

THE WEATHER.

Forecasts.

Maritime—Winds becoming fresh or strong southerly; showers or thunderstorms in many localities, but partly fair and mild.

Toronto, April 28.—A rather pronounced depression is situated tonight near Lake Superior, while pressure is highest over the northwest states. Thunderstorms are reported from the Ottawa and St. Lawrence valleys and Lake Superior.

Temperatures.

	Min.	Max.
Prince Rupert	38	48
Victoria	42	68
Vancouver	42	66
Kamloops	40	78
Edmonton	38	63
Calgary	34	70
Winnipeg	48	60
Port Arthur	50	70
London	58	80
Toronto	55	80
Ottawa	54	70
Montreal	46	70
Quebec	36	52
St. John	36	50
Halifax	30	44

Around the City

Arrested in Depot.

A man named Wilcox was arrested yesterday by I. C. R. Police Officer Collins on the charge of being drunk and profane in the depot. Wilcox left a deposit of sixteen dollars at police headquarters for his appearance in court this morning.

What Other Cities Are Doing.

Lynn, Mass., is having its Clean-Up Week this week. The school children have been given a week's holidays, and they are being stimulated to work by the offer of a prize silver cup and tickets to the "movies." The Clean-Up Week is being conducted under the auspices of the board of health and the chamber of commerce.

Talented Sailors.

A party of English sailors amused a large crowd of people on the King Square last evening. One of the number was an artist on the harmonica while a companion gave an excellent bone solo with two tablespoons. The act of the latter was rather clever and came in for considerable applause from the crowd. The actor after giving his act threw his hat on the walk and quite a number of coins were thrown into it.

Got Little Loot.

On Monday night last some person broke into the home bakery conducted by James Main, at 223 Brunswick street, and robbed the premises. The entrance was made through a rear window and the thief pried open and broke the cash register and was only successful in stealing about thirteen cents, while the damage done to the register was considerable. The store was ransacked but nothing more than the money is thought to have been stolen.

St. John River Very Low.

"The St. John River is very low at the present time, and lumbermen are very anxious about the prospects for stream driving," said F. P. Robertson of Fredericton, who was at the Royal yesterday. "Some of the drive on the Nashwaak are said to be held up, owing to lack of water, and the lumbermen on other tributaries of the St. John are likely to find themselves in difficulties. About three inches of snow fell in Fredericton last Sunday but I don't know how that will effect the situation. A good snow or rain storm might help out."

HAS SCHEME TO SEND SOLDIERS TO NEW BRUNSWICK AFTER WAR

Colonel Hammond, one of the adjutants of the Salvation Army in London, is in the city in connection with a scheme to promote the immigration of soldiers to the colonies after the war. Yesterday he had an interview with the provincial secretary of immigration, James Gilchrist, and made enquiries about the opportunities offered by New Brunswick. Mr. Gilchrist was able to put before him a fund of information, and he expressed the opinion that no doubt New Brunswick would in future get a large share of immigration. He will visit Ottawa to confer with the federal authorities, and then interview immigration officials in other provinces.

To a reporter he said that the expectation was that after the war millions would be cast upon the world without employment and it was felt to be incumbent upon governments and all good citizens to see that steps were taken to enable those who had made great sacrifices for the Empire to establish themselves in life in the colonies.

The Dufferin Hotel.

Patrons of the Dufferin Hotel will be glad to know that contrary to rumors which were in circulation some time ago the hotel will be kept open under its present management, as satisfactory arrangements have been made in regard to the lease. The present management intend to make considerable improvements to the hotel, and give an even better service to the travelling public than they have in the past.

SOLDIERS OF 26TH BATTALION RESENT ANONYMOUS CRITICISM

Say they are too busy training to get themselves fit for defence of Empire to look for trouble—Claim civilians mostly responsible for disturbances—A sample day in a soldier's life.

A good many civilians do not seem to appreciate the fact that the life of a soldier is practically that of a training school, involving a great deal of work which is patiently submitted to, because the men realize that it will be needed when the day of trial comes, such a day of trial as the Canadians at the front recently met with credit to themselves and honor to their country. The ordinary daily routine of a soldier's life would hardly appeal to a civilian, who did not realize that in joining the army he was consecrating himself to a high and stern duty.

An Early Start.

For the soldier, reveille sounds at 6 o'clock in the morning, and when one remembers that in battalions like the 26th, or the 55th, or in any battalion raised or being raised in Canada there are business men, bank clerks and others who are used to lying abed, a large part of the morning, it is evident that many of those who dedicate their lives to the service of their country must find the first incident of the day's work something of a hardship—at least in the beginning. Officers and men must turn out without delay, and be ready at 6.15 for physical drill, which lasts for half an hour or till 6.45. Those who want to appreciate what this means should try physical drill for half an hour before breakfast.

After physical drill the men are required to put their quarters in order, and at 7.30 they go to breakfast. Various small feigned duties have to be performed by the soldiers after breakfast. At nine o'clock the bugles call the men to fall in for parade, and immediately afterwards they start out on a route march, more recently always involving a great deal of field work. At first the battalion often returned to the armory for dinner and started out again in the afternoon for another march.

Lunch on the Field.

Latterly, when more attention has been given to tactical manoeuvres, the men have usually taken lunch with them, which is eaten in the field. Sometimes the battalion is out from 9 o'clock till five or six in the afternoon. At present a march of twenty miles with several hours at field work, does not take any spirit out of the 26th Battalion; after such an arduous day's work they return to the city, whistling and singing, sound of wind and in fine spirits.

The men go to supper at 5.30, or as soon thereafter as they return from a march-out. After supper the majority of the men are given liberty, but frequently there are lectures in the evening which a certain proportion are required to attend.

Other Duties.

This, however, does not include the full sum of their duties. At least twelve men are always on guard duty; pickets are stationed around the armory, and the members of the guard have to serve as pickets two hours out of every six. Men who have been on guard duty during the night are often required to parade with the battalion next day, and take part in the daily exercises.

To this routine, undoubtedly arduous, the men have adapted themselves in a splendid spirit, accepting their work as a necessary condition to fitting themselves for the hardships and perils they will have to face when called to the firing line.

Very few people have any idea of the amount of work the men are called upon to perform when engaged in field exercises; exercises which may take place after the men have marched ten miles, and have still the prospect of a ten miles march in returning.

A copy of the orders issued to the officers of the 26th for field manoeuvres may therefore be of interest. The orders follow:

Khaki Force.

C. and D. Co's.—At 11 a. m., 26th April, O. C. of a detached force of western army:—2 Co's Infantry at Lorneville receives the following message from G. O. C.:—To:—

O. C. Detached Force, Lorneville. "I have reliable information that 2 companies of enemy's infantry are at Fairville loading wagons of ammunition. I have also ascertained this ammunition is being conveyed via Nerepis Road to a point 3 miles W. of S. Bay Station. Immediately on receipt of this message you will march via South Bay Road and attack the convoy."

I. MEANWELL, G. O. C., 5th Brigade, St. George, 10.00 a. m. By motor cyclist.

White Force

"A" and "B" Cos.—You are O. C. of a detached force of two companies of an eastern army detailed to meet at Fairville Station at 10.30 a. m., a convoy of six wagons containing ammunition, and conduct them to a point three miles west of junction of South Bay, Nerepis road via Church avenue, Dever street, Nerepis road. The convoy is to be handed over to Capt. Jones of the X ammunition column at a point three miles west of junction of South Bay, Nerepis road. Capt. Jones with escort will be there at 1.30 p. m. You are in a friendly country but hostile mounted patrol of the western army were reported in vicinity of Lorneville at six p. m. yesterday.

O. C. Khaki Force

Your action is first to march via South Bay road with necessary protection as you are in an enemy's country. On arriving about one-quarter mile from railway, you should then choose a position in which you can conceal your force to effect surprise on the convoy. This latter will require your personal reconnaissance from above point.

O. C. White Force

Your action is to arrange for safe conveying of ammunition to destination. This means careful consideration as to disposition of your force. Your right is protected by the river. You know a detachment of your own force is expected from your front (which is west) to meet you. You know hostile patrols were reported in vicinity of Lorneville (which is your left) at six p. m. In view of above if an attack comes, you would expect it from your left. If you are forced into an engagement make it as far away from convoy as possible. If convoy is near its destination this may enable the convoy to get along with its immediate escort whilst you are engaging enemy.

Men Have a Grievance.

In view of the immense amount of work being done by the soldiers of a battalion like the 26th, which is now engaged in fairly advanced work, criticisms of the men who are fighting themselves for the defence of the Empire comes with poor grace from civilians, who do not have the courage to sign their names to their criticisms. Considerable feeling has developed among the officers and men of the 26th, because they believe some unwarranted efforts have been made to influence public opinion against them. In the past there have been cases of trouble between soldiers and the police, and the soldiers declare that civilians have been as much responsible for such troubles as anybody and resent the fact that, generally, only soldiers have been arrested.

Yesterday a sergeant of the 26th, a married man, who fills a very responsible position, told a reporter of The Standard that one night recently when returning to the Armory a man sprang out of a doorway and struck at him without warning; a man he did not know and certainly could not have injured in anyway. In another case a young man who held a good position in a local bank, and belongs to a prominent family in St. John, after seeing his girl home, was waiting on a corner for a street car. To him, it is said, came a policeman, demanding, "what are you doing here?" The ex-bank clerk said he was waiting for a car. The policeman ordered him to move along. The ex-bank clerk expostulated whereupon the policeman roughly pushed him off to the sidewalk and ordered him to move on. Not looking for trouble the soldier moved on to the next corner.

Such stories are being told about the Armory, and it is probable Major McKenzie had these in mind when he made the statements he did in the police court yesterday.

What Major McKenzie Says.

When Major McKenzie was asked last evening for a statement of the soldiers' side of the question he said: "I think when the public learn the real facts they will not agree with some of the statements which have been made about the behaviour of our men. It is a curious thing, but practically all the soldiers who have been in trouble with the police are or were St. John citizens. It was at the request of the chief of police that we put on a city picket; we have always been willing to co-operate with the civil authorities. The military authorities are quite prepared to deliver up any man against whom the police bring a charge. Then this beating of a soldier after they had him in a cell was a pretty thing. The police say he is a desperate character; but all we know about him is that he has been a pretty decent soldier. Apart from the fact that the trouble in this case seems to have been started by a civilian, what was the good of putting on a military picket, if the picket was not allowed to take away a man who was said to be making trouble. If the police had any charge he would have been sent before the court next morning."

Scarce Goods.

White Polo cloth and covert cloth are scarce goods on the market but they can be found in ample quantities at F. A. Dykeman and Co.'s store. The polo cloth is in white, and white with buff stripes, also white with green stripes. The price for the white polo cloth is \$1.60 and the striped \$1.75. The covert cloth is priced at \$1.60 and \$2.25. They are also showing a full range of very attractive coatings and dress materials which are getting scarcer every day on account of the big demand on the short output.

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MORE EVIDENCE IN SOLDIER CASE

Will be Resumed This Afternoon—Defence Will Call Witnesses.

The case against Thomas Madden, a soldier, who is charged with resisting the police and assaulting Sergeant Rankine, was resumed in the police court yesterday morning and after some evidence had been taken was stood over till this afternoon.

Policeman Hopkins said when he arrived at Breeze corner about 10 o'clock he saw Sergeant Rankine and Policeman Storm arresting a soldier. There were about thirty or fifty soldiers, and the picket eventually looked after the soldiers.

Policeman Storm told of the arrest of Madden. It was about 10.30 o'clock that Madden came along Charlotte street when Rankine took hold of Madden. He tried to pull away and Storm took hold of him too. When witness was asked if he knew what the duties of the picket were replied: "I have received no official instructions as to the duties of the picket. I use my own judgment."

Alexander Crawford also gave evidence.

Special Policeman McBride testified that he had seen Madden struggling and heard someone say rush the police. Four or five soldiers called for other soldiers to keep back. He did not know how many had side arms.

Special Policeman Barrett also gave evidence.

Private Madden was placed on the stand. In the night in question he heard someone say the soldiers were fighting in Charlotte street. He had asked the Deputy Chief what Stevens was arrested for and had been told that he was fighting. Madden had then said that he was a member of the picket and asked that he might take Stevens to the Armory. This was not allowed and he started across the street to telephone to one of the officers when he was seized by Sergeant Rankine. He was later arrested by Rankine and taken to a cell. Cross examined by the Deputy Chief Madden said that he had taken hold of Stevens and tried to break his hold on the deputy chief.

Private Collins also testified.

Other witnesses will be called by the defence.

POWER BOAT CLUB

-IN ITS SIXTH YEAR-

Interesting Programme at Club House—Commodore Gerow Gives Reminiscent Address.

The St. John Power Boat Club held their fifth anniversary at the club house, Cedar street, last evening. A large number was present, and an interesting programme was given, as follows: Overture by the club orchestra; monologue, M. Kelley; comic selection, by H. Smith; motion picture, comedy subject; selection by the orchestra; solo, Charles Ramsay; dancing specialty by Joseph Matthew; motion picture, comedy subject; song by C. Bruce Skelton; selection by orchestra. God Save the King.

A TRULY POWERFUL PRODUCTION.

"The Crucible," Mark Lee Luther's story as pictured on the Imperial curtain yesterday, proved a masterly production, not only in the point of action and photography but the literary value of the piece was most marked. It was certainly in a class by itself—dealing with the ordeal through which a rather tom-boyish girl went because of mere accidental happenings which caused her to be placed in a reformatory, from which she subsequently escaped. The leading role was admirably assumed by Marguerite Clark, who at the present time is one of America's famous actresses. The week-end feature at the Imperial, pending the commencement of the new serial "The Black Box" next week, will be that immortal story of British heroism "The Loss of the Birkenhead," played and pictured in England with the assistance of a regiment of British regulars. This will be a timely and welcome treat for old and young.

Public Utilities.

The regular meeting of the Public Utilities Commission was held yesterday with all the members present, but only routine matters came before the commissioners.

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The call of river, lake and stream will, e'er long, bid you take up Rod and Reel to seek your fishing haunts. You will be wise, therefore, to start now and look through your kit to see what is needed, that nothing be missing when you are ready for the trip.

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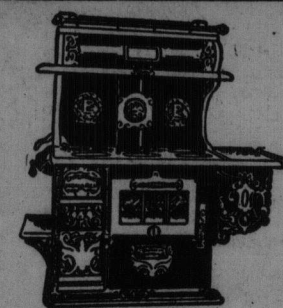
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