

The Evening Times and Star

ST. JOHN, N. B., DECEMBER 7, 1917.

The St. John Evening Times is printed at 27 and 29 Canterbury Street, every evening (Sunday excepted) by The St. John Times Printing and Publishing Co. Ltd., a company incorporated under the Joint Stock Companies Act.

THE HALIFAX TRAGEDY.

There is one dominant feeling in all hearts in St. John today. It is the feeling of profound sympathy and pity for the stricken people of Halifax.

broken hearts are not to be mended by human agency. The ruined city will be rebuilt, but of its people great numbers must carry in their hearts a life-long sorrow.

PARTIES AND THE NATION

That was a very significant remark made by Hon. F. B. Carvell on Monday night, when he said that after this war is over the political parties must revise many former theories and adopt themselves to new and greatly changed conditions.

Apparently there are one or two newspapers and a few orators who have not yet learned that the Borden government no longer exists.

Last February, months before construction became an issue in Canada, the Hamilton Canadian Club asked Sir Wilfrid Laurier to endorse a campaign to stimulate recruiting.

Referring to the wholesale exemptions in Quebec municipalities, Toronto Saturday Night observes that "this is nothing more or less than a deep conspiracy to defeat the aims of the military service act."

The British near Cambrai have withdrawn from one dangerous salient, because to hold it would involve too great a sacrifice of life, and Gen. Haig is careful of his men whenever care is possible.

Conscientious objectors in England are to be disfranchised for a period lasting five years after the war. That is perfectly right. A man who will not fight for his country should have no voice in its affairs.

The cables from England and France show that the soldier vote is going for union government. If we at home have any regard for them, how can we do otherwise than follow their example?

In these times that try the souls of men there are two important issues in the Moncton Transcript office. The first is the Moncton Transcript. The second is the Moncton Transcript. There are no others.

Twenty German divisions attacked necessary this is the war news reveals. Two British divisions near Cambrai got the worst of it, because the British had the advantage in position and had the guns. The enemy losses were heavy.

A snowstorm this morning adds to the misery of Halifax citizens whose houses are windowless, and makes more difficult the work of searching parties.

The splendid organization of the local Red Cross has made it possible to rush needed supplies quickly to Truro and Halifax.

Massachusetts lost no time in starting a relief train for Halifax. All honor to Gov. McCall and his fellow citizens.

Saint John Sends Aid To Stricken Sister City

Mayor and Relief Committee Left Last Night; Doctors Also; News With Special Bearing on Local Features of Disaster

St. John was prompt in sending relief to the stricken people of Halifax. Having in mind the quick and most generous response of neighboring cities at the time of the great fire here in 1877, Mayor Hayes with the assistance of leading citizens quickly summoned a meeting at City Hall at 5 o'clock last night.

After 11 o'clock last night, after former offers had not been received, a call came from Halifax for three surgeons and the train was held up until Dr. W. W. White, Dr. G. A. B. Addy and Captain Thomas got on board.

The local Red Cross sent a shipment of supplies for medical relief as well as material for destitute. The V. A. D.'s were instructed to be in readiness for a call but it is not expected now that they will be needed.

Indications are, despite the seriousness of the situation, that there is sufficient medical aid at hand. Lieut.-Colonel A. H. H. Powell of the local military headquarters staff, wired yesterday offering doctors, nurses and medical orderlies as well as other material. A reply was received.

About 11 o'clock at night, however, a call came for three surgeons and these were promptly enlisted.

People in St. John were at fever pitch all right long the telephones at the newspaper and telegraph offices were busy with inquiries regarding the general situation, and also regarding St. John people who are in the sister city.

As soon as serious reports reached city hall Mayor Hayes and the commissioners here received word, naturally, that Halifax needed provisions and clothing and needed them quickly.

This is a feature which citizens will regard with some pride. At 9 o'clock, just three hours after adjournment, three cars at the C. G. R. depot were loaded with provisions and supplies. The following committee was named to go to Halifax and administrate the distribution.

Word was received yesterday that LeBaron Coleman, Halifax agent of the Canadian Express, was killed yesterday in the great disaster. Mr. Coleman was formerly a St. John man and was a son of the late Edward Coleman whose residence was in Douglas avenue. Mr. Coleman had been in the employ of the

of relief from St. John. Mayor Hayes, A. H. Wetmore, president of the board of Trade; R. E. Armstrong, secretary of the board of trade; R. M. Fowler, H. Millburn, E. G. Armstrong and H. Estabrooks.

The cars loaded with the citizens' relief carried: four tons of cheese, 2,000 pounds of butter, 300 barrels of biscuits, 200 boxes of biscuits, 150 dozen fresh eggs, 10 barrels of bread, 100 cooked hams all ready for cutting, 100 boxes canned corned beef, 150 boxes of pork and beans; while other supplies included 2,500 blankets, and a correspondingly great number of sheets and pillows from the Red Cross.

Besides the committee which left to distribute relief there were a large number of citizens who went to inquire after relatives and friends. There were many others who went to view the scene of the disaster.

Commissioner McLellan, in the absence of the mayor, is in charge of the local end of the relief effort.

Appeals for Clothing and Bandages. He asked The Telegraph to issue the following appeal: "It is requested that every lady who can will send the early hours today making plain bandages and deliver the same to city hall before 8 o'clock this afternoon so that they may be rushed to Halifax. If it is not convenient to send them, telephone and someone will call for them."

A short while later, Lady Tilley, president of the provincial Red Cross issued the following appeal: "Knowing that Truro is actively engaged in relief work, Lady Tilley of the provincial Red Cross telegraphed at noon to Truro to ask if any assistance was needed. A telegram message to the president from Truro stated that there were over 100 children without clothing, ranging from babies to children of thirteen years of age. They have been brought to Truro and are gravely in need of clothing. Lady Tilley made arrangements at once with Mrs. David McClelland of the local council of women to send the needed help and contrived to get supplies as early as possible today as supplies are to be sent forward by this evening's train. Address Mrs. David McClelland."

Death of LeB. Coleman. Word was received yesterday that LeBaron Coleman, Halifax agent of the Canadian Express, was killed yesterday in the great disaster. Mr. Coleman was formerly a St. John man and was a son of the late Edward Coleman whose residence was in Douglas avenue. Mr. Coleman had been in the employ of the

Showing Girls' Misses' and Children's Footwear of Exceptional Value

Sizes 2 1/2 to 6 for Large Girls. Calf Button or Laced, \$4.00, \$4.50, \$5.00. High Cut, Laced, \$5.50, \$6.00, \$6.50, \$7.25. Pat. Button or Laced, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$4.50, \$5.00. Skating Boots, \$2.75, \$4.75, \$5.50. Rubbers, 75c, 85c, and 95c.

Sizes 11 to 2. Calf Laced Boots, \$3.25, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$4.50, \$5.00. High Cut Laced Boots, \$3.75, \$4.00, \$4.50, \$5.00. Patent Boots, \$3.25, \$3.50 and \$4.00. Donkey Boots, \$2.95, \$2.75. Skating Boots, \$2.75, \$4.25. Rubbers, 55c, 65c, and 75c.

Sizes, 6 to 10 1/2. Calf Laced, \$2.70. Canvas Laced, \$2.15, \$2.35. "Hurlbut Welts" \$3.00 to \$4.50. Rubbers, 45c, 55c, and 65c.

What war-time gift of the personal kind, could be more practical or appropriate than comfortable, serviceable footwear? You get comfort, neatness and service in HUMPHREY'S SHOES. Made Here by J. M. HUMPHREY & CO.

Give Seasonable Presents AT Yule-Tide

Foley's Stove Linings THAT LAST TELEPHONE MAIN 1601 Don't Let The Fire Burn There to The Oven

Francis & Vaughan 19 King Street

Universal Chafing Dish (Electric) and Universal Coffee Machine (Electric). Clean, convenient, safe. Equipped with two heats—one intense for cooking, one mild for warming. Made of Copper, heavily coated on the inside with pure tin. Has non-heating Ebonized Handles. Glass Top. Nickel Plated, 6-Cup Capacity. \$15.00

PRACTICAL CHRISTMAS GIFTS. Let PYREX solve your gift problem this year — Practical Gifts that please every woman. Really attractive dishes to serve in, direct from oven. All women today enthusiastically welcome PYREX, the transparent oven-ware — at once dainty, lasting and so clean. Casseroles, Pie Plates, Pudding Dishes, Custard Cups, Ramikins, Bread Pans, Cake Pans, Etc. PYREX harmonizes perfectly with any table appointment. Emerson & Fisher Ltd.

HEED OUR ADVICE! A Few Specials for Saturday and Monday. Pure Lard, 32c lb. Shortening, 27c lb. Crisco—1 lb. tin, 32c lb. Shelled Almonds, 55c lb. Shelled Walnuts, 65c lb. Shelled Filberts, 55c lb. Compound Cream Tartar, 35c lb. Seedless Raisins, 15c pkgs. 1 lb. pkgs. Table Raisins, 20c. Tomato Sauce, per bottle, 15c. Worcestershire Sauce, 2 bots for 25c. 3 lb. Quaker Flour, 25c. 3 lbs. Farina, 25c. 3 lbs. Gran. Cornmeal, 25c. 4 cakes Comfort Soap, 25c. 4 cakes Castle Soap, 25c. 3 cakes Infants' Delight Soap, 25c. 3 pkgs. Borax, 25c. 3 bottles Ammonia, 25c. 4 pkgs. Ammonia Powder, 25c. Fresh Ground Coffee, "Special", 37c lb. Fresh Ground "Crescent" Coffee, 50c lb.

CHEYNE & CO Groceries — Fruits Phone 803 166 Union St.

SPECIAL SALE Dinner Sets \$10.00 and \$12.00 Reduced from \$20.00 SLIGHTLY MISMATCHED W. H. HAYWARD CO., Limited 85 to 93 PRINCESS STREET

Good Things to Eat at Yule-tide. Fruit Cakes, Colonial Cakes, Pound Cakes, Patties, Christmas Cakes. PIES. Mince, Lemon, Washington, Jam, Apple. Robinson's 173 Union St. 109 Main St. 50 Celebration St. 417 Main St.

Lieut.-Governor New Brunswick, Hon. G. H. Murray, Premier, Halifax, St. John, Dec. 6.—The government of New Brunswick extends heartfelt sympathy to you and the people of Halifax. Aid required freely offered. St. John relief committee headed by mayor leaving tonight. W. E. POSTER, Premier. J. Willard Smith received a wire yesterday afternoon from Captain J. L. McKinney of the tugboat Nerid stating that he was aboard his tug at the time of the explosion. The Nerid was only 200 feet away from the accident and was badly damaged. Both Captain McKinney and his wife were more or less seriously injured. A representative of George McKean & Co., Ltd., left last night for Halifax. The company is erecting a shipbuilding plant at Dartmouth. W. K. McKean is at Halifax. C. B. Dever of High street, is also there superintending the work of construction.

LIBERAL RALLIES. Friday Evening, Dec. 7—South End, Temperance Hall, St. James street. Speakers: Candidates and others. Friday Evening, Dec. 7—Glen Falls, Manor House. Speakers: Candidates and others. Saturday Evening, Dec. 8—Liberal Headquarters, 57 Dock street. Speakers: Candidates and others. Meetings Start at 8 o'clock.