

GOOD THINGS COMING TO THEATRES OF ST. JOHN

SENSATIONAL ACT IN NEW OPERA HOUSE BILL

The Opera House vaudeville programme opening tonight includes Elliott's famous Leaping Hounds, one of the most novel and sensational acts of its kind in vaudeville; Bennington and Scott, class singers and nifty dancers; Lawton, with some ideas in judgment Stewart and Crumley in a blackface comedy skit of twelve minutes of solid laughter; Bennett Sisters, who sing a little, dance a little and wear some stunning costumes; and the usual chapter of The Lion's Claw serial drama.

Two evening performances, at 7.30 and 9, tomorrow afternoon at 2.30. Popular prices.

GREAT WESTERN SHOW AT PALACE THEATRE

Tonight the Palace is presenting a wonderful western programme of seven reels, being comprised of "Vengeance and the Woman," episode 10 and "Dead Shot Baker," a five-act western feature with Carol Holloway and William Duncan in both these pictures.

TONIGHT AT THE GEM

Tonight's bill will be "The Power of Evil," a striking dramatic picture with a sound moral in it. Also Billie Ritchie as Charlie Chaplin in a rich two-reel comedy. Five and ten cents. Last time tonight 7.12 and 8.45.

WALL STREET

New York, Aug. 9.—(Wall street noon)—Trading during the morning was larger and wider of scope than at any time in the past fortnight. Investment rails participated at gains of one to almost two points on reports of an early settlement of the controversy with the government. U. S. Steel held undisturbed, however, extending its gain to 1.64 points. Associated issues averaged more moderate advances, with active specialties, including tobacco, although Sumatra was extremely irregular. Metals and shippings were conspicuously backward.

SOLDIERS REACH ENGLAND

Ottawa, Aug. 9.—It is officially announced through the chief press censor's office that the following troops have arrived in the United Kingdom: Infantry draft No. 88, first battalion first Quebec regiment; infantry draft No. 89 (part), second battalion, second Quebec regiment; infantry draft No. 90 (part), first battalion, second Quebec regiment; draft No. 91, Laval, C. O. T. C. M. D. No. 4 (Montreal) draft No. C. L. M. D. C. O. T. C. M. D. No. 4 (Quebec), nursing sisters returning; surgeon probationers, naval service; artillery draft No. 15, Petawawa, engineers training depot draft No. 86, Brockville; infantry draft No. 78, Niagara; A. S. C. draft No. 38, Petawawa; infantry draft No. 80, second battalion, Ottawa.

THE CITY COLLECTS

While recently changing the track of the Indianapolis loop, the street railway had to tear up a considerable portion of the roadway, and the matter of repairs was taken up by Commissioner Fisher. As a result, it was agreed that the public works department should make repairs and the railway has paid over to the department \$1,200.

Notice of Births, Marriages and Deaths, 50c.

BIRTHS

MARTHUR—August 8, to the wife of Major D. D. Marthur, a son. EYAN—On August 7, to Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Ryan, a son. BLAGDEN—On August 8, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Blagden, Manawagish road, a son. BYERS—On August 9, to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred N. Byers, 68 Albert street, a son.

MARRIAGES

SWENNY-ELLIS—At the home of the officiating clergyman, Rev. Mr. Penna, on Monday, August 5, Eva J. Ellis of Mace's Bay to Percy Sweeny.

DEATHS

WRIGHT—At Sussex, N. B., on Aug. 8, Horatio E. Wright, of Head of Millstream, aged sixty years, leaving his wife, two sons and two daughters. Notice of funeral hereafter. STAKHOUSE—At his residence, Hickey Road, on Aug. 9, Charles Stakhouse, aged 68 years, leaving his wife, one son, two brothers and three sisters. Notice of funeral later.

BURIED TODAY

The funeral of Miss Fannie Merritt Stewart took place this afternoon from her late residence, 174 Sydney street, to St. James church, where services were conducted by Rev. H. A. Cody. Interment was made in Fernhill cemetery.

NO IMPROVEMENT

The condition of little Willie Halliday, who was run over by an automobile in Paradise Row recently, and sustained severe injuries, is about the same. He is in the General Public Hospital.

IN MEMORIAM

JAMES—In loving and affectionate remembrance of my dear brothers, Jim and Ernest, killed in action, Ernest in the Dardanelles, Aug. 9, 1916, aged 19 years; Jim in Somme, Oct. 9, 1916, aged 24 years.

See Announcement Monday

Basket Picnic

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

Sleep on, dear brothers, in your soldiers' graves. The graves I never shall view; But as long as life and memory last I shall remember you. Deeply mourned by their sorrowing sister (Mary). MRS. GEORGE NORTHRUP.



THE KAISER CALLS A COUNCIL OF WAR. —Washington Star.

Declaration Of War Can Hardly Be Avoided Statement of Bolsheviki Attitude By Their Ambassador at Berlin

London, Aug. 9.—"It is not true that we have actually declared war on Great Britain, but our troops are fighting against the British invaders and a declaration of war can hardly be avoided," is the statement ascribed to M. Joffe, the Bolsheviki ambassador at Berlin, in the Amsterdam correspondent of the Daily Express. The government newspapers, it is added, welcome this "momentous step" and predict that Great Britain "will be sorry some day."

"The Soviet government at Moscow must make more definite efforts to assert itself against the Entente's onslaught from the north."

Amsterdam, Aug. 9.—A despatch from Petrograd, received here by way of Berlin, says a state of siege has been declared at Archangel, Volgod, Suchow and Kopliss and other places. All the communists in these places have been called to the colors, and all foreigners have been ordered to leave within twenty-four hours according to the despatch. Loss of 3,500,000.

London, Aug. 8.—Polish newspapers declare that the population of the kingdom has dropped from 14,000,000 to 10,000,000 during the war, according to an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Copenhagen. Mortality is increasing and great numbers of Poles are leaving their country because of the rigorous conditions of life under the German rule.

TOOK SWEEPINGS; IS CHARGED WITH THEFT

The preliminary hearing in the case of an employee of the C. P. R. freight department here, charged with the theft of tea, was commenced in the police court this morning. F. B. Taylor represented the C. P. R. and William M. Ryan for the defendant.

The first man to take the stand was Henry Harper, an investigator in the employ of the C. P. R. He said that yesterday afternoon he was in the C. P. R. yard watching a car which was loaded with tea consigned to T. H. Zetisbrooks. He saw a traffic policeman leave his post, go to the car, and come out shortly afterwards with a bag. He followed the policeman and he saw him take the bag into a drug store on the corner of Main street and Paradise Row.

He waited until he came out, and then followed him. On the strength of this he sent for Constable Gordon of the C. P. R. and, when Gordon arrived, he sent him into the store to get the bag. On opening it, he found it to contain tea. They proceeded to the court house, where they informed Detective Biddiscombe. In company with Biddiscombe they got a search warrant and, going to the car, took the defendant to his home and searched the premises. They found about thirty-five pounds of tea and about twenty pounds of rice. They then took him in charge.

In the detective's office in the police station the defendant made a statement, after being duly cautioned, to the effect that he had been taking the sweepings of tea from the car.

Other witnesses called were Daniel Newcombe and Detective Biddiscombe. On the closing of the evidence for the prosecution, William Ryan, for the defence, addressed the court, summing up the evidence, and on the strength of it, asked for bail. The magistrate said that he did not think that he could grant it, but added, as the presumption of guilt was not very strong, he would grant bail if the officials of the C. P. R. in court were agreeable. Mr. Taylor, on behalf of the C. P. R., said they were and the magistrate allowed the defendant out on \$600 bail.

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Instead of sending the vindictive up the Thames for charity the navy loaded her with cement, handed her over to the Admiralty, and she was finally sent to the Victoria Dock, where she was turned entrusted her to Commodore Hubert Lynes, C. M. G., and, once more, she picked her way behind a smoke screen, to Oxtend. The Germans, as soon as they realized her approach greeted her with the best work of their most powerful batteries. Between the sand-banks which guarded the harbor she slipped until, at last, she reached the spot she had to reach in order to put the finishing touch on St. George's Day. And then, having earned her own name and covered the navy with glory, she sunk just where she was meant to sink. With her went her gallant commander and no higher praise can be given than was paid by his superior who expressed valiance in the simple tribute: "He placed his ship just where he wanted it to be."

GRANT HARVEST LEAVE FOR THE SOLDIERS

Ottawa, Aug. 9.—An order was issued today by the militia department granting harvest leave without pay to members of the Canadian expeditionary force in Canada. Harvest leave which is limited to six weeks and may be cancelled at any time by wire or letter. The six weeks' period may commence when the soldier desires.

LOCAL NEWS

WAISTS TO CLEAR FOR 98c. Ladies' voile waists in white, rose, pink or blue; regular \$1.25 to \$1.75, now 98c. For 98c. C. J. Bassett's, cor. Union and Sydney. 8-12.

Ladies aprons, 98c. to \$1.25, at C. J. Bassett's, cor. Union and Sydney. 8-12. Men's summer halibrunn underwear, 40c. a garment, at C. J. Bassett's, cor. Union and Sydney. 8-12.

IN HONOR OF THOSE WHO SEWED

Fly service flag in your window to show your family is represented in this war for freedom. For sale by J. Kennedy, 222 Union street; open evenings. 8-12.

FLOWER SHOW AND SALE

Monday and Saturday we are having a special showing of gladioli, also some very fine asters and roses at 50c. per dozen; cemetery bouquet 25c. each. K. Pedersen Ltd., 36 Wrong Side Charlotte.

SUSSEX BUS

Don't forget to phone 2724-11 or 2964-22 for tickets on the Sussex bus. Leaves 17 Hanover at 9 a.m. No tickets sold after 6 p.m. Saturdays. 8-12.

BLUEBERRY PICNIC

To Brandy Brook Sunday, Aug. 11. For particulars phone Main 2391-31. 82930-8-12.

PERSONALS

Miss Margaret Boyer left this morning to visit Mrs. William Laskey in Fredericton. T. J. Bows of 297 Brussels street has gone to the St. John Infirmary to undergo treatment.

Rev. (Capt.) G. M. Campbell, who has been lecturing in the Chautauque course here, returned to his family at Wallace, N. S., today. Mrs. Donald MacRae of Mitchell, Ontario, of the late Rev. Dr. MacRae and brother of K. J. MacRae of Sinclair & MacRae, arrived in the city today. He will proceed to Glace Bay to preach next Sunday and then return to St. John and St. Andrews for a vacation.

APPOINTMENTS

J. D. P. Lewin has been appointed by the provincial government as a member of the St. John school board, vice Dr. James Manning, whose term has expired. J. A. Sinclair has been appointed chairman of the new Workmen's Compensation Board. J. L. Sargue will be the Labor member and the third appointee has not been considered.

GALLANT END OF SHIP CLASSED AS A FAILURE

It has happened, more than once, that ships which were practically discarded as failures after launching have come to a great and glorious end. The Great and the vindictive were no exception. The gallant end was inevitable by the very grandeur and size of the ship. Yet fate reserved for the Great Eastern the honor of being the only vessel fitted for the task of laying the Atlantic cable—and what greater event ever happened than the laying of that same cable?

Few ships can rank, historically, with the vindictive and yet her builders looked upon her as nothing more than a second-class cruiser. Even her name was not much more than a "hand-me-down."

Twenty years ago, when the vindictive was building, it was the custom to select a ship's name from the signal book. They simply revived a name which had already belonged to a warship of comparatively recent date. And so the cruiser started out with her rather pretentious name to which no one ever dreamed she would measure up.

She was originally ordered to carry six four-inch guns and six of six 4-inch, the latter of which were afterwards replaced by 6-inch guns. Even then she was not a success and was finally sent to the Dockyards Reserve at Chatham.

From there was assigned to Lord Fishwick "Admiral Sir Roger Keyes, who in ships which through age or other causes were of little use.

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Furniture Large Assortment High-Grade Quality Moderate Prices. Our three large show-rooms are filled with Furniture—every kind for every purse. Choice Is Scarce Prices Are Going Up. We are fortunate to be in a position to offer you a good assortment to choose from. J. Marcus, 30 Dock St.

MARITIME UNION IN SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK. Gathering at Sackville For Study of School Methods Recommends Amalgamation of Provincial Associations. The third annual summer school of Sunday school work, which is carried on by the N. B. and P. E. I. S. S. Association and the Baptist, Presbyterian and Methodist Sunday school boards, and which has been in session in the Mount Allison Ladies' College, Sackville, for the last week, was brought to a close yesterday and the delegates have returned to their homes.

GREAT BARGAINS For Friday, Saturday and Monday LADIES' DRESSES AND SKIRTS AND ALSO IN CHILDREN'S WEAR. We were fortunate in procuring a lot of Fifty Ladies Serge and Silk Dresses, and 200 Skirts, and are offering them at manufacturer's prices, as we need space for our Fall goods. Don't Delay in Getting Our Great Bargains. THE PARISIAN CLOTHING STORE, 25 Brussels Street—Opposite Caramarthen Street 62851-8-10.

Our Service to the eyeglass-wearing public is as efficient as knowledge and equipment can produce. Our methods of examining the eyesight are thorough and painstaking. We fit no glasses to diseased eyes or eyes that are in need of medical attention. D. BOYNER 1111 Charlotte St.

Extra - Special For Cash Store Open Friday Night. 18c. bottle Heaton's Pickles... 11c. 25c. tin Corn Syrup... 21c. Cow Soda... 4c. pkge. 10c. bottle Grape-juice... 7c. 30c. bottle Grape-juice... 22c. 35c. bottle Raspberry Vinegar, 25c. 2 lbs. Prunes... 25c. 5 lb. tin Large Prunes... \$1.20 30c. Mixed Laundry Starch... 32c. 40c. lb. Coconut... 32c. Large cake Dot Chocolate... 19c. 1-2 lb. cake Baker's Chocolate... 20c 1 lb. Pure Lard... 30c. 1 lb. tin Crisco... 45c. 1-2 lb. tin Crisco... 45c. 25c. bottle Peerless Pickles... 21c. 35c. pkge. Quaker Oats... 29c. 15c. pkge. Cornstarch... 11c. Benson's Cornstarch... 12 1/2c. St. Charles' Baby Milk... 6c. tin Condensed Cocoa... 16c. tin Condensed Horseradish... 19c. 25c. bottle Marmalade... 15c. jar 30c. Orange Marmalade... 25c. jar 25c. P. G. Lemon... 21c. jar 25c. P. G. Vanilla... 21c. jar 15c. Cream Cheese... 13c. pkge. 15c. Pimento Cheese... 13c. pkge. 15c. Chili Cheese... 13c. pkge. Rich Old Canadian Cheese, 21c. lb. 25c. pkge. Table Raisins... 15c. 25c. tin Belmont Beans... 21c.

50 Per Cent. Increase in Vision. Many persons have only one-half or one-third of the vision they might have if they wore properly fitted glasses. L. L. Sharpe & Son. THE BEST QUALITY AT A REASONABLE PRICE.

L. L. Sharpe & Son. Jewelers and Opticians. 21 KING ST. ST. JOHN, N. B. Walter Gilbert.

A POISON PAPER TO FOOL FRENCH. A Fine Example of German Propaganda. Its Object Treacherous. Lying Reports and False Pictures to Discourage French and Cause Dissention Among Allies.

Federicton News. Fredericton, Aug. 9.—Representative of the prominent fertilizer firms of New Brunswick will gather in Fredericton tomorrow for the purpose of conferring with the minister of agriculture upon the problem of the fertilizer supply for New Brunswick in 1919.

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