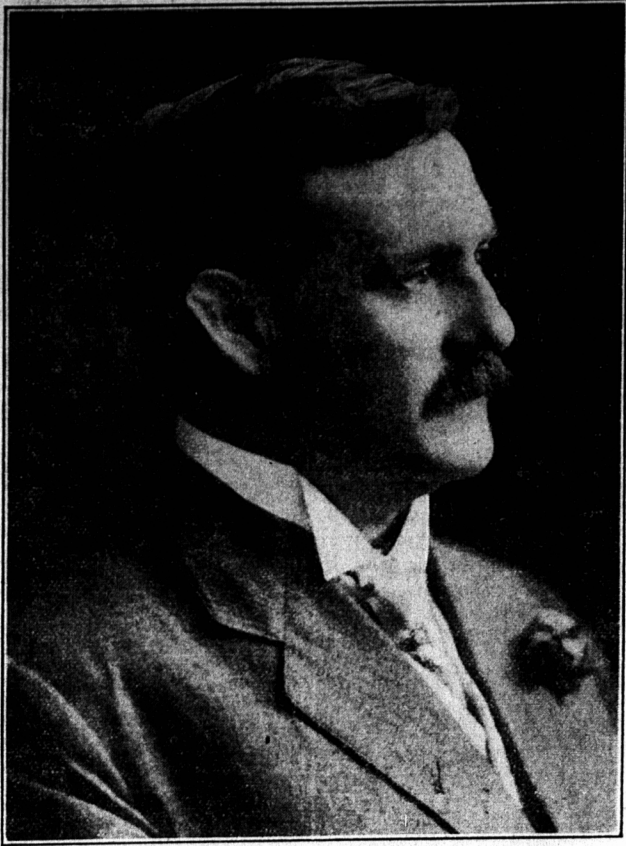


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BRAVE SAILORS BROUGHT GUN TO SAVE FORCE

PARIS, Jan. 2.—How the heroic self-sacrifice of six French blue Jackets made possible the capture of St. Georges, a town less than two miles from Neuport, is described by the Matin's war correspondent in Flanders. He says:

"The attackers had driven the Germans from the advance trenches but, taking refuge in the houses in the village, the Germans soon placed their assaults in a difficult position. The situation of a force of Belgians isolated on a strip of land surrounded by a flood became critical and the artillery alone was able to affect anything against the enemy. The British batteries at Bamschappelle tried but their shells burst over the French.

"Six blue jackets then hoisted a 3-inch gun on a large punt and poled along the canal behind the village, running the gauntlet of the German rifles. As one was hit another took the pole and continued until he in turn fell stricken. The sixth man was mortally wounded as with a last push he sent the punt to the bank where the French advance guard was waiting.

"The gun was quickly landed, and a few shots at 200 yards brought the houses on top of the Germans, who retreated into the arms of a battalion of Belgians. The latter completed the enemy's rout.

"Meanwhile the French column triumphantly took possession of the heap of ruins which was formerly St. Georges, and before night the engineers had established a bridgehead, enabling the Allies' artillery to de-louch on the right bank of the Yser."

"MARY'S GARDEN" IS SOLDIERS' REFUGE

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Mary Garden has a new role—the most tragic in her repertoire and there's no "three figure" salary attached to it, and it brings her very little applause. She was in New York for the Christmas holidays. Mary Garden is now a nurse and her home at Versailles has been converted into a hospital for French soldiers.

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—IT PAYS to buy in this Province. —MR. E. P. FOLEY Guardian representative in Alberton will gladly receive subscriptions and advertising matter. —CHILD DIES.—Much sympathy is felt for Mr. and Mrs. James McAleer, Summerside, on the death of their 10-year-old son.—H. —FOR THE FRONT—Among those who have enlisted in what is known as Boyle's Yukon Contingent, is a former Summerside boy, Mr. Harry A. Cook, aged 26.—H. —SUBSCRIBERS should renew a week or two before the time they have paid for has expired, and thus not miss an issue, as all papers are discontinued promptly on expiry date. —MARRIAGE.—The marriage took place on the 22nd ult., of Miss Mary H. Davison, Bedeque, and Mr. James H. McFarlane, Fernwood. Revs. Geo. Ayers and Alex. McKay performed the ceremony.—H. —WOMEN'S INSTITUTES.—The regular meeting of the New London Women's Institute was held on Dec. 16th at the home of Mrs. M. Constable. Three new members were added to the role and several more intend joining next night. The Institute members are preparing a bale of Red Cross goods which will be shipped early in the New Year and plans were made for further work. Interesting papers were read by Miss McKenzie and Mrs. W. S. Found, the former on Germany and the Germans, and the latter on Belgium and the Belgians, which were much enjoyed. A dainty lunch was served by the hostess. —KINDNESS APPRECIATED.—Mr. Charles E. Rattee, of the 4th Regiment Heavy Artillery, now on duty in Halifax, desires to thank his many friends in Malpeque and vicinity for the gifts of clothing which are of interest on his recent visits home. Their presentation of a handsome purse, amounting to nearly \$50, was a great surprise to him, and he will remember the address presented when he may reach the dangers of the battle line in Belgium. He will never forget these friends, one and all, especially those who presided on the evening above referred to, Mr. William Ramsay, Leslie D. MacNutt and W. H. Crozier. —MALPEQUE.—On Wednesday evening, Dec. 30th, a very interesting event took place at the residence of Mrs. John Montgomery, when her youngest daughter, Miss Charlotte Geddie, was united in marriage to Mr. Percy Leigh McGougan. Immediate relatives and friends of the contracting parties only were present. The words of union were spoken by Rev. E. J. Rattee. It is needless to say that the young people looked charming and that they received the hearty congratulations of those present, among which a very dainty and sumptuous supper was served, and a very pleasant evening passed. "The boys" would not be content until they had bounced all the bachelors present, and they also gave the minister a "three times three" because it was so near to his birthday. The presents were both handsome and valuable. Mr and Mrs. Percy McGougan start out with the best wishes of a very large circle of friends. —CHRISTMAS TREE.—Christmas comes but once a year and with it always brings good cheer. A very enjoyable evening was spent at the home of Mr. John Barbour, Alma, Lot 3, on Christmas night, when a very beautiful Christmas tree was displayed much to the delight of friends and relatives present. Master Nell Barbour acted the part of Santa Claus much to the delight of both old and young, assisted by Mrs. May Burnett, of Boston. The presents were numerous and beautiful. After distribution of the gifts, the guests were invited to the dining room, where the tables groaned under their load of good things got up in Miss Barbour's good taste. The gathering was much pleased with selections on the gramophone accompanied on the violin by Mr. Hamill Barbour. Some fine step dancing was given by Mr. John McInnis, Montserrat. The evening was brought to a close by the singing of "It's a Long Way to Tipperary." The guests then departed, feeling that a very enjoyable evening had been spent. —ALBERTON HIGH SCHOOL CONCERT.—One of the most enjoyable entertainments ever given in Alberton was presented by the pupils of the High School on Tuesday evening, Dec. 22nd. Although the condition of the weather and roads was not ideal, there was an exceptionally large audience. The proceeds will go towards providing better equipment for the school. The programme as announced by the chairman, Lieutenant-Governor Rogers, consisted of the following:—Opening chorus, The Canadian Jack, by the pupils; Chorus, by Thelma A'Hearn and John Duffy; drill, The Little Mothers, by 24 primary pupils; chorus, Men of Harlech, by the pupils; dialogue, The Night Before Christmas, by the pupils; solo, by Louis Malley; duet and waltz, by Amy Agnew and Clifford Rankin; dance, The Colonial Minuet, by 16 pupils; chorus, Tipperary, by the boys; pantomime, by 12 girls. The excellent order which prevailed during the whole entertainment, and the prolonged applause which greeted each number testified to its interesting nature. To discriminate between the different features would be merely to offer an opinion as it was impossible to judge from the applause or subsequent comment which number carried off the palm. The patriotic drill, Canada, was said by some to be a whole concert in itself. Besides being appropriate, the variety of costumes worn by the representatives of the different nations presented a picture which was excellent and picturesque. Other excellent features were the duets, The Little Mothers' drill, the pantomime, etc. Perhaps the "best" thing, however, in the whole concert was a solo by little Louis Malley. The choruses under the capable direction of Mr. J. E. C. Hunter, were excellently rendered. Miss Blanche Leard presided at the piano in a very efficient manner. The singing of the National Anthem brought this very interesting entertainment to an end.—A.

—ONE CENT per word each insertion for advertising in this column. Cash must accompany order. Minimum charge twenty-five cents. —FOR SERVICE.—Registered Chester Boar. Apply Cephas Grigg, West Devon. 6989-12-23E101pd —BELGIAN RELIEF.—The receipt of \$5 from Mrs. P. L. Bowness, Summerside, is thankfully acknowledged by the Committee of the Belgian Relief Fund.—H. —ALL HAIR GOODS kept in stock, also combings made up, hair goods dyed. Send to Mrs. White, Charlotte-town or leave with Miss Strong, Peoples' Store, Summerside. 5049-12-28mtf —PATRIOTIC FUND.—To assist in swelling the Patriotic Fund, I will give one-fifth the value of all orders received for stamping key checks, costing 30 cents each. Send your name and address clearly written. John Mennell, Summerside, P.E.I. 5116-1-1m2i —WEDDING BELLS.—The marriage of Mr. Herbert Hardy to Miss Katherine, second daughter of Mrs. Mary MacDonald of Caledonia West, was solemnized quietly at the home of the groom's brother, Robert Hardy, in the parlour, by Rev. Mr. Lorchart on Wednesday evening, December 23rd at 7 p. m. The bridal couple were un-attended. The bride was becomingly attired in a suit of white silk trimmed with shadow lace. —WINTER SPORT.—The skating population of Tryon intends to make the best of the winter, and are constructing an open air rink on the Reid-Rayner Mills Pond, which they plan on lighting by electricity. They are held a carnival on New Year's night and no trouble was spared to make it a success. Excellent prizes have been offered by Messrs. J. F. Lord, M. C. Delaney, M. P. and R. Webster. The costumes were judged at 9.30 by Mrs. S. E. Reid, Mrs. R. Lord, Rev. A. Hurn, Rev. G. M. Young and W. Rouiter, after which the skaters skated unmasked. Tickets were sold at all the surrounding stores and post offices at ten cents each. Captain Farquhar, who has been sailing on the lakes this summer, spent Christmas at his home here. U.

—TRYON.—Santa Claus has visited all the churches at Tryon and treated the kiddies royally, despite the war times. In every case the churches were daily decorated with bells and evergreens. On the Wednesday previous to Christmas the women of the Baptist Church held a sale of fancy work in J. A. Lyman's store, after which they were receiving under the per. During the afternoon the children were entertained at the church with a splendid Christmas tree. On Christmas Eve, the Presbyterian Sunday School held their entertainment, which was a first class programme well rendered by the children. All the children received Christmas presents of candy, fruit, cards and books. The Methodist Mission Circle and band gave a sacred concert and despite the rough weather, a fairly large number was present. The song service was taken down from the old building, and the children particularly pleased the audience.—U.

—NEW CIVIC OFFICES.—The past few days have seen the removal of the civic officers from the old town hall to the new civic building on Summer street. On Tuesday the fire bell was taken down from the old building and installed in the new one. The town is to be congratulated on its fine civic building and great credit is due the Contractor, Mr. D. R. Morrison, for the expedition with which he completed the contract. The heating and electric lighting contract which is in the hands of Pickering and Morrison, is about all completed. On the ground floor are the Town Clerk's office, Police Court, Police Station and quarters. The first floor contains the Council Chambers, Committee Room, Firemen's Room, Appraisers and Water Commissioner's rooms and a handsome front office with committee room adjoining. The Fire Department is situated in an extensive annex in the rear. The base of this annex is of solid concrete and large doors open on the side street alongside of the Armory.—X

—BAYSIDE.—The many friends of Mrs. John Deigan, of Line Road, are pleased to learn that she is much better after her serious illness and hopes are entertained for her speedy recovery. Miss Annie McKenzie, teacher of O'Leary, is visiting in Bayside, the guest of Rev. Father John. Miss Sadie Egan, teacher of Bayside, is spending her Christmas holidays at her home in Lot 65. Mr. Alexander McIntyre, of St. Dunstan's College, is visiting at his home in Bayside. The semi-annual public school examination of Bayside School took place on Dec. 15th. The attendance was large and the pupils performed their part creditably. The school was nicely decorated for the occasion and there was a Christmas tree, from which Santa Claus rewarded the pupils for their good work done. Brief programmes had been prepared and served to amuse the audience between classes. The pupils were examined by Rev. Father John, Miss Mary McIntyre, teacher of Arlington and also by their teacher, Miss Sadie Egan. After the work of examination was done and the distribution of prizes, remarks were made by Rev. Father John, the trustees and others. The teacher, Miss Sadie Egan, was highly praised, as were also the pupils. Rev. Father John also congratulated the ratepayers for their presence in such a large number.

—EXAMINATION.—The semi-annual examination of Piusville school was taken down on Wednesday, Dec. 23rd and although the day was a very cold one there were in attendance thirty-three visitors and thirty-one pupils. The school was handsomely decorated to suit the occasion. The examination on the whole proved to be a decided success. The pupils were examined in the different subjects by their teacher, Mr. Francis Doiron, assisted by Inspector Marin Gallant, and others, and by the clever manner in which they answered the different questions put forth to them manifested the great efforts which their teacher had been exercising in order that good results might be obtained. The programme consisting of dialogues, recitations, and

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songs, also reflected much credit on the teacher, each pupil acting his or her part in a most gratifying manner. After having distributed his prizes to the children, the teacher was himself surprised by being presented with a useful present from the scholars, and just then an address was read to him. The proceedings having come to a close, several remarks were made by the ratepayers,—each in turn thanking most heartily the teacher for the good work accomplished. Mr. S. T. Gallant, M. L. A. and Inspector Gallant spoke in terms emphasizing the need of a good education in this present age of ours, and encouraged the people present to send their children to school more regularly. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Doiron, in response to which he replied in suitable terms. Refreshments having been served and the National Anthem sung, the gathering dispersed, all well pleased with the good works achieved since they had last met at the school on a similar occasion.

visitors were entertained at the various homes of Tryon and enjoyed an evening's skating in a more amiable fashion. The line up was:— Tryon—Goal, W. Bell; centre, Farrar; cover point, F. Bell; point, Leard; R. wing, Mullens; L. wing, Hennessy; rover, Pooley. Cape Traverse—Goal, Campbell; centre, Buxton; cover point, Mulligan; point, Irving; R. wing, McFarlane; L. wing, Macpherson; rover, Bell.—U.

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MILITIAMEN WHO SHOT POACHER RELEASED.

BUFFALO, Jan. 2.—An order was received from Ottawa tonight to release the three militiamen who composed the firing squad that killed Walter Smith. This is interpreted to mean that the military court of inquiry held the men blameless.

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