

## AROUND THE CITY

## GALES WITH RAIN

## INQUEST THIS EVENING.

The inquest into the death of Salvo Hassan, who was found dead in West St. John Sunday, will be resumed in the court house, Sydney street, this evening.

## DIED SUDDENLY.

Mrs. W. G. Watson, 56 Coburg street, last night received a telegram that her nephew, William C. Carter, of the United States navy, had died suddenly of pneumonia at his parents' residence, Cambridge street, Cambridge, Mass., leaving a wife, father, mother and one brother to mourn.

## PRICE OF TURKEYS.

Many of the local meat markets failed to carry any stock of turkeys on New Year's Eve owing to the high price asked for these birds. It is stated that no less than seventy cents per pound was being asked, and while there were purchasers even at this price the majority of citizens thought they could enjoy a New Year's dinner with something else than turkey.

## PLEASANT PRESENTATION.

There was a pleasant presentation in the rooms of No. 1 Fire Station on Charlotte street yesterday afternoon, when David McRoberts, a popular houseman, who has retired from the service, was called to the front and H. G. McKeith, foreman of the company, presented him with a handsome silver flag after Mr. McRoberts made a brief report of appreciation re-commendations were served and those present enjoyed a social hour.

## FALSE ALARMS.

A few persons who lack little or no brains were out on the streets early yesterday morning sending in false alarms and calling the fire department out. About 1:15 o'clock a false alarm was sent in from box 17 on the corner of Brunswick and Brin streets. On the western side of the harbor alarms were sent in from boxes 117 and 119, causing much annoyance to the firemen and considerable labor on the part of the horses.

## EXCELLENT CALENDARS.

A calendar has been received from the Lake of the Woods Milling Company, Ltd., which is very prettily designed, showing a life-size Indian standing in a field of wheat, with a bag of flour. He is pointing to a scene of the soldiers in battle and expressing the words "It's needed over there," also the words "Save wheat and flour for those who are saving you." Another very serviceable calendar has been sent to The Standard from Lockhart and Ritchie, agents for the Continental Insurance Company.

## RECENT ORDERS.

No. 7 District, Depot—Lieutenant Daryl Graves Peters is struck off the strength of the C.E.F. 25th August, 1918.

Long Service and Good Conduct Medal.—The undermentioned are awarded the Good Service Medal, Long Service Medal, under the provisions of the Royal Warrant, dated the 18th day of May, 1899, and General Order No. 132 of November, 1901.

Capt. H. P. G. Woodbridge, 71st York Regt.; Pte. J. A. McElhinney, 62nd Regt. St. John Fusiliers.

## THE BUILDING REPORT.

The cumulative effect of four years of war on building activity in the city is reflected in the report for the year ending Tuesday, compiled by James Carleton, building inspector. No permits were issued during this December, as compared with two of a total value of \$1,500 last December. The total value of permits issued during 1918 was \$351,320, as compared with \$231,250 for 1917, a decrease of \$120,070 for the year. During 1918 permits issued for repairs showed a total of 172, of an average value of something like \$500 each.

## REQUEST TO MERCHANTS.

Sir Douglas Hazen, local representative of the Federal Government, in connection with the sale of War Stamps for the province, has made a request to the Retail Merchants' Association regarding the vending of the stamps. In response to this request the executive of the Retail Merchants' Association held a meeting Tuesday morning to consider the proposition of the members of the Retail Merchants' Association taking upon themselves to act as vendors. It was decided to call a mass meeting of all the members of the association this morning at 10:30 o'clock to consider the matter.

## THE POLICE COURT.

In the police court Tuesday, John Kelley was charged with having liquor on his premises after his private dwelling. The case will be resumed tomorrow.

There was further evidence taken in the case of Steve Polka, charged with being in the mob that did damage to the Pools warehouse on the night that the news of the signing of the armistice was received. The case will be resumed tomorrow.

Robert Bryson, charged with using abusive language to Inspector McKeith, was discharged by the magistrate. Bryson swore that he did not use abusive language. Miss Bryson corroborated her father's evidence.

## RETURNED MEN ARRIVE.

Forty-six returned men arrived from Halifax Tuesday morning, and were met at the Depot by Charles McKeith, Secretary of the Returned Soldiers' Commission. After the men breakfasted at the station they dispersed to their homes. The men have been granted a fourteen days' furlough before having to report to Fredericton for discharge. The following St. John men were in the party: Private P. R. Adams, Pte. G. C. Barnett, Pte. F. L. Hunt, Dr. J. R. Brown, Pte. C. Patterson, Spr. W. J. Lloyd, Pte. Pte. K. McKeith, Pte. A. Sheehan, Pte. A. Smith, Pte. G. H. Walton, Pte. H. T. Ward and Pte. J. A. Nico. Private Nico is a first contingent man. He was overseas at the outbreak of the war, and during four years of service was wounded twice. He expects to go into hospital for treatment in a few days. He is a son of Fred Nico, 278 Prince street, West St. John.

## OLD FASHIONED BEAN SUPPER

Junior Members of the Y. M. C. I. Were Entertained Tuesday Evening—Excellent Programme Carried Out.

"An old fashioned bean supper" was given in the Y. M. C. I. on Tuesday evening to the junior members of the institution. The tables were placed in the gymnasium rooms and the big spread placed thereon which made the young fellows open their eyes.

The following young ladies were in charge of the supper, and they saw to it that the young lads had all they required. The names, following—Mrs. Hance, Mrs. Cavanaugh, Mrs. D. Reynolds, Mrs. C. Kane, and Mrs. P. J. Fitzpatrick.

The following assisted in serving at the tables:—The Misses Nan McLaughlin, Regina Lawlor, Josephine Jenkins, Dorothy Kinsella, Gertrude Lawlor, Josephine Conlon, and Mary Connolly.

After the boys had done right justice to the feast and the piles of sweets and delicacies attached thereto, they all proceeded to the assembly hall of the institute where a programme of songs and readings and addresses were carried out. Edward Hennessey, chairman of the social committee, presided.

Following is the programme: Vocal solo, Gregory Ward; vocal solo, Miss Marion Power; reading, Mrs. A. C. D. Wilson; flute solo, Master Thomas Beck; vocal solo, Miss Gertrude O'Brien and several vocal selections by the junior members of the City Cornet Band, which drew forth all kinds of favorable comments. The little lads about the training which is being given them and the band master and members of the band are to be congratulated.

L. Gerald O'Neill, chairman of the boys' committee, then gave a short address announcing that on every Friday evening during the winter months a social gathering would be held in the rooms for the benefit of the junior members of the institution. He traced the proposed activities of the Y. M. C. I. during the present month and announced that an athletic meet would be held in the Y. M. C. I. gymnasium on the tenth of the present month. This meet is for the younger members only and is now awaited in suspense by the lads.

Judge Ritchie being called upon gave a few words of advice to the boys and congratulated the work of the Y. M. C. I.

The accompanists at the evening's entertainment were Miss Taylor, Leonard Quinn and Joseph Ward.

Towards the close of the entertainment the chairman called upon Rev. Father Duke, chaplain of the institute, who was given a hearty reception. Father Duke referred to the work which the institute was accomplishing and that this would be impossible without the hearty co-operation of the members, and then alluded to the great co-operation of spirit now existing among the members. Continuing he wished the Y. M. C. I. genuine success during the year 1919, and hoped that the gathering on Tuesday evening was the initiative for further gathering among the boys during the year.

## SPECIAL SERVICES IN ST. JUDE'S

Large Congregation at Watch-night Service—Children's Service Last Evening—Elder Members' Service This Evening.

The Watch Night services in St. Jude's church, West Side, New Year's Eve, drew forth large congregations. The pastor, Rev. J. H. A. Holmes, officiated at the service. At the hour of twelve o'clock, as the clock on the wall marked the dying moments of the old year, the Holy Eucharist service was celebrated, about eighty proceeding to the communion rail. Another feature of the service was the excellent music rendered by the choir of young ladies, all being clad in white vestments and presenting a beautiful appearance.

"On Sunday evening last the services are somewhat worthy of mention when they took on the aspect of 'an English Christmas Carol Service,' the choir, as at the Watch Night service, being clad in pure white vestments.

Last evening there was a special children's service held for the junior members of the Sunday school. All the little ones were given a nice treat.

This evening the elder members of the Sunday school will gather in the church for their special service.

## THE SOLDIER LADS WERE ENTERTAINED

Members of Local Units Were Guests of Y. W. P. A. in Red Triangle Rooms Last Evening.

The soldier lads of the several local units, and some of the visiting men were entertained in the Red Triangle Club rooms last evening, under the auspices of the Y. W. P. A., with Miss Madeline Delaney as convener.

The first on the program was some choice readings given by Steve Matthews, in the same characteristic force of his which spells success at any time or on any occasion—formal or otherwise.

H. A. Powell delighted the boys with some choice stories creative of mirth and jollity, and he was well received. Then all present joined in a singing, and numerous voices blended, making the occasion long to be remembered. Refreshments were served by the young ladies, and the boys were well looked after.

The ladies in charge of the canteen last evening were Mrs. H. A. Powell, Miss Powell, Mrs. V. D. Pidgeon and Mrs. C. W. Corry. The gathering broke up about eleven o'clock, and all the sailor lads and soldier boys were of the opinion of many others, that the young ladies of the Patriotic Association are good entertainers.

## ELEVENTH ANNUAL NEW YEAR'S RALLY

Methodist Sunday Schools of St. John District Met in Centenary Yesterday—About One Thousand Congregated.

The Methodist Sunday schools of St. John district met in Centenary church yesterday morning in their eleventh annual New Year Rally, and about one thousand Sunday school scholars, of all ages, from the tot to the aged, met together.

An interesting feature of the program was the presentation of the flag to the school which had the largest per centage of its enrolment present at the rally, and this honor went to the Fairview school, which had seventy per cent. of the scholars in the roll present.

Mayor Hayes presented the civic greeting of the assemblage and greetings from Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa, Winnipeg and the Baptist Sunday schools of the city were read by E. E. Thomas.

Dr. Duncan Smith presided; H. W. Bloomfield acted as director of the singing; M. L. Harrison led the orchestra, and Miss Alice Hla presided at the organ. Rev. H. A. Goodwin read the scriptures, and Rev. H. Penna forced prayer. Addresses were delivered by Revs. G. F. Dawson and Geo. Morris. In the course of his address Rev. Mr. Dawson referred to the men on the Methodist honor rolls who have paid the supreme sacrifice and who the audience stood, read aloud the names of about fifty heroes, who lie in soldiers' graves in France.

## BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOLS' RALLY

Second Annual Held Yesterday Morning in Main Street Church—Messages of Greeting Sent and Received.

The second annual New Year's Rally of the Baptist Sunday schools of the city was held yesterday morning in the Main street Baptist church, and proved very successful. Representatives were present from all the schools and joined heartily in the exercises. Rev. I. W. Williamson led a fifteen-minute song service, and I. A. Belyea acted as chairman of the meeting. The offering, which was for the Children's Aid Society, was a little over twenty dollars. Prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Hutchinson and Rev. J. H. Jenner, solos were sung by Miss B. Campbell and E. Clyde Parsons, and the address was delivered by Rev. A. L. Telford.

The following message of greeting was read from the Methodist Sunday schools to the Baptist Sunday schools of St. John: "We greet you in our eleventh annual New Year's Rally, the St. John Methodist Sunday schools representing a body of about three thousand members, and extending greetings to the Baptist Sunday schools, with best wishes to run very fellowship. We pray that the new year who have been serving the Empire overseas may be returned to you and glad greatly to the efficiency of your work. H. B. Thomas, Chairman Greeting Committee."

The following message of greetings was sent to the Methodist schools: "To the Methodist Bible schools—In our second annual New Year's Rally, the United Baptist Bible schools of the city send most cordial greetings. While victory has come to the Allies, largely through the prayers of Christian men and women, let us continue our petitions that a great victory may come to us by the winning of many precious young lives to the Master. Harleyn Wainmaker, Chairman Greeting Committee."

## HARRY LAUDER HONORARY MEMBER

Presented With Beautiful Pin by Canadian Imperial League Last Evening—Unable to Attend Smoker Arranged in His Honor.

As Harry Lauder, the famous comedian, had a son who fought and lost his life at the front, it made this gentleman eligible to be a member of the Canadian Imperial League, and at a recent meeting of the league, Mr. Lauder was elected an honorary member. The members of the league were invited to hold a smoker in the war veterans' rooms tonight, with Mr. Lauder as their chief guest, and it was expected that he would give a short address to the league members and the city after this evening's performance. Last evening, a delegation waited on Mr. Lauder and presented him with a beautiful league pin designed by E. A. Smith and which was received by the comedian, who thanked the league for the honor they bestowed on him.

## GOV'T RETURNS FOR FISCAL YEAR

St. John Maintaining Its Place as Second Port in Canada—Figures for Period Ending September.

The government returns for the first six months of the fiscal year 1918-19, show that St. John is maintaining its place as the second port in Canada. The figures for this period ending September 30, 1918, are: Exports, Montreal, \$22,150,561; St. John \$64,281,749; Halifax, \$5,991,704; Quebec, \$81,178.

Imports, Montreal, \$94,140,647; St. John, \$7,441,699; Halifax, \$7,173,319; Quebec, \$,031,593.

The totals, Montreal, \$316,201,696; St. John, \$71,825,448; Halifax, \$22,165,923; Quebec, \$,843,371.

## DECEMBER WAS A MILD MONTH

Among the Twelve Decembers Since 1873 Without Temperature Readings at or Below the Cypher.

The month just closed while not the coldest December on record counts among the twelve Decembers since 1873 without temperature readings at or below the cypher. D. L. Hutchinson, director of the Dominion Meteorological Observatory, states the mean temperature of the month was 25.3, which is one degree above the average of the past forty-two years and eight degrees above that of the same month in 1917. The highest temperature recorded was 47, on the 15th, and the lowest 3 above, on the 31st. The total rainfall amounted to one high and eight-tenths, and the snowfall, zero and four-tenths. Owing to rains prevailing, zero and four-tenths was recorded on eight days and that month closed with one of the most prolonged periods of cold weather on record.

The extreme conditions which set in on the 28th of December continued without a break until the 3rd of January. On the 30th and 31st of December and 1st of January the thermometer did not rise above zero and the extreme of 20 below was recorded on the 30th.

New Year's Day of 1918 was fine and bright, the highest temperature was 18 below and the lowest 11 below, the snow covering amounted to two inches and the sleighing was fairly good. This year the lowest temperature was 10 above, rising to 30 above by 3 P. M. and during the day the morning followed by drizzle and dull cloudy weather. About two inches of snow covered the ground, making very good sleighing.

## CASE BEFORE JUDGE CHANDLER

Before His Honor Judge Chandler in chambers Tuesday morning there was a hearing in the matter of the International Shipbuilding Corporation, Limited, and its winding up under the Winding Up Act, Chapter 144 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1906, and Amending Acts. H. A. Powell, K. C., appeared in support of the petition, and F. R. Taylor, K. C., appeared in behalf of the corporation. G. R. Walters with a claim of \$230; A. S. Brown with a claim of \$227, and A. W. Brown with a claim of \$14. A claim on behalf of the Leominster Co., of New-castle was also presented.

A statement was made by the Provisional Liquidator, A. A. Davidson, that he was in receipt of a letter from the Royal Bank of Canada held security in all amounting to \$108,854. It also appeared that Jobb in safety and that the vessel built by the company at a price of \$30,000 and paid \$40,000 on account. The hearing was adjourned until three o'clock.

## FINE PROGRAMME CARRIED OUT

No. 2 Salvage Corps at Home to Friends Last Evening—Commissioner Thornton Was Present.

The members of No. 2 Salvage Corps and Fire Police were at home to their friends last night. A few hours of real enjoyment was spent. Captain Robert Cunningham presided in a brief address of welcome and wished all present a very prosperous New Year. The smokers and other refreshments were passed around and the present thoroughly enjoyed an excellent programme. The newly elected commissioner, John Thornton, who is a member of the company and a recent captain, was present and was greeted with hearty applause. He made a short address. Messrs. Carson and Punter were heard to advantage in a character sketch. Songs were rendered by Hyard Stillwell. A vocal quartette by Messrs. Kierstead, Burt, Hilder and Smith proved pleasing and moving pictures shown under the direction of Mr. McArthur were also enjoyed. The happy gathering was brought to a close with the singing of the National anthem.

## NEW YEAR'S DAY IN CATHOLIC CHURCHES

New Year's Day was fittingly celebrated in all the Catholic churches of the city. At the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception four masses were celebrated, the latter one being a high mass, celebrated by the Rev. R. B. Fraser.

His Lordship Right Rev. Bishop LeBlond celebrated the mass at nine o'clock. At this mass there were a very large number of communicants. In the evening fitting services marked the close of the New Year at the Cathedral. Pontifical Benediction being given, and His Lordship giving thanks for the extraordinary large yet typical congregation.

In other Catholic churches the day was fittingly observed through the medium of fitting services and prayers.

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