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It's North you may run to the rime-ringed sun, Or South to the blind Horn's hate;

Or East all the way into Mississippi Bay,

Or West to the Golden Gate;

- Where the blindest bluffs hold good, dear lass, And the wildest tales are true,
- And the men bulk big on the old trail, our own trail, the out trail,

And life runs large on the Long Trail-the trail that is always new.

There be triple ways to take, of the eagle or the snake, Or the way of a man with a maid;

But the sweetest way to me is a ship's upon the sea In the heel of the North-East Trade.

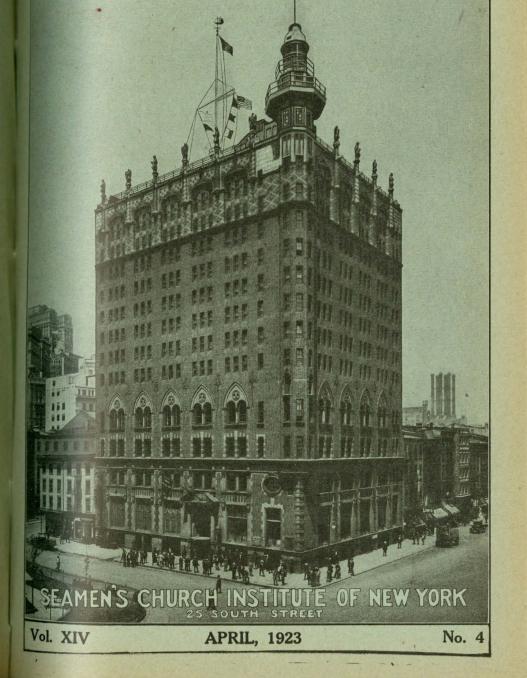
Can you hear the crash on her bows, dear lass,

And the drum of the racing screw,

As she ships it green on the old trail, our own trail, the out trail,

As she lifts and 'scends on the Long Trail—the trail that is always new?

-RUDYARD KIPLING.



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retreats Free Clinics and medicine, two doctors and assistants	Department of "Missing Men" Publication of THE LOOKOUT
Relief for Destitute Seamen and their families	Comfort Kits Christmas Gifts
Burial of Destitute Seamen	First Aid Lectures Medical and Surgical advice by wireless
Seamen's Wages Department to en- courage thrift	day and night, to men in vessels in the harbor or at sea
Transmission of money to dependents	Health Lectures
Free Libraries	Entertainments to keep men off the streets in healthful environment
Free Reading Rooms	Supplementing proceeds from several small
Game Room Supplies	endowments for special needs

And a thousand and one little attentions which go to make up an allaround service and to interpret in a practical way the principles of Christianity in action.

Those who contemplate making provision for the Institute in their wills may find convenient the following

Form of Bequest

I give and bequeath to the "SEAMEN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE OF NEW YORK," a corporation incorporated under the Laws of the State of New York, the sum of--Dollars to be used by it for its corporate purposes.

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APRIL, 1923

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ANNUAL REPORT

of the

BOARD OF MANAGERS

January, 1923

Another year of the absorbingly interesting and richly human and humane life of the SEAMEN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE OF NEW YORK!

Our seventy-eighth anniversary finds us youthful in the sense of an alluring and ever-widening prospect of usefulness ahead-limited only by our means. This limitation is now most keenly felt in the inconvenience and discouragements incidental to an overcrowded and outgrown building. Our spacious sixteen-floor hotel, with its capacity for lodging 810 seamen a night and with its assembly room, chapel and reading rooms and all the other adjuncts of a hotel, and housing also the executive offices of the Society, although it has been in use only a little more than nine years, is now too small.

What is the character of this abounding life which so soon threatens to strain and burst the walls that house it? It explains itself, of course, in the nature of the service the INSTITUTE renders to seamen. It furnishes at a moderate price lodging, food, care of dunnage and other services such as are rendered by a hotel. In addition, and this represents the margin of cost over income, it affords the comfort of game and reading rooms, maintains a dispensary, a loan department, and furnishes entertainment and social and religious service of many kinds. It receives the seamen's money for safe keeping or transmission to his relatives, it handles his mail, and finally, it maintains a staff of tactful men and women who give all kinds of help and advice. A short summary of the work of the various departments follows:

RELIGIOUS AND SOCIAL SERVICE DEPARTMENTS

Here, if anywhere, is the "soul" of the INSTITUTE. Good quarters and food at a reasonable price, after all, only supply physical needs. The abounding life of the INSTITUTE, of which we have spoken, is only interesting as it has spiritual significance. It is in the work of the religious and social service departments that we must find a final sanction.

During the past year in particular our workers have felt the effects of strongly organized and directly anti-religious influences. This has affected the attendance at the Chapel services. But, of course, some occasion for personal contact, other than these services, is essential. To enlist the assistance of the stronger type of men living in the building an organization known as SEAMEN'S FELLOWSHIP has been planned. This is in the nature of a club to develop

friendly relations between the men and our workers in the house and ior mutual co-operation and welfare.

Systematic attention is given to visiting the hospitals. The work is done by one of our chaplains and by a capable and experienced woman. For nearly four years our chaplain has been in charge at the U. S. Marine Hospital Stapleton, New York. He has this past year held 64 services, with a total attendance of 2,215 and he has conducted 40 funeral services. To this and other hospitals 356 visits have been made by him, consuming nearly 1,500 hours in the wards. These visits mean all kinds of practical help to the side sailor. Similar work is performed in other hospitals by our woman visitor.

Last May we organized a separate Social Service DEPARTMENT. Its development has been remarkable. Fifteen men and women on full or par time are required to meet the ever-increasing demands. At any time during the day a line of seamen may be seen waiting for their turn, just as at a physician's office or clinic. About every kind of human problem and trouble is here presented for solution—some, of course, of a trivial character, and many involving the deepest human emotions. At the present rate it would appear that between 26,000 and 30,000 interviews and cases would be handled yearly. Many of these cases are examples of the injustice and wrongs of which the sailor is the peculiar victim. The attempt to right these wrongs in a whole-hearted and yet intelligent and scientific way is certainly the work of the Master.

Direct relief constitutes, of course, a large part of this work and is difficult to handle wisely. "Unsecured loans" is the best description for such money advances as are made, and for other help the words "getting trust." The landsman constantly gets credit from his butcher or grocer. The no-land-contact needy sailor can get no such credit. Here the INSTITUTE steps in. The charity hand-out has no place in this scheme-except for the destitute and incapacitated. The following statistics indicate the extent of the work of the Relief Department: Number of men provided with meals, 3,008, costing \$1,730.27. Number of men furnished with lodgings, 2,007, at a cost of \$867.27. Number of pieces of baggage released for destitute seamen, 185, costing \$113.77. Cash loans to 1,383, total amount of cash \$1,361.58. Petty cash to 143, total amount \$274.46. Passport photographs for 72 men, costing \$46.00. Free baths to 34, amounting to \$5.15. Total expenditure \$4,398.34. of this amount the individual seamen have returned to the Institute \$2,039.74, so that the total cost of the amount of relief actually given amounted to \$2,358.60.

To thousands literature, knitted articles and clothes have been distributed. Hundreds have been sent to the hospitals, to the various organizations, Legal Aid Society, Municipal Lodging House, etc., etc. We have assisted in bringing about settlements of four compensation cases for injuries or wages amounting to \$1,144.00, and besides these have assisted in many salvage cases resulting in substantial payments.

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THE INSTITUTE DISPENSARY partly supported by the United States Public Health Service, and partly by us, has treated a total of 7,676 cases. Since August classes have been held in first aid, and of those taking the course 303 have been examined and passed. As reported last year, the maintenance of radio medical advice for men at sea is the result of experiments made by us and has been accomplished through our direct efforts.

A systematically conducted OLD CLOTHES ROOM is a help to our case worker. The Department of Parks has recently promised a *play* (sport) *director* and *concerts* at Jeanette Park next summer.

A general EMPLOYMENT BUREAU now takes the place of our former shipping department. The unemployment situation involving great distress and need, led, last winter, to the establishment of this bureau. Shipping companies are again and in increasing numbers seeking our cooperation in securing men for their vessels. From January 23, 1922 to January 1, 1923, we furnished shipping jobs to 5,428 men, and shore jobs to 1,893 men, making a total of 7,318 men given employment.

The Social Service DEPARTMENT has had the splendid cooperation of the legal Aid Society and of the City and Federal authorities.

THE BUILDING AND MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT

This great hotel, always crowded and having a capacity of 810 beds, is in charge of a competent superintendent and engineer. The boilers, engines, generators and pumps seem to show no signs of deterioration. On February 2nd, in order to make repairs on the steam main, there occurred the first shutdown since April, 1918,—a continued running of the generator plant for three years and eight months without a stop. We are now in the process of interior painting from the thirteenth floor down.

More room in the BAGGAGE DEPARTMENT is greatly needed. During the year we checked in 50,992 pieces and checked out 47,906, with a grand total of 107,311 pieces handled—a daily average of 450 pieces.

THE LAUNDRY, equipped to take care of a house capacity of 518 guests, is now operated both night and day, and is carrying a greater load than its normal capacity. We have handled during the year 1,168,000 pieces at a cost of well under one-half a cent per piece.

HOTEL DESK

The desk staff of seven has not only the responsibility of selling rooms and beds and conducting the usual hotel routine, but is held responsible for receiving seamen's moneys for 'deposits and his valuables and baggage (when the baggage and wages department are closed), and must handle details in reference to the seamen's relationship with the consulates, the shipping companies, and with our own Accounting DEPARTMENT in accurately accounting for lodging charges, meal tickets, bath tickets, etc, etc.

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Seamen occupying lodgings left \$88,700 at the desk during the hours when Seamen occupying loggings left qcc, oo at the desk handled 394 packages the Seamen's Wages Department was closed. The desk handled 394 packages of valuables; received \$123,830.20 for rooms and beds, sold meal tickets amounting to \$3,560.15; sold 3,700 bath tickets. A total of 291,212 lodgings amounting to \$3,500.13, sold 3, 60 path there are because of lack of space were sold and lodgings were refused to 27,139 seamen because of lack of space

RESTAURANT, GENERAL STORES AND PURCHASING DEPARTMENTS

The total number of sales in the RESTAURANT amounted to 407,663, with cash received in the sum of \$84,653.57. More breakfasts could be served if we had increased seating capacity.

The sales at the SODA FOUNTAIN, which includes sales of tobacco, etc. amounted to \$26,389.87.

We maintain, for economy of administration and purchasing, general stores consisting of supplies of groceries, cleaning material, stationery, postage and general supplies. The value of the supplies issued to other departments amounted this year to \$13,959.53. Purchases through the Purchasing Department approximated \$135,879.

SEAMEN'S WAGES

For many years the INSTITUTE has afforded the seaman facilities for depositing or transmitting his wages. At one time these deposits and transmissions amounted to over \$1,000,000 in one year. Recently, owing to unemployment and depression in the shipping industry, the amount so deposited has decreased. Last year there were 4,195 deposits, amounting to \$529,544.84, of which amount \$151,607.99 was transmitted to the seaman's family or dependents in various parts of the world. There were 349 travelers checks sold, amounting to \$6,250.

POST OFFICE

This is a department incidental to the operation of the hotel, which is not self-sustaining but is of invaluable service to seamen. The total number of pieces of mail received was 190,273. About 19,000 pieces were forwarded on request. We received for the rental of 801 boxes \$2,050.44. Four men are employed in this department.

NAVIGATION, MARINE ENGINEERING AND RADIO SCHOOL

There have been a total of 167 students enrolled during the year, of whom 120 have passed their examinations given by the United States Local Inspectors. There have been 53 lectures on subjects of navigation and marine propulsion, and 155 first aid lectures have been given by the Surgeon of the United States Health Service on duty at the building.

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Through this publication the work of the INSTITUTE is given publicity. Appeals for special objects are made, such as the campaign for bricks for the War Memorial in Jeanette Park. It is of ever increasing usefulness, and its War mercashig userumess, and its work of happenings at the INSTITUTE, visualize our work for our friends the cannot see the INSTITUTE in operation.

The INSTITUTE maintains a SLOP CHEST or clothing store, and TAILOR and BARBER SHOPS.

BRITISH APPRENTICES

The twenty-four successful years of splendid work for these boys has been urgely due to the SEAMEN'S BENEFIT SOCIETY, which was founded in 1900 Miss Augusta M. de Peyster, to assist the SEAMEN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE OF NEW YORK, in its service to Seamen and particularly for the British Apprentice boys. It has gone soberly about its business of mendliness and good will all these years, and the best wage this service has brought is that which can never be counted—the good will of thousands of British fathers and mothers all over the world, who follow their sons across the seas with anxious thoughts, and who are grateful from the bottom of their hearts to America and Americans for making these boys at home and happy, and safe from the dangers of a strange port.

The daily average attendance of these boys, who are in training to become tins' officers in the British Merchant Marine, is about twenty-five. (See the report of the Society on page 18.)

NORTH RIVER STATION

It has been long felt that this Station, which was opened on the North River in October, 1846, had because of unavoidable conditions, outlived its usefulness. After most thorough investigation and conscientious consideration, the Board of Managers unanimously decided to close permanently the Station early in the year 1923.

The Station is now very disadvantageously located and the buildings are impracticable to meet the requirements of modern institutional work for seamen. There are on West Street, strategically located, five other Institutions for Seamen, with resulting reduplication of work.

For these and other similar reasons, it seemed wise to the Board to discontinue the Station.

As pioneers in this section of the Port, this Society will, however, retain its right to revive its work on the North River, if, in the future, opportunity offers.

The decision with regard to the disposition of the property, which has not been made, will be noted in the next Annual Report.

WAYS AND MEANS DEPARTMENT

The burden of raising the annual budget rests upon the Committee on Ways and Means. With the ever-increasing work of the INSTITUTE old friends have to be retained and new ones constantly found. The INSTITUTE needs its friends as never before. A comprehensive and accurate system of account-

ing is maintained, and it is believed by the Board of Managers that the administration of the INSTITUTE is upon an efficient business basis, and is conducted with the utmost economy.

LEGACIES

Friends who have recently died have bequeathed to us the following legacies:

Arnold Thayer\$	5,000
Emily Howland Bourne	15,000
Henry A. Laughlin	10,000
Lucy Kirtland	3,000
Maria L. Vanderpoel	4,000
Francis Edward Pouch	500

MERCHANT SEAMEN WAR MEMORIAL

The MEMORIAL STAGE in Jeanette Park in Memory of the Merchant Seamen, who served in the Great War, which was mentioned in our last Annual Report as a hope, is now an accomplished fact. Although at the time when this report goes to press it is not wholly completed, concerts and entertainments have already been given there, and it is hoped in two months' time to have finished those few last things which remain to be done. At an early date it will be dedicated and presented to the City, a gift from the friends of this INSTITUTE to the memory of those Merchant Seamen, living and dead, who carried on so bravely in those difficult days.

The Inscriptions on the Official Tablets in the back and front walls of the Memorial read as follows:

Anno Domini—1923 MEMORIAL to the MERCHANT SEAMEN WHO SERVED IN THE GREAT WAR—1914-1918 * * * A GIFT TO THE CITY FROM FRIENDS of the SEAMEN'S CHURCH

> INSTITUTE OF NEW YORK

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IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE OFFICERS AND MEN OF THE MERCHANT MARINE,

WHO, IN THE WORLD WAR OF 1914-1918, WITHOUT FERVOR OF BATTLE OR PRIVILEGE OF FAME, WENT DOWN TO THE SEA AND ENDURED ALL THINGS.

* * *

THEY MADE VICTORY POSSIBLE AND WERE GREAT WITHOUT GLORY

In closing this report the Board of Managers cannot but feel that it inadequately describes the work of the INSTITUTE. It seems quite impossible to communicate the thrill that one experiences in visiting the INSTITUTE or in attending the annual meeting of the Board. It is by no means easy to raise the annual budget and at times some curtailment of the work has seemed to the Ways and Means Committee unavoidable. In spite of this, however, our present facilities have become so inadequate that the Board of Managers feel that the time has come to raise the funds necessary to extend the building to the adjacent lots purchased some years ago. Whether it will be possible to do this depends, of course, upon our friends.

The Superintendent and his staff and the employees have loyally carried us through another trying year. To them we are deeply grateful.

GENERAL SUMMARY OF WORK

ALL STATIONS AND DEPARTMENTS, JANUARY 1, 1922, TO DECEMBER 31, 1922 Submitted by the Rev. ARCHIBALD R. MANSFIELD, D. D., Superintendent

SEAMEN'S WAGES DEPARTMENT

Number of Deposits	4,195	Amount of Transmissions	\$151 607 00
Amount of Deposits	\$529,544.84	Notary Signatures	
Number of Transmissions			384

SHIPPING DEPARTMENT

Men signed	5,425	Total given employment	7,318
Men given temporary work	1,893	Number of vessels supplied	170

RESTAURANT, SODA FOUNTAIN, SLOP CHEST, TAILOR, LAUNDRY, LODGINGS, MAIL, BAGGAGE, WASH ROOM

Total meals served	407,663	Lodgings registered	291,212
Sales at Soda Fountain	285,265	Mail received	190,273
Sales at Slop Chest	4,815	Baggage received	50,992
Sales at Tailor Shop		Barber customers	10,800
Laundry customers	1,745	Wash room tickets	3,700

RELIGIOUS AND SOCIAL, INCLUDING RELIEF AND CLINIC

English services	169	Total attendance	52,741
Total attendance	10,528	Knitted and other useful ar-	
Bible classes	31	ticles distributed	6,555
Total attendance	1,944	Christmas gifts	575
Miscellaneous services	75	Reading matter distributed	4,284
Attendance Miscel. services	2,330	Home Hour	53
Communion services, Institute	60	Attendance	5,326
Communion services, Hospital	13	Relief assisted through M. M.	
Baptisms	7	& B. Fund and other funds	7,754
Marriages	13	Treated in Inst. Dispensary	7,676
Funerals	63	Referred to other societies	600
Services at hospitals	64	Sent to hospitals	487
Total attendance	2,215	Visits to hospitals	591
Entertainments	101		

NAVIGATION AND MARINE ENGINEERING AND RADIO SCHOOL

Students enrolled First aid lectures Attendance first aid lectures School certificates issued	167 155 113 8	Examined and passed Local Inspectors Daily average attendance	120 6
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TREASURER'S ANNUAL STATEMENT

JANUARY 1, 1922 TO DECEMBER 31, 1922.

INCOME

Subscriptions and Donations Church Offerings Ship Collections Net Income from Invested Funds	\$100,000.76 3,888.36 5,738.62 4,348.98 \$113,976.72	
 Revenue from Institute Activities: Hotel (including Lodgings, Barber Shop, Wash Room), Post Office, Baggage Room, Lunch Counter, Soda Fountain, Slop Chest, Navigation, Marine Engineering and Radio School Rent, British Consulate General Shipping Branch	280,514.62 1,872.00 881.74	\$397,245.08

EXPENDITURES

Institute Building, 25 South Street: Religious and Social Work	31,663.83	
 Religious and Social Work	356,907.00 5,924.61 2,784.50	397,279.94
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FRANK T. WARBURTON, Treasurer.

CERTIFICATE OF AUDITORS

MARWICK, MITCHELL & CO.

Accountants and Auditors

New York, N. Y. 40 Exchange Place,

We have audited the accounts pertaining to the operations as shown in the Treasurer's Annual Statement, and hereby certify that, in our opinion, it properly reflects the trans-actions of the year ended December 31, 1922.

MARWICK, MITCHELL & Co.

40 Exchange Place, New York, March 15, 1923.

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Twenty-Second Annual Report

of the

SEAMEN'S BENEFIT SOCIETY

The SEAMEN'S BENEFIT SOCIETY has given another year of undivided devotion to the welfare of seamen; another year of successful, intelligent constructive social service work for a patient and often neglected class of men and boys.

As in the previous twenty-one years of its existence the Society has made the work of the Apprentice Department of the Institute its particular concern.

It has provided the afternoon teas that are served there daily and made possible the Thursday evening parties, which are such a bright spot in the lives of the boys that one of them recently prayed all week that his ship might not leave port until after the next dance. It has also paid the salary of the worker whose business it is to stand between these lads and loneliness.

The Lenten Sewing Class held five meetings at the homes of Miss Ethel Zabriskie, Miss Emily Buch, Mrs. Edward L. de Rose, Mrs. Clarence C. Chapman and Mrs. Lewis G. Morris. The dues of the Sewing Class were \$508 and the expenses \$81, leaving a balance of \$427. At this class all the table linen needed for the Apprentice Room was made, also 510 towels for the use of the lodging department of the Institute.

The SEAMEN'S BENEFIT SOCIETY also supplied the Institute with quantities of literature and socks, of which it stands continually in need.

On December 12th, the Society gave a performance of "The Torch-Bearers" for the benefit of the Apprentice Department at which \$1,854.45 was cleared.

But the Society has never forgotten in practical service, the kindly human sympathy, which is butter to the bread of charity. Members of the organization have visited the Institute several times on Sunday evenings and given the men that pleasant contact with friendly womanly women. from which they are shut out by circumstances, for so great a part of their lives, and which they so deeply appreciate.

AUGUSTA M. de PEYSTER, Secretary.

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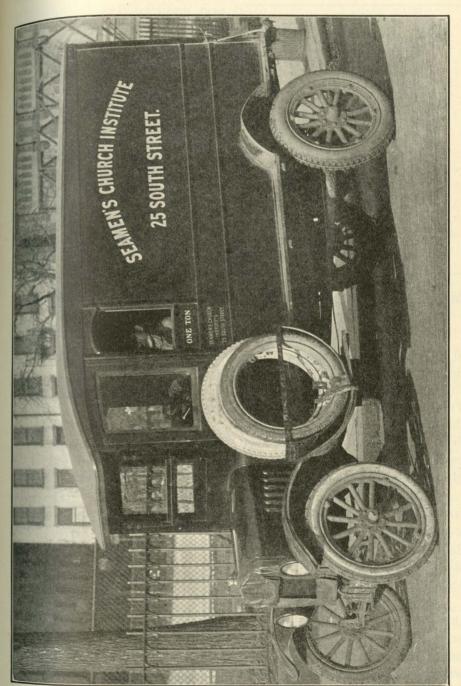
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Mr. Baylies Asks the Board to Carry On

Before the last monthly meeting of the Board of Managers of the Seamen's Church Institute, Mr. Frank T. Warburton, Secretary and Treasurer of the Society, received the following letter from the President, Mr. Edmund L. Baylies, who has been ill for some time: My dear Mr. Warburton:

As you know, I have been ill, and confined to my residence for several weeks. In a few days I shall go South for a month or more, and shortly after my return will probably leave the city for the summer.

Because it seems quite certain that I will be unable until next fall, or perhaps later, to give my attention to the work of the society, I am writing to ask that you kindly so inform the Board of Managers at its

next meeting. The Institute must not be allowed to drift for lack of leadership, and the Superintendent must be adequately supported There are very important matters that will come before the Board. which will call for immediate attention and action.

I appeal to the members to continue their splendid support, and to undertake the full responsibility of guiding and promoting the work.

My interest in the Institute and its activities is very deep, and my concern for its future very great.

We have a wonderful vision to fulfill, and a marvelous task yet to accomplish. With faith and prayer it can and will be done.

Please give to the members of the Board my warmest regards, and expressions of very genuine appreciation of their constant loyalty and assistance on behalf of the Merchant Seamen of the World.

> Very sincerely, EDMUND L. BAYLIES.

Easter Services

During Holy Week services were held in the chapel of Our Saviour on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings, and twice on Easter Sunday.

For the Sunday services the chapel was beautifully decorated with lilies and other spring flowers. and the hymns and sermons were all planned to turn the thought to that resurrection, that life springing from apparent death, which has in it life's great germ of hope.

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Risk as a Regular Diet

Much has been said about the courage of the soldiers during the war, a little has been said about the bravery of the merchant seamen during that conflict, but what the public often does not realize is that the seaman is called upon constantly to carry on in the face of danger. perhaps this extract from The Marine Journal concerning the terrible storms in February will help to remind us that theirs is a life of constant risk.

"This February, 1923, has proved a terrible month at sea-a month of hiting cold and merciless gales, of peril and disaster. Yet, it is well to remember that, out of the whole world's armadas of trade, the casualties have been few. Most of the ships have made port with their freight and passengers.

"'Captains report the worst storms of their experience.' With this curt sentence the newspapers dismiss the ending of many a voyage which, if the whole story were told, would yield a glorious spic of high courage and unflinching devotion to duty-a courage as fine in its way as the dramatic heroism of a hardfought battlefield. One of the most striking aspects of the lives of the men of the sea is that, year after year, their pluck and endurance are taken for granted by the people of the land. 'Sailors! Why, sailors are all brave, of course-all hardy, faithful and enduring.'

"This is the unspoken thought of the shore folk as the ocean ship

steams into sight these bitter February days-ice-clad from rail to masthead, weary, battered, staggering, yet safe, like the wounded survivor of a great naval conflict. And what a long combat with the ruthless elements her whole voyage may have been!

"'Four or five days late'-seafaring men know well what these words mean of headway checked by icy westerlies, of steep and slippery decks, of frost-bitten hands and faces, of black watches in the Arctic cold, through nights that seem unending-all in the day's work of officers and men. While ashore we shiver around steam radiators in close rooms, think of the many hundreds who, somewhere on the North Atlantic at that very time, must be on the dizzy bridge or spray-swept lookout, that the mails, the freight and the sleeping passengers may come safely in!

"All this is a matter of course? Yes, that is what it is, year after year. Those who stay at home know that the men afloat will not fail them-and they do not. Winter after winter, the ocean carriers of the North Atlantic come and go, unpraised, unheralded. Perhaps after all, the very fact that this unceasing service should be silently, implicitly taken for granted, in spite of its grim toil, its inexorable suffering and its deadly hazards, is the very finest of all tributes that could be given to the ships and the men of the deep sea .- From the Marine Tournal.

Unromantic Giving

The Ways and Means Department of the Institute suffers from the general nature of the appeal it is obliged to make. People who would give cheerfully to feed a sick family, to buy an organ, to provide a Christmas dinner, are not touched by the appeal to support and maintain the Social Service Department of the work. As has been said many times the seamen pay for their beds and food. What they don't pay for is the salaries of the workers who are here to give them a helping hand in their hour of need.

The Ways and Means Department pays the salary of the Chaplain who holds service in the chapel, and to whom men come when they want encouragement to believe that even the frayed ends of a man's life are worth salvaging.

The Ways and Means Department pays for the entertainments given in the concert hall every Monday and Friday evening, the clean, wholesome, mirth-provoking good times which the seamen are inhibited by their ignorance of the city, and by a certain passiveness, which is the fruit of sea life, from seeking elsewhere.

The Ways and Means Department pays for the administration of the building, for that constant watch that is kept over the interests of seamen; that constant seeking for new ways to compensate these men for the homes they are deprived of by the nature of their occupation.

The Ways and Means Department pays the salaries of the social workers. Pays the salary of the Chaplain-Who-Understands - Law and who has saved many seamen from being fleeced by unscrupulous landsmen. Pays the salary of the worker who visits the sick in the hospitals and buries the lonely dead who go to their long rest far from home and friends. Pays the salary of the Woman-Who-Gives-Relief who advances loans to men, who are temporarily destitute, and who goes with infinite patience into the merits of each case. Pays the salary of the House Mother, who is in many cases the only friend these men have in the country, the one name they can think of when asked if they have any friends here.

Perhaps it is not as spectacular to give to this department as to some other charities but surely every dollar of it represents a unique service to humanity. Many of our contributors appreciate this fact, as for example the good friend whose unusual letter is reproduced below. It should be explained that the letter and contribution came in response to an appeal to this contributor to interest some friend in supporting the work.

Dear Friend:

Your communication received, but as the weather has been inclement I have not been out in order to secure another friend for the Seamen's Institute. But am glad to send you a small check with the understanding that you will send me the same letter that I have received during the summer for several years. S. H. B.

General Summary of Work

FEBRUARY, 1923

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Those who contemplate making provision for the Institute in their wills may find convenient the following

Form of Bequest

I give and bequeath to the "SEAMEN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE OF NEW YORK," a corporation incorporated under the Laws of the State of New York, the sum of _______Dollars to be used by it for its corporate purposes.