

Around the City

SNOW AND COLDER.

FOR ARMENIAN FUND. The fine sum of \$45.50 was contributed by St. David's Presbyterian church Sunday school yesterday for the Armenian fund.

FROZEN SERVICE PIPES. Yesterday was a busy one for the men of the water and sewerage department as the whole crew spent the day thawing out frozen service pipes.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY. Father Allen announced at the masses yesterday that the regular monthly meeting of the Holy Name Society will be held on next Sunday.

AN UNUSUAL WEEK-END. The police book for the week-end showed a clean sheet last night at 11.50. This is a remarkable and creditable showing for two days.

FIRE ON POND STREET. The firemen were called out at 1.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon for slight blaze among some old clothing in Mr. Jacobson's house on Pond street. The damage was slight.

AT THE CATHEDRAL. The Catholic members of the 1st Depot Battalion attended the high mass at the Cathedral yesterday morning. Major Keefe was in command of the party.

PROMOTED TO MAJOR. P. R. Warren, who for more than five years was the chief engineer of the Norton Griffiths Company, in the building of the Courtenay Bay breaker, has been promoted to the rank of major on the western front.

PROPERTY PURCHASED. At Chubb's Corner Saturday Auctioneers T. T. Lantaulum offered for sale, by order of the Chancery Court, the lands known as the Heffer lots, situated on Brussels street. Wm. M. Ryan was the purchaser for \$1,900.

A NARROW ESCAPE. Early yesterday morning an automobile took charge of the driver and collided with a locomotive at Sand Point. Fortunately for those in the car the locomotive was at a stop and the only damage done was the smashing of the automobile front.

MANY VISIT CHURCHES. Yesterday being St. Blaise's Day, hundreds of Catholics in the city took occasion to visit the different Catholic churches to have their throats blessed. At the Cathedral between the hours of 3.30 and 4 o'clock many visited the holy chalice for this purpose.

THE SONG SERVICE. The schoolroom of St. David's Presbyterian church was filled with soldiers and sailors for the song service last night held for their benefit. Robert Reid presided and led in the singing. At the conclusion of the service the ladies of the church served refreshments.

NURSING SISTER JENNER. Miss L. M. Jenner, nursing sister in the Military Hospital at Halifax, who has been home for a brief rest, left yesterday for the city. She will join Dr. Ellen Douglas, formerly of this city, but now of Windsor, at Moncton, and proceed with her to Halifax. Dr. Douglas will shortly sail for overseas.

SERGEANT MUNDEE DECORATED. Word has been received by relatives of I. Ollie Munde, of West St. John, that he was among those decorated with the military medal on New Year's Day.

SERGEANT MUNDEE, in company with his men, succeeded in getting ammunition up to the heavy battery under a terrific fire and returned without losing a man or horse.

A NEW FACTORY. Carlisle & Lawrence, proprietors of the York Bakery, 290 Brussels street, have purchased from Mrs. M. E. Ross the three story building occupied by them. Improvements will be made to the present plant and after the war they plan to erect an up-to-date bread factory. R. L. Carroll of this firm is serving overseas with No. 6 C. A. S. C.

HALIFAX RELIEF COMMITTEE. A meeting of the Halifax relief committee was held Saturday morning in the mayor's office to take up the matter of the Montreal and Gregory trucks sent to Halifax to be used for the relief work. After talking the matter over the mayor was appointed a committee to try and make satisfactory arrangements. Those present at the meeting were Mayor Hayes, Commissioners McLellan, Wigmore and Fisher, W. S. Allison, E. A. Schofield, G. L. Warwick and F. White.

Y.M.C.A. NOTES. What promises to be one of the star features of the Y.M.C.A. activities has just been inaugurated in the form of an orchestra. Rehearsals have been started and the members, numbering fifteen, are hard at work preparing for their first public appearance.

A challenge match of particular interest to the junior bowling league of the Y.M.C.A. has been arranged for this evening on the Y.M.C.A. alleys between James Bowes and Harold McFarlane.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES. On Saturday evening an illustrated address was given in the Y. M. C. A. by Rev. A. T. Vale who has been engaged in mission work in the northern part of Canada around the McKenzie River. Mr. Vale described in an interesting way many of his experiences with the Indians in that district. Among other incidents he stated that it is often necessary for the men to cut through six feet of ice in order to catch fish. The Indians will work outdoors in the coldest weather with bare hands, and he said that on asking one of them on one occasion how he kept his hands from freezing, the man replied that he put them in cold water to draw the frost out and then quickly dried them.

The Monarchs' Bible Class Group held their monthly social, Saturday evening at six o'clock. Horace Wetmore spoke at the Sunday morning meeting. The subject was "Paul's Athletic Sympathy."

THE SAD FATE OF WALTER McDONALD AT HANDS OF HUNS

Was Second Engineer of the Westminister — German Submarine Sank the Ship, Then Turned Guns on the Unfortunate Men in the Life-boats.

The first news of the fate of their nephew Walter McDonald, was received by Messrs. Peter and George T. McDermott, of 242 Charlotte street, when they interviewed Third Engineer Evans of a steamship which arrived in port yesterday.

Walter McDonald was the son of the late Captain Angus McDonald, who sailed out of this port in command of ships in the Wm. Thomson & Co. fleet. According to the story told the uncle of Walter McDonald, Mr. Evans said that they were ship mates together a year ago last December in a ship called the Westminister. Walter McDonald was the second engineer of the ship, and they were carrying a load of grain, bound from London to Italy. The ship had not been long on her voyage before a German submarine put in an appearance and with hardly any warning shot a torpedo into the side of the Westminister. The crew immediately took to the life boats and got clear of the rapidly sinking ship.

Just after she plunged and sank into the ocean, the German murderers turned their gun on the unfortunate crew in the life boats. Fortunately the boat in which was Engineer Evans was not sunk by the shots, but the other boats were crashed by the shot and the men were thrown into the water. Engineer Evans and his companions tried to save some of their shipmates who were struggling in the sea, and managed to pick up one officer and a few sailors, but Second Engineer Walter McDonald and many others of the crew lost their lives.

The above story is only one of very many that can be told of the brutal manner in which the German underwater craft treat crews of ships that have been sunk by them.

Walter McDonald was quite well known in St. John, and never failed to write cards or letters to his relatives, but when these ceased to arrive a little over a year ago the relatives were anxious about him, and the sad fate of a young British engineer was not known by them until they were told yesterday by Engineer Evans.

THE FISHERIES COMMISSION TO SIT IN ST. JOHN

Chief Justice Hazen and Colleagues Will Arrive Today — First Session Tuesday Morning.

Chief Justice Hazen and the other members of the American-Canadian Fisheries Commission will arrive in the city today and hold a number of sessions here. The first session will be in the Equity Court room and all the fishery men are invited to attend. The Commission, which is composed of three men appointed by each government, will take up all fishery matters in dispute between the two countries as well as discuss measures to be adopted for the preservation of fish in the waters contiguous to both, and it is hoped their labors will result in an agreement which will satisfy the fishing interests of both.

The Commission is composed of Chief Justice Hazen, George J. Desbarats, deputy minister of naval service, and William A. Pond, superintendent of fisheries, representing the Canadian government; and Hon. Wm. C. Redfield, secretary of commerce; Edwin P. Sweet, assistant secretary of commerce, and Dr. Hugh M. Smith, commissioner of fisheries, representing the United States government. Mr. Pond is acting as secretary of the American commissioners and Edward T. Quigley as assistant secretary and legal adviser.

The Commission will sit at several places on the Atlantic seaboard and then visit the Pacific coast.

HEAVY SNOWSTORM RAGED YESTERDAY

Mercury Jumped from Ten Below Zero to Twenty Above in Short Time — Snowstorm Driven by Thirty Mile Wind.

Saturday morning saw the mercury down to 12 below cypher between six and eight o'clock with the weather clear and practically no wind. At noon the reading was six above. During the day however, it took another drop and yesterday morning had fallen to ten below. Yesterday afternoon it had risen to 20 above and stood at that figure at nine o'clock last night.

About four o'clock it began to snow and snowed heavily until an early hour this morning. The storm was accompanied by a southeasterly wind which had fallen to ten below. This drifted the snow badly and made it very hard for the street cars to operate on anything like schedule. An effort was made to keep the cars running but the snow bloughs were kept busy. About half past eight the track through Fairville had filled up so badly that it was only possible for the cars to run to the railway crossing, but the St. John and main lines were kept open.

From the time the snow started to fall until nine o'clock last night there had fallen about two and a half inches, but this had drifted in some places to over a foot.

Yesterday morning the storm signs were ordered up for a gale from the southeast to southwest.

PROGRAMME OF SPECIAL SERVICES

Ludlow Street Baptist Church Well Attended Yesterday — Mass Meeting of West Side Young People Held.

Special services were held in the Ludlow street Baptist Church, West St. John including an enthusiastic mass meeting of the West Side young people in the afternoon. At the morning worship the pastor, Rev. W. R. Robinson, delivered a forceful sermon on "The Great Next" in which he brought forth the need of greater consecration on the part of those who profess to be Christians.

Yesterday was "Decision Day" in the Sunday school and during the afternoon session Rev. E. W. Kenyon gave a splendid address to the scholars in which he made an appeal to them to live a better life. He was listened to with rapt attention and at the close of the talk over thirty scholars declared for the better. Mr. Lee Good, a prominent business man of Houlton, Maine, was present and spoke of the members of the primary department. The session was in charge of Supt. R. H. Parsons.

At 6 o'clock yesterday a united mass meeting was held of the young people of the Charlotte street and Ludlow street Baptist churches. Despite the stormy weather the vestry of the church was crowded at the beginning of the service. Mr. Good gave a very helpful address. At the close the regular evening service was held in the main body of the church. Rev. E. W. Kenyon spoke again on the subject "The Unqualified Commitment."

Prof. Paul Duffy led in the singing at the services, yesterday, besides reading several solos including the "Man of the Ages" which was composed by Rev. Mr. Kenyon and himself.

Mrs. Harold A. Evans, nee Campbell, will receive for the first time Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon, February 5 and 6, at her home, 78 Sydney street.

"Miss Jackie of the Army." Big five reel feature at The Nickel, Queen Square.

DEPOT BATTALION ATTEND SERVICE IN GERMAIN ST. CHURCH

Forceable Sermon Preached by Rev. S. S. Poole — The New Battalion Made Most Commendable Impression by Their Smart Appearance.

"Any individual, who unnecessarily creates a spirit of fear in the hearts of the people at such a time as this is guilty of a crime," remarked Rev. S. S. Poole yesterday morning in the course of a practical and forcible sermon to the congregation of the Germain street Baptist church and the members of the 1st Depot Battalion, commanded by Lieut. Col. J. L. Moling the 26th Battalion.

Called to the colors but a few weeks ago, and not in the least acquainted with military life, the boys of this unit made a fine impression upon the witness of the parade. One not aware that the members of the unit had only recently joined the colors, would think that they had undergone at least three months training, as their march discipline was splendid.

Taking for his text 2nd Simon 10-12, Rev. Mr. Poole said that there were three outstanding lessons to be learned from the text. First, the call for courage. Secondly, the call for manliness. As to the first, the call for courage, the pastor said that as to-day Job recognized the fact that nothing could be done with men of cowardly spirit. "This must not only be absent with the men at the front fighting for the Empire, but likewise with the civilians at home, but likewise the people should not be anxious and eager for war, but they should at least be prepared so as to face the facts with courage and hope.

Respecting the call for manliness, he said that it was a thrilling call and such as should appeal to all Canadians, and to patriotism. Concerning the need today, the speaker referred to the men. Continuing he said the best men were coming forward preparing to sacrifice all they have for their country's need. "Ours is a grand country and worth fighting for," said the pastor, "and we should nobly respond to the demands it makes upon us."

Mr. Poole said as men, all should be loyal to the best that we have seen and know, so at the last it can be said that the record had been kept clean. "The soldier when he is called upon to fight should not forget that he belongs to a race famed for fighting a clean fight, continued the pastor. "And although the unspearable deeds commed by Germans create with us a spirit of hatred and thirst for revenge, it is something that a soldier has to face. However he should play the man, and still neither heart nor hand by practicing the barbarous methods of our foe."

To the third lesson, the value of religion, the pastor said that Job had a sense of God and His power, and he desired that his men should possess the same. "It is genuine religion that gives a man courage and enables him to play the man," emphasized the speaker. He said that in the annals of British history, great generals have been devout Christians. They proved out of their own experience the value and power of religion.

In concluding the pastor said that all should try and prove this themselves and that religion will be found to inspire courage. It will lead us to the man Jesus Christ, and in following him we become men indeed," concluded the pastor.

FAREWELL SERMON BY EVANGELIST

E. W. Kenyon Preached to a Large Congregation in the Charlotte Street Church Last Night.

Evangelist E. W. Kenyon gave his farewell sermon at the Charlotte St. Baptist Church West St. John last night after a series of revival services extending over a period of several weeks. In spite of the inclement weather the church was packed to the doors with people most of whom have been regular attendants at previous meetings. Mr. Kenyon spoke on the "Willfulness of Man" in which he referred to the many opportunities that were placed before people as an slip by without taking advantage of them. He gave a very powerful and appealing address the result being that between fifteen and twenty people decided for a better life.

After a short series of meetings in the Ludlow street Baptist church Mr. Kenyon and Prof. Paul Duffy will leave for Moncton where they will conduct meetings. They expect to return to St. John the first of March to hold a series of meetings in the Central Baptist Church.

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