrs. Brehm, Mrs. W. Power, Capt. T. and Mrs. Baron, M. Myerscough, W. H. Foster, John and Mrs. McLeod, W. Carroll, J. Hann, D. Gillis, J. Habbott, W. Coles and Miss R. Moore.

Became Insane

Whilst fishing with several companions at the Nine Mile Post yesterday a young man named Chafe of the West End became insane, and had to be restrained from doing injury to himself. It is thought that over-exertion, such as travelling through the woods, etc., might have caused the attack. Boarding the first inward train, the poor fellow was brought to the city by his chums, but has not yet been sent to the Insane Institution, his friends believing that after a rest he will be O.K. again.

Reckless Driving

Whilst watching the funeral of the lad Spears yesterday, a small boy by the name of Lahey had a narrow escape from being seriously injured if not killed. The youngster was standing near Rawlin's Cross when a carriage driven by some reckless girls came at full speed around the curve, and only that Mr. John Spears, who was in the cortage and saw the boy's danger, quickly caught the furiously driven animal, Lahey would have been killed. Very severe comment was made of the conduct of the young ladies who had charge of the vehicle, they having heartily laughed at the whole incident, though those who were about thought that a terrible accident had thankfully been averted.

Elastic Cement Roofing Paint will save you dollars and trouble.—ap14,eod

Fire box testing is on to-day in all the stations.

LATEST WAR MESSAGES

GERMANS CUT OFF FROM SUPPLY BASE

London, June 4.—The Russian forces operating south of Libau have cut that city off from Memel, depriving the Germans of their base of supply, says a despatch from Petrograd. The Russian forces are approaching Libau from the north. With this city enveloped the Germans have an outlet to the sea.

Germany Deplores The Sinking Of Norwegian Steamer

Christiania, June 4.—Germany has informed Norway that investigation has shown the Norwegian steamer Beyleyde was torpedoed accidentally by a German submarine. The communication says Germany deplored the fact and was willing to pay full compensation.

Situation Continues To Favor Italians

Rome, June 4.—An official statement says the reports of the preparatory movements along the entire front show the situation continues to develop in favor of the Italians who have assumed an effective offensive against the Austrians, who are strongly entrenched and supported by powerful artillery.

RUSSIANS HELD ON TO PRZEMYSL LONG AS SUITED

Petrograd, June 4.—Russian troops on the fronts to the north and west of the fortress of Przemyśl evacuated their positions on Wednesday night, after all war materials taken from the Austrians had been removed according to an official statement issued by the Russian General Staff. It is explained that after the capture of Jaroslau and Radymio by the Austro-German forces they began to spread along the west bank of the San river, making the defence of Przemyśl a difficult task. The Russians contend they realized from the first that Przemyśl was incapable of defending itself, and they remained there only as long as it served their purpose. Positions occupied around Przemyśl extending along the Russian front about 24 miles and the troops occupying them were exposed to concentrated artillery fire.

Russians Claim Important Success In San Valley

Petrograd, June 4th.—The Russian war office to-day announced important success of the Muscovite troops on the Lower San, in the vicinity of Pudnik, where four thousand German prisoners and numerous cannon and machine guns were taken. The Russians claim to have pierced the Austro-German line at that point. Pudnik lies in the San Valley about thirty six miles from Sieniawa.

Mexican Indifference To Wilson's Note

Vera Cruz, June 4th.—President Wilson's note to General Carranza and leaders and other Mexican factions, published without comment in the newspapers here, is received calmly by the public. Apparently it is regarded with indifference by the groups of persons who gathered the Cafes to discuss its contents.

ADVERTISE IN THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE

WEATHER REPORT

Toronto (noon)—Moderate Westerly winds, fine and moderately warm to-day and on Saturday. Cape Race (noon)—Wind West, fresh, dull; few icebergs around; nothing passed in this morning. Roper's (noon)—Bar. 29.60; ther. 65.

POLICE COURT

(Before F. J. Morris, K.C., J.P.) A female of the East End who attempted to commit suicide by drowning in Quidi Vidi Lake yesterday, was sent to the Asylum.

Nunnery Hill laborer, drunk, was fined \$1 or 5 days.

One of the Volunteers, who had been celebrating the King's Birthday was allowed to go this morning when sobered up.

For cruelty to a cat on the 31st May a citizen had to pay \$2.00.

There were two ambulance calls yesterday, one from John St. to convey Mrs. Locke, and the other to take a woman of Spaniard's Bay from the train to Hospital. Both were cases of internal trouble.

DEATHS

POWER.—Passed peacefully away after a short illness on Wednesday, June 2nd Robt. J. Power, Broker, H. M. Customs. Funeral on Saturday at 2.30 p.m. from his late residence, 128 Military Road. Friends will please accept this the only intimation.

First Shipment Shrapnel Shells

The first real shipment of shrapnel shells for the Imperial authorities, manufactured in New Glasgow was sent forward Saturday. They went from the McNeil Motor and Machine Company. The lot was composed of about 3000, all at any rate that the car's carrying capacity would permit. They were done up in boxes containing five shells each and closely packed on the floor of the car. From here the shipment was forwarded to Quebec.

The people who are always "chewing the rag" about the war would be better occupied in chewing Coca-Cola Gum.

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THE MIRACLE OF THE NORTH SEA

Run a line on your map of the North Sea from the Belgian coast to the Norwegian town of Bergen and it will represent a distance of nearly 700 miles. That is the line which the Royal Navy has maintained since last August. A hundred years ago, when submarines and aeroplanes were unknown, a fleet of warships could anchor outside an enemy's harbor and prevent even a lug-sailed skiff from going in or coming out. That was the origin of the expression "an effective blockade." To-day line-of-battle ships must be saved for battles. Therefore they lie well back from the enemy's coast, protected by modern small cruisers of enormous speed and by torpedo destroyers.

These mosquito fleets perform the duties of blockading, capturing merchant ships which attempt to run the gauntlet, meet the attacks of submarines, and, by wireless, keep the flagship in complete knowledge of the enemy's activity. If German ships come out intent on a raid, or on an attempt to break the cordon, the Admiralty's dispositions are made as rapidly as in the old yard-arm to yard-arm days, and his orders are communicated to his subordinate vice-admirals and captains instantaneous-ly.

The task before the Royal Navy in the North Sea has been to maintain its cordon in the evil weather of winter, to prevent raids into the Channel, where British transports are at work, crossing and re-crossing, and to guard against the escape by the northward of any German vessels designed to emulate the career of the Emden. Since the bombardment of Scarborough it is probable that additional vigilance has been employed to prevent the repetition of such sudden attacks on non-combatants, but in any case, the first duty of the fleet has been to hold the enemy within touch of his own dockyards and make him utterly helpless.

In spite of the distances that has been done, but it has required fleets of small craft trained in the "hit-and-run" game. It was because of the need for destroyers and 35-knot cruisers of light draught, as a screen for the battleships, that Mr. Churchill said that such craft could not be spared as convoys for merchant ships. If the United States is forced into the war here is a place where its naval force would be of immediate value. It has been proved that a submarine is no match for a speedy destroyer, well armed. The American destroyers are of first-rate calibre. But whether or not the Republic draws the sword, it is certain that a task which has been accomplished so ably during a long, cold, stormy and foggy winter will not be less well done in the mildness of spring and summer. The German Navy, second in the world, is pinned tightly against the wall of its coast-line while army corps come from the ends of the earth and rivers of war munitions flow towards the battle front.



The Governor will hold a Levee—on the occasion of His Majesty's Birthday—at noon on 3rd June. Uniform or morning dress.

The Governor and Lady Davidson will be AT HOME to the St. John's Members of the W.P.A. who have been working all the winter for the troops, from 4 to 6.30 p.m. on the occasion of His Majesty's Birthday, 3rd June

Government House, 31st May, 1915. may31,3i

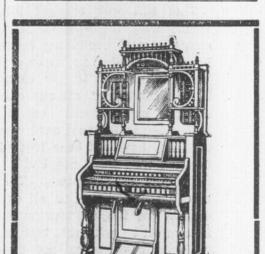
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Particulars as to location, weight of pipe, specification and form of tender will be furnished on application at the office of the City Engineer.

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By order, JNO. L. SLATTERY, Secretary-Treasurer. jnc2,2i

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