

SHIP NEWS

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Arrived. May 2—Coastwise—Scha Ida M. 66, Wolf, from River Hebert; Thelma, 45, Apt, from Annapolis; Annie Palmer, 77, Falmes, from River Hebert; str Westport, 48, Powell, from Westport, and old for return.

May 2—Str Cumberland, Allen, from Boston, W G Lee, mds and pass. Str Monmouth, 278, Woods, from South Shields; J H Scammell and Co, bal. Sch Olive G. 15, McDonnell, from Westport, master, bal.

DOMESTIC PORTS.

HALIFAX, May 1—Arrd, str Wintredford, from Liverpool; Ramon, from St John, NB. RICHMOND, April 30—Arrd, bark Sagona, from Montserrat.

HALIFAX, May 2—Arrd, str Lake Manalapa, from Liverpool, and cleared for Bermuda; str Mackay Bennett (cable), from Canis; Silvia, from New York.

HALIFAX, May 3—Arrd, str Albion, from New York; str Halifax, from Boston; str Albion, from Liverpool; str Albion, from Liverpool.

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HALIFAX, May 12—Arrd, str Albion, from New York; str Halifax, from Boston; str Albion, from Liverpool; str Albion, from Liverpool.

FOREIGN PORTS.

Arrived.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass., May 1—Arrd, and sailed, schs M D S, from Philadelphia; for Sackville; T W Cooper, from Calais; for Rondout; Klocka, from Portland for New London.

Arrived, sch W H Waters, from New York for St John, N B. Sailed, schs W D Gates, from St John, N B, for New York; Prudon, from do; Prescott, from Point Wolfe, NB, for do; D Jackson, from St John, N B, for Middleton, Conn.

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CIENFUEGOS, April 21—Arrd, sch Wanola, Wagner, from Bear River.

Cleared.

At Carabelle, Fla., April 30, sch Synara, Miller, for St John, N B. At Montevideo, March 21, sch Treasurer, McDougall, for United States (7) Delaware Breakwater.

At Boston, April 30, schs Leo and Laura Hall, for River Hebert. At Madrid, April 3, sch Laura, Innes, for Barbados.

At New York, April 30, sch Rewa, for St. John. At New York, May 1, schs Ida May, Gall, for Ellsworth, N J; Ophir, Pettis, for Farmington, N H; Fred H Gibson, Publisher, for North Sydney.

At Mobile, Ala., May 2, sch Bonifacio, Clarke, for Boston. At San Francisco, May 1, sch Fred B Scoumell, for London (and sailing for Boston).

At New York, May 2, bark Star of the East, Gill, for Auckland; Strathers, Fleming, for New York; schs Ida May, Gall, for Ellsworth, N J; Ophir, Pettis, for Farmington, N H; Fred H Gibson, Publisher, for North Sydney.

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HART'S RIVER FIGHT.

Lieut. Ralph Markham Wounded in Both Legs.

Letters From Corp. F. E. Bettie and Pte. M. J. Burns of St. John.

Description of the Hot Battle and the Record March of the Entire War.

SOUTH AFRICA, "I Don't Know," April 2, 1902.

Dear Jim, George and Charlie—Since I last wrote you we have been up against it twice. Last Sunday week we started out at 7 o'clock at night and rode forty miles on the road. We had a small army and carried with us about three hundred of the Boers and a large convoy. Then we started back after an hour's rest and rode back to Klerksdorp, doing about eighty-five miles in about twenty-three hours, which is reckoned to be the record march of the entire war.

Baster Sunday evening we started out and rode till one o'clock Monday afternoon. We just got our lines down and our arms, etc., piled, when Mr. Boer, under Gen. Delarey, opened fire on us at about 1600 yards. They had about 1000 men. We were in a very bad position and only had three guns and about 2000 men. We all dusted out in the firing line and opened fire with our rifles. They, the Boers, charged us with their bayonets, and we drove them back with our fire. We carried him out of the firing line back to a tent and sent for a doctor. In the meantime two of us ripped his pants and started to bandage him up. As soon as we laid the wound open and saw the blood, I told Bert to cover up his face with his hat. Ralph says: "O, that's all right. I don't mind that."

The doctor soon came up and we got him back in the ambulance wagon. I think he will be all right in a couple of months or so. We were relieved the next afternoon by General Kitchener and started back to camp. We got to this place this morning and expect to move again tomorrow. This last 476 weeks we have been on the move night and day. Both horses and men are pretty well done up, but we expect to get a few days rest soon.

In the scrap we lost about 300 of our horses and a large number of trek mules. Yesterday morning a Boer doctor came in for some bandages, etc., and told us they had about 300 killed. Well, boys, as the mail bag is closing in a short time, I will have to cut this short. Bert Finnermore wished to be remembered to George. Remember me to all inquiring friends and hoping you fellows are well.

I remain yours, as ever, FRED BETTIE.

No. 102 D Squad, 3rd Canadian Mounted Rifles, writes to his mother in St. John, as follows, under date of Cookburn, April 2:

We are well, but have just had a big fight. Lots of killed and wounded on both sides. The British regulars say they never were under such heavy fire before. The Boers had over 2000 men, and of these fully 200 were killed and wounded. We beat off three attacks. We fired every shot we had and then broke our rifles, but the English mounted infantry held up their hands and surrendered. They told us Canadians to do the same, but we would not. My horse was shot under me. We have now been about five nights without sleep, but we are all right. Love to all the family.

BARNATO OUTFITTED. The following story may or may not be true, but if it is not it ought to be: On one occasion Mr. Barnato, on behalf of his firm, Messrs. Barnato Brothers, made Mr. Rhodes an offer for the whole of De Beers stock which principally meant all the diamonds in the market at that time. Mr. Rhodes replied that he would let him have them on condition that they should pour the whole lot, 220,000 carats, into a bucket, and thus be able to gaze upon what no human eye had ever previously seen. "Done," replied Mr. Barnato, in his characteristic fashion; "I'll take them."

So the bargain was completed and they poured the mass of glittering gems into a bucket. It is said that they gazed long and attentively at the unique sight, and after the bucket had been photographed, the goods—diamonds—were duly delivered to the purchasers. Then the cutness of Mr. Rhodes showed resplendently. Sorting and classifying diamonds is a tedious, responsible and lengthy process—much more so than sorting and stapling wool—and in this bucketful there were a hundred and sixty different sorts or sizes. Messrs. Barnato Brothers were six weeks in completing the re-sorting, and the gems were necessarily kept off the market all that period. And, of course, Mr. Rhodes had the market to himself all the while and scored heavily over the deal.

PEKIN, May 5.—The fear that the murder of the French priest at Chen Ting Fu, Chi Lin province, will retard the restoration of the Chinese, is leading the government here to make strenuous exertions to expiate a crime. An edict just published commands that an indemnity be paid and that the responsible Chinese officials be punished. Letters have been sent to the foreign ministers assuring them that the rising in Chi Lin speedily will be quelled.

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THE AMERICAN GIRL. To see The American Girl at the Opera House the last half of this week means to enjoy a rare amusement treat. The play is H. Grattan Donnelly's best effort, and he relates an interesting story in a charmingly fascinating manner. The company, which is under A. Q. Scoumell's direction, is one of merit and is evenly balanced.

The central figure in the play is George P. Hall as Ross Bolter, the American hustler, equal to every occasion, and in this play he has established himself a great favorite wherever he has appeared. Two clever children, Grace Russell and Daisy Stamps, have very important parts and make the most of their opportunities. The Sun, knowing the play and Mr. Hall, can unreservedly recommend the American Girl to all who enjoy a clean, hearty farce comedy. Reserved seats are now on sale at the Opera House box office.

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OTTAWA.

Senator Ferguson Exposes the Blair-Kitchen Alliance.

A Story That Reads Very Much Like an Extract From the Minister of Railway's Provincial Record.

OTTAWA, May 4.—It is probable that Senator Ferguson will tomorrow bring up again the singular state of affairs disclosed concerning Murray Harbor railway, Prince Edward Island. Some time ago he asked in the senate whether a contract had been let for this road in addition to the section under contract to Mr. Kitchen of Fredericton. The government leader in the senate consulted the railway department and replied that contracts had not been let. On a later day Hon. Mr. Ferguson again raised the question, stating he had information that work was in progress beyond Kitchen's contract. The secretary of state repeated his answer, saying he had it from the railway department.

Though his statement was made with confidence, the minister afterwards modified it by showing to Senator Ferguson a letter from the deputy minister of railways stating that the first answer was given under a misapprehension and that the department has since learned that Mr. Kitchen had begun work on a section beyond that for which he had a contract. Mr. Kitchen's letter, which was shown to the fact had come to the knowledge of the department, orders had been issued for the work to stop.

Finally, Senator Ferguson was informed across the house of Friday that Mr. Kitchen was still going on with the work and that an arrangement had been made to pay him the same rates as he had for the ten miles for which he had a contract.

ST. JOHN, N. B., May 5.—The sealing str. escaped from the ice floes in White Bay Wednesday and reached here this morning. The seal fishery is now over, and the boats have returned to the coast. No vessel of the fleet sustained serious injury and only three men perished. The value of the catch approaches \$400,000.

WASHINGTON, May 5.—H. G. Squires, director of the geological survey, has been selected by the president to be minister to Cuba, and General E. B. Bragg of Wisconsin has been selected as consul general at Havana.

DEATHS. CLARK—Suddenly, on Monday, May 5th, at his residence, No. 73 Queen street, William Clark, aged 40 years.

DUNCAN—In this city, after a short illness, Catherine, beloved wife of Alexander Duncan, section foreman C. R., leaving a husband and three children to mourn their sad loss. (Boston papers please copy).

LODGE—Suddenly, at Fairville, St. John Co., N. B., May 4th, Mrs. Richard Lodge, in the 65th year of her age, leaving a husband, three sons and five daughters to mourn their sad bereavement. (Bastrop, Me., papers please copy).

MARY—At Fredericton, on Saturday, May 3rd, of pleurisy, Sophie Isabel, eldest daughter of the late George Augustus Perley of that city.

QUIGLEY—At her residence, 31 Brooks street, May 3rd, Leah Ann, relict of the late John Quigley, aged 75 years, leaving three daughters to mourn their sad bereavement.

WETMORE—At Fredericton, on Sunday, May 4, Louise E., widow of the late Mr. Justice Wetmore, in the seventy-sixth year of her age.

THE UNION OF ENGLAND AND JAPAN.

(By Hereward.)

Bleeding and torn, his sides ached from the heat of the battle's shock. With a fall that lashed the air like a flail had fallen the lion of old England's rook. His three young cubs behind him crouched, bloody and fierce with the fray. They were waiting to see the new century rise and the sun herald in the day.

But the southern horizon was black with clouds, a blackness stilled with red. The sun hid his face in the deep, dark bank that frowned upon the Eastern sea. And a nameless terror fell on those four as a still voice told from above, "They were waiting to see the new century rise and the sun herald in the day."

Then the old lion dropped to the ground with a groan, and stretched himself in his grief. The young lions rose and tenderly licked the head of their smitten chief. O'er all the world a solemn hush reigned as the soul of the sainted dead. Heaved slowly and silently to the tomb midst heavy weighed down with lead.

The silence was but for a moment, for the nations will brook no such a fate. Ere long uttered murmurs of hatred and rage that had many long years been pent, Calumny bitter, fond and vile, at the lion's Southern army was east. Not even the dead in their sandy graves escaped that full, evil, evil blast.

"Destroy him from off the earth," was their cry, "his name is not 'what he was of yore!' The lion slept to his feet with a growl, he had fought the world before. Again, ere he had conquered again and again, ere the sun had set, like beaten cubs, their hearts were but fit for scorn."

Stern and majestic the old lion stood, though his enemies raged and cursed. His cubs gathered round him in battle array, awaiting the thunder cloud's burst. Armageddon seemed near, in that last fearful hour, his hurrying, hideous smile. Whether upright or prone, he must struggle alone, he and his, for existence and life.

'Twas not so—from out of the gilded East, from their far away beautiful lands, The sons of Japan sent a message of love and of peace, with their hands and feet. They had conquered the ancient Celestial power, had withstood the proud Muscovite's greed. And now in the flush of their glorious youth, came to help their old friend in his need.

For the children of Nippon had crossed to Old England, and gazed awe struck at her might. And the boys had learnt to build vessels of steel, and to arm them with guns for the fight. All the wisdom, the science and arts of the West, they were taught in the land of the free. And their hearts had gone out in hot passionate love to the old lion whose ships ruled the sea.

Thus came the treaty that startled the nations, the joining of East and West. 'Twas then the ocean whose eyes just beheld the sunrise and the storm tossed seas of his rest. England, her colonies and Japan, with our confiding across the sea, To fight against the world or preserve the peace in the time that is yet to be.

A pipeful of "Amber" Plug Smoking Tobacco will burn 75 minutes. "Test It!" "Save the Tags, they are valuable."

"THE CRY OF THE CHILDREN." Life is growing hard and dreary; every pleasure turns to gall; In our very dreams we're haunted by a net and waiting hawk, and our youthful limbs are sore. For we're playing, playing ping pong, which our parents both adore. We can recollect our feelings (which of late have had such shocks). When our father read the paper, and our mother darned the socks. But you can't respect your father when he's scolding on the floor. Or is glaring at your mother if she doesn't know the score! Well, we'll try to bear our burden, and we'll never talk of "fade," Nor remark on "modern mothers," or "the latest thing in fads." But we'll never know what peace is till we land upon that shore Where the fathers cease from playing and the mothers grow no more.