

Around the City

FAIR AND COLD.

TWO DRUNKS ARRESTED. The North End police took two men into custody yesterday afternoon charged with being drunk on Main St.

ASSESSMENT COMMISSION. A meeting of the Assessment Commission was held last night and further progress made toward the completion of their report. The commission hope to have the report ready for the coming session of the legislature.

A CORRECTION. The name of Fred J. Blair was mentioned in probate court news yesterday as having been granted administration in the estate of Ann Blair. The wrong name was used as the person was W. H. Blair and not Fred J.

ST. LUKE'S BOYS' CLUB. An address was given by F. L. Smith of the Y.M.C.A. last evening, on "Sex Education" to the Boys' Club of St. Luke's church. The address was very instructive and was much appreciated by the boys present. The club plan to hold a sleigh drive on Friday evening. Next Tuesday a debate will take place between the boys of St. Luke's and St. Mary's.

THE HARKINS PLAYERS. St. John's, N.B. Telegram: For eight nights, the W. S. Harkins Players held the boards of the Academy end at each performance the theatre was packed to the doors. This is not to be wondered at when one stops to consider the high class company which Mr. Harkins carries this season, and the quality of the plays he is producing.

THE ROTARY CLUB. T. H. Estabrooks, president of the Rotary Club, has been notified that the conference for District No. 18, which comprises the Maritime Provinces, will be held here the middle of next month. A committee composed of R. E. Armstrong, F. L. Smith, F. A. Dyker and E. A. Schofield, are preparing a programme for the conference. It is expected that E. L. Pidgoun, Dominion president, will be in attendance.

A FORCEFUL ADDRESS. An open meeting under the auspices of the Women's Missionary Society was held in the Main street Baptist church last evening. Rev. Dr. Hutchinson presided. A forceful, telling address was given by Rev. Malcolm Le Orchard, a missionary in Bobbili, Madras presidency, India. Mr. Orchard is at present on a furlough in Canada. He spoke of "The Challenge of India to the Christian people of Canada." His address was much appreciated by the large audience present.

N. B. HISTORICAL SOCIETY. At a meeting of the New Brunswick Historical Society held Tuesday evening a paper was read by the retiring president, G. C. Henderson, after which the section of officers took place as follows: President, Rev. James Millidge; first vice-president, David H. Waterbury; second vice-president, R. B. Emerald; secretary, John Willet, K. C.; treasurer, Judge J. R. Armstrong; librarian, T. O'Brien; council members, G. A. Henderson, Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, Rev. W. Armstrong, L. D. Millidge and Rev. E. A. Cody.

WANT MONEY RETURNED. Several of the Chinamen who were recently fined on the charge of gambling were in the police court yesterday afternoon to ask for the return of a box and the money that was on the table at the time of the raid on the Mill street house. E. S. Ritchie, who appeared for the Chinamen, stated that they used the box on the table and all money going into the box went into the Chinese mission fund, the fund being used to send Chinamen that were temporarily stranded back to their country. Magistrate Ritchie stated that he would take the case under advisement and pass judgment later.

OFFICERS INSTALLED. At a meeting of Court No. 18 End, Canadian Order of Foresters, held in the Temple Hall, Main street last evening, the following officers were installed by Richard Stackhouse, the district deputy: F. B. Pigeon, chief ranger; B. J. Holder, vice-chief ranger; J. A. Burt, financial secretary; A. V. Cowan, recording secretary; J. A. Stephenson, treasurer; W. Lamb, chaplain; R. S. Currie, Jr. woodward; M. Lamb, Sr. woodward; Lamb, Sen. beadle; A. Clark, Jr. beadle; Dr. W. F. Roberts, physician; M. Akertley, J. P. C. R.

WON MILITARY MEDAL. Word was received yesterday by C. W. McKee that his son-in-law, Sergt. W. H. Doyle, had been awarded the Military Medal. Sergt. Doyle has been in the trenches doing his little bit for more than two years, having enlisted in the fall of 1915. He went overseas attached to a reinforcement draft of the Princess Pats as a private. While serving in that regiment Private Doyle was made a corporal. Later he was transferred to a machine gun company in which he is at present serving as a sergeant. Before going overseas Sergt. Doyle was employed as travelling auditor for the Western Union Telegraph Company, covering the Maritime Provinces.

THE POLICE COURT. In the police court yesterday morning Ethel McDonald was charged with being the keeper of a disorderly house, and Private Egan was charged with being an inmate. The prisoners were remanded and the woman's three children are being cared for by the Children's Aid Society. James Vernon was charged with assaulting Frank Coleman. In the evidence given it was shown that the two men had been drinking with Tom Pye, and as a result Inspector Crawford placed both Pye and Coleman under arrest. The liquor case against Patrick O'Keefe was dismissed at an afternoon session, as was also a case against Louis McDermott.

NO CHANCE LEFT FOR THE SLACKER

Citizens of United States Residing in St. John Who do Not Fyle Registration Cards Are Liable for Service in Canada's Army.

Although no official figures are as yet available, it is the opinion of military men that the number of men to be affected in the city by the statement of Secretary Lansing, made yesterday at Washington, will be very few. The statement in substance rules that citizens of the United States, who reside in St. John, and who neglect to report for duty in their own country within a certain time, to be stated by the government, they will be liable for service under the rules and regulations of the country in which they reside. It might be recalled here that when the matter of registration in the United States was in order, the Americans domiciled in Canada were supplied with cards to be filled out and returned to the district registrar in the state in which they lived before coming to Canada. With possibly very few exceptions the conditions were complied with, thus leaving the number to be affected in New Brunswick by the new order very small. The same rule applies to Canadians who left New Brunswick and are now in the United States. However, even though they should become liable under the laws of the country in which they reside, if it is thought advisable the authorities may exempt them from service.

FIFTY MEN NEEDED IN 65TH BATTERY

Men of First Class Not Yet Notified Can Enlist in Any Unit—Ruling Given Out Yesterday.

Men of the first class, who have not yet been notified to report for duty as privileged to enlist in any unit they desire, was the ruling given out yesterday by the military authorities. This means that any young man who would rather enlist under the voluntary system may do so before called out to report for duty. In conversation with Major J. H. Evans, the officer commanding the 65th Battery, who came to St. John to ascertain whether he could recruit men within the first call, he said that there were vacancies in the battery for about fifty men. This unit has already sent overseas men who have made a name for the province, and the unit is one that has received the support of a fine class of men. The quarters at Woodstock show plainly that the comfort of the men is the first question in the military life of the unit and are considered as good as any in Canada. The unit is equipped with all the articles of war, thus furnishing a grand opportunity for the training of recruits. Major Evans will leave this evening for Woodstock.

REV. DENNISON HAS RESIGNED

Leaves Tabernacle Church to Accept Call in St. Thomas, Ont.—Has Made Many Friends While in St. John and Will Be Greatly Missed.

Rev. F. Patrick Dennison sprung a surprise on his congregation at the mid-week prayer meeting last night in the Tabernacle Baptist church when he handed in his resignation. Several weeks ago Mr. Dennison received a call from St. Thomas, Ontario, to take charge of the Centre street Baptist church and, deciding to accept the pastorate Mr. Dennison expects to take up the duties in his new field between the 10th and 27th of March. Mr. Dennison has held the pastorate of the Tabernacle Baptist church for the past four years, and during that time he has endeared himself to his congregation. During his pastorate the church has had wonderful success. He has been eight years in the maritime provinces, coming here from Western Canada.

THE OPERA HOUSE VAUDEVILLE

This afternoon and evening performances will be the last opportunity to enjoy McKay's Scotch Revis and the four other good vaudeville acts at the Opera House as the current week's programme closes tonight. Chapter two of the Paramount serial drama, "Who is Number One?" is also on the programme for today. The new vaudeville programme opens tomorrow night, (no Friday afternoon performance), instead of opening on Saturday as has been the custom, and it offers plenty of variety and good entertainment. It includes Geo. Leonard and Company in a musical comedy skit, "The Gay Mr. Chase"; Howard, the Writing Marvel, assisted by Violet Howard, in a mysterious exhibition of handwriting; Gruet, Kramer and Gruet, in a singing and musical novelty, "Circus Day in Dixie"; Thorndike and Barnes, in a comedy singing feature; Lockhart and Leddy, comedy acrobats; and the final chapter of the serial drama, "The Gray Ghost." There will be two complete performances Friday night, two shows on Saturday afternoon as usual and the regular performances Saturday night. No Friday afternoon performance.

CHINESE LABORERS COULD BE USED HERE

Citizen Says That Class of Coolies Working in France Would Fit in Well on New Brunswick Farms.

Although the question of importing into Canada several thousand Chinese laborers, known as Coolies, for agricultural work, seems so far to have occupied the attention of the western farmers only, a Standard representative was approached by a prominent citizen yesterday regarding the matter and he spoke strongly in favor of the scheme of bringing to New Brunswick a number of these laborers for work. He further stated in advice received from the front that the Coolies have proved themselves diligent workers, and notwithstanding their race and customs, in view of the present crisis and the fear of a food shortage, it would be profitable to import them into the country and not only utilize them in the west but also in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. He stated that there are a number of farms which have been deserted on account of the men joining the colors and which should not be permitted to go to waste on account of help when so many of such workmen are obtainable. Another reason advanced by the citizen was that if these men were willing to risk their lives in France to assist in the winning of the war he could see no reason why they should not be given the opportunity of producing foodstuffs for the world in view of the grave conditions in France and other countries. The Coolies, although of the yellow race, have a different accent, and the language differs to some extent from the average Chinamen. They come from Manchuria. In conversation with a local Chinaman last night he told the Standard that he could not converse with a Coolie, but that if he were to write down on paper what he wished to communicate he could make it out.

UNVEILING AT THE ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

Brass Tablet to the Memory of Sir Frederick Eustace Barker—Was Unveiled by Lady Barker, and Accepted by Rev. Archdeacon Crowfoot.

Last night there was unveiled at St. Paul's (Valley) church a beautiful brass tablet to the memory of Sir Frederick Eustace Barker, for many years Chief Justice of this province. The tablet is placed on the north wall of the church and is a handsome sample of the engravers art, bearing the following inscription: In Loving Memory of Sir Frederick Eustace Barker, Born December 27, 1838, Died December 15, 1915. "What both the Lord but to do justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God." The tablet was unveiled by Lady Barker who delivered it into the charge of the rector of the parish with the following words: "To the glory of God, in member of Sir Frederick Eustace Barker, I unveil this memorial and deliver it into the charge of the rector of the parish church." Rev. Archdeacon Crowfoot, rector of the parish, accepted the memorial saying: "As rector of this parish church I gratefully accept the charge of this memorial, in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, Amen." He then dedicated the memorial: "To the honor and glory of Almighty God, and in the hope of a joyful resurrection and a merciful judgment, we dedicate this memorial. May all who shall hereafter look upon it, remember the joy of faithful service, the blessedness of peace on which may God Almighty bring us all, for the sake of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

THE LIQUOR SOLD BY BOOTLEGGERS

Magistrate Ritchie Tells of the Deadly Concoctions that People Drink—Families Put Outdoors, Men Go to Lunatic Asylum, and Drinkers Are Attended by Physicians.

Yesterday afternoon in speaking of the sale of liquor by bootleggers Police Magistrate Ritchie spoke out in strong terms against the vile concoctions that were being palmed off as liquor on unsuspecting people, such as mixtures containing a tincture of wood alcohol, which is itself a deadly poison. He stated that he knew of two cases of married men, who during the severe cold of the past week, and while under the influence of the so-called liquor which is being sold by bootleggers, put their families outdoors to shift for themselves. Magistrate Ritchie also referred to the number of men in the asylum who came to that and through drinking the spurious liquors that were floating around. In speaking of the effect of the liquor on the people drinking it, he said that a number of them had to go to a doctor to receive treatment for their eyes which seemed to bother them. Purchasers of Victory Bonds please note that their payments are due tomorrow. Don't forget to call at your bank today, you have arranged with them to look after the payments.

MORNING AND NIGHT TRAINS ARE RESUMED

Schedule Commences Monday Morning—Trains Between St. John and McAdam Will Connect with Branch Trains at All Points.

The people of the province will be pleased to learn of a C. P. R. train service change which will greatly assist the better mode of travel and the quicker delivery of the mails. When the morning and night trains were taken off recently persons in certain sections of the province were greatly inconvenienced both in travelling and in the receiving of their mails as a delay of twenty-four hours was caused in the latter. The change which goes into effect next Monday will give a morning and night service between St. John and Moncton, making connections with branch trains at all points. The C. P. R. district passenger agent makes the following announcement: The train changes effective Monday, February 4th, Canadian Pacific trains 109 leaves St. John 5:30 a.m. and 110 leaves Fredericton 8:45 p.m., now operating between St. John and Fredericton, will be discontinued, and train No. 101 will leave St. John at 5:45 a.m., arriving McAdam 8:45 a.m. eastern, making connections for all points north and south. Train 102 making connections at McAdam with branch line trains all points north and south, will leave McAdam 7:25 a.m., arriving St. John 10:35 p.m. eastern. Trains on Fredericton subdivision between Fredericton Junction and Fredericton will be operated on practically same schedule prior to January 31st. Fuller information will be given later. This means practically same service as prior to Jan. 21st, only that trains 101 and 102 are not operating west of McAdam.

BOYS ESCAPED FROM GAGETOWN

Were Being Cared for on Cosar Farm—Officials Here on Watch for the Runaways

It is reported that two boys who escaped from the Cosar farm on Monday night are either in the city or have passed through. Although a sharp lookout has been kept for the fugitives since they escaped, the boys' whereabouts is still a mystery. Both are Scotch lads and although but fifteen years of age are fairly stout. It is stated that they were induced to come to the city by a forger, presumably a Russian, who told them of the chances for work and promotion in the city. One of the boys was sent to the farm by the authorities in New Glasgow. At Gagetown they managed to steal away from the institution while the officials were busied in the city. It is likely that they travelled in the same manner as did the boys who left the Boys' Industrial Home at East St. John last week. It is stated that they travelled in the night and slept by day. The boys are wearing grey jackets, blue sweaters and brown pants.

TWO ALARMS YESTERDAY

An alarm from Box 151 called the firemen to the foot of Dorchester street to put out a fire that had caught in an auto truck owned by the Willett Fruit Company. The car was only slightly damaged. An alarm from Box 154 was sent in at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon for a fire in the home of W. A. Stegler, 26 Paradise Row, caused by an oil stove exploding in the bath room. The blaze was extinguished before the arrival of the department. The damage was slight.

"DAMAGED GOODS" ALL NEXT WEEK AT THE LYRIC

Next week's feature at the Lyric will probably be the most talked of picture ever shown locally and it is claimed nothing but praise will be forthcoming. Just as the novel "Damaged Goods" was feeble as compared with the dramatic play, so is the spoken version feeble, it is contended, when compared to the photo play. After very careful consideration the New Brunswick censors have finally followed the lead of the other provinces and permitted this picture to be shown and they have also been induced by the line clergy, politicians, doctors and other prominent citizens. Full information will be provided during the next few days.

TODAY IS THE LAST DAY OF THE JANUARY SALE AT DYKEMAN'S

The most successful January in their history. Today they are planning to have the greatest of all January days, greatest in point of economy with the intelligent shopper. Every department is contributing something seasonable and at a special price reduction. The special price reductions on all Coats, Fur coats and Fur Coats, is nothing short of remarkable, and with only one day to clear these three lines, look for bargains bordering on sensational. The Whitecar Sale ends today at Dykeman's.

TRAINS CANCELLED ON CANADIAN RAILWAYS SUNDAY, JANUARY 27

Until further notice the night trains between St. John and Halifax will be cancelled. The last trip of No. 10 from St. John will be by Saturday, January 26. The last trip of No. 9 from Halifax for St. John will be Friday, January 25. Commencing Monday, January 28th, numbers seven and eight will run between Halifax and Sydney. Number seven will leave Halifax 7:10 p. m. daily except Sunday, arriving Sydney 8 a. m. No. 8 will leave Sydney 10:30 p. m. daily except Saturday, arriving Halifax 11:50 a. m. Trains numbers 11 and 12 between Halifax and New Glasgow are also cancelled.

The handsome Crane Wilbur in "The Painted Life." Last time today at the Nickel, Queen Square. Five cents.

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