

Around the City

FAIR AND COOL

ONLY TWO PATIENTS. Only two small pox patients are in the Isolation Hospital, no others being reported.

NO CELEBRATION. Owing to the ban on public gatherings there was no celebration of Guy Fawkes' Day yesterday.

ARE BUSY NURSING. From seven to ten Salvation Army officers in the city are engaged nursing influenza patients, and their work is being sorely appreciated.

DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS. The new district commissioners under the assessment law began operations yesterday morning for the first time under the new system.

GONE TO SIBERIA. Captain Herbert Statham, R. C. D., who, after his return from France in 1916, was on the staff at St. John, N. B., as G. S. O. New Brunswick troops, has gone to Siberia with the machine gun company of the Canadian Siberian Expeditionary Force.

PATIENTS IMPROVING. Frank L. O'Regan, at present a patient in the infirmary on account of a bad attack of the grippe, was reported greatly improved last evening. Reverend Fathers Carleton and Coughlan were reported to be progressing rapidly.

HIS SON DEAD. Murray W. Shaw, Memramcook, N.B., reached the city last evening on the McAdam express. Mr. Shaw lost a son a few weeks ago, who succumbed to pneumonia after a short illness. A second son, Murray, is now in Toronto, a member of the Royal Flying Corps.

DIED IN BOSTON. Captain J. C. Doore of the Canadian Army Dental Corps received word yesterday of the death in Boston of his sister, Mrs. Mary Tappe. The deceased lady had undergone a serious operation, from which death resulted. The body will be brought to St. Stephen, her former home, for interment. Capt. Doore left for Boston last night to bring the remains home.

A SOLDIER REMEMBERED. Wilnot and Nelson Dean, with Eugene McDonald, conducted a patriotic sale on Mr. Dean's grounds, Victoria street, last Saturday afternoon at which they made \$875 for the purpose of sending a box of good things to George H. Noble, a popular North End painter and decorator, who is also a South African veteran. Mr. Noble has been in France for the past two years, and he will no doubt be surprised, and will appreciate the thoughtfulness of his young friends.

SMALL BOY WAS STRUCK BY TRUCK

Fatal Accident Averted by Auto Driver's Quick Work—Boy Slightly Injured and His Bicycle Damaged.

A large motor truck turning from Canterbury Street into King Street yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, hit a small boy who was riding a bicycle. The lad was slightly bruised in the fall, but suffered no serious injuries. The truck was proceeding up King Street, and met the lad coming down who misjudged the distance of the truck from the bicycle and collided. The wheel of the bicycle suffered a few broken spokes, and the mud guard was broken. However the driver brought his car up before it passed over the boy, and thereby averted an accident which for a time seemed imminent, with perhaps fatal results.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS.

Richard Arscott and others to F. C. Jones, property, Westmorland Terrace. Letitia B. Crawford and others to Ida Y. Mosher, properties, Berryman Place. Heirs of W. A. McPate to W. R. McPate, property, Golden Grove. Katherine G. McPate and husband to W. R. McPate, property, Golden Grove. F. L. Peters and others to Grant & Horne, property, Hanover Street, suit claim. C. H. Peters Sons, Ltd., to Grant & Horne, property, Hanover street. Bella Smith and husband to C. F. Wells, property, St. Martins. Elias Wilson to Isabella Reid, 5509, property, Westmorland Road. Executors of Jennie A. Wilson to W. J. R. Wilson, property, Woodville Road, also assignment of lease.

J. S. Brown to James Robinson, 11 acres, Studholm. G. B. Jones to Hugh Sproule, in trust, 1100, property, Sussex. C. E. Leonard to trustees of David O'Connell, property, Hampton. B. N. Nobles to Abasalom Erb, property, Springfield.

NEW YORK'S FASHIONABLE CAPES OF EXCEPTIONAL CHARM. New modes, beautiful and uncommon. Exquisite new color Nuances. They bring with them the atmosphere of New York, almost exclusive ateliers. Their loveliness is developed in Kitten's ear Velour and Duval-Delaine.

Describing one Coat in drab flecked Kitten's ear Velour, three circles of shirring forms the shoulder and collar, two panels extend from the collar to the knee, finished with a deep corded fringe. The lining is of exquisite beauty, being a B. Inch striped satin in Titartan. Another Cape of Belgian Blue. Still another in Grass Green with deep cuffs and collar of Gray Fox. In all, this exquisite group consists of five capes. The price is from \$52.50 to \$100.00. Our large show window is devoted to this display today. DREEMAN'S.

CAPT. WALSH WILL ARRANGE BERTHS

Will Have Conference With Commissioner Bullock This Morning Regarding Winter Traffic.

Capt. Walsh, of the C.F.O.S., arrived in the city yesterday from New York, and will this morning have a conference with Commissioner Bullock in regard to the allocation of berths for the coming winter season.

When seen last night at the Royal, Capt. Walsh was non-committal on the matter of traffic for this winter, but did say he thought there would be no lack of business for the port. At the present time it was hard to say just what would be the outcome of the peace negotiations, and if peace were declared it might make a difference in the volume of trade carried, although he was inclined to think it would not. He was to see the Commissioner of Harbors and have a talk with him in regard to berth accommodation, and hopes to make satisfactory arrangements with that official. Other than the berthing of the C.F.O.S., he has usual for the small boats, Capt. Walsh said he preferred not to state just what they were asking the commissioner to grant in the way of berths.

AMPUTATED HAND WHILE DEMENTED

William Murray Procured Axe at Home Near Petitediac and Severed Hand from Wrist—Is Now in Hospital.

William Murray, aged 50 years, residing at, or near, Petitediac, while in a demented state of mind, procured an axe last Friday and completely severed his right hand from the wrist. The unfortunate man is subject to fits of insanity. As soon as the deed was discovered the unfortunate man was conveyed with all haste to this city by an automobile, and taken to the General Public Hospital, where the wound was dressed. Later he was conveyed to the Provincial Hospital, Lancaster.

About sixteen years ago Mr. Murray was admitted to the institution, but recovered, and was allowed his freedom. Eight years afterwards he was readmitted as an occurrence of his former state of mind again evidenced itself. He soon resumed his proper frame of mind, and returned to his home. Lately he has been much interested in reading, and had taken a special delight in reading the Scriptures, and, happening to read a phrase to the effect that "if the right hand offend thee, sever it, lest it lead thee to greater temptation," became actuated by it, and is believed to have procured an axe and did the rash deed. Enquiries at the institution discovered the unfortunate man was resting very comfortably, in spite of the self-inflicted wound.

COMMITTEES FOR THE CELEBRATION

Appointments Made Yesterday and All Getting Ready for the Big Holiday.

The committee in charge of the preparations for an observance of the day when peace is declared, met yesterday morning and appointed a number of sub-committees to look after various matters connected with the celebration.

The following committees were struck: Motor Cars—T. P. Regan, R. D. Paterson, F. W. Coombs and P. W. Thomson. Flasks—A. E. Everett, W. Allison, F. W. Roach, H. W. Rising, Captain Mulcahy, D. Lynch and T. Drummie. Boy Scouts—A. C. Skelton. Cadets Corps—W. C. Magee. Advertising—W. H. Colford, not yet decided. Decorating—H. P. Robinson and F. C. Beatey. Bands—S. Herbert Mays. Committee to take charge of streets leading into King Street East—E. A. Schofield, G. L. Warwick, J. Petrie, C. B. Allan, E. J. Terry, R. S. Sime, George Ellis, E. L. Rising, J. Fritchard and Col. Sturdee. Fireworks—A. O. Skinner and R. E. Armstrong. R. E. Armstrong was elected secretary of the general committee.

MIDNIGHT FIRE ON UNION STREET

Some Damage Done the Building Occupied by Emery Brothers and the Acadia Box Company.

Shortly after last midnight fire was discovered on the upper floor of the building at 240-244 Union Street, occupied by Emery Brothers, wholesale confectioners, and dealers in wrapping paper, as well as the Acadia Box Company. An alarm was sent in from Box 12 and the fire department quickly responded.

The fire started on the top floor ceiling, which section of the building is occupied by the Box Company, and it had quite a start before it was discovered. The fire, which is supposed to have started from wires, was quickly under control, and was confined to the section where it started. Very little water was put in the building and the damage thus caused was among some of the boxes and wrapping paper, and is not looked on as being very serious. The sheathing and beams for a short space on the top floor, as well as a small part of the roof, was damaged, but all the loss is well covered by insurance.

MANY CASES IN POLICE COURT

Storekeeper Fined for Selling Cigarettes to a Minor—George Feltham Charged With Stealing—Liquor Cases Dealt With.

One drunk appeared in the Police Court yesterday morning, pleaded guilty, and was fined \$5.

W. R. Woods, store keeper, St. Patrick's Street, was fined \$10 for selling cigarettes to boys under the age limit. The magistrate in striking his fine, stated that the boys were liable to a fine also, according to the federal enactment, which was the effect of a reprimand for the first offence, second offence a fine of \$1, and third a fine of \$2. All three boys were allowed to go. It is understood that the boy who bought the cigarettes was buying them for a military officer, and did not intend using them himself.

Three small boys were brought in by Detective Biddiscombe, charged with stealing knives, etc. from the 5, 10 and 15 cent stores, also with stealing keys from doors on Water/co Street. They were all remanded until further evidence is brought in.

George Feltham, an employe of Bransford Henderson Company, appeared in the afternoon on a charge of having taken money from his employer's cash box. The employer gave evidence, telling of the cash box containing about \$95. On Oct. 4th, when he went to the store in the morning defendant told him that he found the shop broken into, and the cash box rifled. Witness investigated, and phoned to police headquarters at once. Detective Biddiscombe arrived, and found the place broken into. Detective Biddiscombe gave evidence that on his arrival he found that a break was made into the shop, apparently through a side window facing an alleyway. Investigation showed he found the catch on the lower window sash gone, and the window showed marks of having been tampered with from the inside. Witness then asked the defendant how he found the premises on his arrival at work, and was told that he found the latch of the window, the window raised about 10 inches, and the door of the vault open. Witness then searched the premises and found no latch, but later the cash box was found on a beam in the attic of the shop. He placed defendant under arrest later on the suspicion of stealing the money. Witness then drew from his pockets a number of bills in \$5 and \$10 denominations, drawn on the Royal Bank of Canada. Some of these were marked by the number which contained in the number which the detective held. These were found in Hornbrook and Company's store on King Street. The case was then postponed as several postponed liquor cases were coming up which would occupy the court for the session.

An employe of Cedar Hill Cemetery appeared charged with having liquor in his possession on the 2nd of October. Inspector McAlush, called, stated that on the night in question he had suspicions of a certain house on Carmarthen Street, and went to the door of Duke Street, and went nearby and waited behind a fence. He saw defendant come across the street, ring the door bell three times and gain admittance. On leaving he saw him apparently being handed a bottle of liquor. He followed defendant up the street and searched him, finding a bottle of whisky. Witness asked him where he got the bottle, and was told from a man who boarded at the house he went into. He then placed the defendant under arrest. The man who furnished defendant with the liquor was fined \$200. Defendant's counsel pleaded that by Section 7 of the Act his client had a right to transfer any liquor from his friend's house, as by the same section a man may treat his friend on his own premises, which did not necessarily mean treating him drunk, and the same prevailed with the defendant who was not drunk, but was only taking the liquor for his own private use. His Honor contended that by the Act, if one is caught with liquor in his possession, he is liable to prosecution, and the act serves to take away all pre-emptory rights, and adds that any liquor in his or her possession is liable to a fine of not less than \$50 or not exceeding \$200. But in view of the fact that the defendant was not a drinking man, and was mentioned as a good citizen by many well known persons, both to him and the liquor inspector, he felt that the minimum fine would be sufficient, and added that in the course of eight days he would give judgment, which promised the minimum penalty. Both defendants were allowed to go.

Wm. Speight, charged with having liquor on his premises, Main Street, contrary to the law, was given a further hearing. The case was not settled, but His Honor allowed Speight to a fine on his own private use. His Honor believed that the minimum fine should be struck, and stated the same to Inspector Wilson, who agreed. Speight will be given judgment in a few days.

The case of a City Road man did not come up, but was further postponed on account of the absence of three women as witnesses, who will appear today.

WAS SEVERELY INJURED.

Last Saturday evening a young lady was knocked down by an automobile as she stepped off an uptown sidewalk to the street. She was quite severely injured, and was picked up by the automobilist, who was in no manner to blame for the accident. She was conveyed to her home, and the car owner procured the services of a doctor and is paying all expenses in connection with the young lady's injuries.

WANTED—Young lady to do city collecting. About two weeks' employment only. References required. The Standard Limited.

TWENTY-FOUR NEW INFLUENZA CASES IN ST. JOHN CITY

Thirteen House Released from Quarantine—Two Doctors and Medicine Being Sent to Shippegan, Where Population Prostrated.

Twenty-four new cases of influenza were reported to the local Board of Health yesterday, and thirteen houses were released from quarantine. Locally the situation seems to be much improved, and the health authorities are much encouraged, and feel that the worst of the epidemic is over. Today the new district health officer, Dr. J. P. Brown, of Woodstock, will arrive in the city, and place his services at the disposal of the local board until the epidemic has been wiped out.

At the V. A. D. Diet Kitchen, Mrs. Girvan reports a large increase in the calls for food and nurses. Nurses are especially needed, and some of the cases described are indeed pitiful. Now that many of the earlier patients are becoming convalescent, there is a demand for more solid food and the doctors say that here is where the Diet Kitchen can continue its splendid work, as these patients require good nourishing food, well prepared, to assist them to get back their strength and be enabled to make a quick recovery without any bad after effects.

Citizens Generous.

The generosity of the citizens continues and all that is needed and more can be used. More automobiles are required, and it is felt that no one would enjoy using their cars when it is known that those cars might be employed taking food to suffering people. Last night word was received from Rev. W. Robinson, who went to Victoria County to assist in the work for men sick in the lumber camps. He reports that Rev. Fr. Ryan is accompanying him and at the time of writing they were setting out on a forty mile tramp through the woods with medicine, etc. for the sufferers. About two hundred men are sick and they expect to reach the last camp on their itinerary on Sunday afternoon next.

Last night the Minister of Health, Hon. Dr. Roberts, informed The Standard that he had been able to secure a supply of medicine for Shippegan, and this was being sent forward by J. F. D. McKenzie, of Chatham. The O. C. troops for the province of Quebec has granted a three weeks' leave of absence to Capt. Parlin, and he will go from Carleton to Shippegan and General Macdonnell has loaned the services of Capt. Comeau to the department and he will leave this morning for Shippegan.

Hampstead Hospital.

From Hampstead comes the report that the Temperance Hall has been turned into a hospital, and the Indians suffering from pneumonia are now quarantined there. Yesterday morning Mrs. Kuhring and Miss Burditt went to Hampstead, and in the afternoon Mrs. Kuhring telephoned down a list of supplies needed. These will go forward this morning. Another nurse is badly needed, and Dr. Roberts would be glad to have some one volunteer to assist in the work there.

Dr. Roberts has received word from Dr. Melvin that at Grand Falls the epidemic is under control, and the emergency hospital is doing splendid work. St. Martins the situation is all cleared up, the influenza cases are all better, and the pneumonia patient has improved sufficiently for the nurses to return home.

VITAGRAPH MAN IS WELCOMED

Edward Auger, Eastern District Manager, Says His Company Will Remove With Others from Here if Necessary.

Edward Auger, of New York, Eastern District Manager of the Vitagraph V.L.S.E., is in St. John for a few days. Mr. Auger, who has many friends in the city who are glad to welcome him, states that regarding the removal of the Pina Eschangers from St. John, his company will fall in line with the others if it is necessary to do so. At the time the move was decided upon by the Motion Picture Board of Trade in Toronto, the Vitagraph Company was not a member of that body (in fact Mr. Auger was in New Orleans at the time), but the company have since joined the Board of Trade, and Mr. Auger describes it as "a solid organization based upon the same lines as the New York association."

If the new tax is enforced it may make it necessary for the Vitagraph, along with other exchanges, to seek new quarters. This tax, Mr. Auger states, establishes a precedent which, if followed, the exchanges would be unable to bear. Moncton and Truro have both offered inducements to the exchanges to locate at those places.

News was received from New York yesterday by Mr. Auger that the Vitagraph Company now numbers among its stars those favorites of Movie fans, Francis Bushman and Beverley Bayne.

HALLOWEEN FRANKS.

The K-Juit Building, Fredericton, was the site of the Halloween pranks of the witches on Thursday night last, when a bunch of U. N. B. students painted in letters which are visible a mile away, the following inscription: "U. N. B.—Small, but mighty." The inscription is a source of much laughter and comment at the naughty U. N. B. boys have again put something over.

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