

Around the City

UNSETTLED.

A SCOUT OUTING
The Elmwood street church scout group will enjoy an outing to Drury Cove today if the weather is favorable.

INDIANTOWN LOOP.

The New Brunswick Power Company has paid the city \$1,338 for asphalt on the track sections on the Indiantown loop.

STEAM COAL ADVANCES

Tugboat owners, who on August 2nd received notice that the price of steam coal had advanced 41 per cent, ask that the fuel controller determine whether or not the increase means a profit of more than 50 cents per ton.

INJURED BY FALL.

Moses Quinn, of Welsford, fell from a load of hay on his farm on Thursday and was quite seriously injured. He was unconscious for some hours. Dr. Lewis was summoned and found no bones were broken. Mr. Quinn is now in hospital. He stated that the limit of his work was over.

THE PROVINCIAL INSPECTOR.

Rev. F. D. Wilson, provincial inspector under the prohibition act, was a visitor in the city yesterday, being here to prosecute a case of the sale of some wet goods. The case was set aside for one week. Mr. Wilson returned to the capital last evening.

THE SUGAR RATION

Dr. W. C. Kierstead, New Brunswick deputy for the Canada Food Board, who arrived from Fredericton yesterday, says that he understands the new sugar regulations to be a voluntary matter—a sort of moral obligation upon the people. However, he was not certain of it.

FALLING OFF IN TONNAGE

The total tonnage entering port last month aggregated 28,318 tons as compared with \$8,587 tons for the corresponding period in 1917. Last year 247 vessels entered this port during July, while only 153 came in this year. This is the first month that has shown an increase since the first of the year.

AUTOMOBILISTS INVITED.

The members of the New Brunswick Automobile Association have been invited to attend the first annual service of the St. John Power Boat Club to be held at Belyea's Point on Sunday, August 18. Splendid accommodation will be afforded for the parking of cars and the service will be at eleven o'clock in the morning.

THE POLICE COURT

In the police court yesterday the C. P. R. employee accused of stealing was committed for trial and allowed out on \$600 bail. The case of Tommy Tazal and Hailley O'Brien, charged with taking junk from the old mill at Misses, was heard. Bail was fixed at \$1,000 each, the hearing to be resumed Tuesday at 11.

A VISITING CLERGYMAN.

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. MacRae, of Mitchell, Ontario, are in the city. Dr. MacRae is rector of the Knox Presbyterian church at Mitchell. The reverend gentleman spends a few days here en route to St. Martin's and then to Glace Bay, where he was a former minister, and returns to his home about September 1st.

THE FERRY REVENUE.

The ferry department reports an increase in returns for last month over the corresponding month last year. During the month 7,668 single teams and 1,369 double teams crossed on the ferry, while last year 7,438 single teams and 690 double crossed. The number of passengers crossing during the month was 116,035, showing an increase of 4,175 over July, 1917.

MILITARY NOTES.

Lieut. H. H. Ponton, formerly of the Coburg Heavy Battery, has been detailed to duty on Partridge Island. Headquarters announced yesterday that artillery officers were very scarce at the present time. It was understood that Sergeant Major F. Fraser, 9th Siege Battery, who holds a lieutenant's rank in the infantry division, has been promoted to lieutenant's rank, to be stationed on Partridge Island.

THE FERRY AND COAL

The recent increase in price of soft coal means an additional expenditure of \$6,338.40 yearly to the ferry department, according to the commissioner of harbor and fisheries. The fortnightly bills are at hand and the soft coal bill alone has been boosted \$24,410, or an advance of \$528.20 per month. This means that more than \$6,000 will have to be expended which were not appropriated for in the early estimates.

OLD DUTCH NEEDED.

There is a fountain filled with mud. It is located in the old burying ground along with the bones of some hundreds of Loyalists. It was presented to St. John by the late George F. Smith, who undoubtedly entertained the hope that his gift would be accorded at least decent treatment. It doesn't get anything of the kind. It is full of stagnant water, green slime, sticks, stones, tin cans and dirty little boys. It needs to be cleaned.

FIRST IN PROVINCES.

The Gem theatre, Fredericton, under the management of C. P. Stow, is probably the first in the maritime provinces to provide facilities for photographing regularly matters of local interest and projecting them on the curtain while still fresh in the public mind. Mr. Stow states that the Gem's Pictorial Weekly will shortly be one of the most interesting portions of the weekly programme. Recently a school parade and a garden party on the grounds of Earl and Countess Ashburnham were very successfully photographed and will be seen on the screen at the Gem in a few days. The printing and developing of the film is all done at the Gem and the interprising management expects to develop this feature in a manner which will compare favorably with similar enterprises in larger cities.

U. S. CONSUL GENERAL AT LARGE HAS TRAVELLED EXTENSIVELY

Nathaniel B. Stewart Is In the City—Says Everything Is Satisfactory From Allies' Standpoint—Talks Interestingly of Recent Visits To Important Foreign Parts.

From the standpoint of the Allies everything is satisfactory. This is the encouraging news brought to the city by a gentleman who is peculiarly able to give an opinion on the subject due to the fact that he has travelled over a large part of the globe since the war broke out. This gentleman is Nathaniel B. Stewart, United States Consul General at large and he is in the city looking over the local consular situation.

In conversation with the Standard yesterday afternoon in the United States Consulate office on Germain street, Mr. Stewart gave out some idea of his work and the immense distances he has travelled in the pursuit of his duties. He stated that the United States had five consular districts, and a consul general at large was appointed to each district to travel in his territory and oversee the work of the local consuls. The five districts are North America, South America, Europe, the Near East and the Far East. Mr. Stewart's district is the Near East and Africa and takes in Russia, the Balkan States, Turkey, Africa, India, Persia, Arabia, besides other countries.

He stated that since the beginning of the war he has travelled over his territory twice, including a trip entirely around the continent of Africa, and trips to the Cape Verde Islands, Madagascar, Spain, Portugal, Sweden, the

Straits Settlement, China and Japan.

Mr. Stewart left Egypt in February, after a two months sojourn there and he stated that conditions in the army there were excellent. In speaking of Mesopotamia, which he visited, he said that the Mesopotamian campaign was progressing to a favorable conclusion. He stated that he had been on a trip through the Persian Gulf during 1917 and from what he saw and what he gleaned from conversations with the people there, he considered that conditions were much more favorable than during his previous trip, taken a year and a half before.

In speaking of the economic conditions in the countries visited he stated that, with the exception of Russia, conditions had been as good as could be expected with a war on.

In closing he referred to the tourist travel. He stated that there was practically no travel for pleasure across the Atlantic and the Pacific route was practically closed to tourists because of the difficulty of getting passports and permits. Only those travelling on business had the right of way and the tourists were supposed to travel by their own country or stay at home until the end of hostilities.

This is Mr. Stewart's first trip to the province and in speaking of the natural scenery here he said it was unsurpassed in this section of the country.

SARDINE TRADE IS FAVORABLE

Lewis Connors Says Fish Is Scarce in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, But Other Points Report Well.

Asked regarding the sardine trade Mr. Lewis Connors, the local fish merchant stated yesterday that it compares very favorably with former years. In New Brunswick and Nova Scotia waters the fish are more scarce than in former years, but near Deer Island, he said, his company is doing a fair business, as the fish are more plentiful there than elsewhere; again the company have so many boats it is enabled to reach different coastal places and rather than 25 to 50 hogheads per day. This they consider very favorable, although a much greater quantity could be handled by the company if procurable.

Again, Mr. Connors added, that their markets are principally the West Indies and the Dominion markets. At times it is rather difficult to forward consignments, as transportation facilities create inconveniences hard to overcome.

Mr. Connors then alluded to a consignment of sardines, now held up, due to the Australian market a cause of the household. However, it is never an inroad was made this consignment would be pushed through in rapid transit.

A large steamer due in St. John to load fish for a foreign market near New York was held up by the naval authorities, thus causing greater difficulties in the way of shipment.

The trade is very favorable in spite of war conditions, and a good business is expected in September. At present the two factories of the company are at work daily and doing a fair trade.

PLENTY OF PRODUCE BUT PRICES HIGH

Farmers Ask High Prices At Indiantown, and the Quotations Go Higher As the Articles Reach Market and Stores.

The steamer arriving at Indiantown yesterday from up river points brought considerable produce to the city. The prices of certain articles at the wharf were as follows:—Lamb by the carcass sold from 35 to 33 cents per pound; potatoes, 1.50 per crate; chicken, 40 cents, and fowl 25 cents per pound. Farmers asked 15 cents per box for blueberries, claiming that the crop was scarce. On Thursday they could be bought at the boat from 14 to 16 cents per box.

Country Market Prices.
There is a good variety of vegetables and meats in the country market this week for the careful housewife to choose from. Potatoes are selling for 50c a peck; beans, 60c a peck; lettuce and radishes, 5c; cucumbers, 5c; tomatoes, 20c; cauliflower, 15c; 25c; cabbage, 12c and 20c; turnips, 5c; beets and carrots, 8c; rhubarb, 6c; celery, 10c. Beef is selling for 16c to 40c; sirloin steak, 50c; round steak, 40c; pork, 40c; lamb chops 50c; chickens 75c; fowl, 50c; eggs, 55c and 60c. Blueberries are selling for 20c and raspberries and strawberries, 25c.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. Pyke, 110 Harrison street, went to the peninsula yesterday to witness the launching of ships there in the near future. Her husband is the captain of the "Stadium."

Miss Alice Mallory, Fairville, is at present confined to her home, suffering from a severe sprain of the ankle.

FUNERALS.

The funeral of Francis Merritt Stewart took place yesterday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from her late residence, 174 Sydney street, to St. James' church. Rev. H. A. Cady conducted the service; interment was made in Fernhill.

ARTISTS OF NOTE JOIN THE ARMY

Well Known Painter and Actor Among the Recruits To Arrive Yesterday En Route To Camp Fort Edward.

Two men of no passing importance arrived in the city yesterday, en route to Windsor, N. S., having signed up in the Imperial army.

Wm. O'Kell, Los Angeles, California, an artist of some merit, was one of the gentlemen, and when called on by a Standard reporter at the Dufferin Hotel last night, he showed the press representative some beautiful pictures he had painted. But for the fact that he divulged the fact of his having enlisted in the Imperial army for general service with an aspiration of getting into the Royal army medical corps. One brother made the supreme sacrifice, having enlisted the very first year of the war in August, 1914, at London, England. Another is today a prisoner in Germany after having been wounded twice on his way to avenge some of the misdeeds of an unscrupulous enemy.

Lewis Willoughby, his companion, when asked to walk civil life, remained quite reticent for a time, but putting modesty aside, soon answered that he was for a time an actor in England, previous to the war; afterwards went to Australia and later to California where he joined the Lucky Studios of Los Angeles, playing for Mary Pickford. His last picture was with Constance Talmadge in "A Pair of Silk Stockings." Other pictures he played in were with Seaside Hayakawa in "The Temple of Dust." He also played as co-partner with Edith Storey in "Treasure."

Asked who he thought of Miss Pickford, he retorted: "She is a charming and beautiful young lady." Hereupon he showed the reporter a picture in which he appeared with Miss Talmadge, and said: "I am going for a souvenir." Continuing he added: "Today alone came J. D. Taylor, of Los Angeles, a celebrated picture director, who pitched up \$1,000 a week for the little army pay, and representative of every nationality was among yesterday's crowd on the train, a Welshman, an Irishman, a Canadian, and natives of the B. W. I."

This man has a nephew in the service since 1914, having enlisted in Montreal, later wounded in action.

They leave this morning for Camp Fort Edward.

GROUP OF GIRLS TO GO CAMPING

Will Start Out Monday To Gather Sphagnum Moss—Drive For Moss Bags A Complete Success.

On account of the wet weather the girls of the Natural History Society will not go to camp today as planned, but will wait until Monday. They expect to be gone two weeks, the first week to be spent at Ludgate Lake and the second week at another camping place to be decided on. The society expects to send out another group of older girls at a later date for a fortnight's stay.

That the drive carried on by the society for 3,000 bags for the packing of the sphagnum moss was a complete success was the statement made to the Standard last night by William McIntosh. He stated that the limit set by the society of 3,000 bags had been exceeded and that it was accomplished before August 10th, the date set for the end of the drive.

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SOLDIERS LETTERS OF APPRECIATION

Members of Field Comfort Circle, West St. John, Are Thanked For Gifts Sent To the Boys "Over There."

The brave soldiers on active service certainly appreciate the fact that they are remembered by kind friends at home and they greatly enjoy receiving letters and especially parcels containing comforts. During the past few days Mrs. E. A. Young, Mrs. John Carlson and Mrs. S. M. Sevel, of the Soldier's Field Comfort Circle of West St. John have received letters of appreciation from soldiers boys who have received parcels for which they are duly grateful. Some of the letters are as follows:—

France

Dear Mrs. Carlson:—
Just a few lines to acknowledge the receipt of your welcome parcel. It arrived in good condition and the cocoa was delicious. One of the boys in the same tent with me received a cake on the same day and we certainly had a nice little lunch.

Thanking you and the other members for your kindness.

I remain,
Chester F. McDonald, Bramshot, Eng.

Dear Mrs. Carlson:—
I received the parcel from the Soldier's Field Comfort Circle and was certainly glad to get it. I found a note in the socks so I suppose you were the kind lady who knitted them and I can assure you that I appreciate them very much.

I wish to thank you, Mrs. Young, and all the other members of the circle and wish you every success.

Pte. Stuart M. Love, France.

Dear Mrs. Sevel:—
I received the parcel you so kindly sent me and I can assure you it was highly appreciated. I was very pleased to get the socks and they are very scarce articles over here, and it was also a treat to get some good old Canadian Players Cigarettes.

Yours sincerely,
E. C. Roberts, Bramshot, Eng.

Dear Mrs. Young:—
Kindly convey my deep appreciation to your Society and especially to "H. W." (the initial which was on the slip enclosed) for the thoughtfulness which prompted them to send the very useful parcel which I have lately received. You ladies certainly have the art of knowing what a soldier exactly needs. Often when the old boys of the 62nd was reminiscent about St. John, the work of you ladies among them takes an affectionate part in their memories. No words of mine can adequately express the true value of the work of the Field Comfort Circle and other kindred societies, but personally speaking I feel it has a high moral value. Our military experts assure us that troops with a good morale have half the battle won. Thus in assisting to preserve their confidence your work takes on an aspect of military value, and as such is of considerable national importance.

The news from the front during the last few days looks like the silver lining to the dark clouds which have been hovering over the Allied armies since the German offensive started last week. We hope that it is God's hand in His infinite mercy guiding us to the early peace which we all long for.

Wishing all the members of the Field Comfort Circle everything that is good, I am again thanking you for the very useful parcel.

I am yours very sincerely,
Robert A. Ross.

MAY OBTAIN LEAVE TO WORK ON FARMS

Recent Regulations Allow Soldiers Who Have Worked on Farms Permission To Work on Specified Farms.

Recent military regulations allow soldiers who were working on a farm previous to joining the ranks, leave of absence to work only on "specified farms," but not necessarily the farms on which the men were working previous to enlisting. The leave, it is announced, extends to six weeks and is granted without pay. Again this leave may be cancelled at any time by wire or letter, and correct postal and telegraphic address must be given. Emphasis is laid on the above, and strict punishment follows, when those ordered to report by wire or letter, fail to do so. It is understood the leave of absence is granted at once to those desiring to help on the farms, but may be cancelled at any time if it is the judgment of the military authorities the leave warrants cancellation for any military reason.

Quite a few of the boys are applying for leave, and it is expected a large number of farmers may benefit by this new regulation.

HOSEN SUPERIOR GENERAL.
Mother Mary Alphonsus, principal of St. Joseph's schools, Sydney street, has been chosen Superior General of the Sisters of Charity, Diocese of St. John, for the term of six years. The question took place on Wednesday morning, after the close of the retreat conducted by Rev. Joseph Scholby, C. S. R., of Toronto. About 100 members were in attendance. Besides the mother house, St. Vincent's Convent, Cliff street, the Sisters have houses in the North End, Carleton, Fredericton, Moncton, Memramook and Buctouche. The orphan asylum for girls, Cliff street; St. Patrick's Industrial School, Silver Falls, and Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Sydney street, are under their care.

The retiring Superior General is the Rev. Mother Thomas, who has most efficiently discharged the important duties of her office for a number of years. During her regime the St. Vincent's Infants' Home and the St. John Infirmary have been established, and an orphanage at Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, under their care.

The new Superior General has been a successful teacher and has shown in her career many qualifications for leadership.

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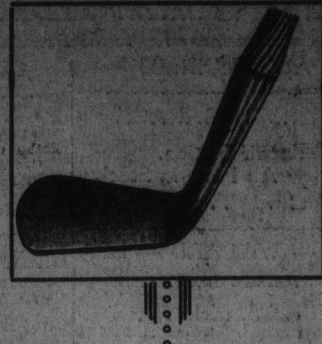
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FURNITURE DEPARTMENT, MARKET SQUARE.

NEW APRONS AND ROMPERS.

New colored Aprons in a variety of stripes and small patterns. Appealing styles. Interesting values. Belted Apron Dresses, Price \$1.35; Kimono Aprons, Price 95c; Aprons with Bibs, Price 75c; Aprons without Bibs, Price 40c; also a new lot of "Sister Dora" Aprons at 70c, 95c, \$1.00, \$1.10, \$1.25 and \$1.35.

NEW ROMPERS in colored Gingham at 65c. White Pique at 85c.

WHITEWEAR DEPARTMENT, 2ND FLOOR.

COTTON WASH RUGS.

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NEW WASH GLOVES for Ladies, in African Brown and Cape Creme. The "Biceno" make, very desirable for travelling, and early fall wear, \$2.35 pair. Wash Cape Gloves, various makes, in Tan, Mastic, Khaki and Grey, \$2.25 and \$2.75 pair. Motoring Gloves in Tans and Greys, \$2.75 pair.

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Grav. Rev. Mother Mary Thomas was elected first assistant.

Landowner House dining room will open Monday, August 12th.

Chauffeurs and teamsters' outing to Anthony's Cove Sunday. Leave Market Square at 10 a. m. Tickets \$1.00.

For the benefit of those wishing to attend the semi-annual meeting of the St. John County Lodge of St. Martin's this evening automobile buses will leave the Orange Hall, Germain street at four o'clock this afternoon.

KILLED BY SHELL.

A letter has been received by Mrs. George Bloomfield, of Sussex, from the officer in command of the platoon in which was her son Pte. Jack, when killed on June 12.

The letter was dated July 2, France, and stated that Pte. Jack Bloomfield "was in my platoon and standing not more than five feet from me, when the shell hit our trench that killed him instantly, wounding another man near us. Your son was one of the bravest and best soldiers in my platoon; he was a general favorite and all the boys miss him so much."

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