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OBITUARY.
Benjamin Roden.
Benjamin Roden, who for a number of years was a well known contractor in this city, died at his home, 144 Paradise Row, yesterday morning. For a number of years Mr. Roden had been a trustee of St. Stephen's church. He is survived by his wife and three daughters, Mrs. J. M. True-man and Miss Jennie and Miss Florence Roden of this city. He is also survived by one sister, Mrs. John S. Gunn of Hyde Park, Mass.
Mr. Roden was a native of Ireland but came to St. John when an infant. His wife was Miss Catherine Pratt of this city.
Mrs. Adeline Atherton.
Mrs. Adeline Atherton, widow of Robert Atherton, died at the residence of A. M. Rowan, 333 Main street, yesterday following a lingering illness. Mr. Atherton died some years ago and was collector of inland revenue. Mrs. Atherton was 75 years old. Burial will be in Fredericton.

Miss Mary Monahan.
Miss Mary Monahan, 15 years old, died Wednesday, at the home of her aunt, Miss Donovan, 30 Pond street. She had been sick but a short time. She is survived by one brother, Gordon of Somerville, Mass., who came home yesterday.

Mrs. Margaret Brophy.
Mrs. Margaret Brophy, daughter of Mrs. Margaret Kelly, of Peterborough, N. B., and widow of James Brophy, died yesterday in the Mater Misericordiae Home following an illness lasting about three months. Mrs. Brophy had been in the home about four years.

55TH CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE TO BEGIN AT ONCE

Suggestion that work be delayed until 26th Regiment leaves has been dropped.

At the meeting of the committee which has been named by Mayor Frink to organize a recruiting campaign for the 55th regiment, the plans that were considered the first day and which some tried to argue down were taken up and instead of waiting until the 26th regiment is recruited, steps were taken to induce men of the provinces to enlist and help fill the ranks of the regiment which has supplied other organizations from its ranks.
Interest is already waxing warm in the campaign and it is expected that during next week a series of meetings will be held at which speakers will talk, to try and induce young men to enlist for service.
The meeting was held in the Board of Trade rooms yesterday and among those present beside the Mayor, who presided, were: Col. H. H. McLean, Senator Daniel, Judge McKeown, Major E. C. Weyman, W. H. Barnaby, W. J. Mahoney, T. P. Regan, H. V. MacKinnon, R. D. Patterson, P. B. Ellis, A. P. Allingham, G. E. Barbour, L. P. D. Tilley, Dr. J. B. Travers, Geo. Kimball, W. E. Scully, Rev. Ralph Sherman, Rev. R. Houghton, R. E. Armstrong, Wm. Murdoch, John Sealy, F. A. Dykeman, H. W. Rising, H. G. Marr, P. F. Blanchet, T. H. Estabrooks, H. McGuire and James MacMurray.

The First Step.

The first step in the campaign was made by the Lieutenant-Governor, who has issued a proclamation which calls for the observance of next Sunday as Patriotic Sunday. Bishop LeBlanc and Bishop Richardson have promised their support and other clergymen have also been asked to lend their assistance toward making the campaign a success.
Posters and other forms of advertising the campaign have been arranged for and the local papers will assist in every way possible. The merchants of the city have also kindly offered their support and next week have promised to have special window displays to aid in the cause.
In regard to the idea that it would not be well to start the campaign until the 26th has been fully recruited, Major Weyman said that they were not looking for a great number of recruits from this city but that St. John was regarded as the pivotal centre and that the efforts of the committee to induce men to join the ranks would be felt throughout the province and in P. E. Island.

Time Wasted.

Major Weyman said also that Col. Kirkpatrick felt the time is being wasted as long as the battalion is under strength, while they are preparing to train the full number.
It is regarded by T. H. Estabrooks as undesirable to take too many men from the country districts, where he said they are needed to produce food supplies. He was, however, loath to say anything in the way of the comprehensive plan outlined. Col. McLean agreed that the farmers should not be taken but said that the campaign is directed to organize communities where the men are not farmers. The campaign is on and he thought that St. John should fall in line.
Now that the campaign is fairly started it is expected that the 55th will soon reach its full complement of men and leave for the front after they are adequately trained. Considerable enthusiasm is already being manifested among the men of the province who are desirous of enlisting and it is believed that the campaign will be instrumental in securing enough applicants in a short time to fully recruit the regiment.

Officers to Assist.

In recognition of the feeling of the meeting Mr. Estabrooks said that organization be proceeded with to carry on the local campaign next week. He also nominated P. F. Blanchet as secretary, A. P. Allingham as chairman of committee on public meetings; H. V. MacKinnon as chairman of publicity committee; T. P. Regan, chairman of transportation committee, and H. G. Marr as chairman of finance committee, the chairman to appoint their own committees and to act as the executive.

On the suggestion of Mr. Tilley the names of representatives of the R. K. Y. C. and of the St. John Power Boat Club will be added to the committee.
Major Weyman thanked the meeting for their interest and their decision. He added that the colonel has offered to release as many of his officers as he could to help on the campaign.

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FIRST OF THE ST. JOHN'S SCARRED HEROES RETURNS

Harry Allingham, who was wounded while in action with the Princess Patricia's Regiment, arrives home on sick leave.

Harry Allingham of West St. John, the first of St. John's battle-scarred heroes to return home from the trenches of the Allies in France, arrived in the city yesterday on sick leave. He was with the Princess Patricia's Regiment and was in the action which made that corps famous and brought honor to Canada. He was in the original Pat's and was one of the few survivors to get back to Canada. He went into the trenches a week before Christmas and was sent back to England in March suffering from a shrapnel wound in the neck.
When seen by a Standard reporter last evening, Mr. Allingham said he had nothing to say of his experiences. He could not give out details of the fighting, but he had no desire to go back to the firing line at present.
He went from St. John with Major Magee's detachment of artillery, but on arrival in England was transferred to the Princess Patricia's Regiment and was almost immediately sent to the front. He went into the trenches and saw some hot work, but he would give no details of his fighting.
When asked how he received his wound he pointed to a scar in his neck but no further particulars could be extracted from him. He admitted that he had spent some time in the hospital at Cardiff, Wales.
Life in the trenches, he said, was not bad at times. In slack spells there were singing songs and other kinds of entertainment, but every man in the trenches was doing his best to have the war ended in the right way.

Referring to the Canadians, Mr. Allingham said the men were all good fighters. Of the original Pat's only a few were left now. The commanding officer had been killed and Major Magee's people did not know he was on his way home and his arrival was a great surprise to them.
He will remain here until he recovers his full strength. He is still attached to the Princess Patricia's Regiment but will likely receive his discharge within the next few months.

ART CLUB HELD LAST MEETING OF SEASON LAST NIGHT

The studio of the Art Club was crowded last evening by members and friends. The gathering was the last of the season. Although the old quarters, at the corner of Peel and Carleton street, will be in use for a few more weeks there will be no more regular meetings in the well known rendezvous of art lovers; for the new studio in German street will be available at the opening of the club's season for 1915-16 in September. In the absence of the president, W. S. Fisher, T. H. Estabrooks was in the chair. A feature of the evening was an exhibition of water color paintings by Miss Edith Kirk, an English artist, whose work was much admired by all present. It was announced that an exhibition will be held next Thursday, between four p.m. and nine p.m., of the work of the pupils in the art school. The class work will be judged by Miss K. Powell and Miss Woodburn.

The programme last evening included a short, instructive address by Col. E. T. Sturdee, illustrated by balloons on views, in which he told the story of the Union Jack, and incidents connected with its use, were explained in a very entertaining way. A recital by Miss Emma Heffer, with violin accompaniment by Mr. Thorne was much enjoyed. A quartette consisting of C. A. Munro, P. J. Hardiman, E. S. Peacock and George W. Currie gave selections. Refreshments were served by an efficient staff of ladies, consisting of J. W. V. Lawlor, Mrs. W. E. Ray, Raymond, Mrs. R. D. Murray and Mrs. E. T. Sturdee. It was announced during the evening that T. H. Estabrooks had generously given \$10 towards providing prizes for meritorious work in the art classes.

HON. J. D. HAZEN.

Hon. J. D. Hazen left the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, on Sunday and leaves Thursday, tomorrow morning, for the Adirondacks for a short rest. His recovery has been very rapid and satisfactory and he expects to return to his office in Ottawa in about two weeks and thoroughly and fully restored to health and able to his departmental and other duties.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cunningham, who have been in British Columbia for the past few years, have returned to the East and are now in this city.

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COMFORT ASSO. IS ORGANIZED IN THIS CITY

Women meet in Centenary church and outline plans to aid soldiers in Trenches.

There was a large attendance yesterday afternoon in the parlor of Centenary church when plans were perfected for organization of ladies whose object is the provision of comforts for the soldiers while they are in trenches or in camps. It is not intended to provide articles for the men in hospitals, as this part of the work of helping the men who are fighting for all that is worth while is in other hands.
Mrs. George McAvity presided. Mrs. Bert Church was appointed as treasurer. Mrs. McAvity announced that arrangements were being made for the use of the rooms of the Patriotic Committee for the purposes of the new organization. These rooms, in Prince William street, will be open every day between 10.30 and 5 p.m., and ladies will be present to receive contributions of the following articles:
Tobacco, papers and magazines, playing cards, needles and threads, towels, handkerchiefs, confectionery, footballs, baseball outfits, note paper, pencils, carbolic soap, vaseline, face lotions, silk neck handkerchiefs, dulce, peanuts, chewing gum, olives and vermin powder.

The following ladies were appointed to receive gifts:—For packing committee, Mrs. Frank S. White; tobacco committee, Mrs. Furlong; needlework committee, Mrs. Fred Harding. Sub-committees were appointed to take charge of the work in the various districts of the city as follows:—North End, Mrs. A. T. Barnhill; West End, Mrs. Young and Mrs. Duval; East St. John, Mrs. Peck; Lancaster, Mrs. Fenton and Mrs. H. Mayes; South End and City proper, Mrs. W. H. Shaw, Mrs. F. E. Williams, Mrs. W. H. Barnaby and Mrs. Doody; South Bay, Mrs. Walker; Ononette, Mrs. Bonnell; Rothesay, Mrs. H. Gilbert and Mrs. Fred Peters.
It was decided that the name of the organization should be "The Soldiers' Comfort Association," and that ordinary meetings should be held about twice each month, the next meeting to take place on Wednesday, June 2. The annual membership fee was fixed at twenty-five cents.

ENJOYABLE CONCERT HELD AT WILLOW GROVE

A successful concert was held at the Willow Grove church on Wednesday evening and the proceeds, which amount to nearly nine dollars, are to be used for necessary repairs at the church. A committee was formed consisting of Rev. C. W. Follett, Mr. F. Sneed and Miss Miller.
The first part of the programme was provided entirely by the school children of the neighborhood, principally those from Garnet Settlement, and great credit is due both to Miss Parker and Miss Miller for the pains which they have taken in training the children for the recitations and songs; the children did well. The rector (Rev. C. W. Follett) was in the chair, and Mr. F. Sneed said a few words of welcome to those present. The Billard Trio, who arrived from St. John, provided quite a number of songs, and their songs, especially the humorous ones, were greatly appreciated by the audience; of course "Tipperary" was not omitted. At the close of the programme the rector showed some patriotic pictures with his microscope, and the sight of the Canadian soldiers and the British warships should have inspired many a young man to consider the great call to sacrifice and service in this hour of need. After that all joined heartily in singing "God Save the King." All who came spent an enjoyable evening.

PERSONAL.

Lieut. George Morrissey, 6th Canadian Mounted Rifles, arrived in the city yesterday afternoon from Amherst.
Rev. Dr. Campbell of the University of Mount Allison, Sackville, passed through the city yesterday afternoon on his way to Fredericton where he will deliver address on Empire Day.
Rev. J. J. McCaskill will leave today for Bathurst where he will deliver an address entitled "The Britain of the Future" at the Empire Day celebrations of the school children of that place. Other speakers will include the Hon. Mr. Turgeon, J. B. Hackey, M. L. A. and Mayor Michaud.
Mr. A. B. Wilmut, of Fredericton, came to the city yesterday.
Hon. J. B. M. Baxter returned yesterday from Ottawa, where he has been engaged in arguing the case of Tweedie vs. the King in the Exchequer Court.
Mr. and Mrs. C. E. McPherson, now of Winnipeg and formerly of this city returned here yesterday to visit friends.
Mr. H. A. Powell, K. C., has left for Ottawa, and will proceed to St. Paul, Minn., on business of the Waterways Commission.
Mrs. William Graham and Mrs. Chester McCracken, of Calais, are in the city.

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this city visiting their husbands who are members of the 26th Battalion.
Miss Agnes Lawlor, of this city, was among the successful students who received their diplomas as nurses in the Worcester City Hospital Training School.
Mrs. R. Trueman, who has been the guest of friends in this city has left for New York where she will visit her brother C. H. Barnes.
Lieut. T. E. Ryder has left for Halifax, where he will embark for the front. He will probably be on the firing line in about three weeks.
Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Hall have arrived in St. John from St. Louis, in which city they spent the winter. They will make their home here during the summer.
W. C. Kierstead of Fredericton arrived in the city yesterday afternoon on the S. S. J. Purdy.
Mr. A. Macaulay and family have moved to Ononette where they will spend the summer months.
Charles A. Owens is in Moncton stopping at the Minto.



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