

AROUND THE CITY
GENERALLY FAIR

INCREASED HARBOR RATES.
Commissioner Bullock announced yesterday that the increased harbor rates would not go into effect until May 1st.

ST. JOHN SOLDIER ILL.
Yesterday's Ottawa casualty list contains the name of one St. John man. He is D. W. McNeil of the infantry, who is reported ill.

COMING ON THE BALTIC.
The White Star liner Baltic is due in Halifax today with a large number of civilian passengers for New York and will proceed to that port as her military passengers are landed.

DOCKS THIS MORNING.
Charles Robinson, secretary of the New Brunswick Returned Soldiers Commission, last night received a wire from Halifax that the Baltic would dock there this morning. He also received word that the hospital ship Araguaia, would dock at Portland on Friday.

ANOTHER TROOPSHIP.
The steamer Royal George which sailed Saturday for Halifax has on board 77 officers, 45 cadets and 1,529 other ranks. For Charlottetown there are 13 other ranks, for Halifax 4 oficers, 1 cadet and 145 other ranks, and for St. John, one officer and 44 other ranks.

THE SUMMER UNIFORMS.
The work of making the summer uniforms for the police and fire department men will be begun next week and will be divided among the tailors of the city, with the announcement made yesterday by Commissioner Thornton. The cost this year will be fifty dollars, an increase of one hundred per cent. over pre-war prices.

RIVER BOATS PREPARING.
The river is now free of ice as far as Nat. Bolyen's, and Gasperaux, caught in the river, are beginning to arrive at Indiantown. Steamers at Indiantown are being rapidly put into shape for the opening of the river season. The premier is being given a thorough overhauling; the Champion is being repainted within and the exterior is to be scoured. Engine repair work on the Occuse is being carried on.

DOMINION LODGE SOCIAL.
Dominion Lodge No. 445, I. O. G. T., held their regular session on Tuesday evening, the 18th, which was well attended.

Two new members were given the first degree. At the close of the lodge session a basket social was held. T. B. Browne, chief temple of the lodge, acted as auctioneer. The sum of \$50.25 was realized.

JOINT COMMITTEE MET.
The first meeting of the joint committee of the Board of Trade, Rotary Club, Trades and Labor Council and G. W. V. A., which has under consideration plans for meeting the housing problem, was held Tuesday evening at the Board of Trade rooms. After a discussion of the subject it was decided to adjourn for two weeks and endeavor in the meantime to secure information as to how many would want to build houses under the government plan. Those present were: F. W. Burditt, A. H. Wrenn, M. E. Agar, R. E. Armstrong, G. N. Hatfield, F. E. Scurrell, James Sharp and Lieut. F. E. Graves.

WATER AND SEWERAGE.
The mild weather this winter has afforded the water and sewerage department an opportunity to inspect stop cocks and hydrants and to carry out work of a nature which generally requires postponement until the spring and summer. Since the first of the year, the following units have been inspected: 496 main stop cocks, 47 stop cocks of fire hydrants, and repairs have been made to 35 main gates and 32 fire hydrants. Six main pipe leaks have been repaired. Fifteen men are at present engaged in filling up settled portions of the fill on the East St. John extension.

RED TRIANGLE WORK.
The Red Triangle is enlarging the scope of its work and installing a number of beds where the returned men can spend the night. Forty beds are to be fitted up and will be filled, judging from the number of applicants. Many of the returned men are used to finding a home at the Red Triangle overseas and they feel assured of a welcome wherever they see that sign. The canteen is well patronized and the Y. W. P. A. members are kept busy there. Music is provided for an hour each evening and a special concert given on one day of the week as well as the sing-song for Sunday evening after church.

OBITUARY
John Vincent.
The death of John Vincent, at his home, 299 Main street, on Tuesday, removed one of the best known and most popular men of the North End. In the days before electric cars, he drove a bus between Market Square and Indiantown, and was about the last one to give up that business. He is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Eliza Warren; one grandson, and three sisters, Mrs. Joseph Tingley, Mrs. John Mason and Mrs. Arch. Dunham, all of this city. The funeral, which will be held today, will be under the auspices of the I. O. O. F., of which deceased was a member.

NEILL MCKAY.
The death of Nellie, the 12 year old daughter of H. Colin and Elia McKay, of Penfield, Charadey County, occurred in the General Public Hospital last Sunday. A burial service was read by Rev. G. H. Kubring and the remains were conveyed to Penfield and interment took place in the Church of England burying grounds after the service had been conducted by Rev. Mr. Spencer. Much sympathy is expressed to Mr. and Mrs. McKay on the death of their beloved daughter.

**JOSEPH C. KOCHAN
NOW A SERGEANT**

Former St. Joseph's University Student Went Overseas With First Tank Battalion—Writes from England to Friend.

Friends in the city will be pleased to learn of the recent promotion in the services of Joseph C. Koehan, a former student at Saint Joseph's University, who crossed overseas as a private in the First Canadian Tank Battalion, and who has been promoted to the rank of sergeant. At the same time Sergeant Koehan has been detailed to duties quite apart from military discipline, being now stationed in the Fourth Canadian General Hospital at Basingstoke, England, about ten hours' run from London.

His duties consist of not nine hours' instruction per week to classes in the hospital, who are desiring of taking up matriculation English. One of his classes consists of some seventeen young ladies who are recognized with the V. A. D's.

He is delighted with his new duties and will no doubt admirably fill the post assigned to him, as "Kerr" was prominent in the study of his mother tongue while a student at Saint Joseph's.

Speaking of the weather in England at the time of his writing, March 5th, he says in part: "At the present time it is beginning to feel much like spring here; the grass, which never fully lost its deep green tint, is taking on a softer hue; the beautiful hedges are leading out; the little birds are heard in their sweet warble from the tops of the highest trees; the weary ploughman is again busy in the field, and everywhere approach of spring is quite manifesting itself."

Referring to the time of his return home, he added: "We may see Canada in early autumn." Concluding his letter he wished to be remembered to all his friends in the city—of whom he has a host.

**WILL ADDRESS
CANADIAN CLUB**

Professor Alexander Graham Bell Arrived from Baddeck Yesterday and Speaks to Club Members This Evening.

Prof. Alexander Graham Bell arrived in the city yesterday from Baddeck. This evening he is to address the Canadian Club of this city and on Saturday evening he is due at Holyoke, Maine, to make an address. Prof. Bell, who is in the telephone world what Edison is in the electric world, has also taken a great interest in aeroplanes and has been called the inventor of the dirigible balloon. The first heavier than air machine to be flown in the British Empire took to the air at Prof. Graham's estate at Baddeck and the first aeroplane manufactured in the Empire was at the same place. Since the beginning of the war he has busied himself with the building of lifeboats for the Canadian government and has been conducting experiments in the building of submarine chasers. When asked what success he had met with in the latter, Prof. Bell smiled and said the results had been very satisfactory indeed.

**TRAINS COLLIDE
AT GASPERAUX**

Three Freight Cars Were Derailed and One Badly Damaged Yesterday Morning—Passengers from St. John Transferred.

In a collision between two freight trains at Gasperaux, early yesterday morning, three freight cars were derailed, but only one was damaged to any extent. Wrecking crews were rushed from the city and from McAdam and at 11:15 the line was clear again for traffic. The only delay to trains was the early morning train for McAdam, and the passengers and mail on this train were transferred to another train sent down from McAdam Junction.

**THE WAR SAVINGS
AND THRIFT STAMPS**

Fredericton Merchants Have Taken Hold in Earnest—Banks All Report Good Business.

The merchants of Fredericton have taken hold of the War Savings and Thrift Stamps in earnest. Stamps can be purchased in more than 50 places. War Saving Societies have been formed in Jas. Neil & Sons, F. W. Woolworth & Co., the British Bank and four others in the schools. The work of the War Savings campaign has been hindered in Fredericton owing to the "flu" ban, nevertheless the merchants and citizens have been working along quietly as the result show. The banks all report that good business has already been done, and now that the advertising is distributed, the scholars receiving instruction in the benefit of saving and the different societies being interested great results are expected this month.

A CORRECTION.

In The Standard's report of the Tuesday evening concert in St. David's church, Mr. E. C. Girvan was credited with performing a violin solo. That part of the programme was an error and should have read violin solo. Fantasie de Concert, by Mrs. F. Thos. J. Gunn, and vocal solo, Tosti's Goodbye, sung by Mr. E. C. Girvan.

**RHYL RIOT WAS
NOT SO SERIOUS**

Lieut. Chas. C. Furlong, Who Arrived Yesterday, Was Orderly Officer at N. B. Hutment That Day—Tells Standard of Occurrence.

That the Rhyll riot was not so serious as at first reported and a very small percentage of the men in the camp took any part in it, was the word brought yesterday by Lieut. Charles C. Furlong of this city who was at the camp on the day of the riot and orderly officer of the day at the New Brunswick hutment. The men from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia took no part in the riot, other than to defend their own canteens from being looted by the rioters. The New Brunswick men did not use their rifles at any time but the Nova Scotia men did and the death of Pte. Hickman of Dorchester was due to a stray shot, while the riot was going on. He took no part in the riot and was in his tent with several others while the firing was going on. A bullet came through the boards of the tent and found its billet in the body of Pte. Hickman. The New Brunswick men used clubs and nature's weapons to repulse the rioters when they attacked their canteens and no lives were lost in the scarp there.

Lieut. Furlong said he had not seen at any time more than a couple of hundred rioters and said the great majority of the soldiers had taken no part in it whatever.

Lieut. Furlong is another St. John boy who made good "over there," joining up with the 115th in 1915 as a private. When the battalion left St. John in June, 1916, he had risen to the rank of quartermaster sergeant. On arrival in England he reverted again to the rank of private and joined the motor transport service in order to get to France and take a crack at the Hun. He went to France in February, 1917, and was there until January 1, 1919, nearly two years.

**THREE TROOPSHIPS
ARE BOUND HERE**

Corsican Due Tomorrow Afternoon, Tunisian on Saturday and Metegama on Monday—Total of 2,974 Passengers on the Ship.

The R. M. S. Corsican will dock at No. 3 berth tomorrow afternoon at four o'clock with soldiers and dependents amounting to nearly 1,100 souls. Saturday will bring the S. S. Tunisian with 1,452 passengers, of whom 779 are munition workers and their dependents. The Metegama is due here Monday morning with 27 officers and 14 other ranks for this area. Her complete sailing by districts is as follows:

Other Dispersal area Officers Ranks
Halifax 11
St. John 14
Montreal 1 30
Ottawa 13
Kingston 8
Toronto 53
London 22
Edmonton 24
Winnipeg 1 44
Brandon 4
Saskatoon 13
Medicine Hat 7
Calgary 18
Vancouver 24
Victoria 2 16
Unknown 2
On duty 2
Total 37 344

**QUICK WORK AT THE
DISPERSAL STATION**

Returned Men Who Arrived Yesterday Afternoon Were Handled Quickly by Dispersal Staff at Armory.

The dispersal station in the armories was the scene of great activity yesterday. The men for this district arriving from overseas via Halifax were marched to the armories about 1:30 o'clock and in little or no time over three hundred men in all were discharged from the army, giving them the permission to at once appear in civilian uniform. Many of the men reaching the city were for outside centres, and in nearly every case they left on the evening trains to continue their journey homeward. Under the O. C. of the dispersal in the armory, Captain R. A. Major, M. C., the work was quickly accomplished.

**IS LEAVING THE
RED TRIANGLE**

Captain Cory Has Been An Efficient Officer in Charge—His Duties Are Being Taken Over by Capt. Dixon.

Captain Cory, who has been the efficient officer in charge at the Red Triangle in the past, has been relieved by Captain Dixon. Captain Cory has been in St. John since the removal of the Red Triangle from the corner of King Square to its present quarters, and has had the work of fitting up the building and getting it into its present good condition. He is a great favorite with the men and was always ready with help or advice whenever called upon. The Women's societies who look after the canteen can testify to his unflinching courtesy and cheerfulness. Captain Cory will remain in St. John for some time.

**LEFT FRISCO TO JOIN
CANADIAN ARMY**

Sapper Joseph F. Pubek Arrived Here Yesterday—Did Not Wait for States to Get Into War—Signed up in Toronto in 1916.

Among the returned men to arrive yesterday afternoon on the special troop train from Halifax, was Sapper Joseph F. Pubek, a member of the Canadian Railway Construction Corps. Sapper Pubek was one of those who returned on board the Celtic which docked at Halifax on Tuesday evening. He is a native of San Francisco, U. S. A., and enlisted when the United States was a neutral country. In the year 1916 the young man came to Canada and arriving in Toronto enlisted with the Medical Corps of the Canadian army. After being stationed in Toronto only a short time Sapper Pubek proceeded overseas in June of the same year, and after arriving in England, was transferred to the Canadian Construction Corps with many St. John boys from different military stations. In the fall of 1916 Sapper Pubek crossed the Channel to France, and on arriving there, the Construction Corps became affiliated with the Canadian Engineers, and while under heavy fire did much magnificent work. For the past two years this young soldier has been in active service in France and did not receive a scratch.

**BIG TRANSFER TO
ST. JOHN AGENCY**

Some Ninety Lights, Fog Alarms, Lightships, Buoys, Wharves, etc. from Cape Sable to Amherst Are Transferred to This Section of Provinces.

John Kelly, Dominion Inspector of Lighthouses, and J. C. Chesley, agent for the department of marine and fisheries in New Brunswick, have returned to the city from Halifax where they were engaged in the transfer of some ninety lights, fog alarms, lightships, buoys, wharves, etc. from Cape Sable to Amherst, to the St. John agency.

Thirty lights, the wharves and buoys on the Nova Scotia coast from Cape North to Coldspiring Head, in Cumberland county, are being transferred to the Charlottetown agency of the marine department. The Halifax Herald says: "The reason given for this change is an 'utilization of the work of three agencies.' It is contended, however, that this change will mean a serious loss to Nova Scotia, particularly to Halifax, as supplies now purchased here for the hundred and odd lights and fog alarms will be handled from St. John and Charlottetown. It will also mean that at least one of the boats now attached to the Halifax agency will be withdrawn."

**WILL BE NO S. O. S.
CAMPAIGN THIS YEAR**

The Y. M. C. A., which last year organized the "Soldiers of the Soil" movement under the direction of the Rev. Dr. Basford, has decided because of changed conditions not to promote this activity nationally in 1919. It is felt that boys should not be used to take the place of returning soldiers who desire to work on the farms. It is also recognized that boys should complete their work at school and that educational standards should not be lowered by taking boys out of school unless there is an emergency to warrant it. In view, however, of the contribution made by the boys last year and the character-building value of such work, the Y. M. C. A. stands ready to facilitate, in any district or province where desirable the enlistment and supervision of older boys who are needed on the farms.

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PARAMATTA RAIN COATS
in fawn, with plain full back, button to neck collar, and all around belt, \$13.50
GREY TWEED RAIN COATS
with trench back and all around belt. Full length, \$16.50
MIXED BROWN SPECKLED TWEED RAINCOAT, heavy weight, made with trench back, 3-4 length, \$16.75
PLAIN FULL BACKED PARAMATTA RAINCOATS in heavy weight, 7-8 lengths with all around belt, \$17.00 and \$17.50
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CHARLOTTE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
The Charlotte Street United Baptist Church of West St. John has in the past few weeks been making some improvements. The Brussels street pipe organ has been purchased and installed in the Charlotte street church. In doing so it became necessary to enlarge the platform, choir gallery and baptistry, the finishing being done in quartered oak, making all-blend in harmony with the church, the decorations of the auditorium being somewhat changed but greatly improved.
On the lower floor the vestibule has been relaid with hardwood and the finishing of the doors and casements done in mahogany. It is about two years since the vestry was renovated and there was built on the rear the

primary department at the same time installing the system of steam heating for the whole church which has given excellent satisfaction.
One of the most gratifying features in connection with the present work was the hearty response of the people. More than \$1,200 was paid in before the work was completed and sufficient money pledged to meet all expenses.
The leadership class for "Canadian Girls in Training" course, under the direction of Miss Yeomans, will meet this evening in Room No. 1, Centenary Church, at eight o'clock. All members are urged to be present.
TRIO OF DRUNKS.
Three drunks were gathered in by the police last evening. They will appear in the police court this morning to answer the charge.

THE SENIOR LEAGUE.
The Falcons were the winners of last night's games at the Y. M. C. I., scoring three points over the Eagles. The scores follow:
Falcons.
McDonald . . . 110 98 75-283 94 13
O'Pray 77 81 93-248 82 23
Mahony 96 77 78-251 82 23
Hennessy . . . 85 85-255 85
Cottar 89 87 83-269 82
462 428 414 1304
Eagles.
Magee 99 87 100-286 95 13
O'Bye 77 88 105-270 90
Pittaparch . . 84 76 76-236 78 23
Couchlan . . . 78 82 87-247 82 13
Riley 86 85 85-268 86
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