AROUND THE CITY

FAIR AND WARMER

WILL BE LARGER.

Commissioner Fisher said last night he hardly expected to have his estimates ready for the committee meeting of the council to be held this morning, but would have them for Thursday. His estimates will show an increase over those of last year.

THREE ARRESTS.

The police cells housed three persons last night. One was arrested on St. Patrick Street and will face the court on a charge of drunkenness. The other two were arrested by the C. P. R. police, and are charged with trespassing on the C. P. R. property, West Side.

SCALDED WHILE AT WORK.

Francis Connelly, residing at 104 Lansdowne Avenue, lies in the General Public Hospital at the present time as the result of being scalded last Saturday evening at his work. His injuries are not of a very serious nature, being confined to his elbow and one knee.

EXPECTED TODAY.

The two transports, S. S. Metagama and S. S. Scotian are expected at this port tonight, one travelling on the heels of the other. There is a possible chance that they may enter the harbor before that time, but if the boats enter port after nightfall, the troops will most likely be kept on board until the following morning.

COAL HANDLERS MEET.

The Coal Handlers' and Trimmers' Union held a meeting last evening in the recall hall, Germain Street. President Frank Freestone presided. Some routine business occupied the evening's session, after which new business was taken up and freely discussed by all present. The meeting was then adjourned to meet again in the near future.

SLIGHT FIRE.

A small fire broke out in the Atlantic Sugar Refineries yesterday. The chemicals which the plant have on hand soon had the blaze under control, and little of a material damage resulted from the blaze, which originated in some hot ashes, and spread to the adjoining parts of the building.

KEEPS HIS RANK.

Major R. F. Maclauchlan, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Maclauchlan, of this city, who was wounded some months ago and is now at Buxton, England, has received a splendid tribute in the official notification that he does not lose his rank by his enforced absence. Military orders show that he has been absorbed into the strength of the 78th, and confirmed in the rank of major, a position he had held for twenty days when he was wounded.

N. B. POWER CO. INVESTIGATION.

The hearing before the special commission appointed by the Provincial Government to investigate the affairs of the New Brunswick Power Company, will be resumed this afternoon at two o'clock if the members of the Commission arrive in time. It is understood Mr. Currier, chairman of the Commission may not be present this week, but Messrs. Richey and Holgate are expected today. Hon. J. A. Sullivan, counsel for the city, arrived on Saturday, and is all ready to go on with the city's case. The sessions will be held in the Equity Court Room, Pugsley Building.

WINS COVETED DECORATION.

Recent letters from overseas bring the gratifying news that Lieut. D. A. Porter was awarded the Military Cross for gallantry at Cambrai. Lieut. Porter, a son of David Porter, of Hammond River, and nephew of W. Alex. Porter, was at the time of his enlistment manager here for the Sussex Milk and Cream Company. He joined the 55th as a private, won his commission in France and his decoration at Cambrai. Lieut. Porter is now with the Royal Canadian Regiment and when last heard from was at Brussels.

ST. JOHN GIRL HONORED.

Recent letters from overseas announce that on December 10, Nursing Sisters Agnes Warner, of St. John, and her companion Miss McMurrich, Toronto, and three others had been decorated with the Cross de Guerre. Miss Warner was three times mentioned in despatches for her heroic work in caring for the wounded in the great drive and hers was the first hospital unit across the Hindenburg line. The decoration awarded Miss Warnerr and her associates was personally bestowed by the general, a mark of distinction which plainly indicated his appreciation of the award.

HALIFAX TRAIN LATE.

The Halifax express did not reach the city until eight o'clock last Saturday evening. The delay was due to late connections with the express from Sydney, which jumped the track near Sydney. Many passengers came in on the Halifax, the majority of whom were en route further west. The theatrical troupe lately seen at the Opera House reached the city on this train, en route to Bath, Maine, for their initial performance at one of the theatres in that city this afternoon.

The Boston train was held over until the arrival of the Halifax; thus affording the passengers en route west connections for the westerly points.

COL. DEAN HERE.

Among the persons of note in the city is Col. E. O. Dean, chief military landing officer with headquarters at Quebec. Colonel Dean is visiting St. John and Halifax with the purpose of seeing that perfect co-ordination in the handling of the returned troops is established and maintained in these two ports. He will be present at the debarkation of the Scotian and the Metagama, and will see personally how the work compares with the way it is done at Quebec. The transportation of the returning warriors is a big problem, but in Colonel Dean the government has secured a man of wide experience and broad views, who is ideally suited for the office of chief of the landing staffs.

NOVA SCOTIAN AND WIFE TELL OF TRIP ON SCANDINAVIAN

Say That Conditions Were Not What They Should Have Been—Food Bad and Toilet Conveniences Worse.

On the outgoing Halifax express last Friday evening was a corporal, of a former Nova Scotian unit, who was returning to his home in Yarmouth, accompanied by his wife, a charming young English lady, whom he had married overseas. Both reached this side on the Scandinavian last Friday, and their story of the voyage was as follows:

The lady said: "Setting out for Canada we were obliged to wait from eleven in the morning until four in the afternoon before we could be signed up for the voyage. I had a large travelling bag and suitcase, which was quite cumbersome to me. The officials on the other side told me to label it 'wanted on the voyage,' give it to the stewards on the quay, who would store it for her, so that I might receive it when time came for leaving the dock. This I did. On reaching the ship I made enquiry for my suitcase, in which was all my belongings requisite for the voyage. It could not be found, and was never found on the trip across. I was then compelled to wear the same clothing all the way across that I had on my back, and sleep in the same. My kind friends on the boat helped me when it lay in their power to do so. The berth assigned to us was filthy in the extreme, and one could not sleep in such quarters. When a few days out the water pipes sprang a leak and our berth was flooded. Planks were placed on the floor in order to afford a passageway to others through the room. The engineer or plumbers who fixed the pipes only did half the job, and as a result little comfort was obtained.

"Then came the eats. At the morning meal the stewards would bring the porridge in large plates, one over the other, and as a result one's clothing and hands would become dirty, and one was forced to eat the very dirt off the bottom of another's plate. The food was fired on the table, the stewarsd were saucy and never obliging in the least, unless they were given a large tip for their services.

"The toilets on the vessel were abominable, two feet of water being in each one, caused by the poor drainage, and the rank stench caused many to grow sick. Others, to escape it, took their beds out on the hatch and there slept on the way across. The care for the mothers and little children was terrible. When milk was produced for the children it was usually half water. The very eatables on the tables were taken to the canteens and sold afterwards to those who would buy.

"The little baby which was born on the way across died at sea, and this I believe was due to the care which the little one and its mother had received on the voyage. Lastly the men who died on the trip were not given the proper funeral rites, and one was consigned to the seas before the poor chap had even breathed his last."

The husband corroborated the story told by his wife, and added, "we were fit to stand it, as we roughed it in the trenches, but the women were not in the same position as we were. Relative to the toilets on board, they were a disgrace to any vessel." On reaching his home the papers in his vicinity would be given each a story on the condition of the ship in an effort to have conditions remedied in the future for the women who are yet to reach Canada.

COMMERCIAL MEN TO GIVE ASSISTANCE

Will Aid War Savings Stamp Campaign — Enthusiastic Meeting Saturday Evening.

A large and enthusiastic meeting of the Commercial Travellers was held Saturday night in the Board of Trade rooms, in the interests of the War Savings Stamp campaign, and they decided to give all the assistance in their power to the movement.

Sir Douglas Hazen, Provincial Chairman, addressed the gathering and outlined the objects of the campaign, which was by the means of small savings to provide money for the reconstruction period in Canada, and at the same time give those lending to the government a good return on the money invested. He pointed out that in the United States there had already been raised by means of thrift and war savings stamps $250,000,000, and Canada should do as well in proportion to her population.

In replying to a vote of thanks, Sir Douglas referred to the great power of the commercial men in moulding public opinion and expressed his belief that they would be of great assistance in the present work.

THE JANUARY WHITEWEAR SALE AT DYKEMAN'S THIS YEAR GAINS IMMEASURABLY IN IMPORTANCE BY REASON OF ITS SHARP CONTRAST IN VALUES

And the dainty styles, the broad assortments are equally appealing. It's a satisfying sale from every standpoint, as is demonstrated by the intense shopping interest and enthusiasm that has prevailed from the opening hour. New lines appear for the first time today, contracted for months ago, and they carry an extra savings apart from the sale price as these lines have recently advanced 30 per cent. and more; hence the double saving. All our whitewear advertised in our January Clearance Sale is fresh, crisp from their tissue wrapping—do not get our quality whitewear confused with old stock sales. Visit our Whitewear Sale, third floor.

—Dykeman's—

WILL NOT APPEAL.

In regard to the verdict in favor of James H. Pullen in the case against the city, the Mayor said that a report would be presented by the city solicitor. He did not think there would be any appeal.

COMMITTEE FOR YEAR APPOINTED

G. W. V. A. Executive Met Yesterday — To Take up Matter of Scholarships for Orphaned Chidren of Soldiers.

At a meeting of the newly elected officers of the St. John branch of the G.W.V.A. held yesterday afternoon, the executive was completed and a number of committees appointed by the president. Owing to the growth of the benevolent work of the organization and to the fact that this is principally among the widows and families of the men, it has been decided to turn this work over to the ladies and Matron Edith Hegan and Mrs. J. H. Tillotson will have charge of this branch of the organization's activities.

Resolutions were adopted asking the Government to continue the giving of one way fares to soldiers in uniform until December, 1919, at which time it was thought demobilization would be complete, and to give the preference to men from New Brunswick in making appointments to the farm settlement committees. It was also decided to try and arrange for some prominent speaker to address the members each Sunday afternoon, these meetings to be open to members and their friends.

The matter of scholarships at the Maritime Universities, for children of fallen soldiers, was brought up and it was decided to take the matter up with the universities and see if some arrangement could not be made to provide a number open to boys and girls who had been orphaned by the war.

Captain G. Earle Logan, president of the St. John branch, announced the following appointments:

Additional members of the executive—Major P. D. McAvity, C. S. Bishop, Capt. J. H. A. L. Fairweather, J. G. Dryden.

Ways and Means Committee—Maj. P. D. McAvity, convenor; Kenneth Christie, Capt. J. H. A. L. Fairweather, O. L. Lawson, J. G. Dryden, S. C. Tippetts.

Investigation Committee — A. E. Frame, convenor; S. C. Tippetts, J. J. Barbour.

Building Committee—Maj. G. Johnston, convenor; Egbert Robertson, Major G. Keeffe.

Benevolent Committee—Matron Edith Hegan, convenor; Mrs. K. Tillotson, E. J. Puddy, C. L. Mofford.

Entertainment Committee—Louis LeLacheur, convenor; M. E. Perkins, J. G. Dryden, Matron E. Hegan, Maj. D. D. McArthur.

Sports Committee—Major P. D. McAvity, convenor; J. G. Dryden, S. C. Tippetts.

MRS. ROSENBURG DIED YESTERDAY

Strickne With Pneumonia While Passenger on S. S. Scandinavian—Despite Best of Medical Treatment in Hospital Here Passed Away

Mrs. H. W. Rosenberg, of Brandon, wife of Pte. Rosenberg, of the original Fifth Battalion, died at the Immigration Hospital, Partridge Island, yesterday.

It will be remembered that Mrs. Rosenberg with her husband came to this city on the transport Scandinavian last Friday. She became ill at sea on Wednesday last, and after some trying ordeals was placed in the women's hospital ward on board the transport. According to the statement given by her husband, it was promised that she would be rushed immediately to the hospital in St. John on the arrival of the boat, but though the Scandinavian docked at shortly after eight in the morning, and the gang plank was run up at nine o'clock, Mrs. Rosenberg was not taken off the ship until after five o'clock in the evening, and then was transferred to the hospital on the island.

It was thought when the ship passed the island that Mrs. Rosenberg could have been transferred to the hospital then, but Dr. Robert C. Ruddick, the resident physician, states that the tides at that time would not allow the transfer, and when the case was ready for the hospital the tide made a further delay imperative. The woman was taken to the island as soon as it was possible to do so, but she was in a very serious condition and hopes for recovery were slim.

In spite of all that medical skill could do when the patient reached the hospital her spirit winged its flight.

His experience on board the Scandinavian was told to Standard readers Saturday. Speaking of the care given to his wife here, he has nothing but praise for Dr. Ruddick, who, he says, did everything in his power, but Mrs. Rosenberg's condition was too far advanced when she left the vessel. He knew her case was hopeless when The Standard reporter saw him Saturday.

Private Rosenberg has been married but a year, and the death of his wife, at the early age of 23 years, is particularly sad. He reptats that her condition was caused by neglect and want of care on the part of the ship's medical staff, and to that effect is making a formal complaint to the authorities at Ottawa.

The body of Mrs. Rosenberg will probably be buried today.

DIED.

SMALL.—On January 10, 1919, Hazen Small, of Maces Bay, aged 27 years, leaving to mourn his wife, father, mother, five brothers and two sisters.

ELLIS—In this city on the 11th inst., Carrie Amelia, beloved wife of Mr. Thos. Ellis, leaving her husband, three daughters and one son to mourn.

Funeral on Tuesday, the 14th inst., from her late residence, 72 Sydney street. Services at 2.30 o'clock. (New York papers please copy.)

REFUTES CHARGES MADE BY SOLDIERS ON SCANDINAVIAN

Dr. Taft Says He Was Not Drunk—Not His Duty to Care for Military Passengers—Staff - Sergt. Richardson Corroborates.

With reference to the article touching on the last voyage of the Scandinavian, Dr. Taft whose name was mentioned, says: "I wish to refute entirely the statement in The Standard that I had been under he influence of liquor, not fit to care for my patients and neglected my duties. In the first place be it understood that the military doctor, Dr. Fyshe, was appointed by the military commanding officer to take entire medical charge of military passengers, their wives and children, so that necessarily in the line of my duty I had nothing whatever to do with them. My duties were to take care of my crew and civil passengers. On the voyage no one of my crew were sick and no one of the civil passengers. On account of the press of military work, at the request of Dr. Fyshe, I cared for a number of his cases, and all of them have very kindly said words of praise for me, and from some I have had material presents. Naturally, with an epidemic breaking out on shipboard our hospital was readily filled. Everything possible was done for the patients, but if the medical treatment was inadequate, the patients neglected and liquor stood in the way of proper treatment and care of the patients, if this is so, the entire responsibility rests with the military command. It is evident that there is some mistake, and that I have been given the name of an entirely different individual, and someone has received mine in the minds of some of the passengers.

I wish to strongly refute again any aspersion in regard to the use of liquor, for it has been my invariable rule on shipboard to practice medicine and surgery to the best of my ability without the use of stimulants.

Staff-Sergeant Richardson.

Staff-Sergeant Richardson, Royal Army Ordnance Corps, who was associated with Dr. Taft, as special nurse on the voyage across, says: "I absolutely refute the statement made in The Standard that Dr. Taft was at any time under the influence of alcoholic liquor, and in an unfit condition to perform his duties. I personally saw Dr. Taft at all hours of the day and night attending to his patients when it was necessary for him to do so. On two different occasions I called Dr. Taft at night at intervals of three hours to administer to men whom he was attending for the military doctor. On each of these occasions the doctor was out of bed for at least half an hour and retired in his full kit, ready to get up again at a call, even after having done sixteen hours duty in that day.

GOOD TIME MADE IN DISCHARGING CARGO

Eighteen Hundred Bags Raw Sugar Unloaded in Record Time at This Port.

The discharge of the sugar, confined in the hold of the Caraquet which reached this port last Thursday, was completed last evening at eleven o'clock. The ship carried eighteen hundred bags of raw material, enough to keep the plant under normal conditions, working about two weeks. The new and more modern methods utilized in discharging the cargoes at the Atlantic pier, accounts for the short time in which the cargo was discharged. Some extra bags for the port of Halifax were carried to this port. These will be forwarded to the sister city by rail. The Caraquet reloads at this port and will then proceed to the West Indies, returning in the near future with a second cargo of raw sugar from the West Indies and Southern ports.

YESTERDAY COLDEST DAY THIS WINTER

Twelve Below Cipher in Early Hours—First Zero Weather Saturday.

Saturday's zero weather was the first recorded at the observatory when at noon hour the thermometer registered exactly zeo. The northwest gale accompanying the cold streak, made it seem to citizens that the day was colder than recorded. The cold continued through the evening and during the night, when at six o'clock yesterday morning the thermometer registered twelve degrees below zero; and early church goers were compelled to hustle along or freeze. Along in the day it gradually became warmer, and when three o'clock arrived the reading stood at eight degrees above — twenty degrees difference from early morning, which added much to the comfort of citizens. Towards evening the themometer mercury dropped again to six above, and at 1.24 this morning the mercury stood again at zero. Thus in thirteen hours the white silver ran a race up and down the scale ranging from twelve below to six above. Prospects for the day in the weather are to the effect that Jack Frost is to rmain for a time.

During the cold snap of yesterday many of the citizens on arising from their beds found the water pipes frozen, and plumbers were called in despite the Sabbath day.

FREE MOVING PICTURES.

At 4.45 on Monday afternoon in Imperial Theatre under the auspices of the St. John Ambulance Association there will be a wonderful pictorial demonstration of first aid to injured people. Admission free.

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Skating tonight and every afternoon at Victoria Rink. Band tonight.

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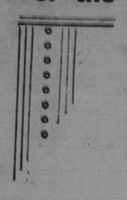

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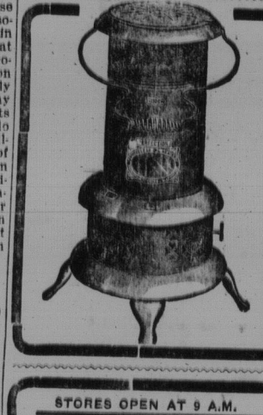

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