

Around the City

FAIR AND MILD

FEAST OF ANNUNCIATION. Today is the feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary and a holy day in the Anglican churches.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE. Confirmation service will be held in Trinity church this evening when a large number will be confirmed by His Lordship Bishop Richardson.

PTE. E. M. HUESTIS. Among the St. John men expected to arrive today from Halifax is Pte. E. M. Huestis of the 36th Battalion. Pte. Huestis lost a leg in an engagement last August. He was later given the Military Medal for conspicuous gallantry.

AN INTERESTING PICTURE. A picture that is creating considerable interest is that shown in the window of J. M. Roche & Co., King street, of over two hundred aviation pupils in front of the military school at aeronautics, Toronto. In the picture may be seen some young St. John men.

LEFT FOR OTTAWA. A conference of the Great War Veterans' Association will be held in Ottawa today when representatives from all branches in Canada will be present. S. C. Tippett, a member of the national executive, left for the capital Saturday evening to be present at the conference.

TO PETITION GOVERNMENT. The St. John school trustees have commissioned John A. Sheahan to petition to petition the government to allow them to assess for \$50,000 more next year. This means that the total assessment would be in the vicinity of \$300,000 and a proportionate increase in the tax bills for the citizens.

A CORDIAL WELCOME. A cordial welcome was given returned war veterans at the discharge depot Saturday morning by the returned soldiers' reception committee. His Worship Mayor Hayes addressed the men and also welcomed the members of Imperial forces who are in the city en route to Bermuda. The first contingent man, who spent 306 days at the front, the mayor expressed the gratitude of the citizens on the gallant work performed by the men of the first contingent. The ladies of the committee passed around gift packages to the men.

VITAL STATISTICS. Four marriages and seventeen births—nine girls and eight boys—were reported to the registrar during the past week. Twenty-two deaths are reported for last week at the Board of Health office. Two were due to bronchitis, broncho-pneumonia and to pulmonary tuberculosis and one each to nephritis, debility, peritonitis, inanition, emphysema, carcinoma, erysipelas, endocarditis, heart failure, marasmus, premature birth, chronic enteritis, arteria sclerosis, pleuro-pneumonia, cerebral hemorrhage and carcinoma of uterus.

A SUNDAY PUDDLE. A large puddle of water at the corner of St. James and Sydney streets furnished considerable amusement to a large number of soldiers and their lady friends. In the bad light the puddle looked as if it had been frozen solid and it was only after pedestrians had taken one or two steps into it and found themselves into three feet of water that they realized the Commissioner of Public Works or the Commissioner of Water and Sewerage were providing innocent Sunday amusement for the Canadian Tommy Atkins and his lady friends. One youth walked in, slipped, sat down, cursed.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES. The junior boys of the Y. M. C. A. held an impromptu entertainment Saturday evening. There was an attendance of about eighty-seven boys. The programme included a bag horn selection by Albert Carthy; accordion selection, Herbert Nasse; piano duet, Jack Bond and Ronald Smith. Part of the evening was pleasantly spent in singing camp songs and telling stories. This entertainment was so successful that it was decided to hold a similar one next Saturday evening. F. L. Smith was the speaker at the Sunday morning meeting. He spoke on the subject, "Jesus the Leader." Last evening the Mentors' meeting was held in the association building. A. M. Gregg presided. W. C. Cross gave an address on "Christian Service." Plans were discussed for the annual Bible study examinations and the group banquet.

PALM SUNDAY WAS FITTINGLY OBSERVED. Special Services in Catholic and the Anglican Churches—Palms Distributed to Members of Congregation. Yesterday was Palm Sunday, and was fittingly observed in all the Catholic churches of the city. At the Cathedral during 11.15 mass, Father Coughlan announced the usual fast days for holy week. Confessions would be held on Wednesday afternoon, and a Pontifical high mass at 10 o'clock on Thursday morning.

Large congregations attended the Palm Sunday services in the Anglican churches. At the Mission church of St. John the Baptist there occurred the blessing of the palms at 7.45 a. m. Palms were distributed at the conclusion of the morning services.

DOMINION POLICE AFTER SLACKERS SATURDAY NIGHT

Exits at Opera House Guarded and Many Men Interviewed—Wife's Wedding Ring Saved One Young Man from Detention.

Saved from spending a few hours in custody by a wedding ring was the experience of one of the young men, who was in attendance at the show in the Opera House on Saturday night when the playhouse was visited by the Dominion police constables in search of men who failed to comply with the provisions of the Military Service Act. The house was packed to the doors, as it is generally filled on Saturday nights, and incidentally there appeared to be in the audience many men of military age and eligible for service. The affair was carried out with very little inconvenience to either the management or the patrons.

The men in the upper section of the house were asked to remain in their seats until they had satisfied the police constables. To insure against any making their escape, the doors of the theatre were guarded by military police, and none were allowed to pass until they had satisfied the Dominion police of their status with respect to the act. Many were the excuses advanced by some of the men. In some cases they were married and had left their "wives" and also their marriage certificates at home. Other cases which required considerable examination were those of saloon keepers who had not on their person a birth certificate. Over thirty were held temporarily by the police until they could explain their cases. When finally held down out of the number apprehended, four were given in charge at the police station for the night. Some of the men had friends who could vouch for their statements, and they were allowed to go.

In one case a young lady pleaded for the surrender of her gentleman friend, but the stern duty of the officer, as laid down by law, had to be executed. A rather singular certificate which answered the purpose, but not stated in the act, was a wedding ring. "I'm a married man," prevailed the gentleman. "Has your wife got her wedding ring on," asked the officer. This was sufficient and the man's wife was asked to show the ring which was received as satisfactory proof by the officer.

It was reported in the city that the other playhouses had been searched on Saturday night. The managers of the different theatres state that the Dominion police did not search the houses, but that they have been attending to their duties for the past few days, by sitting up all who come out after the shows.

A suggestion put forward by a citizen, and one well worthy of consideration, is some means of identification whereby those who have complied with those who have not. He suggests the issuing of some inexpensive button to be worn by the individual. This would save the inconvenience of being held up by the police, maybe on more than one occasion.

EVANGELIST KENYON OPENED CAMPAIGN Largely Attended Meetings at Central Baptist Church Yesterday—Prof. Duffy of Moncton Led the Singing.

Evangelist Kenyon commenced his campaign yesterday at the Central Baptist church. All the services were marked by a good attendance. At the morning service he took for his subject "The Need of Revival." He showed that a revival deepens the spiritual life of the church and awakens the city to its spiritual needs and tended generally to uplift city life. He spoke of the objections held to a revival by those who say that it only causes excitement and emotion and will not last. He said that it is often necessary to have a revival in politics, as dead politics fosters corruption and graft, and the same thing is true of the church. A dead church means that it is being ruled by the world. People will say and do extravagant things in a revival the same as in any other reformation of life, but it is the extravagant truth that awakens. That a revival only stirs the weak and emotional he said was not true, but that it awakens the strongest and best people. He spoke of the backslidden church as a crisis of church members as hindrance to a revival.

At the service in the afternoon he spoke on the "Yielded Life." He made a strong plea for Christians to get back in close fellowship with God. Last evening he took for his subject, "Limiting God." Professor Paul Duffy of Moncton led in the singing at these services.

EASTER CLOTHES. Styles to suit the young man who likes clothes smart; styles to suit the conservative man who is for dignity; styles to suit the elderly man who comes to the conclusion there is nothing like comfort. Ready for service, at Gilmore's, 65 King street.

COMMITTEE OF ONE HUNDRED. Most important matters will be considered at meeting of Citizens' One Hundred Committee, Board of Trade rooms, Tuesday evening, 26th inst. eight o'clock. Every member expected. By request of chairman.

SOLDIERS NEED FOOD, FARMERS NEED BOYS

Boys from 15 to 19 Years Wanted to Help Supply the Necessary Labor—Supervisors to See Boys Obtain Desirable Home.

The Canada food board has effected the organization of the soldiers of the soil, for the purpose of enlisting the help of the boys on farms during the coming season. Taylor Statten has been appointed national superintendent, A. H. Chapman is provincial superintendent, and A. W. Gregg provincial secretary. The directors in charge of the work in St. John are A. R. Crookshank, chairman; Dr. J. H. Frink, Dr. James Manning, T. H. Estabrooks, R. E. Armstrong and Thomas F. Drummond.

Because of the present need of increased food production and the shortage of man power on the land, the farmers of Canada welcome the assistance of willing boys from 15 to 19 years to help supply the necessary labor. Our soldiers need every ounce of food we can produce and every boy who has the strength to do his share towards winning the war. For his services he will be paid according to his value as a worker, the town and city directors for the province will appoint supervisors to see that the boys are not placed in undesirable homes. Enrollment will begin on April 5th and will continue for a week.

COUNCIL MEETS THIS MORNING

Commissioners Will Be in Special Session—Commissioner McLellan Will Present Two Memorials

A special meeting of the city council will be held this morning at which many important matters are to come up.

Commissioner McLellan has his two memorials to be presented to the provincial government ready to present to the council, one in regard to the city getting a share of the fines imposed for violations of the prohibition act, and the other dealing with the police magistracy. The application of the Booth Fisheries for lease of lots on the West Side is also to come up and the Booth people are pressing for a decision as they claim unless construction can be commenced at once the factory can not be completed in time for this season's catch.

Another important matter is the Main street paving, the tenders for which were opened some days ago and referred to the mayor, Commissioner Fisher and the city engineer. The report of the City Assessment Commission which was tabled on Friday is another important matter which the council has to deal with and it is just possible an afternoon session will be held as well as the morning one.

WOOL STEALING CASE RESUMED

Prisoners Talked to Detective—Telegram Found on a Prisoner Warned Him to Keep on Going.

The wool stealing case was resumed in the police court Saturday. Detective Blidesscombe gave evidence of arresting George Drew, Stanley Harten and John F. Hayes in Montreal, that on the train to St. John Harten remarked to Hayes, "It's a darn shame that as fellows should be brought up for this and so many other fellows get free that's getting so much more out of it." "Yes," was the reply. "One fellow got an automobile out of it."

The Honor here asked if the name had been mentioned and the detective replied in the affirmative. He was then told to inform the authorities of it in private. The witness said that he suggested that the prisoners should give King's evidence, and they appeared to agree to do anything they could. They informed witness that a man locked up in St. John knew everything about the business which had been going on for three years, and that they would try and get the information from him. A telegram found on Harten stated that "They're wise to everything—you best keep going. Picked up five of the prisoners Harten told who the telegram was from and said he had received \$20. The case was adjourned until today.

HUNT'S EASTER SUITS AND OVERCOATS

Are Ready For Your Inspection—Come and Try Them On. Trim in line, hand-tailored throughout, carefully finished, beautifully made from good material, they are surely worth your most careful consideration. Big Boys' First Long Pants Suits, \$12.00 to \$25.00. Young Men's Suits, \$15.00 to \$35.00. Men's Suits, \$12.00 to \$25.00. Spring Overcoats, \$15.00 to \$30.00. BOYS' SUITS—A realization that style as well as quality pleases the boys and their parents is one reason why our Boys' Clothing Department is so very popular. The display this season is more comprehensive than ever before. Bring the boy in to see it. Boys' Suits, \$4.50 to \$15.00. Many new things in Hats, Shoes, Ties and Shirts, especially for Easter wear. Hunt's Clothing Store, 17-19 Charlotte street.

THE KELLER FAMILY HAS NARROW ESCAPE FROM BURNING HOME

Lee Kellier's Residence and Barn at Springfield Destroyed by Fire Early Yesterday Morning—Two Valuable Horses Lost.

Lee Kellier and family had a narrow escape early yesterday from losing their lives when their home was burned at Springfield. It was three o'clock when the occupants were awakened and found that the dwelling was all in flames and the rooms were filled with smoke. There was little or no time to save anything, and no time was lost in getting outside. It was only a few minutes after when the flames burst through the roof and in a remarkably short time there was nothing left of a fine residence but a pile of burning debris.

It was before Mr. Kellier could reach one of his barns, which was near the residence, when that building was a prey to the flames, and it was demolished along with the contents, which included two valuable horses. Another barn containing stock and produce, being further away from the residence was fortunately saved. It could not be learned for certain last evening what had caused the fire, but it is believed that a defective chimney was the cause. The loss to Mr. Kellier will prove heavy.

REV. DR. STEEL ON GREAT WORLD WAR

Huns Are to Be Beaten so as to Prevent Any Further Struggles or Future Generations.

Rev. Dr. Steel occupied the pulpit of the Zion Methodist church last evening. A good sized audience listened to his forcible sermon on "The Need of Vision." Rev. Dr. Steel, in the course of his remarks, made strong reference to the great world war—emphasizing the fact that the Huns are not only to be beaten but beaten so as to prevent any further struggle for the generations yet unborn. Again the reverend doctor exhorted the people to possess that vision of a high aim in life not to regard the world of vanity today but to strive for that everlasting life in the world to come. Even to the churches—to make greater efforts to infuse into their congregations the need of this vision.

His remarks were listened to attentively and many, indeed all, went away pondering seriously on the great lesson of life of vision. Rev. Dr. Steel spoke in the interests of the educational society.

RAYMOND AMERO DIED YESTERDAY

Injured by Falling into the Harbor on March 13—Contracted Pneumonia and Died in the Hospital.

The death of Raymond Amero of Yarmouth, took place at the General Public Hospital yesterday morning from pneumonia brought on by a plunge into the waters of the harbor on March 13.

Mr. Amero was employed by J. Fred Belyea, and while working on one of the sheds slipped, striking his head on a stick of timber which rendered him unconscious, and he fell into the icy waters of the harbor. Help was immediately at hand and the man pulled out of the water. He was taken into Mr. Belyea's house and dry clothing put on him and the ambulance summoned, as it was impossible at the time to obtain the services of a physician on the West Side. The injured man was rushed as quickly as possible to the hospital, but failed to rally from the shock and pneumonia set in with fatal result.

He is survived by his wife and an adopted son. His wife was with him at the time of his death and will accompany the remains this morning to Yarmouth where interment will take place.

Announcing for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday Evening next at eight p.m. Grand Spring Fashion Parade.

Under the auspices of the Y. W. F. A. Presenting the pomp and pageantry of spring modes, in charming setting, on second floor. As a spectacle this event will prove of wonderful interest to every woman, as a style function of the very first importance, these lovely modes are not the whispering of spring, they are spring itself, concrete and authentic.

For three evenings, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, You'll attend, of course, 200 Seats. Special Orchestra. Be Early. F. A. DYKEMAN.

VICTORIA RINK

Last two bands of the season tonight. Ice in excellent condition.

TRAIN SERVICE RESUMED. Moncton, March 21st. The Snow Blockade on the Prince Edward Island Railway has now been raised. The Train service has been resumed.

Gladys Huleto in her latest success, "Over the Hill" and "The Seven Pearls," Star Theatre tonight.

Special Easter DOLL SALE A Big Bargain Week Many a kiddie is just longing for a new supply of Dolls, and you will never have a better opportunity to gladden the hearts of the little ones than this MAMMOTH SALE OF DRESSED DOLLS presents, for One Week Only during which WONDERFUL PRICE REDUCTIONS will be the rule. Come and bring the children with you—Come early while the variety is at its best. You'll be surprised at the range of sizes, at the many dress styles which vary from the neat, simple effects to the more elaborate creations. JUST LOOK AT THESE VALUES. Regular Prices:—25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00 each. Special Prices:—10c, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.10, \$1.50 each. SPECIAL REDUCTIONS HOLD FOR ONE WEEK ONLY Beginning Saturday, March 23rd. W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD.

Just in Time for Easter Wearing Come Our Wonderful Values Trimmings, Ready-to-Wear Hats, Untrimmed Hats, Children's Hats. Smart and Distinctive Spring Millinery Fashions. Marr Millinery Co., Limited

Spring Time Means Paint Time At this season of the year there is always more or less painting to be done, either inside or out. Jap-a-lac has no superior as a varnish stain. It requires no special skill or knack of any kind to apply it. Moore's House Colors—All colors for all purposes, 1-2 pint to 5 gallon cans. "Muresco"—The Modern Wall Finish. Emerdon & Fisher Ltd

Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited OUR STORES OPEN AT 9 A. M. AND CLOSE AT 8 O'CLOCK DAILY FASHIONABLE APPAREL FOR EASTER WEAR There can be no question as to the distinction and desirability of the New Spring Styles in Ladies' Garments shown in this store. Costumes, Coats, and Dresses, in Materials, Colors and Qualities to suit each and every occasion. Ladies' Spring Suits in Serge, Delhi, or Gabardine Cloth, Peacock Blues, Sand Shades, Navies and Oyster Greys are among the leaders. Vested Coats are particularly smart, while Tailored effects are greatly in demand. Costumes range in price from \$22.50 to \$60.00. Ladies' Spring Coats, full or three-quarter length, in Tweed, Cover, Delhi, Serge, or Poplin, Grey, Sand, Biège, Taupe and Navy are the popular shades, \$17.25 to \$25. Ladies' Serge Dresses, shown in a large variety, including the combination Dress of Foulard and Serge, or Satin and Serge. Long Tunic Dresses with Narrow Skirts are the thing and may be had in Navy Black, Sand, Brown and Green, \$21.00 to \$45.00. Do your Easter Shopping Early in the week and take advantage of Large Stocks and Complete Assortments. New Hand Bags, Purses and Belts The New Bags this season are shown in many novel effects. The latest is Mohr Silk with Natural Wood Frames. Black, Green, Taupe, Brown, Purple, \$4.50 to \$8.25 each. OVER-NIGHT BAGS—Large and roomy, Black, Grey, Blue and Khaki, \$4.50 to \$5.65. LEATHER BAGS—Black and Colors, \$1.00 to \$10.00 each. NEW LEATHER BELTS—Patent. Some made to wear with coats. Black, Tan, Blue, Grey, Red and White, 40c. to 50c. Only One More Week and Easter Will Be Here Easter Novelties in Whitewear Dept. Pretty Tea Aprons in fancy Muslin and Swiss Lace and Embroidery Trimming, 50c. to \$1.35. Boudoir Caps in large variety Crepe de Chine Ribbons and Laces, all colors, 75c. to \$3.25. Camisoles in White and Pink, very dainty, \$1.35 to \$3.50. Night Dresses, new models, Pink and White Batiste, \$1.75 to \$3.25. Gifts for the West Tot in profusion, Rattles, Carriage Straps, Bath Toys, Hot Water Bottles, Soft Sole Patent Leather and Kid Shoes, Bibs, Booties, Wool Jackets, Sweaters, Dresses, everything for a Layette. New Baskets just opened. Just splendid for Easter gifts. Useful and very popular Shopping Baskets, oblong and oval shapes, large handle, all White or Fancy Colors, 60c, 75c, 90c, \$1.00, \$1.10. Lunch Baskets, various shapes and sizes, 50c, 60c, \$1.25, \$1.65. Fruit Baskets, four sizes, 15c, 20c, 30c, 40c, 50c, 60c. Front Counter. New Stamped Goods Natural Linen Cushions, 80c, 90c. Oatmeal Linen Cushions, 1.00. Brown Poplin Cushions, 75c. Patriotic Cushion Tops, (Tinted), 90c. Natural Linen Centres, 15 to 27 in., 30c. to \$1.45. Natural Linen Runners, 65c. to \$1.65. Infants' Long Dresses, 1.00. Children's Dresses, 1 to 4 years, 80c. to \$1.25. Children's Carriage Covers, 75c, 90c. Pillow Covers, to match, 65c. Baby's Envelope Pillow Slips, 45c. Oval Hangers for Bags, 25c. pair

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