

THE WEATHER.

Forecasts: Maritime—Westerly winds, fine and very cold. Washington, Jan. 12—Northern New England—Increasing cloudiness and warmer Saturday; probably followed by snow. Fresh shifting winds, becoming southeast.

Toronto, Jan. 12—The Atlantic coast storm has passed away and the weather has turned very cold in the Maritime Provinces. The temperature has moderated a little in northern Ontario, but in the north and throughout the western provinces it continues very low.

Temperatures.

Table with columns for location, Min., and Max. Locations include Saskatoon, Regina, Prince Rupert, Victoria, Kamloops, Edmonton, Calgary, Battleford, Medicine Hat, Moose Jaw, Winnipeg, Port Arthur, Parry Sound, London, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, and Halifax.

LT. COL. A. E. G. MACKENZIE, D.S.O., MADE ACTING BRIGADIER-GENERAL OF FIFTH CANADIAN BRIGADE AT FRONT

Big Promotion for Efficient Commanding Officer of the Famous 26th Battalion — Major D. McArthur Now Acting Head of Battalion — Captain Johnston Speaks of Col. MacKenzie's Worth.

LT.-Col. A. E. G. MacKenzie, D. S. O., who has been the efficient officer commanding the famous 26th New Brunswick Battalion at the front, is now acting Brigadier General of the Fifth Canadian Brigade, while Major Douglas McArthur is the acting head of the battalion.

The news of the promotion of Colonel MacKenzie reached the city last evening, and is one of the most important announcements of military concern that has been received in the city for many months.

It is also stated in authoritative circles that Colonel MacKenzie is likely to be created to the full rank of Brigadier General in the near future.

The news of Colonel MacKenzie's promotion is regarded locally not only as a tribute to his own incalculable worth, but to the magnificent work which his battalion has accomplished since they went into the trenches, nearly a year and a half ago.

SGT. MAJOR GIFFORD, WON HONOR AT FRONT; WAS BADLY WOUNDED

Two Bullets Passed Through Neck and Lodged in Lung.

WON DISTINCTION ON BATTLE FIELD

Winner of Medals for Valor, Waiting for Commission When Shot — Now in St. Anselm's.

Sergeant Major Lewis Gifford, son of Mrs. Mary Gifford, Cranston Avenue, is now in St. Anselm's Hospital, being treated for wounds received while in action.

This gallant young hero is another

of St. John's brave boys, who has made good in the defence of the Empire, and in addition to promotion on the field of battle, has been mentioned in dispatches, has been twice recommended for the Distinguished Conduct Medal, and has been awarded the Military Medal.



SERG.-MAJOR LEWIS GIFFORD.

Before the close of this evening the chairman, on behalf of those assembled, presented Major Powers with a suitable remembrance. The gathering dispersed about midnight with the singing of the National Anthem.

POLICE HEAD COMPLIMENTS 165TH BATT'N

For Their Exemplary Conduct While in the City—Battalion is Now 800 Strong.

That the police of St. John appreciate the exemplary conduct of the men of the 165th Battalion during their stay in the city is evidenced from the following flattering remarks of Chief of Police Simpson in a letter to Col. D'Aigle, the officer commanding the battalion:

My Dear Colonel: I greatly appreciate your kind remembrance in receiving greetings contained in the beautiful card with the officers' pictures, which I will carefully keep as a token of the good friendship existing between your battalion and the police generally.

I heartily reciprocate the good wishes and take this opportunity of asking you to express to the officers and men of your battalion the high esteem in which they are held by this department on account of their exemplary conduct during your stay in the city of St. John. It has not only been exemplary but has been most noticeable and distinguished above all other battalions which have been stationed here; and in these remarks I am sure I am voicing the views of every member of the department.

We heartily wish you, each and all, every success in the simple struggle in which you will no doubt soon take a part and all hope that you will emerge with the same glorious record of the French-Canadians who have already shown their valor on the battlefields of France and Flanders.

With personal kind regards, I remain, faithfully yours, D. W. SIMPSON, Chief Constable.

The officers and men of the battalion naturally appreciate the sentiments expressed in Chief Constable Simpson's letter, and Major Legere said yesterday that it would be the desire of the members of the battalion to merit the high opinion of them expressed by the chief.

The present strength of the 165th Battalion is 800 men. Of this number sixty were secured since Christmas, which is the highest record achieved in any of the provincial units.

Major Braanen has returned to Halifax after conducting an inspection in munitions of the battalion. He expressed himself as well pleased with the efficiency of the battalion in this department.

Col. D'Aigle is in Fredericton on military business.

FRIENDS GIVE BANQUET FOR MAJOR POWERS

Popular Officer, Winner of D.S.O., Guest of Honor at Enjoyable Function at Bond's.

Twelve close friends of Major Thomas E. Powers, D. S. O., who lately arrived home on furlough, after a splendid record for service at the front, gathered at Bond's restaurant last evening to do honor to the popular officer. H. L. Ganter presided at the gathering and a number of addresses, eulogistic of Major Powers, were made by those present.

After the Major's health was drunk and the singing of "He's a Jolly Good Fellow," Major Powers responded with a few appropriate remarks. The Major's characteristic modesty was in evidence throughout his address, and while he referred to the great work of his men at the front, he refrained from saying even a word about his own experiences.

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THE ALUMNI OF THE U.N.B. MET HERE LAST NIGHT

Elected Eighteen New Members, Including Hon. Mr. Justice Chandler.

The Alumni Society of the University of New Brunswick was in session last evening in the Equity Court rooms in the Pugsley building. Dr. W. W. White occupied the chair and there was a large number of members present, including representatives of the Fredericton graduates.

Sixteen new members were elected at the meeting last evening, the number including His Honor Chief Justice Chandler of Moncton.

The meeting nominated candidates for election to the University Senate. This election will take place in May, when the officers for 1917-18 will also be elected.

The business last evening was largely of a routine character. In the afternoon there was a meeting of the executive. Mr. John T. Jennings was in attendance at the executive meeting but was unable, due to his business engagements, to remain in the city for the Alumni meeting, returning to Fredericton on the Montreal express.

Around the City

Twilight Recital. Fine Programme, Germain St. Baptist Church. Today 4.30. Silver collection.

First Aid at Y. M. C. A. This evening the first aid class for the junior boys of the Y. M. C. A. will start with Lieut. McKay of the Ambulance Corps as instructor.

Body Not Yet Found. The body of Dominic d'Costa, the negro who was drowned on Wednesday night at Long wharf, has not yet been recovered. The search will be continued today.

Four Drunks Arrested. Four men were arrested by the police yesterday and each one is charged with drunkenness. There was forty-seven prisoners in the county jail yesterday and there is still room for more.

Fireside Social at Y. M. C. A. A fireside social was held last evening at the Y. M. C. A. for the members of the senior gym class. The social started off at 10 o'clock with refreshments after which a splendid programme was furnished by several military secretaries who are shortly to sail for overseas. The programme consisted of cornet, piano, vocal and violin solos and general singing by those present. The boys in khaki were heartily applauded for their masterly rendition of the various numbers. The evening came to close with three cheers for the soldiers and the singing of "God Save the King."

CAN MAKE MOST PRACTICAL USE OF FISH OFFAL

Chancellor Jones Speaks of Activities of Committee of Conservation Commission—U. N. B. and the War.

Dr. C. C. Jones, chancellor of the University of New Brunswick, was in the city yesterday in attendance at the meeting of the University Alumni. He was a guest at the Royal Hotel.

Chancellor Jones, responding to an inquiry from The Standard, said that many students of the university had joined the colors. Since the commencement of the present academic year fully fifteen students had been accepted. The war had served to appreciably reduce the number of students at the university, the male student body at the present time being only about half that under normal conditions. The number of female students showed some increase.

Dr. Jones returns to Fredericton this morning. He expects to leave the capital this evening for Ottawa to attend the annual meeting of the commission of Conservation. The chancellor is the chairman of the committee on fisheries, game and fur-bearing animals, the other members being Hon. A. E. Arsenault, Hon. Geo. J. Clarke, Hon. C. F. Daniels, Hon. G. H. Ferguson, Hon. A. B. Hudson, Hon. J. A. Mathieson, Dr. Howard Murray, Dr. J. W. Robertson and Hon. W. R. Ross. A report will be presented on the activities of this committee during the past year. From investigation that has been carried out under Mr. Fielding the authority of the committee, Dr. Jones said the fact was established that great practical use could be made of the fish offal which would

Victoria Rink. Band this afternoon, also this evening. Programme given tonight for the big two-band event next Saturday.

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