

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

HOSPITAL. Private L. Miller of the 215th Battalion is at present in the Hamilton base hospital. He was admitted to that institution on the last day of March.

SPECIAL SERVICE. On Good Friday morning at 10.30 there will be a public service for prayer and meditation on behalf of the nation, in Zion Presbyterian church. The public is cordially invited, and will be made welcome.

RETURNED SOLDIERS. The returned soldiers of the city are holding a meeting in the Y. M. C. A. to-morrow night at half past seven to complete arrangements for a smoker to be held here in the near future, the proceeds of which will be devoted to furnishing funds for the proposed club rooms.

PUPILS' RECITAL. The regular fortnightly pupils' recital was held at the Conservatory of Music last night, and proved as great a success as its predecessors. Those who participated were Misses William Newham, Evelyn Briggs, Isabel Somerville, Pearl Lamb, Sophia Levine, Nora Maskell, Margaret Watt, Isabel Brewster and Winona Zavitz, and Masters Leslie Watt and Ernest Cuthbertson.

PASSION SERVICES. The pastor, Rev. L. Brown, will conduct special Passion Week services at the First Baptist Church this evening, speaking from the subject "Lessons From Christ's Passion." The address will be beautifully illustrated, and the public are cordially invited to attend. Miss Anguish will sing "There's a Hill Lone and Gray."

FIVE MEETING. There was a large attendance at the quarterly meeting of L. O. L. 742. Past Master Bro. John Kerr was presented with a Past Master's Jewel in recognition of the able way in which he had filled the position for two years. The presentation speech was ably made by Bro. A. Corman. Several were elevated to a higher degree and applications for membership received. Altogether the lodge is in a very flourishing condition.

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SOCKS WANTED. Brant Chapter members who have socks ready are asked to send them in to Mrs. Digby not later than Saturday, April 7.

BREAD INSPECTION. A large number of samples of bread were examined during the past month by the bread inspector, and none were found lacking in weight.

PARKS BOARD. The regular monthly meeting of the Parks Board will be held to-morrow night in the city hall at eight o'clock.

SCHOOL MANAGEMENT. Routine business was transacted at last night's meeting of the committee of School Management of the Board of Education.

SEPARATE SCHOOL BOARD. The Separate School board meets in the City Hall to-night.

HOUSE CLEANING. The city clerk's office is undergoing a thorough cleaning, and to the casual visitor this morning it would not be recognized as a part of the venerable institution in which it is situated.

RELIEF WORK. During the month of March the sum of \$46.50 was expended by Relief Officer William Glover. It was portioned out as follows, coal, \$13.20; milk, \$2.00; provisions, \$1.50; and for a railway ticket, \$7.00. The last item covered the sum advanced to a woman who was taking her child to the asylum in Orillia and will probably be returned.

GOOD FRIDAY. Good Friday, being a holiday, there will be no issue of The Courier on that day, but bulletins will be received over The Courier leased wire.

INLAND REVENUE. The inland revenue returns for the month of March are as follows: Malt, \$199.20; tobacco, \$808.88; vinegar, \$241.24; cigars, \$496.35; 742. Past Master Bro. John Kerr was presented with a Past Master's Jewel in recognition of the able way in which he had filled the position for two years. The presentation speech was ably made by Bro. A. Corman. Several were elevated to a higher degree and applications for membership received. Altogether the lodge is in a very flourishing condition.

PATRIOTIC FUND. Speaking in The Courier this morning, Mr. F. W. Thompson, secretary of the local branch of the Patriotic Fund, stated: "Up to date we have forwarded through the Brant Patriotic and War Relief Association to the Canadian Patriotic Fund at Ottawa, the sum of \$219,350.69, and withdrawals have been made amounting to \$208,848.15, made amounting to our credit of \$10,502.54. This does not include the amount remitted by the Paris Patriotic Committee, as they remit their money direct to Ottawa."

HEARING FIXED. In reply to the telegram that was sent yesterday to Sir Henry Drayton, the Dominion Railway Commission, by Chairman John English of the city board of works, a telegram was received this morning by Mr. English stating that the request of Mayor Dowdy for a postponement of the hearing of the St. Paul's Avenue subway case would not be granted. The hearing will be held in Hamilton on April 12th, as had been previously arranged, and if necessary an adjournment can then be agreed on.

WATER PUMPED. During the month of March, 82,967,130 gallons of water were pumped by the municipal waterworks as compared with 87,924,694 for the corresponding month of last year. The average per day was 2,673,359 as compared with 2,836,280 in 1916, and the greatest amount used in one day was 3,372,000, considerably less than last year, when the largest amount in March was 3,581,157. Secretary Fred Frank stated this morning that quite a bit less water had been pumped, and on the other hand more money had been collected this year than last.

JUST RECEIVED. Olive Butter, Jar... 20c. Welsh Rarebit, Tin... 25c. Creamed Chicken, a la King 37c. J. Forde Co. 39 and 41 Market St. Two Bell Phones, 947-948.

PARTICULARS Regarding the Death of Corporal Jack Breodon



The late Corp. Breodon, in the uniform in which he went through the Boer War.

Major Meeghan of the 50th Canadian Infantry Battalion writes the relatives of the late Corporal Jack Breodon as follows: "Corporal Breodon took part in an attack on the 'Desire trench' and was endeavoring to get across our open space from the 'Regina Trench' when he was shot by a sniper's bullet. Owing to the heavy artillery barrage it was impossible to bury his body."

215th GOING NEXT WEEK

Battalion Will Leave City on April 11 Next. MEDICAL EXAM. HELD. And a Number of Men to go Before Board. PREPARATIONS MADE For the Unit's Departure From City.

Brantford is at last to bid farewell to the 215th Brant, Norfolk and Haldimand County Battalion. Instructions were received yesterday by Lt.-Col. H. E. Snider from headquarters to have the unit prepared to leave the city by April 11th, one week from today. This morning all the regular routine of the battalion was suspended and active preparations were being made by the officers, staff, and men for the coming departure. Yesterday afternoon the members of the battalion were given a final medical examination and a number are to be sent down to appear before the medical board in Hamilton for a closer scrutiny. The men were busily engaged this morning in collecting their kits and possessions prior to leaving the quarters that have been occupied by them throughout the winter. At one o'clock this afternoon, the last leave commences and will continue until the unit leaves the city for "points East."

Inland Revenue Returns Lower

The inland revenue returns for the fiscal year ending March 31 last show a considerable decrease from previous years, owing principally to the enactment of the prohibition act. The figures are as follows: April—\$8,576.00. May—\$9,224.00. June—\$8,852.00. July—\$9,482.00. August—\$10,702.00. Sept.—\$10,908.00. Oct.—\$3,018.00. Nov.—\$4,801.00. Dec.—\$4,505.00. Jan.—\$3,854.00. Feb.—\$3,362.00. Mar.—\$4,853.00.

SOCIAL and PERSONAL. The Courier is always pleased to use items of personal interest. Phone 139.

Mr. W. L. Hughes is a business visitor in Toronto today. Miss K. M. Keen is spending her Easter vacation in Toronto, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Van-Lane, 491 Brunswick Ave. Mr. W. F. Paterson is in New York.

BAZAAR AND A CONCERT

Given by Pupils at School For Blind. Delightful Events Which Clear Over \$350 For Patriotic Fund.

Hats off to the pupils of the Ontario School for the Blind. They not only decided to do their "bit" on behalf of the Patriotic Fund, but in the carrying out of that determination, made said bit a good big chunk. In their endeavor, they received the hearty co-operation of Principal Burras, Eyerson, and other members of the staff, but the main endeavor was peculiarly their own. In the afternoon a bazaar was held in the cross hall of the main building and very attractive indeed did the display look. The articles offered were all the work of the pupils and they would have done credit indeed to those possessed of perfect sight. There was a large attendance of citizens and purchases were liberal. The articles thus secured were not only bought in aid of a good cause, but in addition proved of splendid value in themselves. The Matron's room was used as a tea room and the teachers' sitting rooms for the serving of tea and rest rooms. At night a concert was held and the total proceeds of the day were something over \$350.

The Concert. The main hall was filled for the evening entertainment. Principal James presiding in a most happy manner. The quality of the numbers presented, both vocal and instrumental was a complete answer to some recent criticism vented in the press and demonstrated most abundantly the splendid work of the musical department under control of Mr. W. N. Andrews and an efficient staff.

Before the crowd dispersed Principal James auctioned off some of the remaining articles in the bazaar and some more fun was created.

Funeral of Mr. Brown

Was Attended by a Representative Gathering of Sorrowing Friends. It falls to the lot of few public officials to receive such a mark of public esteem as that manifested yesterday at the funeral of Mr. J. J. Brown, late Governor of the Gaol. Although by reason of his position separated from many former interests and activities, the high place which he held in public esteem was abundantly evidenced by the exceedingly large attendance of representative men from both city and county. Those joining in the last sad rites included Mr. W. P. Cockshutt, M.P., Mr. J. H. Fisher, M.P., Wardens Rose and county and township councillors, Judge Hardy, and many other representatives of various callings and classes. The officiating ministers were Rev.

Obituary

MAJOR W. KERR. The death occurred in this city on Sunday night last of Major W. M. Kerr of Galt. Major Kerr had only been in the city for a few weeks, having recently come here as a government inspector of munitions, in which capacity he was engaged at the time of his death. He was the youngest son of Dr. Wm. Kerr of Galt, and grandson of Dr. Wm. Kerr of Glasgow. He is survived by his wife, Frances E., his brother, James E., and his sister, Elizabeth E., all of Galt.

Custom Returns Set High Figure

An increase of more than sixty per cent in the customs returns for the fiscal year ending March 31 last over the figures for the previous year, is noticeable in the statistics, which are as follows: Fiscal year 1915-16, \$520,405.48; fiscal year 1916-17, \$840,575.88; increase for 1916-17, \$340,171.19. For March 1917, the returns totalled \$101,196.42, a big increase over March of 1916. Just arrived from New York, Ladies' high-cut, light greys and champagne, the very newest, at Coles Shoe Co., 122 Colborne St.

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Harris, Earl Agnew, H. Bailey and H. Hewitt. Interment was in Mt. Hope cemetery. This was laid to rest one who nobly did his duty in all the relationships of life.

AS PRIVATE. It is said that if Rev. McKegney Chaplain of the 215th cannot get to the front in any other way, he will go as a private.

NO COURT. Whatever evidences there may be in the city have evidently reformed, temporarily at least, for there has been no police court for the past two days.

WEDDING. A very pretty wedding took place this afternoon at three o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Chalcraft, when their daughter, Miss Ella Chalcraft was united in marriage to Mr. Gordon Brander, the well known local druggist. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Farmer of Ottawa, assisted by the Rev. Llewellyn Brown of the First Baptist Church.

COUNTY COURT. Although two cases were slated for hearing before the county court yesterday and to-day, the Koenig vs. Foster controversy was satisfactorily adjusted among the parties concerned. Snook and Snook and Brewster and Heyd were the respective counsel. Judgment was rendered in favor of the plaintiff in the Bank of Nova Scotia vs. Mitchell case. Messrs. Jones and Hewitt appeared for the plaintiff and John Harrison acted for the defendant.

PATRIOTIC DANCE. A splendid program has been arranged for the dance being given to-night under the auspices of the orchestra of the Rex theatre for the purpose of raising tobacco for the soldiers overseas. Among those taking part in the musical numbers of the evening will be the Misses Hurley, Smith, Oldham and the Williams children, Messrs. Dr. Hart and McKinley, Sgt. Oldham, Sgt. Fairfield, Pte. Harding and also the performers from the Brant theatre.

REV. S. BOAL TO RETURN. Rev. S. Boal, the Irish orator will return to Brantford, and will be joined by Capt. McKegney, another Irish orator, in a big rally at the Grand Opera House on Sunday evening at 8.15. To the few who were fortunate enough to listen to Rev. Boal on the 30th ulto, the prospect of his immediate return will be welcomed, and a bumper audience will undoubtedly greet both speakers. Capt. McKegney will make his final appearance before a Brantford audience before going overseas, as his battalion is now under orders. Rev. Mr. Boal, on behalf of the Navy, and Capt. McKegney, on behalf of the Army, are both pleasing yet forceful speakers, and are sure of a warm welcome.

Regular Meeting of Library Board

Large Number of New Books to be Purchased and Circulated. INCREASE SALARIES Of Officials of the Library Staff.

The regular monthly meeting of the Public Library Board was held in their chambers at the Library last night, when several important matters were transacted. Those present were, Messrs. J. E. Quinlan, chairman, D. J. Waterous, Rev. G.A. Woodside, Col. Howard, Judge Hardy and T. Hendry.

The board, realizing existing conditions, has increased the salaries of the library staff, and this step was greatly appreciated by those who benefited.

GRACE CHURCH. Holy Week Services. Monday to Thursday—8 p.m.—Evening Prayer. At the Service on Wednesday evening the Choir will sing "The Story of the Cross." On Good Friday—10.30 a.m.—Morning Prayer. 12.00 Noon—"Three Hours' Service." for the City. 8.00 p.m.—Evening Prayer.

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