

THE WEATHER.
Forecasts.
Maritime—Moderate to fresh winds, generally fair and mild.

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Around the City

Half Dozen Drunks.
The police blotter at headquarters had the names of six men on it last night. Each was credited with being drunk.

Addressed Union Men.
James L. Surges addressed the Freight Handlers on the West Side and Nail Makers in their hall on Simonds street last night.

The Police Court.
In the police court yesterday morning three drunks were fined \$8 each. Alfred Taylor for assault was fined \$20 or two months in jail.

Will Join the 115th.
Fred Foster, Herman Smith, William Bruster, Vinton Boynton and Caleb Fleet, all of Grand Manan, arrived in the city last night to join the 115th Battalion.

Shot a Horse.
A police constable was called yesterday afternoon by J. Beckwith, and at his request shot a horse in a yard off the City Road. The animal had been unfit for use.

Lecture on Russian Art.
At the monthly meeting of the Art Club, last night, Miss Madeline deSoyres read the late D. Russell Jack's lecture on Russian Art, and it was illustrated by his splendid pictures. Miss Ford and Miss Dickie played a Russian duet on the piano.

First Steamer.
The steamer Oceana has the honor of being the first passenger boat to go up river this year. She left yesterday with a few passengers and quite a heavy freight for Wickham. The Champlain and Majestic will start their season on Saturday.

Fell in a Faint.
Yesterday afternoon a lady fell in a faint near the corner of Mill street and Paradise Row. She was carried into Hawker's drug store where she shortly afterwards revived sufficiently to be assisted to her home.

Big Lumber Mill Fire.
News was received in this city, yesterday, of the destruction by fire of the Engel deal mills at East Hampden, N.S. The mills were owned by I. W. Pearce and Wilfrid A. Finnegan, who control thousands of acres of timber lands in Maine and New Brunswick. The loss is \$60,000.

Valley Railway Meeting.
There will be a meeting of the Board of Trade tonight to which all citizens interested in the routing of the Valley Railway are invited. The reports of the engineer's surveys will be there and an engineer from the public works department will be present to give all the information desired in the matter.

Ran Away to Enlist Here.
Nelson Hopper, a fifteen year old Eastport lad, ran away from the home of his aunt, Mrs. Sarah Holland of that city, recently, and enlisted in the 115th Battalion here. His mother, Mrs. Gertrude Leighton, appealed to the officers of the battalion requesting his release, which was granted. Fourteen Eastport men are serving in the Canadian army at the front, but Nelson will have to wait until he is older before he can aid his fellow citizens in fighting for the Empire.

Y.M.C.A. Entertainment.
The young men of the gymnasium class entertained the young ladies league last night at the Y.M.C.A. The arrangements were in charge of a committee composed of H. W. Rising, chairman; A. F. Blake, director of ceremonies; Charles Upham, Ronald Edwards, Ralph Stephenson and Wm. Howes. A very pleasant evening was spent in music and games of various kinds, and refreshments were served at the close. This was voted one of the most successful gatherings held this year.

SCANDINAVIAN WAR LIKELY TO BE OVER BY AUTUMN

German Submarine Torpedoed Vessel Few Miles Astern
Returned Soldier Tells of Prediction That Huns Would Get Big Liner on This Voyage.

That the large Allan line steamship Scandinavian, which docked here yesterday morning with returned invalided soldiers, had been booked for destruction by the German submarine...

Speaking of the voyage to St. John from England, Lance Corporal Green said that it was one which was indeed eventful. Just after they steamed away from Liverpool, a steamship had been torpedoed and destroyed...

Lance Corporal Green left Canada with the first draft of the 40th Battalion and on his arrival in England was transferred to the 13th Royal Highlanders. He was with the Highlanders in the trenches for five months and during that time experienced plenty of fighting...

Pte. Geo. Garfield Brown.
Private George Garfield Brown, of Dalhousie, N. B., member of the machine gun section of the famous 26th New Brunswick Battalion, is another returned hero. Pte. Brown spent several months in actual service with the 26th in the trenches, where he contracted rheumatism to such an extent that he was sent to a hospital in England...

Pte. Carson.
Private Carson of Saint George, a member of the "Fighting 26th," was another one of the returned heroes. He was wounded in the head in the famous crater fight of October 13th last, and is minus part of his right ear in consequence of that scrap. He had not heard much about the battalion since then as he had been in hospital in England most of the time...

Pte. K. W. Hutt.
Pte. K. W. Hutt, of Liverpool, N. S., was another of those who went over with the draft from the 40th Battalion and was transferred to the 13th Royal Highlanders. After he had spent some months in the trenches he was taken sick and had been in the Duchess of Connaught Hospital for some time...

Maritime Province Men.
Among the returned heroes on the Scandinavian were fifteen Maritime Province men. Of this number Private Brown is residing on Somerset street, and Private F. C. Beckingham is of 248 British street. The latter left with the First Canadian Ammunition Column. He spent eight months at the front, and went through all the big battles without a scratch...

Presentation to Dr. McCourt.
On Wednesday evening there took place in the C. M. E. A. rooms a presentation to Dr. McCourt, who has accepted a commission in the St. Francis Xavier hospital unit, of a beautiful silver cigarette case, suitably engraved. The presentation was made by T. M. Burns in a very happy little speech in which he expressed the sense of loss in the departure of the doctor. Dr. McCourt in feelings of gratitude made a neat reply, thanking his many friends for their token of appreciation and remembrance...

Major Fringle Here on Scandinavian—Praised Canada
Major (Rev.) John Fringle arrived yesterday on the steamer Scandinavian direct from the front. Major Fringle was attached to No. 3 Canadian Field Ambulance, and was one of the chaplains of the 3rd Highland Brigade.

He left the front about the 29th of March, and said he left the men feeling fine. He said the general impression among the troops at the front and in England was that the war would be over before next winter. They were looking for a big drive somewhere this spring and they were confident that it would be the beginning of the end.

It had been said that the Zeppelin raids were getting on the nerves of the people of England; this was not true, the only effect they had had was to make them set their teeth and work all the harder to beat the nation which would resort to such tricks. Praises Canadians.

The outstanding feature of the work of the Canadian troops was their resourcefulness, no matter what kind of a job they were put up against they were ready and could always adapt themselves to existing conditions. As a fighting machine he thought the French were the best of any continental armies, but even they had to take off their hats to the colonial troops when it was a case of getting up against the unexpected.

He was quartered at a little village which was practically a hub for the whole front of four hundred miles; everything for the boys in the trenches passed through this village and it had been necessary to pave the main street of it in order to accommodate the immense traffic passing through it. The Canadians were stationed to the left of this village and north of England and Scottish troops to the right, and both had done some wonderful fighting. He said the transport arrangements of the British army were marvellous in their efficiency, with a front of four hundred miles to keep supplied with food, clothing, ammunition and all the necessities of life, they were right on the spot all the time, and nobody had to wait for anything. He paid a tribute to C. A. M. C., and the way they had done their work in looking after the health and sanitary conditions of the army. In fact the medical service was as near perfect as anything could be. The finest body of men physically he had ever seen, was the way he expressed himself about the colonial and territorial troops, and when they had a little more seasoning no troops in the world would be able to stand before them.

Partisan Criticism Resented.
Major Fringle said that the men on the firing line resented very much the petty, partisan criticism which was being directed at the government at the present time. He told of one experience he had in connection with the Canadian boot which some of the politicians had condemned so strongly. One of the members of a certain party was particularly bitter, and said: "Mr. Fringle, if you can get one thousand pair of Canadian boots over here you can sell them in five minutes," which he thought was sufficient answer to that particular criticism.

Major Fringle expected to go back about the first of July. He has a son in the 2nd Battalion, Sgt. Major John Fringle, who will be remembered as the man who walked five hundred miles to join his regiment in Edmonton. He said one thing particularly noticeable in England was the way the women had taken hold and taken care of the work left by the men who had gone to the front. Business was being carried on very nearly as usual, and if it were not for the men in uniform a visitor would hardly know that the country was at war.

Major Fringle was the guest of E. E. Fraser, 227 King street east while in the city and left last night for Sydney, and the last of this month he will go to Vancouver.

The Boy Scouts.
The school room of St. James' church resounded with music last night when the recently organized Boy Scout Band Patrol, under P. L. Tyler, held their practice. Although the boys have only had a few rehearsals they have made striking progress, and it is hoped that before long the public will be given a chance to hear them. The St. James' Boy Scout Troop also held their meeting in their headquarters last night, and were given valuable instruction in signalling, compass work, and physical drill, by their scoutmaster, A. H. Ellis. As the boys have all managed to pass their tenderfoot tests they are now working hard to gain other badges.

Imperial Supply Traffic Very Heavy During March
St. John Has Made Wonderful Showing During Winter Season, Largely Due to Hon. J. D. Hazen.

The enormous export traffic during the winter port season here, largely due to the untiring efforts of Hon. J. Douglas Hazen, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, can hardly be realized by the public. It will be surprising to many people to know that no less than 322,035 tons of imperial supplies alone were forwarded from here to the United Kingdom and France during the months of December, January, February and March. Through Halifax during the same months there were sent 181,187 tons.

St. John, however, has benefited more than any other port, and considering the freight congestion on all of the trunk railroad lines both in Canada and the United States, the Canadian Pacific railroad has been able to lay down the enormous tonnage here expeditiously, entailing practically no delay to the hundreds of trans-Atlantic liners coming to this port. The amount of imperial supplies shipped from this port last month totalled 49,225 tons and from Halifax 63,692 tons.

The work of the overseas transport service, of which A. H. Harris at Montreal is acting director, has entailed a vast amount of labor and care, and aided by Hon. Mr. Hazen and the Canadian Pacific the transport officials are much gratified with the results attained, especially at the Port of St. John. The figures given, of course, do not include the West Indian, coal, coastal and other shipping business that has been handled at this port.

The harbor, although the season is well advanced, is as busy as ever, and there is every reason to believe that a heavy trans-Atlantic traffic will be handled here during the summer months. The fact that the great port of Montreal as a competitor, the exports from St. John in March easily broke all records and there is little doubt but that when the figures for the present month are prepared they will show that another record has been demolished. Among the arrivals yesterday, exclusive of trans-Atlantic steamers, were a large Norwegian iron bark, which will load lumber, and three 5-masted schooners, coal laden. Halifax has also been and still is a busy port.

Portland Not Satisfactory.
Portland's accommodations, inferior to those of St. John, have not been wholly satisfactory to the steamship companies doing business there and at a meeting of representatives of the Cunard, Thomson, White Star and Allan lines with the chamber of commerce committee a day or two ago Portland was plied with the fact that the facilities were inadequate and that something should be done to further develop the port. What the steamship companies want in Portland is more harbor extension. In other words, they told the chamber of commerce committee: "It is up to you."

For the first time in years Portland is to have a summer transatlantic liner. It had been generally supposed that following the opening of the St. Lawrence river to navigation now nearly due, that after this month grain shipments would be practically stopped at Portland, and that the host of tramp steamers now engaged in the work would follow the transatlantic liners in making Montreal their port of loading. Grain steamers will continue loading there, through the months of May and June, and possibly through the summer.

Will you take time to examine our DIAMOND DISPLAY and compare our prices with those offered by Toronto, Montreal or local houses? Will you accept an invitation to step in and permit us to show you what we have, and what we can do, in the way of diamonds? Allan Gaudry.

Easter Finery.
The newest neckwear that has been recently produced by the New York designers is being shown at F. A. Dykeman & Co.'s. Finest shades such as delft blue, pinks, carmine and sunset are the leading tints for neckwear and neck frillings. The prices of these dainty collars and ties which are being shown in such a large variety run from 19 cents to \$1.50 each. Ask to see the new gold and silver frilling which is being shown at these stores.

Plan For Summer Spins on a Roulette
The Light, Strong English Wheel
It wants now but a short time of the summer season which brings with it the long, light evenings and Saturday half-holidays when it rests with you to have many an hour of keen enjoyment and healthy exercise in the fresh air and sunshine—at small outlay, too—with a Roulette Wheel which would very soon pay for itself many times in the saving of railway and car fares.

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Millinery for the Week-End
Brilliant With Spring Touches of Flowers and Foliage This Showing is One of Rare Beauty and Discriminating Style

New Chintz Luncheon Sets, Knitting Bags, Runners, Cushion Covers, etc.
New Crochet Cord
Linen Thread, etc.

The New Duplex Tie
Men who have been waiting for something new in Neckties are certain to be much interested in the "Duplex" which has many advantages over other ties. It has a satin-lined non-stretching and slip-easy band and the apron or wide folded end is also lined with satin, the result being a much firmer and more durable tie than ever before.