

Local News

WRECK ON C.P.R.

Courier Leased Wire
Sherbrooke, Dec. 2.—Two men the engine crew are missing and believed to have been crushed to death, three others seriously injured and damage estimated at half million dollars caused as a result of a rear-end collision between two freight trains west of Scottstown on the Canadian Pacific Railway yesterday. Both trains were travelling in the same direction and were supposed to be running twenty minutes apart. The train was delayed through the collision and it while the cars were being picked up at the collision took place. The engine men were named Marshall and Fontaine.

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ADVENT HERE.

Yesterday was observed as the first Sunday of advent in local Catholic churches. The advent period expires on Christmas eve.

WERE DISAPPOINTED.

A crowd of hundreds, mostly women, gathered at the Grand Trunk station last night, in anticipation of the arrival of a party of returned men. Officials of the Soldiers' Aid Commission were also in attendance, but the soldiers expected did not arrive.

ADOPT FRENCH SPELLING.

"The department has already under consideration the making of changes in the Ontario School geography," said Hon. H. J. Cody Saturday, in reference to the adoption of the French spelling of geographical names and places in Alsace and Lorraine.

TO PLAN FOR CHRISTMAS.

The girls' clubs of the Y. W. C. A. are to hold a meeting to decide upon the proper course to take in the celebration of Christmas. It is probable that the girls will visit several of the homes of the city and try to instill into them the Christmas cheer.

DEBENTURES.

A letter has been received by the city clerk yesterday from A. E. Ames and Company, investment brokers, Toronto, asking for particulars of debentures, if any, now for sale. If there are none at present, the clerk is requested to state if there will be any in the next few months.

LIKELY NO HOCKEY.

It is not likely that Brantford will enter a hockey team in the O.H.A. this winter, according to local men who have previously taken an active part in organizing clubs, but who have other demands upon their time this season. It is two years since Brantford had a team in the O.H.A.

SNOW SHOVEL BRIGADE.

The scrape of snow shovels upon hard cement pavements made more or less melodious music throughout the city this morning, as the accumulated snow of thirty-six hours was cleared away. And from many a cellar came the subterranean roar of perfectly good coal being fed into the hungry maw of newly started furnaces.

NURSES WHO DIED.

The city clerk has received from the General Hospital the names of the nurses who died while fighting the influenza epidemic here. They are Miss Pearl Van Valkenburg, next of kin, Mr. Valkenburg, R. R. No. 2, Brantford, and Miss Barbara Henderson, next of kin, Mr. James Henderson, a brother, Ayr, Ont. They were both nurses in training. Also Miss Blanche Neff, next of kin, Mr. Neff, Port Colborne, Ont.; Miss Neff was a graduate nurse.

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A MONTH AHEAD.

A gentleman was heard to remark this morning "A Happy New Year." Evidently he thinks there is nothing like speaking in time.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE.

Members of the Women's Patriotic League are arranging for a thanksgiving service on Wednesday afternoon, which will take the form of one hour of prayer.

VITAL STATISTICS.

The vital statistics for the month of November were as follows: 61 births, 19 marriages, 113 deaths, 70 being the result of pneumonia and 13 of influenza.

NURSES' MEMORIAL.

The committee appointed to confer with the Hospital Board in regard to the erection of a nurses' memorial will meet some day this week. The Hospital Board will be represented by a committee.

POSTOFFICE CONTRIBUTES.

The executive of the Brantford Epidemic Relief acknowledges as a special contribution from the inside staff of the Brantford Postoffice the sum of \$32, which was collected among the employees.

RELIEF REPORT.

More relief work than is usual for November was performed during that month. The relief included 6 3-4 tons of coal, 4 cords of wood, provisions, bread, milk and railway tickets. The total expended for the month was \$204.68.

TRUST CLUB.

The swirl of snow that made the city streets so wintry on Saturday evening did not prevent the Y. W. C. A. Trust club from gathering at the home of Miss Evelyn West, Nelson street, to sew for the Belgian relief. Twelve finished garments were the result of the evening's labors.

TRAVELLERS GIVE.

At a meeting of a few of the commercial travellers of the city on Saturday evening a collection was taken up for the Epidemic Relief Fund. The sum collected amounted to \$18 and it is expected that this sum will be added to by other travellers immediately.

TOWNSHIP COUNCIL.

The Council of the Township of Brantford met this morning for the last session of the year. The session will be a very heavy one and will be confined this evening as the work of clearing away all accounts for the year is a very lengthy task.

RESTRICTIONS REMOVED.

This morning local cafes received notice of a change in the rules of the Canada Food Board. Formerly it was against the law to sell sandwiches during the dinner hour, while under the revised code they may be purchased at any time. The new law also lifts the ban on the use of icing on cakes. Cakes may now be iced for sale.

TRADE MORE NORMAL.

In spite of a falling off in the importation of goods used in the manufacture of war munitions, the decrease in Canada's customs receipts for the month of November is about the same as in the previous month. This would seem to indicate that the trade of Canada is beginning to resume its normal course. The decrease in customs receipts for the month of November, as compared with the same month a year ago, is \$459,446, the figures being \$12,949,612 in 1917 and \$12,490,167 in 1918.

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FANSY CLUB BAZAAR.

At the fancy club bazaar on Friday afternoon, the sum of \$1.00 was realized. No. 16 was the lucky number for the nightgown, and No. 37 drew the cake.

CUSTOMS RETURNS.

The customs returns total for the month of November, \$67,489. This amount shows a decrease from last year of \$22,544.25.

BOYS HELD DINK.

On Saturday afternoon the senior employed boys of the Y. W. C. A. had a nice game with Mr. Geddes, the boys' secretary. This is the first time the senior employed have ever had, and it proved very popular with all.

BUILDING PERMIT.

A building permit was issued this morning in the City Engineer's office to J. H. Hicks, for erection at 195 Hawdon St., of a brick veneer cottage, which is estimated will cost \$1,500.

STORM SEWER STARTED.

The storm sewer that is to be built on Morrell St. connects with the Lansdowne Park survey, which it will drain, was commenced by the men of the city engineer's department to-day.

MARKET REPORT.

The market report for the month of November, as submitted by Market Clerk MacKay this morning, shows receipts from fees totalling \$332.50, and the amount received from the rents of stalls \$262, making a total of \$594.50.

ST. ANDREW'S DAY.

Saturday, the feast of St. Andrew, patron saint of Scotland, passed very quietly in Brantford. The Sons of Scotland are arranging a celebration in observance of the feast, but this will not be held until the latter part of this week.

BOUNDARY EXTENSION.

It has been decided to hold a meeting of the Boundaries Committee of the Board of Trade on Thursday evening in the Board of Trade chambers and notices are being issued to this effect.

AT FUEL DEPOT.

The fuel situation in the city to-day is practically unchanged. There is no chestnut or stove coal, but a supply is expected hourly. Business, however, is brisk, and the supply will warrant the delivery of a number of orders being received for other than stove and chestnut coal.

THREE MORE HOME.

Three more returned men shipped quickly into the city this morning, in the persons of Pte. W. Campbell, 247 Greenwich street, Pte. Smith, 227 Drummond street, and Pte. Lewis, Holmdene. All three are expected to arrive on later trains during the day.

POLICE COURT.

In the police court this morning, Fling Williams was tried on two charges of selling liquor. On the first charge he was dismissed, as the evidence was insufficient for conviction. On the second charge, he was found guilty and fined \$300 and costs. Jack Flett was arrested last night for being intoxicated. His trial was a home-made recipe, supplied to him by a foreigner. The case was adjourned until to-morrow when the foreigner will be produced in court.

WEDDING BELLS.

A quiet wedding took place this morning in the parsonage of Wesley Methodist church when Miss Violet Lewis of Wellesley St., Brantford, was united in marriage to Mr. Chester H. Boomhower, of Woodstock. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Marshall. The young couple, who were unattended, left for a trip to points west. Following their trip, they will reside in Woodstock.

FIRE PREVENTION.

The committee being appointed by the Board of Trade to make arrangements for the Fire Prevention meeting on Friday, Dec. 13th, will be held this week. Besides the Ontario Fire Marshal and the Deputy Fire Marshal, there will be others present who are intensely interested in the movement.

NOT HANDED OVER YET.

"Has the old post office building been handed over by the government to the city yet?" The Courier asked Ald. Bragg, chairman of buildings and grounds this morning. "No," replied the alderman. At the time we purchased the building, several years ago, it was agreed that it was to be handed over six months after the signing of peace. This will mean six months after the final peace terms are signed, and will not date from the signing of the armistice.

DR. CODY'S VISIT.

The committee appointed by the Board of Trade to make arrangements for the visit of Hon. H. J. Cody, Minister of Education, met on Saturday evening in the secretary's office, and drafted a program for the day. It is expected that all details will be finally settled before the end of this week, and will include visits to the schools, factories and at noon an address at the Rotary Club and an address at a public meeting in the evening, dealing with questions of education, particularly technical education.

NEW POST OFFICE A SURPRISE TO HIM

"Is this the post office?" Mr. W. B. Magill of the local depot looked up with a start as that question was fired at him this morning.

"This is the old post office—the fuel office," he replied patiently. "Is yours chestnut, stove or pea coal?" "I don't understand," murmured the stranger. "Isn't this the Brantford General Post Office?" It was the last time I was in Brantford.

That, however, it devolved, was years ago. Mr. Magill directed the stranger to the new government building, and he, the stranger, made his way thither realizing what a progressive city Brantford really is.

JUDGEMENT DEFERRED

Decision in Henderson vs. Wilkes Case to be Given by Supreme Court Clerk

In the Supreme Court Saturday the case of Henderson vs. Wilkes was brought before Mr. Justice Lennox. When the partnership was severed a misunderstanding arose between the parties concerned. Mr. Henderson claimed that he made an agreement with Mr. Wilkes, after a lengthy argument lasting for several days, whereby he (Mr. Henderson) should collect all outstanding accounts and pay all outstanding liabilities and whereby he should maintain the amount of the accounts overbalancing the liabilities. Mr. Wilkes claimed that the agreement had been brought into his private office by Mr. Henderson in the latter's own handwriting and was presented to him without a moment's discussion, and that Mr. Henderson had claimed that the liabilities and accounts balanced. Mr. Henderson claimed that he had made no such representations. After hearing the evidence, Mr. Justice Lennox suggested that the matter be left to a trusty and upright man to decide. The case was brought on by W. A. Hollinrake, Supreme Court Clerk, and the matter was left to him to settle. Brewster and Hayd were counsel for the plaintiff and Jones and Hewitt for the defendant.

Send Soldiers Direct to City

Public Opinion is Against Their Receiving Discharge in Toronto First

Some criticism, which appears to be well founded, has been passed of late on the militia department's system of rehabilitating into civil life the men invalidated home from overseas. Brantford soldiers who are sent home, receive their discharge papers in Toronto, hand over their uniforms there, and in consequence must find themselves for returned life in the Queen City. This often causes considerable inconvenience, and the feeling is rife that the government should devise a plan whereby the returned men could receive their discharges in their home cities. Brantford is in the same boat with other cities in this regard, since Toronto is the demobilization centre for a large military district, but surely this city is large and prosperous enough to have its returned men brought directly here. Such, at least, is the trend of public opinion. As a very large number of men will be returning home during the next few months, it is felt that some action should be taken to spare them the inconvenience of outfitting themselves for civil life in Toronto.

Y. M. C. A. CONFERENCE.

The National Council of the Y. M. C. A. has issued a call for a conference at Toronto on Friday, Dec. 13, to deal with the question of the work of the association in serving the returned soldiers. The conference is open to all presidents, committee men, and officers of all associations in Ontario and Quebec.

One Ton of Serges

Firth Bros., the Quality Tailors, buy quantities as well as quality. This week we received in a single shipment one ton of all-wool Irish serges. Buying in quantities like this, together with spot cash payments, enables this firm to undersell ordinary tailors \$8 to \$15 a suit. Every blue serge sold at Firth Bros., 20 Dalhousie St., is guaranteed all-wool and fast color. Men take no chances in ordering from these tailors, whose unmatched quality of cloth, bought direct from the leading British mills, is a guarantee of lasting satisfaction. Remember, Firth Bros. Quality Tailoring gives you that air of individuality that is necessary for personality that keeps one's appearance from being commonplace. If you want to know the meaning of real clothes "service" order your next suit at 120 Dalhousie street.

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NO FRESH OUTBREAK OF FLU HERE

M. H. O. Warns Citizens, However to Keep Away From Hamilton

Rumors of a fresh outbreak of influenza in the city were contradicted by Dr. N. W. Bragg, M.H.O., this afternoon. "There has been no recurrence of the epidemic," he told The Courier. "There have been one or two odd cases reported over the week-end, but that is because the disease has not thoroughly disappeared as yet."

There is no danger of a fresh outbreak, the M.H.O. stated, provided proper precautions are observed. Brantforders should keep away from Hamilton, where the epidemic has broken out afresh. "It must be absolutely impressed on the people," declared Dr. Bragg, "that they must not visit Hamilton, not encourage Hamiltonians to visit Brantford, by doing either of these they are taking chances. At Hospital. Conditions at the Emergency Hospital are to-day reported as unchanged. The number of patients in that institution still remains at eleven and the material changes in the patients' condition have been small over the week-end."

"Experience" Here For Two Nights

Owing to the Influenza Epidemic in Hamilton

Owing to a recurrence of the "flu" epidemic in Hamilton, the great play, "Experience," which was to have shown there to-morrow (Tuesday) and Wednesday nights, has been transferred for these two dates to Brantford instead of coming here next Monday night as advertised. Mr. Fraser Colter, brother of Mr. John Colter, of this city, and an actor of much prominence, has one of the leading roles.

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