

## THE WEATHER.

**Forecast:**  
 Maritime — Winds mostly easterly, a few scattered showers, but partly fair and cool.  
 Washington, April 27—Northern New England—Cloudy Wednesday; Thursday probably local rains and warmer; moderate east and southeast winds.  
 Toronto, April 27—Showers have occurred in the northern portions of Saskatchewan and Alberta, and a few local thunderstorms in Ontario. The weather continues quite cool in eastern Quebec and the Maritime Provinces.

## Temperatures.

|               | Min. | Max. |
|---------------|------|------|
| Dawson        | 26   | 46   |
| Prince Rupert | 34   | 49   |
| Victoria      | 46   | 56   |
| Vancouver     | 46   | 60   |
| Kamloops      | 50   | 62   |
| Edmonton      | 38   | 46   |
| Battleford    | 46   | 60   |
| Medicine Hat  | 44   | 70   |
| Moose Jaw     | 44   | 76   |
| Regina        | 34   | 72   |
| Port Arthur   | 44   | 54   |
| Perry Sound   | 46   | 82   |
| London        | 60   | 84   |
| Toronto       | 60   | 82   |
| Ottawa        | 60   | 78   |
| Montreal      | 64   | 72   |
| St. John      | 36   | 44   |

## Around the City

## At Marsh Bridge

Commissioner Potts has a crew of men engaged raising the sidewalk at the Marsh Bridge. The sidewalk on the bridge has been quite low and on wet days the water covered the sidewalk. Broken stone and ashes are being placed in position and a surface about eight inches higher than formerly will be constructed.

## Lectures in West Side Church

Mrs. E. A. Smith delivered an interesting lecture in the Carleton Methodist church last evening before an appreciative audience. Her subject was "Through the Swiss Alps." The lecture was finely illustrated. At the conclusion a vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Smith by Captain (Chaplain) H. E. Thomas on behalf of those present.

## Police Activities.

The police were called to Mrs. Flanagan's house on German street yesterday to assist in ejecting a woman who was not wanted there. Officers were also called to Selick Jacobson's house, 51 Chapel street, to assist in ejecting a man. A retaining wall around the Simonds estate on Harrison street fell out on Monday night over the sidewalk.

## No Council Yesterday

The city commissioners did not have their usual meeting yesterday afternoon. Commissioner Potts arrived at City Hall at three o'clock and was told by the Common Clerk that the meeting would not be held. Mayor Frink said a meeting would likely be necessary on Friday, when the matter of issuing bonds for the water and sewerage department would be considered.

## Bridge Still There

A. R. Wetmore, engineer of the Provincial Department of Public Works, was in the city yesterday. Asked about the rumor that the new bridge at Newcastle had started to slide into the Miramichi, Mr. Wetmore said: "I heard the rumor, but officially speaking I don't know how it originated. If anything had really happened to the bridge I would know about it."

## The First Straw Hat Yesterday

The first straw hat of the season appeared in the streets yesterday. A gentleman, who came in on the Pacific Express, wore a new Panama and it stood out prominently among the other hats in the station. As the stranger wended his way through the streets he was given a good amount of attention. He evidently came from a place that was warmer than this. The fog and dampness in the air yesterday was not suggestive of straw hats for men at least.

## PERSONAL.

George D. Prescott, M. L. A. of Albert is at the Dufferin.  
 Hon. J. A. Murray was in the city yesterday and returned last evening to Fredericton.

The engagement is announced of Miss Evelyn Read Bennett, eldest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Bennett, of Hopewell Cape, N. B., to Dr. Horace Weldon Coates, of Vancouver, B. C. The marriage which will take place early in June, will be very quiet owing to a recent bereavement in the family.

O. M. Melanson, Deputy Speaker of the Legislature, passed through to Fredericton last night.

A. B. Connell, K.C., of Woodstock, came in on the Boston express last evening to attend the meeting of the Public Utilities Commission here today.

F. P. Robinson, secretary of the Public Utilities Commission, came from Fredericton last night.

Hon. James A. Murray, Hon. John Morrissey and Hon. J. B. M. Baxter were passengers on the Pacific express to Fredericton last evening.

Dr. O. E. Price, M.L.A., of Moncton, went to the capital last evening.

W. F. Humphrey, M.L.A., went through to Fredericton last night.

Major F. B. Black, M.L.A., went to Fredericton for the meeting of the Legislature last night.

## INTERESTING LETTERS FROM THE WAR ZONE

Mrs. E. Atherton Smith receives communications from Col. Shillington and Canon Almond.

Two of the most interesting letters from the front, interesting particularly in connection with the supply of comforts for the soldier boys, were received yesterday by Mrs. E. Atherton Smith. One of the letters, under date of April 9th, was from Rev. Canon Almond, one of the chaplains with the first Canadian contingent and, incidentally, Mrs. Smith's cousin. An extract from his letter follows:

My Dear Cousin:—  
 Your letter of March 19th received this a.m. and I hasten to reply. I am in close touch with the whole of the Canadian division, but with the divisional artillery in particular—3,500 men. Any field supplies or comforts for the men addressed to:

Major Rev. Canon Almond, Headquarters Divisional Artillery, in care of Col. Murray, First Canadian Divisional Ordnance, British Expeditionary Force, France, would insure delivery somewhere along the line of trenches—let us hope near Berlin. I know the men would very much appreciate socks, and I would suggest letter paper and envelopes, towels, shaving soap, razors, pipes and tobacco.

We have been holding a few miles of the front for the past month, and our men are doing splendidly. You will be pleased to hear that Major Frank Magee has been complimented several times on the accuracy of his guns. He is in command of our heavy battery and is a most efficient and popular officer.

It is an everlasting inspiration to witness these brave boys take their turn in the trenches and march forward to face death to the swing of some popular song, but one feels the atmosphere and can easily detect the seriousness underlying the outward seeming. There is a good deal of optimism in official quarters as to the duration of the war—I most seriously trust our Empire accepts no compromise—German militarism and Kultur must be confined to the pages of history, and it is not much of a legacy to leave humanity.

I should be very glad to distribute any comforts sent to the boys with whom I am associated. I feel this division will not hesitate in offering Canada's gift on the altar of Empire. The rest of the letter was of a private nature.

The other letter was from Lt. Col. A. T. Shillington of No. 2 Stationary Hospital. He writes:

Le Toquet, Paris-Plage, France.  
 9-4-15.

Mrs. E. Atherton Smith,  
 47 Carleton street, St. John, N. B., Canada.

Dear Mrs. Smith:—

Your letter of March 18th received yesterday, with cheques for \$18 francs enclosed, from the local Red Cross Society of Newcastle, New Brunswick. I am writing them also, thanking them for this donation. I wish to tell you that after your first letter and before fixing up New Brunswick ward, we changed the names of some of the wards and gave New Brunswick one of the best wards in the hospital, on the second floor. We are having it fitted up in a most excellent manner for a military hospital. The main operating room is in this ward, also our X-Ray Department, and the special dark room for our eye and ear specialists.

I hope, in a short time, to be able to forward you photographs of the buildings and tents, also photographs of the operating room, eye and ear room, and other rooms in New Brunswick ward, as we expect to have a complete set in the near future.

We are spending the money according to your instructions as near as possible. Of course in the purchase of anaesthetics and requisites of this kind, we cannot confine their use to one ward. We will not forget to let patients from New Brunswick know what you are doing for their comfort when they are sick and wounded.

I now have Sister Parks from St. John as well as Sister Margaret Hare and Sister Domville, who are all doing very excellent work in the hospital. Sister Margaret Hare is particularly proud that so much is being done for us by New Brunswick.

I will write you again shortly and if I can get the photographs passed the censor, will send them along. We feel we have the best military hospital in France and will be very anxious to let you see the pictures. We have now treated about 1,500 patients and up to the present have only had thirteen deaths, and I am glad to say none of them were Canadians.

I made a trip up to the firing line Tuesday of this week, and visited Merville, Neuf Berquin, Bethune and several small villages along the front of the trenches, and saw a great many thousands of the Canadians in their billets along the firing line.

Thanking you again for your interest in our work, I am,

Yours sincerely,  
 A. T. SHILLINGTON,  
 O. C. No. 2 Canadian Stationary Hospital.

## SUDDEN DEMISE OF FRANK C. CRAIBE

In usual good health until stricken about nine o'clock last night.

The many friends of Frank C. Craibe of 80 Sydney street, were shocked last night to learn of his sudden death. Mr. Craibe was at his place of business with A. Chipman Smith and Co., druggists, Charlotte street, as usual all day yesterday and went to his home about six o'clock. He was apparently in the best of health. About nine o'clock he was stricken with apoplexy and died almost immediately.

Mr. Craibe was in the 60th year of his age and besides his wife, who is a daughter of the late John Rook of this city, he leaves one son, C. Walker Craibe, at present in Cincinnati, Ohio, and one daughter, Mrs. Arthur Irvine of Westmount, Montreal.

The late Frank C. Craibe was perhaps one of the best known citizens in St. John and had been connected with the drug business nearly all his life. He began the drug business with the late George Stewart on King street and later entered the employ of T. B. Barker and Son, also of King street, but during the past number of years was the chief clerk with the firm of A. Chipman Smith and Co., in the drug business on Charlotte street. He was a man who was beloved by all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance and will be greatly missed by a very wide circle of friends.

## ANNUAL REUNION OF PEERLESS LODGE

North End Oddfellows had roll call meeting last night.

The members of Peerless Lodge, Independent Order of Oddfellows, held their annual reunion last evening in the hall Simonds street. More than fifty members of the order were present and an enjoyable evening was spent. The secretary of the lodge, Miles E. Morrell, called the roll of members. There was a programme of musical numbers carried out and addresses were delivered by the members.

W. Frank Hatheway of Simonds Lodge gave a talk on his recent trip to the West Indies. He described Martinique and conditions prevailing there at the present time. Other speeches were given by Brothers M. D. Brown, Duncan G. Linsley, Fred Smiller, George Gorham, E. N. Stockford, B. W. Thorne, H. B. Elliott, George Chase, W. W. Chase, F. W. Stanton, Stanley Cody and others. The musical programme was provided by Bros. Stanton, Chase, Salmon, Woods and Bagwell.

An efficient committee of the lodge provided refreshments for all present. The meeting closed shortly before 11 o'clock.

## ANNUAL MEETING OF CANADIAN CLUB

Reports show much good work done during past year—Officers elected.

The annual meeting of the Canadian Club was held last evening in the board room of the School Trustees, there being a good attendance. The president, Dr. H. S. Bridges, occupied the chair. The reports of the secretary, H. Lester Smith, and the corresponding secretary, Rev. J. James McCaskill, were read and adopted. Both showed good work done during the year. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, J. Hunter White; first vice-president, R. T. Hayes; second vice-president, R. T. Hayes; secretary, H. Lester Smith; treasurer, Horace Porter; corresponding secretary, Rev. J. James McCaskill; finance committee, William Brodie, James Jack, H. O. McInerney; members of executive, A. M. Belding, Sheriff A. A. Wilson and H. O. McInerney, with all past presidents.

A resolution was passed thanking the School Trustees for the use of the board room for the meetings of the club, and to the retiring president, Dr. Bridges for his capable work during his period of office.

The report of the co-secretary reviewed the work of the club in the past year and referred in detail to the subjects taken by the different speakers who had addressed the club. These speakers were thirteen in number and those who were here before August dealt with subjects of general interest, but of those who followed five successively gave addresses on some of the phases of the war. Major-General Sam Hughes drew the largest audience. Other speakers whose addresses were listened to by large gatherings were Dr. Herridge, whose topic was Canada and the War; Mr. Adams, who gave an address on Town Planning; and Mr. Alexander, whose theme was Our Boys as a Civic Asset. Most of the meetings were well attended. During the year a meeting was held in conjunction with the Women's Canadian Club and

## CONSTRUCTING NEW ROADWAYS IN WEST SIDE

First Concrete Gutter for St. John — Broken stone ready for street improvement.

The first real effort to construct good streets in Carleton has been started by Commissioner Potts, who has a crew of men laying a macadam roadway in Rodney street from Union north to the mill pond. Commissioner Potts said yesterday that he would do what he could. He considered the West Side as one of the best residential sections. He hoped that the people there would assist by planting trees and flowers in their lots and otherwise helping to beautify the prospect of the streets.

In Rodney street too there is being constructed the first concrete gutter ever laid in St. John and it promises to be a pattern after which other gutters will be fashioned.

The roadway in Rodney street will be of water bound macadam in the center, while the edges will be of tar bound macadam. The surface resulting will be similar to that in church and Princess streets, East Side.

Commissioner Potts suggested also that the property owners along Rodney street might be interested in the concrete sidewalks and if they wished walks of this nature they could have them by sustaining half the cost of construction. He felt that such sidewalks would add much to the appearance of the street and be an example to other citizens.

In the work of placing the new street surfaces in condition the big eleven ton steam roller has been taken to the West Side and for the first time will be used in street construction there. In other years the broken stone was used there for repairs, but the surface of the roadways was not rolled into shape.

During the winter the portable steam crusher has been engaged in preparing stone for the roadways. The stone has been cut from the upper end of Rodney street and eventually there will be a complete roadway from Rodney street right up into Lancaster street. The amount of stone crushed was 1,510 tons and this will be used on the West Side streets. Commissioner Potts intended having more stone prepared, but on account of the lack of money the work had to be curtailed. As many streets as possible, however, will be fitted up.

Some work too has been done in Winslow street. A crowd will be placed in the roadway and in places the sidewalk will be widened. The steam roller is at present engaged in this work, but as soon as possible will be used on the roads.

## NEW APPOINTMENTS TO 26TH BATTALION

The 26th Battalion left the army at an early hour yesterday for a route march, with tactical work, and did not return till near six p.m. Several appointments in the 26th were announced yesterday from Halifax. Lieut. J. A. MacKenzie has been promoted to the rank of captain. Lieut. Basil Winter and Lieut. C. G. Porter are attached to B company. Men enrolled for the Canadian Remount Division by Col. Armstrong are now stationed at St. John, Que. Those who went from here are: A. Barnard, D. W. Cochrane, John Deaton, L. L. Jackson, H. Pitman, Fred. Wheate, Henry Stinton, J. C. Simmonds, D. Pettipiece, John H. O'Connor, Joseph Neaves, Robert Moore and William Messer.

Capt. W. A. Harrison, adjutant with the Divisional Ammunition Column, was in the city yesterday.

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## Soldier Case in Court

In the Police Court yesterday morning a soldier named Madden was before the court, charged with interfering with the police and also with assaulting Sergeant Rankine. Several witnesses were examined and the case was then set over till this morning.

another with the Town Planning Committee. The membership roll now contains the names of 445 members.

An informal discussion took place at last evening's meeting from which it seemed to be the general opinion that it would be desirable, if possible, to secure some good speakers to address the club during the summer months, but no definite action was taken.

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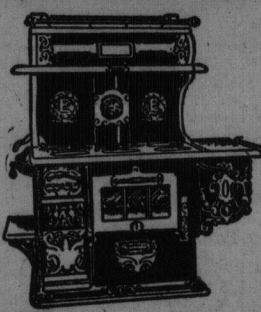
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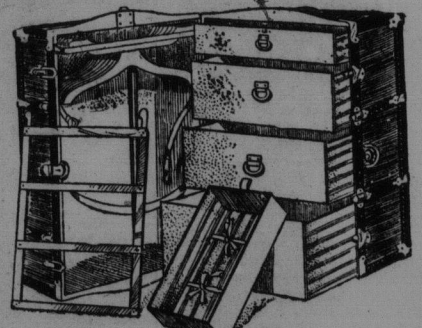
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