

A Narrow Escape.

A little girl, who was coasting down Carter's Hill last night, had a narrow escape from being crushed to death by a street car. She started from about midway up the hill, lying on the slide, in which position she was unable to control the speed when the car came in sight. Fortunately, however, she shot across the track, just between the car and fender, landing safely in a snow bank opposite Hon. M. Power's residence. The car was coming down the hill at a pretty good speed at the time, and the motor man, on seeing the coaster, applied the brakes, but his action would have been too late, as the little girl's escape from death was nothing short of miraculous. A second later and she would probably have been crushed to death.

The girl escaped without injury, but was very frightened. She has learned a lesson that will also be of much benefit to other youthful coasters, who are unconsciously of the great risks are continually sliding on the steep inclines of the city.

S. U. F. Installation.

The officers of St. John's Lodge, No. 5, of the S. U. F., were installed at the British Hall last night by Worthy Grand Master Bro. J. A. Clift, K.C., assisted by Brother J. C. Phillips, Grand Secretary. The officers installed for the ensuing year are:—

Worthy Master—Bro. W. Muford.
Chief Officer—Bro. J. J. Coaker.
Second Officer—Bro. A. Whitten.
Quartermaster—Bro. J. Billard.
Lookout—W. Duffett.
Purser—J. Curnew.
Sec'y—A. E. Withycombe.
Chaplain—A. G. Johnson.
Committee—Robt. LeDrew, George Long, J. Learning, W. Noseworthy, P. Shummers, Jacob Barrett.
Six members of St. John's Lodge are serving with the First Newfoundland Contingent and one in the Naval Reserve.

"The Kiss" Song

Is Perfectly Rendered by Miss Margaret Ayer.

Margaret Ayer, the Nickel vocalist, is winning new friends at every appearance. Last night she sang the beautiful waltz song "The Kiss" and it made a big hit. It is a charming number and Miss Ayer gave a perfect rendition of it. She will repeat it this evening and those who have not yet heard it should attend as it is well worth hearing. There will be a new programme of pictures to-day, including a Gaumont special in three reels entitled, "Who Killed George Lambert?" There is also a western melodrama, "A Decree of Justice," and a reel of Mutual Weekly. The comedy is by the Keystone Company, "A Barn Yard Pilgrimage."

This is a classy programme and will afford pleasure to all who see it. The Nickel is the best place to spend the leisure hour as it is always cosy and comfortable, and the pictures are of the best.

Marine Notes.

The Mongolian is supposed to have left Liverpool yesterday for here. The Queen Wilhelmina sails from Liverpool to-day for this port.

The Tobasco leaves Liverpool on the 15th. The barq. Gaspe sailed yesterday for Pernambuco, fish laden by James Baird, Ltd.

At the Crescent.

J. O'Neil Farrell, the popular baritone, is singing a first class ballad at the Crescent Picture Palace to-day. Read down the list of pictures advertised in another part of this paper, then go to the Crescent and see the show, you will certainly be charmed that you went.

THE WAR SURPRISES.

New York Herald:—At the beginning of the war it was said that every one of the nations had surprises in store for their enemies and the world. There were wonderful military and naval inventions that had been kept inviolably secret and that were to be sprung on the foe when least expected. Five months of war have now passed and the one supreme surprise for the world is that highly civilized nations do not seem to have realized the awful loss of men that would be involved. The 42-centimeter gun that reduces forts thought almost impregnable in a few days is as nothing compared to the loss of more than 3,000,000 men in killed, wounded and missing, which, according to apparently conservative estimates, the Germans and Americans have suffered up to this time.

STEPHAN'S PASSENGERS.—The following passengers came by the S. S. Stephan yesterday:—H. M. Dix, N. Ryan, E. Gosse, R. Baker, A. Moulton, J. B. Orr, E. Dickson, G. Brookline, J. C. O'Flaherty, J. C. Channing, J. Sinclair, A. Hollett and H. de Liege.

A Visit to Our Contingent.

Editor Evening Telegram.
Dear Sir:—I had the privilege last week of visiting Salisbury Plain and meeting some of our boys there, and I thought a few notes of my impressions might be acceptable to your readers.

The name signifies the location of the "Plains," adjoining as it does the old English town of Salisbury, and a quaint, interesting old place it is. Its Cathedral, of course, is the outstanding feature and its grace and beauty must be seen to be appreciated. The fine old trees and great expanse of green sward surrounding it form a fitting setting for this gem of architecture, and the complete quietude pervading the place accentuate the antiquity with it. The Plain is about 12 miles out and is reached by motor car and extends over a vast area of country. It is an ideal camping ground barren of trees and consists of miles and miles of pasture land. The term "ideal" perhaps should be qualified by good weather conditions as just now owing to the rainy season being on the mud is very much in evidence. Big steam lorries, motor cars and transport wagons have churned the roads into rivers of mud and the soil being of a soft nature sticks to one like a plaster. The Newfoundland Contingent is at present located at "Bustard Camp" in company with the Canadian troops and living under canvas, but I understand are shortly to go into winter sheds or as they are called here "huts" and some of our men are at present constructing those. There are some 32,000 Canadian troops on the Plains as well as our boys, divided in different camps about 5 or 6 miles apart and the scene in them is a very busy one. The life is a strenuous one. Up at day break, an hour's drill before breakfast, doing any necessary work of all kinds, drilling and marching through the day in all kinds of weather makes them pretty tired at nightfall.

And Glad of Their Supper, and at 9.30 o'clock they turn in pleased to rest after their arduous day. This life, however, makes for physical and moral fitness and strengthens and hardens a man for actual warfare. Our men are in splendid condition, hard as nails, and eager for the fray, and are anxious to get to grips with the enemy, and I am confident when they do, they will give a good account of themselves, "to their bit" for the Empire and do credit to the land of their birth. I understand they are already winning golden opinions from the War Office for their excellent conduct while on parade and sentry duty, which is a good augury for the future. On presenting my credentials to the Major of the Company, I was given in charge of Lieutenant Alderdyce who brought me to his tent and did all he could to make me comfortable and where I met Captains Ayre, Tait and March who brought me to lunch with them where I saw the Colonel and some of the others. It was a great delight to me thus to fraternize with my compatriots and find them in such good health and spirits, and I regretted that my time was limited and that I could not further prolong the pleasure and meet others whom I longed to see. Those lines are mainly to assure the friends at home that they are in good health and spirits, acquitting themselves under rather difficult conditions as "good soldiers" and ready and eager for the day to come when they may play their part and acquit themselves like men for King and Country and for all we hold dear under the British flag.

Yours truly,
EDWIN MURRAY,
Bristol, Dec. 5th, 1914.

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REGIMENTAL NOTICE.
It is with deep regret that the Lieutenant-Colonel announces the death on the 31st December, 1914, at Fort George, Inverness, Scotland, of Private No. 584, John Fielding Chaplain.

This smart young soldier had won the regard and esteem of his soldiers, and his death, after a brief illness, is deeply regretted by all ranks of the Regiment.

W. E. DAVIDSON,
Lieut.-Colonel.
January 4th, 1915.

West End Theatre!

There will be a complete change of pictures at the beautiful little new theatre in the west end, to-day. Mr. Rossley is making arrangements to bring out a first class lady singer from England—a singer who will give her audience and sing her best to please all parties. While the pantomime lasts Mr. Rossley is sorry he can't be at the west end to personally superintend matters, but will be there in course of time.

POLICE COURT.—Two boys charged with stealing slides, were remanded. Three youths for breaking street lamps had to pay costs.

W.P.A.

FOR RELIEF OF THE WOUNDED.
Subscriptions may be sent to the Hon. Treasurer or any of the following members of the financial committee: Lady Davidson, Mrs. John Ayre, Miss Browning, Mrs. Garrett Byrne, Mrs. T. J. Duley, Mrs. T. J. Edens, Miss Hayward, Mrs. A. Macpherson, Mrs. H. Rendell.

The Hon. Treasurer begs to acknowledge receipt of the following subscriptions to date.

Amount acknowledged	...	\$836 22
Interest on deposit	...	39 60
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Total	...	\$9078 45
Balance now on hand	...	\$2384 13

NOTE.—The acknowledgment of \$5 from the children of the Methodist College is a second instalment from the same source. A former donation of \$16.80 was included in the total of the money boxes.

KATHERINE EMERSON,
Hon. Treasurer.
St. John's, Jan. 5, 1915.

Twenty-Five Days Overdue

FROM HERE TO BRIDGEWATER.

A recent exchange says that much anxiety is felt for the safety of the schr. Bradford, C. French, which left this port for Bridgewater, N.S., on Nov. 28th last and has not been heard from since. The Bradford, C. French is a three-masted schr. of 968 tons register, built at Kennebunkport, Maine, in 1884. She was commanded by Capt. A. W. Clarke, of Lunenburg, and carried a crew of seven men beside the captain. The vessel, it will be remembered, was here discharging a cargo of timber consigned to the Hicwood Lumber Co. Under ordinary weather conditions the run to Bridgewater should not have occupied more than 15 days, and as the vessel is now 24 days overdue, it is feared she has foundered.

M. C. L. I. Debate.

The forty-eighth annual session of the Methodist College Literary Institute will be held at the Institute room in the College to-morrow evening. The 1915 session promises to be one of more than ordinary interest, since the syllabus has been arranged in accordance with the times. The questions selected for discussion will deal with many subjects now agitating the public mind. These debates will include questions of local importance as well as those dealing with the war. Many of those who took part in last season's debates are now in the service of the Empire. To-morrow night's debate will be, "Is the war the result of economic or military pressure?"

Niobe Met by Stephano.

The day after the Red Cross Liner Stephano left New York for Halifax, she was met by H.M.S. Niobe. Capt. Smith stopped his ship while a lieutenant and quarter master came aboard and asked if they would oblige those of the Niobe with newspapers, as it was a long while since they had left the shore and were anxious to hear the news of the war. Capt. Smith "cleaned up" all the papers and periodicals he could get and handed them over.

HOCKEY.

Much interest is being evinced in the coming hockey matches. Last night at the Prince's Rink the St. Bon's and Terra Novas had a practice, the former at 6.30 and the latter at 10.30. Both these teams have a deal of young blood in their ranks and should prove close runners up.

B. I. S. DANCE.—Twelfth Night. Tickets may be had from Miss L. Higgins and members of the L. & A. Committee.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.—In the published list of donations to the Belvedere Orphanage, the name of Mr. W. O'D. Kelly (Albiondale Road), a barrel of Butter Blacuit, was inadvertently omitted.

VINARD'S LINIMENT CURES COLD IN TWO HOURS.

Schooner in Peril.

CREW LANDED WITH DIFFICULTY CAPTAIN STILL ABOARD.

The Minister of Fisheries received two messages telling him of a schooner in distress. One from King's Cove said the schooner was caught in a slob ice off Tickle Cove and that it was supposed to be the St. Elmo, Capt. Dornay. She was drifting near a sunken reef and her position was dangerous in case of heavy sea. The other, from Open Hall, identified the schooner as the St. Elmo. She was drifting in ice near Western Head, B.B. The captain was still aboard, although the remainder of his crew had been landed with difficulty, two being hauled through the surf. Assistance was asked and the Minister dispatched the s.s. Prospero to her aid.

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Here and There.
FOR RED CROSS ROUTE.—On her return from Havre, France, the S.S. Perugia, Capt. Mitchell, is bound from Palermo to New York in ballast, put into this port at 12.30 to-day, short of coal. The ship reports having experienced boisterous weather crossing the Atlantic. The Perugia belongs to the Anchor Line, Bowring Bros. are the Agents, and Mr. Tasker Cook is supplying.

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FINED FOR GIVING CREDIT.
A licensed publican was summoned to court to-day by Constable Forsey, charged with giving liquor on credit to an outport man, who "blew the coast." In view of the evidence disclosed a minimum fine of \$10 was imposed. This is the first case of its kind ever heard in our Court since the credit system was stopped.

Household Notes

Always boil new ironware before using.

A waste basket in every room is a necessity.

Medicine stains can almost always be dissolved by alcohol.

Use paper bags for covering pitchers with food in them.

A milk bottle opener is a handy thing to have in the kitchen.

Grown-up stockings will make excellent lights for little girls.

Chocolate stains can be removed by washing in soap and tepid water.

When breakfast muffins are left over, split and toast them for lunch.

Always have the food served to a sick person spotlessly clean and fresh.

White of egg for an invalid may be mixed with lemon, orange or grape juice.

Loaf pans for bread should be narrow to insure thorough baking of the bread.

Some coffee needs boiling and some does not—one must experiment to find out.

Extra deep pudding pans, pie plates and the like are preferable to shallow ones.

Worn table napkins should be saved to dry lettuce in when preparing the salad.

A glass measuring cup and glass lemon squeezer should be found in every kitchen.

To remove tar stains apply kerosene, then wash with warm water and naphtha soap.

Milk and cream stains should be washed out in cold water, followed by soap and water.

A measuring cup and flour sifter should be kept in the flour barrel to save time.

Uncooked fats, such as butter, cream and olive oil, are more wholesome than cooked.

When boiling meat put a wire tea-pot standard in the kettle and the meat will not burn.

If you use cleaning powder for saucepans, be sure to wash out the pan afterwards with cold water.

THE ROBBERS IN BELGIUM.

It is hard to see how Belgium can pay a war tax of \$70,000,000 to Germany in addition to the war levies exacted from various Belgian cities. A people that is destitute and starving and whose cities have been laid waste and fields ravaged by war has enough to do to keep soul and body together without contributing enormous sums to the war chest of a hostile army of invasion.—N. Y. World.

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