

Social and Personal

Mr. Lloyd Murray has returned to his home in Antigonish.

Dr. Roy Grimmer has returned to his home in Hempstead, New York. He was accompanied by his brother, Mr. G. S. Grimmer.

Miss Alice Grimmer visited up-river friends this week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Grimmer have returned to St. Stephen.

Owing to the heavy snow storm on Tuesday the attendance at the Y. W. P. A. card party in the evening was very small. Over \$10 was cleared. The prizes were won by Miss Elsie Finigan and Mr. Donald Handy.

Mrs. Bertram Smith, of St. John, is the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Warren Stinson.

Mr. J. T. Whitlock, of St. Stephen, spent a couple of days in town this week.

Mrs. W. F. Kennedy has returned from a visit to St. Stephen.

The Y. W. P. A. wishes to thank Mrs. Sarah Richardson for her kindness in making the coffee, and the Councillors for their patronage, on Tuesday evening.

Messrs. Kenneth Cummings and George Stickney left on Thursday to report for military duty in St. John.

Mr. R. E. Armstrong, of St. John, was in town this week to confer with the Councillors.

The Misses Annie and Georgie Richardson left on Wednesday evening for St. Stephen, to be with their brother, Mr. J. W. Richardson, who is seriously ill.

Mrs. George Lane, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Edwin Odell, has returned to her home in Somerville, Mass.

THE RED CROSS SOCIETY

The Red Cross Society wishes to express its gratitude for the following kind contributions to its funds: from Mrs. Fraser and Mrs. Keay \$10; Mrs. M. N. Cockburn \$1; and Mrs. Outhouse, 25cts.

ICE CUTTING ON CHAMCOOK LAKE

The cutting and hauling of ice from Chamcook Lake has been in progress the last two weeks, and this season's crop is a particularly good one. The ice is of excellent quality, has very little snow on the surface, and is fully two feet thick.

THE NEEDS OF HALIFAX

Mayor Greenlaw has received the following letter, which is self-explanatory:—
Halifax, N. S.

Mayor St. Andrews.
Please insert in your local paper that Reconstruction Committee in Halifax only require carpenters with tools, plumbers with tools, and bricklayers. We require no common labor, nor do we require any further teams at present. Notify all Mills to let us know what one inch boards, planed one side, they have in stock and what price they want delivered at Halifax.

R. S. Low, Col.
Mgr. Reconstruction Committee

TOWN COUNCIL

Town Hall, Friday, Jan. 11, 1918.

A quarterly meeting of the Town Council was this day held in Chambers at 8 o'clock, p. m.

Present, the Mayor, G. King Greenlaw; and Aldermen Douglas, Denley, Finigan, Gilman, Malpas, McFarlane, McLaren.

Absent, Ald. Coughy.

Communication from F. L. Mallory, advising acceptance of the appointment as Auditor, etc., was received and filed.

Communication from M. B. Dixon, Esq. Clerk Executive Council of N. B. covering order-in-Council, in re apportionment made by Provincial Executive of the Canadian Patriotic Fund for New Brunswick, etc., viz. for the Town of St. Andrews \$3,646.

On motion, seconded, and carried, the communication was received and filed.

The Mayor submitted that the Council proceed to appoint Assessors.

Moved by Ald. McLaren, seconded by Ald. Malpas, that Messrs. Albert Shaw, Richard Key and Nathan Treadwell be appointed Assessors for the ensuing year and that each receive the sum of forty dollars (\$40) for their services. Carried.

Moved by Ald. McLaren, seconded by Ald. Denley, that the license fees for Moving Picture Shows and Bowling Alleys be reduced to fifteen dollars (\$15) for the year 1918. Carried.

On motions seconded and carried the following bills were ordered to be paid, viz.

A. Mears, labor, Streets,	\$1.00
Jn. Dougherty, team, Streets,	2.00
Vernon Malloch, labor, Streets,	.80
Hope McQuoid, labor, Streets,	.80
Wren Drug Store, supplies, Police,	2.17
H. O'Neill, supplies, Con.	.65
Arthur Thurber, Board of Health,	32.00
F. H. Grimmer, Barrister, Poor,	15.00
J. A. Shirley, supplies, Fire,	.45
do do Streets,	4.56
do do Hall, Con.	1.00
	\$60.43

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Local and General

**MINISTER'S ISLAND BAR
BLOCKED WITH ICE**

The milder weather of last week which followed the severe cold spell, caused the ice between Minister's Island and the mainland to break away, and it was carried by the tide onto the Bar. Every winter there is more or less blocking of the Bar with drifted ice, but on Saturday last and on Sunday the Bar became impassable for all vehicles on account of the enormous blocks of ice that had piled up, not only at the ends of the Bar, as is usual, but in the centre as well.

BROUGHT COMFORT AND CHEER

Following the explosion at Halifax, word came from St. Andrews, N. B., from Mrs. Elliott, the Church of England school class was anxious to donate something to the suffering little ones at Christmas, and asking Mrs. H. D. Holloway to look after it. Xmas eve it arrived, and Mrs. Holloway and children went in person and took charge of the two large boxes containing Xmas stockings, books, games and clothing. Much has been donated for children in hospitals, but outside of these there are many deserving worthy ones who would be overlooked. To many of these Xmas joys were sent, and the clothing in the same manner was distributed. The long, warm coat was given to a woman with a young baby, who had lost everything, and is in a shelter and hospital.

Notwithstanding that Mrs. Holloway suffered a badly sprained ankle on Dec. 6, and with so much worry and trouble from the terrible catastrophe she did not forget the Hazelwood patients to whom she always sends cheer at Christmas time. This year each received a red bag bulging with variety. It is a little oasis to those and worth all the effort of arranging to see the joy it brings.

"* The article printed above was taken from a Halifax contemporary and refers to the Christmas gifts for Halifax children that were purchased with the proceeds of a Christmas Cantata. The coat was a special donation from Mrs. G. D. Grimmer. Mrs. Holloway is a cousin of Mrs. George Elliott.

NEWS OF FIFTY YEARS AGO

From *The St. Andrews Standard*.

The following extracts are re-printed from a copy of *The St. Andrews Standard*, dated January 15th 1868, for which we are indebted to Miss F. Whitlock.

"Errata—It is an old but we trust an incorrect adage that 'misery loves company.' On reading some of our exchanges we met with ludicrous mistakes—one poor fellow, the types made to say that he 'hanged' one man for another, instead of 'changed,' and another was 'mizzled' instead of 'mised,' and so on; but among all the errors of the Press, we saw none to exceed a few which occurred in our last number, which were marked by the proof reader for correction, but we regret to say were left untouched, in fact they made us say that we did not write—'security' was printed for 'scurillity,' and 'scurillity' instead of 'service.' Such errors are annoying, but it is impossible to avoid them as we have seldom time to revise more than Advertisements and Communications. We regret such annoyances, but will endeavor to be more particular in future—'to err is human'—'to forgive divine.'"

"Our contemporary of the *St. Croix Courier* was assaulted in St. Stephen on Wednesday last, by Albert Eaton, of Houlton, because of a paragraph respecting assailant which appeared in the *Courier* on March 22nd last. Eaton was arrested and bound over for life before Justice Rose to keep the peace. Having received a satisfactory apology, the Editor of the *Courier* withdrew an action which had been entered in the Civil Court. Too easy by half, but just such a course, as a kind hearted and forgiving gentleman (as our friend is) would pursue."

"English mail advices to the 24th of December, state that five British ships of war have gone in search of a strange armed vessel without legal papers. Commanders of all ships in commission have been ordered to adopt every necessary precaution, especially at night, to prevent ships from insidious attacks. Guard boats and launches are to be kept on duty. The dropping of torpedoes in streams is most feared by the Government."

"A few days ago at Wolfville, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. S. DeWolfe celebrated their Golden Wedding. Present, six sons, five of them with their wives, and ever so many grand-children. Two daughters, one living in another province, and the other in England, were prevented from joining the ceremony. Hand-some presents of almost every variety of golden contrivance, for ornament or for use, were presented to the aged couple, and in the evening there was a larger gathering of the kinsfolk in honor of the occasion."

PAYS PENALTY FOR MURDER
Pictou, N. S., Jan. 15.—Natalie Nerri, an Italian miner, was hanged in Pictou this morning for the murder of Pietro Maribito. It was the first hanging in the county for fifty-two years. Maribito's wife, who was also sentenced to be hanged, for the same murder, died in prison three weeks ago.

WOMEN'S CANADIAN CLUB

A meeting of the Women's Canadian Club was held in Paul's Hall on Thursday evening. The speaker of the evening was Mr. R. E. Armstrong, Secretary of the St. John Board of Trade. He spoke of the great pleasure it gave him to be there. He felt more at home than in any other audience. Many years of his life had been spent in St. Andrews as an editor. He found it hard to realize that boys he knew as children were now fighting in France. He came to St. Andrews this time as a member of the National Resources Committee, organized a few months ago by the Food Controller. His errand was to urge the Charlotte County Council to take note of the advisability of cooperating with the Agricultural Department in growing more wheat. Wheat was needed very greatly; there was a great world shortage. Farmers should make every effort to meet it. There would be no cash profits in it, merely the sense of patriotism. Before the end of the month Canada would be put on war flour. Dr. Kierstead had stated that for a small community St. Andrews had done more to carry out Food Pledges than any other place in New Brunswick. Five thousand Food Pledge cards had been sent out; one thousand one hundred had come back; of these two hundred had come from St. Andrews. At the present time there was practically a new world on account of the war. There were new ideas. How they should be applied rested with ourselves. After the sacrifices our boys had made the world should be better. The boys have done their part. The words of "O Canada" must have sunk deeply into their hearts to make them do their duty so well. The returned men never complain. That they are glad to be back was the prevailing spirit. They should be proud of the work they have done, for they have lifted Canada to a high place among the nations. They wish for a speedy end to the war, but they want it to end right. The boys did not suffer. The ones at home were the ones who did, for their loved ones were in the trenches. The spirit of humor, added to their resolution, is the keynote of their natures. Mr. Armstrong then went on to tell of the war-work being done in St. John, and what had been done for Halifax. In conclusion he stated that the County Council had accepted his proposals. He thanked the Council and Club for the opportunity of addressing them. As he felt so much at home he had no difficulty in saying what he had to say. He wished the Club every prosperity in the years to come.

The next speaker was Pte. Edward Sharkey, a returned soldier. He said he was no public speaker, but he felt it was his duty to say a little for the boys at the Front. St. Andrews had done a lot for the boys at the Front. It lived them up to get a little box. They were glad to know they were not forgotten. The boxes were divided up; a little bit of cake, candy, or a cigarette for each one. Anything from Canada was acceptable. They even ate the crumbs. The boys were glad to get letters from home. After the mud in the trenches, to go out and get cleaned up, then to a concert by the ladies, or the Y. M. C. A., or the churches, made the lonely hours pass. Even the papers from home cheered them up. While in rest billets they never thought about going back into the trenches. The ladies of St. Andrews had done well. The boys would not forget when they came home. In the trenches it was very uncomfortable, but they didn't notice, just laughed. Sometimes it was hard. They were well fed; three meals a day, tea, bully beef, and biscuits, often bread. There was no fear. They spoke of going on a raid as "going to see how Fritz's making out." They were always cheerful. There was no danger of Fritz driving them back. Fritz said he'd sooner meet the devil than the Canadians. Canadians treat the German prisoners well, not the way the Germans treat the Canadians. He was not supposed to tell all he knew but Canadians did their part clean and square. They need never be ashamed. They had no fear, could go against bayonets; but there were no bayonets, only heels. The Germans had'n't pluck enough to fight. When caught in the trenches they squatted on their knees and yelled "mercy, mercy." Sometimes they got mercy, sometimes not. It was great to get back to St. Andrews, he had never appreciated it until now. People in St. Andrews treated him fine. He found friends he didn't know he had. In St. John Mr. Armstrong and friends used them well. They couldn't have been treated better. It was a big strain on the ones at home. The boys felt good that the people hadn't forgotten them. They need men to keep things going to fight against the scum. When he tried first to enlist he was turned down, he felt badly but tried again. Was glad when he got accepted. Was willing to do his part. There were boys from home over there who welcomed him, and they will welcome the others. This was a great country, and everyone should fight for it. It was a cosy corner of the world, with plenty to eat and drink, and places to lay the head. The boys cheered when they heard that Union had passed for they knew they were not forgotten.

Pte. Vincent McQuoid said that he had left here as a young school boy and was not used to making speeches. The song "Tenting To-night" reminded him of one night they sang it around a little fire near St. Elie. They had all chipped in for something to eat, and they sat there singing until at half past nine the last post sounded, and they "partied" to their tents. Many boys who were there would not come back. Some thought it a picnic to go, but when they got there they found it was no picnic. When he went into the 26th he met many St. Andrews boys; Fred Purton—in St. Andrews he thought he was a pretty big man, but now he was thin.—Pte. Grant, and Pte. McCarty. He left all the boys well. At the dressing station Claud Young met him with a big plate of beans and bread, which didn't last long. Boxes from home were appreciated. They were "divided" up. If there weren't enough cigs. to go around, they cut them in two. The people at home worry, when they don't hear. They shouldn't, for it was bad news that travels fast. All the boys wanted to come home, but they wanted to see the war finished first, over there, not here. There was no foul play. They wanted to see it finished square. When the boys heard in the spring that Conscription had passed they applauded. They were glad that there would be men to reinforce them. The men, who were conscripted were ashamed, and afraid they would be nagged when they got over there. But that wasn't so, each man was doing a man's work. The boys would welcome someone from home. Pte. Sharkey could tell more if he wanted to, but he was reticent. He thanked the Y. W. P. A. and the Canadian Club for kindness while he was across. He certainly appreciated everything they had done. In St. John R. E. Armstrong and friends had been very kind. When they got back to Canada they were glad to get a D. C. M. (decent cooked meal.) Short speeches were made by Councillor Douglas; Councillor MacNeil, who said if he were a singer he would sing "I Love the Ladies," and Councillor McAllister, who told one of his amusing anecdotes in his usual inimitable manner.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS

In consequence of interruptions to the mail service through bad weather, and for other reasons, we have received much less than our usual amount of country correspondence this week. We hope Correspondents will take note of this, and will kindly dispatch their communications in time to reach this office on Thursday at the latest, but, better, on Wednesday each week.

Seaside Lodge Knights of Pythias will hold their Anniversary celebration early in February, instead of the 19th, because of the early Lenten season. Further particulars of date and place will be announced later.

"What are you mumbling to yourself?" "A Shakespearian quotation. 'He who steals my purse steals trash.'" "But what's the application?" "I've just bought a ton of coal."—*Birmingham Age-Herald*.

"You musn't be angry, papa, because Jack is going to take me away from you." "Angry? Certainly not! But if he ever does anything that will cause you to come back again, I'll break his neck."—*Boston Transcript*.

Mrs. Flatbush—"Does your husband believe in the protection of our forests?" Mrs. Bensonhurst—"Does he? Why, say if ever we had another war over here that would be the first place he'd make for!"—*Yonkers Statesman*.

OBITUARY

MRS. ISAAC RICHARDSON
Mrs. Isaac Richardson passed away at her home on Montague Street on Monday. As the deceased had been in very poor health for over a year, her death was not unexpected. She is survived by two daughters, the Misses Annie and Georgie, and one son, J. William, the well-known barrister of St. Stephen. Her husband died a few years ago. The funeral services, held on Wednesday, were conducted by Rev. William Fraser, of the Presbyterian Church. The Presbyterian Choir sang "Take Comfort Christian" and "Abide With Me." The pallbearers were Captain Richard Keay, Mr. David Clark, Mr. Hector Richardson, and Mr. M. N. Cockburn. Interment was in the Rural Cemetery.

MISS KATE MCWHA
St. Stephen, N. B., Jan. 16.
A kindly generous life closed its light to the world when at an early hour on Sunday morning, Miss Kate McWha passed away. For many months she had suffered from a lingering painful malady, which she bore with great patience and heroic calm, always hoping to be restored to health. She was most highly esteemed, her bright ways and kindness of heart won her many friends, who sincerely regret her long illness and death. She leaves three sisters, Mrs. Ray Wilson, Mrs. Robert Nixon and Miss Margaret, and one brother, Albert, to mourn the loss of a devoted sister. The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon from her home and was conducted by Ven. Archdeacon Newham and Rev. W. W. Malcolm. The pallbearers were Messrs. Arthur McWha, Walter Grimmer, Clifford Hanley and Edward McWha. The interment was in the Rural Cemetery. The floral tributes sent by sympathizing friends were very beautiful.

After the refreshments an informal sing-song was held. Before the close of the evening the Councillors took up a collection of over eleven dollars and presented it to the Club.

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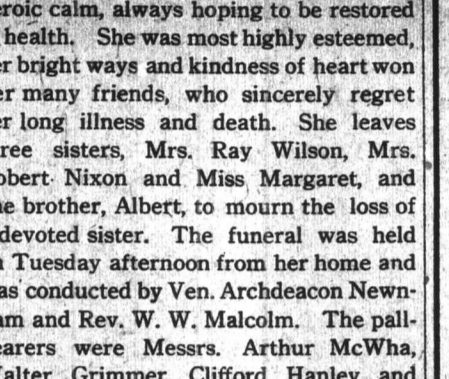
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