

"VICTORY" FLOUR-- THE HIGHEST GRADE MILLED

OUR THEATRES

ROSSLEY'S.

The delightful pantomime at Rossley's that has the town talking is under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency the Governor and Lady Davidson, and the Misses Davidson to-day. This pantomime "Beauty and the Beast" is declared by one and all who have seen it to be the best yet. All Rossley's pantomimes are novel, neat and delightful laugh-making shows. The local children go through their various parts like true artists. There is another big pantomime in preparation. "Jack and Jill." There are twenty-four songs and lots of dances. Jack Rossley with his Charlie Chaplin troupe has the house in roars. The great floral song, a real transformation scene is "a dream of youth and beauty." The music under the direction of Mr. Dan Roche is very fine indeed and a better place to spend an afternoon or night could not be found than by taking in "Beauty and the Beast."

THE CASINO.

The official motion pictures of the French Army in the present great war continue to attract large audiences to the Casino theatre. These pictures were taken by order of the general staff of the French army for the national archives, so that future generations of the French people may see and know what part their forefathers took in the present struggle. France has been sorely oppressed; next to Belgium she has suffered most, but her people are responding nobly to the great call. Many of her homes and towns have been devastated and laid low; her daughters and aged have been insulted and ill-treated, and for a while it looked as if all that France held dear was gone. But France today is more determined than ever. These motion pictures tell what she has suffered. If you have not seen them yet, go to-day by all means. It will prove of great benefit to all. The pictures of the Dardanelles are of special interest to all of us because of the fact that our boys fought there. See the beautiful Soissons Cathedral, one of the most magnificent ever built, now a heap of ruins a lasting monument to German culture. The work of the heavy guns, and the warfare at Bois Le Pretre are highly thrilling. These pictures were shown in Canada at prices ranging from 25 cents to 50 cents, while here the price is only 10 cents. There are three shows every night at 7.30, 8.40 and 9.50.

THE NICKEL.

The mid-week programme at the Nickel theatre will appeal to every lover of the movies because it is sure to please all. Foremost on the bill is the seventh episode of "The Exploits of Elaine" showing the double trap. This is the greatest of all serials and Arnold Daly, Pearl White and Sheldon Lewis are seen in great characters. All are interested in this great film which has been pronounced the most sensational ever given. There is also a great three-part dramatic offering entitled "Frauds" in which Edna Mayo and Bryant Washburn play the leading parts. "The tie that binds" is an Essanay social drama of great merit. "A Lily in Bohemia" is a Vitagraph comedy-drama, and "His Nasty Temper" is a Keystone riot. For a pleasant hour attend the Nickel to-day. Friday there will be another Charlie Chaplin comedy and a big holiday programme. All through the holiday season there are special matinees for the children.

THE CRESCENT.

Five feature pictures, drama and comedy constitute the big mid-week programme of the Crescent Picture Palace. "When Gratitude is Love" is a great Edison offering a romance of the woods and the open, featuring Margaret Frussing. "The Outlaws Awakening" is a strong Western drama with the favourite G. M. Anderson. An interesting and gripping story is told in "The Miser's Legacy." "A Fine Belig" is a comedy-drama. "The Legal Light" featuring Tom Mix, and a great comedy-drama is "Hans and his boys" with that very funny pair "Waddy and Art." Mr. Dan Delmar sings a Southern novelty song "She Waits for Me at Piney Bridge." The Crescent is arranging a big show for New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

Riverside Blankets are made from selected woods.—dec29,6i

Irish Sailor Laid to Rest

Remains of John Edwards, of County Wexford, Ireland, Buried at Mount Carmel Cemetery Yesterday—a Large Funeral

Yesterday Mr. P. F. Moore, J. P. Cash and others interested themselves in the matter of the funeral of the poor fellow, John Edwards, who was drowned from the Antillian. The remains were enclosed in a handsome casket, furnished by undertaker Carnell, and the funeral took place from the morgue. Fully 300 persons followed the remains to Mount Carmel cemetery where a new funeral plot had been reserved for it. Many of the mourners were descendants of County Wexford men, where deceased came from. At the Cathedral the funeral absolution was imparted by Rev. Dr. Carter. Members of the Benevolent Irish Society and others will mark the sailor's resting place with a handsome monument. It will be a consolation to the parents and friends of deceased in the old land to know that every respect was paid the remains by the kindly people of St. John's.

Riverside Blankets. Insist on getting them.—dec29,6i

MAN SERIOUSLY HURT.

While the Fogota was at Change Islands on Christmas Day Mr. John Roberts, business man of that place, was coming on board to see Captain Dalton for a few minutes, when in passing along by the hatch of the after hold he slipped and fell into the hold head-first. He struck with terrible force, and was rendered unconscious for a while, but was attended to by the captain, purser and stewards. He had a very ugly gash in the head and lost much blood. He proceeded to Fogo in the ship, where Dr. Donohue had to put six stitches in the wound. When the accident occurred all thought that Mr. Roberts had been killed. He was perfectly sober, being a man of strict temperate habits and the accident was unfortunate but utterly unforeseen.

COLD AND STORMY NORTH

By the S.S. Fogota we learn that the weather North the past week has been very cold and stormy, especially in Fogo District. The mouth of Gander Bay is frozen over, making an impenetrable bar for shipping. The small ponds and streams also covered with ice.

SHIFTED THEIR CARGOES

About two days after leaving Sydney on their way to Europe in passing down through the Straits the Bella-venture and Bonaventure met terrible weather, their cargoes of coal shifted, giving them heavy port lists and they had to make Forteau, each remaining 12 hours while the cargo was being trimmed away. Both ships resumed their voyage then on an even keel.

Riverside Blankets. The more you wear them the better you'll like them.—dec29,6i

SCHR. 'LAVENGROS' CARGO ALL SALVED.

Capt. Couch who was at Seldom in the interest of the Underwriters of the stranded 'Lavengros' at Burnt Pt., arrived here by the Fogota last night. The Captain says that the Lavengros was a splendid vessel of staunch built and had 1600 casks of fish on board when she went ashore in a snow storm and thick weather at the Point. Some 863 casks of the fish salvaged were brought here by the Fogota as well as some salmon which the vessel cured. All the fish cargo was salvaged by men from Fogo, Change Islands and they took 1-3 of it as their share and freighted it to their homes. The hull was badly damaged in recent stormy weather and the vessel was surveyed and was sold yesterday.

CRAZED FROM LIQUOR

Monday night a resident of Cabot Street who became crazed with alcohol attacked a female relative at his home and might have killed her had not neighbours interfered. Three men had to enter and hold him and later the man left his home and did not turn up till yesterday.

LOCAL ITEMS

The police arrested three inebriates yesterday evening. Two were utterly incapable and had to be taken to the station in cabs.

There were three funerals at once at the R. C. Cathedral yesterday afternoon, those of the late John Edwards, Wm. Beer, and Miss Rose Baron.

As a girl named Bartlett, aged 17 years, was passing down New Gower Street yesterday evening she became suddenly ill and fell unconscious to the ground. Head Peet and Const. Doody took her into a shop, gave first aid and after some time she recovered. She is subject to such weak spells and was very ill for a while.

Large catches of herring are still being made at Bonne Bay and the fish are extremely plentiful. The weather has been very favorable for the work of catching, and the fishers this year, in most cases, will make record wages. The fishery in point of value will be in excess of other years by many thousands of dollars.

Riverside Blankets are warmer and last longer than ordinary kinds.—dec29,6i

JUVENILE TREAT FOR SIXTH JANUARY.

The lady friends of the Juvenile T. A. and B. Society met in the Armory last night and decided to hold the annual treat on Thursday afternoon of next week, the 6th January. At night a dance will be held by the members (and their lady friends) of the Adult Society, the T. A. Band furnishing the music. The Guardians are now busy preparing for the feast which promises to be an excellent one.

RENOWN GONE TO PIECES

The schr. Renown, a fine vessel, which went ashore at Mussel Bank, near Broad Cove, Conception Bay in recent stormy weather with a cargo of fish, was beaten in pieces in Monday's gale. If the light which was taken away when Portugal Cove wharf was swept had been replaced the vessel might have made safe anchorage there. But Morris and his political pals care little for the property or lives of fishermen.

THE FOGOTA HERE

The S. S. Fogota, Capt. Dalton, arrived at 8.30 last night with a full cargo of fish, oil &c. She had variable weather on the run and from Change Islands, storms alternating with calms. In the storm of Monday she laid up all that night at Valleyfield. The ship had to run from Valleyfield to Catalina on the return, passing Greenspond and Bay de Verde, owing to stormy weather. Her passengers were Capt. Couch and Jesse Winsor, Private Pames Newman, N. Lodge, J. Dawe, Miss C. Barter and two steerage.

AN EXCELLENT ENTERTAINMENT

A splendid entertainment was given in the Aula Maxima of St. Bon's College last night under the management of the Holy Name Society's L. & A. Committee. It was largely attended and greatly enjoyed. Rev. Dr. Greene, the spiritual director, was present and those taking part were Misses I. Ryall, I. Wiseman, Murphy, Marshall, Seyward, Walsh, Messrs. J. Lynch, C. Malone, M. O'Toole, R. Stamp, W. Walsh, G. Green, F. Bishop, J. Taylor, J. Hynes, Brown, Penney and Redmond.

Riverside Blankets and Yarns made up to a Standard, not down to a price.—dec29,6i

COBAN STILL STRANDED ON PLACENTIA BEACH.

The S. S. Coban which burst her moorings in Monday's gale and went ashore on the back of the beach at Placentia, it is hoped, will come off to-day. Yesterday the ship fell on the beach and her propeller, stern-post and rudder were broken, but the rest of the hull is O.K. The Argyle held the inside of the gale last night and when the sea moderates will try to get the ship off and to a safe anchorage. The Meigle which left here last night will go to the scene on her way to Sydney to render aid.

Irishmen Honour New'd Hero

Members of B.I.S. Celebrate in Honor of Lieut. Jas. Donnelly, a Brother Member—The Hero of "Caribou Hill"

St. Patrick's Hall was enfeite last night when the members of the Benevolent Irish Society assembled in large numbers in their rooms to honour the bravery of a worthy brother-member, in the person of Lieut. James Donnelly, of the 9th Regt., now known to fame as "the Hero of Caribou Hill." The celebration took the shape of a concert and V. P. Mr. Jno. L. Slattery presided. There were present besides the officers and members, Revs. Fathers Thibault and Nangle, J. M. Kent Esq., K.C., Honorary Vice-President of the Society; W. J. Higgins, M.H.A., former secretary of the society, and other guests.

A splendid programme had been arranged by Mr. Slattery and its execution was pleasing and warmly received by the audience. Songs, recitations &c. were given by Messrs. C. J. Fox, C. Benning, A. Bulley, J. Atkinson, T. P. Halley and J. L. Slattery, and Mr. P. F. Moore, who singing of "The Dublin Fusiliers brought down the house."

Mr. Halley accompanied on the piano with much acceptance. Highly eloquent patriotic addresses which were also complimentary to Lieut. Donnelly and his brave comrades were given by Ist. V.P. J. C. Pippy, W. J. Higgins, M.H.A., Rev. Fr. Nangle and R. T. McGrath, Jr., and were frequently interrupted with hearty applause.

It was a real whole-souled "Irish night" and all present enjoyed the entertainment thoroughly. Proceedings terminated with the singing of the National Anthem.

NOTICE

On and after January 4th, 1916, STEER BROS. will close all Departments during Meal Hours, (1 to 2 and 6 to 7 o'clock), until further notice.

OUR VOLUNTEERS

Recruiting for our regiment received quite an impetus recently and yesterday was very brisk. The number now on the roster is 2676, the following being added yesterday:

- Alex. Williams, N.D.B.
- Saml. Hansen, Tiedhgen, Norway.
- Ole Olaesan, Sarpsborg, Norway.
- Jno. H. Vaters, Victoria, Carbonear.
- Wm. Norman, Bay Roberts.
- Arthur Jeans, Samson's Island Green Bay.
- Jno. S. Galpin, Codroy.
- Wm. Samms, Codroy.
- Moses Lock, Tizzard's Hr., Green Bay.

FIFTEEN STORES WILL CLOSE

Several meetings of the Importers Association have lately been held on the matter of the proposed closing of the stores at meal hours. Up to date 15 have decided to close between the hours of 1 and 2 and 6 and 7 p.m. The 24th of January, 1917, will be the 1st whole holiday. This will be Thanksgiving Day.

BUSINESS NOTICE

M. F. MURPHY, HAIRDRESSER,

WISHES to inform his customers and the public generally that he has sold out his interest in the West End Shop (opp. Springdale Street), and that his friends will find him at his old stand, opposite General Post Office, where he will give patrons his personal attention. dec29,6i

SHIPPING

The S.S. Home which left Humbermouth to-day is making her last trip down the Straits this season. She could only get as far as Red Bay last trip and as bad weather is reported she may not get further this trip.

The S. S. Shabonee was towed up to the dock premises yesterday. The oil remaining on board has been pumped into the foreholds, putting her down by the head and bringing the boss out of water, so that the new propeller may be more easily adjusted.

All the wooden sealing steamers, including the S.S. Newfoundland, which will be commissioned by Job Bros. & Co. are now being got ready for the coming spring's sealing voyage. There will be keen competition for berths this year. It is said that several sailing vessels in view of the shortage of steamers will sail from various ports of the Island.

Nfld. Fox Exchange at 276 Water Street, pays highest prices for all kinds of Raw Furs.—nov23

ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF THEFT

Yesterday the police arrested a Syrian who is charged with appropriating to himself \$61, part of money paid to him in the month of August at Labrador by Geo. Williams, with whom he had business dealings. The accused is a peddler and the police say Williams paid him over \$100 for goods which were to be sent to him but the man did not send what he was paid to despatch. He had to give a cash-bond for \$100 to-day until the matter would be finally adjusted.

SHIPS PASSENGER LISTS

The Sagona arrived at Port aux Basques at 4 this a.m. and the Kyle at 7.50. The former brought one passenger, Corporal Eli Patten and the latter, Mrs. F. Pierreway, E. Mercer, Miss M. Hudson, Miss O. Johnson, R. T. Lake, Miss M. Lake, C. A. McAlpine, C. W. Otis, H. A. R. McCoubrey and F. Angel.

TIDE AND SEA CAUSE DAMAGE.

We learn by the Prospero that people who arrived at Northern ports from the French Shore say that during the past 10 days or so there was a heavy sea and high tide at Fleu de Lys, Hooping Harbor, and other parts of the French Shore, and that flakes, stages, cook rooms and other property were swept away, the loss to the owners being heavy. About 40 cords of pit props piled up above high water mark were swept away in one place.

POLICE COURT NEWS.

F. J. Morris, K.C., presided to-day. A drunk was fined \$1.00 or 5 days and two others were discharged. Eight boys who were up for using toy revolvers on the streets were warned by His Honour who (as did The Mail and Advocate) condemned the sellers of such toys. He instructed Supt. Grimes to get the police to ask the vendors of such toys to sell no more of them to boys and this will be done. The boys summoned had to give bonds to keep the peace.

THE PROSPERO ARRIVED.

The Prospero arrived here this forenoon from the Northward, after having a fine run up and down to Griquet, except for the storm of Monday night, when she lay up at Twillingate for 7 hours. She reports the weather fairly wild and ice making to no extent yet. She brought a full freight of fish, oil, etc. and her passengers were—

Messrs. Jos. Moore, J. Winsor, W. B. Milley, W. Blackler, S. Parsons, H. G. Warr, J. Shea, M. Roberts, G. Mottly D. Wheeler, S. Pearce, A. Lush, A. Scammel, Capt. Hilton, M. Hamott, E. B. Sainsbury, J. Davis, S. Miffen, T. Dawe, R. G. Ash, Meadames Mursell, Strong, Colburne, Wheeler Barbour, Collins, Hurdle and Day; Misses Bartlett, Zoone, Perry, Hunt and James and 15 steerage.

Toronto (noon)—Fresh N.W. to N. winds, fair and colder to-day and on Thursday; then becoming stormy.

READ THE MAIL & ADVOCATE

LATEST

WAR MESSAGES

Turkish Official

Constantinople, Dec. 29.—The Turkish War Office gave out the following statement:

Dardanelles front—One of three enemy aeroplanes flying over Arburnu was hit by our artillery fire and fell into the sea, later it was towed by two vessels to the Island of Imbros.

A vessel, of the Agamemom class, protected by two cruisers, two monitors and eight torpedo-boats, bombarded at intervals our positions. Our artillery in reply hit an Agamemom and one of the cruisers with two shells.

On the 27th a monitor passed behind the Isle of Markeb, fired eighty shells on the Anatolian Coast narrows. Our batteries repeatedly bombarded the landing places at Tekke Burnu, and Seddul Bahr, disturbing an enemy's transport, sinking a boat near Tekke Burnu, and destroying a great shed.

One of our water planes successfully dropped four bombs on a tent camp.

75,000 SERB TROOPS IN ALBANIA

PARIS, Dec. 29.—According to reliable information there are seventy-five thousand Serbian troops at Scutari and Elbassan, in Albania, says an Athens correspondent to the Havas Agency. They are in excellent trim, notwithstanding the many difficulties they encountered in their retreat. They hold strongly fortified positions against the advance of the Austro-German and Bulgarians, and it is unlikely that they will be transferred to Salonika.

STILL DEBATABLE

PARIS, Dec. 28.—Unconfirmed advices from Vienna, as published by the Petit-Journal, says that the impression prevails in Austria-Hungary Government circles that the forthcoming reply to the second American Note regarding the Ancona incident, will bring about a diplomatic rupture between the two nations.

Mr. Chas. Otis, the advance agent for the Klark-Urban Co. will arrive here by the express to-morrow. The Company, we hear, will arrive in a couple of days hence.

Capt. Hilton of the wrecked schr. Lavengro and his mate, Mr. Wan, arrived here by the Prospero to-day and will proceed to their homes in Nova Scotia.

JOHN BULL'S PATRIOTIC PIERRETTES—New Year's Night. See the "Dance of the Allies" and hear Miss Herder sing "Khaki." Tickets at Atlantic Book Store. Book early.—dec27,3i

The S.S. Greciana arrived here to the Furness Withy Co. last night, after a run of 11 days, from Liverpool. She had head winds and storms all through, brought 1000 tons cargo and sails for Philadelphia to-morrow.

AUCTION

On the Lower South Side Premises of MESSRS. BOWRING BROTHERS LIMITED At Twelve o'clock noon on Friday For the benefit of whom it may concern, about

850 Casks Codfish, and 30 Tierces Salmon.

Salved Ex. Schooner "Lavengro," and ordered to be sold for the benefit of whom it may concern.

Further particulars, apply, MESSRS. BOWRING BROTHERS LIMITED. Lloyd's Agents. dec29,2i

OFFICIAL CASUALTY LIST

FIRST NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT

Additional Information

DECEMBER 29th, 1915.

- 1313 Private Ernest L. Braithwaite, 92 Antrim, St. Cambridge, Mass. Previously reported wounded; now reported, arrived at 3rd London General Hospital, Wandsworth.
- 1248 Private Ludwig Hoddinott, Indian Islands, Fogo. Previously reported gunshot wound in thigh Svula, Dec. 5; now reported, arrived at 3rd London General Hospital, Wandsworth.
- 1155 Private John J. Ivany, English Hr., T.B. Previously reported Fever, severe, Alexandria, Nov. 5; now, arrived at 3rd London General Hospital, Wandsworth, enteric.
- 815 Private John D. Andrews, 80 Farlane's Place, London. Previously reported, enteric, Alexandria; now, arrived at 3rd London General Hospital, Wandsworth, enteric.
- 1349 Private Frederick Cummins, Golf Avenue, London. Previously reported, enteric, severe, Alexandria; now reported, arrived at 3rd London General Hospital, Wandsworth; enteric.
- 744 L.-Corp. Harold H. Batson, English Hr., T.B. Previously reported, enteric severe, Alexandria; now reported, arrived at 3rd London General Hospital, Wandsworth; enteric.
- 188 Private John J. Kelly, 29 LeMarchant Road. Previously reported, enteric, slight, Alexandria. Now, arrived at 3rd London General Hospital, Wandsworth; heart trouble.

JOHN R. BENNETT, Colonial Secretary.

An old lady slipped and fell on the ice near Goodridge's office to-day and was taken into Mr. F. Wadden's pharmacy. It was feared her leg was broken; a cab was called and she was driven home to be attended by a doctor.

RUSSIANS OCCUPY PERSIAN TOWN

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Russian troops have occupied the important Persian town of Kashan, and are marching towards Ispahan, according to the Teheran correspondent of Reuter's.

INFORMATION IS ASKED OF the whereabouts of MISS ANNE MAINE, Heir to Maine's Estate, Harbor Grace, by a person who would like to get her address for the purpose of buying out the Estate.—dec27,3i



AT HOME

The Governor and Lady Davidson will be AT HOME on New Year's Day, from 3 to 6 p.m. Government House, St. John's. dec29,3i

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