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SPECIAL XMAS SALE

DECEMBER 16th TO DECEMBER 31st

Men's Overcoats	
Regular \$10.00, Sale Price \$	8.25
12.00, "	9.60
15.00, "	11.95
18.00, "	14.25
20.00, "	15.95
22.00, "	17.25
25.00, "	18.50

Men's Colored Suits	
Regular \$10.50, Sale Price \$	8.35
12.50, "	9.75
15.00, "	11.99
18.00, "	14.39
20.00, "	15.89
22.00, "	17.35

Boys Overcoats	
Less 25%	Sizes 33, 34 and 35

Blacks and Blues	
at \$15.00, \$18.00, \$20.00,	and \$22.00.

Boys Reefers	
Less 50%	

Men's Boots	
Regular \$6.00 Tan Boots for	\$4.50
" 5.50 "	4.25
" 5.00 "	4.00
Men's Low Shoes in black and tan,	at 25% Discount.

Ladies' Shoes	
A few pairs of Ladies' Pumps to	clear at \$1.00.
115 pairs of Ladies' Low Shoes at	\$1.50.
25% Discount on all lines of	Ladies' Boots.

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ALL AT BIG REDUCTIONS FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

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Shooting Affray Sunday Night

Allan Black Shot Through Leg—Wm. Harriman Charged With Having Fired Shot

A shooting affray occurred here Sunday evening in front of the post office, about 8 o'clock, when Allan Black, of Newcastle, received a bullet wound in the right leg below the knee, and William Harriman, a soldier at the Wireless, and belonging to Newcastle, is charged with having fired the shot.

According to rumor, Harriman had had some words with another party who resented an insult and engaged Harriman in a fist encounter in which Harriman was worsted. This part of the affair having ended, Harriman went away, and coming back later on he met Black at the post office, with a number of other boys, and drawing a revolver, it was discharged, the bullet striking Black as above stated.

The wounded man was at once taken to the office of Dr. McGrath, who finding the wound a serious one, told Black he would have to be removed to the hospital. He was driven to his home by friends and on Monday afternoon he was taken to the Hotel Dieu hospital at Chatham.

Chief Morrell, learning of the shooting at once made efforts to locate Harriman, who disappeared immediately after the shooting. Information given the Chief led him to go to Harriman's home, where he found him and placed him under arrest, locking him up.

The preliminary hearing was held at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon before Police Magistrate Lawlor, who after reading the charge, remanded him until to-morrow morning at ten o'clock, advising Harriman that he need not answer till then the charge made against him, and giving him a chance to obtain counsel.

The shooting, besides being a serious case, has its sad side as well. Mr. Black, the unfortunate man who was the victim, is a peaceful and law-abiding citizen, a married man with a family to support, and what ever punishment may be inflicted upon the accused man, that punishment, be it heavy or light, will in no wise make the wounded man's case any easier to bear, or heal his wound.

He has a large number of friends in town who deeply regret the unfortunate position he has been placed in, and trust that his case may not be so serious as was thought at the time.

Three Brothers Are All in Khaki Now

Mrs. James Barry Proud to Have Her Three Boys Serving The Empire

(Fredericton Gleaner)

With the appointment of Lieut. Arthur L. Barry, as Captain with the 132nd Battalion being recruited on the North Shore of the Province by Lieut. Col. G. W. Mersereau of Doaktown, the third son of Mrs. James Barry of this city, donned the khaki in active service in this war. Mrs. Barry naturally feels not a little proud of her three sons, who have endeavored to do their bit in this great fight for humanity.

Capt. Barry has been on duty at the Newcastle wireless station for almost a year, having previously been a teacher at one of the Newcastle public schools. He received his appointment to Mersereau's Battalion recently and has already started to assist in recruiting for the new unit.

One brother, Private John A. Barry, with the 55th Battalion in England, and a younger brother, Brydone Barry is with the 132nd Battalion.

Recruiting Committee Meetings

Held Friday and Monday Evenings—Committees Appointed

The Recruiting Committee met again Friday evening, Mr. Park in the chair, nine gentlemen present. Judge Lawlor said that in Chatham they had Finance, Publicity, District Organization, Entertainment, Reception and Emergency Committees and the same would be needed here. The Organization Committee was the most pressing for us.

Lt. De La Paquette said that committee would have to see about holding meetings all over the District.

E. A. McCurdy said that prominent men from Redbank and Whiteville had assured him that they would help in their sections, supply list of eligible young men, etc. There were at least 26 in Redbank alone.

Rev. Dr. Harrison said that it was vital to have all the citizens notified that they were part of this recruit.

Sir Max Aitken Tells of Gallant Deeds of Canadians

While There Have Been No Heavy Engagements During December the Canadians Have Not Been Inactive and Have Accounted to Many of the Enemy

Ottawa, Dec. 12—Major General Sir Sam Hughes has received the following communication from the Canadian general representative in France:

Canadian General Headquarters in France, Dec. 12—During the week of Dec. 3 to the 10th there has been no material change in the general situation on the Canadian front. The weather has continued warm and there has been much rain, during the afternoon of Dec. 7 the enemy bombarded some of our trenches and positions, mostly with high explosives. Very little material damage was done. In retaliation the enemy's front and communication trenches were heavily shelled by our artillery. With this exception the enemy's artillery has been less aggressive than in the preceding weeks. The superior weight of our artillery fire has been well maintained throughout the period.

The heavy rains have rendered the low lying ground very swampy. Large working parties have been employed

PRESBYTERY MEETING HELD YESTERDAY

Demands Equal Recognition of All Churches, and Provincial Prohibition of the Liquor Traffic

The Miramichi Presbytery met here yesterday. There were present: Ministers—Revs. W. McN. Matthews, Moderator, Bathurst; Alex. Rennie, Clerk, Millerton; S. J. MacArthur, Newcastle; J. W. McLean, St. Andrew's church, Chatham; John Harris, St. John's, Chatham; Geo. P. Tattler, Tabusintac, Alex. Pirih, Douglstown; Geo. R. Grant, Black River; J. F. McCurdy, Redbank; F. L. Jobb, New Mills; J. W. MacKay, Harcourt; Hugh Miller, Campbellton. Elders—Ralph Searle, Black River; Mr. Matthews, Chatham.

Rev. G. R. Grant was elected Moderator, and Rev. A. Rennie re-elected Clerk.

Church Union vote was reported, the totals being:

For Union Against	
Sessions	87
Communicants	1593
Adherents	832
Totals	2422
For Union	568
Against	1854

The Presbytery will vote on Union at next meeting.

Following allocations for Missions, etc., were made:

Bass River	\$ 207
Bathurst	300
Black River	500
Blackville	200
Campbellton	900
Chatham (St. Andrew's)	800
Chatham (St. John's)	225
Dalhousie	400
Douglstown	300
Excelsior (P. Q.)	150
Harcourt	150
Loggieville	375
Millerton	220
New Carlisle	247
Newcastle	500
New Mills	800
New Richmond (P. Q.)	500
Redbank	200
Restigouche	200
Rexton	500
Tabusintac	320
Mission Stations	150
Caracquet and New Brunswick	\$ 50
Kouchibouguac	20
Milbank	20
Miscou and Shippegan	15
Upper Miramichi	75

Rev. F. L. Jobb reported having attended the Dominion Temperance Alliance Convention at Fredericton last week, which meeting was the most enthusiastic and determined of the kind he had ever seen. All felt very hopeful of the Government according to the demand for provincial prohibition. The referendum would mean a lot of work. All possible votes must be secured for prohibition.

Rev. Mr. Matthews spoke along the same lines. The Bathurst session had memorialized the Local Government on Prohibition and had been most courteously answered. He regretted that Britain had not followed the lead of Russia and France in the Temperance question.

Rev. F. L. Jobb reported having attended to prepare a resolution on the subject.

Rev. Mr. MacArthur spoke strongly on the indignity suffered by the Presbyterian church in the matter of precedence at the state funeral of Sir Charles Tupper, at which the

Anglican and Roman Catholic churches were officially recognized but no others, the Presbyterian Moderator of Synod being given no official position. Premier Borden's answer to the Evangelical Alliance had been most unsatisfactory. It was inconceivable that Sir Robert could have deliberately said that he knew that Dr. Grant wanted an official place he (Borden) would have given him his seat. There were two state churches in Britain—Anglican in England and Presbyterian in Scotland, and Canada was no place to introduce merely English procedure. No church had any establishment here, so all should have equal recognition. Premier Borden's intimation that the present time was inopportune to raise the matter of procedure was unjustifiable. It should be settled at once. He (MacArthur) had no objection to recognition of the Anglicans and Roman Catholics, he merely wanted equality for all, and as a Presbyterian he demanded it. He had no political reason, for he was a Conservative. A church question had proved Sir Chas. Tupper's political downfall and it was strange that another church question should have been raised at his funeral.

All the members of Presbytery agreed.

The following passed unanimously: Resolved that this Miramichi Presbytery respectfully request the Moderator of Synod to appeal to the Moderator of the Assembly and Moderators of other Synods to have such steps taken as will lead to the equal recognition by the Canadian Government of the Presbyterian church in Canada with other churches also recognized. Resolved that this recommendation be forwarded to the Clerk of the Synod and Clerks of other Presbyteries, asking their co-operation.

Following, proposed by Revs. Jobb and Matthews, was heartily endorsed, and unanimously adopted:

Resolved that this Presbytery express its hearty approval of the request of the Dominion Temperance Alliance for a referendum on the question of Provincial Prohibition, and further resolved that this resolution be sent the Local Government through Hon. John Morrissey.

Revs. Rennie and MacArthur were appointed to give Mr. Morrissey the resolution requesting his co-operation.

Rev. Mr. Jobb spoke of unsatisfactory enforcement of the Liquor License Act in the vicinity of New Mills. The Inspector for the Whole County got only \$125 a year, and there were 19 places selling liquor in Mr. Jobb's district. Mr. Jobb had demanded reform from the county members.

In six months four men had died violently through liquor in his district.

The Presbytery cordially endorsed Mr. Jobb in his appeal to the County members for better enforcement of the License Act in Restigouche.

The Remit re change of ordination ceremony was held over to next meeting which will be in Chatham in February.

Sudden Death of Respected Citizen

John B. Robertson, of Nelson, Died Suddenly Saturday Afternoon

The community was shocked on Saturday afternoon by the sudden death of John B. Robertson of Nelson, a well-known and highly respected citizen of the Miramichi for years. Mr. Robertson, who appeared in the best of health, left his home to walk across the Morris Bridge to Newcastle, as he often did. When near the Newcastle side he jumped on to the Canadian Gear Works wagon, driven by Thomas Scott, and conversed about the weather, etc. Just after reaching this side, he suddenly fell from the wagon, striking head on to the ground. He was taken to the Gear Works office, a block away, and Dr. Park was summoned, but life had flown. Heart trouble must have caused death. The body was taken to Maltby's Undertaking office, to await the decision of the Coroner. Dr. Desmond arrived late in the evening, having been away on a sick call, and held an investigation. He decided an inquest was not necessary and gave permission for the body to be removed.

The late Mr. Robertson was a native of Glasgow, Scotland, where he was born 72 years ago last July. He came to Miramichi about 60 years ago, and early became a useful and prominent member of St. James Presbyterian church, of which he finally became an Elder, and of the Northumberland Lodge, No. 17 A. F. & A. M., and of Newcastle Division No. 45, Sons of Temperance, of which organizations he continued an active worker. He had been a Mason 42 years and a Son of Temperance still longer.

Mr. Robertson was an engineer, employed at first in Nelson mills, and then for 25 years with the D. & J. Ritchie Co. A few years ago he retired from active service, and settled in Nelson, again, but visited Newcastle almost daily and attended St. James' Church as regularly as usual.

Mr. Robertson was twice married. His first wife was Miss Grace Lynn of Nelson. By her he had two children: Elizabeth (Mrs. R. W. Card), Everett, Mass.; and Penelope (Mrs. Donald McTavish), of Strathadam. His second wife, who survives him, was Miss Isabelle McLeod of Montague, P. E. I. Mrs. Katherine Hotten of Boston is the only surviving sister.

The funeral was held yesterday afternoon under both Presbyterian and Masonic auspices, and was largely attended. Rev. S. J. MacArthur was the officiating clergyman, and interment was in St. James cemetery.

The pallbearers were J. H. Phinney, James Falconer, T. W. Flett, Daniel Baldwin, Johnson and McLaughlin. The hymns sung were Safe in the Arms of Jesus, Rock of Ages and We speak of the Realm of the Blest. Many floral tributes were sent, among them wreaths from the Masons, the family, and deceased's friends, Mrs. Miss Bertha Card, of Everett, Mass.

Sudden Death of Frank Masson

Well Known Tinsmith Succumbed to an Attack of Kidney Trouble

The death of Frank Masson, one of Newcastle's best known and most respected citizens, occurred at his home here about 11 o'clock last night. About a week ago the deceased was taken ill with kidney trouble and although seriously ill, his death came as a shock to his many friends. For a number of years the late Mr. Masson has conducted a tinsmith shop here. He was a member of the Newcastle Fire Department and considered one of the best men in the Department.

He leaves to mourn his death a widow, three sons, William of Alcorn, Sask., at present at home, George, with the 8th Battery in France, and Claude at home, and three daughters, Jean, Annie and Jessie at home.

Two Sons In Khaki; Now Two Daughters

W. F. Taylor, General Storekeeper of I.C.R., Has a Record to be Proud Of

Mr. W. F. Taylor, the popular storekeeper of the I. C. R. at Moncton, who has two sons now in khaki, also two daughters, trained nurses, contemplating offering their services to the Empire. Mr. Taylor is justly proud of his family. He regrets that he is unable to enlist himself on account of being over the age limit and having lost a hand by the premature explosion of a large firecracker while celebrating the relief of Ladysmith.