

News of the City and the Outports

SPECTATOR DEFENDS STEPHANO'S CAPTAIN

DESERVING OF PRAISE AND NOT BLAME

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young captain, and his grief was pitiable.

Without waiting to hear more, one of the men ran back to the Stephano to spread the alarm. The others were close to his heels.

As the foremost drew near Capt. Abram bawled out "What's the matter?"

Nat a Man On Board

"Capt. Wes" hasn't a man on board," were the words that broke on the ears of the two hundred Stephano's men as they leaned over the side to hear the news.

With a piteous cry of "My God, they are lost," Capt. Kean rushed to the telephone. By this time news bearers were clamoring in over the side. Ordering on all steam ahead the Stephano started off in a northerly direction where he thought the castaways might be.

Scores of men rushed to the rigging. Every glass on the ship was in use and every eye excepting the men employed below gazed anxiously in all directions, hoping to see some sign of life.

News By Wireless

The news was flashed out by wireless and shortly after an answer came from the Bellaventure that she had heard of the disaster a couple of hours before and had already picked up some of the dead and suffering.

Such is the story The Mail learns from a most reliable source. It is absolutely correct. The facts were given us too late for yesterday's issue, and we publish them this early opportunity, because we know that as far as the Stephano first learning of the disaster is concerned, report has been doing Capt. Abram Kean an injustice.

Our informant also says that Capt. Abram worked very hard in his endeavors to locate the victims.

Deserves Praise, Not Blame

Capt. Kean is also censured by some because he did not keep the Newfoundland's men on board, the Stephano on Tuesday morning, but we are informed that instead of being censured he deserves something else, as Capt. Abram showed kindness to the men.

Capt. Abram is mortal, he is liable to err, he has made mistakes, but we have yet to believe that he would turn men from his ship in the height of a storm, or even if he saw bad weather approaching.

An enquiry is to be held. The E.P.U. has requested Mr. Morine, K.C., its solicitor, to be present at the enquiry, in the interests of Union members concerned.

Judge Knight will perform the duties of coroner, and it rests with him as to the conducting of the enquiry, but Mr. Morine will ask for permission to assist.

That he will look after the interests of the Union men faithfully and well, is certain.

No lawyer knows the sealers or fishermen better, and no man in Newfoundland is better able to look after their interests than the solicitor whose services they have received.

Went Out of His Way

We are informed that Capt. A. Kean went out of his way to give the Newfoundland's men a "mug up."

He knew they were a long distance from their ship and that they would relish a warm drink. The men had several miles to travel before reaching their ship, so Capt. Abram ran the Stephano up to them and halted them to come on board and get a mug up.

They did so, and when they had finished Capt. Abram said, "Now boys, go on out at your heels."

At that moment there was no indication of a storm, at least as far as the barometer was concerned. Our informant did not notice the condition of the sky, but he is certain the glass did not denote a storm.

This statement was made The Daily Mail yesterday by a gentleman whom we have no reason whatever to doubt. If true, it gives an entirely different aspect to the reports going around about the Stephano's captain.

Transferred to Bellaventure.

Two of the Newfoundland's castaways reached the Stephano, and two bodies were picked up, but all were transferred to the Bellaventure before the latter left for port.

The first distressed man to reach the Stephano was Patrick Hearn, a mere stripling.

He is not troubled with much avoirdupois, and to glance at him one would not say that he weighed much more than a hundred pounds, yet he

HARD WORK FOR THE TWO SURGEONS

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colored blood or matter allowed to run out.

As soon as the matter was removed relief was instant, and expressions of gratitude could be heard on all sides.

Each hand, finger, foot and toe had to be treated separately, which took considerable time.

As the incisions were made the matter squirted out in the faces and on the clothing of the doctors, but they did not mind that. They would stand anything as long as the poor sufferers got relief.

Ravenous With Hunger

The men were ravenous. Some had not tasted food for forty-eight hours, so the stewards, cooks and others followed the doctors, administering small quantities of brandy and hot beef tea.

By 4 a.m. Friday Drs. Wallace and Smith had gone round the patients once and then Mr. Wallace went back to his own ship to look after the patients there.

The Stephano and Bellaventure were then not more than a hundred yards apart. Dr. Wallace looked after his own sick, and at noon Capt. Abram advised him to go back to the Bellaventure and return to St. John's with the sick.

The Newfoundland had joined them by this time and Capt. Wes boarded the Stephano to see his father. The young captain was almost distracted with grief over the terrible tragedy.

Hearn and Trask, the two Newfoundland survivors, who boarded the Stephano, and Sheppard, of her own crew, who was suffering from pneumonia, and another man, James Leonard, of Trinity, who was also ill, were transferred to the Bellaventure.

Left the Newfoundland

Nine men from the Newfoundland who had been out in the storm and rejoined their ship, also scrambled over the side of the Newfoundland and with their bags and baggage to join the Bellaventure, when they heard she was coming home with the injured.

Dr. Wallace lost no time in reaching the Bellaventure and he at once got busy giving relief to the men.

As soon as the last was treated, it was necessary to begin on the first again, and this continued until port was reached.

At 2 a.m. Saturday, lint ran short, but clean sheets were torn up and they answered the purpose.

The doctors worked without food or sleep for hours. In fact they thought of nothing but giving relief. It is little wonder that young Smith collapsed, but after a few hours rest and a little food, he felt as fresh as ever and resumed his work.

Only those who were present can fully realize the good the medical men did. They will have the gratitude of all those they helped while life lasts.

There were fifty invalids on the Bellaventure and all have nothing but the highest praise for Drs. Wallace and Smith.

lived through the ordeal, when men stronger and of far more experience acknowledged defeat and lay down to sleep their last long sleep.

Mysterious Escape

How he came through practically unscathed is a mystery which even he himself is not able to account for. On Sunday when asked how he lived through the storm he replied that he did not know, and we believe the poor fellow does not.

If he retained his senses during the forty-eight hours of agony, then he must have wonderful vitality indeed.

It was 1:30 a.m. Thursday when he was found by some of the Stephano's men trudging over the barren icefields towards the Red Cross liner. He had seen the ship and not until then did he realize that he was safe.

Hurried to His Help

The Stephano's men saw him at a distance and they hurried towards him, for they learned earlier in the morning that misfortune had overtaken the Newfoundland, and they believed him to be a survivor, as such he was.

He received medical treatment and shortly after asked for a smoke. He was given a few "draws" which he remarked were fine.

If he had only been able to get a "whiff" while out in the storm he would not have minded so much. The hunger was bad enough but to be so eager for a smoke and not be able to get one was anything but pleasant. We hope that Trask will never be in such a position again.

DOMINION EXCEEDING PROSPEROUS

Canada Has Big Surplus and Its Trade and Commerce Have Advanced by Leaps and Bounds.—Some Changes in Tariff.

Ottawa, April 7.—The most important budget since the introduction of the Fletching Tariff in 1897 was brought down today by Hon. W. T. White, Min. of Finance. In addition to a presentation of a financial and trade statement telling the story of a year of splendid national progress, the Minister laid before Parliament a series of tariff changes being an attempt at a general revision, but in a number of instances the tariff had been altered to meet new industrial conditions.

The Imperial tariff features are a duty of \$3.50 per ton on wire rods which will have the effect of establishing this industry in Canada, a reduction of duties on agricultural implements of from 17 1/2 per cent. coupled with a drawback provision which puts this duty practically upon a 10 per cent. basis.

No Change.

There is no change in wheat and flour duties. Upon this subject the Finance Minister gave the House a full statement of the Government's position. He was able to demonstrate that the removal of wheat and flour duties had not been proven a necessity in the best interests of the Canadian wheat grower, while the effect upon the Canadian milling industry and Canadian transportation systems may be serious and irrevocable.

A lengthy list of lesser tariff amendments was laid upon the table in the form of resolutions introduced by Mr. White at the close of his speech.

The surtax provision of the present law is to be amended to give it flexibility. The present surtax is fixed at one-third the existing duty. The surtax provision fixes a minimum of 20 per cent. within which Government may act at its discretion.

Prohibition.

The importation of cigarettes and other plumage of birds, with certain exceptions, is to be prohibited in Canada.

The Finance Minister in his statement of the financial and trade record of the Dominion for the year, announced a surplus of thirty-six millions and a half despite the worldwide financial depression and trades shrinkage and its inevitable effect upon the Dominion.

He showed that Canada had weathered the period of stringency with a trade total exceeding by a billion dollars the figures of the previous year.

Exports of the Dominion had materially increased. He declared his belief that the worst of the period of depression had passed.

GEORGE STREET CHOIR

George Street Choir meets for practice at 9 this evening in the basement of the church.

Goodridge's Rosina arrived at Penman's Friday last, after a run of 43 days.

PUBLIC MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting will be held in the Court House on TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), April the 7th at 8:30 o'clock, p.m., to consider what provision can be made for the families of those who have lost their lives during the present season's seal fishery.

St. John's, April 6th, 1914. JAMES CARTER, Sheriff.

The second survivor to reach the Stephano was Trask, to whom The Daily Mail has referred previously. He had been found dying on the ice, but was resuscitated and carried to the Stephano.

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SHIPPING

TALISMAN ARRIVES
S.S. Talisman arrived in port at noon to-day with a full general cargo for Harvey & Co.

FLORIZEL COMING.
The Florizel has been ordered home and is due this evening. The Stephano will return Friday as soon as there is room for her to discharge.

BONAVENTURE ARRIVES.
S.S. Bonaventure, Capt. Parsons, arrived at 1:30 p.m. with her flag half mast, and berthed at A. Harvey & Co.'s wharf.

She hails for 10,000.
The remains of the late Mr. Pridham who was killed by falling in the hold, were brought in, and will be forwarded home this afternoon.

LATEST FROM KYLE
Kyle 10 a.m. Received 12:55 p.m.—"Wind blowing a gale from N. W. Cause Race bears north half west; distance 105 miles. You may acquaint Mr. Kennedy that everything that is possible to be done in this search will be attended to by us. We all have friends on 'Cross'."

"(Sgd.) A. W. PICCOTT."
ON THE SOUTHERN CROSS
There are 173 men on the Southern Cross, of which 90 are under 25 years of age.

THE ENQUIRY BEGINS
The enquiry into the Newfoundland disaster commenced this morning. A full report will appear in tomorrow's paper.

WANT TO COME HOME
Men on the wooden ships at the icefields want to come home. We are informed that one crew refused to take 100 tons coal from one of the steel ships.

VERY DEEPLY LADEN
The Terra Nova's men say the Southern Cross was very deeply laden. She had several thousand on deck, the pelts being stowed everywhere.

Swansea Trader sails for Liverpool to-night.

S.S. Eaglepoint sailed for Halifax at 6 a.m.

S.S. Sardinian left Liverpool, Saturday, for St. John's.

S.S. Digby will not leave Liverpool until April 25th. She is detained on account of repairs and renovation.

"Home Rule and Why."—In aid of Marine Disaster Fund. Lecture by Mr. J. L. Slattery to-night in B.L.P. Club Rooms at 8:30. Entrance by centre door Club Rooms, Queen's Rd.

OPORTO MARKET.

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Stocks (Nld.) 17,740 18,975
Consumption 4,460 3,760
Stocks (Norg.) 4,875 9,750
Consumption 5,110 1,230

Mr. Benjamin Squires, Bonne Bay, is at present visiting the city. He leaves this evening for Spaniard's Bay.

A GREAT BENEFIT SECURED


For the Benefit of the Human Race.
Some years ago whilst at Labrador I was fortunate in securing a formula which has proved a benefit to many a sufferer. I gave it but little attention at first but finding some few persons who tried all means for relief and found nothing to help them I thought I would try a remedy. I was successful in curing the first five who drank this Arctic Indigestion Cure, and that encouraged me to put it on the market and to-day we have scores who are testifying to its curative value.

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FUNERAL NOTICE.

HATCHER.—The funeral of the late Fred Hatcher of Cat Hr., one of the victims of the "Newfoundland" disaster will take place this evening at 8 o'clock from the Morgue, Interment in the General Protestant Cemetery. Any friends and sealers in town are respectfully requested to attend.



EASTER OFFERINGS

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Religious Incident On The Icefloe

It is customary with our Roman Catholic friends when commencing their prayers to devoutly make the sign of the cross on their foreheads. This practice occurred to the unfortunate victim Michael Morey when nearing his last moments but he was deprived of doing so owing to his right arm having become either paralyzed or frozen. He asked his faithful companion, Pat Hearn, to assist him in raising his now dead arm in making the sign of the cross. This being done poor Morey devoutly recited aloud an act of contrition asking the Almighty to have mercy on his soul.

Scarcely were the words "cold on his lips when the spirit fled and the half frozen form dropped back dead. Here is an instance of the mortal having full belief in his Creator. From his mother's knee he had been taught his prayers and the use and meaning of the sign of the cross. Years ago the mother entered her rest, but who will say that her eye was not looking on that pathetic scene on the wild and trackless icefloe.

Identified by Two Finger Nails.

One of the last to be identified on Sunday afternoon was Patrick Gosse, of Torbay. The body had been viewed by the brother and a number of chums Saturday night, but they could not identify him.

Sunday a young lady knew him as the little finger of the left hand there were two nails. The brothers and chums had forgotten this, but when they were reminded of it they recognized the body.

ST. JOHN'S TECHNICAL SCHOOL

Over thirty students registered and gathered with some of their friends in St. Mary's Hall Friday evening to witness the presentation of the certificates won by the successful students in the recent examinations held, covering Mathematics, Mechanical Drawing and Technical Knowledge. Colonel Rendell, of the C.L.B., presented the prizes, etc., and in a very appropriate address urged the students to be loyal to the confidence placed in them by their friends.

The first prize valued at \$5.00 was won by George Gushue, who secured 91.3 per cent.; the second by P. J. O'Brien, who secured 91 per cent. This prize is valued at \$3.00, both of

which were donated by R. G. Reid, Esq.

Eric Martin and Cyril Merner were both awarded certificates of Honorary Mention for the good work they had done.

At this period of the exercised His Lordship Bishop Jones with Rev. Canon Bolt, Rev. H. Uphill and several other gentlemen, visited the school and in a very interesting address His Lordship showed his keen and appreciative interest in the students and their friends, and was very pleased with the surroundings and the work done by the students.

In the closing remarks of the evening, Captain Saunders handed over the supervision of the school with all the equipment under the care of Professor D. James Davies, B.Sc., F.C.S., who will from now on have full directive care under the supervision of the trustees of the work.

The Board of Trustees wish through these means to gratefully acknowledge the following additional contributions: Messrs Harvey & Co., \$50.00; Hon. John Anderson, \$25.00; John Neil, \$25.00; W. J. Herder, \$10.00; S. J. Foote, \$5.00; A. Marshall, \$5.00.

REQUIEM HIGH MASS

AT R. C. CATHEDRAL.
A large concourse of devout worshippers assembled at the R. C. Cathedral this morning at 8:30, notwithstanding the drift.

The celebrant was Rev. Monsignor Roche with Revs. Sheehan and Conway Deacon and Sub-Deacon respectively; Chanters, Rev. McDermot and Sears; Master of Ceremonies Rev. Dr. Jas. Greene.

The choir under the leadership of Mr. Hutton rendered most appropriate music and hymns.

At the close of the service, the Dead March in F major was played by Mr. Hutton on the grand organ.

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INTOXICANTS TO BE BARRED.

Washington, April 6.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels has issued an order barring the use of alcoholic liquors in the Navy after July 1st next.

It will not only affect the men and the officers but every ship and store station.

The order is causing much discussion.

LARGELY ATTENDED FUNERALS.

There were four largely attended funerals at the R. C. Cathedral last afternoon. Those of Mrs. S. Knight, Messrs. Evans, Downey and Morey, the latter two being victims of the recent disaster.

Dr. Greene, assisted by acolytes bearing crucifix and lighted candles, conducted the service, when the sad cortage slowly and reverently wended their way to Mount Carmel Cemetery, there to await the great judgment morn.

TO-NIGHT'S LECTURE.

Mr. J. L. Slattery's lecture on "Home Rule and Why" takes place this evening. The entire receipts will be given to the Disaster Fund.

Entrance will be by the tower door, Queen's Road.

This subject is attracting much attention and there will no doubt be a large attendance.

OFFER SENT FROM CANADA

Ottawa, March 26.—Captain Tom Wallace, Conservative member for Centre York, a veteran of the South African war, and a prominent member of the Orange Order, sent the following telegram last night to Sir Edward Carson at Belfast, Ireland:

"Thousands of loyal Canadians are with you in your magnificent fight to preserve the best traditions of British citizenship by resisting the coercion of Ulster. We are ready, if necessary, to help you with men and money to the last ditch."
("Signed) TOM WALLACE."

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