

GOOD THINGS COMING TO THEATRES OF ST. JOHN

"THE BETTER 'OLE'"

ALL NEXT WEEK

What Leading Papers Say About the Production; Continuous Show from 1.30 Until 10.30; Prices 15 to 50 Cents

London Evening News: "THE BETTER 'OLE'" proved to be a tremendous success. It is the finest British picture ever produced in London.

London Cinema: A close and true analysis of the spirit which animates the men in the trenches.

"The Better 'Ole'" is unquestionably the best film of the year. London Mercury: "The Better 'Ole'" shows more vividly than could be done by any other means, the daily life of the "Tommy" in the trenches.

As many patrons as possible next week should attend the matinee as there doubtless will be a big demand for seats for this spectacularly successful picture.

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Soldiers Like "Lilac Time"

Charming War Time Play Coming Here Next Week

"Lilac Time," which recently concluded a sensational successful run in Halifax, is pronounced by all the most beautiful play of the season.

ONE ACT ITSELF WORTH PRICE OF YOUR TICKET

Real Good Vaudeville Bill at Opera House Tonight—The New Features for Tomorrow Night

Have you heard about the famous Five Casting Campbells at the Opera House? Have you seen them? If not, don't let the opportunity slip by—such as this come but seldom and they alone are well worth the price of admission.

GET YOUR GOOD SEATS EARLY FOR MONDAY'S OPENING

The sale of seats for the engagement of the Majestic Players who come to this city as a loan attraction for three days starting next Monday, opened at the Imperial box office this morning and there was a keen demand for locations.

THE PEACE CONFERENCE

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LOCAL NEWS

Prize waltz, Tipperary Hall tonight.

Beginners education classes commencing. Enquire now. Amelia M. Green. M. 2380-11. 95235-3-7

Rev. S. S. Poole will speak to St. Luke's men tonight.

Prize waltz, Tipperary Hall tonight.

Girl wanted to work in store. Good wages, experienced preferred. C. J. Bassen, corner Union and Sydney.

Y. W. P. A. meeting tonight G. W. V. A. rooms, 8 o'clock. Speaker. Please bring magazines.

MACAULAY BROS. & CO. Underclothes and drawers tomorrow, Friday and Saturday till 6 p. m. at 25 per centum under present prices named by manufacturers. We bought the stock at low cost, so giving all an opportunity to save a large amount on their purchases.

Special bargains on Friday and Saturday. Women's \$4 to \$6 button blouses for \$2.75 at McRobbie's, 50 King street.

FORMING A WAR SAVING SOCIETY. Our store will close on Friday evening at 5.45 to enable employees to hear an address by H. A. Mennery, secretary, and to form a war saving society.—F. W. Daniel & Co., Ltd.

MESSRS. SUMNER, LODGE AND WILLIAMS GO TO ENGLAND

Moncton, N. B., March 6.—W. Sumner, agent general of New Brunswick, Matthew Lodge and Thomas Williams will leave this afternoon for St. John to embark on the steamer Melita for England. They will attend an adjourned meeting of the New Brunswick Gas and Oil Fields Limited in Edinburgh. Mr. Sumner expects to remain in England about two months.

At a meeting of Prince Albert Lodge, I. O. O. F., last evening P. MacGowan of Moncton, employe of the Canadian Government Railway offices, was installed as Deputy Grand Master. Mr. MacGowan is a native of St. John. Among those present was J. J. McKinnon of Charlottetown, grand secretary.

Seattle, March 6.—Hockey: Seattle, 3; Victoria, 1.

Notice of Births, Marriages and Deaths, 50c.

DEATHS

SCOTT—At her grandparents' residence, 55 Elm street, on March 5, Mary Rosamond, infant and only daughter of George H. and Annie L. Scott, aged three months.

CLARKSON—At Amherst, N. S., on March 6, Helen Isabel Clarkson, aged seven months, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Clarkson, formerly of this city.

LODGE—At the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Wm. Miller, Randolph, on the 6th inst., Richard Lodge, aged five years, leaving three sons and four daughters to mourn.

PALMER—Suddenly at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Albert Haycock, Collins street, Fairville, N. B., on the 4th inst., Annette Jane Palmer, of Dorchester, N. B., beloved wife of Fred S. Palmer, leaving besides her husband, two daughters to mourn.

BROWN—At Gagetown on March 5, Elizabeth, wife of Richard Brown, aged 80th year of her age, leaving besides her husband, one little son, her father, three sisters, two brothers and a large circle of friends to mourn.

PALMER—In this city on March 4, 1919, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. A. E. Haycock, Collins street, Fairville, Mrs. F. S. Palmer, daughter of the late Robert and Margaret Long of South Bay, leaving her husband, two children, three sisters and five brothers to mourn. Notice of funeral later.

IN MEMORIAM

PARLEE—In memory of our dear sister, Annie M. Parlee, who departed this life March 6, 1919.

GILMOUR—In loving memory of Lieut. A. Clair Gilmour, R. H. F., killed in action in France, March 6, 1918.

MULLIGAN—In loving memory of Wm. Mulligan, who departed this life March 4, 1918.

Just the drink for thoughtful, economical folk—Instant Postum a delicious cereal beverage



ROYAL YEAST

IN WALL STREET

New York, March 6.—Metals were the only important exceptions to the higher trend at the opening of today's stock market, coppers holding back in anticipation of dividend reductions later in the day.

Advances of one to two points marked the early dealings in motors and subsidiaries, with Kelly-Springfield Tire advancing to a new high record. Among oils, shipping, leathers and several of the equipment issues, gains extended from one to three points, but United States Steel and high-grade rails made only fractional improvement.

Profit-taking induced by the early rise provoked temporary recessions of one to two and a half points among oils, motors and Allied specialties, but the advance made further progress before noon on renewed buying of equipments, shipplings and an unusual array of miscellaneous issues. Mexican Petroleum, General Motors, Hide and Leather, preferred, Marine preferred, Atlantic Gulf, Writing Paper preferred, Wilson Packing and Worthington Pump, were the outstanding features, rising two to almost five points. U. S. Steel and rails also made moderate extensions to their previous gains.

The Bank of England discount rate remains unchanged at 5 per cent.

Fireless Cooked Ham, New Sweden Pickles, Special Cakes, etc.—Woman's Exchange, Tea and Lunch Rooms, 158 Union Street.

All the New Books in our Library. Open evenings.

Gilbert's

Cash Specials for Friday and Saturday

LENTEN SPECIALS

1-2 lb. tin Salmon... 15c. 1-2 lb. tin Red, Middle-cut... 21c. 1 qt. White... 21c. 15c. pkge. Shredded Cod... 14c. 25c. tin Shrimps... 21c. 1 tin Fat Herrings... 25c. 1 tin Kipper (in sauce)... 30c. 1 tin Mackerel (in sauce)... 37c. Clam Chowder... 30c. Sardines (Snow and Ice Brands)... 30c. Sardines (Silver Cross Brand)... 35c. Lobster Paste... 18c. and 35c. Snider's Tomato Soup... 17c. Aunt Jemima Pancake Flour... 18c.

BEANS

15c. tin Clark's... 12c. 1 qt. White... 22c. 1 qt. Chili... 19c. 1 qt. Soy... 15c. 25c. bot. H. M. Tomato Cat... 19c. 35c. bot. H. M. Tomato Cat... 27c. 20c. Peerless Pickles... 15c. 15c. Heaton's Pickles... 10c.

Royal Household Flour (24 lb. bag)... \$1.58

JAMS

Beaver Brand... 12-12c. 25c. Pure Raspberry... 19c. 35c. Pure Raspberry... 35c. 45c. Pure Raspberry... 37c. 45c. (Allymer) Strawberry Preserves... 45c.

TEA

1 lb. Congau... 43c. 1 lb. Special Blend... 65c. 1 lb. Quality Blend... 90c.

SOAP

3 cakes Ivory... 21c. 3 cakes Lenox... 21c. 3 cakes Sunlight... 21c. 3 cakes Gold... 23c. 3 cakes Surprise... 25c. 2 cakes Venetian Bath... 9c. Lux... 10c.

Home-made Cake For Sale Here

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ALMANAC FOR ST. JOHN, MAR. 6. A.M. High Tide... 2.14 Low Tide... 20.26 Sun Rises... 6.58 Sun Sets... 6.13 Time used is Atlantic standard.

PORT OF ST. JOHN. Arrived March 6. S. S. Cassandra from Liverpool.

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Cleared March 6. Coastwise—Stmr Express for Digby, N. S., Captain A. Macdonald. Sailed March 6. S. S. Scotlan, Liverpool.

OTHER PORTS. Montevideo, March 5.—Ardr, stmr Wasana (Nor), Halifax (N. B.). Halifax, N. S., March 5.—Ardr, stmr Pro Patria, from St. Pierre, Megantic, from Liverpool; War Wolf, from St. John (in for bunker).

Sailed—Stmr Royalists for Baton Rouge; Megantic for Portland; War Beetle, for trans-Atlantic port.

MARINE NOTES. The C. P. O. S. liner Scotlan sailed this afternoon for Liverpool with a large cargo and several hundred passengers.

The government steamer Lady Laurier has moved from No. 7 berth at Sand Point to the main dock on the east side, where she is loading supplies for lights down the bay.

The steamer Montcalm has arrived at London from St. John and Halifax.

New Arrivals in Popular Fiction By Leading Writers and Some Standing Favorites

The Curious Quest (Oppenheim); The Laughing Girl (Chambers); The Red Headed Girl (Hellers); The Roll Call (Arnold Bennett); The Tin Soldier (Dialley); Some prominent favorites—Two Many Crooks (Rath); His Second Wife (Poole); Mrs. Red Pepper Burns (Dialley). Only 2 cents a day. Make your selection early, at the McDonald Lending Library, 7 Market Square. Phone 2023.

NEWS NOTES OVER STOCK BROKERS WIRE.

New York, March 6.—Extra session of Mexican congress called for May 1 to act upon important international questions including legislation to foreign interests.

Figures reaching Washington show steady increase of unemployment in the east. Representatives of steel industry from all parts of country meet at Waldorf Astoria Hotel to discuss the steel industry at lower levels.

Receiver Harrison of Brooklyn Rapid transit to disburse \$1,450,000 to bring out for recovery of \$46,000,000 in bonds of company pledged for loans by Richmond.

British-American Tobacco has declared an interim dividend of 6 per cent, payable March 31.

FUNERAL IN FREDERICTON

The funeral of the late Edwin Ashford took place yesterday afternoon in Fredericton from the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Charles A. Hall, 869 York street, and was conducted under the auspices of the Victoria Lodge, No. 18, of the Oddfellows. He was a member of the 2nd East York Regiment in the Imperial army for twenty-three years, with which he served with Lord Roberts through the Afghan campaign from 1878 to 1889, and in consequence of being a war veteran, a large number of the G. W. V. A. attended the funeral in a body. Rev. G. M. Young conducted the funeral service and interment was made at the Rural Cemetery. Six members of Victoria Lodge, I. O. O. F., Messrs. Jesse Green, Charles McCutcheon, Thomas Harrison, M. L. Stevenson, G. W. Killburn and S. B. Gilbert, acted as pallbearers, while the casket was borne by Messrs. A. E. Ashford, Edward Russell of St. John, Charles A. Hall, William Hall, Harold Hall, Station Master Charles S. McCarthy of the C. P. R. and employe of the C. P. R. and C. N. R.

ORPHANAGE AFFIRE; THE LITTLE ONES SAVED BY SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS.

Buffalo, March 6.—Fire last night destroyed the greater part of the German Catholic Orphan's Asylum, causing damage estimated at \$150,000. The 450 children in the building, many of whom were asleep, were taken out by the Sisters of St. Francis, who have charge of the institution.

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Near-sight, far-sight, astigmatism, and other defects in the eye as an optical instrument, are not due to disease. The trouble is due to the shape of the eye, and medicine cannot correct it.

Few eyes are diseased, but a very large percentage of eyes are defective in shape and are greatly benefited by properly fitted glasses.

Sharp's optical department makes a specialty of the scientific fitting of glasses to correct defects in refraction.

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Nurses' Home

to be opened April 1, 1919, at 7 Wellington Row for military and graduate nurses. All home conveniences. Reservations should be secured early. Apply after 6 p.m. Phone Main 2090. T.F.

BONAR LAW ON BIG QUESTIONS

Urgent to Get Peace Quickly as There Was Grave Danger of Germany Being Sunk in Bolshevism

London, March 6.—(Canadian Press despatch from Reuters' Limited)—In the debate in the house of commons on foreign affairs, Mr. Hon. Andrew Bonar Law, government leader, said that people now had an illusion with respect to Bolshevism. The Allies agreed that something must be done for Russia, but none could recommend dispatching the necessary forces to quell the anarchy there. He could not add anything to the speech of the prime minister.

The government realized that the country expected to get the best possible deal from the peace conference, and it was useless holding out hope that the peace conference would wipe out the country's immense war debt. He agreed that it was urgent to get peace quickly because there was a real danger of Germany sinking into Bolshevism.

Moreover, there was the greatest necessity to get their own trade and industry re-started. Therefore, the sooner that the blockade was ended with the knowledge that they could depend upon the better it would be for Britain and the world.

London, March 6.—(Canadian Press despatch from Reuters' Limited)—Lord Somerton, speaking in the house of lords on behalf of the board of trade, said the licenses issued during the curfew hour had not operated disadvantageously to the trade of the dominions. The government earnestly desired that the city should not be prejudicially affected by the trade of the dominions.

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CASSANDRA IN

Some St. John Men Home Today Among the 1,450 Soldiers on Board

The Ancho-Donaldson liner Cassandra arrived on the wharf from Liverpool at noon today and docked at West St. John at one o'clock. She brought a passenger list of 1,450 officers and soldiers, and seventy-two civilian passengers in the cabin and seventeen in the steerage. The voyage, which was marked by a rough weather, was uneventful otherwise.

There was some delay after the steamer docked because the crew was busy to disembark, but every effort is being made to get them away to their destinations without further delay. The following list of this district arrived on the Cassandra:

Sgt. E. Thomas, 241 Brunel street, St. John. Pte. D. Busham, Metcalfe Co., Que. H. Brogan, Chipman. W. A. Buchanan, Cross Creek. A. Buckley, Chatham. G. Chaisson, Carleton. P. Fenney, Portland, Me. E. R. Finnamore, Woodstock. L. G. Gaudette. C. G. Grouard, Mount Carmel. C. M. Grant, Fredericton. A. Grenid, Grand Falls. C. W. Heston, Grand Devon. C. H. Heston, Union Mills. C. Jones, Steeves Mountain. W. J. Lawson, 235 Rockland road, St. John.

A. B. LeBlanc, Moncton. B. LeBlanc, Moncton. F. L. LeBlanc, Moncton. L. B. Loban. W. F. McAllister, Fairville. W. J. McCallan, Chatham. H. McLaughlin, Laurence Station, N. B. E. Pearce, Dalhousie. C. C. Purdy, Sackville. F. Richard, Amherst. F. R. Rolin, St. Inaud. R. E. Rolin, Point Wolfe. F. L. Ross, 216 Waterloo road, St. John.

L. M. Roy, 212 Trent, Gloucester Co. F. W. Ryan, Lewisville. F. L. Ryan, Newcastle. P. Russell, Boston. E. Stange, Edmonston. C. A. Savoy, Upper Pokmoche. E. Stapack, St. John. C. H. Speerly, St. Stephen. K. S. Squires, Upper Kent. P. Surrette, London. S. Thomas, Essex, Mass. E. Welch, New Bedford, Mass. D. M. Winchester, 82 Brittain street, St. John.

F. Wood, 155 Hawthorne Ave., St. John. Men with no Canadian address—Sgt. J. C. Emalle, 12th Battalion. Pte. H. T. Boyer, 104th Battalion. Pte. P. A. Lewis, 118th Battalion. J. K. Moorehouse, 104th Battalion. L. S. Spianey, 118th Battalion.

Men for outside districts in the province will leave tonight on the 6.10 train.

N. B. MEN IN THE QUEBEC POLICE COURT

Quebec, March 6.—Abraham, Nathan and Frank Gullman, all three of Campbellton, N. B., were tried here today in police court on a charge of violating the hunting laws of Quebec province by hunting deer out of season. Abraham was fined \$35 and costs and Nathan and Frank \$50 and costs.

USE The Want Ad Wax

THE HARBOR MATTER

We May Know Tomorrow—What Commission Would Mean in City Finances

The harbor commission negotiations which Mayor Hayes and Commissioner Bussac are conducting with the federal government in Ottawa are expected to close today, and it is possible that by tomorrow there may be an authoritative statement regarding the terms on which the government will take over the harbor and facilities.

Until this announcement is received, speculation regarding the financial results of the harbor matter is in the air. As a matter of fact, the sale of the city's wharves will not place in the hands of the commissioners the cash proceeds for general expenditure. There are outstanding against the wharves bonds, totaling about \$1,250,000. These bonds would have to be cared for as a first charge against the sale of city property.

The city laws go further, however, and provide that all monies received from the sale of city property must be placed in the sinking fund provided for the retirement of bonds outstanding, and this fund would be the money the government might pay over for the wharves.

Although the returns from the sale of the wharves would be thus disposed of, the retirement of the outstanding bonds and the addition to the sinking fund would place the city in a position to expect an annual amount equal to the interest on the government bonds, either directly or as interest on new bonds issued, without increasing the taxes and this would give the city a wide scope in planning for many of those improvements which are generally recognized as desirable, but which have been postponed for reasons of economy.

In proportion to its population, St. John has one of the smallest bonded debts of any city on the continent. The total value of the outstanding city bonds is only about \$5,000,000. Against this there is a sinking fund of about \$1,000,000. Revenue producing assets, such as the harbor, water works and market building have a value of more than \$3,400,000, on a most conservative basis, leaving the net debt of the city at about \$600,000. Against this amount there stands the value of all the other city property and improvements which are not revenue producing, but which represent a large expenditure and are a very definite asset to the city.

It is gratifying to note that a bill will be presented to the legislature increasing the scope of the department of public health. Of all the measures promised for consideration, a thorough-going and profitable investment could be made by the province that the expenditure of money to decrease infant mortality and lessen preventable sickness. The great and along with other provinces we have seen content in the past, perhaps, to pay too little attention to the conservation of life. Here, there is an opportunity for wise and progressive legislation.

It is understood that the changes to be made in the public health act of the province will be in conformity with the progressive legislation introduced last session by Hon. Dr. Roberts and passed by the New Brunswick Legislative Assembly.

PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT TO THE DOMINIONS

London, March 6.—(Canadian Associated Press)—According to the Morning Post Great Britain is taking the first step towards imperial preference by making provision for the granting of preferential treatment to the dominions in regard to imports which pay a duty under the existing schedule.

ESSIQUIBO AT PORTLAND WOUND FRIDAY

Portland, Maine, March 6.—The royal steamer ESSIQUIBO, a hospital ship, bringing 145 wounded soldiers to this port on their way to Canada, will dock at noon tomorrow, according to a radio message received today. She has 170 wounded Canadians from Liverpool.

PERSONALS

George Purdy of the Royal Bank has returned home after a pleasant visit to his grandmother and other friends at Sackville, Val Verde and Nova Scotia. Major V. Heron, G. S. O., is in Fredericton today to witness the opening of the legislature. He has recently returned from Ottawa, where he has been in connection with his duties as general staff officer, M. C. No. 7. The major is expected in the night tonight or tomorrow, and will again be at his office at military headquarters.

TARDIEU PRESIDENT

Paris, March 6.—(By the Associated Press)—The central commission on territorial questions at its first meeting last night elected Andre Tardieu of the French peace delegation president. The task of the commission is to co-ordinate all decisions of the special territorial commissions. In particular it will have to fix the lines between the different frontiers traced by the various commissions. It also will discuss questions not reserved for special consideration by the council of ten.

LITTLE ONES DEAD. Much sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Clarkson of Amherst, N. S., in the death of their seven-month-old daughter, Helen Isabel Clarkson, which occurred today in Amherst. Mr. and Mrs. Clarkson were formerly of this city and have many friends here.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Scott will be sorry to learn of the death of their three-month-old daughter, Mary Rosamond, which occurred yesterday at 55 Elm street. The funeral will take place on Friday at 4.30.

Halifax Bank Clearings. Halifax, N. S., March 6.—Bank clearings for the week ending today, with comparisons, were: \$4,108,292; in 1918, \$3,790,261.

Opposition Plans. A congregational social and reunion was held last night in the First Presbyterian Church in West St. John, under the auspices of the Young Ladies' Club. The members of the latter made Miss Nellie Purvis, who is going west in the near future, the recipient of a handsome offering. Mr. Purvis was given a purse and Mrs. Purvis a bouquet of flowers. A large number attended the reunion and the function was greatly enjoyed.

WANT AD WAX

At the opposition caucus in Fredericton a proposal to hold a party convention soon after the legislature closes was seriously considered. B. Frank Smith of Carleton county will act as leader of the opposition in the absence of Hon. J. A. Murray until the arrival of Hon. J. B. M. Buxton.



Choice Orange Pekoe 60c., 65c., 70c., 80c.

Formosa Oolong 60c., 65c., 70c., 80c.

Saryune, 60c., 65c.

Freshly Roasted Coffee 50c., 60c.

Pure Cocoa, 40c., 60c.

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THE PUBLIC HEALTH

(Fredericton Mail). The speech from the throne delivered by Governor Grant at the opening of the Nova Scotia legislature on Thursday, announced that important amendments would be made to the Public Health Act of that province. Commenting on the announcement the Halifax Chronicle says:

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PROVISION MARKET

Chicago, March 6.—Removal of the hog price minimum had only a transient depressing effect today on the corn market. The fact that all bans on the export of provisions had been lifted seemed to be generally taken as more than a set-off. Leading bears were much disappointed at the lack of selling pressure, and they covered freely. Opening prices, which ranged from 1-cent to 1-7-cent lower with May \$1.28 3-8 to \$1.29 and \$1.29 1-2 to \$1.29 1-2, were followed by a slight further decline and then by sharp upturn that in some cases went well above yesterday's finish.

U.S. developed independent strength. Export sales were noted, after opening 1-8 cent to 1-2 cent lower with May 60 1-8 to 60 3-8 cent, the market scored a decided gain.

Provisions, like cereals, quietly rallied from an initial moderate break. Expected betterment of foreign trade was taken as more than a counter balance to the stoppage of the hog price minimum.

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