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## Epidemic Rages In Northumberland Co.

### Upwards of Eleven Hundred Cases of Influenza Reported, With Fourteen Deaths Up to Saturday

The spread of the dreaded Spanish Influenza in Northumberland County has been very rapid, and all the physicians are busy from early morning until almost early morning again answering call after call, and with the large number of doctors from this district who have gone overseas the condition of affairs is alarming, beyond any extent yet realized.

During the past week no less than 703 new cases had been reported to the Chairman of the Board of Health, for the County, Dr. F. J. Desmond, and with 415 cases reported last week makes a total of 1118 cases at present, and of these 51 cases are complicated with pneumonia, while up to Saturday evening fourteen deaths had resulted, and several have occurred since that time bringing the fatal cases up to a high mark.

There is hardly a house in town where there is not one or more cases and many of our citizens are now almost at death's door with the disease.

As stated in last week's paper persons cannot be too careful to ward off the affliction, and in case of attack prompt measures should be taken to prevent pneumonia setting in.

## Pte. Gordon Leslie Gives Life for Empire

### Popular Newcastle Boy dies from Effects of Wounds—Buried at Aberdeen Scotland

The sad news was received in Newcastle on Saturday that Private Gordon Leslie, one of the original "Fighting 26th," had after lingering between life and death from wounds received in action, for the past month, had finally succumbed. The news which came in a cablegram from his uncle Mr. John Stables of Keith, Scotland stated that Gordon had died on the 15th inst and would be buried at the home town of his mother, Aberdeen, on the 21st inst. Pte. Gordon Leslie was one of the most popular young men to leave the Miramichi for overseas, and his genial disposition won for him many friends wherever he went and the news of his death was heard on all sides with deep regret. He was 28 years of age, and besides his widowed mother leaves five brothers, James and John in the west, William and George of Newcastle, and Sgt. Frank of the Depot Battalion, St. John.

## Thirsty Ones Run The Blockade

### Succed in Landing a Schooner Load of Liquor on Lower Miramichi says Report

Two hundred cases of whiskey in Prohibition Northumberland? Impossible! But according to information furnished The Advocate there is at the present time in the vicinity of that quantity that the officers of law are vainly searching every nook and corner for, for it was brought into the county contrary to law both Dominion and Provincial and its whereabouts is a mystery to all but who were in on the deal.

The report that reached The Advocate and seems very probable, was that one night last week a fishing schooner put into port on a small island down river, direct from Gaspe, Quebec, and before the strikes of dawn had illuminated the country, she had deposited about two hundred cases of the best liquors obtainable in Quebec, and departed while the forbidden refreshments were packed into waiting cars and rapidly driven to a secret chamber prepared for its reception.

Just to whom, or for whom the liquor was intended remains a mystery, but there is little doubt, but that the hiding place will remain a mystery for sometime to come.



## When will it end?

Thousands upon thousands, endless thousands, hold their lives cheap as the price of Victorious Peace.

And we—as we watch from afar their heroic efforts—may we be able to say, that the little we at home could do, we have done;

—that in so far as we could support them, lighten their burdens, bring them comforts, we have done it;

—that we have striven unceasingly to shorten their stay in the Hun-made Hell;

—that freely, fervently, unitedly, we have laid our humble offerings alongside their noble sacrifices on the altar of Victory—and Peace.

Another opportunity to lend your individual weight to the blow that will shorten the war comes with the offering of Victory Bonds about to be made. Let not the privilege to do your share find you unprepared.

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## Col. MacKenzie, D.S.O. Met Hero's Death

### So Says Capt. Major In Letter Home From Overseas

Capt. R. A. Major, M.C. now in a convalescent hospital in England, in a letter home, pays a high tribute to his late commanding officer, Lieut. Colonel A. E. G. MacKenzie, D.S.O.

of the famous 26th New Brunswick battalion.

He writes: The colonel was indeed a splendid man, always used good judgment in the field, and was absolutely fearless. In fact, it was in disregard of his own safety that he got about seven bullets in him. He went ahead under fire to encourage the men, when a machine gunner got a range on him. He had never before received a scratch. On August 8 when I was last wounded, there were four of us together and within

ten minutes all were hit except the colonel, who however three weeks later met his heroic death."

## PTE CHARLES TREVORS KILLED IN ACTION

Joseph Trevors has received word that his son Private Charles Trevors, was officially reported killed in action. The young hero who was for some time a member of the Wireless Garrison here, went overseas with the 182nd battalion and has seen several months active service

Besides his parent there survive several brothers and sisters.

## REV CHAS FALCONER COMING HOME

Rev Charles Falconer, of the Canadian army, who enlisted July 21st, 1917 and was wounded November 11th, will soon sail for home. He is a brother of Mrs. F. A. Phillips of Douglastown. Before enlisting he was the pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Ripon, New York.

## Many Deaths From Dreaded Plague

### Many Homes Saddened all over The County by Scourge of Influenza

## MISS MAJORIE L. DAVIDSON

The community was deeply shocked on Saturday evening, when it became known, that Miss Majorie Davidson, had passed away after a short illness of pneumonia following influenza.

The late Miss Davidson, was the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Davidson and was the efficient teacher of Grades I and II, at Harkins Academy. She was taken ill about two weeks ago, and gradually grew weaker until death came to end her suffering on Saturday.

She was one of the most popular young ladies of the town, and one of the leading workers of the Red Cross Society, as well as a teacher and faithful worker in St. Andrew's Anglican Church.

Marjorie Louise Davidson, was thirty-one years of age, and besides her parents, leaves one sister, Miss Gertrude Davidson, of Fredericton, and two brothers, Lieut. W. Harold Davidson, with the Canadian Forces in France, and Lieut. John Travis Davidson, wireless operator, with headquarters in Halifax. Another brother, Sergt. Warren Davidson was killed in action about six months ago.

The funeral took place from the home of her parents, at 3.15 Monday afternoon to the Miramichi cemetery.

## MR WILLIAM POWER

The sad death occurred at Redbank at an early hour yesterday morning of Mr. William Power, one of the best known young men of that village, after an illness of about two weeks, of pneumonia following influenza. The deceased young man was the youngest son, of Coun. James Power, age 29 years and was married about three months ago to Miss Della O'Shea, who survives, as do the following brothers and sisters: William and Patrick, of Redbank, Lawrence with the Canadian forces overseas; Kate, in Maca, Mollie of Woodstock, N. B., Tressa, Theonena and Carmel at home. The funeral took place at 10 o'clock this morning, to St. Thomas' cemetery, Redbank.

Mr and Mrs. David Mullin, of Redbank, have the sympathy of a large circle of friends, in the death of their infant son, aged one month, following a short illness of diphtheria.

## ERNEST HAYES

The death of Ernest Hayes, one of the best known young men, of Renous, occurred at his home there at four o'clock on Sunday morning after an illness of about a week, from pneumonia following influenza. The deceased young man was about twenty-eight years of age, and was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hayes, who survive. He also leaves two brothers, Coun. George Hayes, of Renous, and Everett Hayes of Newcastle. The funeral took place Monday morning from his late residence to St. Bridget's cemetery, Renous.

## MARSHALL CLARKE

The death occurred at Chathamford yesterday afternoon, of Mr. Marshall Clarke, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. George Clarke, at the early age of 20 years following an illness of about a week of pneumonia. The deceased was one of the most popular young men of the district and his death came as a severe shock to his many friends. He is survived by his parents, one brother, Harry and three sisters, Jessie, Lillian and Edna all at home. The funeral took place at two o'clock this afternoon to Ferguson Presbyterian cemetery, Derby Rev. L. H. MacLean, of Newcastle conducting the services.

## MRS ROBERT MUZZERALL

The death of Mrs. Robert Muzzerall, of Chatham Head occurred at her home there on Sunday night, after a two weeks illness of typhoid fever. She was formerly Miss Lucy Dougay, daughter of Mr. Alex. Dougay, of Chatham Head, formerly Negroe. The deceased was about thirty years of age and besides her husband leaves three young sons: Gilbert, Alexander, and Anthony. The funeral will take place on Wednesday morning, to St. Patrick's cemetery, Nelson.

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