

LOCAL NEWS

THE WEATHER.

Washington, March 29.—New England forecasts: Fair and cold tonight; Tuesday, fair, moderate west to northwest winds.

On Recruiting Tour.

Major W. H. Gray, recruiting officer for York, Sunbury and Charlotte Counties, went to Stanley this morning on a recruiting tour.

Death of a Child.

The death occurred last evening of David, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Campbell, at their home on Charlotte street. The remains were taken to St. John this morning for burial.

The Late Mrs. Henry Watts.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Henry Watts took place yesterday afternoon from her late home on Needham street. Rev. Dr. W. H. Smith conducted the services and interment was made at the Rural Cemetery.

Will Occupy New Residence.

Mr. H. U. DeMill, manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce in this city, has leased the bungalow recently erected by Mr. Elwood Burr on Lansdowne street. The bungalow will be completed and ready for occupation on May 1st.

Engagement Announced.

The engagement is announced of Rev. A. H. Greenwood, at present acting rector of the Parish Church in this city, and Miss Elsie Townsend, daughter of the late J. M. Townsend, of Amherst, N.S. Miss Townsend spent last summer in Fredericton visiting friends.

Close of Lenten Season.

Yesterday was Palm Sunday and the palm was blessed and distributed at St. Dunstan's Church in conformity with the usual custom. This is Holy Week, the last week of Lent, and the usual Good Friday and other services will be held in the various churches.

New Flag Stops.

Two new flag stops have been ordered for the Fredericton-Gagetown section of the St. Joan Valley Railway, one at the Experimental Station and the other at Babbitt's Sliding. The former is 2.4 miles from this city while the Babbitt Sliding is 19.5 miles from this city.

The Queensbury Case.

The taking of evidence in the Queensbury case of the King vs. Fred Elliot, which has been going on before Judge Wilson in the County Court for the past few weeks, was concluded on Saturday afternoon. Mr. Harry Cronkite was the last witness examined and his honor adjourned until Tuesday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock to hear argument of counsel.

Comforts for Soldiers.

Mrs. J. R. Howie, of the Central Committee of the Daughters of the Empire, received a letter this morning from Mrs. A. H. Robinson, secretary of the Women's Institute at Havelock, King's county, stating that a box containing thirty-six pairs of socks and three pairs of wristlets, had been shipped to the committee in this city. Eleven pairs of socks contained in the shipment were knitted by the ladies of Hickeysville, Kings county.

At the Front.

Sergeant Major H. T. Brewer has received word that his son, William, who enlisted with one of the artillery units at Ottawa, is now in France with the 1st Artillery Brigade. Sergeant Major Brewer has three sons with the overseas forces, William, in France with the First Canadian Contingent, Ray, of the Signalling Corps of the 26th Battalion at St. John, and Roy with the Canadian Engineers at Halifax.

To be Transferred to the 55th.

Major Randolph Crocker, officer commanding the 26th Battery of Field Artillery being mobilized here, stated this morning that the excess number of men now quartered here for the battery were to be transferred to the 55th Battalion. There are about 159 men here now and only 151 are needed for the full strength of the battery. Four more have failed to pass the medical examination and have been sent to their homes, fourteen in all having been turned down by Major T. F. A. Wainwright, who is conducting the medical examination.

Death of Former Frederictonian.

The death occurred at Detroit, Michigan, on March 13th, of Mr. Henry McCloskey in the 62nd year of his age. The deceased, who was a son of the late Mr. Patrick McCloskey of the city, was born in this city and removed to Detroit about twenty-nine years ago. He is survived by a widow, formerly Miss Ellen Bryson, of this city, and eight children, five daughters and three sons, all residing in Detroit, also by one brother, Mr. John McCloskey, and one sister, Miss Rose McCloskey, of this city. The funeral took place at Detroit on the 16th instant.

Death of Mrs. J. C. Risteen.

At her home on Smythe street on Saturday night, Mrs. Joseph C. Risteen died after a lingering illness. She was the youngest daughter of the late Andrew Richey, and was twice married. Her first husband, Albert Estey, met death by accident within a few months of their marriage. In 1877 she was married to Mr. Risteen, who survives. The late Mrs. Risteen leaves four stepchildren—Fred W. Risteen, of Woodstock, Harry C. Risteen, of California, Mrs. P. R. Rankine, of St. John, and Mrs. Edwin L. Clarke, of this city. Mrs. Henry G. Clarke, Mrs. James D. MacPherson and Mrs. James Maxwell are sisters. Several nephews and nieces also survive, among them Harry M. Clarke and Miss Clara Clarke, of this city, A. D. MacPherson, of Marysville, J. Abbingdon Clarke, of St. John, Andrew L. Richey and Miss Louisa Richey, of Haverhill, Mass. The funeral took place this afternoon from her late home. Rev. Thomas Marshall conducted the services and interment was made at the Rural Cemetery.

MAJOR GUTHRIE IS SECOND IN COMMAND OF 7TH BATTALION

Fredericton Officer with Western Battalion on Firing Line.

VISITED FREDERICTON BOYS AT SHORNCLIFFE

Artillerymen Meet Belgians and Get Confirmation of German Atrocities.

Major Percy A. Guthrie is not with the Princess Patricia's but is second in command of the 7th Battalion of the First Canadian Division now fighting in the trenches in Northern France.

In a letter to his brother-in-law, Sgt. Major H. T. Brewer, caretaker of the military property in Fredericton, Major Guthrie says that he received his appointment on his return to Tidworth Barracks after visiting the Second Canadian Contingent at Shorncliffe. He was advised of his appointment on March 16th and left for France that night to join Lt. Col. Hart-McHarge, the officer commanding his new battalion. The 7th Battalion is composed largely of British Columbia men and is one of the best battalions of the First Contingent. Major Guthrie had no less than five offers to go to the front with British regiments and had made up his mind to accept one of those offers, having called the Militia Department at Ottawa to that effect when his appointment to the 7th Battalion came.

Lt. Col. Hart-McHarge is a South African war veteran and a previous winner of the King's medal for shooting.

The vacancy which Major Guthrie fills is said to have been caused by the former major of the 7th Battalion having been killed in action.

Letters received here by Mrs. Guthrie from her husband, and dated March 23rd and 14th, tell of his visit to the camp at Shorncliffe. In company with Capt. Ronald McAvity, of St. John, he saw all the Fredericton boys of the 23rd and 24th Batteries just as they were lining up for church parade on Sunday. According to Major Guthrie every one of the local young men looked the picture of health and he expressed his pleasure at being able to meet the men from this city who had volunteered for such a worthy cause. One of his letters will be published in The Gleaner tomorrow.

Artillerymen Meet Refugees.

The members of the 23rd and 24th Batteries now located at Shorncliffe have already met a number of Belgian refugees and have learned that the stories which they heard of German atrocities before leaving here were only too true.

Gunner Charles Clarke, of the 23rd Battery, in a letter to his mother, Mrs. H. M. Clarke, George street, tells of meeting a number of Belgian refugees, one of whom told of having seen the Germans take four Belgian policemen out, line them up against a fence and shoot all four of them dead for no good reason whatever.

PROMOTION LIKELY FOR CAPT. McPEAKE

Former Adjutant of the 71st Regiment in Line for Paymaster.

Capt. J. P. McPeake, of this city, formerly adjutant of the 71st Regiment, is slated for the position of paymaster of the 12th Battalion, now at the Canadian Training Depot, England. In a letter to his wife here, Major P. A. Guthrie, who is now in France, tells of the probable promotion of Capt. McPeake. "Major Hamilton, our paymaster, has been transferred temporarily to the Record Office at Salisbury and will be sent to London," states Major Guthrie in his letter. "Capt. J. P. McPeake has taken over Major Hamilton's duties and will likely be paymaster."

DIED SUDDENLY.

Slight Bruise on Joseph Sands' Finger Resulted in Blood Poisoning and Caused Death.

What appeared to be a simple bruise on one of his fingers, suffered less than two weeks ago, resulted in the death yesterday of Mr. Joseph Sands, for many years an employee at the Barker House stables.

His finger was bruised about a week ago, and at first nothing serious was thought of the injury. However, the wound became infected and blood poisoning set in. He was taken to the Victoria Hospital on Saturday night, but had delayed too long for an operation and passed away yesterday morning.

He is survived by a wife and one daughter, Cecilia. Two brothers, George, of Boston, and James, of New York, also survive. The funeral will take place on Tuesday morning with High Mass of Requiem celebrated at St. Dunstan's Church at 9 o'clock by Rev. Father Carney. Interment will be made at the Hermitage.

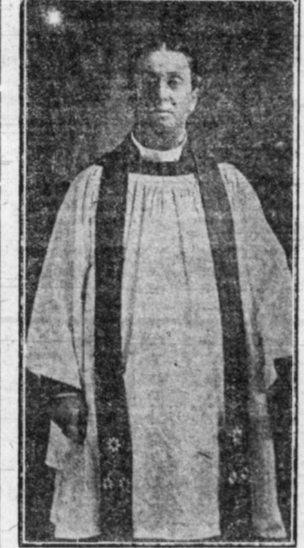
FOUR OF SONS OF CANON MONTGOMERY ARE ON SERVICE

Anglican Clergyman, Formerly of Springhill, Offered to Go Himself, Too.

THE OLDEST SON IS WITH CYCLE CORPS

Another with the Second and Two Others Are with Alberta Corps.

Rev. Canon Montgomery, for many years rector of St. Peter's Church, Springhill, and formerly one of the leading Anglican clergymen of the Diocese of Fredericton, has four sons serving the Empire in the great world



REV. HENRY MONTGOMERY.

war and has also offered him own services to go to the front. A Calgary paper says: "Few ministers of the Gospel are able to show such a patriotic record as Rev. Henry Montgomery, rector of St. Barnabas' Anglican Church at Hillhurst, Calgary. With four sons in the army, and an application by the rector himself to go to the front as chaplain of his old regiment, the 71st Yorks, (Continued on page 6.)"

ARREST ITALIAN IN CONSPIRACY TO DEFAUD C. P. R.

Secret Service of Railway Show Their Hand After Long, Careful Work.

OBTAINED CHECK BY IMPERSONATION

Other Arrests are Expected to Follow as Result of Sleuths' Work.

Alexander Petrucci, a young Italian, is occupying a cell in the York County Jail awaiting trial on charges connected with what is said to be one of the boldest conspiracies ever hatched to defraud the C. P. R.

For weeks two of the ablest detectives in the C. P. R. service have been engaged in the case, but the arrest of Petrucci is the first time they have shown their hands. Petrucci was to appear before Magistrate Limerick today, but because of the Magistrate's illness the case had to be postponed. The warrant for the arrest of Petrucci was sworn out here on the 24th instant, by Detective C. H. Baille, of the C. P. R. secret service, who has been assisted in the case by Detective A. Gintanelli, also of the C. P. R. force at Montreal. The charge is that the prisoner "did on the twentieth day of March instant, at the Parish of McAdam, in the County of York, unlawfully, with intent to obtain a check for the sum of twenty-four dollars and sixty-four cents from the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, did personate one L. deLuca, a living person."

Other arrests are to follow.

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Watches Going to Be Higher in Price. Those who intend buying a new watch are advised to buy now. The watch manufacturers have sent us new price lists dated from March 15th, 1915. To give you an opportunity to get your watch at the old price, we'll not increase our prices till May 1st. So it's up to you to buy now. E. R. BLACKMER, Opp. Normal School.

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