

THE WEATHER.

Forecast.

Maritime—Strong northwest and west winds, decreasing by night, fair and cold.

Washington, Nov. 17—Northwest New England—Partly cloudy Thursday and Friday, moderate west to northwest winds.

Toronto, Nov. 17—The weather has been fair today throughout Dominion and, for the most part, cold.

Temperatures.

	Min.	Max.
Prince Rupert	38	46
Kamloops	30	54
Vancouver	40	52
Calgary	18	44
Edmonton	16	36
Battleford	12	36
Moose Jaw	20	38
Prince Albert	14	30
Medicine Hat	24	42
Swift Current	22	44
Winnipeg	18	30
Port Arthur	16	32
Parry Sound	16	32
London	26	37
Ottawa	18	30
Montreal	22	30
Quebec	20	26
St. John	28	42
Halifax	30	38

Around the City

Back To Toronto

Detective Crow of Toronto left the city last night accompanied by G. Pearl Black, alias George Brown. Black is charged with giving a check for \$30 for a debt which he had no funds and signing the name George D. Brown.

Contracts Awarded.

Contracts for supplies for the provincial hospital have been awarded as follows: Dry goods, M.R.A. Ltd.; groceries, G. E. Barbour Co. Ltd.; meats, Vanwart Brothers; bread, J. & W. Shaw; shoes, Waterbury & Rising, Ltd.; drugs, Riecher's Pharmacy; hardware, R. P. & W. F. Starr; soft coal, Harvey Welton, Minto.

Industries Seek Sites.

Two applications for industrial sites have recently been received by the Board of Trade. Both asked for rail and water connections. The receipt of these enquiries would indicate a renewal of interest in industrial properties. As there is likely to be an increased demand for factory and warehouse sites at the close of the war, the secretary of the Board of Trade would be glad to receive full information regarding any such sites within or near the city.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER VISITS REBEKAHS

J. A. Murdoch, District Deputy Grand Master, and members of the Standing Committee of the 4th District I. O. O. F., paid a fraternal visit last evening to Jewel Rebekah Lodge, West End. This was the first of a series of visits the District Deputy and associates will make during the winter to the various subordinate and Rebekah lodges in the city and also mark the first occasion in the history of Odd Fellowship in St. John when members of the parent order visited a lodge of Rebekahs.

The visitors were officially welcomed by the Noble Grand of Jewel Lodge and a pleasant evening was spent. Mrs. Pollard, vice-president of the Rebekah Assembly, who is touring the Maritime Provinces, officially visiting the subordinate lodges, was present. In an eloquent address referred to the benefits to be derived from such functions. Mr. Murdoch responded to the address of welcome and other speakers were Miss Smith and Mrs. Belyea of Jewel Lodge, M. D. Brown and Frank Stanton of Peerless Lodge; H. E. Codner and John Walker of Sloop Lodge; W. E. Neve, J. Dawson and F. A. Sinclair of Pioneer Lodge; Mr. Carter of Golden Rule Lodge; and Mr. Clayton of Plaster Rock Lodge. Songs were rendered by Messrs. Murdoch and White and Miss Robertson while John Salmon of Peerless Lodge gave a reading. Refreshments were served and the entertainment closed with a dance. During the evening the members of Pioneer Lodge extended an invitation to the members of Jewel and Sapphire Rebekah lodges to visit Pioneer Lodge this evening on the occasion of the first ladies' night of the season.

HAD ROUGH WEATHER.

Reporting a very heavy storm off the Nova Scotian coast, the S. H. H. Kitchener arrived at Halifax Monday with her deckload gone. The Kitchener is bound from Gaspe to Boston with a cargo of lumber, and the seas sweeping over the schooner's decks carried away all lumber not in the holds.

Two men were injured and a third was nearly washed overboard when the Nova Scotia schooner Conrad S. in Monday from New York, was struck and boarded by a heavy sea off Seal Island last Wednesday. The schooner was running before a strong breeze under her mainmast, foremast, jumbo and jib when the sea struck her. Captain Brannen saved Seaman McLeod from going overboard and he later put into Shelburne to land the injured men.

TWO NEW BATTALIONS WITH HEADQUARTERS IN ST. JOHN RESIGNATION OF REV. MR. CAMP WAS ACCEPTED

Col. Fowler will command the 140th and Col Wedderburn the 115th—Another unit for the North Shore under Col. Mersereau.

Three new infantry regiments for New Brunswick are now officially authorized. These are the 115th, with headquarters in St. John, which will be under the command of Lieut.-Col. Fred. V. Wedderburn; the 123rd with headquarters in Newcastle, under command of Lieut.-Col. George Mersereau, and the 140th, with headquarters in St. John, under command of Lieut.-Col. George W. Fowler, commanding officer of the 104th.

Of these units, two full regiments, the 115th and the 140th, will be mobilized in St. John and will spend the winter here, thus making with the 69th from Quebec as well as the heavy battery and other smaller units which may be recruited, about as many men for this city as can be accommodated.

This information was given out last evening on the return of Lieut.-Cols. Fowler and Wedderburn from Halifax where they had gone to consult with Sir Sam Hughes and others as to future arrangements.

Two Battalions.

Lieut.-Col. Fowler told The Standard that a sort of working arrangement had been made whereby the 140th Regiment which will be under his supervision and which will be affiliated with the 104th, will be recruited chiefly in the Counties of Kings, Queens and Albert, with possibly Westmorland added; that the 115th will be chiefly from the St. John district. This includes St. John, Charlotte and the river counties, as explained by Lieut.-Col. Wedderburn, and that the 123rd will be chiefly from Kent, Northumberland, Gloucester and Restigouche. Lieut.-Col. Fowler further explains that so far as he can say at present, and in all probability will be final, the surplus men from the 104th will be transferred into the 140th, which is affiliated with the 104th. The Travellers' Platoon will remain in the 104th, and all the men, who may be secured at the recruiting meeting on Friday night in Fredericton will also serve in the 104th. In the Kings-Albert, and St. John River districts, where there will be efforts to concentrate the efforts in the interests of the 115th and 140th, respectively, the men enlisting will have the privilege of choosing for themselves which regiment they join. It is the desire to keep to the district

THE NORTH SHORE BATTALION NOW FACES CHARGE OF KILLING AKERLEY

Lieut. Col. Mersereau last evening gave The Standard a lot of very interesting information in respect to the arrangements which he has so far been able to make with regard to the 123rd Battalion. He is at present in Halifax but will return to his home in Doaktown tomorrow and will thereafter spend most of his time in Chatham, which has been chosen by him as the headquarters for the regiment. Last evening he stated that he had yesterday received authority to go right ahead with his recruiting in the North Shore counties and that on this news being made known to his friends in that part of the province the response had been immediate and most enthusiastic. The whole town of Campbellton has formed itself into a recruiting committee and in all the other centres active committees are already at work.

There is one feature which Lieut. Col. Mersereau thinks will make a big hit in his own community. As his second in command he has chosen Major W. H. Belyea, who is now in command of a company of the 26th Regiment in the trenches in Flanders. Not only is Major Belyea a first-class soldier, but he is particularly well known on the North Shore, and he has besides the added qualification of having been through some pretty severe fighting in the present campaign. Lieut. Col. Mersereau has formally requested the Militia Department for permission to enroll Major Belyea and to bring him back from Europe at once.

He has also selected a number of other officers who include, for the position of paymaster, F. G. Burr, now manager of the branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia at Jacquet River, Sergeant Major Duncan of Chatham as Quartermaster, Capt. L. D. Jones of Dalhousie as junior major, and Lieuts. Barry of Newcastle and McKay of Campbellton as captains. The remainder of the officers have not yet been chosen definitely.

Lieut. Col. Mersereau states that the arrangements made for winter are as follows: Each community raising 25 men or more will have the privilege of quartering these men, but generally speaking there will be the following allotments: Chatham, four hundred; Newcastle, two hundred; Campbellton, three hundred; Bathurst, one hundred; Dalhousie, fifty; and parties of twenty-five each at Shippegan, Caraque, Tracadie, Pettit, Rocher, Doaktown, Rogersville, Blackville and Boistown.

Lieut. Col. Mersereau has received permission to give up his school work for a few days until he is able to complete arrangements for recruiting throughout his district. He will then again take up his work as inspector, which he regards as of the utmost importance, and will remain on duty until a substitute is named.

JOHN BEAMISH HONORED BY THE KNIGHTS

and contained resolutions of appreciation by the Supreme Lodge for the long and distinguished services rendered the order by Mr. Beamish. In addition to the resolutions the book contained a history of the lodge in this domain.

Grand Chancellor Hugh H. McLaughlin was in the chair. The presentation was made by Past Supreme Master at Arms, Dr. F. A. Godsoe. Mr. Beamish responded and gave a short sketch of the work of the order here since its inception. Brief addresses were given by Judge Grimmer, past supreme representative; H. L. Garter, supreme representative; W. A. Stewart, Past Grand Chancellor; F. A. Kinnear, Grand Trustee; LeBaron Wilson, Past Supreme Representative; Dr. Baker of Woodstock; Past Chancellor Lord of St. Stephen, and Lieutenant Stone of the 52nd Battalion, who is Chancellor Commander of the lodge at Fort William, Ontario.

During the course of the evening "Bob" Ritchie presented, on behalf of the lodges, pipes and pouches to the following members, who have enlisted for overseas service: Lloyd A. Drew, Geo. W. Donaldson, City Wilson, F. L. Lacey, C. H. Ellis and William Ellis.

A musical programme was provided. Several moving pictures of the first confining boys and the 26th Battalion were shown.

Refreshments were served and altogether it was a night that will be pleasantly remembered for a long time by those present.

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DIED.

DUNCANSON—On Wednesday, Nov. 17th, Mary Ann, wife of Fred Duncanson, aged seventy-one years, leaving beside her husband, a son and daughter, two sisters and five brothers to mourn.

Funeral will be held from her late residence, Manawagonish Road, on Friday, Nov. 19th, at two o'clock. Boston papers please copy.