

SHIPPING

The Alembic, Capt. Coward, left New York a few days ago and should be here next week.

The S.S. Noreg arrived at Alicante on the 27th, fish laden from this port, after a run of 14 days, all well.

The S.S. "Turret Court", Capt. McDonald, which came in here for repairs will resume her voyage to Manchester to-morrow.

The S.S. Dundee which came here with coal to the Reid Nfd. Co. and has been ready to sail to placencia since Tuesday is still detained by bad weather and heavy sea.

Head Const. Peet was in receipt of a letter from his son Corporal Thos. Peet by the last mail. It is dated at Suez and he says that he is now again fit to have a go at either Turk or Teuton. He had been in hospital and was a pretty sick man for a while.

The old man James Griffin who was found in a stable near Mundy's Pond Tuesday evening in a bad state is improving at the hospital. When his condition permits he will be operated upon for severe frost bite and will likely lose some of his toes.

PROSPERO SAILS WEST

The Prospero sails West to-night taking a large freight and as passengers: H. Beckett, W. Beckett, R. Keefe, Mrs. Hartigan, Mrs. Write and several steeage.

ADVERTISE IN THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE

St. John's MUNICIPAL BOARD PUBLIC NOTICE

By-Law Relating to Sanitary Accommodation for Persons Employed in Factories and Other Buildings.

UNDER and by virtue of the power vested in the Municipal Council under an Act passed by the Legislature on March 22nd, 1910, the Municipal Board at its meeting held on the 16th day of March, A.D. 1916, made the following By-Law:

BE IT RESOLVED—

(1) The owner or occupier of every house, factory or other building where men and women are employed, or intended to be employed, or in attendance, shall furnish such house, factory, or other building with proper separate sanitary accommodation, for persons of each sex, within sixty (60) days after the publication of this Resolution in the Royal Gazette.

(2) Any person who fails to comply with the foregoing By-Law shall be subject, on conviction, to a fine of not less than Twenty-five Dollars (\$25), and not exceeding Fifty Dollars (\$50).

St. John's Municipal Council Offices, 24th day of March, A.D., 1916.

By order,
JOHN L. SLATTERY,
Secretary-Treasurer.

WANTED—AN EXPERIENCED BOOKKEEPER and STENOGRAPHER. Good wages; reference required. Apply BRITISH CLOTHING COMPANY.—mar28

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"Sable Island" Reaches Port

First Arrived For 1916 Has Bumper Trip—Hails For 23,000 Prime Young Harps—Crew all Well—Voyage on Whole Was Pleasant One

The good ship "Sable Island," Capt. Jacob Kean, arrived here from the icefields this morning at 9.30, the first ship to arrive from the seal fishery for 1916. Through the kindness of the gentlemanly Chief Officer we received the particulars of the ship's voyage.

The Sable Island hails for 23,000 prime young harps, with a few old hoods, is fully loaded between decks and has about 1000 seals in pounds on the upper deck. The ship bore up for home on Sunday morning last and experienced a heavy East wind and high sea as she came along while in the ice a heavy swell ran all the time. The ship came along slowly in the fog and bad weather prevailing since Sunday night and made Bay de Verde at 6 p.m. yesterday while a heavy sea ran and a gale of N.E. wind blew. The ship bore up about 70 miles N.E. of the Funks.

The ship struck the seals very quickly, leaving Pool's Island Saturday the 11th inst. and was in the harps the next evening, Sunday, the 12th, at 7 o'clock, striking them about 60 miles N.E. of the Funks. After a while the Sam Blandford and Florizel put in appearance and as the ice was heavy they had to force their way along to the big patch and by Wednesday morning they were in the thick of them, killing and panning 8000 that day. The Bloodhound secured the same and the Florizel being a more powerful ship could easily get round and secured 18,000 to the Eastward of the Sable Island. These ships had only one day's killing out of this patch and after that the Sable Island and the others steamed away to the N.N.E. and the ship struck a small patch all alone and from it secured about 2000.

She then steamed to the N.W. with the Neptune and Eagle, struck the fat on St. Patrick's Day appropriately enough she was in company with thousands of harps, a fact which rendered memorable the day. She panned here 16,000, had then more than her load and left behind her 16 flags or over 3000 seals which she could not take and which were secured by other steamers. Most of these were given the Erik.

To be correct the ship bore up at 8 a.m. Sunday last and passed within half a mile of the Florizel, which then had 35,000. The Erik, Bloodhound, Terra Nova, Neptune and Eagle were all well fished when the Sable Island left them. The spring was blustry occasionally with very heavy ice to contend with. Not an accident occurred on the ship nor hardly a man was ill. The Mail and Advocate heartily congratulates Capt. Jacob on the success attending his voyage and extends the same to his hearty crew.

THE NICKEL

The holiday programme at the Nickel Theatre yesterday, attracted large audiences both afternoon and evening. The pictures were about the finest ever shown in the city. "The Exploits of Elaine" was thrilling from star to finish, and was very closely followed. "The Mystery of Mary" was acted in a brilliant manner by the members of the Vitagraph Company "The Bachelor's Baby" and the comedy, "Street Fakirs," were also excellent types of pictures. This evening the programme will be repeated, and we feel sure there will be a large attendance as all will want to see the "Exploits of Elaine."

FOGOTA SEARCHING FOR 'SVALAND'

Secures Another Prize
Yesterday afternoon Hon. John C. Crosbie had a message from Captain Moore of the S. S. Fogota saying that the ship was giving assistance to the S. S. Forley, which the ship ran across in a disabled condition. The Fogota has now been out several days in search of the 'Svaland' reported dismasted about 240 miles off Halifax and sailed for Louisbourg with every equipment for salvaging the disabled Norwegian.
Late last night another message came to hand saying the ship had the Forley in tow and was making good progress. The ship's position was 230 miles off Halifax, and if the weather proves at all moderate, the Fogota shall get her to port.

Some 18 Naval Reserve men who had spent a year in the British Navy arrived here by yesterday's express.

LOCAL ITEMS

The popular "flipper" was in evidence to-day on Water Street for the first time this spring. Some sold for 80 cents per dozen.

A man who allowed his horse to stand on the street for hours in the weather was before Judge Hutchings to-day on a charge of cruelty to animals. He was fined \$2.00 or 7 days.

Mr. H. W. LeMessurier of the Customs had a message to-day saying that the schr. Tintonia put in to Trepassey yesterday. She is from Salem, Mass., with kerosene, &c., for this port. She will leave for here when the weather clears.

A Naval Reservist who had been enjoying himself almost too well since returning from the War was arrested by the police last evening and another was taken in late. Both were charged with drunkenness to-day but were released by Mr. Hutchings, K.C.

The curling trophies which were won during the winter will be presented to-night at the Curling Rink by Mr. LeMessurier, the President. Most of them are very handsome. The Glee Club will entertain the members after 9.30 to-night. A very enjoyable evening is anticipated.

The following letter, dated Feb. 29th, was received at the Board of Trade rooms yesterday from Lind & Couto:—"The market continues in the same congested condition as previously advised. The demand is very poor and although prices have been lowered all round the consumption has not improved. No further supplies will be required for some months to come. The exchange is about 34 to 35, nominal."

OBITUARY

MR. EDWARD MOAKLER
While Mr. Edward Moakler, well known in the city, was in the R. C. Cathedral yesterday evening, shortly before 6 o'clock he was seized with a sudden illness and people in the Church quickly went to his aid. As he was seen to be dangerously ill Rev. Dr. Green was soon at his side and last rites of the Church were administered. He was then conveyed to his home on Prospect Street in the ambulance, where he was attended by Drs. Cowperthwaite and O'Connell, who did all that medical skill could do to revive the unconscious man but without avail, as he died a short while after arrival at his home.
Mr. Moakler for over 30 years past was a faithful servant of Messrs. Shea & Co. and ranked amongst our best citizens. A widow and son are left to mourn him, to whom, as well as other relatives, The Mail and Advocate extends its condolence.

MR. R. J. COSTIGAN
At 1.30 p.m. yesterday there passed away another well known and highly respected man in the person of Mr. R. J. Costigan of Bell Island. Mr. Costigan, who was in his 52nd year, was a native of St. John's, but went to Bell Island some 20 years ago where he identified himself with the public and social life of the Island and for several years acted as tidewater there.
Mr. Costigan was the proprietor of the well known Costigan Hotel on the Island and was a man highly esteemed both there and in his native city of St. John's. He is survived by a widow and one son, Mr. R. Costigan, and two sisters, Messdames P. Redmond and J. Myron of this city. To the sorrowing widow and relatives The Mail and Advocate extends its sympathy.

Will Investigate Charges Against Ex-War Minister

PETROGRAD, Mar. 29.—The Council of Empire, recognizing the necessity of investigating the recent insufficiency of munitions at the Russian front, has ordered the opening of a preliminary inquiry into accusations against General Soukhomlinoff, former Minister of War, and General Jomina Korowateff, Chief of the Artillery Department.

Not Sure of Turkey

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 29.—George Bernhard, a German statesman, writing in the Vossisch Zeitung, recognizes that a separate Turkish peace is possible. Herr Bernhard points out that British statesmen ought to realize that even if Turkey were to conclude a separate peace, the Central Empires would not be placed at any marked disadvantage.

Poor Prospects Gulf Fishery

Only 14,000 Seals so Far Accounted For—Northern Fleet do Not Report Much Change in Their Catches Since Last Report

Messages received last night by the Postal Telegraphs and to various firms in the city stated that the Sable I. was at Bay deVerde and the Eagle, Neptune and Bloodhound at Valleyfield. It is likely that all four ships will reach port during the day. The Blandford reported her catch yesterday as being 17,000 and the Ranger in the Gulf reported killing 500 seals for the day. The Florizel reports having steamed over 100 miles during the day and killing 50 old harps. The Terra Nova secured a number of hoods yesterday and in the even ing sighted a patch of bedlamers.

The following messages were received last evening and night:—

To Job Bros.
SAML. BLANDFORD—Got 17,000.
NEPTUNE—Arrived at Pool's Island at 3 p.m.; weather bad.

To Bowring Bros.
FLORIZEL—Traversed the ocean to-day for 100 miles; saw nothing except old ones; batted 50 of them; Terra Nova close by; position, Fogo N.E. 20 miles; Erik and S. Blandford jammed near Cape John.

TERRA NOVA—Picking up a few hoods; saw a spot of bedlamers late this evening; Florizel in company.
RANGER—10 miles S.W. of Deadman's Island; ice tight; ship jammed; men panned 500 to-day; Diana, Seal and Viking in sight.

VIKING—5 miles S.W. of Grindstone; ice very heavy; difficult to pick up pans; Magdalen Islanders stealing our pans; ice tight as far as can be seen; ice very heavy.

To Harvey & Co.
SABLE IS.—Arrived at Bay de Verde 5 p.m.

To Baine Johnston, & Co.
BLOODHOUND—At Pool's Island; all well.

THE CATCH

Florizel	42,000
Neptune	35,000
Eagle	30,000
Terra Nova	28,000
Bloodhound	25,000
Sable Island	23,000
Erik	17,000
Samuel Blandford	17,000
Viking	6,000
Ranger	6,000
Diana	2,000
Total	227,000

OFFICIAL SEALING NEWS

Wireless to Postmaster General
Via Fogo—Terra Nova, Florizel, S. Blandford, Erik, report crews aboard and well.
Via Cape Ray—Viking, Ranger, Diana and Seal, all well; no men on ice.

EAGLE, NEPTUNE and BLOODHOUND COMING

Messrs Bowring Bros. had a wire this forenoon saying that the Eagle, Neptune, and Bloodhound had left Valleyfield this morning. They passed Elliston at 11 a.m. in the order mentioned, but it is expected that the Bloodhound will arrive at Harbor Grace first, as she has five miles less of a course to cover than the other ships. There is no ice in Conception Bay so that she will get up all the quicker. The Eagle and Neptune should arrive about 7 p.m.

General Lageau Killed

PARIS, Mar. 29.—General Lageau, one of the youngest French Brigadiers, has been killed in action at Verdun. He distinguished himself in Africa, where he served with the Marchand Expedition.

Hun Naval Officers Recalled to Ships

LONDON, Mar. 29.—A Toronto Globe Central News despatch from Geneva, says that German naval officers holding temporary commands in the land forces, are said to have been recalled to their ships.

Aurora Reported

LONDON, Mar. 29.—The Premier of New Zealand has been notified by wireless that the auxiliary ship Aurora, of the Shackleton Antarctic expedition, expects to arrive off New Zealand on Friday, according to despatches from Reuter's correspondent at Wellington, N.Z.

Cracksmen Again On the Rounds

Calls on Butcher and Druggist—Evidently Heard the Sable Isld. Was Coming as he Had a Look at Mr. O'Regan's Safe—But There Was Nothing Doing

The bold burglar is still at work and last night he was on his rounds, which have been suspended for a short while. Last night he paid particular attention to the higher levels and one of the first places visited was the meat market of Mr. Michael O'Regan on Lemarchant Road. Here he cut out a front pane of glass with the diamond he is using, climbed through the opening made and thoroughly searched the premises. He forced open the till and stole its contents about \$180, but could not get at the safe, in which there was considerable money.

He then went down around and climbed a ladder at the rear of Parson's Drug Store, a few doors west of O'Regan's, raised the window, entered, and searched the place but secured only a small amount in cash. He next and in the same manner visited J. J. St. John's grocery store near, went through it and secured a few dollars here also.

Both in Parsons' and St. John's, when his search was concluded he raised the fastenings of the front doors and went to the street. This is the second time he has visited the St. John store in a couple of months. We hear the burglar also entered a West End store and got away with considerable cash and other booty.

War Messages.

Allied Warships Enforce a Blockade

LONDON, Mar. 29.—Allied warships have declared a blockade of the Candia coast, says the Times' Athens correspondent, and are allowing no vessels to enter or leave the port. This step was taken following the alleged discovery in Crete by landing parties from French and British ships, that German agents were actively storing and shipping supplies to Austro-German submarines.
Advices from Patros says that sailors who landed from an Allied warship, arrested the skipper of a German salvage boat, and an Austrian schooner in the harbour and conveyed them to a warship.

Reports from Chalkis, 35 miles north-west of Athens, say that a landing party from a British warship has searched the Mersapla coast.

Recruiting

LONDON, Mar. 30.—The last class of unmarried men, those who have reached the age of 19 since their attestation, appeared in large numbers at recruiting offices to-day to join the colors. There are now only one proclamation out in connection with enlistments. It calls on the first eight groups of married men to present themselves on April 7th. This is the proclamation which has caused so much dissatisfaction throughout the country, it being felt that all the single men who are evading in various ways, should be called up before the married men are compelled to serve.

Followed the General Practice

LONDON, Mar. 30.—British naval officials point out that none of the British vessels, armed or unarmed, torpedoed since the inception of the new German submarine campaign, received any warning, nor has the crew been removed, except where the torpedoed ship sank slowly. The report, which has been made public, shows four unarmed British merchantmen sunk without warning. They include the Englishman, from Avondale for Portland, Maine, Fenay-Bridge and Manchester Engineer, both from Philadelphia for England.
These vessels followed the general practice of British merchantmen engaged in trade with America in not even having defensive armament.

Only 800 Succeed In Reaching Safety

BERNE, Switzerland, via Paris, Mar. 29.—Of 30,000 Serbian refugees, who, following the invasion of their country by the Teutonic Allies, headed southward, only 800 succeeded in reaching Salonika, all the others having perished of cold and hunger on the way, according to a report just received from Mlle. Comte, of Geneva, representative at Salonika of the Swiss Red Cross.

ST. JOHN'S MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF SECTION 143 OF THE ST. JOHN'S MUNICIPAL ACT, 1902, THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS OF ESTIMATED REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE CURRENT YEAR ARE PUBLISHED.

ESTIMATED REVENUE, ST. JOHN'S MUNICIPAL BOARD, FOR YEAR 1916:—	ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE, ST. JOHN'S MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, FOR YEAR 1916:—
1. Water, Sewerage Rates, Arrears	1. Interest City Debt
2. Interest Sewerage Rates Arrears	2. Interest Loans
3. Vacant Lands	3. Fire Department
4. Watering Vessels	5. Sanitary Department
5. Customs Water Rates	5. Flushing Gullies, Drains and Grassing
6. Steamship Tax	6. Sprinkling Streets
7. Customs Coal Duties	7. Lighting Streets
8. Lighting and Sanitation	8. Lighting South Side
9. Lighting South Side	9. Roads, East
10. Roads, East	10. Roads, East Broken
11. Roads, West	11. Stone a/c
12. Roads, South Side	11. Roads, West
13. Roads, Blackhead	12. Roads, West, Broken
14. Bank Tax	13. Stone a/c
15. Crown Rent Arrears	13. Roads, South Side
16. Theatrical Tax	14. Roads, Blackhead
17. Fire Insurance Co's Tax (Annual)	15. Steam Roller Repairs
18. Fire Insurance Co's Tax (Special)	16. Street Crossings
19. Marine Insurance Co's Tax	17. Oiling Streets
20. Accident Insurance Co's Tax	18. Snow Shovelling Contract
21. Life Insurance Co's Tax	19. Water Street Pavement Repairs
22. Telegraph Co's Tax	20. Sewerage Department, Labour, etc.
23. Telephone Co's Tax	21. Water Works
24. Commercial Cable Co's Tax	22. Watering Vessels
25. Billiard Table Tax	23. Bannerman Park
26. Motor Car Tax	24. Victoria Park
27. Motor Drivers' License	25. Parade Ground, Pointing and Open Spaces
28. Motor Cycle Tax	26. Town Improvements
29. Horse Tax	27. Salaries, Officers
30. Carriage Tax	28. Officers
31. Cart Tax	29. Office Expenses, Engineer
32. License Cart and Truck Drivers	30. Printing and Stationery
33. License, Auctioneers	31. Stamps
34. Street Railway Tax	32. Printing Charter
35. Bowling Alley & Shooting Gallery Tax	33. Health Officers
36. Pedlars' Tax	34. Legal Expenses
37. Brokers' on Margins Tax	35. Collection Coal Duties
38. Water Department	36. Pensions
39. Sanitary Department	37. Over Draft City Hall
40. Interest on Credit Balance at Bank	38. Contingencies
41. Snow Shovelling Contract	39. Job Bridge Repairs
42. Dog Tax	40. Mullins' Bridge
43. Poll Tax	41. Public Closets
	42. Triennial Appraisal
	43. Retaining Walls
	44. Mobile Water Power
	45. Election Expenses
	46. Swimming Pools
	47. Pound Account
	48. Motor Drivers' License
	49. Motor Car Tax
	50. Motor Cycle Tax
	51. Crown Rents
	52. Fish Markets
	53. City Survey
	54. Labour
	55. Interest Savings Banks
	56. Collection Horse Tax, etc.
	57. Deficit from 1915
	\$239,639.57

W. G. GOSLING, Chairman. JNO. L. SLATTERY, Sec.-Treas.
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LINEN SHOWER
Altho' Linen Goods have advanced considerably, we will sell AT REDUCED PRICES
White Linen Table Covers, from \$1.00 to \$3.50.
Unbleached Linen Table Covers, from .50c.
Tray and Side Board Cloths.
DAMASKS.
Unbleached Table Damask, from .25c.
White Table, "Extra Value," from .35c. to \$1.20.
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White Linen Towelling, 10c. and 12c.
HOLLANDS.
Finest White Hollands, from 11c. to 25c.
PILLOW COTTON.
Extra Value, 40 and 42 in. 25c. and 30c.
BUTCHERS' LINEN.
Very Fine, 40 and 38 in. 35c. and 45c.
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Agents for Ungars Laundry & Dye Works,

The S.S. Stephano, Capt. Smith, left New York for here via Halifax at 1 p.m. Tuesday and will bring a full freight.
Mr. James McCoubrey of the Standard Mfg. Coy. goes by the express this evening on a business trip to Canada and the States.