

Around the City  
GENERALLY FAIR

**PROBATE COURT.**  
The will of John Keefe, late manager of the James Robertson Company here, has been admitted to probate. Major George Keefe and John Keefe, sons, are the executors and W. S. Mahoney, clerk.

**A PLEASANT CHANGE.**  
Umbrellas were laid away yesterday for a change, as they were not needed. The sun putting in an appearance about noon after the heavy fog of the morning was a pleasant change from former conditions.

**TO UNDERGO TREATMENT.**  
Pte. H. Ruddle left on the Fredericton express last evening to undergo treatment in the Military Hospital at the capital. He is a returned soldier and is compelled to go on crutches from wounds received in action.

**WANT TO DO BUSINESS HERE.**  
The secretary of the Board of Trade yesterday received from a business owner of Shanley's, Ontario, a letter in which he expressed a desire to be placed in touch with firms dealing in hemp braid, as they were desirous of selling these goods in this market.

**JULY 12TH CELEBRATIONS.**  
Owing to war conditions the 12th of July will be quietly celebrated this year. The North End Orangemen will hold an excursion to Crystal Beach, and the usual celebration will be held at Lorneville by the lodges at that place.

**TO BUILD BALCONIES.**  
At a meeting of the St. John County Hospital commissioners held yesterday at the office of the county secretary, J. King Kelley, it was decided to ask the Municipal Council to provide the money for the balconies the institution as voted some time ago.

**THE SOUTH END PLAYGROUND.**  
About twenty men gathered last evening at the South End playground and with the aid of five teams, accomplished much work in clearing of this ground. Engineer Hatfield was in charge. It is hoped more men and teams will be on hand this evening.

**LAST NIGHT'S BAND CONCERT.**  
The Band Concert in King Square last evening was thoroughly enjoyed. Many, glad to be out-of-doors, after being confined to their homes on account of the recent wet weather, turned out to enjoy the concert and the exhilarating air.

**GLOUCESTER REPORT TODAY.**  
Hon. F. J. Veniot, who asked last night about his report in the Gloucester road investigation said this would not be given out until it had been sanctioned by the Lieutenant-Governor, but he expected to be in a position to hand it to the newspapers on Friday afternoon.

**FIRE DID NO DAMAGE.**  
The firemen were given a run last evening, to answer an alarm from Box 23. The fire originated in the elevator in Brock and Patterson's store. The quick action of the fire officers and the ready response of the chemical engine quickly extinguished the blaze. No damage was done.

**THANKS FOR LETTERS.**  
Letters received by Mrs. Keleher, of North street, Fairville, from her sons, Privates Timothy and William, conveyed the news that they were well. They also expressed their thanks for letters sent by Mrs. William Golding and Mrs. T. H. Currie, of Fairville, and for the money received from the United Soldiers' Fund.

**MAKING UP REPORTS.**  
Capt. Robinson Black, inspector and organizer of cadet corps for the Maritime Provinces, arrived in the city yesterday. He reports having about completed his inspections for the year. He is now engaged in making up his report for the department. He hopes to be able to announce the winners of the various trophies in about a week or ten days.

**IS GETTING BUSY.**  
Mayor Hayes who was yesterday appointed city fuel administrator by the common council has entered upon his duties and is having a form printed for distribution among the coal dealers which they must fill in and return to him. It is the intention to have the dealers make daily returns so that he will know at all times the amount of coal sold and the amount on hand and the prices at which it is sold.

**GIVEN THE LIMIT.**  
Frederick Carberry, who was arrested on Loch Lomond Road by County Police Officer Saunders on Wednesday, was yesterday brought before Magistrate Adams at Brookville and charged with having a bottle of liquor in his possession. He pleaded guilty and was fined \$20 or six months in jail. As he had not the money he was sent to the county jail. The prosecution was conducted by Inspector Crawford and Officer Saunders.

**DIED OF PNEUMONIA.**  
A casket draped with the Stars and Stripes attracted much attention in the Union Depot yesterday. The casket contained the body of Pte. Oscar Dickerson, which was being conveyed to the home of his parents at Barrington, N. S. The young man was a member of the American army at Camp Devens, and while there contracted pneumonia which proved fatal. The body was accompanied by F. W. Carpenter, assistant field director of the Red Cross at Camp Devens.

**OBITUARY.**  
George Allen Vincent, the second son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Vincent, passed away at his home in Glenwood on June 27th, after an illness of two years, which he bore with Christian resignation. He will be greatly missed by a large circle of friends and relatives. He leaves to mourn the loss of a kind son and brother, his father and mother, three sisters and three brothers.

The sisters are, Mrs. Melburn W. Collette and Ernest T. Collette, of Dorchester, Mass.; Mrs. Geo. H. Hunt, Roxbury, Mass. The brothers are, Lemuel E. and John Perry, Boston, Mass., and Edmund A., at home. Interment at St. Peter's Place.

REV. WILLIAM B. ARMSTRONG  
ORDAINED FIFTY YEARS AGO

Interesting Anniversary Today in Life of Well Known St. John Anglican Clergyman — Was Rector of One Parish Three Times, a Unique Record—Has Been Stationed in St. John, Halifax, Shediac, Welford, Petersville, Grand Falls and Petitcodiac.

Rev. William B. Armstrong, M. A., of this city, one of the oldest Church of England clergymen in the diocese of Fredericton, was ordained priest just fifty years ago today. Beyond receiving congratulations from friends he will not specially observe the day. Nearly three years ago, on Sept. 24, 1814, Rev. Mr. Armstrong and Rev. Dr. J. Roy Campbell, for many years rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Dorchester, celebrated their jubilee of ordination to the diaconate in the parish church at Windsor, N. S. The observance was in a nature of a celebration of the Holy Communion at St. Mary's Chapel, Hampton Village. Both were ordained deacons at the same time in Windsor.

Rev. Mr. Armstrong holds a record possibly unique in that he has long and faithful career as priest of the Anglican Church he has been rector of the same parish, Point du Chene, (St. Andrew's Church, Shediac), three times. It is doubtful if this record has been exceeded by anyone in Canada.

Born in Valparaiso, Chile, on April 17, 1842. His father was Rev. William Armstrong, British chaplain there, and formerly rector of St. James' Church, Broad street, this city. Another son is Judge J. R. Armstrong of St. John.

He was educated at Windermere College, England, and King's College, Windsor, N. S. He was ordained to the diaconate Sept. 24, 1865, by the late Bishop Blaney of the diocese of Nova Scotia, and on June 12, 1865, was ordained priest by the same bishop. He became curate of St. Paul's church, Halifax, afterwards becoming attached to the Diocese of Fredericton.

Rev. Mr. Armstrong was for a time curate of St. Luke's church, North End, and has been rector of Welford, N. B. County; Point du Chene, (Shediac), three times; and Petersville, Queens County; and Petitcodiac, which includes Salisbury.

He retired from the active clergy list in 1904, since which time he has taken occasional duties in various places. He is a resident of St. John, where he has many warm friends as well as throughout the province. He is in good health and still interested in church and public affairs. He is spending part of the summer at Hampton Station.

HEAD OF CANADIAN  
DENTAL CORPS HERE

Cool. W. B. Clayton, Who Is on Inspection Trip, Arrived Here Yesterday.

Colonel W. B. Clayton, director of dental corps for the Dominion of Canada, arrived in St. John last evening on an inspection trip. For the past two weeks, he has been in the Maritime Provinces inspecting the various military institutions and camps in the interest of this branch of the service. Colonel Clayton informed the Standard last evening that about 800 individuals made up the personnel of the staff throughout Canada and it may be necessary on account of the increase in the work to supplement this staff. This is due to the large number of men returning from overseas. Colonel Clayton said as fast as Canada's contribution of man power was reaching its highest figure, the number of men coming back from the war was likewise swelling in number.

Although a dental surgeon in civil life, Colonel Clayton enlisted in a combat unit, the 14th Battalion, and saw with this unit much service at the front. This morning he will motor to Sussex on official business.

ENGINEERS RETURN  
TO THEIR HOMES

Company Bases Refusal To Allow Inspection on Unfairness of Macintyre Report.

W. C. Whiting and W. B. Bennett, the engineers who came to the city to make an appraisal of the physical plant of the New Brunswick Power Company's plant, returned to Boston last night owing to the refusal of the company to allow them to inspect the plant. Yesterday morning Mr. Whiting and Dr. Wallace went to Fredericton, where Mr. Whiting looked into some matters.

Mayor Hayes yesterday afternoon said he had been informed by J. R. Taylor, K. C., counsel for the company, that their refusal to allow Messrs. Whiting and Bennett access to the plant was because of the gross unfairness of the Macintyre report.

The mayor wired to J. A. Sullivan, who tried to get an order from the commission of the commission allowing the engineers to make their inspection but up to a late hour last night Mr. Sullivan had been unable to get in touch with Mr. Currier.

**Y. M. C. A. WORK AT CAMP SUSSEX**  
New Building Completed With Auditorium To Hold Five Hundred Men.

A. S. McAllister of the Y. M. C. A., was in the city yesterday and left last night for Halifax. Seen last night he said the military work of the organization in the Maritime Provinces was progressing nicely. At Camp Sussex there has just been completed a building 60 by 54 feet with an auditorium capable of seating 500 men, with reading rooms, etc. The work there was in charge of T. A. McDonald, a returned soldier, and a most capable man. The St. John association had very kindly released for the summer their physical director, Mr. Marshall, and he was in charge of the athletic work at the camp which under his splendid leadership was coming along fine.

The association were now preparing plans for the most complete dining hall for all cooking. St. Charles Jersey or Fearless Brand.

INTERESTING LETTER  
FROM A MEMBER OF  
26TH BATTALION

Signaller W. J. Swetka Tells of Work in the Line—Had Narrow Escape From Death While Running Wire.

A very interesting letter has just been received by Mr. George Swetka from his son, Signaller William J. Swetka, one of the original members of the 26th, who is still on the job and going strong. He predicts that before long his father will be on the run back toward Germany. He also tells of a narrow escape from injury or death while out running a telephone line.

Following is the letter:  
France, June 13, 1918.  
Dear Father:

Have just come on duty at the orderly room on the phone, and as I do not expect to be very busy I thought I could very nicely utilize my time in writing a few letters. I do not feel very much like writing, so you must pardon the scribbling. I have just come in from playing football and baseball, so you can imagine how hot and stiff I am.

We are still having glorious weather and lots of baseball is going on everywhere where there are colonials. Our baseball team play day after tomorrow for the divisional championship. It is sure some team and we are backing it to win.

Tomorrow the divisional sports are to start and will be continued on the following day.

We were in the front line trenches when our team played last game and we received the scores over the phone. What do you know about that? The best of it was as each inning's result came through it put our team in the lead as a rule. They made 1 run in the 1st inning; 1 in the 3rd; 1 in the 5th; 3 in the 6th; 1 in the 7th and 4 in the 8th; while the opposing team made 1 run in the 2nd—were ending 11 to 1 in our favor. Some excitement, even more than if we had taken Hiente's front line.

Well, soon have trouble on the run. His new offensive in Italy was a failure, as also was and will be those on the western front.

Wait until we start. The time is not quite ripe, but just wait and see! He is in for a awful cleaning up, for that is what it will be. We will really clean him up.

The last time in the trenches was a very busy one for me as Hiente seemed very fond of dropping shells, etc., on our lines and we were out repairing them all night long and most of the day, very little chance to sleep; so you see there was not much opportunity of writing letters.

Does it seem like over three years to you since we left St. John? It seems like more than that to me at times, but other times it doesn't seem that long.

Today the mail arrived and I was delighted, for I received several from Canada, also letters from Scotland and England, so you see I have a lot of work out for me in the way of answering them.

Can you very dear getting a pass this last trip in the trenches, but luck was not exactly that way. As I said before Fritz kept us busy on the lines. He put one of them out of commission so often I thought I might be able to run a new line out a different way to some country, which we started out and had got about a half mile reeled out when Hiente dropped a nice friendly "strap" right on top of us, which was a piece of shell hit my steel helmet denting it in, but did not penetrate, so I did not get the pass. Of course I saw the danger of laying a line that route was impracticable as he would put it out of commission even more often than our other.

A nice kitten has just come in my hut for something to eat. She is very obliging to go out to work for their children. In one case it was a widow with six children who had been left absolutely without means. The agent was instructed to make arrangements to help her immediately. Another case was left with two lady members of the Society who will visit the house and report.

ST. JOHN ODDFELLOWS'  
OFFICERS INSTALLED

District Deputy John Jackson Completes Work in This City At Pioneer Lodge.

John Jackson, District Deputy Grand Master L. G. G. F., district No. 4 last night completed his installation of the officers of the St. John lodges when he installed the officers of Pioneer Lodge No. 9, as follows:

James Russell, N. G.  
H. Scott, V. G.  
F. G. Poole, J. P. G.  
J. A. Murdoch, R. S.  
B. Robertson, Treasurer,  
W. H. Bryden, Warden,  
J. H. Lang, Conductor,  
C. D. Fowler, Chaplain, G. G.  
Dr. A. D. Smith, R. S. N. G.  
P. Gibson, L. S. N. G.  
George Kimball, I. G.  
F. H. Sinclair, O. G.  
J. T. Bulmer, R. S. S.  
R. K. Fleet, L. S. S.  
Harry Jackson, R. S. V. G.

The deputy grand master was assisted by the following suite:  
Dr. A. D. Smith, D. D. Grand Wardens;  
Charles Segoe, D. P. G. R. S.;  
F. Smith, D. D. G. F. S.; H. Duke,  
D. D. G. F.; W. Watson, D. D. Grand Marshal; C. McFarlane, D. D. Grand Chaplain.

HALIFAX CLERGYMAN HERE

Rev. Vincent J. Gray, Rector of St. Mary's Cathedral, Halifax, is in the city. He is returning from a trip to New York, Boston and Niagara Falls. The rector's grandfather was in the great explosion in the sister city on December 5th, he being at that time stationed in the North End which was included in the devastated area. He returned to Halifax on Saturday morning.

GETS CLERICAL POSITION.

G. Coleman Commas, for sixteen years one of the city letter carriers, has received word of his appointment to the clerical staff of the local post office.

There's No Waste to Well Kept Food  
The proper care of good food will invariably prevent wastage. In warm weather especially, all perishable foods can be kept fresh clean and free from disease germs by the use of scientifically constructed MODERN REFRIGERATORS  
of which we offer a comprehensive range, from the most reliable makers, in all sizes, with linings of galvanized iron, enamel, and of glass. All are attractively finished, strongly constructed, and will give you the very most in results at the smallest outlay for use.  
PRICES RANGE FROM \$10.00 to \$82.00  
See Our King Street Window.  
Market Square W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD. King Street

On account of so much wet weather our stock is altogether too large—Now we are going to sell hats at such low prices that the wonderful values will surprise you, even here. For our values are always exceptional.  
MARR MILLINERY CO., LIMITED  
Store open Friday evenings until ten, closed Saturdays at one.

Summer Weather Needs  
IF STRENGTH, STYLE AND DURABILITY COUNT, we invite your attention to our particularly large assortment of summer goods at prices that should appeal to all.  
HAMMOCKS, COUCH HAMMOCKS, REFRIGERATORS, GASOLINE IRONS, ELECTRIC IRONS, SCREEN CLOTH, WINDOW SCREENS, SCREEN DOORS, WATER COOLERS, WATERING POTS, PICNIC BASKETS, THERMOS BOTTLES  
Over eating and under production are direct drawbacks to winning the war.—Canada Food Board.  
Emerson & Fisher Ltd.

Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited  
Stores open at 8.30. Close at 5.45. Fridays, 10 p.m. Saturdays, 12.45 p.m.  
WEEK-END SPECIALS—TODAY AND SATURDAY  
Small Men's Suits Ladies' Night Dresses  
For Sale on Friday and Saturday Only.  
These Men's Suits in sizes 34, 35, 36 and 37. They are made up in Two and Three Button Models in Semi-Fitting and in Conservative Styles.  
PERFECT TAILORED GARMENTS  
and measure up to the M. R. A. standard in quality of material and lining. The cloths are Tweeds and Worstedes, in neat checks and mixtures of various shades of Grey and Brown.  
Remarkable Values at the Week-End Prices.  
\$12.50 to \$13.50.....Sale Price \$10.50  
15.00 to 16.50.....Sale Price 12.50  
17.50 to 19.00.....Sale Price 14.50  
21.00 to 23.50.....Sale Price 17.50  
The above Sale Prices for Friday and Saturday only.  
BOYS' SPORT COLLAR BLOUSES  
at Special Prices for the Week-End  
These Blouses are made with convertible collar which can be worn buttoned high or with V opening. Long sleeves and tapeless band which does away with waist strings.  
Plain Blue, 56c quality Sale Price 69c.  
Plain Whites and Neat Stripes, 1.25 quality, Sale Price 95c.  
BOYS' AND YOUTHS' COAT SWEATERS  
For the Week-End Sale.  
Sale Prices.....\$2.00 and \$3.00 each  
These Coat Sweaters for Boys and Youths are in popular colors and in different weights, and to be sold at the above low prices to clear the lot. The sizes are: 25 to 36.  
For the Week-End Sale for 75c.  
A Nainsook Nightdress, low neck, trimmed with one row torchon lace heading ribbon. Neck and sleeve edged with lace.  
LADIES' WHITE CAMBRIC SKIRT  
For 75c. Tucked front edged with Torchon lace and embroidery.  
LADIES' DRAWERS in Cambric and Nainsook.  
For 70c. Nicely trimmed with Lace and Embroidery.  
MIDDY SALE  
For Friday and Saturday.  
White Middys, Coat Shape with Colored Collar and Cuffs and Girdle, \$2.48 each.  
White Smock Middys at same price for a few odd lines.  
SPORT SUITING  
SALE at 25c yard will continue until the end of week.  
MEN'S HALF HOSE  
Fine Cashmere finish, medium weight, in black and white only. Sale price 3 pairs for \$1.00.  
JAP SILK BLOUSES  
For the Week-End Sale. Price \$2.48 each.  
These Blouses are made from a good quality of White Jap Silk with Robespierre Collar. Sizes 36 to 44, \$2.48 each.  
PRINTED ORGANDIE MUBLINS  
15c and 25c yard of week.  
MEN'S BATHING SUITS  
Regular Price \$3.75. Heavy Knitted Wool, 2 piece style. Sale Price \$2.00 each.

R. W. WIGMORE WILL ACT AS INSPECTOR  
To Act For City in the Lake Fitzgerald Extension—New Main on Britain Street.

R. W. Wigmore, M. P., has been asked to act as inspector on the water extension at Lake Fitzgerald and has accepted the position. Commissioner Strikland said last night he had endeavored to get Mr. Wigmore to act in this capacity because of his familiarity with the contract and the work to be done. The commissioner said he expected the Lake Joint Pipe Company would begin laying the pipe in about a week. Next week he expected to make a start on the laying of the main to the

Earle property in Lancaster as the agreement with the city had been signed yesterday. He also expected to begin next week the replacing of an old four-inch main at the eastern end of Britain street with either a six or eight inch main.

PERSONAL  
Dr. W. B. Wallace, K. C., came in on the Boston express last evening. John Walker, an annual visitor in the city, arrived from Quebec yesterday. He is proceeding to his home in Chicago, Scotland.  
Miss Lydia Israel, Boston, a trained nurse, who has volunteered for overseas duty with the Red Cross, is in the city, visiting her sister, Mrs. Wm. Goodwin. She leaves today, accompanied by her father, for Freeport, N. S.  
J. P. Bradley, a returned soldier,

who saw service in France, and was injured home, on account of wounds, left yesterday morning for Appleton, Nova Scotia, where he is employed with White Bros.  
Dr. George T. Leighton and Mrs. Leighton of Moncton are in the city, guests of Dr. Leighton's sister, Mrs. H. W. Robertson, 65 Elliott Row.  
WHO WOULDN'T HAVE A FEW WHITE WASH SKIRTS AT \$17  
One dollar a piece for Skirts that have quality, style, and good making, and that will give a good deal of service and satisfaction. Fine Bepp Skirts with two pockets and Belt, full and generously cut, a really remarkable value. A special purchase brought these along—and they won't stay long at this clean up price, all sizes and lengths.  
—DYKEMAN'S—