

AROUND THE CITY
FAIR AND COLD

NO CASES REPORTED.
There were no new cases of influenza reported to the Board of Health authorities yesterday.

ONE LONE DRUNK.
One lone drunk was gathered in by the police last night and will appear in court this morning to answer when, where and how.

COLLECTION OF GARBAGE.
In presenting his estimates for the year, Commissioner Fisher will recommend that the city should undertake the free collection of ashes and kitchen refuse.

SUCCESSFUL RAID.
Sub-inspectors McAuliffe and Gerritt, with two police officers, made an unexpected call on a North End boarding house last night and were successful in finding some prohibition liquor.

SALVATION ARMY.
Captain B. Chambers and Lieut. Brown, of Piquash, have been with drawn from their regular duties in connection with Salvation Army work, and are now attached to the reparation service in this city.

Y. M. C. I. ANNIVERSARY.
An anniversary celebration will be held by the Y. M. C. I. in a few weeks. It will be of a musical and literary character and it is proposed to invite representatives of the various Catholic societies throughout the province to take part.

ST. JOHN BOY HONORED.
Lance Corporal Arnold G. Johnston has been awarded the military medal for bravery at the battle of Cambrai. He was attached to the machine gun company of the 26th Battalion, and is a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Johnston, of 105 Hilyard street.

BACK FROM GERMANY.
Mrs. Ellen Speight, 623 Main Street, has received word from the War Office, London, that her son, Private Edward T. Speight, of the First Contingent, had arrived safely in England from Germany, where he had been a prisoner of war for three years and nine months.

INCREASED ESTIMATES.
The Commissioner of Public Safety states that the estimates for the department will be ready for presentation to the council in a few days, and will be higher than last year, owing to increases in salaries, new schedules for police and needed repairs to fire stations.

WAS WAR PRISONER.
Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tracey, 61 Brussels Street, that their son, Private E. P. Tracey, who has been a prisoner in Germany, has arrived safely in England. He was badly wounded at the battle of Ypres on June 2nd, 1918, and taken prisoner.

THE CHIEF INSPECTOR.
Rev. W. D. A. Jones, Fredericton, chief inspector under the Prohibition Act for the Province of New Brunswick, was in the city for a time yesterday on business. He left again on the Moncton express in the evening en route to Moncton, where he will look into conditions in and near there relative to how the Prohibition Act is being carried out.

COACH BROKE DOWN.
While a coachman was proceeding to the Depot last evening from the steamer Express, with six passengers, the coach broke down near the corner of Dock street and North Market Wharf, the straps on the rear of the coach breaking under the extra load. The passengers were not injured, and were quickly transferred to another passing coach.

BDR. J. A. GIBBON.
J. S. Gibbon has received a letter from his son, Bdr. J. A. Gibbon, who writes from Bonn, Germany, under the date of December 10. He says Bonn is a beautiful university city on the Rhine, with about 82,000 inhabitants. The university accommodates about 2,500 pupils. Bdr. J. A. Gibbon has been with the 23rd Howitzer Battalion through the heavy fighting prior to the armistice.

S. OF T. OFFICIAL HERE.
E. G. L. Hoonthal of Manchester, Conn., Most Worthy Patriarch of the Sons of Temperance, arrived in the city yesterday at noon and was met by a reception committee composed of W. E. Campbell, Worthy Patriarch of the local division, J. Stark and E. S. Henigar. Mr. Hoonthal will preside at the sessions of the Grand Division which will be held today in Central Baptist church. Last night a preliminary session was held at which some matters which had to be dealt with before the regular session was disposed of.

FIFTY NOT SEVENTY-FIVE.
One of the call men on the Fire Department brought to the notice of The Standard that statements have appeared in the daily press to the effect that the call men last year received an increase of 75 per cent, and were satisfied. The fireman pointed out that this was an error, saying: "We received an increase of 55, not 75, and this was not as large an increase as we asked for. As far as being satisfied, we were glad to receive the fifty rate, but there would be no dissatisfaction if the common council should feel inclined to give us more money."

THE NEW DISPENSARY.
Captain G. Clarke, of Military District Number 6, was in the city yesterday on military business. Colonel Osborne and Captain J. Rand McNally are expected in the city again in the near future, relative to an investigation of the new dispensary, recently inaugurated in this city for the handling of the men arriving in this port, en route to other military districts in the Dominion. The new dispensary, it is understood, is doing excellent work under the management of Major McArthur, formerly second in command of the Depot Battalion under Col. Jas. L. McAvoy.

MISSTATEMENTS
BY PASSENGERS

Dr. Taft of S. S. Scandinavian Shows There Has Been a Mistake on Part of Returned Soldiers Giving Out Interviews.

Dr. Taft, ship's surgeon, S.S. Scandinavian, wishes to state that "Mrs. Rosenberg" was cared for by the military medical staff, with Dr. Fysha as chief. There seems to be a general misunderstanding," he says, "in regard to responsibility for medical treatment for passengers on the S.S. Scandinavian. Upon embarkation at Liverpool, Dr. Fysha informed me that he was responsible entirely for the treatment of military men and their dependents, wives and children, and so in order that there would be no friction, I desired to have them all under his care. I did not see Mrs. Rosenberg at all during her illness, although I would have been glad to have been of service had I been called into the case. It is quite true that I cared for a number of officers' wives at the request of Dr. Fysha, as the press of sickness was abnormal and he was kept too busy to attend to all the cases.

With reference to the statement that a man was buried at sea before life was extinct, there is a grave misunderstanding there. The man in question died in the early morning, and was buried the following afternoon. There is also a mistake in the statement that one baby born during the voyage across died at sea. This infant was taken by a lady in a first class room and cared for in every way, and landed here in excellent health.

It is evident that when there is an official investigation at Ottawa the blame for any misconduct and improper treatment will be put upon the proper shoulders.

RECONSTRUCTION
WAS THE SUBJECT

Members of St. Monica's Society Yesterday Heard Interesting Address Delivered by Rev. Fr. Daley.

Members of the St. Monica Society were held in rapt attention at the Knights of Columbus rooms yesterday when Rev. Fr. Daley, R. C. priest, spoke to them on "Reconstruction." The lecture was along the same lines as the one given some time ago by the learned father before the Knights, but in this case he told the young ladies of the splendid opportunity before them for individual service. He spoke of the work that is being done in other parts of the empire, and in closing urged every one to forget self and creed and work for the state. Only by advancing the state, the country, can the faith be exalted and the individual strengthened.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the learned lecturer for one of the most enjoyable addresses delivered before the society.

XMAS GREETINGS
FROM GERMANY

Lieut. A. W. Thorne Sends Pretty Christmas Souvenir from 5th C. M. R. Battalion Across the Rhine.

From "Somewhere in Germany," Lt. A. W. Thorne, officer commanding A. Company, 5th C. M. R. Battalion, sends a unique souvenir in the shape of a pretty Christmas and New Year's greetings. On the front page is the 5th C. M. R. badge in gold on a Maple Leaf. On the second page are the different battles in which the battalion has engaged. These include: Ploegsteert, Ypres Salient, The Bluff, Maple Copse, Somme, Vimy Ridge, Avon, Hill 70, Passchendaele, Amiens, Arras, Cambrai, Valenciennes and Mons.

The third page shows a typical winter scene in the Canadian Northwest, log cabin, plenty of snow, men on snowshoes, etc., also the following words: "Lt. Col. W. Rhoades, D. S. O., M. C., and officers, 5th Canadian Mounted Rifles Battalion send you Christmas and New Year Greetings, Christmas, 1918. Somewhere in Germany."

On the back page are the names of the Battalion officers showing forty-four in all.

OFFICERS ELECTED
AND INSTALLED

At the regular meeting of Queens Royal Black Preceptory, No. 62, held last evening, the following officers were elected and installed for the ensuing year: J. H. Burley—W. P. B. Haines—D. P. Jas. Arthur—Chap. A. Ellison—Reg. Jas. Sprout—Treas. A. Galbraith—1st Lieut. Geo. Aberley—2nd Lieut. G. W. Clarke—1st S. B. H. Fadyen—2nd S. B. P. McMain—1st Cen. G. G. Keirstead—2nd Cen. S. Holder—Persu. T. H. Pitt—Tyler. Committee—George Earle, Charles Hughes, D. H. McNutt, A. Ralston, A. Winchester, R. Goodrich, E. W. Rowley.

PERSONAL

The friends of Mrs. E. C. Phelan, 45 Elliot Row, will regret to learn that she is at the present confined to the General Public Hospital, and wishes a complete recovery. G. D. Titus, proprietor of the Adams House, Halifax, is in the city visiting friends. Mrs. Percival L. Bonnell (nee Dowling) will receive for the first time since her marriage, on Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 15 and 16 at her home, 186 Sydney St.

ST. PETER'S HIGH
TEA AND BAZAAR

Grand Opening Last Evening in the Basement of the Church—Artistically Decorated Booths—Those on the Committees.

St. Peter's High Tea and Bazaar opened last evening in the basement of the church for the first time in the history of the parish, as on all former occasions it was held in St. Peter's Hall.

The first evening had a good crowd in attendance, who, apparently enjoyed themselves as they always do on the annual teas of St. Peter's parish. The booths were artistically decorated, and certainly much credit is due to the committee of ladies and gentlemen who did this part of the work. The booths were decorated in excellent style, as was the "This Way Inn," the quarters in which all may enjoy a good spread, under the capable and efficient direction of ladies. The old reliable City Cornet Band was in attendance, and will present every evening. The bazaar was placed on a raised pavilion in front of the tea tables, and was heard to advantage in many selections.

The tea tables were prettily decorated for the occasion with shaded yellow chrysanthemums, the work of Miss Annie Carlyn, who made each flower from colored tissue papers, reflecting much on her efficiency in this work. The tables were ably assisted by a band of willing workers, and this feature alone is worthy of favorable commendation.

The fair is now off to a good start, and last evening's activities promise that it will be up to those of former years if not surpassing them. It continues all week, and Friday evening is regular bazaar night, when housewives will be granted the opportunity of carrying off household necessities at a very small cost. The various committees charge follow: "This Way Inn"—Mrs. J. Mullin, J. Savage, J. Brown, and J. Kane, assisted by Mrs. McNulty, Mrs. Merrick, Mrs. Jas. Conroy, J. P. Quinn, Mrs. M. James, Mrs. Thos. Callaghan, Mrs. F. Fitzgerald, Mrs. J. Burke, Mrs. J. B. Maher, Mrs. Arthur Conroy, Mrs. J. Walsh, Mrs. S. McKeck, Mrs. Thos. Hurley, Mrs. Whelley, Mrs. Kane, Mrs. Walsh, Mrs. Dawson, Mrs. McNulty, Mrs. Wm. Crowley, and the Misses Annie Carlyn, M. McCloskey, M. McMillan, M. Coughlin, K. Coughlin, J. Gonnell, B. Russell, Ethel Walsh, Gnevevieve Dever, Alice Dever, Nellie Dever, Miss Durick, Geraldine Coll, Greta Coll, Alice Kelly, Mary Doherty, M. McGarrigle, Jean Burns, C. and J. O'Neill, M. McGuire, Eva Kiernan, Alice Caspary, Margaret, Mrs. S. Harrington, Emma Conroy, Clara Duffy, Mary McDonald, Helen M. Donald, M. Cronin and G. McNamara.

Ice Cream Tables—Mrs. J. O'Neill, Mrs. John Hills in charge, Misses Julia Creary, Theresa McQuinn, Emily Maxwell, Ross Phillips, Catherine M. Cormack, Mildred Conroy, Nellie Conroy, Theresa McCormack and Mary Lannon. Lady Ushers—The Misses Doris Mulaney, Ethel Creary, Florence Coughlin and Marie Hanson. All Dotted-up Booth—The Misses M. Kelly, Florence Phillips, Ella Martin, Fay Quinn and Catherine McHenry. Cloak Room—The Misses Lillian Howard, Vera McPadden, D. Hanson, H. McCarthy, M. McEllhinney, Zetta Conroy. Over the Top—Misses Gladys Morris, Annie Walsh, Alice Davlin. Oh, Fudge—Misses Irene O'Connor, Isabelle Gormley, Marcell Corkery, Evelyn Walsh. All Year 'Round—Misses Lena Harrington, Annie Tracey, Laura Tracey, Display Booth—Mrs. George McLaughlin. Made in Canada—Misses M. Corkery, W. O'Connor, R. Walsh. Art Gallery—Misses Helen Murphy, Marion Murphy, Mrs. J. O'Neill, Kiddle Castle—Misses Jean Walsh, Mary Grannan, Margaret Grannan, J. Coughlin. No Man's Land—Madams Turner, McElwaine, Murphy, Kiernan, Conroy, Bronnan, McGarrigle, Miss Alice Turner. Men's Committee—J. McHenry, H. M. Cleary, J. Devor, D. Howard, James McHenry, John McHenry, J. U. Jaggery, M. Garvin, C. Creary, E. S. Harrington, J. B. Corkery.

The King's mail courier brought a strange assortment of correspondence to the Board of Trade rooms yesterday. One letter called for information relating to any firm that may be in a position to export spruce lumber to ports in Spain and Italy. Another letter asked about the possibilities for a shoe repairing plant in the city. Two concerns wrote asking for information regarding mill machinery and supplies, and another communication called for opinions regarding the railway commission which will meet in Ottawa on the 21st inst.

STRANGE ASSORTMENT

Thousands of this fair city's shoppers in past years have proven to their own very great satisfaction the splendid values that have spread far and wide. And not only are the prices surprisingly low, but the merchandise, in most cases, is spandy new, and of sterling quality—seasonable as winter itself. For this month we have laid plans for the busiest January in store history, to surpass the splendid records of last year's great sale. It is but natural to expect it, to date, this January Clearance and Whitewear Sale will make a splendidly helpful to those who have been quick to take advantage. The goods are here—counters all over the store are loaded with them. The values are triumphs of merchandising achievements, and we can promise a counter service that will make shopping in this sale nothing short of a pleasure on that score alone.

AN EVENT OF INSTIMABLE IMPORTANCE TO THRIFT SHOPPERS

Final Preparations for Thrift Stamp Campaign Completed at Meeting Last Night—Canvas Starts This Morning.

At a largely attended meeting of the captains and ward workers held last evening, the final preparations for the start of the big Thrift Stamp campaign were completed and this morning the canvases of the city and county will be in the way, and at the same time save some money which will bring them in a good rate of interest, will not have to go to the banks or post office to invest. It is understood some of the larger stores are intending to adopt the booth idea which proved so popular in the United States, and will erect booths throughout their places of business at which the thrift stamps will be on sale.

One of the workers last night said however the success of the movement depended on the small stores and he urged the hope that every one of the smaller stores would place the stamps on sale and push the sale as much as possible.

REMNAINT SALE OF CURTAIN MATERIALS ON TUESDAY

One to Six Yards in Each Piece Many lengths suitable for Sash Curtains, others long enough for regular size. SCRIMS in white, cream and beige, with and without colored borders. MADRAS MUSLINS in white and cream.

PLAIN MATERIALS IN SUNFAST COLORS, 50 IN. WIDE, SUITABLE FOR CURTAINS AND MANTEL DRAPERIES. COLORS ARE BLUE, BROWN, ROSE, RED AND GREEN. Sale in Art Section, 2nd Floor.

FREE HEMMING SALE OF HOUSEHOLD LINENS AND COTTONS IN LINEN SECTION—GROUND FLOOR.

SPRING WHITWEAR NOW SHOWING IN WHITWEAR SECTION.

AN EMERGENCY
RECEIVING HOME

Salvation Army Barracks in West St. John Being Transferred—Home for Passengers from Troopships.

The Salvation Army barracks in West St. John are being transformed into an emergency receiving home for women and children, passengers on the troop ships, who may have occasion to stop over night at this port. A large general parlor or sitting room will be arranged in the front of the building, and a dormitory with a capacity of twenty beds will be thoroughly furnished and equipped in the rear.

Many of the women who are now coming home have not sufficient money to carry them through to their destination, let alone pay for a hotel or lodging house bill here. Quite a number are for points in the Maritime Provinces, to which trains do not leave until the early morning, and a night stop-over in the city is imperative.

It is surprising the number of women on board the boats who are travelling either alone, or with several small children, administered, and bad as such a condition would be, there is the added hardship or insufficient money. In this connection the Patriotic Funds, administered under the direction of Frank S. West, has done a noble duty in helping the sick, tired, hungry and financially embarrassed mothers, who are now coming back, many of them war widows, from the Mother Country.

CAPT. A. L. BARRY TELLS OF BONN

Federicton Officer Writes from German City—High Cost of Living There—Quotes Some of the Prices.

Under date of December 13th ultimo, Capt. A. L. Barry, formerly of Fredericton, writes from Bonn, Germany, where he is at present located. He tells of the high prices of ordinary food stuffs, and remarked that Germany must have been hard pressed at the time of the signing of the armistice. Some of the prices quoted were ordinary soap, ten cents in Canada, retailed at the present time in Germany at the rate of seven marks—a mark being nearly twenty-five cents. Ordinary groceries, seventeen marks, or in our coinage \$4.25, the same price in Canada, \$1.00.

To help overcome the high prices, an armistice commission had set the value of a mark at seven-tenths of a franc, or a little over 12 cents. Without the new value the cost of living for the troops would be out of the question. Speaking of Bonn, he mentioned the excellent electric tram communication, which ran in and around the city, and of the natural beauty of the city. The residents in that section of Germany by their attitude to the Canadians, showed that they were wise in their judgment. Concluding his letter he hoped to be home in the near future. A brother of Captain Barry, Corporal J. A. Barry, must have home last Saturday after a service lasting over three years.

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Wood Baskets For the Fireplace
These are very attractively worked out in brown color effect; the bottoms, which stand clear of the floor, are of solid wood, the sides of beautifully woven splint, with strong handle to correspond, and nicely varnished. They are displayed in our MARKET SQUARE WINDOW. The Prices are \$5.95 and \$6.00 each.
W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD.

Special Sale Today OF Black Silk Mourning Turbans
Some of these Turbans have widow's veils, others white crepe facings, all are correct and wanted styles. To reduce our large stock we will give extra special prices on a limited number of these hats.
Marr Millinery Co., Limited

WARMTH ALL OVER THE HOUSE
Get instant, steadily sustained warmth that's smokeless, odorless and inexpensive with the PERFECTION OIL HEATER
A cozy bedroom to dress the kiddies in these chilly mornings is a great comfort. Through the day you can carry it from room to room, driving out cold and substituting cheery, economical warmth. No dust, no smoke, no smell, no trouble to clean or light. Closed Saturdays one o'clock during January, February and March.
Emerson & Fisher Ltd.

STORES OPEN AT 9 A.M. CLOSE AT 6 P.M.
Our January Sale of Men's and Boys' Furnishings
is still progressing. Seasonable garments are being offered at greatly reduced prices, actually lower prices than manufacturers offer today.
Shirts and Drawers, in heavy ribbed wool, "Penman's" make, men's sizes. Sale price \$1.25 garment.
Men's Combinations, in fine elastic ribbed brushed cotton, medium weight. Sale price \$2.00 suit.
Men's Combinations, in fine natural wool, elastic ribbed, molton and heavy weights. \$4.00 and \$4.50 suit.
Men's Shirts and Drawers in odd makes and different weights, extra good qualities. Big bargain prices.
Boys' Shirts and Drawers, heavy weight, in grey and brogue wool, "Penman's" make, all sizes. On Sale, 60c. garment.
Boys' Combinations in elastic ribbed wool medium and heavy weights. Sale prices \$2.00 and \$2.50 suit.
Men's Heavy Wool Socks, in greys and fawns. Very special priced, 28c. pair.
Men's Black Socks, in heavy ribbed wool and cotton. Balance of an old purchase. Wonderful value, 35c. pair.
Heavy Leather Gloves and Mittens, in mu and horsehide, lined and unlined. Every pair a big bargain. 50c., 60c., 70c., 85c. and 95c.
Workmen's Shirts, in heavy cotton drills, satens and ceylonette Flannels. Sale prices 75c., \$1.00 and \$1.25.
Men's Night Shirts, in 3-cylonette Flannels, with colored stripes. Sale price \$1.33.
Men's Pyjamas in same material. Sale price \$1.98.
Braces, in Police and French styles. 25c., 35c. and 39c.
Fibre Silk Motor Scarfs, in tan, brown, sage and rose. Very specially priced, \$1.25 each.
Khaki Cotton Handkerchiefs, hemstitched. 2 for 25c.
Pretty Colored Bordered Handkerchiefs, 2 for 25c. Better quality, 3 for 50c.
Remnant Sale of Curtain Materials on Tuesday
One to Six Yards in Each Piece Many lengths suitable for Sash Curtains, others long enough for regular size.
CURTAIN NETS in white, cream and ecru.
PLAIN MATERIALS in sunfast colors, 50 in. wide, suitable for Curtains and Mantel Draperies. Colors are blue, brown, rose, red and green. Sale in Art Section, 2nd Floor.
Free Hemming Sale of Household Linens and Cottons in Linen Section—Ground Floor.
Spring Whitewear Now Showing in Whitewear Section.
Manchester Robertson Allison Limited
KING STREET • GERMAIN STREET • MARKET SQUARE •

20 PER CENT. DISCOUNT MAGEE'S SALE OF 33 1-3 PER CENT. DISCOUNT
"Reliable Furs" at January Prices
Means much more to you, Madam, if you are contemplating the purchase of furs, than would appear at first glance. "Reliable Furs" are never costly—they outlive their value. THIS JANUARY, considering the continual advance in the price of raw furs, THE PRICES ARE PHENOMENAL, and many of your friends have benefited.
MONDAY AND TUESDAY SPECIALS.
1 Woman's Seal Coat for \$110.00. It was \$160.00.
1 Woman's Beaver Coat for \$295.00. It was \$375.00.
1 Woman's Natural Muskrat Coats, Hudson Seal Trimmed, Each \$85.00. Originally \$110.00.
Also All of Our BLACK WOOL SCARVES AND MUFFS FOR 33 1-3 OFF—BUT ONLY FOR 2 DAYS.
63 King Street, St. John, N. B.