

Around the City

FAIR AND MILD

THE EASTER HOLIDAYS. Quite a few soldiers left the city last evening to spend Easter at their homes. Most of the men in khaki were returned men.

PTE. MUCKLER GABBED. Mrs. Catherine Muckler, 78 Sewell street, has received word that her husband, Pte. Frank Muckler, has been admitted to No. 1 Field Ambulance Depot March 21st, suffering from gas attack.

RIGHT ARM FRACTURED. An X-ray examination proves that there is a fracture of Wm. Beckwith's right arm above the elbow. The man was found wandering about near the new bridge at the falls on Tuesday night last and taken to the hospital.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES. Today, being "Good Friday," is to be observed in all Catholic Churches fittingly. At the Cathedral at 10 a.m. there will be celebrated "The Mass of the Pre-Sanctified" and at 7.30 p.m. "The Tenebrae."

WORD FROM CAPT. BLACK. J. V. Monahan, Private in the 1st Battalion, is in receipt of a letter from Capt. J. Douglas Black, announcing his arrival in the fighting zone at France. Capt. Black, who is now quartermaster of a famous Canadian base division, says he is enjoying the best of health.

ST. MARY'S MISSION. The usual large crowd was in attendance at the St. Mary's Mission last evening. The lecturer took for his subject, "What think ye of Jesus." During the evening Miss Clara Lipsett sang a beautiful solo entitled, "Jesus is Tenderly Calling Today."

GIVEN A REWELL. About 20 soldiers of the Yorkshire Regiment who were stationed in the city at the Depot Barracks gathered at the Red Triangle Club on King Square last evening and enjoyed themselves. After games, refreshments, etc., they dispersed.

RECEPTION TO SOLDIERS. The thirty-eight returned soldiers who arrived in the city Wednesday evening were tendered a reception at the Discharge Depot yesterday morning by the Returned Soldiers' Reception Committee. Mayor Hayes gave an address of welcome and the ladies presented the men with gift packages.

MORE OIL IN HARBOR. Harbor Inspector Alward is making an investigation into a case where oil has been pumped into the harbor by some ship. The West Side docks and the shores showed considerable oil yesterday, and the dumping of oil in the harbor is illegal.

THE PATIENT DISCHARGED. It has been learned that the young lady who was suspected to be suffering from smallpox has not that disease, and has been discharged. The home has been released from quarantine but her associates who have been vaccinated will not be cleared of sore arms.

DISTINGUISHED VISITOR. Rev. Dr. Guertin, C. S. C. of St. Joseph's College left this morning for the college, on the 7.10 train. Dr. Guertin was the guest at the Palace during his stay in the city, being here near a week to participate in the activities of the Church during Holy Week.

REPORTED MISSING. Colin C. Carmichael, of Wright street, has received word that his nephew, J. C. E. Archibald, of Sydney, C. B. is missing and his ship reported sunk off the Azores. The ship was sunk some months ago and the name of Archibald appeared in the list of those drowned. Mr. Carmichael has been unable, however, to ascertain whether or not this was his nephew.

WEST INDIES SHIPMENTS. W. R. Wakely, of the firm of W. & G. F. Mitchell, Halifax, will leave for home today. He has been here for the past week superintending the shipment of a large quantity of freight for West India Ports with which territory his firm has a very large business. Mr. Wakely will be a visitor to St. John quite frequently for some time to come.

WAR GARDEN ASSOCIATION. The War Garden Association wired Thomas S. Adams, the town planning expert, a couple of days ago, asking him if he could visit St. John and address a public meeting. A reply was received yesterday from Mr. Adams, who stated that he was prepared to address a meeting on Wednesday evening next. It has been arranged that the address will be given in the Court House on Sydney street, commencing at 8 o'clock and all those who are interested in gardening are invited to be present.

ARRIVED LAST NIGHT. The McAdam train last night had a large number of legislators and commercial men coming in over the holiday. Among those who arrived were Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, J. Roy Campbell, M.L.A. and Mrs. Campbell; L. P. D. Tilly, M.L.A.; Frank L. Potts, M.L.A.; F. B. Carson, M.L.A.; St. George; Hon. C. W. Robinson, and Frank Sweeney, M.L.A. of Moncton; Hon. Dr. Smith, Sheldac; Phileas Melanson, M.L.A., Kent Co.; Warden William Golding, Councillor John O'Brien and Joseph O'Brien of Lancaster.

WEEKLY ENTERTAINMENT. The usual weekly entertainment at St. David's church last evening was enjoyed by a large number of the soldiers, among whom returned men figured prominently. The programme included vocal solos by Miss Gladys D'Arcy, Miss M. deSouza and Pte. McAndrews; reading, Miss Carrie Bell; cornet solo, Gunner Bowring. The men enjoyed the usual chorus singing and various games after which it being the Easter season they were treated with egg sandwiches and home made candy. The evening closed with the National Anthem.

MONTH OF MARCH HARBOR RECEIPTS A RECORD BREAKER

Receipts This Month Will Be Over \$25,000—Returns for Corresponding Month Last Year Was \$22,000—Increased Rates and Imports the Cause.

The month of March promises to be a record breaker so far as receipts from the harbor are concerned. March, 1917, was the biggest month on record to that date, the receipts being over \$23,000, but it is expected the returns for this month will be over \$25,000, which will bring the revenue derived from the wharves for the first three months of 1918 far ahead of that of any previous year.

This result has been brought about in two ways, by an increase in the rates and an increase in the amount of imports through the port this winter. Last fall Commissioner Russell realizing that the rates for this port were too low, after careful comparison with the schedules ruling in other places, made up a new schedule of rates and recommended their adoption by the council. His recommendation was accepted and the rates became law, going into effect with the beginning of the winter port season, and this action has helped to bring about the increase in the receipts from the wharves. The city has also received more from inward freight this winter than last as the steamers coming here have been bringing larger cargoes to this country. The large grain shipments have also been a factor in the increased revenue as the rate on that commodity was increased fifty per cent under the new schedule.

S. S. ASSOCIATION MET YESTERDAY

Reports of Encouraging Nature Received—Summer Camp Meeting Withdrawn and Boys Advised to Work on the Farms.

The executive of the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Provincial Sunday School Association met yesterday afternoon in the Bible rooms on Germain street. R. T. Hayes presided and there were also present Robert Reid, Rev. George Steele, Rev. W. A. Ross, Wm. King, J. E. Arthur, L. W. Simms, Rev. R. W. Williamson.

Reports of the different departments were read and were all of a most encouraging nature. The time for the April payments was extended until May 31st. The report by the treasurer Robert Reid was encouraging. The field secretary, Rev. W. A. Ross gave a report of a very successful tour held through Kings, Westmorland and Albert counties.

L. W. Simms gave an interesting report of his meeting with the international executive. The dates of the provincial conference has not been definitely made, but it will probably be in Moncton on October 8, 9, 10.

The call for boy workers for the production of food was discussed, and it was decided by the executive to advise that the older boys' camp meeting be withdrawn this year and advise that the boys work on the farms for the greater production of food.

C. P. R. EMPLOYEES CAN USE THE LAND

Agents, Section Foremen and Other Employees Encouraged to Cultivate Spare Land for Purpose of Raising Vegetables.

A circular has been issued to the Canadian Pacific Railway Employees on the Brownville Division in connection with utilizing the Company's Right of Way and land for agricultural purposes. It reads as follows: All Employees:—On May 12th, 1917, you were advised that any who wished the use of our Right of Way or station grounds, not required by the Company, for the cultivation of vegetables could use same on designation by Local authorities as to the ground to be used. This year it is desired to specially emphasize the fact that the Company is encouraging agents, section foremen and other employees to cultivate spare land along our Right of Way and any other plots of land that might be available at stations or terminals "in order to reduce the cost of living and help the greater production campaign."

THE CORONER'S JURY VIEWED REMAINS OF JAMES VANWART

Dr. G. A. B. Addy Conducted Post Mortem—Inquest to Be Resumed Next Thursday—Said Young Man Swallowed Considerable Tobacco on Night of Arrest.

The inquest into the death of Jas. Vanwart was commenced last evening when Coroner F. L. Kenney empaneled the following jury: George H. Waterbury, (foreman), Allan A. Moore, Frank Watson, Harry Nelson, John J. Irvine, Joseph Ward and Charles Donald. The jury viewed the remains at the undertaking warehouses of N. W. Brennan and Sons, at 715 Main street, and adjourned to meet in the court rooms on Thursday evening next at 8 o'clock.

A post mortem on the body was made last night by Dr. G. A. B. Addy, and the result will not be given until he gives evidence at the inquest. There is considerable talk about the city over the death of the young man and there are many rumors about as to the real cause of death. It will be remembered that Vanwart was arrested Monday evening by Inspector Fred Lyons of the Dominion police and Detective Briggs, as a defaulter under the Military Service Act. The young man was found by the officers hiding in a bed room in the home of his sister, Mrs. Edna Donna, on British street. It being too late to appear before the military authorities the young man was taken to police headquarters and placed in a cell for the night. It is said that the young man showed signs of fright but was from every appearance in a healthy condition. On Tuesday morning Inspector Lucas called for the prisoner at the police station and it is said that although Vanwart complained of being ill at the time, he resisted somewhat at being removed from the cell. He was taken to the military headquarters and handed over to the authorities, who in turn sent him to the Military Hospital, where he died Tuesday evening.

There was a rumor about the city that the young man had been roughly dealt with by the police officers, but on enquiry it is learned that such was not the case. Another rumor that has been circulated is that the unfortunate young fellow took poison, but nothing has so far been learned that there is any truth in that statement, and the real cause of death will not be made known until the evidence of Dr. Addy is heard.

It is stated, however, that during the night while Vanwart occupied the cell in police headquarters that he consumed considerable tobacco and swallowed the juice, and if this is true, a reason for such an action is that the young man wished to make himself ill. As far as can be learned, young Vanwart was never considered to have been unhealthy before his arrest, and the real cause of his sudden demise will be awaited with interest.

THE ONE SESSION IN CITY SCHOOLS TO BE CONTINUED

Schools May Be Dismissed at One o'clock During Month of April—About Five Hundred Tons of Coal Saved—Expenditure Reduced About \$1,500.

That the one session in the city schools would in all probability be continued throughout the month of April was the statement made to The Standard yesterday by Dr. Bridges, superintendent of schools.

The action of the Board of Trustees in adopting one session had resulted in a saving of fuel, this saving running all the way from fifteen to fifty-five per cent and would mean in the entire session about five hundred tons of coal, and will probably result in reducing the expenditure for coal this season by about \$1,500.

M. Coll, chairman of the buildings committee, who has charge of the coaling of the various school buildings, said that if this action had not been taken at least four of the schools would have had to close up as it was impossible to get enough fuel to run all the buildings for the two sessions, but the saving made by holding only one session had overcome this difficulty and the schools had all been kept running.

Dr. Bridges said that so far as he could learn from the teachers the one session had not put any of the children back in their studies and the standing at Easter was up to the average.

REV. E. C. HENNIGAR, FORMER RESIDENT, WITH IMPERIAL ARMY

Is Here Visiting Parents—Was Methodist Missionary to Japan—Now An Officer in Charge of Chinese Construction Battalion in France

Rev. E. C. Hennigar, Methodist missionary to Japan, arrived in the city yesterday and will spend a short time here as the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Hennigar.

Mr. Hennigar, who has spent the last twelve years in Japan, has for the time being given up his work there and accepted a commission in the Imperial army as one of the officers in charge of the Chinese construction battalions now in France. The Chinese, of whom there is now quite a number in France, are taking the place of the African and Egyptian laborers formerly employed in the construction work behind the lines and have given much better satisfaction. They are recruited and trained for some months before going to the front and every man is picked especially for his aptitude at this sort of work.

A number of missionaries in China and Japan have given up their fields for the duration of the war and are now serving as officers among these troops, said Mr. Hennigar, but when the war is over they all expect to return to their missionary activities. Asked as to whether the war had made any difference in the reception of the Gospel message by the people of Japan, Mr. Hennigar said he could not see that it had made any difference, but if there was any it was to the advantage of the missionary as the advantage seemed to be in a more serious frame of mind. He was stationed at Toyama in the northwestern part of Japan, a city of about the size of St. John and had a very active church of about one hundred members which he hoped to return to at the end of the war.

THE INSPECTORS WERE SUCCESSFUL

Colored Railway Porter Had Booze in His Grip—Thirteen Gallons of Liquor Found in Grocery and Barn

Inspectors Crawford and Ross were busy yesterday looking after persons who handle liquor illegally and were most successful. When the express arrived from Montreal they placed a colored porter named John Curly, under arrest after finding a bottle of liquor in his grip. In the police court the defendant claimed that the liquor was part of a quantity that is used as a stimulant given to those who might be injured while travelling. A fine of \$50 was allowed to stand and he was allowed to go.

The two inspectors with Detectives Briggs and Bliddecombe made a raid on a Pond street grocery and found three gallons of rye whiskey. The proprietor of the grocery was remanded to jail.

The officers also made a raid on a barn off Pond street and there found ten gallons of liquor and the person responsible for it being there was arrested. He made a deposit of \$200 in the police court and the case will be heard on Monday.

It is reported that a very large quantity of liquor is being imported into the city by citizens at the present time from Montreal as the date for the last shipment is tomorrow and after that date all shipments will be illegal.

GOOD FRIDAY A GOOD DAY TO HELP OUR BOYS WHO ARE FIGHTING FOR A GOOD CAUSE

The Patriotic Musicals to be held in the Imperial Theatre this afternoon starting at 4.30 o'clock is merely the opening gun of the big drive of Saturday in aid of the work being carried on by the Soldiers' Comforts Association. The programme will be highly select and will include vocal numbers by Mrs. L. M. Curran, Miss Blenda Thompson, Florence Gilmour, DeWitt Cairns; literary numbers by S. C. Hurley; martial and concert numbers by the crack band of the Depot Battalion—the band of veterans—contributions by the Imperial Orchestra, a specially loaned exhibit of exclusive war-front motion pictures showing Sir Douglas Haig inspecting the intrepid French army, the British fleet in the North Sea, etc.

Every number will breathe that spirit of British hope and cheerfulness that will make the programme a symphony appropriate to the day and the hour. The tickets are all one price, 25c., and can be had at drug stores and at the door.

Special Easter DOLL SALE A Big Bargain Week Many a kiddie is just longing for a new supply of Dolls, and you will have a better opportunity to gladden the hearts of the little ones than this MAMMOTH SALE OF DRESSED DOLLS presents, for One Week Only during which WONDERFUL PRICE REDUCTIONS will be the rule. Come and bring the children with you—Come early while the variety is at its best. You'll be surprised at the range of sizes, at the many dress styles which vary from the neat, simple effects to the more elaborate creations. JUST LOOK AT THESE VALUES. Regular Prices:—25c., 50c., 75c., \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00 each. Special Prices:—19c., 39c., 59c., 79c., \$1.19, \$1.59 each. SPECIAL REDUCTIONS HOLD FOR ONE WEEK ONLY Beginning Saturday, March 23rd. W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD.

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Spring Time Means Paint Time At this season of the year there is always more or less painting to be done, either inside or out. Jap-a-lac has no superior as a varnish stain. It requires no special skill or knack of any kind to apply it. Moore's House Colors—All colors for all purposes, 1-2 pint to 5 gallon cans. "Muresco"—The Modern Wall Finish. Emerson & Fisher Ltd

Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited As Usual on the Eve of Easter Our Stores Will Be Open Saturday Evening Until 10 p.m. THE SPIRIT OF EASTER radiates throughout our stores. Bright, new Spring Novelties are featured in every section, each contributing its share of New Fabrics and Newer Styles for the adornment of Millad on Easter Morning. DISTINCTIVE EASTER APPAREL The Newest Styles for Spring and Summer Wear. Costumes, Coats and Dresses to suit the most fastidious taste. Ladies' Spring Coats Full or three-quarter length, in Tweeds, Poplin, Covert, Delhi, or Serge, Grey, Sand, Blue, Taupe, and Navy are the popular shades. \$17.25 to \$35.00. Ladies' Spring Suits In Serge, Delhi, or Gabardine Cloth, Peacock Blues, Sand Shades, Navy, and Oyster Greys are among the leaders. \$22.50 to \$60.00. Ladies' Serge Dresses or Combinations of Foulard and Serge or Satin and Serge. Long Tunic effects with narrow skirts are the thing. Navy, Sand, Brown, Green and Black. \$21.00 to \$45.00. The most up-to-date styles at Moderate Prices. EASTER HAND BAGS, PURSES AND BELTS Silk Bags with wood frame, Black, Green, Taupe, Brown and Purple. \$4.50 to \$25.00. Over Night Bags, Black, Grey, Blue, Khaki, \$4.50 to \$8.55. Leather Bags, Black and Gold. \$1.00 to \$10.00. Utility Bags \$1.00 to \$1.50. Leather Strap Purses, 75c. to \$2.00. New Leather Belts, Various Colors. 40c. to 80c. EASTER HANDKERCHIEFS One of the latest novelties shown is a pure linen with Irish Lace corners in White or Colors. 25c. to 40c. Crepe de Chine Novel Effects, 25c. to 40c. Children's Handkerchiefs, All Prices.

Get Under a MAGEE Hat for Easter. You can then rest assured you have the newest and best to be bought in the hat line. There is character and smartness to every hat we sell and the quality is thoroughly dependable for the price you pay. Come in and see the new shapes and colors. CANADIAN AND ENGLISH MAKES \$3.00 and \$5.00 BORSALINO \$5.00 BERTOLINO \$5.00 STETSON \$5.50 CAPS \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$2.75 D. Magee's Sons, Ltd. FINE HATS 63 King Street, St. John, N. B.

MATINEE PLANS FOR IMPERIAL TODAY. Owing to the Patriotic Musicals, which is to be held in Imperial Theatre today starting at 4.30, the regular picture show will start at a quarter to two and again at 3.15. It is expected the two programmes will terminate about 4.30. The serial story will open each programme. ORATORIO. Don't miss the Oratorio in St. Andrew's church this evening at eight o'clock. Silver collection. EASTER APPAREL. Novelties in Suit and Overcoat styles, as well as neckwear, at Gilmour's, 68 King street. Big day at the Nickel, Queen Square, today. Drama, comedy and the Lost Express. The Dufferin Hotel will serve a special dinner on Easter Sunday. Price \$1.00.