

Around the City

SHOWERY.

PLENTY OF RUST.
Reports from up river state that rust is destroying large quantities of potatoes. Whole fields of tubers have been ruined.

WHITE'S HEAD MILL.
Taylor & White are making preparations to rebuild their stone mill, at White's Head, which was destroyed by fire a few weeks ago and resulted in a loss to the owner of several thousand dollars, being uninsured.

CHARGED WITH FORGERY.
Detective Horace Kennedy and special officer James Reyno, of Halifax, arrived yesterday to take in custody a man named Pike, who is wanted in the sister city on the charge of forgery.

ON AUTOMOBILE TRIP.
Senator N. Curry and Mrs. Curry, arrived in the city last night en route from Nova Scotia to their Montreal home. They leave this morning by auto by way of Bangor.

QUEBECER FINED.
Rev. W. Wilson, a passenger on the Montreal train yesterday stated that on Monday a resident of Quebec had been fined \$75 for importing liquor into New Brunswick, as the result of proceedings instituted by the prohibition organization in this province.

FOR BELGIAN RELIEF.
Mayor Hayes yesterday handed the sum of \$10 by Miss Grace W. Leavitt for the Belgian Relief Fund. This sum was the proceeds of the collection taken among the orphans at the picnic given by J. D. O'Connell on Saturday.

SAFE IN ENGLAND.
Thos. Galbraith, of the city, received a cable yesterday from his son, Allan Galbraith, a member of No. 1 Export Battalion, announcing his safe arrival in England. Pte. Galbraith went overseas in the last draft from Sussex.

GOES TO SUSSEX.
Captain Warner, quartermaster of the Siberian expedition, will proceed to Sussex to look after the assembling of the men of the new unit. It had been previously reported that Captain Warner would go to Ottawa.

THE POLICE COURT.
In the police court yesterday afternoon one of the Belgians, Joseph A. Welling, arrested on Sunday at the C.P.R. depot with liquor in his possession, put up the sum of \$250, and was allowed to go. A companion is still in jail, but it is understood that he will pay the same amount. The two men had five gallons of liquor when arrested.

FOR RED CROSS.
The Red Cross has received from the publishers of the Renforth Reporter the sum of \$21.75, the season's profits on a venture which provided summer residents of the suburb with much pleasure. The amount of the bright and new journal were Masters Edgar Pritchard, Shirley Clarke, James McMurray and Patterson Combs, who have now handed over to Miss Alice K. Walker, local secretary of the Red Cross, the profits of their energy and enterprise.

A GOOD RESPONSE.
J. M. Christie, treasurer of the appeal for the navy during Sailors' Week, has closed his account and reports the total amount collected \$19,042.16, including fees for memberships. The amount collected by canvassers among business houses, etc., was \$13,702.67, and the boxes on that day yielded \$5,339.49.

NEW MEMBERS OF THE NAVY LEAGUE.
The number of new members of the Navy League found in the boxes while many more, including several life members, handed in their names direct. Full returns from other parts of the province are not yet received, but it is thought an additional \$6,000 at least will come in.

MET HIS BROTHER.
Mrs. H. W. Blizard, of 16 Hanover Street, is in receipt of a letter from her son, Sergt. Fred E. Blizard, of a siege battery unit in France, in which he mentions that he met his brother, Corporal Lee, whom he had not seen in sixteen years. He said that they met on one of the hottest sections of the battlefield (the Canadians have been in for some time. Sergeant Blizard served in the South African war, and after returning home for a while went west, and settled in Victoria, B.C. Three years ago he gave up his business and went to France.

ON MILITARY WORK.
A recent appointment has been made by the Maritime committee of the National Council of the Y.M.C.A. of Captain A. A. Campbell, who will act as area supervisor of military work in the maritime provinces. Captain Campbell, together with A. S. McAlister, maritime general secretary, are in the city and looking over the local situation in regard to military and local work. Last night Mr. McAlister, A. M. Gregg and Captain Stokes, the new general secretary, met in conference at the Y.M.C.A. to discuss local matters.

OFF FOR COLLEGE.
Michael Johnson, of Newburg Junction, reached the city yesterday, and left on the 11.45 express last evening to resume his studies at St. Joseph's University. "Mike" is well and favorably known by former students, who wish him success in his graduation year.

Francis Green, St. Stephen, passed through the city on the noon train, en route to resume his studies at St. Joseph's.
John Cummings, Bath, N.B., accompanied him yesterday's noon express carried out about thirty students for St. Joseph's and ten new students were in the number.

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT REFUSES REQUEST OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

Throws Down Unanimous Decision of City Fathers To Ask For Superannuation of Police Magistrate and Division of Fines For Violation of Prohibition Act—New Agreement Regarding St. John Railway Company Using Bridge At the Falls.

The provincial government has refused to accede to the unanimous request of the city council for the superannuation of the police magistrate, or to divide the fines collected in this city police court for violations of the Prohibition Act, and a reply to that effect was read yesterday afternoon at the session of the common council. In connection with the memorial asking for the superannuation of the police magistrate it was claimed that no evidence had been produced before the government to show that there had been anything wrong with the administration of this office by Magistrate Ritchie, and the members of the council had not presented themselves at the special meeting held to discuss this matter. Reference was made to an investigation into charges made against the police magistrate at one time, held by Judge Armstrong. No action by the government of that day had followed the investigation, and it was judged from that fact that there could not have been much ground for the investigation. Under the circumstances the government did not feel called upon to take action in the matter.

The letter closed by pointing out that the city might adjust the matter amicably by paying the magistrate a retiring allowance large enough, as Magistrate Ritchie had expressed his willingness to retire if he were given what he asked for in the way of a superannuation allowance.

In regard to the memorial asking for a division of the fines collected in the city police court for violation of the Prohibition Act, the letter pointed out that the whole of the enforcement of the act came on the shoulders of the government. It was also claimed that the government had lost a lot of revenue by the enactment of this legislation, and all the money collected in fines was needed to pay for the machinery necessary for the carrying out of the law, and if St. John were given the division asked for other cities and towns would be asked for the same treatment. It also referred to the opposition to this division by the New Brunswick branch of the Temperance Alliance, who had seen the deleterious effect had been endorsed by the two members of the city council present, Messrs. Fisher and Hilyard, while no member of the council had appeared in support of the memorial.

Dealing with the memorial asking for the rescinding of the agreement between the St. John Railway Company and the government in regard to the use of the new highway bridge at the reversing falls, the letter stated that this matter had been taken up with the New Brunswick Power Company and a new agreement was being prepared which covered only the amount to be paid for the use of the bridge by the street cars, of the city would take the place of the present agreement.

MISS MARIE MORRISEY

Noted Contralto, To Be Heard Here September 24th, in Famous Tone Test.

It was announced today that Marie Morrisey, the famous contralto, with an instrument from the laboratories of Thomas A. Edison, will appear on the programme to be given in a recital that will be held in the Imperial



Theatre, September 24th. This announcement will be a most pleasing one to the music lovers of this city as Miss Morrisey is one of the most noted concert and oratorio contraltos in the country, having appeared with remarkable success in every one of the large musical centres of America. Those who are arranging the recital at which she will appear in this city were very fortunate in being able to secure the renowned young singer as the greater part of her time is taken up with her exceptionally numerous concert engagements.

Miss Morrisey is one of the pupils of the noted coach, Dudley Buck of New York, and she is one of the very few singers who have received the unanimous and unstinted praise of every one of the metropolitan critics. During the season 1915-1916 she appeared with more than fifty of the leading musical organizations of the country and her every appearance brought her lavish tributes from her audiences and from the press. Miss Morrisey's name and reputation are familiar to all who are interested in matters musical. Her voice is a rare one—warm, rich and full, and she has a remarkable command of vocal technique. Added to this, she has a personality that wins the immediate sympathy of those who hear her and that lends a rare and unusual charm to her singing.

In an ordinary concert or oratorio engagement, Miss Morrisey would command a capacity audience in this city and the added interest that attaches to her appearance in one of the famous Edison Tone-Tests has made the coming recital the dominant topic of discussion in musical circles. Many prominent musicians have already received invitations to the affair, which will be held on Tuesday, September 24th.

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HOUSE SITUATION IN CITY REACHES A SERIOUS STAGE

Plenty of Employment, But No Place For Workmen's Families To Reside—Men Forced To Leave City For That Reason.

The housing situation in St. John has reached a serious stage, at least this is the opinion of many men from outside centres who come this way in an endeavor to seek employment. Firms in the city are open for help, and the men find little or no difficulty in procuring work, but the drawback exists in the fact that these men, who have families, are quite unable to procure a dwelling place for them.

A gentleman in the city stated yesterday that he knew of cases such as cited above, and regarded it as a very pessimistic outlook, unless the citizens of the city would awaken to the great possibilities existing in the future, when outsiders would come in to work, and bring along their families, creating inroads to success for all who owned houses or tenements. Instead of a surplus of houses, he added, the very opposite exists, and it was becoming very difficult for anyone to secure proper accommodations.

The number of outsiders daily coming into the city are granted employment at the munition factories of T. McAvity & Sons; others are engaged on the Courtney Bay works, but unhappily are forced to leave, as they are unable to procure desirable accommodations for themselves, and little or none for their families.

Another citizen quoted the same experience of the former speaker when approached, regarding quarters for workmen and their families in the city. He knew of three cases where one man, his own nephew, was unable to procure any quarters, and soon gave up his lucrative position and returned home. Both men were of the opinion that it was high time for the city to increase and lend accommodations to the housing situation. Real Estate dealers say the situation is serious, but there is no money in building nowadays, as material is costly, also help.

If tenants desire good accommodations they will, in all probability, not refuse to pay for it.

The first gentleman mentioned, when seen by The Standard, stated: "It is a serious situation, which warrants action at once," and he suggested that the city itself should build edifices, or the corporations hiring help build them so as to handle the increasing number in the city; as the situation was one to be met, and met at once in order that the city might advance, and unless relieved, trade and business would consequently suffer.

Here is another situation for thought, and an opportunity for any one interested in the housing situation," said the gentleman. "That is to ascertain for themselves if the above is not the real situation, and if changes could not be made to the betterment of all concerned."

SUGAR SHIPPED TO SOLDIERS OVERSEAS

Food Inspector Says 50,000 Parcels Containing 150,000 Pounds of Sugar Go Every Week To Heroes At the Front.

That an average of 50,000 parcels, containing approximately 150,000 lbs. of sugar, were being sent overseas every week, free of any price, individuals, was the statement made to The Standard by W. S. Potts, the local food inspector. He stated that the packages averaged three pounds each, and were sent by parcel post to soldiers in France and England. He added that this large amount of sugar, which totals about 3,900 tons a year, came out of Canada's allotment of sugar amounting to 92 pounds a year for each person. This naturally affected the sugar shortage, for the people who sent sugar overseas had to take it out of their allowance, or else buy it extra sugar which meant that they were eating into someone else's allowance.

In regard to the sugar allotment he said that Canadians ought to consider themselves fortunate as in the United States the per capita allotment was only 80 pounds to Canada's 92 pounds.

He stated that people were not yet fully awake to the seriousness of the sugar shortage and that there was still some hoarding going on. He added that the attention of the public should be called to the fact that the sugar shortage would receive the full limit of the law.

PROMOTION FOR C. P. R. OFFICIAL

Charles Robert Prout Goes To Winnipeg—Will Be Missed By Many Friends in Province.

The many friends of Charles Robert Prout, of the C.P.R. Investigation Department, for this district, will be pleased to learn that he has been promoted in the services of the company. He will leave in two weeks for Winnipeg to take over his duties in the west. Mr. Prout has been residing in St. John for about two and a half years and has proved himself to be a very efficient officer. His work carried him throughout the province and in practically every town he has many friends, who will join with St. John people in wishing him every success in his new field.

DRUMS PRESENTED TO COBURG ST. SCOUTS

A pleasing presentation was made at the Coburg Street church last evening at the second Scout meeting for the season. Two drums were given to this troop, one being donated by Scout Master Dunlop. The presentation was made by Percy Gibson, Provincial Secretary, who briefly addressed the boys. Addresses were also given by Rev. F. J. Appleman, pastor of the church, and Scout Master Goldsworthy.

A demonstration on the drums was given, and the boys marched, making a good appearance. There were over forty scouts present, and they are taking up the winter's work with enthusiasm.

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