Around the City

CLEARING.

ENTIRELY UNFOUNDED.

W. Frank Hatheway states that the report that he may be a candidate for commissioner is entirely unfounded. He will not be a candidate.

THREE DAYS' MISSION

Rev. Joseph J. Sholly, C. SS. R., left St. Peter's rectory Saturday morning for St Stephen, where he will hold a three days' mission.

PLAYING OTHER TOWNS.

The Chin Chin company are playing towns in Nova Scotia other than Halifax, where theatres are closed on account of Spanish influenza.

CAPTAIN O'REGAN HOME.

Captain Dr. John O'Regan, who has been serving with the British army in Mesopotamia, arrived home Saturday. He was met at the station by a large number of relatives and friends and given a hearty welcome home.

CHARLES D. MERRITT.

Charles D. Merritt, constable at Rockwood Park, died at his residence in the park Saturday morning, after a six weeks' illness of heart trouble. He was forty-three years old. Besides his wife he leaves six small children.

SIEGE BATTERY INSPECTED.

Brigadier-General A. H. Macdonell, accompanied by Major General Mac dougall, inspected the 9th Siege Battery Saturday at their temporary quarters in the armory. The men showed up well and the inspecting officers were much pleased.

THE TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION.

At the regular meeting of St. John Typographical Union No. 85, held on Saturday evening, the union passed a resolution in entire sympathy with the policemen of St. John in their efforts to form a union, and pledged them its moral and financial support.

GIVEN TO CHILDREN'S HOME.

The vegetable exhibits of Miss Parks, Miss Hegan, A. M. Belding and some others at the war gardens exhibition were sent Saturday by Mr. Burditt to the Children's Home in Elliott Row. The Y. W. C. A. received the large display of Frank V. Hamm and some others.

SATURDAY AUCTION SALES.

At Chubb's corner at noon Saturday Auctioneer T. T. Lantalum offered for sale 270 shares of the capital stock of P. Nase & Sons, Ltd., of the par value of $20 each, the property of Mary M. Woodman estate. Philip Nase was the purchaser for $5 per share.

Auctioneer F. L. Potts offered for sale the two-story house, 27 St. David street. The sale was withdrawn.

MASS MEETING HELD.

A mass meeting of the Trades and Labor Unions was held yesterday afternoon in Odd Fellows' Hall, Union street.

F. A. Campbell, vice-president of the Trades and Labor Council; and acting chairman of the campaign committee, called the meeting to order at 2.30 o'clock. In an address he spoke on the progress already attained in the recall and outlined methods for future proceedings.

VERY LITTLE IMPROVEMENT.

A British recruit who reached the city on the Boston train last Monday, and who was admitted to the St. James Street Military Hospital shortly afterwards, was reported last evening as showing very little improvement. Asked if the case was that of Spanish influenza, the doctor replied: "We believed it was, as it was a case of pneumonia, the form taken by the disease when quite advanced."

WORKS FOR VICTORY LOAN.

Frank Stockdale, who recently addressed the Retail Merchants' Association of the city on better ways of securing business, etc., and who was slated to visit Halifax during the present week on a like mission, as here, was prevented from visiting the sister city on account of the prevalence of the Spanish influenza, and has now offered his services during the week to the Victory Loan Committee. Accordingly he will leave for Moncton today to begin a series of lectures, visiting different centres. The towns visited will take in Moncton, Campbellton, Newcastle, Chatham, Fredericton and St. Stephens. At each centre he will deliver an address in order to boost the coming Victory Loan.

THE REVIVAL MEETINGS.

Despite the inclement weather yesterday three excellent meetings were held by Evangelist Kenyon in Brussels street church. Several persons came forward in the evening and accepted Christ. So far in the campaign about fifty converts have shown their desire to join some church. Two splendid duets, "Over the River Faces I See," and "In Jesus," were most acceptably rendered by Mr. and Mrs. Small. The subject for the morning service was "Persistance of a seeker after Power"; in the afternoon "Two Priesthoods" and in the evening "Taking Jesus in the Boat."

AN HONOR FLAG FOR EACH CITY

Governor General Will Present Flag to Every City Which Exceeds Its Quota by Twenty-Five Per Cent.

The preparations for the Victory Loan campaign in St. John are progressing steadily. His Honor the Governor General has announced his intention of presenting to each city which exceeds its quota an honor flag. The city which exceeds its quota by twenty-five per cent. will have placed on the flag a British crown, by fifty per cent. two crowns and seventy-five per cent. three crowns.

The St. John committee are out after these crowns, and they will not be satisfied unless the flag, for one, is coming, which comes to this city has the three crowns.

CONFERENCE TO CONSIDER MATTERS IN RELATION TO HARBOR

Hon. C. C. Ballantyne Present at Meeting Held in Mayor's Office Saturday — Harbor Commission, Shipbuilding, Negro Point Breakwater Extenison and Harbor Patroling Were Chief Matters Discussed.

A conference to consider matters in relation to the harbor of St. John was held in the mayor's office on Saturday afternoon. The mayor presided.

Among those present were Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, Minister of Marine; S. E. Elkin, M. P. P., R. W. Wigmore, M. P., Commissioners Bullock, Fisher, McLellan and Hilyard, A. H. Wetmore, president of the Board of Trade, R. E. Armstrong, secretary; H. C. Schofield, W. E. Golding and J. A. Grant of the harbor and shipbuilding committee of the Board of Trade; Engineer Gray of the Public Works Department, Harbor Master Alward and Mr. J. T. Knight, shipping merchant.

The matters chiefly discussed with the minister related to harbor commission, shipbuildings, the extension of Negro Point breakwater, and the patrolling of the harbor.

The mayor explained the position of the city on the matter of harbor commission. The city as requested had forwarded a statement to the government and it has been awaiting a reply from the government before taking further action.

Hon. Mr. Ballantyne said the government had been waiting for the scheme that the city proposed to take a plebiscite on. When this had been received and approved the matter could be pushed to a speedy conclusion. He expressed himself in favor of the harbor being placed in commission, but warned the gentlemen that the success of commission depended very largely upon the character of the commissioners. They should be the best and strongest men in the city and they should be given an absolutely free hand. The progressive condition of St. John justified it being placed in commission.

The Board of Trade statement of exports and imports through the port of St. John for four years, in comparison with the ports of Montreal, Halifax, Quebec and Vancouver, was shown to the minister.

"Why," said he, "the port of St John is the second port in Canada. It should be developed along comprehensive lines."

Continuing his remarks he stated that according to the figures received by his department, St. John harbor receipts showed a deficiency of $24,000. Doubtless this would be overcome.

The mayor pointed out that one year it had cost the city $50,000 to pay for guard patrols that should have been provided by the government of Canada. The city should not be called upon to pay for work that belonged to the whole of Canada. The port would also be greatly benefited and all deficiencies removed if the harbor was used the whole year round as it should be.

The minister coincided with this view. He also promised to give consideration to the guarding of the harbor.

As to the extension of Negro Point breakwater he was convinced of its necessity and he would be glad to assist Hon. Mr. Carvell in pushing the work to completion as soon as money was available.

There was a lengthy talk on shipbuilding. Mr. Ballantyne expressed a strong desire to see St. John building steel ships as its sister port of Halifax proposed doing. The Halifax company had received a contract for eight ships of 8,000 tons capacity each.

It was suggested that if smaller ships were started here—vessels that might be used in carrying sugar or coal—yards could gradually be built up and the help educated in the work. Then, if it was needed, larger ships might be constructed.

The minister expressed his willingness to award contracts here for the construction of ships of 3,700 tons capacity, such as were being built in the Cautlie yards.

The conference with the visiting minister which was a very satisfactory one, lasted over an hour. At its close the mayor thanked Mr. Ballantyne for the opportunity he had given the council and the Board of Trade to discuss the matters and for the information he had passed over.

Further consideration of the matters brought up at the conference will be given at a meeting to be held in the Board of Trade rooms tonight, when papers on the harbor by Engineer Gray of the Public Works Department, and Engineer Kirby of the C. P. R., will be submitted. Chief Engineer Brown, of the C. G. R., Moncton, and Mr. A. R. Dufresne, engineer of the St. John Dry Dock and Shipbuilding Company, have accepted invitations to join with other members of the Canadian Engineering Institute at this meeting.

STEAMER PREMIER AND D. J. PURDY COLLIDE ON RIVER

Purdy Cut Into Starboard Side of Premier at Long Island—Damaged Ship Beached To Save Her From Sinking.

As the result of a collision between the steamers D. J. Purdy and Premier, the latter steamer lies on the shore of Long Island a wreck, and may possibly be out of commission for the balance of the season.

The collision took place about half past twelve Saturday afternoon at what is known as the bend of Long Island. The Premier was proceeding up river and the D. J. Purdy was coming down. The Premier was struck nearly amidships on the starboard side, and the steel prow of the Purdy cut through her hull like cheese. The stricken steamer immediately began to take in water, and the captain turned her head toward the beach and ran her ashore on Long Island to save her from going to the bottom.

The Purdy stood by, and when the Premier had been beached took the passengers off her, and conveyed them to Hampstead wharf, where they waited until the Champlain came along and proceeded on their journey up river in her.

Harry Titus, purser on the Premier, came down to the city on the Purdy and yesterday morning went up with the tug James Holly and two scows, with the intention of floating the wrecked steamer and bringing her to the city for repairs. The captain and crew of the Premier remained by their ship.

Mr. Titus claims the Purdy was at fault as the Premier had the right of way. In speaking of the accident Mr. Titus said he had just gone up to the wheel house to relieve the captain, in order that the latter might get his dinner. Just as he entered the wheel house he saw the Purdy, and remarked to the captain "What is the Purdy doing over here?" In a few minutes the Premier was struck on the starboard side and began to fill. The captain headed her for the shore, and beached her. Fortunately no person was injured.

Capt. Frank Day, the commander of the D. J. Purdy was at the wheel himself at the time of the collision. When seen yesterday afternoon by The Standard, Capt. Day admitted there had been an accident, but refused to make any statement as to who was in the fault.

D. J. Purdy, owner of the steamer D. J. Purdy, when asked about the affair, disclaimed any knowledge of how it happened, and members of the crew were equally reticent.

A telephone message to Hampstead brought the information that the passengers on the Premier said, while waiting for the Champlain to come along, that the steamer Purdy was to blame for the collision.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICE HELD

Queen Square Methodist Church One Hundred and Twenty-Seven Years Old—Rev. Dr. Frost Occupied the Pulpit.

Yesterday, Queen Square Methodist Church celebrated its one hundred and twenty-seventh anniversary. The preacher of the day was Rev. Dr. Frost, lecturer in Christian Ethics at the Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Illinois. Special music was provided at both morning and evening services. The choir had the assistance of Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Small, at the morning service.

At the evening service Dr. Frost spoke on the "Call of Christ," basing his remarks on Matt. 4, 21:22, the calling of John and James by Christ to be His disciples.

The call was to the dedication of the entire life and all its resources, both spiritual and material to a great cause, the making righteous the civic, political and industrial life of the country.

Five years ago it was not believed that such destructive forces were slumbering in the world as have been doing their hellish work on the fields of Belgium and Serbia. No, these forces were not slumbering, but the enemy was sowing tares while we were asleep, and the propaganda to plunge the world into war was being preached, and we did not realize it.

Today the people of the Allied countries were being told they must sacrifice in order to win the war, but after the war was won would the victory for righteousness be won? In order to make the world safe for democracy, democracy must be made safe for the world, for if the people were not righteous, then peace might bring worse conditions than the war had done.

"MY FOUR YEARS IN GERMANY" TODAY.

Starts at the Imperial Theatre with one showing this afternoon, starting at 2.30, (Note the special hour), and again tonight at 7 and 9 o'clock. See the great German war machine's unscrupulous leaders and the Kaiser in Potsdam and on the Wilhelmstrasse. Visit the prisoner camps in Germany. Get close to the heart of things in the enemy capital and instruct yourself intelligently for the peace moves now on foot. A wonderfully convincing and unquestionably truthful ten-reel re-enactment of Ambassador Gerard's thrilling experiences within grasp of the double eagle's poisoned claws.

SALVATION ARMY CONGRESS.

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CHARLES H. WILLIAMS DIED FOR COUNTRY

Was Prominent Local Musician and Instructor of St. Mary's Band—Sister Edith in France With Him When End Came.

Early on Friday Mrs. Charles H. Williams received an official telegram from Ottawa informing her that her son, Charles Henry Williams, of an infantry unit, had been seriously wounded by gunshot in the arm, and had been admitted to a hospital in France.

It was only a few hours after this telegram had been received that Mrs. Williams was shocked on receiving a cablegram from her daughter, Nursing Sister Edith Williams, with the following words, "Was with Charlie to the last. Be brave. Am writing!"

The sympathy of a wide circle of friends is extended to the mother, wife and other relatives of this brave soldier, who has given his life for his country.

That Private Williams' sister was with him when he died, was learned with considerable surprise and satisfaction as she has not been very long in France, having only some weeks ago left for overseas with a United States unit, she having studied and graduated as a nurse in the United States.

In addition to his wife and mother, Private Williams leaves three brothers, Dr. Arthur Williams, in the Southern States, Ernest, residing in Massachusetts, and Harold who was with Charles in the Princess Pats, fighting in France, also the one sister Edith, nursing in France.

It was when the 140th Battalion, under the command of Lieut. Col. Beer, was being organized, and a call for recruits was sent out in the city that Charles Henry Williams, then band master of St. Mary's Band, along with his brother Harold H. Williams, with the St. Mary's Band, volunteered in a body and became members of this battalion. They trained in the city for a considerable period before going to Valcartier Camp, and from the latter place left for England.

In England the 140th Battalion was broken up and the men were sent across the Channel in drafts. The band still remained together and drilled hard while in England. Several months ago the 140th Band was attached to the Princess Pats, and was the only Canadian Band to go to the firing line in a body. The Williams brothers and the other members of the band were not only desirous of being together, but to get on the front line, and their desire was finally gratified. While the band has rendered numerous concerts behind the lines, the bandsmen had much more to do than rendering music, for they were infantry and performed duty on the front line as well, and it was while performing this duty that Charles H. Williams received the wounds that resulted in his death.

As musicians, the members of the Williams family were noted in the city, as their deceased father after being a band master in the Royal Navy, settled in St. John, and proved one of the best instructors that has ever been in the city. Under such an excellent instructor his sons, Arthur, Charles, Ernest and Harold all became first class musicians, and in addition to performing with bands were leading musicians in orchestras.

The soldier who has paid the supreme sacrifice, was previous to enlisting, an engineer with the New Brunswick Power Company, and had been bandmaster of the St. Mary's Band for five years. He was a young man of exceptional character and beloved by a wide circle of friends.

PLENTY OF MOOSE AND DEER REPORTED

Hunters Report Big Game in Abudance Trhoughout the Province.

The monarchs of the forest are most plentiful in many sections of the province. In Southern Charlotte County a few city gentlemen made a tour in the quest of the big ones, and spent four days in the forests, seeing 18 moose and three deer. On the second day they captured one with a 47-inch spread; and on the third day succeeded in landing a deer with a fine spread of antlers.

Whilst proceeding back to the city they broke a rear spring on their auto, and ran into a rut, putting their rear axle out of business. But they forgot their trouble, as they were well awarded on their successful hunting trip. Another car landed them safely in the city.

NO NEW CASES ARE REPORTED

Only Two Persons With Spanish "Flu" in the City—Health Officials Taking Every Precaution.

Dr. W. F. Roberts, Minister of Health, when interviewed last evening regarding the action which would be taken if the Spanish influenza became prevalent in St. John, stated that only two cases have come before the health authorities, and Dr. Melvin had received up to late Saturday evening no further information of any new cases. Public places in the city would not be closed on account of the disease unless it became so prevalent as to become beyond isolation. The health authorities are taking every precaution, and are issuing pamphlets and literature of a highly educational character in every populous district in the province, so that the people may be, in a measure, prepared to combat the disease, and in a way act as their own nurse, and to segregate the cases as they appear, thus avoiding contagion.

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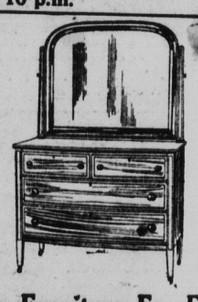

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