

AROUND THE CITY

WEATHER—FAIR

REPORTS PROGRESS. Commissioner Bullock reports good progress being made on the East St. John water extension, and he hopes to have the job completed very shortly after the New Year.

THE SAFETY COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Safety Committee was held yesterday afternoon at which it was decided to adjourn for an indefinite period, as it was felt that under present conditions there was no work for the committee to do.

A FAITHFUL EMPLOYEE.

Commissioner Bullock yesterday paid a tribute to the work of John Ferris who resigned last week on account of ill health, and stated that in his long service Mr. Ferris had always been a faithful employee of the department.

QUALIFIED OFFICERS WANTED.

A telegram was received at military headquarters yesterday requesting the services of several qualified officers to go to Siberia as instructors. It is understood that several officers of the Depot Battalion have volunteered and will leave early in January.

HAD FINGER INJURED.

Sydney Jones, an employee of the Mealy plant, 107 Robeson Avenue, while at his duties in the shops last Sunday evening, had one of his fingers badly lacerated by the emery wheel. The nurse of the plant rendered the necessary aid.

NEEDLESS ALARM.

Yesterday morning about half past six an alarm from box 13 gave the firemen a run for nothing. Some persons saw the reflection from a small boiler on the top floor of the Corona Candy Company, Union street, and thinking the place was on fire, pulled the hook.

THE ROTARY CLUB.

R. D. Paterson presided at the Rotary Club luncheon yesterday. President T. H. Estabrooks was given a hearty welcome back after his recent illness. W. Frank Hatheway spoke on prospective trade with France and the coming Salvation Army drive for funds was discussed.

CHRISTMAS TRIMMING.

The city market yesterday received its annual Christmas trimming and the tags and bunting made a decided change in the appearance of the building. The display of beef came in for considerable attention and it was stated the quality was the best shown in the market for years.

KING'S COLLEGE FUND.

During the past fortnight Prof. Boyce, President of King's College, and Canon Vernon, the organizing secretary of the King's College Advance Movement, visited the Anglican parishes of Prince Edward Island in the interest of the College. The amount subscribed to date is over \$30,000.

TRIANGLE CLUB OPENING.

The Red Triangle Club will open the new rooms in the old Y.M.C.A. building, Charlotte Street, this evening. A good program has been arranged and the invitation to the opening is not confined to soldiers, sailors and returned men, but to all the civilian friends of the club.

THE FERRY LUDLOW.

Commissioner Bullock stated yesterday that no definite arrangements had yet been made in regard to the sale of the Ludlow and she would not be sold unless it was felt it would be in the best interests of the city to do so. She has all ready to go on the route whenever needed. He said he hoped to present the revised schedule of rates to the council before the new year.

CHRISTMAS GOODS STOLEN.

The confectionery store of Miss Genevieve Carrol, Garden Street, was broken into late Saturday night or early Sunday morning, and considerable was carried off. Miss Carrol had only lately stocked up with Christmas goods and this, along with previous stock, was stolen. This break marks the first for some time, as the police had gathered up some of the offenders in this line, and apparently the subsequent sentences handed out to them had somewhat dampened the ardor of their confederates.

BACKED OVER THE WHARF.

A valuable horse owned by Harry McBeath, the Charlotte street grocer, was killed yesterday afternoon. The animal attached to an express wagon was standing on the wharf at Horne's slip, when frightened by a tug boat while the horse backed the wagon over the cap of the wharf, and both tumbled thirty feet to the mud below. After considerable time the horse was hoisted up on the wharf, where in a few minutes it dropped dead from the severe injuries it had received.

N. S. COMMISSIONERS.

The following commissioners were recently taken from the London Gazette: New Brunswick Regiment—To be temp. Lieut. (November 6)—Sergeant W. D. Bylesfield, C.A.M. R. E. Johnson, Sgt. T. S. Jones, Sgt. A. H. Martinson, Sgt. A. McArthur, Pte. R.H. Dean, Sgt. J. Acheson, Co. Sgt. Maj. G. G. K. Holder, M. M. Sgt. W. M. Nesbit, Sgt. G. H. Ward, Lt. Col. Y. B. Van Wert, Col. W. M. Davidson, Col. A. E. Ferguson, Pte. A. M. F. Lindsay, Col. W. H. Boston, Sgt. L. C. Fox, D.C.M., M.M., R.S.M. D. G. Lang, Col. H. B. Gilbert, Temp. Lt. A. M. MacIntyre, from Hon. to be temp. (Aug. 11).

PRIVATE HOGAN DEAD.

Frank Hogan, 43 Brook street, yesterday received word that his son, Joseph F. Hogan, had died on December 4 at No. 4 Casualty Clearing Station from pneumonia. Pte. Hogan enlisted with the 85th and served all through the war without ever being wounded or sick and only had one day of ten days in the three and a half years he was in France. He is survived by his parents, one brother, Albert, and three sisters, Mrs. William Selton and the Misses Gertrude and Ma.

ARRIVE IN PORT AT THE TREATY

Officers and Men of Steamer Corinthian Reached Here on Government Ship Yesterday Afternoon — Captain of Ship Remained at Westport.

The crew of the ill-fated "Corinthian," the large G. P. O. S. liner which has a total wreck on the North-west Ledges near Briar Island, reached the city yesterday afternoon on the Government steamer Aberdeen and Festubert.

The Aberdeen docked at No. 7 pier at 1.35 o'clock, carrying forty-eight of the crew of the Corinthian. About 4.40 o'clock the Festubert docked at the Pettigill wharf with the remainder of the crew, thirty-eight men. Captain Tancock of the ill-fated vessel did not reach the city, but remained at Westport, to oversee the work of salvaging the vessel and make the necessary reports to the naval and marine officials.

The crew of the vessel arriving on the Aberdeen, would state very little regarding their adventure, but one remarked that at the time the vessel struck the ledge the sea was running sky high, and the fog was intense. They awaited return messages, which were soon after received, conveying the news that the Aberdeen and the Festubert were on route to the scene with all haste. While awaiting the arrival of the vessels, some fishing boats happened to be in the near vicinity and approached the location where the ship lay stranded on the ledge. The crews of the fishing vessels succeeded in getting close to the Corinthian, and the officers and men with their belongings were quickly transferred to the fishing vessels.

When all was clear, the steamship was deserted, as the water was fast gaining in depth in her hold, and the bulkheads near the engine room were bending under the immense strain, and no doubt would have given way soon after.

All the personal effects of the men were saved, but the mate of the vessel said to some of the members of the crew that he believed his effects were lost, as not having time to see about them himself, he left orders with one of the men of the ship to do so, and understood later that the sailor forgot his message.

The vessel hit the ledge about 2.47 o'clock on Saturday afternoon, and went on hard and fast, which necessitated the wireless operator sending out the S. O. S. at once.

An officer of the Aberdeen when asked by The Standard of the work of his vessel in rescuing the crew of the Corinthian, stated: "About three o'clock last Saturday afternoon we were advancing into port, and when near Partridge Island we picked up a message to the effect that the Corinthian was in danger. A reply wire was forwarded at once and we shaped our course in the direction of the location of the Corinthian. At the same time, the message was picked up at the wireless on Partridge Island, and the Festubert, then lying in port, was at once dispatched to the scene of the wreck. The sea was high and the fog dense, but we pushed along and reached the vicinity of the wreck at midnight Saturday. Unfortunately the sea would not permit of our vessel approaching the Corinthian, and the next best thing was to lay by and await the time in which we could make a landing. Sometime through the night the Captain of the Festubert alighted the Corinthian and the vessel and informed us that all the crew must have gone to Westport, as we knew by wireless of all landing safe at that place with the exception of eight men, whom we believed to be on the vessel, and for this purpose we awaited the time in which we might make a landing. As soon as we learned that all the crew were safely landed at Westport, the two vessels left the wreck, reaching Westport at 10 o'clock Sunday morning.

"On reaching Westport it was still thick and blowing hard, so it was decided to remain there for a time. At eight o'clock yesterday morning the sea went down, and the fog having cleared up, the two Government steamers left for St. John."

The work of salvaging the Corinthian began yesterday morning when a Government boat from Yarmouth reached the wreck and commenced the work at once. It is believed that a large quantity of the cargo might be salvaged, but would be necessarily badly damaged, since it lies in many feet of water. Little hope of saving the vessel is held out, as it is believed she is a total wreck.

CENTENARY YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY

Election Contest Held Last Evening Greatly Enjoyed—Miss Reta Brittain Wins Prize.

The second of the election contests which have proved so delightful a feature of the winter's programme of the Centenary Young People's Society took place last evening. There was a large attendance at assembly hall and the various excellent selections given were much appreciated. The judging was done by Mrs. G. F. Dawson and Mrs. F. H. Westworth who awarded the prize for the evening to Miss Reta Brittain. Miss Jean Teed, as convener of the election committee, arranged the programme for the evening as follows:

Volin solo, Mr. Gaustin.

Election selection, "Just for Christmas," Miss Jean Teed.

Election selection, "Out to Old Aunt Mary's," Miss Reta Brittain.

Election selection, "Take the World As It Is," Miss Jean McAlpine.

Solo, Charles Salaman.

Vocal quartet, Misses Estlin, Love, Tobin and Shaw.

Awarding of prize, Mrs. Dawson.

THREE CANADIAN OFFICERS, ONE A D. S. C. HERO, ARRIVED YESTERDAY — COMPLAINT AT BEING SENT HOME ON FREIGHT STEAMER.

Highly incensed at the manner in which their return to Canada was handled, three Canadian officers, including a D.S.C. hero of the Royal Air Force, with eleven Hun planes of his credit; a Toronto lieutenant on sick leave, and a Fort Hope, Ontario, lieutenant, with a "dad" arm as a result of nearly three years' service in France, and three R.A.F. cadets arrived in St. John yesterday on the freight steamer Telemachus throughout two weeks of stormy voyaging across the Atlantic, the military men were housed in temporary cabins erected on the deck, and they say their accommodations were on the same par. Their indignation was increased by the knowledge that they could easily have been accommodated on the new G.P.O.S. liner, "Minnesota," which docked here yesterday. They asserted that even the officers of the Telemachus were surprised when they learned the military men were to travel on the vessel and had to prepare the emergency accommodation at the last minute before sailing.

The members of the party were Captain P. T. Iaccaci, D.S.C., R.A.F., Lieutenant Clark E. Locke, R.A.F., former secretary of the Ontario Legion; Lieutenant F. Mitchell, Port Hope, Ont., and Cadets P. H. B. Cook, A. B. Dick and W. E. Barrett, all of Ontario.

Captain Iaccaci trained with the Flying Corps in Toronto, and went overseas in October, 1917. In seven months' service in France and Italy he officially conquered eleven enemy planes and has an unofficial total of sixteen. When he had downed six planes he was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, and in this connection the Official Gazette printed the following: "A bold and successful fighter, who on four offensive patrols has accounted for six enemy airplanes. Two he shot down himself and four were destroyed with the assistance of his observer. In seven encounters the formation in which Lieutenant Iaccaci was serving was engaged against heavy odds."

Capt. Iaccaci's brother, Lieutenant A. T. Iaccaci, D.F.C., trained with his brother and was overseas with him. He is the official conqueror of fifteen Hun machines, and has an unofficial total of twenty-one. Neither of them was wounded. Capt. Iaccaci will be on the R. A. F. Staff at Toronto.

Lieutenant Locke left Toronto early in 1917 with a draft of the Canadian Field Artillery, but transferred to the Imperial Service after receiving engineering training in England. He had several months' service in France and did his bit during the victorious advance that ended the war.

Lieutenant Mitchell went overseas three years ago. On reaching England he was transferred to the Eighth Devonshire Regiment, with which he went through many of the hottest engagements in France. His left arm was badly wounded several months ago, and at present is completely out of commission.

A CONFERENCE HELD YESTERDAY

S. H. White and Legal Adviser Conferred With Commissioner Fisher Regarding Widening Corner of Mill and Union Streets.

S. H. White, of Sussex, and his legal adviser, R. St. John Freeze, had a conference yesterday afternoon with Acting Mayor Fisher regarding the taking of a piece of the building and land at the corner of Union and Mill Streets for the purpose of widening the street at that point.

Mr. White has already submitted a proposition to the city, asking \$3,000 for the land, and the city to pay the cost of the necessary alterations in the building to conform to the new line. This was dealt with at a meeting of the common council, considered too high, and Commissioner Fisher was instructed to appropriate the land. Mr. White discussed the whole matter, and a report of the conference will be given at the first meeting of the council.

It is proposed to take a section of the lot fourteen feet seven inches on Mill Street, and eleven feet nine inches on Union Street, amounting to a little less than ninety square feet. This will provide for an increased width of ten feet in the street at the junction of the two streets and give a much greater range of vision to teams coming either way. The curbing will be laid diagonally with rounded corners and should result in considerably improving traffic conditions at this point.

GRANT HALL ON INSPECTION TRIP

Grant Hall, vice-president of the C. P. F., arrived in the city yesterday and will leave today at noon for Montreal. He is accompanied on the trip by V. G. R. Vickers, formerly president of the Dominion Express Company, and now president of the Holding Company of Montreal, and E. P. Cooney, private secretary to Mr. Hall. When soon last night at the Royal Hotel, Mr. Hall said he was making an inspection trip over the system and his visit had no special significance, but hinted that he would return in the near future and then he might have something of interest to say. Mr. Vickers, he said, was his guest on the trip, taking a holiday and renewing old friendships in the city. Last evening the party were the guests of H. G. Groot, general superintendent of the New Brunswick division at a dinner at the Cliff Club.

INQUEST HELD

JURY FIND MISS BERRYMAN DIED AS RESULT OF FRACTURED SKULL — RECOMMEND A LAW RESTRICTING BOYS DRIVING PRIVATE VEHICLES.

We, the jury empaneled to enquire into the death of Miss Annie E. Berryman, find: That the deceased came to her death on December 10, 1918, about 4.30 o'clock in the afternoon, at the general public hospital from a fracture of the skull, as a result of being struck from a horse and slain driven by a boy under sixteen years of age, and not strong enough to manage the horse.

We find the law restricting boys under sixteen years of age driving public vehicles, but does not mention drivers of private vehicles, and recommend that the law be so amended as to include private vehicles. J. W. Cameron, foreman; S. W. Maclellan, Silas Rice, Alexander McBeath, Patrick Coogrove, J. H. D. Turner, Robert McConnell.

The first witness was Dr. F. J. Donnelly, of the hospital staff. He was present when Miss Berryman was brought into the institution on the 10th day of December. She was unconscious and lived about three quarters of an hour. The injury was to the frontal region of the head over the nose, and was what was known as a depressed fracture. The deceased was brought to the institution between the hours of three and five in the afternoon.

Leo F. Floyd, the driver of the team from which the deceased was thrown, was the next witness. He was fifteen years of age, and had driven team for about a year. He had been working for Miss Berryman for a month and a half or two months. In that time she had been driving the team from the accident he had taken the team out about half past two. In driving down Sydney street two automobiles had been met. One of them crossed in front of the horse, and the driver of the exhausted scared the animal, which started to run away. He placed his foot on the dashboard but it slipped, and he lost control of the horse. This was the accident he thought it was a private rig. He was acquainted with Floyd, and thought him capable of handling the horse owned by Miss Berryman.

Coroner in summing up said the enquiry had been held principally to determine the age of the driver, and this had been established by the boy's own evidence. "He read the section of the law which only referred to public vehicles, and instructed the jury that they could bring in a recommendation that it be amended to cover the latter class of vehicles."

Below the jury returned at an hour's deliberation the jury brought the verdict as above.

INSPECT RODNEY WHARF-TRESTLE

The Public Utilities Commission have engaged the services of Engineer D. S. Maxwell to make an inspection of the trestle which only referred to public vehicles, and instructed the jury that they could bring in a recommendation that it be amended to cover the latter class of vehicles.

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REMAINING OPEN FROM WEDNESDAY EVENING UNTIL CHRISTMAS EVE—DYKEMAN'S.

Busy shopping, splendid service, make this a wonderful Christmas store. The store today looking its Christmas best. Great stocks are as yet unbroken, its service is quick, helpful, courteous, and obliging, and if your shopping can be planned for the morning hours, there is no need to be hurried or hurried in making your selection.

In all these fine Christmas stocks there is an intrinsic merit in every article which assures the enthusiastic appreciation of its recipient. And, notwithstanding the immense volume of shopping that always develops the last week before Christmas, every preparation has been made to make even the last days of gift shopping at Dykeman's a pleasure and not a task. Of special importance is the announcement of our Christmas Fur sale. Our entire Fur stock, consisting of some of the most handsome Coats for display in this city. Coats of the HIGHEST QUALITY, and perfect in every detail, at huge savings. There's a reason for it. Come in, let's talk it over. If it's a Fur coat you're looking for, you'll surely find it at Dykeman's.

A CHRISTMAS SUGGESTION.

Why not give him a "Twelve Months" Membership Ticket for the Y.M.C.A.?

Boys, Young Men, Business and Professional Men all get good, healthy recreation there.

WANTED—Office Boy wanted of once. Apply Standard Office.

Sleds and Framers advertisement for W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD. featuring sleds and framers for winter use.

ALL WOMEN LOVE CORRECT MILLINERY advertisement for Marr Millinery Co., Limited, featuring gage model hats and children's dress hats.

The Happy Thought Gift advertisement for Emerson & Fisher Ltd., featuring a list of gift suggestions like casseroles, cake racks, and photo frames.

Manchester Robertson Allison Limited advertisement for Christmas gifts, featuring fur coats, sweaters, and various household items.

D. MAGEE'S SONS, LTD. advertisement for fur coats for holiday gifts, featuring beautiful coats of Hudson Seal and muskrat.