

AROUND THE CITY

RAPIDLY RECOVERING. Inspector McConnell of the Board of Health, who was recently operated on for appendicitis, is rapidly recovering and expects soon to be back on duty.

THE SIBERIAN MAIL. The postmaster yesterday received word that a Siberian mail was due to leave Vancouver on March 23 and another by the S. S. African Maru on March 25th.

MONEY RETURNED. Lieut. Cudlip called on Mayor Hayes yesterday morning and returned to him the sum of \$100, which had been given by the city to a detachment of the machine gun corps when leaving for overseas.

TOURIST ASSOCIATION. An organization meeting of the New Brunswick Tourist Association will be held in the Board of Trade rooms on Friday afternoon, for the purpose of talking over a proposed convention for the Province of New Brunswick.

AN APPOINTMENT. Dawson McKendrick has been appointed superintendent of the Railway Mail Service, St. John district, succeeding A. J. Gross. The appointment goes into effect June 1, 1919. Mr. McKendrick is a first class grade A clerk. He has been in the P. Z. service since 1879.

STRUCK OFF STRENGTH. The following officers have been struck off the strength of M. D. No. 7: Captain G. G. D. Roberts, Lieut. W. R. McLeod, and Lieut. Shampers. The following officers have been appointed as lieutenants on the retired list of the Canadian Expeditionary Force: W. W. Raymond and John MacKenzie.

AN INTERESTING LECTURE. In the Charlotte street Baptist Church last evening, Rev. J. H. Jenner delivered a most interesting illustrated lecture on Pilgrim's Progress, taking his audience by means of a number of beautiful slides, over the path travelled by Pilgrim in his journey to the Heavenly Country.

FRENCH CLUB. Meetings of the French Club are being held regularly and a course of study is being taken up. The circle met yesterday at the home of one of the members when Anatole France was the subject of the afternoon. Eleven readings were given the excellent programme being in charge of Mrs. Cortlandt Robinson.

REGULAR TUXIS CONCLUDE. The regular Tuxis Conclave was held in the St. John Baptist Church last evening under the auspices of the united churches of St. John. H. Usher Miller in a happy mood introduced the speaker of the evening, the Rev. Canon Armstrong, who delivered a very helpful address on the selection of a life work. The services were served by the ladies of the German street Baptist church. The usual Bible study and hymn work completed the evening's programme.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS. Property transfers recorded during the week are as follows: St. John County—Bank of N. B. A. to Bank of Montreal, properties in Prince William St., Market Square and Dock street. T. B. Hamilton and P. A. Frances to Zill Cowan, property in Lancaster. Levi William and Sara to Thomas Heffernan, property in Beaconfield Avenue. Mary A. and Chas. Petch to Prudential Trust Company, property in Lancaster.

WILL ASK FOR RELEASE. It is believed that Major Heron, general staff officer of Military District 7, who received the post of military attaché to the British Embassy at Washington, D. C., will leave in a few days to take over his new duties. At the present time he is awaiting word from Ottawa as to proceed on. At the opening of the provincial house, Major Heron was appointed aide-de-camp to His Honor Lieutenant Governor Pugsley, and will at once ask to be released from this duty, so as to be free to leave the city for Washington at the receipt of further orders.

AT THE BOYS' CLUB. There was a good attendance at the Boys' Club last evening who were delighted with an address from Captain W. H. Pierce of the Military Y. M. C. A. He is an overseas man and gave an interesting account of his experiences in camp, dugout, front line and hospital. He was accompanied by Capt. Dixon, the new officer in charge of the Red Triangle, who is expected to address the boys at a future date. Mrs. W. E. McIntyre spoke briefly to the boys; Mrs. W. C. Good led in a number of their favorite songs and A. M. Belding in a short address mentioned that a movement was on foot to secure for them a baseball diamond for next summer.

THE PROBATE COURT. H. O. McInerney, Judge of Probate, presiding. In the estate of Mrs. Margaret Bradley, of Riverside, deceased, letters testamentary were granted to her nephew, Frank O'Donnell, executor. The estate is probated at \$2,369.75. Among the bequests are: The Rector of St. Peter's Church, for use of said church, \$100; Catholic Bishop of St. John, for the use of the Chapel near Rothesay, on the Post Road, \$100; Rector of St. Peter's Church, for the use of proposed Redemptorist College for which the Redemptorist Fathers are collecting, \$100; the Rector of St. Peter's Church, for masses, \$150. W. J. Mahoney, proctor.

PERSONAL. Francis I. McCafferty, Elliott Row, left for Lowell, Mass., yesterday morning following receipt of a telegram announcing the serious illness of his father there. Mr. and Mrs. McCafferty were visiting their daughter, Mrs. (Dr.) Foster H. Smith.

RETAIL MERCHANTS' ANNUAL MEETING

Reports Received and Officers Elected With F. W. Daniel President—Resolution Endorsing Continuing Daylight Saving Movement.

The annual meeting of the St. John Branch of the Retail Merchants' Association, was held last evening at the rooms of the provincial branch, Germain street, the president, F. W. Daniel, in the chair.

The secretary, T. F. Drummond reported a successful year with a large addition to the membership. He recommended to the incoming executive the taking of a more active part in public affairs, when such were for the benefit of the community. The treasurer, M. E. Grass, reported the branch in a healthy financial position and the treasurer of the Dollar Day committee reported that during the year two very successful Dollar Days had been held, February 21st and August 21st. The provincial secretary, Miss F. P. Alward, reported that all the larger firms in the city were taking an active interest in the work of the Association, and co-operating in every way with the provincial office. The Association placed itself on record as favoring a peace carnival during the coming summer months, along the lines suggested at a recent meeting held in the Board of Trade rooms.

The following resolution, re Daylight Saving, was passed and copies will be sent to Sir Thomas White, acting premier, R. W. Wignmore, M. P., S. E. Elkin, M. P., the federal representatives of the city, and E. M. Brown, Dominion Secretary of the R. M. A.

That inasmuch as Daylight Saving has proved itself of great advantage to the business community, enabling employees of stores and other workers to have the benefit during the summer months of some 150 hours from daylight for recreation, really equivalent to 18 full days of ten hours each, added to their annual holidays, and at the same time at no cost whatever to anyone;

Therefore resolved that the Retail Merchants' Association, St. John branch, most heartily endorse the continuation of the Daylight Saving movement, and herewith petition our Government to so enact for the year 1919.

The election of officers resulted as follows: A. O. Skinner, honorary president; F. W. Daniel, president; A. N. McLean, first vice-president; E. E. Fisher, second vice-president; J. H. Vaughan, third vice; M. E. Grass, treasurer; T. H. Drummond, secretary; G. M. Ross, H. Mont Jones, J. B. Barrett, J. H. Marr, K. D. Spear, William Hawker, H. Warwick, C. H. Smythe, S. E. White, J. A. McKay, F. A. Dykeman, T. A. Armour, A. A. McIntyre, S. C. Young, H. Rising, R. E. Wark, W. E. Ward, I. Chester Brown, B. R. Macaulay, G. C. Emmerson, H. H. Scovell, S. C. Webb, S. S. Francis, G. W. Morrell, advisory board.

FIFTH TO BE MADE A LIFE MEMBER

Stone Church Circle of Red Cross Show Appreciation of the Work of One of Their Members at Meeting Yesterday.

Next week will mark the closing of the Stone Church Red Cross Circle. Yesterday at the regular meeting, at which Mrs. G. Fred Fisher presided, a presentation of a life membership badge and certificate was made to one of the circle's valuable workers, Mrs. Ernest Fleming. Mrs. G. A. Kuhring made the presentation and spoke feelingly of Mrs. Fleming's faithfulness and energy in Red Cross and other efforts. This is the fifth life membership presented by this splendid band of workers. Mrs. Fleming was entirely taken by surprise but made a brief speech of thanks.

FOR ST. GEORGE'S DAY

The following committees have been named by St. George's Society to arrange for the observance of St. George's Day, April 23, 1919: Refreshments—Col. Sturdee, R. G. Schofield. Decorations—E. L. Rising, chairman, F. A. Kinnear, T. H. Estabrooks, C. H. L. Skinner, George Cleveland. Tickets—H. W. Rising, T. E. Hanington, Geo. Ketchum, R. W. W. Prink, S. H. Hawker, T. H. Carter, E. A. Everett, F. B. Ellis, C. F. Ledford, Chas. Lordy, H. R. Sturdee, W. A. Lockhart. Floor—B. H. L. Skinner, R. G. Schofield, W. A. Lockhart, John P. Haycock, Dean Gundry, Geo. I. Warwick. Programme—T. H. Estabrooks, R. G. Schofield, E. T. Sturdee, Jas. S. Ford. Advertising—F. B. Ellis, W. H. Goding.

Souvenir photos will be given away tonight at the Lyric. The Lyric's stock company will present every Wednesday of each week photos of the popular members of the company. This will afford the opportunity to obtain a complete collection of each and every one of the company. Tonight the company will be seen for the last time in Casey's Celebration. This is a rollicking good comedy and will be appreciated.

FUNERALS

The funeral of Burton Payne took place yesterday afternoon at 2.30 from the residence of his father, Harry Payne, Fairville. Rev. E. A. Westwoodland conducted the service, and interment was made in Cedar Hill Cemetery.

PASSPORTS ARE NOT NECESSARY

Royal Canadian Regiment Men Will in Future be Permitted to Return to England Without Passports—Discharge Papers Sufficient.

The interesting announcement reaches military headquarters to the effect that former Royal Canadian Regiment men who were in Canada at the outbreak of the war and who enlisted in the C. E. F., will in the future be permitted to return home—without passports, as formerly—when they so choose—without the necessary papers, as formerly. Many of these men enlisted during the war, went overseas, and are now returning as members of the Canadian regiments to which they had been attached overseas. Formerly it has been the custom to exact from these men returning to England again, (after their discharge in Canada), the passport as required of civilian travelers going to and from Canada, or across the water. In the future such members of the R. C. R. who have returned to Canada for discharge will be allowed to emigrate to England and to their respective native lands without the passport, the discharge papers in their possession acting as sufficient guarantee of the sincerity and the qualifications of the traveler.

It is again pointed out that the new order will affect many men who are returning to England and to their respective native lands without the passport, the discharge papers in their possession acting as sufficient guarantee of the sincerity and the qualifications of the traveler. It is again pointed out that the new order will affect many men who are returning to England and to their respective native lands without the passport, the discharge papers in their possession acting as sufficient guarantee of the sincerity and the qualifications of the traveler.

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FORTY-NINE MEN HERE YESTERDAY

Arrived in Morning from Overseas via Halifax—Were Served Breakfast at Depot—Civilian Train Passed Through for New York.

A party of forty-nine men who came from England on the Carmania reached here yesterday morning. They were met at the depot by Charles Robinson, Mrs. G. A. Kuhring and a number of V. A. D.'s who served them a hot breakfast at the depot, after which the men for points north of here went to the armory where they will be paid off and leave for their homes this morning.

A SETTLEMENT IS LOOKED FOR

Pulp and Paper Handlers Heard Addresses Last Evening—Hoped That Strike May Soon be Settled.

The Pulp and Paper Handlers' Union, Local 32, met in their hall last evening, James Hamilton, president, occupied the chair. Several representatives of other organizations were present and gave short addresses, dwelling on the labor question. Routine business next occupied the session and little new business was transacted.

It is learned that His Worship Mayor Hayes favors the eight hour day as being asked by the men of the company in their late dispute relative to higher wages. Commissioner Jones is believed will address the men at the next meeting giving his views of the trouble and it is hoped an amicable settlement is to be arrived at in the near future.

THE CARPENTERS' AND JOINERS' UNION

Several Speakers Addressed the Members Last Evening—Charter Closed and Delegation Appointed for Fredericton.

The Carpenters' and Joiners' Union met in their hall, Union street, last evening. President Isaac Patterson occupied the chair. The meeting was very enthusiastic and interesting. Several speakers addressed the men, among whom were J. Sullivan, organizer of the Clear Makers' Union in Central Canada; Fred Campbell, president of the Trades and Labor Council; Peter Sharkey, Charles Stevens of the local Clear Makers' Union, and Frank Hatheway. After the addresses routine business was taken up. President Isaac Patterson was elected to attend the provincial government sessions at Fredericton in company with the representatives of other organizations in the interest of labor.

The charter was declared closed and the joining the union fee of five dollars, formerly two dollars. Several new members joined last evening and applications were received from many others. The union holds its next meeting in two weeks' time.

QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE PRESBYTERY

Reports Received and Officers Elected Yesterday—Committee Appointed to Attend General Assembly—Other Business Transacted.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Presbytery of St. John opened yesterday morning at St. Andrew's Church, Rev. W. M. Townshend presided at the meeting, which was largely attended, and Rev. Frank Baird filled the duties of clerk.

Election of officers took place with the following result: Moderator, Rev. D. J. Macpherson; clerk, Rev. Frank Baird; treasurer, Peter Campbell. Mr. Smith, of the Social and Moral Council, delivered an instructive address on social reform work throughout the presbytery.

The matter of co-operation with the Methodists in all ad-receiving congregations was discussed, and it was pointed out that overlapping must be eliminated where possible in order that less money may be spent on grants.

The death of Rev. Malcolm Ferguson, Plaster Rock, was reported, and Rev. J. A. MacKelligan and Rev. D. Macpherson were appointed to draft a resolution.

Rev. J. A. MacKelligan gave an explanation of the aims and object of the Forward Movement, which is to bring the dominion-wide scope and was initiated by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church of Canada. Statistical reports submitted showed that there are 15 self-sustaining churches, 7 augmented and 7 mission charges. There had been a decrease in churches from 54 to 53, due to the death of Calvin and St. Andrew. Ministers on roll had increased from 32 to 33, and that there has been a decrease in elders from 262 to 255; 116 to 117, and there was also an increase of 162 families, namely, from 4,144 to 4,236, and of baptisms from 4,147 to 4,251, a growth of 46. Communicants on roll had advanced from 6,601 to 7,074, an increase of 473. The total sum raised for all purposes showed increase of \$30,088—from \$98,439 to \$128,525.

Afternoon Session. At the afternoon session a committee of three ministers and six elders were appointed to a commission to attend the general assembly, the delegates being: Ministers, D. J. Macpherson, James Ross and J. A. MacKelligan; Elders, Peter Campbell, Judge Forbes, Prof. Styles, Malcolm, W. S. Clawson, C. S. Everett.

The session was granted to sell the West St. John manse. A call signed by 196 members of the Manners Sutton Church, York County, which was concurred in by 120 members, was read, in which the Rev. J. P. McKay, who was pastor of the church for four years at a former time, was asked to return. The former salary has been increased from \$1,200 to \$1,500. It was decided to accept this call and the induction service will be held April 1st at 7.30. Rev. G. Fraser, pastor of the Knox church officiating, assisted by Rev. D. J. Macpherson and Rev. D. Macpherson.

In a report read by Rev. H. C. Fraser, convenor of Sunday Schools, it was stated that one-third of the schools reported having contributed \$1,800 in Victory Bonds. It was also stated that the St. Andrew's School had invested \$1,000 in these securities. Rev. T. P. Drummond, Moncton, accepted a call to New Jersey salary of a salary of \$6,000, and will leave for that field on April 15th. A sum of \$6,000, invested in the old Calvin church, was placed by vote, at the disposal of the trustees of the St. David's Church.

The session adjourned to meet the first of July, Dominion Day. Clergymen present were: F. Baird, M. S. McKay, W. M. Townshend, M. H. Manuel, W. W. Malcolm, J. A. MacKelligan, J. A. Moncton, W. M. Fraser, T. P. Drummond, E. E. Mowbray, C. Gough, F. S. Dowling, W. K. Read, J. S. Sutherland, D. J. Macpherson, H. C. Fraser, A. V. Morash, W. J. Cameron, D. Macpherson, H. L. Eisenor.

THREE ADDRESSES HEARD LAST NIGHT

Community Missionary Service in Fairville Baptist Church Largely Attended—Miss Roberts, Miss Morrison and Eldon Merritt the Speakers.

The Community Missionary Service held last evening in the Fairville Baptist Church was largely attended, and the speakers held the interest of the audience from start to finish. Each address was illustrated by a number of curios from the land talked about. There was a silver offering taken, and this will be divided among the missionary societies of the various churches participating in the service. Three addresses were given, the first by Miss Roberts, who dealt with India. She had a number of dolls dressed in native costume, and told of the customs of that country, the caste system, and described the marriage ceremony.

Miss Morrison, who was the second speaker, had as her subject China, and she exhibited a number of Chinese chop sticks, etc., and told something of the difference in the medical treatment of the native witch doctors, and the missionaries.

Miss Merritt, who has been a missionary to the Eskimo, told of the work among that people and exhibited a number of arrow heads, bows and grooves, samples of the clothing worn by the Eskimo. A feature of the evening was the recitation of the Lord's Prayer in Eskimo, Chinese and Indian.

CANADIAN CLUB. The Executive request that members get the tickets for Dr. A. Graham Bell's address at Nelson's Book Store before 6 p.m. today.

Motor Car Accessories and Tires. The largest and most complete line of Motor Car Accessories and Tires awaits your inspection in our Automobile Supply Department to which we devote special attention in order that your every need may be supplied. BIG LINE OF TIRES includes CLOVER LEAF, the first non-skid Tire to be offered at the same price as plain tread; Goodyear, Fabric and Cord, Dunlop, and Royal Oak. SEE OUR KING STREET WINDOW. W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD.

During Our Five Trips to New York Since the First of February We Have Collected Here for You the Widest Possible Selection of Spring Millinery in the Newest and Smartest Forms. May we call your attention to our window display of Mannish Sailors, made of best quality braids, trimmed with silk gros grain ribbons. We are showing both the rough and fine braids in Black, Brown, Navy, Victory or Cherry Red, Emerald Green, Jay Blue, Dust, Sand, Rose and Purple, also these colors in combination. You will find here the most popular styles, each hat giving striking evidence of superb taste in the colors, the becoming lines, highest quality materials and in exacting attention to every detail. As we sell only Millinery and therefore buy in such large quantities our prices are always most attractive but never more so than the price of these Sailors. \$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.50. Marr Millinery Co., Limited

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Stores Open 9 A. M. to Close 6 P. M. Extraordinary Savings Are Offered in Our Big Spring Sale OF CRETONNES, LINEN CHINTZES, LINEN TAFFETAS and many fancy weaves of Beautiful Sunfast Materials, suitable for upholstery purposes, etc. These are mill ends and manufacturers' samples, in pieces large enough for Over-Curtains, Draperies, Slip Covers, Sofa Cushions and many other practical uses. Among the pieces on sale are Linen Chintzes in 2 1/2 to 10 yard lengths; heavy Upholstering Velvets in 3-4 to 3 yard lengths, and a large assortment of smaller square and oblong pieces for Sofa Cushion Covers and fancy articles. These are in a big assortment of new attractive patterns and at the prices marked are positive bargains. Sale Wednesday in Housefurnishing Section, 2nd Floor NO APPROBATION. NO EXCHANGE. YOU WILL BECOME ENTHUSIASTIC OVER THESE New House Dresses They have just been unpacked and are all fresh and crisp. The styles are trim and new, straight, loose belted dresses being especially prominent. Included are styles for Porch, Morning and Country wear, in Plaid, Checked and Spotted Gingham, brightened in a variety of ways with smart trimming effects. The color combination is Pink and White, Blue and White, Navy and White, Black and White and Grey. Sizes 36 to 44 inches. \$2.20 to \$5.00. An immense assortment from which to make selection COSTUME SECTION, SECOND FLOOR. Manchester Robertson Allison Limited KING STREET GERMAIN STREET MARKET SQUARE

OBITUARY. The death of Mrs. Annie Washburn, widow of the late George Washburn, took place yesterday at her residence, 91 Thorne Avenue. Deceased leaves four sons and one daughter and a wide circle of friends to mourn. The sons are Arthur H. of the Nashua Pulp and Paper Co.; Walter F. of Brock and Paterson, Ltd.; George E., of Salem, Mass., and James of this city. Mrs. J. Arthur Fitzgerald of this city is a daughter. The funeral will be held from the late residence on Thursday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock. LEAVES FOR FREDERICTON. Mrs. J. W. V. Lawlor leaves today for Fredericton where she will discuss with the supervisor of the Women's Institute matters relating to the St. John Branch. FOR THURSDAY THERE HAS BEEN ASSEMBLED STIRRING NEWS IN THE INTERESTS OF THRIFT SHOPPERS. And because everybody knows that they can depend upon the worthiness of goods sold at Dykeman's—no matter how low the price may drop—values such as are offered in the Ready-to-Wear Section for Thursday, Friday and Saturday, attain an irresistible attractiveness. There are one hundred and twenty-seven new Spring Shower and Waterproof Coats in smart Tweeds, Poplins and all silk. These Coats are all of the newest style, and come in light and dark colors, and all the balance of a manufacturer's clearance. These Coats would sell regularly at one-third to one-half more. On sale Thursday, Friday and Saturday. DIED. LORD—At his residence, Middle street, St. John West, after a short illness, Daniel Brundage Lord, age 88 years, leaving three daughters and four stepsons to mourn. Funeral from his late residence, Middle street, Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m. Friends and acquaintances invited. WASHBURN—At her residence, 91 Thorne Avenue, on March 18th, after a short illness, Mrs. Annie Washburn, widow of the late George Washburn. Funeral from her late residence on Thursday at 3.30 p.m. LONG SERVICE MEDAL. Sergt. J. H. Appleby, 62nd Fusiliers, has been awarded the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Long Service Medal.