

Around the City

UNSETTLED.

ST. DAVID'S DAY. Today is St. David's Day, St. David is the patron saint of Wales.

THE POLICE COURT.

In the police court yesterday two drunks were remanded.

NO COUNCIL MEETING.

Owing to the lack of a quorum there was no meeting of the Common Council yesterday morning.

BATTALION INSPECTED.

The depot battalion was inspected by Major-General Macdonnell yesterday morning and he expressed himself as pleased with the showing made by the draftees.

MILTIES TO FRANCE.

Advices have been received in Fredericton to the effect that a draft of the 28th Battalion has been sent to France and is employed in light railway construction.

POSTPONED FOR A WEEK.

Owing to weather conditions and the consequent irregularity of the railway service, the meeting of the Returned Soldiers' Aid Commission, which was to have been held yesterday, was postponed for a week.

HARBOR RETURNS.

Commissioner Russell estimates that the harbor returns for the month of February will exceed by \$100,000 those of the corresponding month last year. He said he feels confident that a new record for the month will be established.

IN AID OF ST. DAVID'S.

The members of the Brookville Methodist church gave an interesting parlor entertainment at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Fraser, Brookville, on Wednesday night. The proceeds go to the building fund of St. David's church.

ARRESTED IN BANOR.

In the Banor, Municipal court Wednesday Albert Johnson, of Sweden, and James Lawler, of St. John, N. B., were arraigned on charge of affray. Lawler was fined \$5 and Johnson's case was continued for sentence.

NO BUILDING PERMITS.

No building permits for the month of February were issued by the building inspector. In the corresponding month, 1917, permits totalling \$38,300 were issued; \$30,000 of that amount for government freight sheds on the West Side.

BRUTAL ASSAULT.

It was reported last night that a soldier was the victim of a brutal assault on Brussels street. The police department could give no particulars of the case when asked by The Standard if they had learned any particulars of the case.

BALED EEL GRASS.

A Nova Scotia firm engaged in the selling of baled eel grass would like to get in touch with firms in this city who handle this commodity. Information as to the name and location of the firm can be obtained from R. E. Armstrong, secretary of the Board of Trade.

LT.-COL. PIDGEON.

Lt.-Col. W. D. Pidgeon of the audit-general's department at Ottawa, was in Toronto the first of the week to investigate the matter of civilian employees at the local military headquarters. He will find out whether or not the staff is over-manned in this direction, and also inquire into matters affecting these employees.

PRESENTED TO HOSPITAL.

The heirs of the late John B. Robinson have presented to the trustees of Chipman Memorial Hospital, St. Stephen, the Robinson homestead, which has been used, under lease, as a home for the nurses for a number of years. This very desirable property adjoins the hospital and is presented with all its furnishings, a very valuable and very generous gift.

A RECOMMENDATION.

Commissioner Fishier intends to present a recommendation to the Common Council in connection with the paving work to be done in Main street. He advocates that the maintenance bond, which is customary to stipulate in contracts, be eliminated and the city retain a certain amount of money for repair work for the first year, after which it would be undertaken by the city.

THE COUNTY COURT.

The case of the King vs. Preston came up for trial yesterday morning in the county court before His Honor Judge Armstrong and jury. The prisoner was charged with assault upon a seven year old girl. The complainant, mother of the child, gave evidence for the prosecution, and the defendant gave testimony on his own behalf. The jury retired about one o'clock. W. M. Ryan appeared for the defendant and C. H. Ferguson prosecuted.

SENATOR GILLMOR'S FUNERAL.

The funeral of Hon. D. Gillmor at St. George did not take place until Wednesday. Service was held at the house. Revs. H. DeWolfe and B. Buchanan of the Baptist church officiated. Business in town was suspended, flags were flown at half-mast and other marks of respect shown the esteemed townsman. The pallbearers were: Messrs. C. H. Lyndt, Timothy O'Brien, Dr. C. C. Alexander, Steven Conley, John O'Brien and H. R. Lawrence. The mourners were the three sons, Captain W. Davies Gillmor, Captain Dan P. Gillmor and Private Horace May Gillmor, M. M. of the 6th Field Ambulance; Dr. H. E. Gillmor of St. Martins; the only surviving brother of the deceased, and a large number of other close relatives.

FIVE THOUSAND TONS OF WELSH COAL ARRIVES

Steamer Reached Here Yesterday with Much Wanted Fuel—Is Not Stated Who Owns the Shipment.

A steamer arrived in St. John yesterday morning with no less than 5,000 tons of Welsh coal. This is the third steamer to reach this port during the winter season loaded with the far-famed fuel. It is stated that during the coal shortage in the United States which was brought about by the harbors freezing over at the first of the year, the British government was notified of the fact and advised of the need of coal, in order that no time be lost in sending over supplies to the allies. This message it is stated brought about quick action and Welsh coal was loaded aboard transports for this country. It is thought that the steamer which arrived yesterday is the last to bring as a cargo, coal to this country but no official statement to this effect has been made. The Standard was informed that within the last month soft coal has been unloaded at the pockets of the coal company in the city. In conversation with a party yesterday it was learned that Welsh coal is considered a splendid burning coal and has been noted for the amount of heat it produces. It is not known for whom the shipment which arrived yesterday is intended for.

SOLDIER HEROES ARRIVE IN HALIFAX

Fifteen Men Fresh from Battlefields and England Arrive Here Today—Their Names and Addresses.

Charles Robinson, Secretary of the Returned Soldiers Commission received a telegram yesterday that a hospital ship had arrived in Halifax from England with forty-one officers, and 615 non-commissioned officers and men on board, all belonging to the Canadian Expeditionary force. There were twenty-six cot cases in the party. Secretary Robinson last night received a note giving the names and addresses of fifteen soldiers who will arrive in St. John today. They are as follows: P. A. Brennan, West Bathurst; John W. Farrell, Newcastle Bridge; George Francis, Everett, N. B.; Joseph Gallant, Shediac; Maurice Grace, 117 Brussels St., Patrick Gionet, Middle Caraquet; Aubrey Irving, Hillsboro; Edward S. Johnson, 101 Ludlow St.; Gerald J. Knox, 86 Winter St.; William K. McLeod, 109 Germain St.; George C. McWilliams, 166 Lutz St., Moncton; George A. Peters, St. John; Gilbert R. Smith, Hampton; James J. Snow, 91 Leinster Avenue, Moncton; Walter J. Whipple, Belyea's Point.

RED TRIANGLE CLUB.

The motion picture machine which has been secured by the Y. M. C. A. in co-operation with the 3rd, C. G. A., authorities for use on Partridge Island was taken over last evening. A special boat service was provided and P. C. Reed, A. M. McLeod and ladies of the Red Cross Circle with Mrs. R. P. Church as convener went out to give the boys a good time. An informal programme was held in which the chorus singing led by Mr. Reed was a big feature, being the best yet heard at these entertainments. Messrs. Morris and Currie presided at the party. A short address was given by Lieut. Turnbull in which he expressed appreciation for the motion picture machine and spoke of the value of the work of the Y. M. C. A. among the military men. Adjutant Thompson conveyed the regrets of Major Wetmore at being unable to be present. A reading was given by Miss T. Ross. The machine was operated for the first time, two reels of pictures being shown. From this on the machine will be operated twice a week. After the programme, refreshments were served by the ladies.

INSTRUCTIVE LECTURE.

An interesting and instructive illustrated lecture was given in St. Philip's church last evening by Stephen B. Bustin. He dealt with temperance from a social and scientific standpoint, and with the aid of many beautiful slides showed the evil effects of alcoholic drinks with reference to the physical and mental development of the human body. He emphasized the fact that operators of industrial and transportation machines of modern times require a clear head and steady nerve, which the user of intoxicating liquors did not possess. He also showed that alcohol impeded and destroyed one's ability to detect the finer things in art and nature. Rev. R. H. W. Pinkett presided. After the lecture refreshments were served by the ladies of the church.

THE UNITED MISSION.

Another good service was held last evening in the course of the United Mission being conducted in the old Brussels street Baptist church. The customary procession was held through Brussels and Waterloo streets and there was a large congregation in the church. Rev. F. E. Boothroyd presided and the prayer service was conducted by Rev. D. Hutchinson and Rev. R. Taylor McKim. E. E. Thomas of Exmouth street choir sang a solo with much acceptance. The speaker of the evening was Rev. F. H. Wentworth who took as his text the words "One thing thou lackest." The address was attentively listened to and at the close there were several professions.

CANADIAN COTTONS, LIMITED, MAKE SOME IMPORTANT CHANGES

J. D. Cudlip, Manager of York and Cornwall Plants, Resigned His Position—W. V. Boyd is the New Supervisor.

It became known in this city last night that a number of important changes are being made in the management of the mills of the Canadian Cottons, Limited, in several provinces, including the York and Cornwall plants in this city. The manager of the mills at St. John, J. D. Cudlip, has resigned his position, which he has long held, and the York and Cornwall plants will hereafter be operated under the supervision of W. V. Boyd. Mr. Boyd, who has had many years' experience in the textile industry, will also be manager of the Canadian Cotton, Limited mills at Cornwall, Ont.

The other changes in the process of the re-organization of the official staff include the appointment by Mr. Boyd of W. A. Nichols to be superintendent of the Cornwall, Ont., mills. Mr. Nichols has been for many years superintendent of the Stormont cotton mills of Montreal.

L. W. Jackson, overseer of weaving at the Canada mills, succeeds Mr. Nichols as superintendent of the Stormont plant. The Cornwall, Ont., mills and the Cornwall and York mills, St. John, are engaged largely on the same line of work and largely for this reason it was decided by the Montreal management to combine the two groups of mills. The St. John mills are among the oldest cotton mills in Canada, having been established in 1861 by the firm of William Parks and Son. They enjoyed considerable prosperity for a time, but were eventually shut down, to be re-organized later by local capital. Still later they became under the control of the Canadian Cottons, Limited.

The Canadian Cottons, Limited also took over the St. Croix mills of Milltown and the Gibson mills of Marysville, both of which plants have been considerably enlarged. Business has been generally good at all of the New Brunswick plants, although the raw material has been very high and wages have been advanced several times to meet the increasing cost of living. Mr. Cudlip when questioned last night regarding his resignation said he had nothing to say at this time. Mr. Cudlip is widely known in textile circles and has been a member for years of the International Association of Cotton Manufacturers.

UNVEILING OF HONOR ROLL A TOUCHING EVENT

Ceremony at Y. M. C. A. Last Evening—Seventeen of Former Mentors on the Roll—Interesting Addresses.

One of the most interesting and touching events held in the Y. M. C. A. for a long time was the unveiling last evening of the honor roll of the former mentors of the boys' department who are with the force at home and overseas. After the opening devotional exercises, A. M. Gregg spoke of those boys who before enlisting had rendered faithful and valuable services as leaders in the department. He spoke feelingly of the two former leaders, John Basil Hipwell and Frederick Charles Manning, who have given their lives in service to their country. Mr. Gregg then read a large list disclosing the honor roll. This is set back of a white mat encased in a neat frame and exhibits a very attractive piece of work in which simplicity adds to the beauty. On a scroll over the top are the words, "So that we who are called to live at home may not forget the sacrifice they have made." Beneath this are a cluster of maple leaves in all the richness of autumnal beauty and also the Y. M. C. A. crest. The list contains the names of seventeen of the former mentors. The first letter of each name is delicately shaded in color and tinted. The lettering on the scroll, which is done in old English style and the crest is the work of Miss Beattie Holt. The maple leaves were painted by Mrs. James Armstrong, whose son, Frank Armstrong, killed in action, was a popular member of the boys' division. The names were done by D. R. Wilnot.

The president of the Mentors' Association, Kenneth Willet, in a brief address formally presented the honor roll to the boys' division. W. C. Cross, who accepted it on behalf of the division, drew attention to the fact that it occupied the position where the picture of Sir George Williams had hung. He said that it was a great thing, to live to do well was a great thing, to live well was better still. F. L. Smith also spoke briefly, emphasizing the responsibility of each individual at home and stated that the fellow capable of carrying a responsibility and is not doing so is a slacker and he is not honest, pure and true. He is a traitor to his country. After singing the National Anthem the benediction was pronounced.

VICTORIA RINK GRAND CARNIVAL, TUESDAY, MARCH 5th. Should the weather be so unfavorable as the last Carnival, this one will be postponed until the first following fine evening. A large number of spectators are very anxious to witness this GRAND CARNIVAL.

BUT ONE FAILURE LAST MONTH IN NEW BRUNSWICK

Amount Involved Only Eleven Hundred Dollars—Total Liabilities in Failures for 1917 Was \$131,000.

New Brunswick had but one failure during the month of February. The amount involved, that is the liabilities, amounted to only about \$1,100 and it was learned by The Standard that this party had only been in business but a short time, approximately three months. It is doubtful if any other province in the Dominion can show such a creditable record. "This province has reason to feel proud of the fact that the commercial enterprises are founded on such sound basis," remarked a financial man to The Standard in last evening's issue.

During the year 1917 there were two months in which no failures were recorded, April and May. For the year fifteen assignments occurred and the great majority of these were brought about by the general cause of failures in Canada. Compared with the above figures for 1917 the year 1916 showed no less than forty-three failures. The total amount of liabilities which figured in the assignments last year amounted to about \$131,000.

In this amount is included the Prime crest failure, which amounted to about \$30,000. In fact all over Canada business failures were on a descending scale during the year 1917. There were 1,110 failures in the Dominion; compared with 1916 this shows a falling off of 97.3 per cent. Lack of capital appears to be the general cause of failures in Canada, although incompetence in the management of a business has also been a fruitful cause of failures.

CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY MEETING

Held in New Quarters Yesterday—Report Received from the Building Committee

A special meeting of the Children's Aid Society was held yesterday afternoon at the James E. White house on Garden street, recently purchased by the municipality as the future home of the Society, at which a report was received from the building committee. The committee recommended that a new heating plant be installed, new plumbing to provide for the additional baths and sanitary accommodation needed for the institution, the wiring of the building for electric light and that all of the basement floor be covered with cement. It was also reported that a number of changes would have to be made in the rooms and considerable carpenter work would have to be done in order to meet the requirements of the institution. The report was adopted. G. Ernest Fairweather submitted plans for the new plumbing and these were adopted. It was decided to call for tenders for the work as soon as possible.

ASSISTANCE ASKED FOR FRENCH FARMERS

The following cablegram has been received by His Excellency the Governor General from the Duke of Portland chairman of the British committee for Agricultural Relief for Allies:

"Agricultural relief of Allies committee ask me to convey their thanks to your Excellency, to Doctor J. W. Robertson personally, and to the Canadian committee working with him for their efforts in connection with the February campaign for funds. The English committee is watching Canadian activities with much interest, feeling sure the result will materially help the reinstatement of the stricken farmers of our allies. (Signed) 'PORTLAND.' The cablegram to obtain contributions from farmers for this fund is in full swing under the provincial department of agriculture in co-operation with voluntary organizations of farmers and women's institutes. Recently the British committee sent to France many thousands of young trees to repair those the Germans wantonly destroyed during their retreat."

OPENING TODAY AND FOLLOWING DAYS.

New Spring Millinery of Exquisite Charm.

We have assembled a display of millinery for this Spring that is so complete and worthy that it is difficult to particularize instances of special merit, suffice to say that it represents the best productions of master designers in styles that will surely fascinate you with their loveliness. MARR MILLINERY CO., LIMITED.

The Dykeman Silk and Dress Goods store has gained a reputation. Not only in St. John, but throughout New Brunswick, for the unlimited variety, and unsurpassed qualities of its merchandise.

We believe that our advanced Spring display of silks will maintain that reputation. We are confident that we have equalled, if not surpassed, all former endeavors—and are in full readiness to greet the coming season with the finest fabrics, fashion has created. There are more colors and color combinations than ever before possible to name, but the trend of fashion is towards plaids and stripes, and spots in springlike tones. We have arranged a counter display of these. We would like you to see them.

Today the opening chapter of our big serial "The Lost Express." See the first of it and follow it up. Nickel, Queen Square.

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