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## Huns Again Make Another Attempt to Capture Verdun

North East of Fortress Germans Launch What is Seemingly a New Offensive Against Verdun—Germans Succeed in Entering French Trenches—French Official Report Credits Germans With Some Gains

MAIN ATTACK HOWEVER THROWN BACK

Russians Make Another Advance Against Germans in Galicia Along the Lower Stripa River—Turks Who Were Contesting Advance of Russians Towards Bagdad Have Hastily Retreated Leaving Tents and War Materials Behind—Also Sustain Heavy Losses

LONDON, May 8.—What seemingly is a new and great offensive, with its objective the capture of Verdun, has been launched by the Germans north-east and north-west of the fortress. In both sectors gains for the Germans are chronicled in the latest French official communication. In the former sectors between Haumont Wood and Douaumont the French first line of trench over nearly a third of a mile were entered by the Germans, while north-west of Verdun east of Hill 304, they penetrated the underground passage ways of the French, except near Hill 304. However, the entire attack, which was thrown against the sector between Hill 304 and Le Mort Homme was repulsed with serious losses for the Germans and a similar fate befell the attacking forces north-east, except in the region of Haumont Wood. On both sides attacks were delivered after heavy preparatory bombardments. Aside from these attacks, only bombardments have been in progress on the line in France and Belgium. Artillery action has been extremely heavy in the Woivre, at the foot of the Meuse Hills in the region east of Verdun.

Russian torpedo boats have ineffectually shelled the German positions on the northern coast of Courland, according to Berlin. In Galicia, along the lower Stripa River, the Russians made another advance against the Germans, while in the Caucasus region the Turkish attacks on the Black Sea littoral were repulsed. The Turks, who had been contesting the advance of the Russians towards Bagdad in the Serinkalinde region, have retreated hastily, after having sustained heavy losses, leaving behind them their tents and war material.

Small infantry encounters at various points along the Austro-Italian front, with what advantage there was, rested with the Italians and have served to vary the usual fighting with big guns.

### Italian Official

ROME, May 7.—An Italian official reports the Italians active on all fronts. Artillery and aircraft are causing damage to enemy positions.

## OFFICIAL

### BRITISH

LONDON, May 7 (Official).—Last night we made a successful raid under cover of a bombardment of the enemy's trenches near Authuille. Our casualties were slight. Five prisoners were brought back. It is certain that ten Germans were killed and as many entered our trenches south-east of Armentieres after a bombardment. They also attempted to attack our trenches east of Carabet Rouge, but was repulsed. Lately there has been some artillery activity north of Roclincourt, Cereancy and Hohenzollern section. Yesterday a considerable amount of successful air work was carried out, and a few hostile machines driven off.

LONDON, May 7.—An official report says that the British made a night attack on the enemy's trenches, and several prisoners were taken. The enemy were driven out of the trenches at Armentieres.

The survivors of the Zeppelin crew have been found at Salonika. Vice-Admiral De Robeck reports that four officers and eight men were taken prisoners.

### FRENCH

PARIS, via St. Pierre, May 7 (Official).—South of the Somme, after intense artillery preparation, the Germans launched yesterday evening an attack against our trenches to the south of Libons which was checked by our curtains of fire. The Germans were dispersed before reaching our wire entanglements. In the Verdun region there was fierce and continuous bombardment during the night of Hill No. 304 district and Haumont-Thiancourt farm sector. South of St. Mihiel we repulsed a strong enemy reconnoitering party which attempted to capture one of our small posts to the east of Biesle. In Lorraine we surprised a German patrol which had crossed the Seille in the neighbourhood of Lanfroicourt to south-east of Nomeny, and made fourteen prisoners. During a squall on the day before yesterday, about twenty of our captive balloons broke off their moorings. Some were carried away towards the German lines, and others towards the French lines. Most of the occupants were able to land in our lines by using their parachutes. There is no news from those who were carried away into the enemy zones.

PARIS, May 7.—An official report says that the enemy have taken part of the trenches of Hill 304 after a violent bombardment, bringing up a division of reinforcements from another part of the front. The struggle at Verdun is incessant. German trenches have been taken by the French at Fort Douaumont who rescued prisoners. There was a surprise attack on Lassigny.

## Villa Rebels Crosses the Rio Grande

A Force of Six Hundred Villistas Take Possession of Town of Lajitas in Texas—Rebel Forces Now Hold 20 Miles of U.S. Territory

PRESIDIO, Texas, May 8.—Between five and six hundred Villistas have crossed the Rio Grande River at Lajitas, Texas, 75 miles from the nearest railroad point, and have taken possession of the town, according to telegraphic messages, reaching here from Americans coming from Lajitas by automobile.

There has been no fighting so far, according to the Americans, no resistance being offered, but several stores have been looted.

Lajitas is 15 miles from Tolina, where several mines employing about 20 Americans are situated. A corporal and 12 American soldiers are at Tolina.

According to the Americans from Lajitas the bandits have announced themselves Villistas and have said they are under General Villanueva, who with two hundred more men, is a few miles south of the border. They are in possession at present of about 20 miles of United States territory.

## States Gives Germany One More Chance

Wilson and Lansing Confer on Situation Arising From Latest German Note—If Another Ship Carrying Americans is Sunk Diplomatic Relations Will be Immediately Severed

WASHINGTON, May 8.—President Wilson and Secretary of State Lansing conferred late last night at the White House on the situation confronting the United States, as a result of the latest German note regarding the conduct of submarine warfare. While Lansing said later that no final decision had been reached, it was understood the course to be pursued probably will be known to-day or Tuesday.

It is said that if another ship, carrying American citizens, is sunk by a German submarine in violation of the principles of international law, diplomatic relations would be severed just as soon as the facts were established, without any further exchange of communications.

## The Bandits Again On War Path

EL PASO, May 8.—Three American soldiers and a 10 years old boy lost their lives and two American citizens have been kidnapped and carried south of the international boundary to almost certain death, during another raid by bandits which will rank with Francisco Villa's famous attack on Columbus, N.M.

Whether the marauders were Villa bandits or Carranza forces is not known. The bandits' foray took place on Friday night and Saturday morning by a big band in the district of Texas.

## OFFICIAL

### RUSSIAN

PETROGRAD, May 7.—An official report says that the Russians have captured enemy trenches at Lake Med and in fighting around Dvinsk caused an explosion of enemy's munitions. A violent enemy attack on the village of Donbrovka was repulsed, with heavy loss to the enemy in men and arms.

The Turks has been dislodged from trenches near Bagdad, and the defenders bayoneted. The Russians occupy the positions.



## Redmond and Carson Arrive At Settlement

New York World Learns From London of Important Meeting of Irish Party—According to Rumors Home Rule Will be Put in Operation

NEW YORK, May 8.—A special copy right cable to The World from London says, Redmond has called what is described in his circular as a most important meeting of the Irish Party for Tuesday. In the Commons there is rumor in political circles to-day, for which however no confirmation is obtainable, that the object of the meeting is to consider an arrangement provisionally arrived at between Redmond and Carson for the settlement of the Irish question. According to this rumor the basis of proposed settlement is that all Irish Volunteers, including Carson's, be immediately disarmed, that compulsory service be extended to Ireland, that the Home Rule be put in operation forthwith. The members of the rank and file of the Irish Party when seen by The World to-day say they knew nothing of rumored arrangement.

## Three Norge Schooners Burning Near Hanstholm

LONDON, May 8.—The captain of the Swedish steamer "Blenda," which arrived at Holmstad, reports he met near Hanstholm three Norwegian schooners burning, says a despatch from Copenhagen. The captain observed a Zeppelin and three German armored trawlers in the vicinity.

## Was Torpedoed Without Warning

LONDON, May 8.—The crew of the British steamer City of Lucknow, sunk in the Mediterranean on Tuesday last, were landed at Malta on Thursday, according to a Lloyd's despatch from Malta under date of Thursday. The steamer was torpedoed without warning.

## Casement to Get Preliminary Hearing

LONDON, May 8.—Sir Rodger Casement will probably be given a preliminary hearing before the police magistrate on Wednesday and be formally charged with high treason and remanded for trial before the Lord Chief Justice and a Jury.

## Appeal to Imperial Treasury

160 Deaths So Far Have Been Accounted for in Dublin Rebellion—List Incomplete as Yet—Traders Seek Compensation For Losses Sustained During the Revolt

DUBLIN, May 8.—No official figures have yet been issued of deaths of civilians in the recent revolt, but 160 have already been accounted for, 112 males, 20 females and 28 unidentified. The list is still incomplete, because it is known many dead have not been registered in any place open to public inspection. Reports of missing are coming in from every district.

The question of compensation for losses sustained by traders during the revolt is causing much heartburning. Under British law the Government is not liable for such losses in Ireland or Scotland, but strong feeling prevails that the Government ought to make exception in this case, and formulate a scheme for compensation. The Irish Chamber of Commerce Council desire to place on record their considered opinion that the outbreaks would have been impossible but for gross and unpardonable laxity, long continued, in the administration of the Irish Government. The Council, therefore, consider that the funds necessary for restoring buildings and property of offending citizens destroyed in the rebellion should be provided by the Imperial Treasury without delay.

## Crew Confirm Report of Ship Sunk by Sub.

Brazilian Minister at London Sends Word to His Government That Crew of Rio Branco Confirm Previous Announcement That Ship Was Torpedoed by German Submarine

RIO JANEIRO, Brazil.—The Minister for Foreign Affairs received a telegram from the Brazilian Minister in London, announcing the arrival of the crew of the Brazilian steamer Rio Branco, sunk last week, presumably off the English coast, and confirming the announcement that the vessel was torpedoed by a German submarine.

A despatch from Rio Janeiro May 4 as stated in official telegrams received there, announced the Rio Branco had been sent to the bottom by a torpedo.

## Germany Fearing Defeat Is Anxious To Make Peace

Lord Robert Cecil Gives Associated Press a Statement Dealing With Charges Against Great Britain and Germany's Avowed Desire For Peace as Contained in Germany's Note to United States

BRITAIN'S ATTITUDE REMAINS UNCHANGED

If we Abandon Our Task Now we Would be Untrue to Our Trust and Would be Betraying Civilization Says the Minister of War Trade—Charges of Britain Trying to Starve Germany Are Answered With Hun Chancellor's Own Words

LONDON, May 8.—Lord Robert Cecil, Minister of War Trade and Parliamentary Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in a statement given to the Associated Press, deals with the charges against Great Britain and Germany's avowed desire for peace, as contained in the German reply to the Note of the United States on submarine warfare. After recalling the alleged inhuman practice of Germany through the employment of submarines, Zeppelins and poisoned high explosives, Lord Robert, on the issue of peace says:

"Of German peace overtures, if such they can be called, I will say little. It was only last December their Chancellor declared, 'We believe it to be in our interests to attribute as falsely those peace proposals,' yet the German Government now says twice within the last few months that Germany has announced before the world her readiness to make peace, which is the truth. It may be that the Germans want peace, if so, it is because they fear defeat. It may be only that it matters not. Our attitude at any rate is unchanged. We drew the sword unwillingly, we shall sheathe it gladly but we should be untrue to our trust, we should be betraying civilization, if we abandoned our task until we have re-established in Europe the supremacy of law, the sanctity of treaties and the right of all nations, great and small to live their lives and fulfil their destinies, free from the intolerable menace of Prussian militarism."

In reference to the German claim of the British intention to starve millions of women and children, and who, by their suffering, will force the victorious armies of the Central Powers into an ignominious capitulation, Lord Robert quotes the remarks of the German Chancellor last month in the Reichstag, in which the declaration was made that Germany had sufficient food for all, with surplus, and which concluded: "We have not run short of anything in the past, nor shall we run short of anything in the future."

Statements by Prince Bismarck and Count Caprivi, dealing with the rights of belligerents to cut off food supplies of any enemy, also are contained in the communication, as a

## Death Sentences Of Irish Rebels Commuted

Countess Markovitz, George and John Plunkett, William Cosgrove and Some Thirteen Others Have Had Death Sentence Commuted.

DUBLIN, May 7.—Countess Georgina Markovitz, one of the prominent figures in the Irish revolt, was sentenced to death after trial by court-martial, but the sentence has been commuted to penal servitude for life. This was officially announced this afternoon.

The death sentence of Henry Shanahan has been commuted to a life term. Death sentences imposed upon George Plunkett and John Plunkett, brothers of Joseph Plunkett, who was executed last week, have been commuted to ten years' servitude, according to an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Dublin.

The death sentence imposed upon William Cosgrove after trial by court-martial that is passing upon the cases of Irish rebels, has been commuted to five years' imprisonment, and the sentences of thirteen others to three years imprisonment.

## Harcourt To Succeed Birrell

To-day is Last Day For Sinn Feiners or Irish Volunteers to Hand Over Their Arms and Ammunition—1000 Prisoners Left Dublin For England

DUBLIN, May 8.—It is reported here that Lewis Harcourt, First Commissioner of Works, has been appointed to succeed Augustine Birrell as Chief Secretary for Ireland. A party of about a thousand prisoners left Dublin last night for England. They were mostly from country districts. This is the last day, under General Maxwell's order, for Sinn Feiners or Irish Volunteers to hand over their arms and ammunition.

Saturday was noteworthy as the anniversary of the assassination of Lord Frederick Cavendish, Chief Secretary for Ireland and Thos. H. Burke, Under Secretary, in Phoenix Park, which occurred on May 6, 1883.

defence of the British stand. The communication also gives the history of the submarine campaign, citing the sinking of various ships and repeats the German order of Feb. 15, 1915, declaring a submarine blockade around the British Isles and says the measures taken by Great Britain against German trade have not cost a single human life.

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**THE ELECTIVE ROAD BOARD SYSTEM**

**Speeches of Dr. Lloyd and Mr. Halfyard in Defense of the New Measure--Northern Districts Have Availed of It and Find It Most Satisfactory.**

MR. LLOYD—I rise merely to correct some wrong impressions that may have arisen from the remarks of the hon. member for Placentia and St. Mary's in reference to his statement that fifty per cent. of the people of Newfoundland have taken no advantage of this Act. I do not know whether his figures are correct, or on what basis they are formed, but I can assure the hon. member that his statement is not correct in reference to the Northern District of this Island. So far as Trinity Bay is concerned, there are only one or two sections, or at any rate very few sections, and small sections at that, which have not taken advantage of the Act. I am informed also in reference to Fogo that practically all the district has taken advantage of the Bill. In Bonavista practically the whole district has done similarly. The same may be said of Twillingate. If his remarks are correct in reference to Placentia, an average for the whole Island cannot be struck from results seen there. So far as we are concerned we wish no encouragement to be given to any small section of the North to go back to the old objectionable system of nominated road boards.

Measure Well Received in The Northern Districts  
Mr. Chairman, I assert again the position I rose to assert before. The hon. member referred to the whole Island. Referring to the whole Island I was perfectly justified in pointing out that so far as this side of the House was concerned the statement of the hon. member was not correct. The North is the part of the Island that I was referring to. I do not take back what I said. I have no wish to accentuate it, but I am not going to allow the hon. member's statement to go broadcast as true, while it is not true of Trinity Bay or of the other districts which I, with my colleagues on this side of the House, have the honor to represent.

My point is that if the North to the extent of 90% accepted the Bill and that covers a large section of the outport constituencies, there must be a remarkably small section of the rest of the island that accepted.

I mentioned four districts, and these four take ten men out of thirty representatives, and they are 90% in favor of the Bill.

I named the districts represented by ten men and there are six other hon. members representing two sections to which this bill does not apply; so that you have the positions that the other parts of the Island must have been extremely slack in taking advantage of this Bill; and I should like to see the figures on which the statement of the hon. member is based.

MR. HALFYARD—Mr. Chairman, I had no idea that the debate on this Bill would take the course it has. I did not think it was of a contentious nature. But we gather from the remarks made by the member who has just spoken from the Government side of the House, that in his opinion this Bill is not as workable as many thought it would be. It is patent to everybody that the expenditures of public money in the past have not been right at all times. The object of this Bill is to give the control of all ordinary grants to the elective road board which will be responsible for the right expenditure of same. I believe in that principle; I believe that the men of the different localities should take that view of the matter, and should do everything to enforce the principles of this Act. Mr. Devereaux, the hon. member for Placentia and St. Mary's said that the outports were not so anxious for elective boards as some had imagined. As far as the North is concerned, they were very anxious to take advantage of it, and I think at least 95 per cent. of the places North have elective road boards. In the most extreme parts of Fogo District they have them, and are satisfied. I think the hon. gentleman said it was a matter of education. Well I have to congratulate Fogo District on being educated in this particular. I hope they will continue to take an interest in their own affairs as has been proven by their action on the 16th of December last, in the election of their own boards.

**The Old System Was Most Unsatisfactory And Wasteful.**

I am very sorry for the other sections of the country who did not take advantage of this Bill and were not public-spirited enough to elect their own boards to take charge of their own affairs. The hon. member said that they had the very best men that could be procured as members of the road boards, I do not know that any one questions that; they may have been the very best men—in some cases the very best men for their own interests; but we know that in certain places that public moneys were not spent to the best advantage. What about grants when you had surplus revenues? If you had elective road boards then and all the surplus grants were spent in improvements—being sent to the road boards, and these boards having to give returns annually and have them posted up for public information—do you think we would be asking so many questions from this side of the House to find out how hundreds and even thousands of dollars that were sent out and no returns made, were spent?

**Why The "Local Affairs Act" Was Passed.**

The public did not know how it was spent or where it was sent. If the people to whom grants were sent had to give returns so that anyone in the locality would have an opportunity of looking at the posted list of expenditures, do you think you would have the condition of affairs that existed then? That was one of the principal reasons why this Local Affairs Act was put on the Statute Book, so that the people would know how the money was spent. The hon. member said: "We have discarded the people who have protected expenditures of public moneys for the past number of years."

We did inform the hon. member and this House, that we can produce returns that will show that money was not wisely spent—that the money was not protected. Money was granted and given to people who did not do a day's work for it. In some cases the names of men were put on the returns and sent to the Auditor-General, and when the men were told that their names were on those returns they wondered why their names were there. They said they received the money but did not work for it. We can give you proofs of this. Then you say this Bill is not workable. No difference what bill is brought before the House you will have some features of it which appear unworkable.

You will not have any organized family grants under this Act. This Act is for the control and management of local affairs within the limits of certain areas of this Colony, defined in manner hereinafter described—the management to be vested in elective road boards hereinafter referred to as "the boards." It is local boards I am talking about, and you do not mean to intimate that it is alright for family grants to be sent out as usual to individuals, and no returns given for the same.

**MR. DEVEREAUX—I have never heard of family grants except through you.**

**Will Prove A Great Benefit To The Colony.**

MR. HALFYARD—I have heard of too many. Do you not think it would be a good thing if all public moneys should be spent under supervision of publicly elected road boards, and that those boards give an account of all expenditures. It would do away with a lot of waste of money. The statements I make can be proven. It is unnecessary to cite cases where money has been spent and no proper return for it; the people of the place did not know that anyone had received the money. I am rather surprised, Mr. Chairman, that any member of the House would in any way defend the old system of spending moneys. If there are people in any section of the country who do not properly understand this Bill, I think they should be educated up to the point so that every feature of this Bill would be brought to their notice, and they should be encouraged, so that eventually they would have elective road boards. It is not my intention to delay the Committee, and I think, in spite of the remarks that have been offered by the hon. member for

Placentia and St. Mary's that in his own heart he believes, and I think that he has admitted, that this Bill will be of great benefit to the Colony if once brought into working order. You cannot expect everything at one time. You should encourage the people in those sections—you say there are only fifty per cent. of the country with elective road boards—well I think that in connection with the carrying out of your onerous duties in your going around the Districts on your official business as Commissioner of Agriculture, that you should try and educate the people in these parts, let them know the benefits they will receive by accepting the provisions of this Bill, and encourage them to have elective boards.

**"Political Bunk," Says Henry Ford**

This What He Calls President Wilson's Late Note to Germany—Ford in Running for President—Michigan and Nebraska Delegates Instructed to Vote for Him.

It seems likely that Henry Ford, the Detroit manufacturer of automobiles, will make a stronger bid for the votes of German-Americans and other pro-Germans than any other candidate whose name has been mentioned in the American primary elections. Already 46 delegates from Michigan and Nebraska have been instructed for him, and in view of the fact that he has no political organization, and no political experience, this is a remarkable showing. Equally remarkable is the fact that the delegates are Republican. Mr. Ford is entitled to the support of every hyphenated American, irrespective of party. For some months past he has succeeded in masquerading as a mere pacifist, his pretence having been assisted by the folly of several writers who professed to see in Henry Ford nothing but a lover of mankind, one whose heart was so gentle that he could not bear the thought of nations being at war. His famous excursion to Europe was interpreted not as a pro-German move, which it was in reality, but the expression of his humane and tender nature. After an interview which he gave to the New York Herald on Sunday it will be impossible for Mr. Ford to continue the fake of pacifism. In that interview he reveals himself as a pro-German.

To begin with, he asserted that President Wilson's late note to Germany was "political bunk." In his opinion there exists not the slightest reason why the United States should break with Germany. "There was no reason for breaking when the Lusitania was sunk, and there certainly is no reason which is apparent in the sinking of the Sussex." He recalled what he said at the time of the sinking of the Lusitania. He had taken counsel with five little boys, he said, whose ages were from seven to sixteen, and after they had considered the matter they said with one voice respecting the Americans who had been killed:

"What the h— did they want to go on her for?"

Mr. Ford, according to the Herald, defends the German method of using submarines. He refuses to consider vessels like the Lusitania as unarmed, for, he says, "What about the stores of munitions in the vessels 'leaving here every day?' He proceeded to say that submarines had made every dreadnought obsolete. For adequate defence, therefore, the United States needs only submarines. Mr. Ford said that commanders of British cruisers told him that when they sight a submarine they turn and run as fast as they can move their vessels. After these expressions of opinion, nobody ought to be deceived as to which side in this war has Mr. Ford's sympathies, and which side he is now actively working for under the pretence of pacifism.

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(Editor Mail and Advocate)  
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There is how and has been very bad colds going around, which carries a terrible bad throat, and some children barely recover from it. There should be a health officer appointed for each of those places. We understand that Mr. Cunningham is the health officer at Tilt Cove for the entire Cape Shore. Do we ever see him? No! Just imagine only one health officer for the North Side of Green Bay. And does Mr. Cunningham report to the authorities regarding the different kinds of diseases which have been going around. If so, Sir, how is it that a doctor has not been sent around to the different places to investigate. Do the Government ignore us all together or do they think that we are so ignorant that we don't know what should be done to protect the health of the people.

Thank goodness that the time is not far distant when we shall have better legislation. People are crying now to do away with such deception. Away with the Tory Government.

We cannot tolerate such notoriety any longer. Again Sir, we understand, that Mr. Jackman has one hundred men working on a mine at Tilt Cove, and no doctor nearer than Pelley's Isld. One poor man had his head badly crushed a few days ago and there was no doctor near to attend him. Where is that Peoples Government who promised to do so much. Of course we are so much use to the hand shake and a promise when they are looking for votes that if they would even attempt to fulfill those promises we would be just as much surprised as though we saw an alligator stand on its tail and sing "The last rose of summer."

We noticed the grand way in which the Liberal Union Party is giving the Tory clique their medicine. I hope it will have the desired effect. We are astonished at the terrible waste of money by the Government. Certainly we should thank Mr. Coaker for digging up those terrible figures, and showing the people what a heavy burden they have helped to lay on us. I don't wonder at so many gray heads and broken down fishermen in Newfoundland.

I notice that some young men are still coming forward to fight for King and Country. May God bless those brave men who dare to do or die for the old Union Jack. Mothers, and fathers do you realize what harm you are doing by persuading

your sons to stay at home? Do you realize that you are asking them to be a coward, which is to be despised by all men? Do you realize that they will be branded as cowards by those who have gone out to lay down their lives for you and for me? Do you know that you are heaping upon the shoulders of those brave boys more than they can carry. Shall we be able to look those men straight in the face when they come back from the war, certainly not. We shall cry for the rocks and the mountains to hide us.

In passing we must not forget to tell you that on the 30th of March we held the second anniversary of the Fishermen's Protective Union. We paraded around the harbour with banners flying, drums beating and with different kinds of music playing. We then went to the church, where the Rev. F. D. Cotton gave us a very interesting lecture on democracy. Which means of course, "the people rule or the country ruled by the people instead by one man or men." The friends enjoyed it very much. We then left the church with cheers for King and Country, of course not forgetting W. F. Coaker and the F. P. U. We parade back to the L. O. A. hall where the good ladies had tables spread with good things, which we were glad to partake of, for some of us were feeling that way after our long tramp.

Previous to this date the Royal Chapter gave a supper to its members, after which a meeting was addressed by Messrs Walter Milley, A. E. Barnes, Rev. Mr. Cotton, and Mr. Watton, C. of E. school teacher.

Business is improving some and the friends are preparing for the fishery. We trust that their efforts will be crowned with success.

Thanking you for space,  
Yours truly, CORRESPONDENT,  
Nipper's Harbour, April 18, 1916.

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Hold Successful Union Parade—Folks Cheer Coaker and Union all Along the Way—Poor Treatment Accorded Aged Toiler—Herring Buyers Take Advantage of Fishermen

(Editor Mail and Advocate)  
Dear Sir.—Will you allow me space in your valuable paper to make a few remarks about our annual parade which we held on March 1st. We met at the hall at 9 a.m. and started on an hour's walk to Brighton. We marched right around the settlement, cheering for President Coaker and the F. P. U. as we marched. Guns were fired by non-union men and women. We then returned to Little Triton. Flags were flying from every pole, and Union men fired guns for

us there. We then went to the S. A. Hall where Ensign Butler gave us a splendid address, which was very pleasing to all. We then returned back to our hall where the ladies had a beautiful tea prepared for us, and we were more than glad to sit down to such a good and dainty tea after so long a walk.

I would also like to make a few remarks concerning a man in our locality who is old and sick and no one to give him a helping hand. The Relieving Officer of this District said such men should live on flour, tea and molasses. Just think, Sir, of a sick person living on such food as this, while those Government hefters are living on luxury and squandering the money that such poor worn-out toilers ought have instead of starving to death.

I should like to see those Government men living on such food as this for a while. I am led to think that they would soon lose some of their fat, but no Sir, these men are not going to live on such, while there is money enough in the Government chests. But the poor "underdog" must have just what they give them.

I also want to say a few words about a herring buyer at King's Point. Last winter he was paying \$1.50 for herring until navigation closed, and he seeing then that he was going to get all he wanted put the price down to \$1.25. I was told that there was only one man who said anything about this and he was cut of from selling any more herring to their firm.

I say shame to the men at King's Point for letting their fellow-men be served in such a way. If every man would have taken up their nets Mr. Black would have gladly given \$1.50 for them rather than do without them. I say to every Union man from Twillingate to Shoe Cove to combine and not to sell any herring under \$2.00 from the nets to any buyer the coming fall.

Hoping Sir I have not trespassed too much on your valuable paper, and wishing President Coaker and the Union every success,

Yours truly,  
A HERRING CATCHER,  
Triton, April 27, 1916.

### "Teddy" Would Form A Family Corps

Oyster Bay, N.Y., April 28.—Responding to an inquiry as to the nation's preparedness for possible war, former President Roosevelt to-day made the following statement:

"Men are saying that they stand behind the President or by the President. I wish to speak for the men who in the event of war will stand in front of the President and between him and the foreign enemy, and who therefore will stand between danger and the men who are behind or beside the President.

"These are the men who will go to the war at once if there is war with Germany or with any other great power, and who feel as I do, that we would far rather go to war unprepared than see our women and children murdered with impunity and the honor of the flag stained.

"In the event of such a war my four sons will go, and one, and perhaps both, of my sons-in-law; I will go myself; the young kinsfolk and friends of my sons will go; so my words are spoken with my eyes open."

Mrs. Park Street—The window in my hall has stained glass in it.  
Mrs. I. R. N. Steel—Too bad! Can't you find anything to take the stains out?

## Another Hun Dream Shattered

(London Daily Chronicle.)

The German Emperor, who about five months ago informed his sister that his "destructive sword" had "conquered the Russians," must be revising his conceptions of Russia's manhood in the light of the news from Armenia. The capture of Ezerum has been swiftly followed by that of Mush; which is only less sensational in its way, since it shows that the Russian left wing has more than followed up the blow delivered by the centre, and the whole front is in a fair way to be thrown right across the Armenian vilayets.

Let us not forget that in 1812, when Napoleon had reached the absolute zenith of his power, and to the best judges appeared unconquerable, there were but two nations left to oppose him, England and Russia, and it was the action of those two in that supreme crisis which made the liberation of the others possible. So they

stand to-day, but this time with strong Allies—with France herself in the van of Freedom, and with Italy once more a great nation reborn from the grave. Each and all of us are doing, we believe, our very best, and each, we believe, will think the more highly of the other's effort the more it knows of it.

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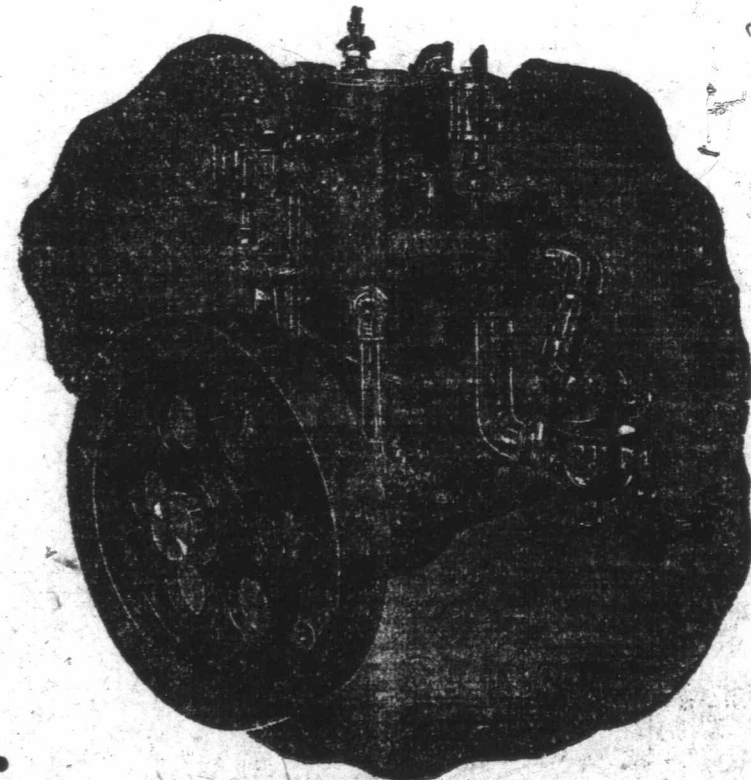
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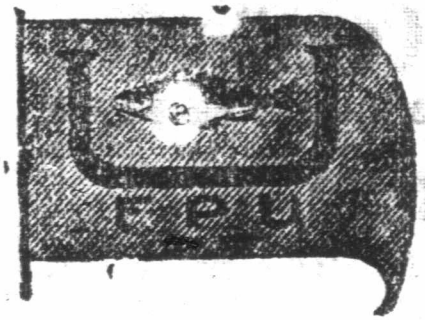
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**MR. HOUSE'S LETTER**

THE publication of Mr. House's letter relative to the bounty of \$824.00 paid M. P. Cashin for the schooner "Lornina" built at Greenspond for H. R. Silver, which was subsequently sold to Mr. Cashin at a bargain, and upon which schooner Mr. Cashin asked the Treasury for a bounty, was the chief topic of conversation in this city since our issue of Saturday appeared. The sensation caused is probably the greatest known here since the publication of the "Morison" "Forget the Law" correspondence.

The remarkable thing about the matter is, how Messrs. Bell and Black could have issued a certificate for \$8.00 per ton on a vessel that the builder states was not built according to the specifications of the law. This is one of the most serious matters the public has faced for many years, and the public will not be satisfied until the whole business is exposed from start to finish.

**MR. CASHIN'S LETTER**

ELSEWHERE in to-day's issue will be found a letter from Hon. M. P. Cashin in reference to the bounty paid on the schooner "Lornina." Mr. Cashin, it will be observed, says "that his firm was only acting agents for H. R. Silver in winding up their business here and at Greenspond." It will be further observed that Mr. Cashin makes no attempt whatever to answer any of the charges made by Mr. House as to the manner in which the vessel was constructed as stated in his (House's) letter published by us on Saturday last. The public will therefore be able to form their own conclusions on this very serious matter.

"Mr. John Taylor," says Mr. Cashin, "surveyed the vessel on arrival here," and he, Mr. Cashin, is convinced that "no stronger or better built vessel ever sailed through the Narrows of St. John's." This may be Mr. Cashin's opinion but in view of the emphatic statements to the contrary made by Mr. House, the builder of the vessel, we think the general public will hesitate to accept Mr. Cashin's opinion as to the sea going qualities of this vessel which proved a coffin for seven of our hardy seamen.

Mr. Cashin takes opportunity to have one of his well known raps at Mr. House. Mr. House built the vessel, he knows how she was constructed, he warned Mr. Cashin not to engage her in the foreign trade, how then can Mr. Cashin truthfully say "that the vessel would have been considered (by him House) strong enough for the Halifax trade if his (House's) brother had been considered qualified to take charge of her on that coast."

This matter must be probed to the bottom in the interests of all concerned.

**LIFTING THE VEIL**

A SIGNIFICANT letter has just appeared in a German newspaper which lifts the veil from the long-concealed economic difficulties which are confronting Germany. The letter was written to one Finhold, a retired County Court of Bensberg, to Field Marshal von Hindenburg. Briefly, the letter states that there is great destitution and anxiety for the future among the families of men at the front. It says also that the small shopkeepers, artisans and tradesmen are now in danger of losing all their property and of being reduced after the war to the condition of indigent day laborers. Numerous requests for help and support received by the soldiers in the field from those depending on them prove that Herr Finhold has laid bare a real wound.

Reviewing this letter, von Hindenburg says: "It is one of the results of the German economic development that the small business man in particular is compelled to have recourse to loans. In view of the conditions of payment and of the markets produced by the war, the wife and family have the utmost difficulty in keeping the trade or business of the husband or father going. This difficulty and constant anxiety exert a paralyzing effect on the man in the trenches, and all the more as he sees no prospect of help or improvement either now or after the conclusion of peace."

"The empire must by all means avert the danger of a large portion of its able and economical sons returning home from the war impoverished or falling at once into the hands of their creditors, which would mean ruin for themselves, their wives and children. . . . I consider it my duty therefore to draw attention to these dangers and to the necessity of providing relief by means of legislation."

The nerve-strength of the soldier, not only for holding out, but also for the decisive victory cannot be maintained unless he feels certain that those he has left at home have an assured existence.

If we add to this first-hand testimony of conditions among the middle-class, the fact that the daily bread allowance of people in German cities is being reduced weekly, we can arrive at only one conclusion—that Germany is economically on its last legs. Discontent is in the air, and the German people are realizing that they must have something more substantial than lying bulletins to keep them alive!

The dreadful toll of the Germans at Verdun has been systematically concealed from the people; but they are now waking up to the holocaust which has been offered in blood to satiate the inordinate vanity of the Crown Prince. We would not be surprised to see an announcement any day that a revolution is seething within the near horizon of Wilhelmstrasse.

**GLEANINGS OF GONE BY DAYS**

MAY 8

JOHN BUCKLEY, James Reed, Lawrence Connors, John Carroll, and Robert Purcell sailed in open boat from St. John's to Harbor Grace; never after heard of, 1823.  
 The Right Hon. Sir Edward P. Morris born in St. John's, 1859.  
 Martin Clance's stable, horse and hay burnt, 1865.  
 The notorious sneak thieves Fitzpatrick's (three brothers) sentenced in Court House to six months, and twelve lashes at end of imprisonment, and banishment from the country for five years. The third got similar sentence, with the lashes left out. One of them returned after expiration of banishment, but the law made it too hot for him to remain, 1868.  
 Captain Burgess, of steamer Anglo-Saxon, buried, 1863.  
 Fifty-six vessels ice-bound in Bay Bulls, 1875.  
 Bishop Dalton buried at Harbor Grace, 1869.  
 Charles Ellis, Sr., died, aged 91, 1880.  
 Miss Alice Hearn died, 1880.  
 Patrick Berrigan's house, Water Street, destroyed by fire, 1894.  
 Stanley B. Carter died, 1888.  
 Mechanics' Institute organized, 1849.

Our readers will note that the certificate was granted to M. P. Cashin. It is M. P. Cashin's name that appear in the official documents, not the firm of Cashin.

**CONSIDERS CASHIN SHOULD RESIGN**

**NO LONGER ANY CONFIDENCE IN HIM**

**THE "LORANINA" MATTER ASTOUNDED THE PEOPLE.**

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

DEAR SIR:—The public was astonished on Saturday when it read Mr. House's letter concerning the "Lornina's" bounty. Mr. House was Silver's agent at Greenspond for several years and built a number of motor boats and schooners. The "Lornina" was built for his brother, who runs a coaster, she was not intended for a bounty paid vessel; she was built on Silver's premises by the employees when other work was slack on the room, Mr. J. Barry of Greenspond was the foreman builder, the timber used was not the size called for by the rules for a bounty.

I am told Mr. Bell stated, while at Greenspond, that she would take a \$500 bounty. Mr. Bell did not see the vessel until after she was launched and almost completed; he surveyed her after Cashin purchased her. There is no doubt about the vessel not being built or fitted in accordance with the rules for the bounty. How a certificate was issued by the two surveyors, who the public have been relying on to do their duty without fair or favor, is now puzzling the public.

Can Cashin any longer be regarded as a proper man to hold the position as head of the Treasury after this exposure? It is no wonder he tried to get up a flare against Mr. Coaker in the House by reading extracts from the back files of *The Mail and Advocate* after he (Coaker) spoke of this bounty scandal. I thought Ministers of the Crown in Newfoundland were to possess characters and reputations above suspicion, as in England, but if the Governor

permits Cashin to remain as his adviser and Minister of the Crown after Mr. House's exposure of the payment of \$824.00 to him, as bounty on the "Lornina," then it will be a sad day for this Colony and for the people's confidence and trust in the Crown in future. If \$824.00 can be taken from the Treasury, illegally, and after exposure in the press, the receiver is allowed to continue in office as head of the Finance Department, Minister of the Crown and Member of the Executive, it won't be long before there will be trouble in this Country, for the people will not stand for such open and contemptible conduct; and if the Premier and Governor don't act to protect the public morality and uphold the rights of the people and the laws of the country, then the people will have to find other ways of reaching the King's ears, or the ears of the Home Government.

We draw His Excellency's attention to this matter and ask what action he intend to take in view of the position Mr. Cashin holds as a Minister of the Crown. If a Minister in England or Canada is not above suspicion of wrong doing, he either resigns or is asked to resign. This matter is a very serious one and action must be taken by the Premier or Governor at once, as it is clear the schooner "Lornina" was not entitled to one cent of bounty and the payment of \$824.00 as bounty on her is a serious blunder on some one's part and a crime against the laws of the Colony.

Yours truly,  
 CITIZEN.  
 St. John's, May 8, 1916.

**Green Bay Builder Writes About Cashin Bounty Vessel**

**Says Timbers Were Far Enough Apart to Allow a Man to Pass Between Them—Calls Upon Govt. to Demand Cashin's Resignation—Says People Appreciate the Efforts of "The Mail and Advocate" to Expose Wrongdoing.**

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

DEAR SIR:—I read your paper of to-day with much interest, as it contained Mr. House's letter relative to Cashin's bounty paid vessel. I can verify much that Mr. House stated; I am a builder from Green Bay and visited the vessel twice while under construction, once when being planked, I at that time passed from the dock to the vessel's hole through a passage between her timbers. There must have been a space of one clear foot between the timbers when I entered the hole from the outside dock. The schooner's plank were being fastened with nails; no treenails, or bolts with forelocks were used.

I have no doubts about what happened this vessel on her maiden voyage; she foundered. Some planks were short, they were butted closely, if one butt gave way under great strain and working of the ship in a gale or heavy sea, a butt of a plank could easily spring, judging from the fastening, and before the crew knew what had happened, the vessel would be sinking.

The vessel was not entitled to a cent bounty; to pay \$824.00 bounty was a deliberate piece of trickery and ought to bring all concerned before the bar of justice to answer for the crime. The country is paying Mr. Bell \$800.00 a year for the little he has to do, and what sort of a surveyor could he be to pass such a vessel as the "Lornina"?

Mr. Black is drawing a big salary and the Colony is paying \$1000.00 or more towards it. How came Mr. Black to grant a certificate for such a vessel, built not for the bounty but built with no intention of complying with the bounty rules, or of qualifying for the bounty, or of sailing the vessel anywhere but on the coast carrying lumber, etc.?

The blood of every fisherman will run cold as they learn of this barefaced transaction. This Mr. Cashin is the Minister of Finance and Customs. He is one of the Government of the Colony. How came he with this bounty? Did he apply for it? If he did, he is a party to this conspiracy to defraud the Treasury. The Governor certainly doesn't know about this matter or he would at once demand Cashin's resignation as Minister.

Go ahead, Mr. Editor, and continue the great work you are engaged in. But for *The Mail and Advocate* we would know nothing about what is going on those days; your paper is the only defender the masses has those days. The people recognize the value of your paper to them and the value of the Union men in the House, and the whole country will next year do as the North did in 1913.

Yours truly,  
 BUILDER.  
 Schooner,  
 St. John's, May 6, 1916.

**OUR VOLUNTEERS**

The number on the roster of volunteers is now 3,713; with the addition of the following recruits:  
 Philneas Boone, Botwood.  
 Elias Ford, Charlottetown, B.B.  
 Thos. Murphy, Charlottetown, B.B.

**WAR MESSAGES**

**New Under Secretary Named For Ireland**

LONDON, May 8.—Sir Robert Chalmers, Governor of Ceylon since 1913, has been appointed to succeed Sir Matthew Nathan, as Under Secretary for Ireland.  
 Sir Matthew resigned simultaneously with Augustine Birrell, Chief Secretary for Ireland, who relinquished his post last week shortly after it appeared the Irish uprising was well under control.

**Lloyd George Stands Firm on Compulsion**

Women, He Said, Were More And More And More Coming To The Fore—Over 300,000 Are Now Busily Engaged.

LONDON, May 7.—Addressing a constituency in Conwy, North Wales, this afternoon, Lloyd George, Minister of Munitions, defended the demands for compulsion, the necessity for which he said, arose last September. Compulsion, the Munitions Minister said, simply meant the country organizing itself in an orderly consistent and resolute manner for a war which could never be run as a Sunday school treat. It never had been said that Britain could raise as many men in proportion to the population as could France. This, he said, was impossible. Britain supplied France and her other allies with steel, coal, material and munitions, and maintained the greatest navy in the world. There was still considerable margin of men available for war, if need arose for increasing the army. Women, and more and more, were coming to the rescue.

There were nearly 300,000 women, he said, engaged upon tasks which before the war one never would have dreamed capable of discharging. As a result of this the country has increased enormously, not merely the output, but its capacity to furnish munitions of war.

**As the London Globe Sees It**

LONDON, May 7.—"The proud American Eagle impudently invited to take the place of the proverbial cat for the German monkey pulling the chestnuts out of the fire," says the *Globe*. "It is to embroil itself with this country in order to relieve Germany from the stranglehold of the British naval blockade."

**Promotion For General Petain**

PARIS, May 7.—Genl. Robert Nivelle has been appointed to direct local operations at Verdun. He will succeed Genl. Petain, who has been promoted to Commander-in-Chief of the Central Army, in the sector between Soissons and Verdun.

**"Remember The Lusitania"**

LONDON, May 7.—The anniversary of the sinking of the *Lusitania* was commemorated to-day by a procession from Westminster to Hyde Park, where a meeting was held. A large model of the *Lusitania* figured prominently, with a banner inscribed, "Remember the *Lusitania*, 7th May, 1915. May that crime be forgiven by Heaven, but not forgotten on earth." Several survivors of the disaster marched with delegations of Red Havas despatch from Rome. Cross, wounded soldiers, Canadian nurses and representatives of the Entente Allies wearing national costumes.

**British Submarine Completed Destruction Of Zeppelin**

LONDON, May 7.—It was Zeppelin L-7 which was destroyed by the British off the German coast. The destruction of the Zeppelin was completed by the British warship. A submarine rescued the seven men of the Zeppelin's crew, all members of which were reported in an earlier statement to have been lost.

A more detailed report has been received of the destruction of Zeppelin L-7 says an official statement given out here to-day. It now appears that, though severely damaged by H. M. S. Galatea and Phaeton, her destruction was completed by a British submarine commanded by Lieut.-Commander Fellman, which rescued seven of the crew and returned with them. She was attacked and slightly injured by a German cruiser on the return voyage.

**Denies Sinking Of Submarine E-31**

LONDON, May 7.—A British official issued this evening admits the loss of two naval aeroplanes, but denies the German claim of sinking the submarine E-31, which it declares to have returned safely to its base. The communication says:

"With reference to the official German report published to-day, it is a fact that two naval aeroplanes are missing. The body of Flight Sub-Lieut. Shams has been picked up at sea, and Observer Sub-Lieut. Mullins is missing. A life-belt has been picked up in that vicinity. Regarding the aeroplanes captured by the Germans, the names of the officers concerned are Flight Sub-Lieut. Cowly and Sub-Lieut. Minge.

"The German claim that the British submarine E-31 was sunk by gunfire, is untrue, the vessel having returned safely to her base."

**Berlin Folk Take Note With Indifference**

BERLIN, May 7.—The utter lack of excitement on the part of the majority of the people of Berlin with which the publication of the German Note to the United States was received, was in strong contrast with the great interest shown everywhere when the American Note to Germany was published on April 22.

After the first flurry, at noon to-day, when the extra editions of the papers appeared with the text of the Note, the city resumed its usual calm. News dealers who had ordered large supplies of papers could not get rid of them, for the public simply refused to buy them or to be burdened by reading.

**Allied Transport Sunk**

BERLIN, May 7.—The sinking of an Allied transport in the Mediterranean late in April, with the loss of nearly 600 Russian troops, who were on board, is reported in advices from Corfu, says the Overseas News Agency to-day.  
 The transport was sunk by striking a mine. About the same time the British battleship *Russell* met a similar fate.

**Prince of Wales The Guest of King Victor Emmanuel**

PARIS, May 7.—The Prince of Wales is now on the Italian war zone 1915. May that crime be forgiven by Heaven, but not forgotten on earth. Several survivors of the disaster marched with delegations of Red Havas despatch from Rome. Cross, wounded soldiers, Canadian nurses and representatives of the Entente Allies wearing national costumes.

**THE "SUSU" HERE**

The S.S. *Susu* arrived here at 3 a.m. yesterday from the North. She went as far as Change Islands and made all ports of call. Her passengers were Messrs. A. Sheppard, J. Kinsella, B. Torrville, A. Wellon, G. Wellon, B. Verge, B. Jones, S. Gill, D. Blunton, Messrs. James W. H. Gosse, W. Torrville, R. Emberley and Misses Gosse and Edwards and 16 stowage.

The *Portia* sails West and the *Prospero* North at 10 a.m. on Wednesday.

The S.S. *Crawley* which is now here with salt for Bowring's is commanded by Capt. C. C. Mann, who was here in the *Alconia* in January last with Government coal and took pulp and pit props to England.

**WILL TAKE ANTE-MORTEM STATEMENT**

This afternoon at 4 Judge Morris and the Deputy Minister of Justice will proceed to the Hospital to take the ante-mortem statement of James Yetman, who is very ill as the result of injuries received in Friday evening's fracas. Denis Furlong who was arrested yesterday in connection with the affair was before Court to-day and will be held on remand pending the outcome of Yetman's illness.

**WILL TAKE STATEMENT**

The police yesterday placed under arrest a young man, a volunteer, who was mixed up in the fight in Bonmaster's Field, Friday evening, and who it is alleged assaulted James Yetman who was taken to Hospital Saturday afternoon. The man who was arrested will be held pending results to Yetman, who was very ill for a while yesterday.

**ICEBERGS AND CODFISH**

The S.S. *Susu* reports quite a number of icebergs North, dangerous customers to meet in foggy weather. One very large berg completely blocks the entrance to Logy Bay. Some codfish and a lot of herrings were taken a few days ago at Musgrave Harbor.

**APPOINTED CHIEF CLERK AND REGISTRAR**

Hon. Chas. H. Emerson has been appointed chief clerk and registrar of the Supreme Court, securing the post of Donald M. Browning, K.C., M.A., and was sworn in to-day.

**BIG SALT IMPORTATIONS**

There have been big importations of salt into the city since Monday last, there being afloat here fully 18,000 tons, while 10,000 or more are on the way. By the end of June there should be 50,000 tons in port.

**Belgians Make Progress in German East Africa**

PARIS, May 7.—Belgian troops on April 19th captured German positions at Shangungu on the border of German East Africa. There is continued progress south of Rivi Lake, according to an announcement made by the Belgian Minister for the Colonies. They occupied the German post at Ishango on the 22nd. Heavy fighting between Belgians and Germans along the border of the Congo Free State and German East Africa, was reported late in October, with victories for the Belgians, but there have been no advices as to progress of hostilities since that time.

Gibbs—"So the doctor said you must not smoke?"  
 Dibbs—"No, sir; he said I should not smoke; I allow only my wife to tell me I must not do a thing."

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## Letter from Major Whittaker High Praise is Bestowed on Newfoundland Soldiers

May 5th, 1916.

Dear Sir,

I beg to enclose herewith extracts from a letter addressed to His Excellency the Governor, by Major C. A. Whittaker, regarding the Newfoundland Regiment. I have no doubt that it will be of sufficient interest to warrant publication in the columns of your paper.

Yours truly,  
J. R. BENNETT,  
Colonial Secretary.

Racecourse, Avr.  
April 14th, 1916.

His Excellency the Governor,  
St. John's, Nfld.

Your Excellency,

The draft of 153 N. C. O's and men under the command of Capt. A. Goodridge arrived all correct on Sunday last 9th April. The men are well up to the standard and already shape well under the drill instructors.

On Wednesday last 5th April a reinforcement draft of N. C. O's and men with 2nd Lieut. J. Edens as conducting Officer, left this station. The Conducting Officer has returned having handed over the draft all correct at one of the case depots of the British Expeditionary Force. He reports that the Base Adjutant stated to him that the drafts of the Newfoundland Regiment were invariably among the best of all the troops who passed through his hands, whether judged by physique, training or discipline.

Last evening, 12th April, a further reinforcement draft of 30 N. C. O's and men left with 2nd Lieut. H. K. Goodyear as conducting Officer. A Nominal Roll of this draft is enclosed for Your Excellency's information.

In accordance with the instructions contained in Your Excellency's telegram of 7th April the following will leave London for St. John's by S.S. Pannonia on Monday next 17th April—  
Capt. C. R. Ayre, Lieut. G. Harvey, 2nd Lt. L. C. Murphy, 2nd Lt. S. K. Lumsden, Co.-Sgt.-Major Watson, Sgt. J. Burns (Musketry Instructor).

I have previously had opportunities of reporting to Your Excellency examples of good work by Units of the Battalion under my command and I now have the honour to enclose a report voluntarily made by the Officer Commanding the Troopship which conveyed Capt. J. A. Ledingham and 181 other Officers and men from this station to Egypt.

Among the enclosures in your Excellency's letters received by the last mail were Warrants for Sergeant Major M. McKay and Bandmaster L. L. Worthington. These have been presented with Your Excellency's congratulations.

Captain Goodridge also handed to me the Distinguished Conduct Medals awarded to Sergeant Greene and Private Hynes. These have been conveyed to O.C. 1st Battalion by the Officer conducting the last draft.

In conclusion, I have the honour to

## Michael J. Barron Crosses the Bar

There passed peacefully away at Dunville on the 25th inst after a brief illness, "to that undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveller returns," Michael J. Barron, who, for many years was a prominent business man of this locality. The deceased was the son of John and Mary Barron, the former of whom is now a nonagenarian, one of the good old stock, and one of the few remaining links which connect the present with the musty past.

Mr. Barron was for many years a master mariner, but finding the avocation of the sea a precarious one abandoned it for the trade of carpentry, and many beautiful buildings here bear evidence of his skill and taste in architecture. For the past nine, or ten years he carried on an extensive mercantile business which he conducted with marked ability and honesty. He was remarkable for his kind and affable disposition and for his probity and high principle, and will be sorely missed by many to whom he was a kind a charitable friend.

His funeral took place on the 27th and was followed by a large concourse of people; thus showing the respect and esteem in which he was held. All that was mortal of him was laid at Mount Carmel cemetery there to await the Archangel's trumpet call. To his sorrowing wife, daughter and relatives the writer extends sincere sympathy. He is gone but not forgotten. Never shall his memory fade. Kindest thought shall ever linger around the grave where he is laid. Dunville, April 30, 1916.

## Professional Notice

I AM about to open a law office in Toronto, where I shall be glad to transact any business committed to my care.

I can be consulted about any affairs here or in Canada, and, if it were desired, could take part in the Courts here in any proceedings of which I had sufficient notice.

Toronto is a good centre for investments on mortgage or otherwise. I shall be pleased to make them so as to protect lenders. Those interested in real estate in any part of Canada may consult me.

Until further notice my address will be "502 Kent Building, Yonge Street, Toronto."

## Alfred B. Morine

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Vaughan, 1380 Pte. W. Wiseman. 1639 Pte. L. Wheeler, 1500 Pte. J. Walsh. Racecourse, Newton on Avr. Avr. Scotland, April 14th, 1916.

## PATRIOTIC CONCERT AT PILLEY'S ISLAND

Pilley's Island Folk Get Down to Business and Realize Handsome Sum of \$151.20 For Patriotic Fund—A Record They May Well Feel Proud of

On the evening of April 19th, a Patriotic Concert was held in the Orange Hall at Pilley's Island. Dr. H. A. Abraham, Medical Officer of the Grenfell Association acted as Chairman and fulfilled his duties in his usual pleasing way, and of his unsparring efforts a great deal of the success of this event was due.

The programme included a number of patriotic choruses which were enthusiastically received as well as splendidly rendered recitations and dialogues which added much to the enjoyment of the evening.

Amongst the items that are deserving of more than passing mention those in which Nurse Tremblis and Miss Garland acted the parts of Milkmaids, and Messrs. P. Blackmore and H. Warr figured as lovers; Mr. P. Blackmore's rendition of one of Harry Lauder's songs, and also a dialogue "Trusting too far," in which Miss Barter and Mr. P. Budgett took prominent part.

The fact that the large audience really enjoyed the programme was shown by the enthusiastic praise which greeted the efforts of the various performers all of whom took their parts with a great deal of credit to themselves.

After the Concert Programme had been gone through, Volunteers were called for for the Regiment and six young men came forward and offered their services.

When the announcement was made that Pilley's Island has given twenty-six of her sons to serve the cause of King and Country the whole audience rose and cheered enthusiastically for a considerable time.

A number of pretty baskets that had been prepared and donated by the ladies were auctioned off, making the total proceeds from the evening's events, one hundred dollars. Miss Curtis acted as accompanist during the evening and her services were much appreciated by those who arranged the event, as well as by the large audience who attended.

The next evening games were held in the court-house and a pleasant evening was enjoyed by the many who were present.

Later contributions towards the funds of the Women's Patriotic Association were received from Pilley's Island: Royal Orange Association, No. 36, \$31.20; Royal Scarlet Chapter, Pilley's Is., \$10.00; Pilley's Island Local Council F.P.U., \$10.00

These contributions, together with the proceeds of the concert, and the basket sale, brings the total contributions from Pilley's Island to the Patriotic Fund up to the excellent sum of \$151.20, a record that very few places of the size in Newfoundland can boast of beating.

## Complaint About Brigus Station

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir,—I have to ask a little space in your valuable paper to speak of a matter concerning the condition of things at the Railway Station at Brigus. There is a lamp situated on a post on each end of the "stand", but why they are there I do not know, unless it is for people to be running against them at night, or to look at in the day time. However, this I do know, that these lamps are scarcely ever lighted.

A little while ago a lady passenger was stepping from the train, and owing to the darkness, she stepped between the train and the "stand," and it came very near being a fatal accident, if there had not been some man handy to help the passenger up on the platform, as while they were helping her up, the train started. As it is, Sir, this lady is a cripple, perhaps for life, as she gave herself a nasty knock against the edge of the "stand." If these lamps had been lighted they would throw a little light the whole length of the "stand" and this accident would not have happened.

I know of other cases like this, Sir, where passengers have got hurt, through a little carelessness of somebody. Perhaps as the station is now lighted with electricity, it would be easy to put a couple of electric lights there, which would give much more light than the common lamps. They would need to be lighted only a few minutes before the train arrives.

I hope that you will put this in your paper, Sir, so that others may know what is well known to—

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## Brookfield Folk Hold Concert in Aid Cot Fund

A sociable and concert took place at Brookfield on April 25th, got up by the ladies of the place in aid of the cot fund. An interesting programme was arranged by Miss May Parson, Methodist teacher. Our worthy chairman was Mr. Garland Gaulton. A full house greeted us and an enjoyable evening was spent by all presents. Programme was as follows:—Solo, by Miss Annie Granter Bertie Vincent, Susie Gaulton and Martha Blackwood; recitation, "Big Steamers," Miss Lulu Cooze; Chairman's remarks; lecture, Rev. E. Moore; song, Miss Emma Granter; recitation, Miss Floss Yetman; song, "Flag of Newfoundland" Miss N. Kean; recitation, Miss Maggie Yetman.

The programme was brought to a close by the singing of the "National Anthem," after tea and cake was served and candy sold. The sum of \$23.54 was raised for the cot fund, in which the other half will go towards our little church. The total sum was forty-eight dollars and fifty cents (\$48.50). The kind women who gave their help are deserving of every praise, for the comfort of our poor soldiers and sailors that are fighting for us all.

## Britain to Master Submarine Menace

Command of the Situation is Expected in a Few Months Owing to Certain "Construction Which Has Been Very Satisfactory."

The Wall Street Journal, in the course of a general review of the war situation, hints that certain construction on the part of Great Britain will in the near future give control of the submarine menace. It says:

"There have been rumours of peace, but they all arise either in Germany or America. We have advices from many points indicating that the French line is invincible, but is willing to trade ground for German dead at the ration it has been traded around Verdun.

"The English have now more than 2,000,000 troops in France and are steadily extending their lines below the Channel, but there is no call for English assistance at the points where the French are doing the fighting.

"The Zeppelins are not taken seriously in England, the only uncertainty there being over the amount of damage the German submarines will be permitted to do to English tonnage.

"England is dependent for her food upon her control of the ocean. She must not only get her supplies from over-seas, but in normal times she receives annually \$50,000,000 of food from the North Sea fisheries.

"We have reason to believe, however, that in a few months in English will be in command of the submarine situation more completely than ever before.

"Certain construction has been going on which has been very satisfactory and the result will be visible in English waters in a few months."

## OLYMPIC HAS A NARROW ESCAPE

St. John Globe: That the big White Star Liner Olympic, carrying among other troops No. 4 Siege Battery, mobilized at St. John, came within an ace of being torpedoed by a German submarine, is the information received in Fredericton in letters from

members of the Siege Battery. According to the letters the big liner almost met her fate while about 150 miles out from Liverpool on the last day of the voyage across the Atlantic, being saved because the submarine came so close to the vessel that the U-boat was almost rammed herself and could not release a torpedo. The incident occurred just as dawn was breaking, the officers of the Olympic having been warned from Kinsale to be on the alert for submarines as one has been reported lying off the coast of Ireland.

About daybreak the gun crew of the liner came hurriedly on deck and the news that a submarine had been sighted was passed about the liner. As far as could be learned by the local men on the liner, the U-boat was almost in the path of the Olympic and right between it and one of the escort, but so close that it was impossible for the Germans to release a torpedo that would harm the vessel, while on the other hand the submarine had an escape from being run down itself.

## All are Ready to Do Their Part

Glenburn School, Prestwick, April 9, 1916, Scotland.

My dear Father,—This is Sunday, it is the only day that I can get a chance to write you. Well, father I am well and in the best of health, hoping you are the same. I daresay you will think it little hard to hear that we will soon be leaving to go and do our bit for King and Country, but father there is nothing in that, it will only make men out of us. We will be getting supplied with our equipment and rifle and bayonet tomorrow. We have finished our musketry and about a dozen out of two hundred are first class shots and I am one of them. I made two hundred and seventy out of 300 points, the highest being ten points more than myself, he was called a marksman. Frank, it is likely, will be going with us. I was talking to Billie last night, he is well and longs to get a smack at the Germans, as I do myself.

We are getting very fine weather over here now. I never saw a warmer day home in the middle of August than it was yesterday. I am burnt as black as a nigger. When you write again tell me how the sealer got on. Glad to hear that the boys home are not all asleep. I got a letter from Tom yesterday. He said that he expects Hugh will be a captain by the time I get home.

So good bye, from,  
KEN.

## Feels Happy Now That He is Off to the Front

Glenburn School, Prestwick, April 9, 1916

My dear Mother,—I received your letter last week and am sorry to say I could not write before, just because I didn't have time. I have not much strange news to tell you, only that I have seen Art. again since I last wrote you. I had a letter from him saying that he could not get off to see me this time, so I thought it was my chance to see him. Of course I asked the Captain and he said yes and gave me ten shillings, and then my chum and myself started for Glasgow. I was talking to P. White and he told me Art. was gone to Paisley, so that is where we found him, and I tell you we put in a gay old time together. Then when it was bed time we went to an hotel and we both had the chance of sleeping together once more for another long time. The next morning we said good-bye to each other. I guess when I see him again I will be back from the trenches, because we are leaving for France on Wednesday night, so we are told, and I am amongst the crowd that's going.

Mother, I am telling you this, because there is no need of keeping anything back, because you would have to know it sometime. Mother, dear, believe me, I am just as happy because I am going as if I was coming home. Now don't think hard of this, because it won't do you any good, besides I am coming home again some day.

One more of our boys died yesterday with the dread fever, he will be buried to-morrow. I am well and enjoying myself fine, the only thing I am longing for and that is to get at the blooming Germans, so good bye from  
KEN.

P.S.—Just been examined by the Doctor, about ninety of us, I was one of them, passed O.K., am ready for the front. Don't worry about me, am alright.

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**A Letter from the Hon. M.P. Cashin**

Mr. Cashin Writes us Relative to a Letter Which we Published on Saturday From Mr. A. J. House, Builder of the Sch. "Lornina"

**OBITUARY**

**MR. FRANCIS MAHER.** We sincerely regret to record the demise of a well known and highly respected citizen in the person of Mr. Frank Maher, the popular engineer, who, only recently, arrived here from the Gulf in the Ranger, in which ship he was chief engineer. He had been ill only a few days and passed away Saturday afternoon at his residence 114 New Gower Street. The report of his sudden passing was heard with sincere regret by most of the people of St. John's, all of whom had a great regard for Frank, whose kindly disposition endeared him to all with whom he was acquainted. His employers, Messrs Bowring Bros, and the officials of the concern, held the deceased in the highest esteem. He is survived by a widow and eight children, as well as five brothers, Rev. Father A. Maher of St. Lawrence, John of the Agriculture and Mines Dept., William, Thomas and Edmund in the United States. To the bereaved family and other relatives The Mail and Advocate extends its sympathy.

**PRISONERS SENTENCED**

To-day the prisoner Job Roberts who was convicted Friday night on a charge of conspiracy to defraud Insurance Co. was before the Supreme Court. The Full Bench were present and the Chief Justice sentenced the prisoner to one year, stating that the Jury's recommendation to mercy and his Counsel's plea for clemency had weighed with him.

**CHARGED WITH MORE LARCENIES**

The three boys implicated in stealing lead and a boat owned by Mr. Wm. Campbell were before court Saturday afternoon, when they were further charged with breaking the locks of two railway cars at Waterford Bridge; the larceny of a watch from P. Walsh, and the stealing of groceries and tobacco from Nicholas Dalton and Rd. Doyle. There were further remedied.

**FLEET OF NEW VESSELS WILL BE PURCHASED FOR Nfld. Trade.**

Mr. Stephen Butler, shipwright, is at present in New York and will remain there for the next six weeks. Mr. Butler will superintend the repairs to be given in New York to the Neptune and which will be very extensive. He will also look over two or three large vessels which will be purchased by local merchants at New York, and in this connection we hear that a regular fleet of sailing vessels will be bought either at New York or other U. S. ports to be used as fish and coal carriers for the Newfoundland trade, a proceeding made necessary by the increasing shortage in steam tonnage. Most of the vessels which are under consideration will be comparatively new and some, it is said, will be equipped with motors.

**KYLE'S PASSENGERS.**

S.S. Kyle arrived at Port aux Basques 9:30 a.m. yesterday with the following passengers—Capt. H. Butt, W. E. Leroux, H. H. Curragh, A. N. Marsten, H. L. R. Foster, J. D. Metcalfe, Miss M. Peel, E. L. Ashbourne, Mrs. T. Peel, M. Basha, J. Smith, R. Fudge, T. R. Horwood, R. A. Ratchford.

**A Big Fire at Newtown, B.B.**

**Shop and Contents of Stanley Gill Are Destroyed—Nearby Houses Were in Danger—Were Saved by Energetic Action of Bucket Brigades**

People who came here by the Fogota say that the fire which destroyed the shop and contents of Stanley Gill at Newtown, B.B., recently came near being a serious affair. It occurred at 10:30 in the morning when the whole place was wrapped in slumber. When the fire was discovered the people, as quickly as possible, rushed to the scene, but the flames had too much headway to admit of anything being saved. A stiff breeze blew and two houses quite near and to leeward of the burning shop had a narrow escape. They were on fire several times from the heat but the people formed bucket brigades and kept them drenched with water until all danger was past. Mr. Gill had \$3,000 insurance on the shop and stock. How the fire occurred is not known.

**PRIZES PRESENTED FOR SHOOTING.**

On Saturday before being dismissed the volunteers were addressed by Capt. W. H. Rennie of the Musketry Committee, who presented the prizes donated by R. B. Job Esq. to the winners in the recent shooting competitions, Ptes Hoddinott, J. E. Moores, Angell and Stevenson. The successful marksmen and also Mr. Job were heartily cheered by the other volunteers. The prizes offered by Mr. K. Blair will be shot for shortly. Capt Rennie will be pleased to hear from others who may wish to follow the example of Messrs. Job and Blair.

**BIG VOLUNTEER CHURCH PARADE**

Yesterday forenoon over 500 volunteers lined up at the Armoury and marched to service at the following places of worship, C. of E. Cathedral, R. C. Cathedral, the Kirk, George's Street Church and S. A. Citadel. The different sections returned to the armoury and were dismissed after service and there was no parade through the city as had been intended.

**C.C.C. Hold An Important Meeting**

An important meeting of the officers and a large number of members of the Catholic Cadet Corps was held after last mass in the Armoury yesterday. Capt. Doyle presided and the idea is to form new companies of the Corps, as owing to enlistments for the war the strength of the Corps was reduced almost to the vanishing point, as far as the older lads of the Corps are concerned. Thorough repairs will be given the armoury and some new features will be added, including an up-to-date gymnasium, shower baths for the boys for use after athletic exercises. There will be a general reorganization of the Corps and Thursday evening another meeting will be held in St. Patrick's Hall to further consider the matters spoken of yesterday.

**REID CO.'S STEAMER REPORT**

Argyle leaving Placentia to-day for West. Clyde on her way to Lewisporte. Dundee arrived at Port Blandford 3:20 p.m. yesterday; sailing this a.m. Ethie left Port aux-Basques at 9:35 p.m. Saturday for North Sydney.

Glencoe left Port aux Basques at 8:40 a.m. to-day. Home at St. John's. Kyle arrived at Port aux Basques at 9:30 a.m. yesterday; arrived at North Sydney at 3:30 Saturday, sailed at 1 a.m.; I.C.R., arrived at 7:50 p.m. Petrel arrived at Clarendville at 9:35 a.m. yesterday. Sagona arrived at Humbermouth at 4:30 p.m. yesterday.

**B. L. S. ATHLETIC ASS'N.**

Yesterday the annual meeting of the B. L. S. Athletic Association was held, when the following officers were elected: Chairman—W. J. Higgins. Vice-Chairman—A. Doyle. Secretary—J. Campbell. Treasurer—H. Power. Advisory Committee—J. P. Crotty, N. J. Vinnicombe, E. Brophy, J. McGrath.

**PORTIA BACK FROM WESTWARD.**

The S.S. Portia, Capt. Joe Kean, arrived here at 2 p.m. yesterday from the Westward after a good round trip. She had foggy weather all through but no stormy weather was encountered. She brought a small freight, and as passengers D. Nosh, Const. O'Flaherty, A. Hillier, B. Brazil, W. Collins, J. English, A. Power, N. Carrigan, J. Roche, James English, E. English, A. Watson, T. J. Bonis, E. Flemming, H. Peders, Slater Agnes, Mrs. E. Kennedy and 50 second class.

**FINE BANKING TRIP.**

Messrs. D. and J. Burke's new banker, the "Marshall Adams" arrived at Bay of Islands a couple of days ago with 150 qts fish. She is fishing of that place and has to date 950 landed for 10 dorles.

**OUR THEATRES**

**THE NICKEL.**

There is another big and interesting programme at the Nickel theatre to-day and to-morrow. The feature is "Hearts Ablaze" in three acts, by the artistes of the Vitagraph Co. Julia Swayne Gordon, L. Rodger Lynton, Leo Delaney and other well known actors appear in this drama. It is a powerful story of human interest and all lovers of high-class pictures should attend. There are other interesting films, and the popular vocalists—Bert Stanley and Jack Lane—will be heard in new songs. On Wednesday there will be presented the first episode of "The Romance of Elaine". Friday, Charlie Chaplin will appear in a two-act comic, "A Jitney Elopement". This will be a big week at the Nickel, and patrons should not miss a change.

**THE CRESCENT**

Don't fail to attend the Crescent Picture Palace to-day, the headliner is a great Diamond special, a three-reel feature: "The Clause in the Constitution," which is a political drama of more than ordinary interest. Isabel Rea features in "Love's Rescue," which is a strong Biograph drama. Miss Rea being supported with the very best Biograph artistes. The Essanay Co. presents one of their funniest Western comedies: "Snakeville's Twins." Mr. Frank DeGroot sings "The Billowy Sea," a corking bass number.

**DR. H. A. SMITH**  
SPÉCIALIST  
will resume practice on  
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may 5, 6, 8, 3i

**British Theatre To-day "Creation" Program.**

Crowded Audiences At British Hall Show Their Appreciation Of Splendid Pictures And Beautiful Story Of The Bible.

To fully sympathize with humanity in its longing for better things we need to study human history from the Bible.

The endeavour of the international Bible Students Association to assist in such study through their "Creation" drama production is meeting with deep appreciation, if crowded houses and words of commendation be taken as evidences. The beautiful closing film of Saturday's production—the bringing back from death of the Shunamite's Son—always suggestive of the power of God to bring world blessing, held the audience spell bound, as it invariably does.

Part 3 at 3 and 8 p.m. today opens with entirely new scenes. The atmosphere of reverence and awe, suggestion of coming "peace and good will to men" seems to be transferred from the picture screen to the faces of the audience as they sit breathlessly watching the Wise Men from the East as they follow the star to the lowly manger of the Babe of Bethlehem, and present their rare gifts. Then we see the almost endless procession wending its way over the hills to the same manger-bed. Thirty three years later comes the triumphal entry into Jerusalem. The pictures, themselves, will tell the remainder of the story.

Part 4, to-morrow, concludes this series except the Finale, which will be more fully announced to-morrow. Everything free, as usual.

**CATHEDRAL MEN'S BIBLE CLASS**

Yesterday the members of the C. M. B. C. attended a Communion Service at the Cathedral, and at 9 o'clock the Harbour Mission opened. Following a short service and address by Rev. Canon White, the Mission Boat was launched from Bowring Bros. wharf, and was given a great send-off by the large number assembled. In the afternoon the last session of the class for the season was held, at which the chairman, Rev. J. Brinton, presided and delivered an able discourse on "The Eternal Christ." Next Sunday the closing exercises will take place, when the Class will combine with the C. L. B. at special service in the Cathedral.

**WESTERN FISHERY REPORT**

Saturday the Board of Trade had the following fishery report under date of April 29th.

From J. Long (Jean de Bay ti Beau Bois)—The catch to date is 695 qts. with 500 for last week. The Howard Young (nine dorles) has returned from the Western fishery and reports for 500 qts. A large fleet of boats went to the Gulf but no report has been received from them yet.

**Earthquake Shocks at Gull Island**

The First Shooked Occurred on April 16—Light Keeper and Family Receive Bad Fright—Second Shock Was More Severe—Followed by Big Tidal Wave

Not often do we record the occurrence of earthquake shocks in this country, but we learn by the Fogota that seismic disturbances occurred at Gull Island on two separate occasions recently. Our informants state that the first occurred on the night of the 16th of April. The tremors were very distinct and continued on this occasion, with intervals between the shocks, of over a minute. The whole island was rocked and the light-keeper and his wife received a great fright. The second shock occurred in the forenoon of the 18th and was far more severe than the first, as we learn, that in the light-keeper's house dishes and plates fell and were broken, while the light-tower oscillated perceptibly and a kind of tidal wave occurred as the sea rose to more than average height and great waves were hurled on the shore. This lasted for several minutes and the shocks were felt at intervals. The upheaval seemed to be particularly violent seaward and it is believed that owing to the throwing up of the earth under the water that new shoals have formed in this section.

**INJURED VOLUNTEER IN HOSPITAL.**

James Yetman, the volunteer who was injured in the fracas at Buckmaster's meadow, Friday evening, is in a pretty bad state and has since been removed from his residence, Battery Road, to Hospital, where he is receiving the best possible attention. The man is more or less paralysed about the body and it is alleged that this was caused by a kick given him while the row was in progress. He was very ill for a while yesterday, and the names of a couple of brother volunteers are associated with the attack on him and they will get into serious trouble.

**Were Well Pleased With Petrograd**

The men of the "Bonaventure" who returned here Friday, as well as the men of the "Adventure" say that they saw some of the most historic places in Petrograd. All the great churches were visited, and amongst other famous things seen was the carriage in which Alexander, Czar of Russia, was killed by a bomb on the streets of the city over a quarter of a century ago. They also visited the church named after him and say that few streets in the great city which do not contain a shrine at which wayfarers pray. Many of these are erected in honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The interiors of some of the churches are very beautiful, and they say, also, that the suburbs of the city are magnificent.

**FELL ON FIELD OF HONOUR**

In the Canadian casualty lists of the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd of this month there appear the names of two brave young chaps falling from this country. Percy King reported killed in action was a son of Mrs. Elizabeth King of Twillingate and joined the Canadians in March, 1915, at Glace Bay. Pioneer Thos. Mercer died on April 11th and was a son of Mr. George Mercer of Port Albert, Fogo District, who also enlisted in Canada. The young man Stevens is reported to be wounded. The whole country will mourn with the parents and friends of these brave young heroes, whose names, like those of their compatriots who have given up their lives in the Empire's service, will be enshrined in the hearts of their loyal fellow countrymen.

**TRAIN NOTES**

Saturday's No. 1 left Humbermouth at 8:55 a.m. Yesterday's No. 1 left Glenwood at 8:45 a.m. Yesterday's No. 2 left Port aux Basques at 10:40 a.m. yesterday; left Glenwood at 6:35 a.m. and is due at St. John's about 8 p.m. Saturday's freight No. 2 left Tickle Hr. at 8:50 a.m.; due at St. John's 1 p.m.

**LOCAL ITEMS**

The Olinda left Maceio to-day for Barbados to load molasses for here. Toronto (noon)—Moderate W. and S.W. winds to-day and Tuesday. Unsettled with locals showers but partly fair.

The S.S. Fogota got a thorough overhaul on the dry dock, the hull and decks being repaired. A new rail was also added to the vessel.

The S.S. Crawley arrived here Saturday evening after a run of 12 days from Cadiz with 6000 tons of salt. She had fair weather all through.

The S.S. Stephano left New York at 6 p.m. Saturday for here via Halifax and is due Thursday. The Herizel will leave New York for here direct Thursday with a full freight.

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**THE HARPS ARE EVERYWHERE.**

Since this war began the "harp," the green variety we mean, have been practically everywhere and whenever they come into contact with the Huns they left their mark. The crew of the Bonaventure report them in the White sea, but these of the fatty variety which are found in such profusion in Newfoundland. On the 8th of March the Bonaventure passed through an enormous patch of these white coats at the entrance to the White sea, and if the ship was properly equipped her load might have been killed.

**New Union Trader Reaches Port**

"Hattie A. Heckman" Recently Purchased by Mr. Coaker Reaches Port—A Splendid Vessel—Proved a Fast Sailer and Will be Valuable Addition to Our Local Fleet

The fine new American schooner "Hattie A. Heckman" recently purchased in Gloucester by W. F. Coaker Esq., for the Union Trading Co., arrived here at 9 p.m. Saturday with a cargo of oil, etc. and a deck load of gasoline from Boston, consigned to the F. P. U. She left Boston Saturday week last at noon and on the run down had mostly southerly winds, but with dense fog the whole way. She did not make any land until Cape Spear was sighted. The vessel is a splendid sailer and on Thursday last Capt. Loughlan easily took 11 knots out of her on a free wind, but lost his topmast stay-sail in so doing. The vessel is a pretty model, with graceful scull-like lines, is splendidly built, built of American oak and will be used as a trader and general carrier. She is 105 tons gross, 72 nett, and her present skipper, who will command her in future, is a young, able and experienced mariner. He is a native of Burin and is a brother of Mr. Chas. Loughlan, assistant manager of the Union Publishing Co., and a young mariner who bids fair to make his mark in his profession. Numbers of people came to the Union premises to-day to view the new purchase and were delighted with her. She will be fitted with a new Bolinder engine and will be a fast motor boat as well as sailer.

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**WANTED—A teacher.**

A.A. Grade, for the Methodist Superior School, Bonavista; salary, \$375.00. Also Teachers for Canale and Bayley's Cove Schools; salaries, \$180.00 each. Apply with testimonials to the CHAIRMAN of the Methodist Board of Education, Bonavista, —may 9, 3i

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**WANTED—A Man to drive an Express wagon.**

Must be sober, reliable, and recommended. Apply A.B.C. this office. —may 4, 1f

**WANTED—An Experienced Dry Goods Salesman.**

Apply by letter, stating age, length of experience, where employed, and salary expected, to "CONFIDENTIAL," The Daily Mail and Advocate office. —may 2, 6i

**WELL DESERVED HONOUR**

Amongst a list of commissions for non-coms. and privates in recent English papers to hand occur the name of Pte E. Jeffreys of the 14th Montreal Battalion; He is now Lieutenant Jeffreys and well deserves the honour conferred on him after the gallant work performed by him in the trenches in Flanders and France, done practically since the war began. We congratulate both the young officer and his father, Rev. Mr. Jeffreys of Pouch Cove parsonage, as well as the other friends of the young officer.

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