

THE WEATHER

Forecasts
Maritime—Fine and mild, followed by strong southerly winds at night.

Toronto, Oct. 25.—A disturbance from the western provinces is moving eastward across northern Ontario.

Table with 2 columns: Location, Temperature (Min, Max). Includes Dawson, Victoria, Kamloops, Calgary, etc.

Around the City

Charged With Begging. John Barry was arrested last night by Sgt. Smith on the charge of begging money from door to door on Douglas avenue.

Will Address Travellers. Lt.-Col. George W. Fowler will address a meeting of commercial travellers in the Board of Trade room on Saturday night.

Police Reports. The police report finding a glove on King street yesterday, and the owner can receive the same on application at police headquarters.

N. E. Conservative Club. The annual meeting of the North End Conservative Club will be held Tuesday night at eight o'clock in the rooms, Simonds street.

Destroyed by Fire. On Thursday a heavy electric storm visited Seal Cove, on the North Shore, and lasted throughout the night.

Sewerage Work. Workmen of the water and sewerage department will start today on a survey of the mains from Lattimer Lake to Little River with a view of getting things into shape for the winter.

A Mystery. An envelope addressed to the Commissioner of Harbors and Fisheries containing two dollars was left at the Mayor's office yesterday morning.

Citizens' Committee. There was a large attendance of the members of the citizens' committee yesterday afternoon, when several matters of interest in the campaign were taken up.

Convention Here. A convention of the New Brunswick branch of the King's Daughters will be held on Saturday, October 30th, at the King's Daughters' Guild, 123 Prince William street.

Lumber in England. Fairweather and Jardine's wood circular has the following in regard to spruce and pine deals: New Brunswick and Nova Scotia spruce and pine deals.

A CALL FROM THE TRENCHES TO LOCAL MEN

W. A. Kenney, of the Ammunition Column asks men of St. John to help.

William A. Kenney, son of John Kenney, the factory inspector, writing from the firing line in France, makes a strong plea for the men of St. John to join the Empire forces.

"Let me say that there should be nothing holding young men, who are physically fit, back. The fighting is over here and this is where men are wanted. We all have someone we have left behind until this great struggle is brought to a conclusion, and more men are needed to finish it."

DR. W. A. KENNEY, No. 1 Section, D. A. C., 2nd Canadian Division, B. E. F. France.

HOBSON SMITH WRITES FROM ENGLISH CAMP

Construction Corps built railway up to first line of trenches.

Hobson D. Smith, formerly of the Imperial Theatre staff, but at present with the Construction Corps, writes an interesting letter to his wife, 185 Duke street. The letter was dated in England on October 6th and in part says:

"Just these few lines hoping that you are well and it leaves me at present. All of the boys are fine and you will no doubt be surprised to know that we are back in England again. We have only been in Belgium six weeks and got the job finished and they brought us back to England for a rest, but we will only be here for a short time. It is rumored that we are going back to the continent again but we don't know yet for sure where we are going. We were building railways in Disnude and we put a railroad from about ten miles back of the firing line right up to the first line of trenches so that now nothing can stop them from getting their supplies up for the winter."

"Well, Belgium is an awful sight now. It is certainly a wrecked place, and if all those fellows in Canada could only see the situation of the places in poor old Belgium I don't think they would hold back long, because the longer they hold back the longer the war will last. They should think of all their friends who are here losing their lives for them. I think that they should all rally to the colors and fill the places of others that are gone."



NEW BRUNSWICK BOYS IN THEIR FIRST FIGHT

Corporal Frank Wallace tells of his baptism of fire with the 26th.

The following is part of a letter received by Mrs. E. F. Wallace of 158 Prince William street from her husband, who is a corporal in D. Company, 26th Battalion, now on the firing line in France. The letter is dated October 4th.

"By the time you receive this letter you will no doubt have seen by the papers that the 26th are in the trenches. A terrible time we have had (not from the Germans, we don't consider them at all) but from the weather conditions. It rained the whole week nearly and for the first three days it poured. We had only our great coats and blankets, and we never had our wet socks and boots off for a week or washed either. The food was insufficient and not enough drinking water. I am not grumbling as things could not be altered, except for the food."

"You don't know the benefit of lots of dry socks. We were under heavy rifle fire and shells all the time. They made things lively for us all the time, especially at night. All the sleep we had was five hours out of twenty-four, from 6.30 until 10.30 in the morning, then work fixing up the trenches, digging and draining them, and with cleaning rifles and ammunition we were on the go all the time."

"We are now out for a week's rest and then we go back again. We are cleaning up now. I shook hands with death pretty close the second night I was in the trenches. I took another fellow out with me after dark to try and catch a German who was sniping from our rear. After we had left the trenches there was a very heavy and rapid rifle fire opened from the German trenches and as the bullets were coming round us very heavy we took cover in a hedge under some trees until it eased down a bit. We had been there about five minutes when five shells burst through the trees above us and exploded round us. The branches of the tree crashed down on us and the glass of the second shell nearly blinded the other fellow, he was quite dazed. I got him back to the trenches and he was all nerved up, so was I. Only I was more excited than anything to get him and myself back safe. It was a very narrow escape, I can tell you. Well, that is our first experience."

"I will send all the letters I can get away this week as we can't send any from the trenches. I am well at present, and will you kindly give my regards to all my friends."

"Good bye and good luck, from your loving husband, Frank."

PERSONAL

Frederick McPeters was in the city yesterday from Sussex to visit his many friends. O. C. Bissell, maritime sale manager of the Atlantic Sugar Refinery, returned yesterday from Brockville, Ont., where he had been to attend the funeral of his father. His many friends here extend sympathy.

Dr. Baker, 55 Waterloo street, spent the week-end in Woodstock, going and returning by auto.

Mrs. A. E. Macaulay (nee Knox) will be at home for the first time since her marriage on Thursday afternoon and evening at her residence, 123 King street east.

RECRUITING RALLIES THIS WEEK

Tonight. Sergt. Knight, returned hero, will speak in the Lorneville Hall.

Wednesday. Patriotic smoker in the Drill Hall, West End. Jolly good time and good speeches and entertainment.

Thursday. The greatest patriotic outbreak in the history of St. John. To be held in Queen's Rink, Charlotte street. Band will lead processions from the four ends of the city. Splendid inaugural for the 104th Battalion.

Col. Geo. W. Fowler will personally address the men. So will Sergt. Knight. Band music. Final physical examination for all men who offer that night.

Friday. Sergt. Knight and others will speak in Victoria Rink. Bumper meeting in St. Michael's Hall, North End, opposite Adelaide street.

Saturday. Sergt. Knight and others will speak in Temperance Hall, St. James street, South End.

BADMINTON TIME IS HERE. The reorganization of Badminton Clubs for the winter season brings to mind once more the question of requisites for the game of which we have just opened, in our sporting department, a very complete line, from the most reliable producers, including RACKETS—"Cheltenham" \$3.25 each, RACKETS—"Vidal" \$4.25 each, RACKET PRESSES \$5.00 each, BADMINTON "BIRDS" 25¢ each, or \$2.40 the Dozen, BADMINTON NETS \$3.00 each. SPORTING DEPARTMENT—SECOND FLOOR—MARKET SQ. STORE. Market Square—W. H. THORNE & CO. LTD.—King Street.

Macaulay Bros. & Co., King Street, St. John, N. B. Saturdays our stores will be open until 10 p.m.; open at 8 a.m.; close 6 p.m., excepting Saturday 10 p.m. We Hold About 125 Pairs of Large Sized English Made White Blankets which were last season's purchase. We now offer them at last year's low prices. The weight of pure wool in them is 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 pounds. The sizes, 64x84 68x86 71x90 75x95, 84 x 104 inch. The prices, \$7.00, \$8.00, \$8.50, \$9.50, \$10.50, \$12.00, \$13.00 a pair. Every housekeeper knows that English Woven, White Wool Blankets are by far the best produced. They are not so long in nap, pure in color, softer, warmer and larger in spread than any other make. Don't miss this offer. Later on you will find it quite impossible to procure such blankets at even 50 per cent. advance on present prices. One good pair of English Blankets are worth two pairs of any other for wear and warmth. MACAULAY BROS. & CO.

Don't Wait for Winter. Don't wait for the first cold snap when everyone wants a stove and wants it put up in a hurry. Buy your stove now and be ready for cold weather. The "Enterprise Scorcher". We recommend this stove with every confidence as a powerful and economical heater. Burns any kind of fuel—hard coal, soft coal, slack, or coke. Whatever the size, we will soon demonstrate the actual money saving of getting a stove with a reputation. Emerson & Fisher Ltd.

Stores Open 8.30. Close at 6 o'clock. Saturdays 10 p. m. Great Value Sale of Ladies' and Misses' New Winter Coats. Perfectly Fashionable Garments in Warm and Good Wearing Materials Considerably Underpriced for This Great Money-Saving Occasion. Commencing This Morning. While it is hardly yet Winter Coat weather, comes this timely chance to purchase economically, as smart and stylish coats as one could wish for good, serviceable all round wear. These are all brand new garments in the season's fashionable models and which, by reason of favorable conditions of purchase from the makers, are enabled to offer at really exceptional bargain prices. LADIES' and MISSES' WINTER COATS in three quarter and seven-eighth lengths, of the latest fashion in button to the neck styles, with and without belts. TWEEDS in fancy mixtures, stripe and check effects. BLANKET CLOTHS in nobby greys, browns and navy. SERGES and ZIBELINES in navy, brown, also black. Sizes 14, 16, 18 years and 34, 36, 38, 40, 42 bust measurement. Two Sale Prices Only Each \$10.75, \$12.75. NO SALE COATS ON APPROVAL. COSTUME SECTION—SECOND FLOOR. SEE BIG DISPLAY IN KING STREET WINDOWS. Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited.