

NIGHT SCHOOL OPENED

The Commercial Night School opened on Monday at 7.45 p.m. at Springdale St. Commercial School, with a good attendance of students, all grateful for this excellent opportunity extended to them. A brief address was given by the principal, Mr. P. C. Butler, and the most popular subjects selected were English (including reading, debating and spelling), arithmetic, stenography and book-keeping.

Only about twenty more pupils are required to complete the classes already arranged. Electric light has been installed by the Reid Nfld. Co. and the rooms are very comfortable and well equipped for successful work and the classes will be held each Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings. Several scholarships, prizes and positions, the best prizes of all, have been promised the school to encourage deserving students, and every young man and woman desirous of advancing in business should aim to secure the certificate of this school that is bound to be recognized by the business firms of the city.

The teachers have adopted the specialists' plan: Mr. H. J. Bishop, A.A., in English, Arithmetic and book keeping; Miss Pelley in stenography; Mr. G. V. Lee in instruction and repairing. Intending students can obtain full information by phoning Mr. Lee, telephone number, 56; or by writing to the Principal, or calling at the school, or 139 LeMarchant Road from 7.45 to 9 any evening this week or next. By all means advance education and the deserving young men and women of the country. This work should be taken up in the outports as well this winter.

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OUR THEATRES

THE CRESCENT.
The Crescent Picture Palace is showing to day Lawrence Marston's celebrated drama, "An Innocent Sinner"; Kathrine Lasalle, the famous Broadway Star, appears as "Hulda" in this great masterpiece. "Indiscretion" is a strong society drama, Edgar Jones and Louise Huff feature in this play. "Mixed Flats" is a very laughable comedy; all the Lub-in comedy stars are on deck in this comedy. "The Tattooed Hand" in 2 reels, an episode in the girl detective series, will be shown on Friday and Saturday.

ROSSLEY'S.

The pantomime "Beauty and the Beast" is now in full working order, going without a hitch. It is a show full of clean innocent amusement. Among the many pupils of Mrs. Rossley there is one tiny tot, aged three years, who is one of the very cleverest children ever seen in this city, or any other city for that matter, and to see the beautiful performance of this baby is simply past belief. It speaks volumes for the long hours of the tedious labour. Mrs. Rossley has bestowed on this little star and also her care and kindness, to gain the confidence of this mite, who performs her part, like a true actress. There is no hesitation or shyness. She's a wonder! She's a marvel and worth three times the price of admission alone.

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AN EXCELLENT ARTICLE

The most absorbingly interesting historical sketch we have seen for some time is that penned by Mr. H. F. Shortis in the initial number of "Colonial Commerce." It deals with a phase of our local history about which little seems to be known—the Spanish connection with Newfoundland. Mr. Shortis sheds much light on this period and his article which will be continued in the next publication has been read with great interest.

BITTEN BY DOG

Last evening as a boy named Ryan of Flower Hill was passing up Barter's Hill he was set upon by a vicious dog and severely bitten about the leg. The blood flowed over his stockings, saturating them. There are two or three fierce dogs kept in this thoroughfare which should be speedily destroyed.

BIG SALE OF TICKETS.

The sale of tickets for "Within the Law," the opening bill of the Klark-Urban Co. for Monday night is proceeding rapidly. There are still a number of good seats left at the Atlantic Bookstore and those who would like to see a splendidly drama ably performed should purchase quickly.

"Within the Law"

Masie Cecil, the leading lady of the Klark-Urban Company, has never had a role in which she has appeared to so great advantage as in the part of Mary Turner, the principal character of "Within The Law." It is as much due to her skillful acting as to the author's ingenuity that the play has been creating a sensation wherever they have played it. She has the sure touch of the artist that reveals her as one of the most finished leading women on the stage. Whether in the plain frock of the shop girl, or the ultra-stylish gowns of Mary's more prosperous days, she acts the part of the avenging woman with a shading that is nearly faultless. "Within the Law" will be the opening play at the Casino Theatre, Monday Evening, when the Klark-Urban Company opens a limited engagement. Seats on sale at Atlantic Bookstore.

A PATHETIC SIGHT.

In the blizzard which raged yesterday afternoon a man could be seen coming out Allandale Road towing a heavy load of wood which he had cut miles in the country on a catamaran. It appeared to be green and was hardly the material that the bantons of St. John's would use to heat their "pablos" don't you know. This poor creature was glad to get it and endure hunger, cold and misery in its procuring to heat his humble home.

The coal stocks are held by the "Barons" for the factories so that "labah" may not suffer. The solicitude for "labour" is altogether too sudden to be genuine. We wonder if the conserving of the coal stocks for factories has not more to do with the conservation of fat dividends to directors and shareholders. Our people are becoming wise to some of the coal and flour sharpers of St. John's.

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BONAVISTA STANDS TRUE TO COAKER AND THE UNION

(To Editor of the Mail and Advocate.)

Dear Sir,—May I be permitted to express in the columns of your fearless paper my sentiments with regard to the heroic work performed and accomplished by our noble President. Those of us who know him know he is the only one who has ever come forward and made a fight for the poor of Newfoundland.

I venture to say if President Coaker didn't take a stand for Prohibition, it would never have been carried. I heard many a man say, who was opposed to him, after the ballot was counted: "Who can we thank for this? No one but President Coaker." There is one thing we all must be thankful for and that is, we had a fearless Coaker while this greatest war the world has ever seen is on, to keep down the price of provisions, and

to keep up the price of fish, because, if there was no Coaker, we would not have got flour for \$7 and fish would have been considerably less.

Go ahead, Mr. President, with your noble work. Thousands admit to-day that if there was no Union and no Coaker we would be back now where our forefathers stood.

God hasten the day when our noble President and his Union Party will have the ruling power of Newfoundland. And 1917 is sure to bring that day.

We all know that the stand you have taken is for right. Go ahead, Mr. Coaker, we are all with you in the fight.

We all join in wishing you a Happy New Year.

BONAVISTA.
Bonavista, Dec. 31, 1915.

Kindhearted Fishertfolk of Deep Hr., T.B., Help Brother Toilers in Distress

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir,—Please allow me space in your valuable paper, the Daily Mail, to express my thanks to the kind and most noble men and women of Deer Harbour, Trinity Bay, for their kindness to myself and crew in our loneliness of darkness and distress. On December 9th, 1915, at 10 o'clock a.m. we left St. John's, loaded with provisions, for New Perlican. About 3 o'clock p.m. the wind blew a hurricane with rain and sleet. Seeing the wind was too heavy to reach our destination we decided to run the schooner for Deer Harbour. The all-wise hand of Providence guided us as we could see nothing for wind and sleet until we were ashore on the rocks, just outside the entrance of the harbour. One could hardly tell what to do. First we thought of the destitute homes that would be in Perlican if the provisions were lost. We managed with a heavy sea running to get ropes to the shore to keep the schooner from going off, which we did with great difficulty. We then made our case known to the people of Deer

Harbour.

There was no question asked what was on board, the only question asked, was is the crew safe, and the next thing was let us save the provisions. Every man and boy in Deer Harbour came to our assistance, even Mr. Marsh, an old man of 75 years of age came to lend us a helping hand. Everything was done in silence until every parcel was ashore on the rocks. We were then taken to comfortable homes, where we put on dry clothes and partook of warm food, after which we got about an hour's rest.

We could not get a message anywhere until the next day when we sent a message to William Cotter at New Perlican. His schooner being moored for the winter, Mr. Cotter got a crew with Captain Penton, and I am thankful to say everything was landed at New Perlican in safety; thanks to the good men of Deer Harbour.

Yours truly,
WILLIAM HEFFORD.
New Perlican, Dec. 21, 1915.

OBITUARY

JAMES HEALEY.

We regretfully record the death, under very sad circumstances, of James Healey, of Holyrood (North Side). Arriving home on the eve of Christmas to spend a short period with his aged parents, after an absence of six years in New York, he was seized with an acute attack of pneumonia, and succumbed to his illness on the 28th inst., at the age of 31 years.

The feature of his sad and mournful death was this:—His young wife, who had some time previously come home, and his parents looked forward to poor Jim's coming as a bright and happy phase in the festive season. His brother Martin, of the 64th Canadian Regiment was also home on a brief furlough and his time expired on the very day of our deceased friend's death. This made the family gloom all the deeper, and the brave soldier boy would have yielded to the promptings of nature, had not the fortitude of his heroic mother impelled him to take his place for King and Country, Seldom, indeed Seldom does such a sad and unique event occur.

The funeral took place on Thursday morning, the 30th inst., after Requiem Mass, when all that was mortal of our departed friend was consigned to Mother Earth in the family plot at Chapel's Cove.

We tender our heartfelt sympathy to the sorrowful young widow and the parents and relatives of the departed. May he rest in peace!

Holyrood (North Side).
Dec. 31, 1915.
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Western Bay Elects Union Road Board

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir,—It affords me much pleasure to inform you that on the 16th of December, aist, we held our Road Board Election and that we elected five union men on the new Board. This will show our enemies that we are not falling behind, but rather more-determined than ever to force the Union ahead. The old road board seems to be "cut" quite a lot.

Yours truly,
JAMES TAYLOR,
Secretary
Western Bay, Dec. 27, 1915.

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