

AROUND THE CITY

GENERALLY FAIR.

SEVEN NEW CASES. Seven new cases of influenza and twenty-one relapses were reported to the Board of Health yesterday.

STEAMER ARRIVES. The freighter Queen Mary arrived at port yesterday morning in ballast load for trans-Atlantic ports.

IS RECOMMENDED. Bryce Climo, son of C. H. Climo, of Halifax, has been recommended for a commission. The young hero was wounded on the night of October 23rd.

THE CITY BONDS. The demand has been so brisk for city bonds that we have no more to sell," the Mayor announced in committee yesterday morning.

APPLE IMPORTATIONS. The board of trade has been advised by the War Trade Board, Ottawa, that the general license allowing the importation of apples into Great Britain is for a period of three months.

CALVIN CHURCH PURCHASED. The old Calvin Church has been purchased by the congregation of the Hazen Avenue synagogue, and will be used by them as a place of worship and school. It is understood that the price paid was in the vicinity of \$12,000.

HAD FOOT INJURED. John Anderson, an employe of Grant & Horne's shipbuilding plant, had his foot quite badly hurt yesterday morning. He was taken to the General Public Hospital, where, on examination, it was found that his injuries were not serious.

BOATS HAULED OUT. The new approach of King Winter calls for the placing of the motor craft on the stocks. And such action is now taking place, as nearly all the motor boats of the Power Club are hauled out of the water for the present season.

FORMAL OPENING. The formal opening of the seasonal activities of the Y. M. C. I. will take place Friday night at the institute building. Already the different departments of the Y. M. C. I. are getting down to business and they are rapidly making up for lost time, caused by the recent epidemic.

PTE. H. F. COOPER DEAD. Mrs. John Dickens, 284 Waterloo Street, yesterday received word that her brother, Pte. Harry F. Cooper, had died of influenza at a clearing hospital in England on November 18. He is survived by two sisters, Mrs. John Dickens and Miss Ruby Cooper, both of this city; two brothers, George in garrison at Halifax, and Thomas of the same place.

THE ROTARY CLUB. The speaker at the Rotary Club luncheon yesterday was Rev. Elmer Louse. It was decided to send two delegates to the convention of the Manufacturers' Association to be held in Amherst, December 11, and to request the Department of Trade and Commerce to give a moving picture exhibition of industrial development in the High School assembly rooms on December 3.

THE COUNTY COURT. The case of the King vs. Harry McEllan, who is charged with the theft of a number of bottles of Wilson's port wine from a car in the C. P. R. train yard at Fairville, was taken up yesterday morning in the county court before His Honor Judge Armstrong. Some evidence was taken and the case then adjourned until 10 o'clock this morning. Attorney General Byrne appeared for the prosecution and Daniel Mullin for the defendant.

WILL HOLD INQUEST. Coroner Keeley yesterday empaneled the following jury to enquire into the death of Samuel Emery, who was found dead in a ditch on the Red Head road on Sunday afternoon: J. S. Kennedy, foreman; George Reynolds, Frederick Plevelling, Fredrick Cook, J. M. Northrup, B. K. Wood, and Charles Donald. The enquiry will open tonight in the council chamber of the court house, Sydney street.

WON \$500 PRIZE. At the annual convention of the Sherwin-Williams Co. salesmen held last week in Montreal, W. F. Downing of St. John, special Marketing Provincial Representative, won the gold pin and cash prize of five hundred dollars awarded to the "top-notch" salesman for Canada. Mr. Downing has been with the company for a number of years, and his many triumphs in St. John and elsewhere will be pleased to hear of his success.

CHILD RESCUED. Last Sunday afternoon a number of children residing in Marsh Road, and its near surroundings, were surprised while en route to Sunday School to notice a little girl in the water, struggling to regain the shore. Some of the more hazardous ones went to her aid and succeeded in rescuing her from her danger, which would have proved fatal only for the arrival of the rescuers. The little tot fell over the Marsh Bridge while at play and when rescued, although heavily numb by the effects of her enforced bath, was none the worse for her experience.

PTE. MANTLE GASED. Mrs. John Mantle, 119 King Street, received a telegram yesterday morning, saying that her son, Pte. Thomas Mantle, was gassed on November 10th and admitted to hospital at Camiers. Pte. Mantle enlisted at the age of seventeen in the 14th Battalion, and since going overseas has been engaged in the signalling branch of the service. Last September he was wounded in the shoulder and arm, and just prior to his being gassed his parents had received word from him stating that he thought the war would soon end and that he expected to go to Paris on furlough. Prior to enlisting Pte. Mantle was engaged with the Standard Publishing Company.

WAS FINISHED LAST NIGHT

Rousing Meeting of Union Men Held in West End City Hall. Majority Decided to Accept Wage of Forty-seven Cents Per Hour—Dozen Ships Will be Worked Today.

The strike of the New Brunswick Freight Handlers is over. Such was the result of a meeting of the Union held last evening in the City Hall, West St. John, when 291 men gathered there, summoned by their President John Ward.

Discussion was warm at different times regarding the wage schedule of 47 cents per hour, as set by the C. P. R. Company. The men, at a previous meeting in the Temperance Hall, decided that they were entitled to 55 cents per hour with double pay for all extra work on Sundays, holidays, and all hours over time.

They concluded to remain firm and ask the company to concede to these demands. Meanwhile the C. P. R. manager to alleviate the plight of the employees, and rush foodstuffs overseas, notified the men that according to the provisions of the McCaig award they were bound by the provisions and any supplements of the same through the Canadian Railway War Board, to apply to all its employees a maximum wage schedule of 43 cents per hour.

The men refusing to accede to these terms the company representatives met the committee of the union and offered to give a wage schedule of 47 cents per hour. The men in return believed that they were entitled to the schedule of 55 cents, and held out for the same very strongly.

By this time the officials of the company rejoiced that their advances to their employees were all that could be given the men, and upon their refusal to accept the same, it was rumored that serious action on the part of the company was to be undertaken, even to the removal of the several liners in port, awaiting discharge and others with cargo, to other Atlantic ports.

Seemingly, to the casual observer, the strike was now advanced to its climactic stage, and near action on the part of the company or the employees was hourly anticipated.

The stage warranting action at once, the employees gathered together, but the Temperance Hall, West St. John, was inadequate to hold the meeting in, and through the courtesy of Commissioner McLellan, the City Hall in West St. John was placed at their disposal. Accordingly the men met there, and the outcome of the meeting resulted in a settlement.

Discussion arose at once on the proposed action of the Freight Handlers. Arguments went pro and con; and finally the discussion was concisely ended by the vote of the meeting "whether they accept the schedule of 47 cents as offered by the company, or not accept."

The vote of the house of 291 men, went as follows: 185 to accept the schedule of the company; 106 not to accept the schedule. The majority ruled the session, and the officers of

Former Standard Man Tells of Meeting Fellow Employees as Well as Other St. John Men in France.

A few days ago Mr. and Mrs. William Atherton of 116 Moore street received a letter from their son, Gunner William Atherton, of a Siege Battery in France. Previous to enlisting for overseas Gunner Atherton was mailing clerk for The Standard. The letter was dated October 25th, in France and in part is as follows:

Just a few lines to let you know that I am still in the best of health. At the time of writing we are in one of the towns recently captured by us, and there are a lot of civilians still in the place. The Hun left the houses intact, but he blew up the cross roads and coal mines round about. The Hun also destroyed the machinery in the factories. Of course we are not in action just at present, and may be here for several days so I am taking advantage of my chance to lie between white sheets.

Two of us fellows have hired a room for the time we will be here. We get for a trifling sum the military provide at a time like this are only bars, etc., so when a fellow can get a decent bed he might as well take advantage of it.

The people are so glad that they are freed that they cannot do enough for the fellows, they call us in of the time of writing.

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YOUR DAILY SHAVE. You can scarcely realize there's a razor on your face when you have your morning shave with an Auto-Strop; its thin, keen blades cut slick and clean, leaving the face smooth, cool and comfortable. The Auto-Strop Safety Razor. Is easily kept in perfect shaving shape; after shaving simply hoop up the strop, pass the lower end between the small rollers under the blade, work it back and forth a few times and the blade is as good as new. With the Auto-Strop you get a head barber's shave every time. PRICES RANGE FROM \$5.00 UP. An Ideal Christmas Gift is the Auto-Strop. W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD.

Special Display Today of Early Winter Model Hats. The latest notes of fashion are expressed in this exhibit which represents the Smart Styles that New York is showing this week. Marr Millinery Co., Limited

Solve Your Stove Problem Now! There's a sense of satisfaction for the housekeeper who feels she has in her kitchen a range that can be depended on at all times to do the work required of it. It is the feeling on the part of thousands of satisfied customers that has given the ROYAL GRAND RANGE its popularity. You will be surprised to find how much easier cooking is with a range equipped with every modern labor-saving device. Emerson & Fisher Ltd.

Business Suits For Men at the Best Possible Values. \$12.50, \$13.50, \$15.00 and \$18.50. They are smart two and three button Models, in neat, dark patterns, and will be found to give unsurpassed satisfaction. See display in our windows—Men's Clothing Department, 2nd Floor. Big bargains still available in Men's Furnishing Department. Many Practical Christmas Gifts Can Be Selected from Among These Money Saving Opportunities. Men's Winter Gloves with warm wool lining, in Cape and Mocha leather, every pair a bargain. From \$1.75 to \$2.50 pair. Neckties in all this season's designs and colorings. Popular shapes, 35c. and 50c. to clear. Men's Sweaters in popular styles and colors, medium and heavy weights. Very specially priced, from \$3.00 to \$6.00. BOY'S SWEATERS. That boys will like to wear. They have convertible collars, medium and heavy weights. Bargain prices, \$2.00 to \$4.00. Men's Shirts and Drawers. Medium weights, elastic ribbed, soft velvet finish. Very special, \$1.25 per garment. Heavy Elastic Ribbed Wool Shirts and Drawers, unshrinkable, \$1.75 a garment. ODD LINES IN WORKING-MEN'S SHIRTS. Extraordinary value, from 75c to \$1.50. The materials are Oxford, Satton, Drill, Khaki, Ducks and Ceylonette Flannels. Every shirt a bargain. Men's Stylish Colored Shirts in popular all soft style with double cuffs, or some with stiff cuffs, greatly reduced at \$1.50.

AN UNUSUALLY ACCEPTABLE HOLIDAY GIFT. RELIABLE FURS. Furs can be bought to excellent advantage at today's prices. We say this not to try to induce you to buy, but because, as a matter of i:agee Service, we wish to keep our customers informed in whatever may be advantageous to them. M:SKRAT COATS. will always be favored, they're so serviceable. Prices begin at \$110.00 and go as high as \$225.00. D. MAGEE'S SONS LTD. EVER SINCE 1855. 63 King Street, St. John, N.B.

AMERICAN PUBLIC HEALTH ASSN.

Meeting Will be Held in Chicago Next Month — Epidemic Will be Principal Matter Discussed.

Hon. Dr. Roberts, Minister of Health, has received a letter from the president of the American Public Health Association, calling attention to the postponed meeting of the Association, which is to be held in Chicago, December 9 to 12.

This convention was to have been held in October, but was postponed because of the epidemic, and in his letter the president states that the principle thing to be discussed at the conference will be the epidemic. The subject will be dealt with under four heads: Administrative measures for prevention; administrative measures for relief; the use of vaccines and sera; and the study of statistics relating to the epidemic. The best known specialists on the continent have been obtained to talk on these subjects.

The letter further points out that "the experience of the epidemic of 1889, 1890 and 1901 can be taken as a criterion, there will probably be a recurrence of the epidemic next year and the year after, and in view of this no municipality should be without representation at the conference, where the best methods of combating the disease would be discussed."

The minister stated that he expected the provincial department would be represented at the conference.

WOULD BE ROBBER MADE HIS ESCAPE

Young Lad Caught Trying to Force Entrance to German Street Grocery — Crowd Gathered and Boy Escaped.

An attempted robbery and the escape of the young lad involved caused quite a crowd to gather on Charlotte street last night for a few minutes, but the excitement was soon over. The lad in question had attempted to open the door of a grocery store on German street and while tumbling with the lock was heard by a clerk who was in the office. He came out to investigate and the lad "beat it." The young man followed him to Charlotte street and in front of the market building came across an officer to whom he started to tell the story. While he was relating what had taken place a crowd gathered around and the boy seeing a chance dodged under the arm of the officer and ran for all he was worth, making good his escape.

SAFETY RAZORS FREE TO DISCHARGED SOLDIERS AT HUNT'S CLOTHING SALE

We have upwards of one hundred Safety Razors bought some time ago for another purpose, but never disposed of. While they last, we will give one of these razors to every discharged soldier who purchases a Suit or Overcoat at our store. This, in addition to the Ten Per Cent. Discount we allow discharged men and the positive our Winter Sale presents should make this an interesting place to shop. "Look for the Big Blue Sign"—Hunt's Clothing Store, 17-19 Charlotte street.

Every King's Daughter invited to semi-annual meeting at the Guild this evening. Splendid programme. Thank you.

PARCELS FROM THE TOWN OF NEWCASTLE

The Soldiers' Comforts Association received a very fine shipment of 172 parcels to go overseas recently. These parcels came from the town of Newcastle, and are very nice and prettily tied up. Each one has a bright Christmas stamp on it, and the address is typewritten.

The Newcastle Branch of the S.C.A. have evidently remembered their soldiers, and one feels sure that the contents of such attractive packages (good big ones, too) will bring happiness to the recipients.

Woolly Cap and Scarf Sets for winter. "Ho" for jolly old winter. The time for skating, snowshoeing and the great many other outdoor sports is almost here, and now is the time to get an essential wool Cap and Scarf. Now is the time to buy for Christmas gifts, for they are extremely scarce. These were ordered a year ago, and other shipments—if they can be got—will be delightful color schemes you can work out with them for a sport costume.

There are plain effects—striped effects—deep banded effects. Here and there a dash of color. Occasionally a shawl effect in scarlet, blue, or green. Tams—any amount of them. Jaunty saucy Tams, Caps a La Militaire, Caps that remind one of a court jester. As varied in choice as to price, beginning as low as \$1.50, in Brushed Wool, and Angora. Sweater Coats and Pullovers to match most all. Take elevator to top floor. DYKEMAN'S.

Y. W. C. A. WORKERS TO LUNCH IN THE SHELL PLANT TODAY. The collectors in tomorrow's big one-day drive for \$10,000 in aid of the new Boarding Home for Girls on King street will meet at the drive headquarters in the Shell plant, this noon and proceed at one o'clock to the shell plant, Marsh Road, where they will be lunched and addressed. Everything is being done to make the drive a success. The work has got to start very soon, and so time is valuable. The winter-urgent business is going to add to the duties of the new Boarding Home and ships are arriving already.

Scotch terrier for immediate sale. Prize reg. stock, worth \$35.00, McMillen and Neve kennels. No reasonable offer refused. Phone M. 2644.

COUSIN KATE PLAY POSTPONED FOR TWO WEEKS. Owing to illness of two of the important members of the cast of the local play, "Cousin Kate," developing rather seriously this morning, the committee in charge have been obliged to postpone the presentation of this play from Thursday evening of this week to Thursday, Dec. 12th. The exchange of tickets sale is still going on at the Opera House ticket office and all tickets sold will be duly honored on Dec. 12th.

If in the market for a good used car, or wish to sell, consult with J. A. Pugsley and Company, Used Car Department. Used Car Exhibition now being held at Showrooms, 45 Princess street, open day and evenings, 7 to 10 p. m.