

Around the City
FAIR AND MILD

JOINED 9TH SIEGE BATTERY.
Hazen Boyd McMann, of Newcastle
Creek, N. B., who has been bookkeeper
for Linton, Sinclair, Ltd., St. John, has
joined No. 9 Siege Battery for over-
seas service.

THE POLICE COURT.
In the police court yesterday four
drunks were each fined \$8. William F.
Reynolds was again brought before the
court on charge of being a defaulter
under the Military Service Act and the
case postponed until Friday. No evi-
dence was heard.

PRESENTATION TO SOLDIER.
A gathering of the friends of Sergt.
Charles Quilly, who is leaving with
the depot battalion draft, was held at
his residence, 24 Dufferin Row, West
End, on Saturday evening, and he was
made the recipient of a beautiful gold
watch. The evening was pleas-
antly spent in games and amusements,
and refreshments were served.

THE DOMINION POLICE.
The two Dominion detectives work-
ing in St. John, rounding up those who
failed to comply with the Military Ser-
vice Act, made two arrests yesterday.
One man had failed to comply with the
act and the other had failed to do so
from an overseas unit which had left
Canada about a year ago.

THE ROTARY CLUB.
Governor-elect R. W. Wigmore of
the Maritime district, presided at the
local Rotary luncheon, noon yester-
day and delivered a short address in
reply to hearty congratulations which
were expressed by the members on
the occasion of his first gubernatorial
action. During the luncheon, an in-
formal talk was held on the recent
district conference.

WEST SIDE FIRE.
The West Side firemen were given
a run shortly before midnight last
night when an alarm from box 116
called them to the Union Foundry
and Machine Works. On their arrival
they found the fire which was a
small blaze between the blacksmith
and machine shops had been put out
by the watchman of the plant. Very
little damage was done.

WILL ATTEND CONFERENCE.
The local staff of the Y.M.C.A. will
leave on Wednesday morning to attend
the Maritime Employed Officers' Con-
ference to be held in Moncton Wednes-
day and Thursday. Many matters of
importance connected with the work
of the various departments of the as-
sociation will be discussed. These will
include an address on "The Problem
of the Returned Soldier," which will
be given by Capt. J. A. Kneale, general
supervisor of the work among the re-
turned men at the Halifax Depot. Other
speakers will be A. M. Gregg, L. A.
Buckley, Rev. P. R. Hayward and A.S.
McAlister.

Y. M. C. A. DIRECTORS MEET.
The board of directors of the Y. M.
C. A. held their monthly meeting last
evening. The president, G. E. Bar-
bour, occupied the chair. Other
members of the board present were
J. A. Henderson, F. A. Dykeman, W.
E. Anderson, H. W. Rising, W. H.
White, Jas. Henderson, W. C. Cross,
J. H. White, W. K. Ganong, G. L.
Warwick and E. N. Brodie. Favor-
able reports were received from the
various departments showing the
work to be in a flourishing condition.
Many matters of a routine nature
were taken up and future plans dis-
cussed.

THE UNITED MISSION.
The third week of the United Mis-
sion services in the Old Brussels
street church opened most success-
fully last night. The service was
well filled and a deep interest was
manifested. Rev. G. F. Dawson, of
the Exmouth street church, occupied
the chair. Mrs. Stanley Harrison
sang beautifully "Reach Me To Pray."
Owing to the illness of Rev. S. B. Culp
the message of the evening was de-
livered by Rev. H. G. Wright, of
Kingsport, N. B., who based his re-
marks on the words of Jeremiah:
"What is it to that pass by."
The meetings will be continued for the
balance of the week.

A NEW ONE.
Ever since the prohibitory law went
into effect on the first of May, 1917,
certain persons in the city have been
using some substitute for whiskey,
gin, etc., in fact they were satisfied
with anything that would tend to
make them intoxicated. Men arrest-
ed for drunkenness have testified in
court to the use of Invald Win-
dix, Extract of Lemon, Jamaica Ginger,
etc., but a new one was sprung yester-
day when it was announced that
a certain man in the city had taken
to drinking a certain brand of liquid
shoe polish, and the informant re-
fused to give the name of the brand,
but he stated that it did not taste bad, and besides it
had a "kick" in it.

WITH THE SCOUTS.
Arrangements have been made for
monthly meetings of the scoutmasters
to receive instructions from qualified
men on first aid, efficiency work, etc.
It was announced last night at a meet-
ing of the Local Boy Scouts' Associa-
tion, held at the residence of A. C.
Sheleton, that the meetings would be
held on the first Monday of each
month. Mr. McIntosh of the Natural
History Society offered the loan of the
lecture hall for the first meeting, which
was accepted.
The attendance last evening was
good and very encouraging reports
were received from the troops.
The troops are working very hard
to qualify for the annual trophy.

Knights of Pythias concert.
"New York Luck" a winner, William
Russell as Nick Fowler, certainly made
a hit last night at the Nickel. Don't
miss it. Last time this afternoon and
evening.

VICTORIA RINK
CARNIVAL TONIGHT.
This is expected to be one of the big-
gest and best Carnivals ever held at
the Victoria Rink. Several new and start-
ling contests will be seen among the
crowd. Admission 25c.

BRUTAL TREATMENT ACCORDED
SOLDIERS BY THE GERMANS

Corporal Dow, a Returned Soldier, Tells of Hor-
rors Beyond Description—United States Sol-
diers Have Their Throats Cut—Young Lad is
Crucified.

To have their throats cut from ear
to ear and the bodies hung upon the
barbed wire entanglements in full view
of the United States soldiers, was the
brutal treatment accorded the first nine
Americans to fall into the hands of the
Germans. Returned men who arrived
in the city yesterday and who but re-
cently left the firing line tell some ter-
rible outrages committed by the worst
people the world has known. Speak-
ing to a Standard representative last
night at the discharge depot, Corp. M.
F. Dow of Woodstock stated that the
Germans hoped by such methods to
break down the morale of the American
troops. The incident referred to
above was where an American patrol,
numbering twelve men were on duty.
Three of the men were killed in "No
Man's Land," while the other nine
were taken prisoners. The following
morning the Americans were confront-
ed with the appalling sight. The men
were suspended to the wire by the gas
pipes of the incision, thus making the
ghastly sight still more gruesome.
Determined to revenge the death and
suffering of their comrades, the Amer-
icans have expressed themselves in
no uncertain tones as to the compensa-
tion required from the German sol-
diers to satisfy this revenge," remark-
ed one of the men to arrive.

"At a place called St. Thomas, I my-
self saw a sight that I will never for-
get," said Corp. Dow. "There are a
number of places in France and Bel-
gium, I suppose they might be called
praying stations, where there is erect-
ed a large crucifix on a pedestal sur-
rounded by stone stairs. The Germans
removed the Saviour from the cross
and nailed a small boy of sixteen years
thereon. They then took and opened
the lad's side with a bayonet. I saw
this myself," stated the returned man.
Corp. Dow enlisted in the 8th Bat-
tery and was one of the first New
Brunswick soldiers in France. He par-
ticipated in many important engage-
ments and rendered a good account of
himself in all his encounters with the
enemy. Discussing the treatment ac-
corded Canadian soldiers who were
captured by the enemy, Corp. Dow
stated that he learned from a Canadian
who came over with him from the
front, that in some cases the soldiers
are guarded by the Siberian wolf
hounds. He also said that where a
Canadian soldier refused to obey the
command of the German officers in
charge of the internment camp, they

had been taken out and stood in water
up to their necks. Another process of
punishment used by the Germans was
where the men were sent into a room
and hot steam turned on. This lasted
until the men, prostrated with the heat
fell to the floor. Then they were ta-
ken out and cooled off by means of an
electric fan. "I tell you a fellow just
wants to undergo one of these treat-
ments and no more," was the remark
to Corp. Dow of the Canadian prisoner
who escaped from the Germans.
"On the Somme it was nothing to see
steel helmets with nothing but human
heads in them, completely severed
from the body," stated Pte. Harold
Cochrane of Moncton who arrived in
St. John on the evening train last night
from Halifax to go before the board at
the discharge depot this morning.
Pte. Cochrane received a wound in
the leg caused by a shell explosion, a
piece of the casing entering the back
of the leg. "The Germans will be
beaten this summer," stated the Mon-
cton soldier. Concerning the part play-
ed by himself in the gigantic conflict,
the returned man had little to say. En-
listed in the 8th Battery, which was
commanded by Lieut. Col. Anderson
and went overseas with the first con-
tingent, speaking of the New Brun-
swick officer, Pte. Cochrane said that
he was one of the best on the firing
line. He has won the D.S.O. and raised
from the rank of major to a lieutenant
colonel and placed in command of the
2nd Artillery Brigade.

The other provincial men to arrive
were as follows:
Pte. G. W. Adams, St. John; Sgt. D.
Arsenault, 80 Queen St., Moncton; Pte.
G. J. Buralay, 25 Queen St., Moncton;
Pte. W. Baxter, Pte. R. M. Boyce, Sas-
sex; Pte. E. Burrell, Fredericton; Pte.
C. M. Chevill, Pte. R. B. Doucette, Sas-
sex; Pte. A. Donnelly, Moncton; Pte.
R. J. Essinger, Jacques River; Pte. E.
B. Foster, Fredericton; Pte. R. W.
Gavno, Pte. M. Hamm, St. John; Pte.
C. Harvey, Sackville; Pte. J. C. Hull,
Sussex; Pte. H. J. Irving, Moncton;
Pte. A. W. Johnston, Chatham; Pte.
H. L. Merrithew, Sussex; Pte. R. M.
Morris, St. John; Pte. T. McCallum,
Pte. C. H. Hillop, Moncton; Pte. H. R.
McLean, Pte. F. W. Shaw, Pte. R. J.
Hafford, St. John; Pte. T. D. Steven-
son, Moncton, and Pte. S. W. Purver,
St. John.
They will go before the medical
board this morning and leave for their
respective homes today.

PRESENTATION
TO J. V. RUSSELL

Commissioner of Ferries and
Lands is Given Gold Watch
by the Men in His Depart-
ment.

Commissioner Russell was a much
surprised man yesterday morning when
he was called into the mayor's office
and presented with a handsome gold
watch by that official on behalf of the
men of the harbor, ferries and lands
department, as a token of the esteem
in which the genial commissioner is
held by the men under him.
The commissioner, although taken
by surprise, thanked the men for the
expression of good will and said he
was glad to find that his efforts to
make things go smoothly in the four
years of his regime had not been in
vain.
Short congratulatory addresses were
made by Commissioners Wigmore and
Fisher and city solicitor Hon. J. B. M.
Baxter, who expressed the opinion that
if Commissioner Russell had conducted
himself so as to earn the approbation
of the men under him in the de-
partment he must certainly have done
his duty toward the taxpayers.
The watch has on the back of the
case the initials J.V.R., and on the in-
side this inscription: "Commissioner
James V. Russell, staff harbors, ferries
and public lands, St. John, N.B. 1918."

HOW TEAMSTERS
STOLE CLOTHING

Six Men Called for Express
Parcels and Sold Same to
Four Others—St. John Man
Received Some, Not Know-
ing the Same to Be Stolen.

A local merchant who purchased
goods which are supposed to have
been stolen from a party in Montreal
will be called upon to give evidence
in that city when the matter comes
up before the higher court. The
Standard learned last night that the
goods purchased consisted of clothing
and wearing apparel, and it is not
thought the amount will total more
over a hundred dollars, if that much.
The name of the St. John merchant
was disposed of at the preliminary hear-
ing of six bogus teamsters, and four
men who are charged with receiving
the stolen goods from the teamsters.
The scheme was worked in the follow-
ing manner. The teamster would
call upon certain places for express
parcels, presumably for the C. F. R.,
and after getting the parcels would
take them to the four men involved.
It is alleged, purchased these goods

COMMITTEE TO
HOLD A PUBLIC
INVESTIGATION

Alms House Commissioners
Held Meeting Yesterday —
All Persons Given Oppor-
tunity to Present Criticism
or Charges.

The Alms House Commissioners met
yesterday afternoon to consider some
complaints which have been made in
connection with that institution. After
some discussion a committee composed
of A. M. Rowan, Fredrick Green and
W. E. Scully was appointed to hold a
public investigation into the matter
and all persons will be given an op-
portunity to present any criticisms or
charges they may wish to lay before
the committee. It is expected the
meeting will be held on Monday even-
ing next at the office of the county se-
cretary, but official notice of the time
and place will be given later.
G. A. Knodell, chairman of the com-
mission, stated to the Standard yester-
day afternoon that in his opinion there
was absolutely nothing in the conduct
of affairs at the Municipal Home to
warrant the charges which had been
made, but he thought it better to have
this committee appointed and give all
persons a chance to appear and pre-
sent whatever proof of anything wrong
which they might have.

DOMINION POLICE
ARE WORKING HARD

Many a young man was called upon
yesterday to "dig" into his inside
coat pocket and produce his military
service card upon the request of
the Dominion police, who are ener-
getically carrying out the law in this
district.
"By jove, I guess I will carry my
grocery bill in my pocket to show the
military police," I am pleased,"
jocularly remarked one of the younger
"beneficiaries" as he passed an eligible
displaying his essentials to the Do-
minion police officials.
Yesterday it was stated, that six
men fell within the class of men, who
must give an account of themselves
to the military authorities. Three of
the men were arrested for having de-
serted from the ranks of units which
are now in England or on the firing
line; two others failed to comply with
the provisions of the Military Service
Act, while the third was unable to
give a satisfactory account of him-
self.
Knowing them to have been stolen.
A St. John man purchased some of
the goods in good faith from a party
in Montreal. The result is that in the
preliminary hearing his name was
brought out. A C. F. R. investigator
arrived in the city and located the
goods on the premises of the party.

INTERESTING
DEBATE HELD
LAST NIGHT

Centenary Epworth League
Had Commission Form of
Government While Ex-
mouth League the Alder-
manic Form—Upholders of
Commission Form Won.

The debate held in the Centenary
school room, last evening between
teams representing Centenary Ep-
worth League and Exmouth street
League was thoroughly enjoyed by
the large number present. The sub-
ject under discussion was the respec-
tive merits of the old aldermanic form
of government for the city, and the
commission form. The Exmouth street
league had the aldermanic form, and
the Centenary league the commission.
In the opinion of the judges the
Centenary put up the better argument
and were adjudged the winners.
The meeting was opened with devo-
tional exercises, after which Miss
Freda Jenkins was heard in a solo.
The chairman then announced the
subject of the debate: "Resolved,
That the Aldermanic form of govern-
ment is more beneficial to the city
of St. John than the Commission
form of government."
The affirmative was taken by Gord-
on Stevens, and Miss Fisher repre-
senting Exmouth street, and the nega-
tive by Mr. Blake and Miss Holder,
representing Centenary.
The first speaker was Gordon
Stevens, who defined good govern-
ment as that which expressed the will
of the people and carried out that will.
The aldermanic form of government
was more likely to carry out the will
of the people because the individual
members had less power. It was bet-
ter because it cost the people less
money for the same service; it was
better because the term of office was
shorter, and it was better because
the civic assessment had not been so
high.
Mr. Blake who opened for the nega-
tive, said the commission form of
government was the best because it
tended for more efficient and quicker
service on the part of the civic rulers,
it did away with the cliques which
cause a small body always moving
a large council, and it provided for
open meetings of the council instead
of secret meetings as under the old
system.
Miss Fisher, the second speaker for
the affirmative, contended that the
city had better men under the old
system, and men who kept faith with
the city. Under commission the men
elected were supposed to give all
their time to the work but did not do
so.
Miss Holder, the second speaker
for the negative, contended that com-
mission government was better be-
cause a small body always moves
quicker than a large one, and under
the commission form every citizen
knew where to place the responsi-
bility for mistakes, if any were made.
As an evidence that commission has
been good for St. John, she pointed
out that the bonds of the city had
steadily increased in value, and the
bond issues had been less in the last
few years.
After summing up by the leaders
the judges, Mrs. E. Atherton Smith,
Rev. F. S. Dowling and K. A. Wilson
retired to talk over their verdict.
While the judges were out the fol-
lowing numbers were rendered: Piano
solo, Miss Gilchrist; violin
solo, Mrs. Gann.
The decision of the judges were
announced by Rev. F. S. Dowling.
The aldermanic form of govern-
ment was the better in argument while the affirma-
tive were the better in style and
awarded the debate to the negative
as argument counted seventy-five per
cent.
The last number of the programme
was a solo by Miss Brennan. Before
the close of the meeting a hearty vote
of thanks was tendered the judges
for the impartial manner in which
they had carried out their duties.

MR. CHAS. A. OWENS AGENT.
Mr. Charles A. Owens, 71 Dock St.,
has been appointed New Brunswick
representative for Safe on Sea limited.
As the name implies, the company
is putting on the market the only one
piece life saving device, at sea, which
has been proven practicable in all and
every test the machine in all kinds of
weather and all over Canada. The
device is guaranteed to protect against
both cold and drowning. A few weeks
ago, a demonstration was given in the
harbor in the presence of the mayor,
the city commissioners, many sea far-
ing men and citizens and Mr. LePage,
the inventor, attired in the suit, sprang
overboard and spent some time in the
icy water emerging free from shell and
without a drop of water on the cloth-
ing under the O.S. suit. Mr. Owens
is selling the stock of the company in
New Brunswick. Safe on Sea Limited,
the company that is manufacturing the
suits, is capitalized at \$1,000,000 divid-
ed into 100,000 shares at \$10 each, the
shares being free from any call or li-
ability. It is estimated that Mr. Owens
will have no difficulty in placing his
New Brunswick allotment of the worth
of the device being proven to all who
saw the demonstration here and they
did not wait long to tell their friends
all about its wonders. Mount Royal
Securities Limited, the fiscal
agents of the company and Mr. R. W.
Wigmore, M.P., is a member of the
directorate. Full particulars as to the
company appear on page 7 of this
issue.

Displaying the new weaves that fore-
cast Spring and Summer modes.
Such lovely new things to be seen.
The main floor of DYKEMAN'S is col-
orsing out in spring time displays
New weaves, new Silks, and new Col-
ors. It is easy to see that they will be
a veritable source of inspiration in de-
veloping the charming fashions of
Spring and Summer. Taffets and
Satin Fallottes of beautiful rich col-
ors in stripes and checks, 36 inches
wide. You are invited to inspect and
compare our prices and quality. These
are priced at \$1.95, \$2.95, \$3.25, \$3.50
and \$4.75. We will be pleased to send
samples of these to out-of-town cus-
tomers, who wish to have them.

Only the NEW EDISON really RE-CREATES MUSIC—Come and Hear It.
**For Bargain Specials
On Dollar Day**
Read Our Large Advertisement on Page 11.
Then come see our offerings, note the quali-
ty, and you'll realize that our Dollar Day Spe-
cial are Really RARE BARGAINS.
SEE PAGE 11
MARKET SQUARE **W. H. Thorne & Co., Ltd.** KING STREET

Now Showing
The Very Newest in Tailored and Ready-to-Wear Spring Millinery.
Yesterday we received from the best manufacturer in America
some Satin and Straw Tailored Hats, only one of each kind, which
are exceptionally high quality. Price \$10.00 Each. Other very at-
tractive hats at all prices.
Marr Millinery Co., Limited
NOTE—WONDERFUL BARGAINS IN WINTER HATS.

Ash Sifters and Ash Barrels
The Success Ash Sifter will pay for itself in a
single season. Save your coal, time and labor. Fits
over top of ordinary wood barrel or galvanized ash
can. No dust can escape.
**Success Ash Sifters,
All-Steel Ash Sifters,
Metallic Ash Sifters,
Beacon Ash Sifters,
Plain Round Leves**
Galvanized Ash Barrels, Coal Hods, Canvas Clove, etc.
EMERSON & FISHER, LTD.

Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited
OUR STORES OPEN AT 9 A. M. AND CLOSE AT 6 O'CLOCK DAILY
Sale Crepe de Chine and Georgette Blouses
— TODAY —
Slightly mussed and odd size Crepe de Chine and Georgette Blouses in white,
pink and maize—plain and embroidered. These numbers have been selected from
our Blouses of the better class and are
MARKED AT BARGAIN PRICES
SIZES 34 to 44. Regular prices \$4.25 to \$10.75
SALE PRICES \$3.50 to \$6.90
Sale Starts This Morning. No Approximation. No Exchange.
BLOUSE SECTION
Clearance Sale of Ladies' Hand Bags
A number of Odd Bags, Samples, etc. All good qualities in Leather, Silk and
Beaded, marked at special prices to clear. Do not miss this opportunity to procure
a useful bag at small cost.
THREE PRICES \$1.00, \$2.00 AND \$3.00
SALE STARTS TODAY—FRONT COUNTER
THE NEW SLIP-ON VEIL BLACK AND ASSORTED
PATTERNS
No Pinning, No Tying, No Adjusting. Just slip it on; it fits snugly under the chin.
For the Fastidious Dresser.
15c., 30c., 55c. Each. Annex Section.
GRAND CLEAR-UP SALE CONTINUED IN LINEN ROOM TODAY.
Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited

FOR DOLLAR DAY
THURSDAY, FEB. 21ST
As Usual our offerings to careful purchasers for discount prices mean genuine
savings. Dollar Day we are going to offer you something Unusual.
MEN'S HATS
You may purchase a Soft Hat for \$1.00 Less Than Its Regular Price—A \$5.00
Hat for \$4.00, a \$4.50 Hat for \$3.50, a \$3.00 Hat for \$2.00.
"RELIABLE FURS"
All Small Furs 33 1-3 Per Cent. Discount.
All Fur Coats for Very Fine Prices.
RELIABLE FURRIERS **D. Magee's Sons, Limited** **DEPENDABLE PRICES**
63 King Street, St. John, N. B.