

## CASE AGAINST TWO SOLDIERS WAS SETTLED

Monday evening's disturbance results in better understanding between Police and Military men.

The case against Thomas Madden, a private in the 26th Battalion, charged with interfering with the police, and assaulting Police Sgt. Rankine, was concluded in the police court yesterday afternoon. Andrew Stevens, another private, while not under arrest, was mentioned as the soldier who was fighting with a civilian on Monday night and who got clear when placed under arrest by Deputy Chief Jenkins. The magistrate in giving judgment, stated that Madden was liable to a fine of eighty dollars or ten months in jail, while for the breach of the peace Stevens was liable to a fine of twenty dollars or two months in jail, but on looking over the evidence both soldiers were allowed to go.

Major McKenzie was present in court and conducted the case for the defence. Private Andrew Stevens was the only witness examined yesterday afternoon and he testified that on Monday evening last while he was on Charlotte street he was approached by a civilian, who insulted him. Stevens said he struck the civilian and drove him into the doorway of the Oddfellows' Hall. At this time Deputy Chief Jenkins jumped on witness' back, and as witness did not know he was a police officer he grappled with him, thinking it was another civilian attacking him. Private Madden, who was on picket duty, caught hold of him and told the deputy chief he would take the soldier to the armory; the deputy answered "To — with you and the armory." Witness said he never heard the deputy say that he was a policeman, or ask Madden to assist him in taking the prisoner to the Central Station.

Witness said he did not resist but was pushed along by the crowd and got separated from the deputy. He said he heard many in the crowd shouting, "Don't take him, let him go." He was one of four brothers enlisted for overseas service and always had a good reputation. He did not wish to give the name of the civilian whom he struck as the man was married and had a large family and he did not wish to get him into trouble.

Major McKenzie, addressing the court, said he had a number of witnesses present and their evidence would be about the same as that given by Madden and Stevens. He said he thought from the evidence the case should be dismissed. "It is too bad that this affair occurred. The police used poor discretion. The Deputy Chief of Police came to this man, he was not in uniform and said he remarked, 'I arrest you.' Two witnesses state the officer did not use those words. Madden coming up as a picket saw the two men in a struggle.

"We are prepared to admit civil law is superior to military, but when the country is at war and there is mobilization, there is an established police in the units. I had a consultation with the military authorities in the city and we decided that the civil police force of forty men was not enough to handle a riot if it might arise among our men and we decided that each military unit in the city send out a picket of one non-commissioned officer and eight men at nine o'clock each morning and these men will be divided into patrols of two men who will patrol the streets report or arrest, and these men patrolling the city should be a great assistance to the civil police force. The patrols will have different sections of the city and will be from the 26th, the

## OFFICERS AND MEN OF 55TH BANQUETTED

Enjoyable gathering at Queen Hotel, St. Stephen.

St. Stephen, April 29.—The supper given by the officers and men of the 55th Battalion at the Queen Hotel on Thursday evening last was one of the most enjoyable functions of the kind that has been held here. There was an absence of formality and every minute was enjoyed by all.

The invited guests included the clergymen and representatives of the societies and organizations in St. Stephen and Milltown that had shown courtesies to or assisted the company in its work.

Captain Smith presided and one long table was filled with the guests, two others being filled by the men. The dining room was neatly adorned with flags and an excellent menu was splendidly served.

The toast to the King was received with musical honors. Captain Smith proposed "Our Guests," and expressed the appreciation of himself, his officers and men of the kindness that had been shown them by the people of St. Stephen.

Those who live here might understand it, but the kindness that had been shown was a constant pleasure and surprise. Mayor Grimmer responded for the citizens, and Mrs. George J. Clarke for the Canadian Club and other ladies.

"The men of Charlotte county who have gone to the front, those ready to go and those preparing to go" was responded to by Major Laughlin.

Dr. Blair proposed "The non-commissioned officers and men of the 55th" and Sergeant Scovill replied.

Lieut. Carr proposed "The Ladies" and Lieut. Gregory responded. There were no studied speeches, but all spoke from the heart, spoke well, and received attentive hearing.

The evening was made especially enjoyable by the musical numbers rendered by the soldier boys. Sergt. Busby and Bugler Falcon gave solos, Sergt. Scovill and Bugler Falcon a duet, and there were many choruses, all splendidly rendered. A feature that especially pleased was some step dancing by Drummer Fred Craft.

The very pleasant gathering, that was graced by the presence of a number of ladies, was brought to a close at an early hour.

55th and the Canadian Pacific Construction Corps. The 26th Battalion will also furnish a platoon of fifty men who will always be on hand at the armory and all that is needed by the patrol or the police is to telephone for the platoon and it will be dispatched immediately to the scene of any serious disorder. "Our object is to assist in the carrying out of law and order. When Madden took hold of Stevens on Monday night he believed he was doing his duty and Madden was acting in the discharge of his duty. We are taking precautions against any recurrence of what has taken place, and with the consent of Deputy Chief Jenkins, I would ask Your Honor to dismiss the case. All we ask is co-operation of the police. If they will do their part, we will do ours."

The magistrate said it was good for the military and the civil police to work together. He could not dismiss the case for in fighting on the street Stevens had committed a breach of the peace, and was liable to a fine of \$20, while in Madden's case a man who interferes with the police in discharge of their duty, and assaults an officer is liable to a fine of \$80 or ten months. Under the circumstances he would allow the both soldiers to go and did not strike a fine.

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## FIGHTING MUD ON THE EASTERN FIRING LINE—SCENE IN GALICIA.



WHY THE ARTILLERY WAS LATE—AN AUSTRIAN GUN DETACHMENT NEGOTIATING A SHALLOW TRIBUTARY IN WEST GALICIA.

This picture, drawn especially for this newspaper, the New York Herald and the London Sphere, by Christopher Clark, shows the extraordinary extent and depth of the mud encountered in West Galicia. This scene is typical of hundreds of points along the line from East Prussia to the Carpathian foothills. The men and horses are wading in the loose mud, which is waist deep. All reports from this scene of battle lay great stress on the seas of mud encountered by the troops.

## APPOINT MANAGER FOR NEW C.P.R. HOTEL

The appointment is announced of Mr. James Robb to be manager of the new Grand Trunk Pacific summer hotel "The Minaki Inn." This hotel, which has accommodations for over four hundred guests, is situated at Minaki, Ont., one hundred and fourteen miles east of Winnipeg, on the G. T. P. main line. Mr. Robb has been associated with the Dining Car Department of the Grand Trunk System for several years and for some time past has been in charge of the restaurant at Bonaventure Station, Montreal.

Before Mr. Robb left for the west he was presented by his friends in the Grand Trunk and the Canada Railway News Company with a purse of gold. Mr. C. W. Johnston, assistant to the traffic passenger traffic manager of the Grand Trunk System, who made the presentation, said that Mr. Robb had endeared himself to a large circle of friends in Montreal and he carried with him warm wishes for his success in his new enterprise.

## GRAND TRUNK AGENTS FOR ALASKA CITIES

The appointments are announced by the Grand Trunk System of two agents to look after the company's interests in Alaska. Mr. John R. Boegle is to be agent at Kotichikan and Mr. H. R. Shephard, agent at Juneau. These appointments are a further indication of the striking development which is taking place in Alaska.

## DEATH SEPARATES LIFE COMPANIONS

Ford, Ont., April 29, 1915.—Death in the European trenches of Christopher Rose of this city has torn apart two lifelong chums—chums who played together as boys in England, enlisted in the army, were assigned to the same regiment, fought side by side in South Africa, crossed to Canada, became brothers-in-law, worked together in the Ford automobile plant here, and started for the mother country when war was declared in August.

Alfred Blythe of this city, the other chum, probably owes his life to the fact that he injured his knee last fall. He and Rose, who had not been apart for more than fifteen years, were members of the 45th Northampton Regiment, and more recently reservists. Three years ago they came to Canada and secured work in the plant of the Ford Motor Company of Canada, Limited. Rose became foreman of motor car inspectors and Blythe was employed in the accessory stock department. Later Rose married Blythe's sister. Both men had only six months more to serve in their ten-year terms as reservists but when hostilities broke out they were summoned and were the first ones to leave the Ford factory.

At Quebec came the first separation—and it proved to be the last. Blythe had just injured his knee and so was rejected, while Rose was accepted and sent to the front. Blythe returned to his former position here, but showed his loyalty by joining the Home Guards in Windsor.

## Appeal Dismissed.

Judge Forbes gave judgment yesterday morning in the case of the King vs. Benjamin Dean, which came up on review from the police court, dismissing the appeal without costs.

The defendant in this case was convicted by Magistrate Ritchie on a charge of forestalling, and fined \$50.00. The case was reviewed and argument took place some time ago. Judgment being reserved at that time. C. S. Hamilton appeared for Dean, and Mr. Baxter, K. C., for the complainant.

**Twenty-Five Years Married.**  
Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Joyce, Somerset street received hearty congratulations from many friends on the 25th anniversary of their marriage yesterday. The ceremony took place in St. Rose's church, Milford, on April 29, 1900. Mrs. Joyce was formerly Miss Agnes Sullivan, of Milford.

**BELGIAN RELIEF FUND.**  
The following subscriptions to the Belgian Relief Fund were received yesterday:  
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