

GOOD THINGS COMING TO THEATRES OF ST. JOHN

IMPERIAL COMMENCES HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Tonight's Bill The First of a Grand Array of Holiday Entertainment and Classy Films

Yuletide programmes commence at the Imperial today. Throughout the holiday season some of the choicest bills procurable to the screen will be presented.

NEW PROGRAMME AT THE GEM TONIGHT

There is an inviting bill at the Gem Theatre for tonight. It is entirely new, both vaudeville and pictures, and you should enjoy it.

THE NEW MILITARY HOSPITAL

Members of the Field Ambulance Depot were at work this morning getting the Heagan hospital in Pitt Street, which has been taken over by the military authorities to be used as an epidemic hospital.

POLICE COURT

In the police court this morning, with Acting Magistrate Henderson presiding, Charles Creary was fined \$8 for drunkenness and \$20 for four months in jail for violently resisting Policeman McAlnsh.

CAPT. W. W. BARRACLOUGH HERE

Captain William Wray Barraclough, M.A., M.D., son of Rev. W. H. Barraclough, of this city, arrived in the city today from Toronto.

SOLDIER BURIED TODAY

The funeral of George North of the 90th Battalion who returned home some months ago as a result of being gassed on the western front—and indirectly this caused his death—took place this morning from the residence of David Higgins, 445 Main street, to St. Peter's church where high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. P. C. O'Hare.

TEMPLE OF HONOR BAND

The members of the Temple of Honor band held a reunion and social in their rooms in Main street last evening. In addition to instrumental selections, members regaled the gathering with vocal solos and readings, and Fred Brookings, who manages the business of the band, delivered an interesting address.

Notices of Births, Marriages and Deaths, 50c.

DEATHS

KIERSTEAD — At Gondola Point, on the 11th instant, Alice, widow of Peter Kierstead, aged eighty-three years, leaving two sons and two daughters to mourn.

LOCAL NEWS

First things first—that means Duval's, 12-26

Special men's sweaters at Corbet's, 184 Union street. 12-22

Rev. C. F. Stuart of Amherst, N. S., will hold first quarterly conference in St. Philip's A. M. E. church tonight. All are invited.

GIFT UMBRELLAS

Ladies' and gentlemen's umbrellas, sterling silver mountings, from \$2.50 to \$6.—W. E. Ward, 58 King street. 12-23

Ribbons, Vells, Fancy Baskets for Christmas Presents. Marr Millinery Co. Limited.

The man who can not afford to pay a high price for his overcoat will do well to call and see our \$12 Melton overcoats. Turner, out of the high rent district, 440 Main street. 12-26

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For an assorted case of Blue Ribbon aerated beverages. Besides the popular fruit flavors, this assortment includes the celebrated City Club ginger ale. 12-24

OUR SPECIAL XMAS NUMBER

Ten K. gold eyeglass chain for \$1.95, very useful to those who wear glasses.—K. W. Epstein & Co., 193 Union street. See our adv. on page 7.

You can buy a good strong well made suit for your boy for \$4 at Turner's, out of the high rent district, 440 Main street. 12-26

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NORTON SOLDIER WOUNDED

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—(Casualties):

INFANTRY

Killed in Action

MOUNTED RIFLES

Wounded

FOR THE SAILORS

Judging from preparations being made by H. J. Evans, treasurer of the Seaman's Institute, the sailors who will be in the city next week will receive a fine Christmas treat.

Already some generous donations have been made and if the public will co-operate a happy, good, time will be ensured for the brave tars.

WAS BORN IN ST. JOHN

Montreal, Dec. 20.—Frank Smith, a prominent Montreal Freemason, who claimed St. John as his birthplace, died last night. His home was at 1532 Green avenue, Westmount. Mr. Smith was seventy-seven years of age. He was born in St. John, while his father was there serving in the British garrison.

THE KILTIES

Fredericton, Dec. 20.—More than \$600 was paid out to the N. C. O.'s and men of the 28th Kiltie Battalion this morning by Paymaster Capt. J. P. McPeake and his staff as advances on December pay for Christmas.

Not more than fifty Kilties are expected to spend Christmas in barracks. The rest of the 400 odd men as well as about all members of special service company have been granted passes for holidays. Leave will commence tomorrow night and extend until midnight of December 28.

For boys who do remain in barracks for Christmas there will be plenty of Christmas cheer. At New Year's it is proposed to give a turkey dinner for the whole battalion.

Lieut.-Col. Guthrie completed his reconnoitering tour of the western provinces with a successful meeting in Calgary yesterday. He will arrive in Montreal on Saturday and at Fredericton on Sunday.

MILITARY WEDDING.

Moncton, N. B., Dec. 20.—In St. John's Presbyterian church, at 2 o'clock this afternoon, Lieut. John Albert Humphrey, son of William F. Humphrey, M. P., will be married to Miss Rita Weir, daughter of John P. Weir, of Moncton. The groom is an officer in the 28th Kiltie Battalion and returned wounded from the front some months ago. Rev. T. Porter Drumm will officiate. The young people will leave this afternoon for Fredericton, Woodstock and other points in New Brunswick, returning at the end of this week.

PERSONALS

Mrs. F. E. Whelephy, 22 Sydney street, returned home yesterday after a very pleasant visit to Montreal, where she was the guest of Rev. and Mrs. R. J. Haughton.

SENATE SUPPORTS BRIAND.

Paris, Dec. 20.—Premier Briand met his critics in the Senate yesterday and carried with him the applause of two thirds of the chamber. A vote of confidence was not taken, because none will be proposed until after the secret session.

The Wheat Market.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—Opening prices, which ranged from 1-4 low to 1-4 1/2 advance, with May wheat at 154 1/2 to 155 3/4 and July at 158 1/2 to 160, were followed by a substantial setback all around and then a moderate rally.

TURKEYS 37 TO 40 CENTS IN FREDERICTON

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 20.—Record breaking prices for Christmas poultry prevailed in the city market this morning and knowing ones say that the worst is yet to come. Christmas turkeys were scarce and brought from thirty-seven to forty cents a pound. Geese sold at \$2 each and chickens twenty-five cents a pound.

A new motor truck and chemical engine ordered for the fire department was unloaded at the station yesterday afternoon and is stored in the central hose station awaiting a public test.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Wheeler of Buffalo, accompanied by their son are to leave this evening for the Miramichi woods to spend the Christmas holidays.

DALHOUSIE RHODES SCHOLAR.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 20.—Dalhousie University has selected Donald Gordon MacGregor as its seventh Rhodes scholar. He is a son of the late Rev. Daniel MacGregor of Amherst.

CIVIC SERVICE EXAMS.

Civil service examinations are being conducted in the Centennial school building in Brussels street, under the supervision of School Inspector W. M. McLean.

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ENGLISH SWEETS Walnut Toffee... 60c. Jordan Toffee... 60c. Brazil Toffee... 60c. Festival Bon Bons... 60c. Butter Almonds... 60c. Butter Walnuts... 60c. French Almond Rock... 60c. Canadian Toffee... 60c. English Gums... 50c. English Jubes... 50c. English Mints... 40c. Fancy Boxes Creams and Chocolates, From 10c. to \$6.00 a box.

ST. MONICA'S SOCIETY At a meeting of St. Monica's Society held on Monday afternoon, final arrangements were made for a bridge and dance in the Knights of Columbus hall on January 10. In the absence of the president, Mrs. James Dever, the first vice-president, Mrs. D. P. Chisholm, occupied the chair. Christmas boxes to the number of thirty will be distributed to poor families on Christmas Eve. The services of the 165th orchestra have been offered for dancing at the bridge.

TO JOIN THE NIOBE Ten men have arrived in Halifax from Amherst to join the Niobe. After spending the winter months aboard this ship, the seamen will be assigned to other vessels with the Canadian Navy on patrol duty over the Atlantic. The list of the men is as follows—Charles Wood, Joseph Perry, Stephen Lawlor, Lewis Cane, Walter Fields, Percy Turner, Lloyd Cornier, Morris Dumphy, Tilman Bourque.

Conservation of Waste Paper. The local Red Cross Society is still collecting waste paper, old rubber and clean rags. We hope to reorganize the collecting so that it will be done more regularly after the new year. The collections in West St. John and Fairville are under the direction of Miss Penton and Mrs. J. H. Allingham, and they expect to make an appeal for paper soon. Mrs. S. S. Elliott is in charge at East St. John. Anyone wishing further information kindly telephone Main 7. Will the public please save their paper for us?

No Midnight Masses in Paris. Paris, Dec. 20.—There will be no midnight masses in Paris on Christmas Eve, Cardinal Amette, Archbishop of Paris, has so decided. The holiday services will take place wholly in daytime in order to economize in lighting and fuel.

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A FEW LATE RED SEALS: All Through the Night (Geraldine Farrar, 87254), Don Giovanni (John McCormack, 74484), Minuet in G (2) Gavotte in D (violin) (Efreim Zimbalist, 74444)

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