

# Local Happenings

**FIRST AID DEMONSTRATION**  
A. H. McMullen, Inspector of the Bureau of Explosives, with his assistants, gave a very valuable demonstration of First Aid to the injured, in a special car here yesterday.

**TAX BILLS OUT**  
Tax Collector John Ashford is busy this week delivering the Tax Notices for 1917. Contrary to expectations there has been no increase in the rate, being just the same as last year.

**SUPREME COURT ADJOURNED**  
Supreme Court opened Tuesday morning, Judge Chandler presiding, and because of the illness of several lawyers, among them Hon. L. J. Tweedie and R. A. Lawlor, was adjourned till August 14th.

**JOINS THE ENGINEERS**  
Cecil E. McWilliam, eldest son of Mr. George F. McWilliam, of the North Shore Leader, has enlisted with the Divisional Signal Corps. Mr. McWilliam was a member of the class of '15 at U. N. B. but of late has been acting as editor of The Leader, and is one of Newcastle's most popular young men.

**THE DRIVES**  
The main corporation drive on the Southwest Miramichi, passed Blackville on Monday and is therefore safe, except for a few logs on Hays's bar, a little above Blackville. Ritchie's northwest Miramichi drives are out of the brooks, and all the drives on the Northwest are considered safe.

**WEDDED IN MONCTON**  
Mr. Guy Duncan McD., of Millford Station, Hants Co., N. S., and Miss Anna Hare of Whiteville, were united in marriage at 8 o'clock Tuesday evening, at the Highfield Baptist Parsonage, Moncton. The young couple were unattended and the ceremony was performed by Rev. E. H. Cochrane, pastor of the Highfield Church. Mr. and Mrs. McD. will make their home in Moncton.

**MAYFLOWER TEA**  
In the A. O. H. Hall, Thursday afternoon, the Ladies' Catholic Club, held a very successful Mayflower Tea and Apron Sale, realising some \$30 in aid of the new A. O. H. Hall. Mesdames Desmond and Durick poured, assisted by Miss Clare Lawlor, Mesdames Doyle and McEvoy served the cake and sandwiches, and the tea tables were in charge of Misses Rita Buckley, Gerlie Buckley, Hedgie Morris, Margaret Sullivan, Mary Lawlor, Alma LaBillio, Lou McCaig, and May Morrison. The apron table was in charge of Mesdames C. P. McCabe and A. L. Barry. The candy table was in charge of Miss Agnes McCabe, and the guessing contest, won by Mrs. E. A. MacMillan was superintended by Miss Alice McEvoy. The room was very tastefully decorated, and the attendance was very good.

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**WITH THE KILTIES**  
Pte. Bertin Blanchard, Munn of Hayesville, enlisted and was taken on the strength of the Kilties on Tuesday.

**ENLISTED WITH FORESTRY BATT.**  
Among the recruits for the Forestry Battalion at Campbellton last week, was Ritchie J. Woods, of Newcastle, a brother of Pte. John Woods, who recently returned home after being wounded.

**A FINE EXAMPLE**  
The Miramichi Hospital is planting three acres of its land in oats, potatoes and vegetables. It has also planted beautiful spruce trees by setting out a large number of shade trees in the rear of the grounds. The enterprise and neatness of the hospital authorities betoken a fine grade of public spirit.

**NINE MORE MEN WANTED**  
Recent recruits for the Second Draft of the 12th Battery, in charge of Lieut. McKenzie, are:  
May 17—Joseph Raymond Cantin—Campbellton  
May 21—Frank Arbeau—Upper Blackville  
May 24—Frank Oldfield—Millbank  
May 24—James Creamer—Ferry Road  
May 24—Harold Charles Crawford—Blackville

**RESULTS OF WEEKLY TEST**  
St. Mary's High School Dept. Pupils who made 60 per cent.:  
Grade XI A, subject Agriculture—Margaret Callahan 96, Lottie McWilliam 93, Cleora McLaughlin 83, Pertrude Ryan 87.5.  
Grade XI B, subject Geometry—Bernadette Keating 100, May Dolan 100, Margaret Clarke 85, Anna McLaughlin 75.5.  
Grade X subject Geography—May Douvion 98, Estelle Theriault 91, Cecelia Murphy 75.5, Agnes Lawlor 65.  
Grade IX subject Geography—Bessie Creamer 100, Mary Taylor 96, Margaret Dolan 93.5, Cecelia Roman 79, Anna Keys 72, Mona McWilliam 66, May McEvoy 60.

**FOOD CONTROLLER TO BE APPOINTED**  
A food controller for Canada will be appointed by the Government today. The choice apparently lies between Mr. G. A. MacGrath, chairman of the International Waterways Commission, and Mr. W. Sanford Evans, chairman of the Georgian Bay Canal Commission. These are the two names most prominently mentioned. Both men are well qualified for the position and would create public confidence. The Canadian food controller would work in co-operation with Mr. Herbert C. Hoover, whom President Wilson has announced he will appoint an American food dictator.

**LADIES' AID HAVE ENJOYABLE ENTERTAINMENT**  
A very enjoyable entertainment with refreshments was given in St. James' Hall, Monday night, by the Ladies' Aid of St. James' Church. Mr. E. A. McCurdy was chairman, and C. W. Browne accompanist. The following program was carried out:  
Piano Selection—C. W. Browne  
Solo—Miss Marion MacArthur  
Recitation—Miss Margaret Stables  
Song—Mrs. and Miss Russell  
Song—Mr. Galloway  
Song (a)—Miss Nelly (Chatham)  
(b)—Miss Nelly  
Piano Duet—Mesdames McCurdy and McMichael  
Recitation—Miss Dorothy Nicholson  
Quartet—Messrs. Dickson, Cassidy, Morrison and Galloway  
Solo—Miss Clara Russell  
Violin Solo—Mr. Stewart Gekkie (Douglstown)  
Song—Mr. Galloway  
Song—Mrs. Russell  
Recitation—Miss D. Nicholson  
Song—Miss Nelly  
The entertainment was of a very high order. Miss Nelly, Miss Nicholson, Mr. Galloway and others were compelled to respond to hearty encores. Some \$28 was realized for the building fund.

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# Empire Day In the Schools

Empire Day was appropriately observed in the Miramichi schools. The pupils of the advanced grades of Harkins Academy gave an excellent patriotic program. Principal J. D. Kane presided. The program was as follows:  
God Save the King—School Opening Remarks—Mr. Keane  
Chorus—"Sons of the Sea"—pupils of Grade V  
Flag Exercise—Six boys  
Chorus—"Hats off to the Flag and King"—Grade VIII  
Recitation—Miss Jean Watien  
Solo—"The Best Old Flag on Earth"—Miss Marion MacArthur  
Chorus—"Hymns of the Flag"—pupils of Grade VI and VII  
Flag Salute—School  
God Save the King  
In Grades I to V of Harkins Academy the program was as follows:  
Address—Mr. Drummie  
Exercise—"We'll Stand by the Flag"—Miss Baldwin's tots  
Chorus—"We'll Never Let the Old Flag Fall"  
Recitation—"The Bravest, The Best"—Harry Delano  
Exercise—"The Old Flag"—Miss Lawlor's pupils  
Exercise—"Flag Salute"  
Recitation—"How Can I Be Like the Flag"—Miss Craig's class  
Recitation—"My Own Canadian Home"—Miss Johnston  
Chorus—"Keep the Home Fires Burning"—Assembled schools  
Recitation—"The Maple Leaf Forever"—Eldrid Lawrence  
Exercise—"Miss Davidson's pupils National Anthem."  
In Douglstown: Superior School the program was as follows:  
Saluting the Flag—All grades  
Review of advanced grades on the British Empire and the History of the War  
Solo—Canada, Fall In—Genevieve Gekkie  
Recitation—"Now or Never"—Margaret Kirkpatrick  
Recitation—"Our Loved Canadian Flag"—Rudyard Kipling  
Chorus—"Good Luck to the Boys of the Allies"  
Recitation—"The Red Rose and Fleud-de-Lis"—Jack McCosh  
Chorus—"Keep the Home Fires Burning"  
Address—R. H. Jessamin  
Address—Principal Stuart  
God Save the King  
A very good program was carried out in Nordin school.

**NOW LIEUT. DAVIDSON**  
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Davidson have been informed that their son Harold, who left a fine position to go overseas with the 26th, has been made a Lieutenant. All of Mr. and Mrs. Davidson's three sons are now soldiers. Warren is a signaller in the N. S. Highlanders, and John T. medically unfit for the Army, is studying wireless telegraphy.

**MANY CASES IN MIRAMICHI HOSPITAL**  
The Miramichi Hospital has now 15 patients, all cases progressing favorably. Four operations were successfully performed this week—on Messrs. Keith Russell and John S. Scott of Newcastle on Monday, and on Mesdames Morrison and Paul of Church Point yesterday. Mr. Wm. Furze of Newcastle entered for treatment yesterday.

**EARLIER MARRIAGES AND MORE BABIES**  
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ried out, compulsory treatment would be its corollary, and that would lead to hiding by the people instead of their going to the clinics.  
Lastly, the clinics must be carried out in a humane manner, so that innocent people should not feel that they were in any sort of way under the ban of a horrible disease.  
The number of working days lost must amount to millions. Altogether this makes up a multi-million dollar loss to the country.  
Now what can be done by the people themselves towards spreading the light? Knowledge should be given to young people before they come out in life of the ease with which these diseases could be acquired, and of the terrible results, and warnings of the moral consequences as well as the physical. In the opinion of the National Council it is the duty of parents, of head teachers of both sexes, of medical men, and of the clergy to educate the young.  
All workers in parishes, district visitors, and everybody should also use their utmost endeavours to prevent the young from going wrong, and to encourage them, if they do go wrong and get into trouble, to apply for early treatment, so as to curtail the period of infectivity.  
If there was a real combine of doctors, clergy, educationists, and especially of the thinking women of all classes, it would go a long way towards stamping out these diseases, and towards making a healthy and happier race.

**PEACH SAUCE**  
Wash, soak and stew dried peaches until they are well swelled; then drain off the water, measure and for every cup of the peaches allow three-fourths of a cup of granulated sugar. Add a cup of the water in which the peaches were cooked, and simmer until thick; then add a teaspoon of lemon juice, and a few whole cloves, and set aside to chill. Serve with cream.

# Why Greater Production is Necessary

The most important question which faces the world today is unquestionably the present high cost of living with the probabilities of an increase in the future.

This high cost of living is in no small degree due to the scarcity of food stuff in the world as demonstrated by the following facts:  
The official report to Washington of Mr. David Lubin, the U. S. representative to the International Institute of Agriculture, shows that on March 31st, 1917, the total amount of food grains necessary to feed the world until August 1917 was short by 150,000,000 bushels. The U. S. department of Agriculture states officially that the fall wheat is the poorest on record and the total wheat crop of 1917 in the U. S. is estimated at 244,000,000 bushels less than in 1915.

News has come from Argentina Republic—ordinarily a great grain exporting country—that the crop of food grains has been such a failure as to cause an embargo to be placed on the export of grain from that country in order to avert local famine.  
Reports from Ontario on the condition of fall wheat for 1917 are far from being encouraging.  
In the face of the above facts coupled with the extensive submarine warfare now going on, we must naturally come to the conclusion that the situation is getting serious and that it is incumbent on each and every one of us to give this matter our due consideration and do everything possible to counteract existing circumstances.

The chief means at our disposal to overcome this great difficulty is to cultivate to our full capacity and economize in every possible way. Consequently it is the strict duty of every farmer as well as every other class of citizen to contribute to their utmost, towards the production of plant food, bearing in mind that every person who contributes towards the production and economy of food stuff is certainly doing "his bit" towards bringing this terrible conflict to a successful finish.  
It also is of the most importance that our several governments grasp the situation fully and render every assistance possible in this matter.  
The mother country is actually short of food—probably shorter than we imagine—and she depends largely on her colonies, principally in Canada for food supplies. If we fall her in this respect she will be forced to give up the struggle and the blood of our valiant soldiers, shed so profusely on the battlefields, shall have been shed in vain.  
Did we, through our own fault, fail to do our duty at this critical time, those brave hearts, on their return home could, with no small amount of truth turn around to us and say: "We have done our very best. We have fought, bled and many of us have even given up their lives for your sakes. Unfortunately we have failed in our struggle but the fault lies at your own door, whilst we were undergoing the greatest hardships and making tremendous sacrifices in your behalf, you have remained inactive in your peaceful homes and have not even made an effort to come to our assistance by endeavoring to provide us with the food necessary to continue the struggle to a victorious end."  
We have yet, in Canada a good surplus of food stuff but the drainage, caused by the export to the mother country to help continue the struggle, is extensive and the supply is not adequate to the demand.  
Some selfish person might say: "Let keep what we can and thus prevent a scarcity in this country."  
But if England, in the meantime cannot get food supplies, the results will be that she will be compelled to capitulate. Canada will then become a German colony and we, German subjects—a proposition which, I am sure, is loathing to every person, not devoid of reason, in this country.  
For many years prior to the beginning of hostilities we, in Canada, have been a happy and prosperous people—probably one of the most happy people in the world. We have enjoyed peace, ease and comfort to no small degree. Now that the whole world is cast headlong in this universal cataclysm it is only but proper that we should have our share of troubles and tribulations.  
Let us not be optimistic but look the situation squarely in the face and be up and doing. In the first place let us put forth our most strenuous efforts towards the production of plant food, secondly let us practice strict economy by living and dressing plainly and denying ourselves the many things which we can easily dispense with.  
It is gratifying to learn that this vital question has already been taken up for earnest consideration in several localities. It is to be hoped that the others will follow without delay.  
By setting to work earnestly and adopting the practice of an economical mode of living we shall, if blessed with a good harvest, be in a position to deal successfully with the impending calamity which is actually staring us in the face.  
J. A. G.

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