

AROUND THE CITY
FAIR AND COOL

SEAMEN WITH FLU.
Five of the crew of the government steamer Abolition are ill with influenza. Four of the patients have been removed to the Epidemic Hospital, and the other was taken to his home.

ON PLEASANT JOURNEY.
Mr. and Mrs. John W. Vanwart, with Mrs. G. M. Barker and Miss Barker, left last evening for California. They will travel up the coast and return via the C. P. R., stopping at various Canadian cities.

SMALLPOX CASE.
An Indian boarding in a Poind street house was discovered Wednesday night to be suffering from smallpox and was removed to the Isolation Hospital. The case is reported as severe and the house is under quarantine.

POPULAR TRANSFER.
The patients who were in the Pitt street military hospital for infectious diseases have been transferred to the Martello Hotel, West Side, which will probably be used hereafter for housing these cases.

THE POLICE COURT.
In the police court yesterday was heard the usual amount of business. Albert McNeill, arrested some time ago on the charge of assaulting Jas. Boyd, was allowed to go on suspended sentence, on condition that he sign the pledge.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR.
Major Keith Macdonough, a returned officer who spent four years overseas, arrived yesterday to take over the duties of assistant director of supplies and transports, succeeded Major McCormack, who has been transferred to West St. John.

HAD POCKET PICKED.
A young woman residing in the West End has complained of having her pocket picked and pocketbook stolen while on a Douglas Avenue car. She suspects a small boy who was also a passenger as being the thief.

RETAIL FISH MARKETS.
The retail fish markets are now supplied with frozen and fresh varieties to meet all demands. The only product affected in price was halibut which received a five cent drop, the market price now being 25 cents per pound.

PASSENGERS TO ENGLAND.
The C. P. O. S. Melita sailed last night for Liverpool with a large passenger list as well as mails and general cargo. Among the passengers is Mrs. Percy Gilson, of this city, who will spend six months with her parents in Scotland. Another passenger is Miss J. Ingleton, sister of Captain Richard Ingleton, who is going to London.

THE BOYS' CLUB.
The entertainment for the Boys' Club club last night was unavoidably postponed until this evening, when the boys will be entertained at the Art Club rooms with an illustrated traveltalk by C. H. Finewood, with refreshments served afterwards by the ladies' auxiliary of the club.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.
Junior business boys had a most pleasant time at the Y. M. C. A. last night, with special games and gym work followed by most satisfying refreshments. Later in the evening the senior "Y" club and members of the Young Ladies' League enjoyed the ice at the Victoria rink, returning to the "Y" afterwards for a hot lunch, games, music and other amusements.

A SPECIAL MEETING.
At a special meeting of the common council yesterday morning, the common clerk read a letter from Premier Foster, in which he promised to introduce the necessary legislation for the increase of \$40,000 asked for by the Board of School Trustees and this amount was added to the assessment for 1919, making the increase for school for this year \$65,000. This makes the total levy for 1919 \$1,162,867.01.

THURSDAY NIGHT SOCIAL.
Last night's social at St. David's church was one of the most interesting of the month, with a large attendance of war veterans, naval and military. Sergt. Major Oliver occupied the chair and the programme included songs by Miss Aird, Sergt. Taylor, Miss Tweedy, Seaman Tupper of the Ramore Head crew, Stoker Armstrong of the Fened Head crew, a reading by Miss Carrie Baillie, solos by Sergt. McNevin and Miss Mitten. After the usual delightful sing-song, with Miss Crumskank as pianist, refreshments were served by the ladies of the committee.

MOVE HOSPITAL TO WEST ST. JOHN
Staff and Equipment of St. James Street Military Hospital Being Transferred to New Quarters in Lancaster.

The military hospital staff and equipment at St. James' street is being transferred to the recently organized military hospital, formerly the school for the deaf on Prince street, West St. John, a better location and more attractive surroundings being one of the advantages, and also the fact that here much better and quicker service can be given to the cases which come to the hospital from the troop ships landing at this port—many of these being expected during the next few months.

The Provincial Red Cross Society is making plans for the furnishing and equipment of a recreation room in the new hospital, and two other societies, the Brunswick Chapter, I. O. O. F., and the Stone Church Red Cross Circle have asked to be allowed the privilege of equipping certain wards. It is expected that other organizations, as well as individuals, will be active in making the new hospital the acme of comfort and convenience for the sick and wounded warriors.

Army cars were kept busy yesterday transferring the furniture from the St. James' Street Hospital to the new one.

PRICE OF MILK IS LOWERED;
DECREASE STARTS TOMORROW

King's County Milk Producers' Association Held Meeting Last Evening at Apohaqui—Reduced Price to Dealers to Eight Cents Per Quart—Cheaper Milk for Citizens.

Beginning February 1st, the citizens of St. John should be able to buy their milk for one cent per quart less than they have been paying since November last, as the King's County Milk Producers' Association, at a meeting held last night at Apohaqui, decided to reduce the price to the dealers to eight cents per quart.

It will be remembered that last November the members of the association notified the milk dealers that owing to the increase in the price of feeds, etc., it would be necessary to raise the price of milk two cents per quart, but finally accepted an offer of seventy cents per eight quart can. Following this increase from the producers the dealers raised the price per quart to the consumer, two cents, bringing it up to fourteen cents per quart.

Last night the Association met, and after discussing the matter very thoroughly decided that, in view of the fact that the prices of feeds had not been so excessive this winter as had been expected, and the cost of production consequently less than figured on, they would voluntarily reduce the price to the dealer from seventy cents to sixty-four cents per can of eight quarts, or eight cents per quart, the change in price to go into effect on Saturday, February 1st.

Members of the Association last night expressed the opinion that this should have the effect of lowering the cost to the consumer in St. John by one cent per quart. This change will mean quite a lessening of the amount going into King's County for milk, as at the present time there are about 1,350 eight-quart cans per day coming into the city from that county.

This action on the part of the Association was taken purely on their own initiative and was not the result of any pressure on the part of the dealers, or anyone else, for a reduction in price, and was taken solely for the purpose of giving the consumers of one of the chief necessities of life the benefit of a reduction in the cost of production.

CASE OF INTEREST
IN CIVIL COURT

Husband is Sued for Board of His Wife, Who Left Home and Resided at Another Place.

An interesting case was heard in the police court yesterday, a family affair being aired at both morning and afternoon sessions. The defendant in the case, a husband, was sued for a board bill, contracted by his wife who left her home and husband about four weeks ago, and the lady with whom she boarded was the complainant.

The husband declined to pay the bill on the grounds that his wife's home was yet open to her, and this she had deserted, after a family quarrel, taking along her two children. The wife was called to give evidence in the case. She told of the treatment accorded to her by her husband, which, she said, was all but pleasant. Her two sisters also gave evidence corroborating the statements of the wife, but going into details more fully. Evidence occupied the session of the court for some time as considerable cross-examination was heard and cross-fire exchanged between the counsel for defendant and the plaintiff.

After all evidence had been submitted, and cross-examination finished, Scott E. Morrell, for defendant, pleaded that there was no ground for a suit and entered a plea of non-suit. To bear out his contentions he read many extracts of a case similar to the one referred to which was aired in the police courts and supreme courts in the years 1906 and 1907, that of Currie vs. Currie. He read long extracts from the law to show that the wife had left the husband, when she did not really possess a fear of him, as though he were intending to injure her, although the evidence submitted in yesterday's case was contrary to the former statements and phrases as advocated by the counsel for the defendant. The case referred to was aired before the late Chief Justice Gregory, and finally before Chief Justice McKewen and Mr. Justice Barry, and the one now in the court is similar in some phases, but entirely different in many others.

Court was postponed until Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Daniel Mullin, K. C., is appearing for the wife who he said is entering grounds for a suit of divorce.

HAROLD BAXTER
BADLY INJURED

While coasting from the alleyway of his home into Harding street yesterday afternoon, Harold Baxter, the thirteen-year-old son of Thomas and Mrs. Baxter, 17 Harding street, was run over by a motor car operated by Elmer Morrell, German street, and badly injured. The boy was hurt principally about the stomach and side, but from a report from the St. John infirmary, where he was rushed immediately afterwards, he is resting easily and is not in danger. The attending nurse said the boy was on a totaly demolished.

MOTOR ENGINE
READY FOR DUTY

The motor fire engine has been given a thorough overhauling and yesterday was given a test to see that everything was in running order. She passed the test in splendid style and is now ready for duty. Speaking of new apparatus, Commissioner Thornton was just a little doubtful whether it would be possible to purchase any this year. He said he had made an inspection of the big ladder truck and was inclined to think that this might be converted into a motor truck without much expense by following a method which had been adopted with success in other cities, which was to buy a tractor and use that instead of horses for the motive power. The truck itself seemed to be in good shape and he had been told by an expert who had given it a thorough going over that it was good for a number of years.

DAUGHTER SERIOUSLY ILL.

Friends of W. S. Harkins will regret to learn that his daughter is seriously ill of influenza at the residence of her cousin Mrs. (Rev.) W. J. Cox, Philadelphia. She contracted the disease a few days after her removal there, and the entire household of Mrs. Cox, are suffering from the same disease. Mrs. Harkins, who is recovering from an illness has been unable to go to her daughter, but is being kept informed by wire several times a day as to her condition. Such was the information conveyed in a letter received by A. K. Munroe yesterday.

MOST SOLEMN AND
IMPRESSIVE WAS
SERVICE AT TRINITY

Service of Humble Intercession to Almighty God for the Reunion of Christendom Held Last Evening.

Church history was made in St. John last evening when representatives from all the Protestant churches gathered in Trinity church and took part in "A service of humble intercession to Almighty God for the reunion of Christendom." His Lordship Bishop Richardson and Canon Armstrong, rector of the church; Rev. David Hutchinson, representing the Baptists; Rev. H. A. Goodwin, representing the Methodists; and Rev. F. S. Dowling, representing the Presbyterians, took the leading parts in the service, which had been specially prepared for the occasion, and the whole service was of a most solemn and impressive character. The church was packed to the doors and many were unable to gain admittance to the building.

Leaflets containing the order of service had been distributed in the pews and the congregation very generally took part. The hymns were all in the nature of prayer for oneness of the church, and these were sung heartily by the congregation. There seemed to be a spirit of unity radiating from all present, and as one in attendance expressed it, "it has helped me to feel that we are all working for the same end, only one is hoeing corn, and the other is hoeing corn."

Sharp at eight o'clock the ministers marched by the vestry area took their places in the choir loft. There was a moment of silent prayer after which the hymn "Our Blessed Redeemer, ere He Breathed" was sung; this was followed by a general litany led by Bishop Richardson, in which the congregation joined heartily; next was sung the hymn, "The Church's one Foundation," after which the scripture lesson, John 17: 11-23, was read by Rev. David Hutchinson. This was followed by the recital of the Apostles' creed by all; next came a season of silent prayer led by Rev. H. A. Goodwin, that all Christian people might respond to the influence of the Holy Spirit in their hearts and minds, be filled with brotherly love and kindness toward each other, be brought to see the weakness of the church through its divisions, earnestly confess their divisions, earnestly delivered to the Saints, that they might be brought nearer to each other in the unity of the Faith, that the prejudices and barriers which divide the churches be removed, learn to look for and welcome the points in which they agreed, the vision of united Christendom might become increasingly attractive, that they might learn to pray for visible unity, this was followed by the hymn, "Blest Be The Tie That Binds," after which Rev. F. S. Dowling led the prayer. The singing of the hymn "Through the Night of Doubt and Benediction" by Bishop Richardson brought the service to a close.

RETURNED SOLDIER
RECEIVES WELCOME

R. Murray Cowan was Guest of Alexander Temple Last Evening—Pleasing Programme Carried Through.

Alexandra Temple No. 6, T. of H. and T. last night extended a royal welcome to R. Murray Cowan, one of the returned soldiers who has just returned from the firing line, after spending four years and five months in khaki.

Cowan is one of the Canadians privileged to wear the red shoulder straps, showing that he was one of the first to answer the call of King and country, and proceeded to England with the "original" in February, 1915, he crossed to France, and served there until March 27, 1918, when he was wounded. He spent seven months in hospital, and was then attached to the School of Gunnery as an instructor. After spending some time there he was sent back to France. He was wounded twice, but finally in April of 1918 his request was granted and he once more reached the firing line. At Cambrai he was slightly shell shocked and sent to "Blighty." Two other members of the Temple, Bennett Wilson and J. C. Dow, were expected to be present, but were unable to do so.

After the regular business had been disposed of, the Temple adjourned. D. B. C. T. S. E. Logan was called to the chair and extended the official welcome to Brother Cowan and made a brief reference to his service rendered King and country. Brother Cowan made a brief reply, and then the members for the warm welcome extended. Short addresses were then given by F. G. T., J. B. Eagles, P.G.T., G. T. C. Bennett and P. C. T. Ramway and Rev. D. Hutchinson; solos were sung by R. G. Carson and S. A. Williams and a number of gramophone selections followed. The evening's amusements were passed through refreshments served. Just before the sandwiches and coffee were passed around the chairman proposed a toast to the guest, which was followed by the singing of "He's a Jolly Good Fellow," and three cheers.

The singing of the National Anthem brought to a close a delightful evening.

ESTABROOKS STAFF
ON SLEIGH DRIVE

With Friends Had Good Time Last Evening—After Drive Were Entertained at Brookville Residence.

The office staff accompanied by their friends of the Estabrooks Company, Ltd., enjoyed a pleasant time last evening when they drove as far as Torriburn, and returning stopped at the residence of a gentleman where they spent the remainder of the evening. Dancing and musical numbers with a good line of refreshments made the occasion a huge success, and all voiced Mr. and Mrs. Garrett to be excellent entertainers. The party returned to the city in the early hours of the morning tired, but happy, as all had enjoyed a pleasant evening. This social event is the first one of this nature which the Estabrooks office staff has enjoyed, and it is now voted that in the future it is scheduled as an annual event.

TALL BLONDE
LOST A RING

Lively Scene in Cafe Late Last Night—Woman on Discovering Rings Used Some Bad Language.

A tall blonde woman and her companion are mourning today the alleged loss of a woman's ring set with diamonds and pearls and valued at one hundred dollars. The couple who appeared to have evidently been following a session with old "John Barleycorn," went to a restaurant after last midnight and there each took aboard three chop suet, with all the trimmings. During the process the loss of the ring created an alarm which soon involved the couple, the proprietor and some of the other male customers, but the ring was not found. The woman was quite vigorous in her denunciation of the alleged theft, indulging in some bad language, but finally departed without the jewel, but with her companion.

Remember this is Book Day for the East St. John County Hospital. Books will be received at the Royal Standard Chapter Rooms, 119 Germain Street, or donations of money will be acceptable to pay for subscriptions to magazines or papers. Tel. Main 415, and books will be sent free.

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