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### HOW A PRIVATE WON THE VICTORIA CROSS



The very gallant conduct for which Private Flynn, of the British army, was awarded the Victoria Cross is thus described by an officer in his regiment: "My first sight of him was when he was running across the opening under fire. Bullets were as thick as bees around an overturned hive. He crossed and recrossed with materials to dress the wounds of the men he went to assist." Subsequently Private Flynn carried in one of the wounded men and afterward returned with a comrade and brought in a second under very heavy fire from the enemy.

### Chatham no Worse Than is Newcastle

The following remarks are taken from the editorial columns of the Chatham Gazette:

#### A MISCHIEVOUS STATEMENT...

"A reverend gentleman stated to a Newcastle audience that recipients of National Service cards in Chatham were refusing to give the information asked in many cases and in some were returning the cards with the insolent message scrawled on them 'Nothing doing.'"

This gentleman should be called to account and asked where he got his vilifying information, for The Gazette is informed by postal authorities that no such thing has taken place in regard to such cards as were handed in before the official envelopes were received. In the latter case all have been sealed and could not be read by anyone until they reached Ottawa and yet this speaker treated the matter as though these cards had been openly displayed and seen by local officials of the post office.

If he is not engaged in a malicious effort to stir up bad feelings between communities he should at once make public the source and quality of his information. As a public man he cannot surely have gone on mere rumor or report.

"The reverend gentleman" referred to by the Gazette in Rev. S. J. MacArthur of Newcastle, who, when spoken to about the matter today, stated that his information regarding the insolent manner in which National Service cards had been treated in Chatham, came from a Chatham clergyman.

Rev. Mr. MacArthur emphatically disclaims any intention to make an invidious reflection upon Chatham people, when he made his statement at the Newcastle National Service meeting. The attitude of some men towards National Service, which he meant to illustrate in making public the information received from the Chatham clergyman, Rev. Mr. MacArthur did not mean to imply even, was peculiar to Chatham. His purpose was only to emphasize the fact that there were men unwilling to give the government the information it needed for and that the government's measure did not go far enough.

In connection with the matter Rev. Mr. MacArthur states that he purposely refrained from stating at the meeting referred to, that the Chatham clergyman had told him that he had open National Service cards lying torn on Chatham streets, and with the insolent words "Nothing doing" written on them. Rev. Mr. MacArthur declines to make public the name of the Chatham minister, but says he has no doubt that if the Gazette desires to trace the information to its source it can easily obtain all the details desired.

The opposition of Newcastle men to National Service has been very strongly criticised in Newcastle, and neither Rev. Mr. MacArthur nor anyone else in Newcastle, who has publicly expressed his opinion on the subject can justly be charged with claiming that Chatham is any worse than Newcastle in this respect.

### Horse Racing on River Next Week

A speedway Association and some good ice races are two near realities in Newcastle, if the plans of a number of local horsemen are carried out.

In and around Newcastle there are a dozen or more fast driving horses, among which are some very exciting races could be arranged. At the town's feet, as it were, there is a perfect natural race course—the ice-covered Miramichi. The two essential elements for good horse races, therefore, already exist. All that is further required is that races be arranged. With this object in view, a meeting of horse owners of the district, and other interested citizens, has been called for next Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 16, at Edward Dalton's livery stable, when efforts will be made to form a Speedway Association and prepare a program of races to start next week, and continue while the ice lasts, and perhaps even later on an earth track.

It is proposed to have the ice races on the river over a half mile course, at a point passing the Town Hall or thereabout. If the plan is carried out the races will be held in open view of the public, who will have the opportunity of witnessing some exciting speed struggles.

### North Shore Boys are Highly Regarded

Mayor Fish is in receipt of a very interesting letter from Lieut.-Col. G. W. Mersereau from Bramshott Camp, England, dated Dec. 21 last. Col. Mersereau had just come out of the hospital, and says, at the time of writing, he is feeling "pretty shaky," but that the Mayor's letter has put new life into him.

This is an excerpt from Col. Mersereau's letter: "The breaking up of our Battalion has been a hard blow to all our officers, has nearly broken my heart, and has been the chief cause of my going to hospital. However, it has been a strong tribute to us, and to the kind of men the North Shore of N. B. produces. There were many favorable comments made on their physique and soldierly deportment here as well as at the officers, reviewing them here and receiving them there; and some wonder expressed as to where such a bunch of young stalwarts was recruited and trained."

### SOCIAL SERVICE CONGRESS

ST. JOHN, JAN. 22-24  
The Social Service Council of Canada in cooperation with the Social Service com. of N. B. are arranging for a Congress to be held in St. John on Jan. the 22-24.

Various problems of the very greatest interest at this time will be considered. For example: "Degrading and Uplifting Influences in Rural Life," "The Problems of the Town and City," "The Child Problem," "The Returned Soldier and the Land," "The Social Obligations of Christianity." Besides there are a number of equally interesting and pressing topics. This Congress brings to our very door noted authorities and speakers, who as a rule never come nearer than Montreal or Toronto.

Among the speakers are such men as Dr. Hastings Hart, Director of the department of Child Welfare Work in the Russell Sage Foundation, New York, and Mr. Raymond Robins of Chicago. Mr. Robins began life as a miner. He then went into business, became a millionaire, and now is devoting his time and energy to effort to benefit his fellowmen. He is said to be one of the most gifted orators on the continent today, as well as being an authority on Labor and other Social Problems. Dr. Peter H. Bryce of Ottawa will deal with the Soldier and the Land. Other speakers are Rev. L. Norman Tucker D.D. of London, Dr. T. Albert Moore and Dr. J. G. Shearer both of Toronto. Each church will be represented as well as Labor and other organizations. It is hoped that all who are interested in the future growth and prosperity of the Province will be in attendance.

### CURLING NEWS

Recent game at Newcastle Curling rink resulted as follows:  
Club Cup  
1st Series  
Jan. 8  
G. J. Macdonald 17 G. G. Macdonald 19  
(P. Russell) 13 A. H. Macdonald 13  
Jan. 5  
R. Beckwith 13 Jos. Jeffries 13  
2nd Series  
C. J. Morrison 11 D. S. Creighton 9  
The following have been appointed skips to take part in the North Shore curling which will be held at Dalhousie next month—J. K. Macdonald, J. P. Laidlaw, H. W. Goodwin and Jim Macdonald. The following have been appointed to be completed by the above clubs in practice on their home ice before the opening.  
In this practice the following games were played Tuesday night:  
J. K. Macdonald 7-2 W. Goodwin 11  
J. P. Laidlaw 10-3 H. W. Goodwin 7

### May Take Title of Lord Beaver Brook

A Canadian press despatch from London says that it is rumored that Altken's title is Baron Beaver Brook in the Province of New Brunswick, and Chertsey, in County Surrey, Chertsey is Altken's home near London. Beaver Brook is close to Newcastle, N. B., where Altken was born. There is already a Duke of Newcastle.

**DR. FERGUSON IN TOWN**  
Dr. W. A. Ferguson, of Moncton, was a visitor in Newcastle on Tuesday having been called here for a consultation with Dr. Moore, regarding the prolonged illness of Mr. Ernest Hutchison.

**RUSHING WORK ON PULP MILL**  
Work on the N. B. Pulp and Paper Mill Company's new pulp mill at Millerton is going ahead with a rush. A large part of the framework of the new building has been erected and everything possible is being done to get the plant completed and in operation without loss of time.

**MR. HUTCHISON'S CONDITION UNCHANGED**  
The condition of Mr. Ernest Hutchison, this (Thursday) afternoon, his physician Dr. B. R. Moore, states, is still critical and about the same as it has been for several days. "He is holding his own" was the most optimistic statement that could be elicited from Dr. Moore concerning Mr. Hutchison's condition.

**MEDALS FOR BONSPIEL RINKS**  
Four very neat and attractive silver medals have been put up for competition among the four rinks which will represent Newcastle at the North Shore Bonspiel, which will be held at Dalhousie in February. The design of the medal is two bronze medals, representing a curling stone. They will be awarded to the members of the rink winning the greatest number of the twelve games played. The medals will be presented to the winners at the conclusion of the competition. The medals will be presented to the winners at the conclusion of the competition.

### COUNTY COUNCIL

The annual meeting of the Northumberland County Council will begin at the Court House in Newcastle next Tuesday, 16th inst.

**MRS. CROCKER IMPROVING**  
Mrs. Christopher Crocker, of Millerton who has been ill at her home for some time, is reported to be considerably better.

**MR. INGRAM ILL**  
Mr. Henry Ingram is ill at the Miramichi Hospital, where he was taken on Tuesday, but is progressing favorably under the care of Dr. D. R. Moore.

**PTE. GRAY HONORED**  
At the regular meeting of Wyndford L. O. L. Douglas on Thursday night, the returned hero, Pte. Chesley Grey, who is recuperating after his severe wounds, was presented a handsome safety razor by the members of the lodge.

**C. G. R. CHANGES**  
R. D. Smith, ill recently night agent in Newcastle, has been made station agent at Bathurst, and has been succeeded here by E. R. Graham who was formerly night operator at Derby Jct. E. J. Vye, who was an operator here, but was replaced by K. J. Gotreau of Canada.

### Fire Destroys Store Tuesday at Millerton

Fire destroyed the store of J. & M. Carter at Millerton, Tuesday evening about six o'clock. The loss is estimated at from \$2000 to \$3000 including the building and stock of merchandise contained therein.

The building was owned by Mrs. Russell. Both the stock and building were partially insured.

The cause of the fire is unknown, but is supposed to have been a defective chimney. There was no one in the store when the fire was discovered, everybody being away for supper. Melbourne Carter first saw the fire when returning from his supper. The upper part of the building was then ablaze. He sounded the alarm, and a bucket brigade which quickly responded tried hard to quench the blaze but it had gained too much headway, and the building and contents were quickly consumed. Messrs. Carter have been in business in Millerton for about five years.

**BACK FROM HOSPITAL**  
Miss Helen Crocker of Millerton, who underwent treatment at the Miramichi Hospital, returned to her home last Friday, all but recovered in health.

**HOW ARE YOUR FEET?**  
This is not an impertinent question, but one which is being asked by Walter Amy, with a practical intention. Great numbers of people suffer from a variety of foot ailments and Mr. Amy has made arrangements which will enable Northumberland county people to get rid of their foot troubles. On Tuesday of next week, Jan. 16, an eminent Foot Specialist from Chicago will be in attendance at Mr. Amy's, Newcastle, for the purpose of telling any interested person exactly how his or her foot troubles may be corrected. The public is cordially invited to submit their feet to this expert, whose advice will be free to all who ask for it. Irrespective of whether or not they are members of Mr. Amy's.

### WOMEN'S INSTITUTE HAD AN INTERESTING MEETING

A very interesting monthly session of the Newcastle Women's Institute was held at the home of the President, Mrs. C. C. Hayward, on Tuesday evening. Eighteen members were present, and one new member was initiated.

The committee which had in hand the matter of sanitary drinking fountains for Harkins Academy, reported that the two fountains were installed Monday.

A committee of the whole institute was appointed, to arrange for a public sale of home cooking for the purpose of raising funds for the purchase of yarn and flannels to be made into comforts for the soldiers. It is intended to hold the sale on Saturday the 20th inst.

Mrs. E. A. McMillan read a highly helpful paper at Tuesday evening's meeting on the subject of New Year's Resolutions, in which she pointed out the importance of making good resolutions once a year, anyway, even though they all cannot be kept; and also emphasized the value of cheerfulness, good will and kindness towards those with whom one comes into contact day by day.

### BUYS FINE TROTTER

Joe Napier, of Redbank has purchased the trotting horse, known as Oakley H. from Mr. A. H. C. Jewett of Fredericton. The horse was driven home by Mr. Napier on Sunday, Oakley H. is a fine specimen of a horse and has been driven with a record of 2:22 for the mile and will be shown here on Jan. 16. He will race on Jan. 16.