

Around the City

GENERALLY FAIR

CLEARED NEAT SUM. Baxter L.O.B.A. lodge announces that at their supper in Fairville last Thursday they cleared the sum of \$140.

MANY APPLICATIONS. Those who held city lots for gardening off the Manawagonish Road, last season, have prior right to take lots before the first of the month. Many applications are being received.

THE POLICE COURT. In the police court yesterday two drunks were remanded. A man was charged with having liquor in his possession illegally and the case was adjourned until today.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE. Miss Giff, stenographer at City Hall for the public works, water and sewerage and harbor departments has been granted three months leave of absence and will leave the last of the week for a visit to Ottawa.

ACCEPTS A POSITION. Arthur Harris of this city, a former student of St. Joseph's College left last evening on the 5.19 train to accept a position in the vicinity of Fredericton, on the C. P. R. His friends wish him much success.

RETURNED HERO. Sergeant Major Geo. H. Parker, a resident of Fredericton was in the city yesterday in connection with his discharge papers. He is returned since July 1917 and has been undergoing treatment for wounds received in action.

WORDS OF CONSOLATION. A letter of consolation has been received by Mrs. Edward Whitteck, 258 Brussels street, from A. G. Emmett, Captain Chaplain 1st Brig. Can. Infantry, on the death of her brother, Pte. Alcorn Pettigrew of Central Economy, N. S., who was killed in action on November 6, 1917.

FELL INTO HARBOR. Monday night, John Travis, a longshoreman, accidentally fell from a steamer stage at Sand Point into the harbor. He was rescued with difficulty and taken to the hospital. Besides a chill he received severe bruises.

SGT. LONDON GASED. A telegram has been received by Mrs. George W. London, 131 Victoria street, informing her that her husband, Sergt. George William London was reported in No. 6 Casualty Clearing Station, March 17, shell gassed. He had been in France two and a half years.

UNDERGOING TREATMENT. Pte. Farrell Francis McElroy of Oranout son of T. J. McElroy, is undergoing treatment in St. James' Hospital on account of a sore hand. Pte. McElroy is a member of No. 1 Depot Battalion. His friends here join in wishing him a speedy recovery.

NO HOT CROSS BUNS. It was decided at a meeting of the Master Bakers Association held on Monday night, that in view of the need of food conservation and the conditions brought about by the war, that they would not manufacture any hot cross buns for Good Friday, as has been their custom in the past. The bakers who endorsed the resolution were: Robinson, Dwyers, Royal, Hunters, St. John, Shaws, and the York bakers.

MILITARY FUNERAL. The funeral of Private Thomas Luff, who died in the Armory Hospital Monday took place yesterday afternoon with full military honors. A firing squad and the 115th band preceded the hearse. The casket was draped with the Union Jack and soldier comrades acted as pall bearers. Service was conducted at Trinity church by Rev. M. L. Thompson and interment was in Fernhill cemetery.

AT MOUNT ALLISON. In order to let the students do war work with a view to greater production, it has been decided to close Mount Allison University this year on Friday, May 10th. Senior examinations will have ended by that time and convocation will be held Thursday evening, May 9th. The first idea was to do away with convocation entirely, but some opposition to that course developed with the result that the original plan was modified.

FREDERICTON MAN RETURNS. Friends in St. John received word yesterday that Pte. W. H. Kelly, formerly in the 236th Battalion under Lieut. Col. Guthrie, had reached Fredericton. Pte. Kelly was transferred to a Forestry unit, whilst in camp at Valcartier, proceeding overseas under this unit, No. 9 Construction Corps. He along with many others, was detained to duty in Scotland. After near seven months in the service Pte. Kelly was discharged it is stated on account of poor health.

ARRIVED IN HOLLAND. A cablegram has been received by R. P. Steeves, Sussex, from his son, Lieut. R. H. Steeves, that he has arrived in Holland. Lieut. Steeves went overseas early in the war with a Vancouver regiment, was captured and imprisoned. Recently it was reported that he had been transferred from Salziggen to Bad Callery. Evidently he succeeded in making his escape from the new camp and in getting safely across the border into Holland. His telegram gave great joy to the home people, who expect soon to hear of his safe arrival in England.

St. Andrew's church choir tomorrow (Thursday) evening, at eight o'clock in St. Andrew's church are to give an oratorio entitled "Seven Words From the Cross," by Debussy. As this oratorio contains some of the best vocal talent in the city a treat is in store for lovers of good music. A silver collection will be taken up in aid of the choir fund.

JEWISH FESTIVAL OF THE PASSOVER BEGINS TONIGHT

Is Commemorative of the Deliverance of Children of Israel from Egyptian Bondage—Special Preparations Are Made for Soldiers in France.

The Jewish festival of Passover, which is commemorative of the deliverance of the children of Israel from Egyptian bondage, will begin this evening, and will continue for seven days. Every Jewish home in the city is prepared to usher in the Passover, which is the most important of Jewish festivals, as well as one of the most joyous of holidays.

The festival of Passover is the oldest holiday on the Hebrew calendar. As the feast of freedom, it commemorates the emancipation of Israel and its entrance into the dignity and destiny of national life. According to tradition, 2,000,000 people walked forth as free citizens without a drop of blood having been spilled or a sword unsheathed.

For weeks past great preparations have been in progress in an effort to have everything thoroughly cleaned. New dishes and other utensils are brought into use. Those who are not able to buy new must polish the old by a process known as "kashris."

This is accomplished by thoroughly scouring in hot water with ashes or other cleansing substances. The one distinctive feature of the celebration of the Passover is the obligation of "matzos," or unleavened bread, in which no yeast or salt or other ingredient save flour and water have been used.

There will be many a tear shed over the Passover board this year. Many who have the good fortune to live in Canada will, at their festive board, think of parents, brothers, sisters, cousins and friends in the war zone of Europe. Yet even those homeless and destitute will celebrate the Seder, the Hebrew term for the Passover night celebration. Even the soldiers of the race, who are fighting the battles of the many nations, will be given the opportunity to welcome the feast of freedom with all the grandeur and symbolism of its ceremonies.

Field rabbits, of whom there are many in the armies of the warring nations, have been amply provided by their communities with matzos, wine and all the necessaries for the soldiers. A good many of the soldiers are provided for by their friends and relatives.

RETURNED MEN ARRIVE TODAY Large Party of Heroes Will Reach City from Halifax at 5.30 o'clock This Afternoon

Charles Robinson, secretary Returned Soldiers' Commission, received a wire yesterday that a party of soldiers had arrived in Halifax and would leave there at 5.45 o'clock this morning and will reach St. John at 5.30 o'clock this afternoon. The list of names is as follows: Wm. Adair, Newcastle, N. B. R. Acton, Jolicure. R. Bickerstaff, 238 Westworth street, city. W. Burke, Randolph, St. John Co. O. Beckwith, 17 St. Paul street, city. H. Moffatt, 139 Guilford street, west city. E. W. Mills, 63 Ludlow street, St. John West. E. J. McCarthy, 196 Sydney street, city. R. McKay, 274 Main street, city. W. McRae, 368 Haymarket square, city. H. Ford, 5 Queen street, west, city. E. Huesets, 207 Rockland road, city. F. Lawson, 97 Main street, city. E. W. O'Connor, Cedar street, city. M. Strom. W. Flankler. W. Buck, Sackville, N. B. D. Carry, Millville, N. B. L. Colpitts, Pettitcodiac, N. B. F. Casey, Campbellton, N. B. J. H. Dick, Moore's Mills, N. B. F. Dufour, Beaver Harbor, Charlotte county. G. Ferguson, Matapedia, N. B. W. Fiedler, Chatham, N. B. J. W. Furlottis, Targoon P. O., Gloucester county. A. J. Gavin, 24 Summer street, Moncton, N. B. W. Fenning, Anagance, N. B. A. Kay, McKee's Mills, N. B. George Kitchen, Kingscote, N. B. G. Miller, Fredericton, N. B. F. Meredith, Oak Point, Kings Co. N. B. W. McNamara, Young's Cove, N. B. W. Rosenger, Archibald Station. K. Wilkinson, 149 Church street, Windsor, Ont. J. Wilnot, Salisbury, N. B.

TEMPLE BAND ELECTS OFFICERS Reports Show Organization to Be in Flourishing Condition—Has 27 Former Members in Khaki

The annual meeting of the Temple Band was held last evening with H. P. Black in the chair. The election of officers resulted as follows: H. P. Black—President. O. S. Colwell—Secretary. Wm. Akerley—Treasurer. Geo. B. Lemmon—Librarian. Geo. B. Black—Band Sergeant. H. C. Lemmon, Chas. Gallop, H. P. Black, A. McAllister, trustees. Dr. David Hutchings—Chaplain. The band, according to the reports, is in a flourishing condition, with thirty members, and will be under the leadership of Bandmaster W. H. Jones. This band has 27 former members in khaki.

ONE DRUNK ARRESTED. One man in an intoxicated condition was taken to the police station last night. He is charged with being drunk.

The Mutual Telegraph, first time over shown, today, Nickel, Queen Square.

STREETS DESERTED BY SOLDIER BOYS; MAJORITY GET C. B.

Found Necessary to Quarantine the Men Owing to Outbreak of Mumps and Measles—Done as a Precaution.

The streets were practically deserted of khaki clad boys last night at an unusually early hour. This was due to an order issued by the authorities and which will affect approximately 700 men. It has been found necessary in order to stamp out the measles and mumps, to quarantine the soldiers within their barracks and adjoining grounds. It is claimed that the men have carried these diseases from intermingling with the civilian populace.

The military people have during the past few months quarantined a number of men who have been afflicted, and by this precaution have to an appreciable extent guarded against the spreading of both diseases. However, while the men who have been unfortunate enough to catch either affliction, have been confined to barracks and not permitted to associate with the other members of the unit, other members of the unit have been permitted to mingle with persons and go where the diseases existed and brought in with them. It was stated last night that no definite period of quarantine had been ordered, but all depended upon the conditions of affairs.

ALLEGED THIEF WAS ARRESTED LAST EVENING

Articles Have Been Stolen from Y. M. C. A. Dormitory Rooms—Man Entered Side Door and Was Captured in a Store Room.

For the past few days articles have been missing from the dormitory rooms at the Y.M.C.A. The suspicion of the officials being aroused a close watch was kept with result the supposed thief was detected last evening. About 8 o'clock a young man about 23 years of age entered the building by the side door, evidently thinking that at that time most of the roomers would be out of the building. He was caught entering a store room on the top floor. The police were communicated with and sent two men who placed the man under arrest. He gave his name as White but this is not considered his correct name. He is a total stranger to the police.

COMMITTEE OF ONE HUNDRED MET LAST NIGHT

Sub-Committees Report Good Progress—J. Fraser Gregory Criticised the Street Railway Service.

A meeting of the committee of one hundred was held last night in the Board of Trade rooms at which reports were received from the various sub-committees, showing that good progress had been made with the preparations to fight the application of the New Brunswick Power Co. for increased rates. In the course of the discussion J. Fraser Gregory characterized the service rendered as rotten as far as the car service was concerned.

Chairman Agar reported that meetings of the executive had been held and they felt that the interests of the citizens were being well looked after by the common council and the council employed by the city. He then turned to the chairman of the various committees to report.

A. M. Rowan reported that a conference had been held with the local members of the legislature and while not in a position to give a full report he considered the conference as satisfactory.

F. B. Ellis reported for the legislation committee along similar lines. A. M. Belding for the publicity committee reported that arrangements would be made to use the local newspapers to the fullest possible extent and that it was proposed to carry on a campaign during the summer which would embrace the entire province, placing before the people the advantages of municipal ownership. Mr. Belding also referred to articles appearing in the press calling attention to the number of cities which had granted increases to street railways and said the thing for the citizens of St. John to consider was not what was done elsewhere but whether there was any justification for an increase here.

J. Fraser Gregory said the power company was entitled to interest on capital invested but not on watered stock and characterized the service given by the street cars as rotten. He said a few nights ago he had waited for some time in front of his residence for a car and when it came it was so full that it would not stop to pick up passengers. This happened with three other cars and finally he and some friends had to walk to town. The meeting adjourned to meet at the call of the chair.

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THE FIRE ALARM WILL ANNOUNCE START OF DRIVE

Ten Blasts Nine o'clock Saturday Morning Will Be Signal for Factory and Steamer Whistles to Get Busy—It Will Be Soldiers' Comfort Association Day.

It would be shallow patriotism indeed if understanding fully the situation, we should cheer our boys as they go to war and then return to our homes, feeling that our responsibilities ended, until we were privileged to welcome them home.

Our responsibility only commences on their departure and increases each day of their absence. We of St. John deeply appreciate the fact, and have been every ready to acknowledge it. That our appreciation will be more pronounced on Saturday next, March 30th, there is no doubt, and in order that the efforts of the commercial travellers of St. John in assisting the Soldiers' Comforts Association in expressing that appreciation, may be successful, the business and professional men in the city are requested to be ready when called upon.

The commercial travellers are in full charge of the drive which will be made upon the business and professional men, and at nine a.m. Saturday next, March 30th, the signal for the start will be ten blasts of the fire horn, when all factories and steamers are requested to blow their whistles or sirens for a minute.

The merchants are asked to display as much bunting as they may conveniently do so, in order that all may realize there is a confidence existing in the manner in which our boys in the trenches will perform their duties such as will not be shaken by the reports we have received from the front during the last day or two.

The theatres in the city have quickly responded to the requests of the commercial travellers and are working in conjunction with them in assisting the cause. The Imperial, Nickel, Unique, Lyric, Opera House, Gem, Star, Palace and Empress have displayed a generosity beyond the anticipation of the travellers, and the proprietors and managers of these houses will be ready when the word is given to count the receipts.

The Soldiers' Comforts Association does not require any introduction to the citizens of this city, nor to any of the boys in the trenches, for the returned soldiers never tire of expressing their gratitude for the many comforts received.

Haig says, "Stand by." Let all remember these words, and none fall down. What money is required for socks, socks and then more socks. The commercial travellers in the city will meet at 41 Princess street at 3.30 p.m. Friday, March 29th, to attend in a body the twilight concert in the Imperial Theatre at 4.15 p.m. in aid of the Soldiers' Comforts Association tag day. For further information, phone Main 3088.

More socks, less cold feet—This is intended for all of us. Commercial travellers of St. John are all expected to be prepared to assist on Saturday, March 30th. Full information 41 Princess street, phone Main 3088.

Come across for the boys who have gone across. That the Loyalist city will maintain its record for caring for the boys in the trenches goes without saying. The Soldiers' Comforts Association has assumed a share in the grave burden of comforting the boys in the trenches. The members of this association are each doing their "bit" and in order that they may continue to do so it is imperative that they have more money. As this is the first appeal made for public assistance you are requested to respond in as generous a manner as possible.

Mr. Business and Professional Man make the drive a success.

THORNE'S OPEN AS USUAL

The establishment of W. H. Thorne & Co., Ltd., which was visited by fire yesterday, is open today for business as usual.

SPRING FASHION REVIEW AT DYKEMAN'S continues this evening and again Thursday evening. Exhibiting in French-made the lovely and interesting styles from Paris, New York and Toronto.

This event delighted everyone who was fortunate enough to attend in its opening presentation yesterday. The various style sections were transformed with charming settings into scenes of spring-like beauty, fitting the occasion—a delightful change to the grey drabness of wintry streets outside and yet.

The Spectacular is Only of Secondary Interest. The display of exquisite fashions delighted everyone—and small wonder for the leading Fashion Centres are not privileged to view more striking styles in Suits, Coats, Millinery, Dress accessories, than are being presented this evening and tomorrow evening in promenade. You personally are invited to attend. 466 seats. Come early, doors open at 8 p.m. sharp. Special Orchestra.

Special Easter DOLL SALE A Big Bargain Week OPEN TODAY AS USUAL Many a kiddie is just longing for a new supply of Dolls, and you will never have a better opportunity to gladden the hearts of the little ones than this MAMMOTH SALE OF DRESSED DOLLS presents, for One Week Only during which WONDERFUL PRICE REDUCTIONS will be the rule. Come and bring the children with you—Come early while the variety is at its best. You'll be surprised at the range of sizes, at the many dress styles which vary from the neat, simple effects to the more elaborate creations. JUST LOOK AT THESE VALUES. Regular Prices:—25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00 each. Special Prices:—10c, 30c, 50c, 70c, \$1.10, \$1.50 each. SPECIAL REDUCTIONS HOLD FOR ONE WEEK ONLY Beginning Saturday, March 23rd. W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD.

Special Easter Display TRIMMED HATS—Large, small and medium hats in every style, color and material, hundreds of new hats that are just brimful of style and value. CHILDREN'S TRIMMED HATS—A most complete variety, specially priced. READY-TO-WEAR HATS—All the popular styles, as well as many late novelty effects. See our prices on these hats, they are most interesting. UNTRIMMED HATS—All colors, and most wonderful assortment of styles to select from. On account of our large showing we can give you most attractive prices. BUY YOUR EASTER HAT TODAY Marr Millinery Co., Limited

Spring Time Means Paint Time At this season of the year there is always more or less painting to be done, either inside or out. Jap-a-lac has no superior as a varnish stain. It requires no special skill or knack of any kind to apply it. Moore's House Colors—All colors for all purposes, 1-2 pint to 5 gallon cans. "Muresco"—The Modern Wall Finish. Emerson & Fisher Ltd

MANCHESTER ROBERTSON ALLISON, LIMITED As Usual on the Saturday Before Easter Sunday All Our Stores Will Be Open Until 10 p.m. MEN'S AND BOYS' Easter Furnishings The Most Attractive Authorized Styles, Introducing Many Novelties in Color and Fabric. NECKWEAR—That almost unerring index to Man's Taste—is displayed in a large and attractive variety of innovations, some daring, perhaps extreme, but Fashion demands the most brilliant effects this season, so be prepared for bright coloring and bold patterns. The Shapes are the regular folded ends with the latest improvements. 25c to \$2.00. GLOVES—Spring and Summer weights. The newest kinds. Cape and Washable Leathers. \$1.75 to \$3.25. Suede Leathers (different weights). \$1.00 to \$1.75. Chambray Color (plain and embroidered hankies). \$1.75 to \$2.25. Fabric and Silk, (plain and embroidered hankies). \$1.25, \$1.50. NEW STYLES IN SOFT COLLARS. SHIRTS in the Newest Patterns and Colorings. SPRING AND SUMMER HOSIERY—Cashmere, Silk and Wool, Lisle, and All Silk. LADIES' HANDKERCHIEFS Many Novelties are being shown this season one of them being: Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, Irish Lace Corners, White or Colors, 25c to 40c. Crepe de Chine Novel Effects, 25c to 40c. Embroidered Pure Linen, 25c to \$1.10. Linen Hem Stitch, 15c to 40c. Linen Initial, 1-4 Doz. in Box for \$2.00. Children's Handkerchiefs, All Prices. MANCHESTER ROBERTSON ALLISON, LIMITED

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