

Arrival of the "Blenheim" at Halifax

Captain Poe's orders when leaving England were to be in Halifax at 12 noon on the 1st of January, 1895. This he fulfilled to the letter, dropping anchor in the Harbor at 11.50 a.m. on that day. At two o'clock in the afternoon the casket, covered with the Canadian Ensign, and borne by eight sailors was brought on deck, and while all present, in defiance of the down-pour of rain and sleet, bared their heads, and accompanied by the strains of the "Dead March in Saul" by the Marine Band, and salutes fired from the "Blenheim," the Citadel, and George's Island, was slowly lowered into the tender "Lily" which, manned by an escort of Marines, was lying alongside. The GOVERNOR GENERAL and LADY ABERDEEN, with GENERAL MONTGOMERY MOORE and staff received the body on shore, and are therefore not shown on the deck of the "Blenheim." The representatives of the Government stand together in a line on the right of the picture, and are the HON. J. J. CURRAN (Solicitor-General), HON. SIR CHARLES HIBBERT TUPPER (Minister of Justice), HON. SIR FRANK SMITH, HON. W. B. IVES (Minister of Trade and Commerce), HON. T. M. DALY (Minister of the Interior). Just behind the coffin are the two sons of SIR JOHN THOMPSON, and at their side the