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The Man In The Street

Nice weather? Well, rather!

We have seen so little of this kind of weather that we almost feel the need of an introduction when a fine day comes along.

This would be good weather for street and road repairs.

If Mr. Mahoney, the irresponsible acting minister of public works in the provincial cabinet, had undertaken the completion of the road building which his predecessor started near Torryburn, the residents of the adjacent districts and the others who use Tothessay avenue would not have been so much inclined to find fault with his lack of authority.

Conventions in the various counties are giving practical demonstration of the provincial opposition's belief in the doctrine of "preparedness."

The opposition ticket in Westmorland must have thrown another scare into the government party, judging by the frantic outcries of the government organ this morning.

Talking of musical instruments, if the Conservative party cannot get a better organ than their local newspaper, they ought to buy a gramophone.

The eclipse of the moon last night gave belated citizens a fine fresh excuse when they had to tell wife what kept them out so late.

Yes, It Does Not

"Silence and work—and more silence," is said by a well-known writer to have been Lord Kitchener's guiding principle. Sounds like the motto of a ladies' sewing circle, does it not?

A Fine Tribute

Not much room for doubt about what St. John thinks of the Fighting 26th and their gallant commander after last even-

BEEN THROUGH IT ALL AND HE IS GOING BACK

Sergeant C. L. Mafford Going With Ambulance D-pot

WAS TWICE WOUNDED

"But When One Knows How Much Men Are Needed And What Those at the Front Are Putting up With, It's Harder to Stay at Home"—An Example to Slackers

After almost two years of continuous service, of which more than a half was spent in hospitals, Sergeant C. L. Mafford has been certified as fit once more and is again seeking overseas service. His return has been gratified and he is now a member of the newly organized No. 8 Field Ambulance Detachment, which is recruiting in St. John.

It's hell, some times, at the front, but I'd rather go back and do my share than stay at home," said the sergeant. "When you have been over there and know how much men are needed and what the others at the front are putting up with, it is harder to stay at home than it is to go and give them a hand."

Sergeant Mafford is a quiet, unassuming man and it was with some difficulty that he was persuaded to talk of his own experiences.

It was at Festubert on June 23, 1915 that I was wounded," he said. "The artillery had prepared the way for a charge by a concentrated fire on the enemy's trenches. The German guns had responded and the shells were shrieking over our heads. Their directions with a nerve-racking roar. Finally, our guns stopped and the order came to charge.

"We jumped out of the trenches and rushed forward. When we reached the first German trench it had been practically demolished by shell fire and great numbers of the occupants had been killed. There were enough left, however, to make things very unpleasant for us. Some of their machine guns had escaped, too, and they were dragged out and put in action as we came on. In spite of this, our men did not waver and in a few minutes we had captured the trench.

"The first trench usually is easy. The artillery concentrates its fire on the opposing front trench and by the time the charge is made there is not much resistance left. The second trench is harder, the third harder still, and by the time the third is passed the fourth will be harder. On that day we took the first three trenches and attacked the fourth, but finally, one man had to fall back to the trench which we held.

"Some time during the charge I got a bullet through my leg, but I did not know it at the time and went on as usual. After the worst of the fighting was over I was headed towards the rear, helping to carry a wounded sergeant on a stretcher when a shrapnel shell burst near us. A fragment struck me in the hand and carried away a finger. I did not feel it—some seldom does—but I saw what had happened and, after we got the sergeant in, I had my hand dressed. It was some time after that I discovered that a bullet had gone through my leg."

Sergeant Mafford had been at the front since early in February, 1915, and soon after his arrival got a taste of the first poison gas which the Germans used at Ypres. He was in the hospital suffering from the effects, but had managed to get back to the trenches without much delay. After he was wounded and suffering from the loss of great quantities of blood the latent effects of the gas made themselves felt and gave him more trouble than the wounds. He spent nine months in the hospitals in England and was then sent back to Canada, arriving in St. John in last February. From St. John he was sent to the Nova Scotia military hospital in Halifax for further treatment for the gas poisoning and was discharged on June 3, feeling as fit as ever.

When he returned to St. John he became the service of the local military hospital in St. James street as clerk and soon was promoted to the rank of sergeant. When the field ambulance was announced he applied for a transfer and is now one of the senior non-coms in the new unit.

Sergeant Mafford was born in St. Vincent in the British West Indies, of Scottish parents, and while in the south got his first military experience as a lieutenant in a volunteer corps. He came to St. John in 1913 and was employed with T. Rankine & Sons when war was

LOCAL NEWS

BIRTHS AND MARRIAGES.
The birth of three boys and six girls, and eleven marriages were reported during the week to the registrar, John B. Jones.

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.
Captain Miller, Lieutenants William Duncan McKay, Frederick G. Cross, and Daniel Henry McInnis have been appointed justices of the peace for St. John and other counties.

PICNIC TODAY
The St. David's church Sunday school picnic is being held today at the South Bay picnic grounds. A large number took advantage of spending the day in the open. The train which leaves at noon today is expected to take many more.

A GOOD EXAMPLE.
Mrs. Alexander Fraser of City road, although well advanced in years, has set a mark which many young ladies find hard to equal. It is not very long since she commenced to knit socks for the soldiers, but she has already completed more than 100 pairs and is looking forward to completing another hundred.

IN HONOR OF COLONEL.
The Knights of Columbus building in Coburg street was especially noticeable last evening for the decorations of flags and bunting in honor of Colonel J. L. McAvity's return. Many members were on the steps and lawn and the colors were given a hearty cheer. His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc viewed the gallant officer's return from a vantage point at the main entrance to the K. C. Building.

ENJOYED OUTING
A party of boys of the St. David's church Sunday school returned yesterday from Camp Gallahue where they had spent the last fortnight under the leadership of Rev. J. A. Mackigan. A party of girls will leave on Monday morning for a two weeks' vacation at the same camp, which is at Craig's point, under the leadership of Miss Annie Parks.

VISITED ELDON L. O. L.
A visitor to Eldon L. O. L. No. 2 at their monthly meeting this week was D. B. Hipwell, Revelstoke, B. C., the Worshipful Master of lodge number 1470 there. He is a son of David Hipwell, chaplain of Eldon lodge, and was initiated into the order in that lodge before going west. Mr. Hipwell recently gave up a thriving drug business in the west to enlist in the army medical corps for overseas service. Owing to the illness of his mother, following the shock of the announcement of the death of her other son, Lieutenant J. B. Hipwell, who was killed in action, Mr. Hipwell secured leave of absence for a short visit to his home here but will return to the west in a fortnight's time.

MONCTON WELCOMED HIM
Moncton Transcript, Friday—A large crowd of citizens, headed by the excellent brass band of the 148th Westmorland, Kent and Albert Battalion, were at the Union Depot at 2:30 this afternoon, to accord a hearty welcome to Lieutenant J. L. McAvity, who arrived in the city by No. 199 express from Halifax, and left a few minutes later on the 15:15 en route to his home in St. John. To friends, Col. McAvity expressed his pleasure at being home again, and spoke of the illness of his mother, following the shock of the announcement of the death of her other son, Lieutenant J. B. Hipwell, who was killed in action. Major C. L. Hamilton, Hon. F. J. Sweeney, Mayor McAnn.

DOUBLE FUNERAL OF VICTIMS OF ACCIDENT ON THE S.S. CARAQUET

The bodies of John Arsenault and Joseph Mallette, two victims of the fatality on the steamship Caraquet, at Ballast wharf on Wednesday night, were conveyed to their last resting place this morning. The two funerals left the respective homes in Sydney street and Broad street and met in Broad street where, side by side, the cortege proceeded to St. John the Baptist church, where high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. F. J. McMurray. Interment was made in the new Catholic cemetery. The esteem in which the two men were held by their fellow workmen is marked by the receipt of numerous floral offerings. Work on vessels in the harbor was suspended during the time of the funeral. Among the flowers sent to the Arsenault home were: Pillow of carnations and sweet peas from family; wreath of carnations and sweet peas from Longshoremen's Association; sheath of carnations from Miss McCarthy; sheath of sweet peas from Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Peterson; sheath of sweet peas from H. L. Gregory; star of roses and carnations from Mr. and Mrs. J. Norris and family; wreath of carnations from Wm. Thomson & Co.; sheath of lilies and tulips from Harold Cunningham; sheath of carnations and roses from Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Belyea; sheath of carnations from Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Magee; wreath of roses from Staff of Acadia Box Co.; wreath of lilies and carnations from Miss Annie O'Shaughnessy; crescent of roses and carnations from L. P. D. Tilley; wreath of roses from Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Doucette.

Death of Geo. Matthews.
Lindsay, July 14—George Matthews, one of the best known men in this part of the country, died yesterday in his 82nd year. He was the founder of the business of Matthews-Blackwell, Ltd., with packing plants in Montreal, Toronto, Hull, Peterboro and Brantford.

declared. After coming here he had joined the 62nd and when the members of that regiment were given the opportunity to enlist was among the first to be signed on, enlisting on August 7, three days after the declaration of war. Leaving St. John with the 62nd detachment, under Captain Sturdee, he became a member of the 12th Battalion at Vancouver and crossed with them. In England he was transferred to the 10th Canadian Scottish battalion, a British Columbia unit and with them fought at Ypres, Belthune, Arrmentiers, Festubert, and in other engagements of lesser importance.

After his experiences at the front, Sergeant Mafford is ready to go back again because it is needed and his story carried with it something well worth considering by the young men who have not yet had their hand in the defence of the empire, but who have left to others the work of fighting for them.

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GOOD NEWS

The family of Private Ralph C. Gale of Young's Cove, Queens county, who had been plunged into grief by the report from Ottawa which appeared in the papers yesterday, that he had been accidentally killed, were greatly relieved by a long distance telephone call from the last despatch from Ottawa, in answer to an inquiry from this office, was to the effect that the young man had been previously reported missing and since then had been reported, although unofficially, as a prisoner of war in Dulmen, Germany, with the added explanation that the list in which he was reported as killed must have been in error. The message allayed the family's fears, which had been raised by the report in the casualty list, and turned their grief into joy.