

AROUND THE CITY  
GENERALLY FAIR.

**CITY BATHING SCOWS.**  
The West Side swimming scow was placed in use yesterday. The Marble Cove scow and bathing houses will be open next week.

**SCOUT TROOPS INSPECTED.**  
The Mission, St. Jude's and Trinity Scout troops were examined last evening by Maritime Secretary H. O. Bannan, in connection with the Thorne trophy.

**THE STEAMER TROJA.**  
The Nova Scotia City and Hercules of the Maritime Wrecking Company, are at work trying to salvage the steamer Troja, which was sunk near Grand Manan, while on a voyage from Louisbourg to St. John.

**SCHM. MERCEDES SOLD.**  
The Nova Scotia schooner Mercedes which ran ashore on Donald's Point, has been sold at auction by C. N. Vroom, of St. Stephen, and bid in by Capt. Cook for her owners at Parr-toro, the price being \$462.

**THE DREDGE FELDING.**  
Capt. Charles F. Lewis and chief officer Benjamin Hains, who have been operating Dredge No. 7 at Yarmouth for some time past, have come to St. John and are busy getting the Dredge Felding ready for the summer's work.

**INVESTIGATION COMPLETED.**  
Commissioner Thornton has held an investigation into the discharge of Foreman John Bond from the fire department. Chief Blake denied that Mr. Bond had been discharged, and the Commissioner says the matter was one of misunderstanding, and Foreman Bond is again on duty.

**SUCCESSFUL LUNCHEON.**  
A very successful luncheon was served yesterday at noon by the Women's Institute of this city. The function was held in the Congregational church. Mayor and Mrs. Hayes were among the guests who congratulated the ladies on the excellence of the menu. After the luncheon short addresses were given by Mayor Hayes, Miss McCain and Mrs. J. W. V. Lawlor.

**GIVEN SILVER BASKET.**  
Members of the Monday Evening Club met last night at the home of A. C. Rawlings, West St. John, and presented Miss Mary Harrison, one of the members, with a beautiful silver basket. Miss Harrison will be one of the principals in an interesting event in the near future, in which all her friends wish her the best of happiness.

**THE FISH MARKET.**  
The supply of fish for today's market is fairly good but prices remain firm. The quotations are: halibut, 30 cents; salmon, 45 to 50 cents; mackerel, 15 cents; shad, 20 cents; smelt, 20 cents; finnan haddock, 18 cents; smoked boneless herring, 35 cents; box herring, 30 cents; boneless cod, 22 cents per pound; gaspereau, 5 cents each; kipper, 6 cents each; sardines, 60 cents per dozen, lobster from 25 cents upward.

**BEING WELCOMED HOME.**  
Lieut. City White, who went overseas in the first year of the war, is in the city having recently arrived from England on a hospital ship. Lieut. White is nursing a badly injured left leg, and it will be some time before he is thoroughly patched up and able to regain the use of the limb. However, like other returned Canadians he is happy to be back in Canada again and his wide circle of friends are equally happy to welcome him home.

**HOLD FIRE MEETING.**  
The first meeting of the recently organized Blacksmiths' and Helpers' Union was held last night in the Painters Hall, Charlotte street, with an attendance of 35 members. A. H. Bond, who presided, stated that meetings will be held every Thursday night until the union is fully organized, and announced that the first elections will be held on the next meeting night. E. T. Dick, who acted as secretary last night has the record of four years' overseas service to his credit.

**CASE WAS DISMISSED.**  
Police Magistrate Ritchie was called upon yesterday morning to appear before His Honor Judge Crockett and show cause why a rule nisi for a writ of certiorari should not be granted in the case of a conviction under the Prohibition Act against John Campbell, Peters street. It appears that the magistrate, when the case was up before him, drew inferences from the evidence disclosed, that although Campbell had the liquor in his private residence, yet, as it was in peculiar places, such as between the ceiling and in the piano, it could be inferred that it was there for an illegal purpose. A few weeks subsequent to this conviction Campbell was convicted of selling liquor contrary to the act. The magistrate appeared before Judge Crockett, yesterday morning, but Campbell's counsel had not yet taken out the writ, and at the magistrate's request the case was dismissed.

**BLOUSES AND SMOCKS.**  
**DAINTY NEW MODELS.**  
Blouses of fine sheer white voiles in novelty weaves, stripes, dots or combinations of both, with dainty lace trimmed collars and cuffs, vestees or front closing effects, and prettily trimmed with tucks, hemstitching, and embroidery. Blouses for every occasion, and to suit every girl or woman. Prices range \$1.50 to \$5.00.  
Smocks of middie cloth and poplin or raw silk. In all the newest sport models, smocks with side or back closing, square or round necks, novelty pockets and belts, many are trimmed with motifs of colored embroidery on front, done in several contrasting shades of silk floss. \$2.95 to \$12.00.  
F. A. Dykeman and Co.

**STORE OPEN TONIGHT.**  
Saturday will be our first summer half holiday so we have planned to make Friday a big day of special value giving in just the things you need for summer wear and weekend outings. Daniel, London House, head of King street.



PROCLAMATION.

Civil Half Holiday, Friday Afternoon, June 6.  
The Mayor issued the following proclamation to the citizens yesterday: The 44th Battalion is expected this afternoon, and as they are coming as a unit, the citizens are requested to observe the afternoon as a civil half holiday, and to decorate their homes and business premises, especially along the line of march from the Station to the Armoury, and to turn out and do everything possible to give the boys a warm welcome home.  
R. T. HAYES, Mayor.

FIRST LEG OF LONG DISTANCE  
BY AERIAL ROUTE COMPLETED

Lieut. Sturgt Graham, With His Wife and Walter Kahre, Arrived in the City Yesterday—Made 142 Miles from Halifax in Seaplane in Two Hours and Ten Minutes—Large Crowd Witness Arrival—Leaves for Three Rivers This Morning.

The first leg of the first long distance flight from Halifax to Three Rivers, Quebec, by aerial route was completed yesterday afternoon at 4.35, when the H S 2 L, with an easy glide, alighted on the waters of the harbor, having completed the flight from Halifax, a distance of 142 miles, in two hours and ten minutes, or at an average rate of 67 miles per hour. Long before the seaplane was sighted crowds congregated along the water front and on the roofs of adjoining buildings; and the arrival of the craft brought out practically every small boat in the harbor, being to get a close view of the seaplane, which is making a new page in Canadian history.

Lieutenant Stewart Graham, who is making the flight, is accompanied by his wife as navigator, and Walter Kahre, mechanic.  
It was intended to make a brief stop here, get a load of petrol and then "hop off" on the second leg of the journey to Lake Temiscouata, but owing to the lateness of the hour the prevalence of fog, and the fact that gasoline was not immediately available, the flight was postponed until this morning at nine o'clock, for as Lieut. Graham stated, enough dangers are encountered in the air without "hopping off" in the face of obvious handicaps.

Mrs. Graham, the daring and attractive pilot of the party, acted as spokesman, the other members being rather reticent regarding their exploit.  
"We left Halifax at 2.25 this afternoon," she told The Standard, and though we were late in starting we made pretty good time during the 142 miles. The wind was against us and the weather was "bumpy," but at times we were able to make 75 and 80 miles, and our average of 67 miles is not so bad.  
"It was very foggy from Cape Split (Minas Basin) into St. John, and of course the haze interfered considerably with our progress. Our average altitude for the flight was 700 feet. We should have been flying at 1,200 feet to make a really satisfactory and swift flight, but though we did reach 800 feet at the start, and during the trip made 1,200 feet once, our average was 700 feet, which is rather low for a flight of this kind. The flight is better as we got farther north and I think our flight from St. John to Lake Temiscouata should be very favorable."

"Starting from Halifax we made a direct course to Windsor, then to Grand Pre, Kingsport, Blomidon, past Cape Split over the Isle of Haute to Cape Spencer and into St. John harbor.  
"We had no means of inter-communication on board, as our telephone was 'out of gear,' but outside of the necessary signals we were too busy for communication, anyway. We had no food since early in the forenoon, and I tell you we surely enjoyed just now the sandwiches I brought along with me."  
The seaplane carries a mascot, a cupid figure which was part of the seaplane which, piloted by Lieut. Graham, made the record duration flight in England last year. The machine is the standard type seaplane, with a wing stretch of 55 feet and driven by a 400 horse power Liberty motor. The propeller blades are above the fuselage and back of the wings. The craft is rather a heavy one and needs a considerable runway before she takes to the air.  
Lieut. Sturgt Graham, a typical clean-cut athletic bird man, wears the 1915 ribbon and the decoration of the Royal Air Cross, granted by the king for sending two enemy submarines to the bottom. For several years he was attached to the English coastal defence, operating along the Cornish and Devonshire sea line, but though his activities have been practically confined to sea scouting, he is at home in the lighter land planes as well.

After deciding to stop over until the morning, it was characteristic of the "plane's crew" to give an exhibition flight around the city and harbor, rather than disappoint the great crowds of people who had gathered to greet them and bid them farewell. Shortly before six o'clock the seaplane was towed out the harbor and amid the cheers of the hundreds of spectators took the air at a speed of around 75 miles an hour. The route included a circle around Paradise Island, around Courtenay Bay, over the Sugar Refinery and up the stream and river to Indiantown, then over the city and back to her berth between the Sugar Refinery and the Eastern Steamship piers, where the craft was swung on three anchor lines awaiting the trip this morning.  
Last night a full cargo of petrol (a special grade of 55 per cent) was placed on board. During the evening the pioneer aerial navigators were the guests of W. H. Golding at the Grand Opera presentation in the Imperial Theatre.  
This morning at or around nine o'clock the next stage of the journey will begin, the course being roughly over Queens, Sable, York, and Victoria counties the State of Maine and the county of Madawaska to Lake Temiscouata a distance of, slightly over 200 miles at the crew files at which an average speed of around 70 miles will be maintained, weather permitting.  
From Lake Temiscouata the flight will proceed direct to Three Rivers, where the party will be received by Sir Lomer Gouin, Governor of the province of Quebec, to whom Lieut. Graham will deliver a message from the Governor of Nova Scotia.  
When the history of brave Canadian women is written a prominent part will be given to Mrs. Madge Graham, wife of Lieut. Graham, who blazed the trail and set the pace for inter-provincial traffic by aerial service.  
It was Mrs. Graham who navigated the voyage to St. John, and it is she who is acting as pilot through this history making trip. Garbed in the warm but cumbersome uniform of a birdman, with her precarious position in the bow of the sea-and-air boat, she showed as little care or worry over the perils of the hazardous flight as an ordinary woman would in going from one room to another.  
"Frightened? Why, no," she told The Standard yesterday. "Why should I be frightened? Stuart was with me and with him in the 'plane' I would fly from here to Jericho or anywhere. I have no fear or hesitation in placing my life in his hands, for he always knows what he is doing."  
"I don't like the official name of this plane," she said, "so we are going to call it the Vigilance. That is easier to remember and understand than the one it has now."  
Though her grandparents live in Wolfville, Mrs. Graham was born in Belgium and received her early education in England. She was living in Folkestone when the war broke out and has some very vivid impressions of the Hun Zeppelin raids around that place and the neighboring towns. It was here that she met Lieut. Graham, and where she also received her first lessons in aviation.  
The Grahams have been married three years and in the attractive home at Grandmere, Quebec, have two chubby children who are rightly proud of their intrepid parents.

First Train From  
Valley Railroad

The first train to arrive in St. John reached Station last night—Brought Road Superintendent Who Proceeded to Moncton.

The first train to make St. John over the Valley Railway drew into the Union Station at 10.55 last evening. It consisted of the private car of the road superintendent, L. S. Brown, and a van. The train, which was in charge of Conductor Crook, was made up at Centreville and came through direct to this city. Supt. Brown proceeded to Moncton on the late express.  
The road bed is said to be in good condition now and it is expected that a regular train service will soon be running on this line, which gives service to the country along the banks of the River St. John. Starting at Centreville the road passes through Woodstock, Fredericton, Gagetown, and Westfield.  
For some time past trains have been running from Gagetown north, but now the whole of the line will be available for service.

**NOTICE.**  
Important, store open tonight. Commencing Friday, June 6th, our store will be open Friday night until 10 p. m., and closed Saturdays at 1 o'clock during June, July and August. London House, Daniel, Head of King Street.

**BARGAIN SALE OF FASHIONABLE WHITE EVER' ALUMINUM COOKING WARE TILL SATURDAY NOON ONLY**  
Friday morning there will be placed on sale, in the Costume Section of Manchester Robertson Allison, Ltd., a quantity of White Washable Skirts. These are in fashionable summer widths and include Fine Repps and White Piques, made in two-pocketed styles, with girdle belts. Sale prices are \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.25. Do not miss this chance of getting a nice summer skirt at a real bargain price. Sale will continue all day Friday and Saturday morning.

**WANTED—An office boy.** Apply The Standard, Ltd.

Speculation Among  
Local Fish Dealers

Nova Scotia Spring Catch Reported Very Good—Slump in Porto Rico Market—Dealers Look for Reduction of Prices.

There is much speculation among local fish dealers as to the effect upon prices of the Nova Scotia spring catch, which is reported to be very good, coupled with the fact that there has been a big slump in prices in the Porto Rico market, which has generally been regarded as a sort of barometer for the dried fish trade. Some dealers look for a reduction of prices of this particular item of the cost of living, while others believe the demand for fish from foreign countries will tend to keep up prices, especially when shipping conditions return to normal and permit Canadian dealers to take advantage of the offers now coming from foreign markets, as far afield as Australia.

Locally the gaspereau fishermen have made some good catches lately, and Digby vessels have been getting gaspereau for bait. On the North Shore of the Province there has been the greatest run of herring ever known in the Northumberland Straits. Nets in Buteoche Harbor and other harbors of the coast have been sunk by the weight of the fish in them. The smoke houses have an abundant supply of herring, and hundreds of men have gone from Grand Manan to aid in curing them.

The fleet of grand bankers out of Lunenburg, N. S., have started home, and nearly all report big catches for the spring trip. The Nova Scotia fishermen have not caught many mackerel so far this season, but last week fresh mackerel were being sold in Boston for 15 cents per pound, while halibut sold for 13 cents for white and 3 cents for gray.

Some non-union wetmen of Charlotte county are reported to be selling small herring to a factory near Eastport for 20 per hundred, but the great majority of wetmen are holding out for 20. The Eastport canners have not opened up yet, though a few of the smaller concerns at nearby points have done so.  
W. S. Loggie, of New Brunswick, and H. B. Short and Arthur Boutiller, of Nova Scotia, were on the delegation which waited on the Dominion government last week, which urged the appointment of a deputy minister of fisheries, and made other recommendations having for their object the development of the sea fisheries of Canada.

Programme For  
The City Streets

Improvements for Summer Not Very Extensive Nor Expensive—About 4,000 Feet of Streets Will be Resurfaced.

The city's programme of street improvement for this summer is neither very extensive, nor expensive. Something like 4,000 feet of streets will be resurfaced with rockmac and asphalt, and this work will not be of a very permanent nature. A portion of Charlotte street near what is called the extension, is being coated with rockmac, and there will be some re-surfacing of Adelaide, Brunsell, and Union streets in St. John, and some new pavements will be put down on Ludlow street on the West Side.

Efforts of the Commissioners to develop a real programme of street improvement have fallen flat, owing to the opposition of property owners to pay the proportion of the cost of permanent pavement which they are required to do under the local improvement act. This indicates a lesser amount of public spirit than prevails in Halifax, where a very considerable area of permanent pavements has been laid under an act which requires abutters to pay the bulk of the cost of the sidewalk and a fair proportion of the cost of the street. At the same time it is being said that the reason that the citizens threw overboard their particular form of commission government and elected a new mayor, was that the city had not been giving attention to the streets, and had during the war failed to keep them free from dust. Among motor car owners here there are a few complainers, but it is pointed out that nobody has to ride in a motor car unless they want to, and that it is more comfortable to walk on some of the streets of the city, as it is possible to travel around the bumps and valleys on foot. For those who need exercise and are too lazy to like it otherwise, a ride on a motor car about the city is to be recommended.

**THORNE'S OPEN TONIGHT TILL TEN O'CLOCK**  
The stores of W. H. Thorne and Co., Ltd., will be open tonight and succeed on Friday evenings till 10 o'clock, but will close Saturdays at one o'clock during the summer season.

**Week End Specials—Two This Time**  
On Friday and Saturday, June 6th and 7th. GIRLS' AND JUNIORS' STRAW HATS in Black, Navy, Sand, Brown, White FOR \$2.65 They are \$3.75 and \$4.00 value. ALSO you can own a Sport or Slip-on Coat for \$23.75. Ten coats only—no two alike.  
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The fresh, bright green, so delightful to the eye, and which always marks the well-kept lawn, can come only with the regular use of Lawn Moss and sprinkler, both of which we offer in ample variety of goods, reliable grades in the following:  
KINDS AND SIZES  
Multiplied Rubber Hose, 1/4 inch.  
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Goodyear Rubber Hose, 1/2 inch.  
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Lawn Sprinklers  
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FIRST FLOOR — MARKET SQUARE STORE  
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**FEATHER-WEIGHT HATS OF DISTINCTION**  
You will remark these hats for their lovely trimming, and you will be further delighted when you try one on, for you will hardly realize that you are wearing a hat, so light it will be on your head.  
A striking display of Novelty Sport Hats.  
Best Quality Toyo Panamas, trimmed, \$1.50.  
Genuine Panamas, with no dressing, number of styles.  
A widely diversified showing of the most fashionable trimmed Summer Hats.  
All the wanted New York Sailors.  
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**Our Stove Department**  
In order to display our line of ENTERPRISE STOVES to better advantage we have removed this department to the second floor, where with much more space we will be able to show a full and complete line, including the newest productions of the Enterprise Foundry.  
We cordially invite all interested to visit our showrooms and look over what is without doubt the finest assortment shown in our city.  
Store Closed 1 o'clock During June, July August and September  
Emerson & Fisher Ltd.

**Hot Summer Weather Brings to Mind Your Need of Cool Comfortable Apparel**  
Our various departments are filled with tempting Summer Garments and Accessories, some of which are very specially priced.  
—SEE OUR DISPLAY TODAY AND SATURDAY—  
**Bargain Sale of Hot Weather White Washable Skirts**  
SUITABLE FOR STREET OR SPORT WEAR  
These range in size from 24 to 30 waist bands, and have unstitched hem, so can easily be made any desired length.  
FINE WHITE REPP SKIRTS, made with inside belt, two tailored pockets and pearl button trimmings. On Sale \$1.50 each  
FINE WHITE REPP SKIRTS, shirred around waist, two smart pockets. On Sale \$1.75 each  
WHITE WASHABLE PIQUE SKIRTS, shirred waist, belt and fancy tabbed pockets. On Sale \$2.35 each  
These are all in new summer widths, and it would be wise to make an early selection. Costume Section, 2nd Floor.

<b>COOL DRESSES</b> for home, porch or street wear, are showing in Gingham, percale and fancy voiles. <b>KIDDIES' SUMMER FROCKS</b> in thin materials, among them are pretty models in Silk, Georgette, Crepe-de-Chine, Voiles and Colored Ginghams. <b>ROMPERS AND CREEPERS</b> in cute cuts and dainty colorings. <b>CHILDREN'S PLAID MIDDY SKIRTS</b> in drill or pique. <b>OVERALL APRONS</b> of checked ginghams, for little girls of 4 to 12 years.	<b>MIDDIES AND SMOCKS</b> For Women and Misses Women's Pongee Smocks, \$5.25 and \$6.25. Colored Cotton Smocks in rose, green, blue and natural, \$4.25 to \$5. White Coat Middies, \$2.50 and \$3.00. White Smocks with colored collars and trimmings, \$3.40 to \$4.50. <b>KIDDIES' MIDDIES</b> in size 14 years Plain White with colored collars, \$1.90 to \$2.65. All white, \$2.10. In colors, \$1.50 to \$2.50. White Middies with flannel collars, all sizes, \$3.25. Middies for smaller girls, in a good collection of styles.	<b>TRIMMED PANAMA HATS</b> showing in many novel shapes and bandings, \$1.50 up. <b>STRAW AND TUB HATS</b> For Kiddies, in White or with trimmings of summery colors. <b>NEW HAT BANDINGS</b> including stripes, plaids and fancy patterns. <b>SUMMER NECKWEAR</b> featuring Collar and Cuff Sets in pique, net and Georgette Crepe. Pique Vests in bottled and Mandarin styles. Tailored or Owl Collars in Variety, also light frillings in Voile and Georgette. <b>FINE HOSIERY</b> in many desirable qualities for Women, Misses and Children.
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