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MILITARY TATTOO ONE OF THE FINEST ENTERTAINMENTS EVER GIVEN IN THIS CITY

Wonderful Spectacle and Splendid Musical Programme Drew Thousands of Citizens to Barrack Square

Fullly eight thousand people were assembled on the Barrack Square last night to witness one of the finest military entertainments ever held in New Brunswick. It was a "military tattoo," under the chief direction of Col. Powell, in aid of the Red Cross Fund, and to say it was merely a big success is to fall short of fact.

There was not a hitch from start to finish, and from nine o'clock until 10.30 there was a continuous programme with not a minute's pause. There was not too much of any one number that could cause the vast audience to tire, every drill by the soldiers was interesting, and the individual selections by the eleven bands taking part in the tattoo were varied and good.

In the musical section of the programme there were no less than five regimental brass bands, which totalled about 160 musicians; there was one pipe band, one rifle and drum band, and four bugle bands.

While the tattoo was under the direction of Col. Powell, the bands were all under the direction of Lieut. M. Ryan, bandmaster of the R. C. R., who is now in charge of the depot band at Halifax.

All Precedents Shattered. Never before in the history of St. John did the citizens have the pleasure of listening to such excellent music as was furnished last night by the different regimental brass bands, and while some persons will have a feeling that some one band was better than the others, a good critic last night, when the programme was concluded, stated that every one of the five brass bands were good, and the musicians were to be congratulated on the excellent music furnished.

The tone and perfect time shown by the different bands shows the best of training under the careful direction of bandmasters who are among the best in Canada.

Splendid Music. The 104th Battalion Band is the senior band of the five on parade last night and when it is taken into consideration that this band has only been in existence for about six months and the other bands have been organized since that time, it is almost wonderful from a musical point of view that each band was able to render the different selections in such a finished manner.

Never before was the old Barrack Square in such good condition, the ground being packed hard by the feet of thousands of soldiers who have been drilling there, and it was almost as level as the floor of a drill hall. To hear about 160 musicians massed and all rendering a selection, was something that very few of the thousands assembled on the square last night ever had the privilege of hearing before. Instead of five bands playing it sounded as if it was intended it should be one mammoth musical organization. With every instrument in perfect tune, and blending harmoniously, one would indeed be without any appreciation of music who, in that great audience, was not thrilled and delighted.

A Wonderful Showing. It is almost wonderful, that with only two days' rehearsal, the soldier boys could have performed so perfectly as they did last night. In not one instance did anything go wrong. Every man who took part knew what he was to do, and he did it well. Indeed the officers in charge of the tattoo should, with the men under their command, feel proud of the grand success which attended their efforts to please the public.

While the performance was of the very best it was also well patronized and the proceeds taken at the main gate and the grandstand will amount to a very large sum of money, and will go a great way in swelling the Red Cross Society Fund.

For fully an hour before the programme commenced people assembled in large numbers. The large grandstand was crowded before nine o'clock and thousands of people stood in the chilly air, three and four tiers deep around the ropes which circled the square.

Pretty Effects. In the centre of the square avenues had been staked off, and on each stake there was a colored light affixed, red, white, blue and yellow were the globes of these lanterns, and while before the programme started only those who had a knowledge of the arrangements realized what the colored lights were for. When the "march on" by the eleven bands started, it could then be readily seen why they had been placed. As each band, from its allotted stand on a side of the square paraded through one of the avenues, it had a certain light to mark the place where it was to turn and march off the square, and take up the position vacated by the band preceding it.

Governor Wood Presented. It was just a few minutes before the time for the programme to start that Lieut. Governor Josiah Wood, with Brigadier General H. H. McLean and their staffs, arrived and were ushered to a place of honor in the grandstand. The large audience in the stand arose on their arrival and greeted them with loud applause. The grandstand and square were brilliantly illuminated with electric lights, so that every person had a good opportunity of seeing all that took place.

Excellent Exercises. At nine o'clock, the time for the programme to commence, every man

A CENTURY OF STEAMBOATING ON THE RIVER

Just 100 Years Since First Steamer Made Maiden Voyage from St. John to Fredericton.

It is just about 100 years since the first steamer made her maiden trip from St. John to Fredericton. Joseph Knowles, in his book, gives the date of sailing from St. John as May 13, 1816, while D. R. Jack's history gives the date as May 21.

Early in the last century the people of St. John and Fredericton felt the need of some quicker and more reliable means of communication than the stage coach and sailing vessel. In the year 1812 two companies made application for a charter to operate a steamer between St. John and Fredericton, each asked for an exclusive franchise for ten years. The successful company was composed of John Ward, Robert Smyth, George D. Barton, James C. L. Brenner, James Fraser and Lauchlan Donaldson.

They were given two years to build the boat which was to have accommodation for sixty passengers. The declaration of war upset their plans and in 1813 their charter was amended to allow them two years after the close of the war to build the steamer and the ten years' exclusive privilege was to date from the completion of the boat. In 1816 the exclusive feature of the franchise was extended to 1829. On the first of February, 1816, the company advertised that they would begin a steam service on the river, and on the 11th day of April, 1816, the first steamer, the "General Smyth," was launched. She was commanded by Capt. James Segee, who had operated a schooner between the two points. He continued to command her for some time and when he left her to take command of the John Ward, his son Charles Segee took his place. The same company afterward built the "St. George," "John Ward" and "Fredericton."

ARBOR DAY IN HIGH SCHOOL

Interesting Programme Carried Out by Pupils Yesterday Afternoon.

Principal W. J. B. Miles of the St. John High School delivered an address to the pupils in the assembly hall yesterday afternoon at the conclusion of the celebration of Arbor Day, a day designated by legislative enactment for the voluntary planting of trees. But as the planting of trees in a paved city like St. John is practically impossible the day is generally celebrated by the school children by preparing and reading essays and treatises on the different kinds of trees, lumbering and plants found in this province.

Mrs. Bessie Helme's essay "A Visit to a Maple Sugar Camp," was read to the pupils assembled in the hall yesterday and was received with great interest.

An treatise on lumbering in New Brunswick by Master John Dunlop was both instructive and interesting and reflects much credit upon the juvenile author.

The following programme was most efficiently carried out: Grade IX—Gerald Parker, recitation; R. Shaw, recitation; Marion Miles, solo; Carrie Haynes, recitation; Edna Shaw, recitation; Marguerite Barrett, recitation, and a violin solo by Arthur Cunningham.

Grade X—Yetta Tanzman; Alex. McIntosh. Grade XI—Max Singer, cornet solo; Bessie Helme, essay; and Helen Pendleton, a recitation.

The entertainment closed with a flag salutation by the pupils of Grade IX.

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Around the City

Bootlegger Arrested. Detectives Barrett and Briggs arrested John Sullivan last night on Water street, charged with supplying liquor to a soldier in uniform.

Little Wanderer Found. Officer Rankine found a child two and a half years old, about 7.30 last evening on Richmond street. The child had wandered away from his home on Erin street. Mrs. Sweeney, mother of the child, called later at the police station and took the little one home.

Gives Up Position To Don Khaki. A. Fennerly of the Atlantic Sugar Refineries left a position paying \$1,200 a year on Saturday last to enlist as a private in the 4th Pioneers, now mobilizing at St. Stephen. Mr. Fennerly left last evening for Halifax, where he will visit his parents for a few days before reporting to St. Stephen.

Open Cars on Sunday. About fifteen of the open cars belonging to the St. John Railway Company are ready for the summer traffic, having been repaired and painted during the winter. If the weather is not too cold these cars will be used Sunday for the first time this season. At any rate the summer cars will be put in use on the 24th of May.

Boy Scouts Scared Hit. The men who have enlisted for overseas duty were not the only soldiers who were in evidence about the city, and in attendance at the Tattoo last night, for the youngsters in the different cadet corps, and the Boy Scouts were also on hand and made a good showing as they marched through the streets. The Rothersey School cadets, under the command of Drill Sergeant Dose, and headed by their bugle band, made a good showing. After the programme at the Barrack Square had concluded the Rothersey boys paraded to Bond's restaurant where they partook of a lunch before they left on the train for the college.

Main Street Paving. Commissioner Fisher will bring up the main street paving question at the noon meeting of the Common Council on Monday. He has two projects under consideration, the repairing of the north side of Main street from Simonds street to Adelaide road and the south side from Adelaide road to Cedar street, out of this year's appropriation or the issuing of bonds, and the paving the entire street with a permanent material. He is also looking into the cost of an incinerator, with a view of the early building of one should it be found feasible. He said the scow at the foot of Simonds street had not been used to any great extent as yet, and it did not look as though it would be a wise move to hire any more.

Mission Band Entertainment. The "True Blue Ribbon Band" of the Marsh Bridge Mission held their annual session last night. Reports of the year's work, submitted by the secretary and treasurer, showed a prosperous year. The following programme was carried out: Hymn, "Litany for the Soldiers;" Bible lesson and prayer; chorus, "Waiting to Grow;" watch tower reports from work in China, Japan and Canada; piano solo, Miss Hilda Brittain; exercise, "The Gratitude Tree;" Misses Helen Crozier, Beatrice Giggsey, Edna Crozier, Doris Thompson, Kathleen Ward, Julia Emery and Lottie Davidson; recitation, Lillian Wilson; chorus, "The World for Jesus;" exercise, "The Little Children in Japan, Katie Steele, Alberta Ryder, Annie Thompson, Lillian Wilson and Edna Steele; piano solo, Miss Jean Roulestin; dialogue, "Missionary Dolls," Beatrice Giggsey, Alma Wilson, Isabel Charlton and Edna Crozier; closing song.

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