

THE WEATHER.

Forecasts. Maritime—Fresh westerly winds, fair and a little milder. Washington, Jan. 16.—Forecast: Northern New England—Overcast Wednesday, probably followed by snow flurries; Thursday fair, not quite so cold. Strong southwest and west winds.

Toronto, Jan. 16.—The weather today has been fine throughout the Dominion, with a general tendency toward milder conditions in the western provinces and practically no change in temperature from Ontario eastward.

Table with columns: Location, Min., Max. Rows include Dawson, Prince Rupert, Victoria, Edmonton, Battleford, Saskatoon, Calgary, Medicine Hat, Moose Jaw, Regina, Port Arthur, Port Nelson, London, Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax.

Around the City

Policeman Sworn In. Alfred McMaekin, a native of Cape Breton, was sworn in yesterday morning as a member of the local police force. The new man is over 6 feet in height and weighs 205 pounds.

Suing C. P. R. John Lemon, of Metcalfe street, North End, has instituted a suit against the C. P. R. Company, claiming \$5,000 damages for negligence. He is a longshoreman and was working on a vessel on the west side. A shackle broke and the blocks flew off and struck Lemon, who was working a winch, inflicting injuries which held him up for some time.

Boys' Club. Between forty and fifty boys gathered at the Boys' Club last night for the regular Tuesday night concert and a very pleasant hour was spent. A. M. Belding presided and Mrs. J. H. Doody, Mrs. W. C. Good and Mrs. Charlton Berrie of the playgrounds executive were present. Solos were sung by Miss Gullivan, Mrs. W. C. Good and H. O. Bonk; Magistrate Ritchie gave a very interesting talk; Mrs. A. C. Wilson gave some readings which the boys thoroughly enjoyed. Miss Marion Hogan acted as accompanist at the piano.

Soldiers Entertained. The Young Ladies' Guild of Trinity church entertained the soldiers at the military Y.M.C.A. at the armory last night. The entertainment which consisted of a musical and literary programme was greatly enjoyed by the large audience. Those who participated in the programme were: The Misses Hawkers' orchestra, music; Robert Carson, vocal solo; Miss Mills, reading; Miss Mabel Hawker, vocal solo, and Mr. Carson a solo. A tableau, entitled a "Bachelor Reveille," was splendidly staged. The entertainment was brought to a close by singing patriotic songs.

The Recruiting Situation. The recruiting situation in the province received a thorough airing yesterday afternoon at a special meeting called by Brigadier General McLean. There are several units which have been authorized to recruit throughout the Dominion, recruiting in the province and there are besides these units several provincial units endeavoring to secure their full complement. Several recommendations were drafted by the meeting which will be presented to General Benson at Halifax today.

City Boy Scouts Have Enjoyable Evening. A most enjoyable time was spent by members of the St. Paul's church troop of Boy Scouts last night, the occasion being the presentation of tenderfoot and second class badges to several of the boys. Paraded in the form of a horse shoe, with the Union Jack, held by the senior troop-leader, in the centre the scouts presented a smart appearance as District Scoutmaster Waring presented the badges. This was followed by "kim" games, tug-o-war and basketball, after which all present were handed refreshments, kindly provided by ladies connected with the church Sunday school. The officers in charge were S. M. Hamm and S. M. McPherson. Both Mission church and Waterloo street Baptist church troops also met at their headquarters last evening and received valuable instruction in scoutcraft.

WANTED—First class printer for newspaper work. Steady employment and good pay to right man. Apply Standard Ltd., St. John.

PITABLE CONDITIONS AT MISPEC

Family of Four Naked and Starving, in Filthy Shack, Short Distance From City.

A pitiable case was brought to light yesterday when County Police Officer Saunders went to Mispec to serve notice on a woman who is wanted in connection with a case which will come up on Thursday before Mr. Justice McKeown. He found a man, woman and two children living in a shack under most horrible conditions. When he entered the shack he found in the first room poles for a floor; in the second room he found stables that had once been a gray horse but was now nothing but a rack of bones. There was no fodder of any kind for the animal and its only covering was some pieces of carpet. In the next room which was the living room he found an old range with the bottom of a tea chest for top, two old benches and a rough table. On the table was some hard tack and a few pounds of flour and this was all the food in the house. The last room was the bedroom and here he found an old wooden bedstead on which was a dirty mattress and three dirty blankets and four pillows. The entire family of man, woman, a girl, 13 years old, and a girl 3 years old slept in this filthy bed.

The woman and the children were practically naked and the man was not much better clothed. When the man saw the officer he took to the woods but when told to come back he did so. The officer bundled the woman and children up the best he could in the rags in the house and brought them to the city. They were taken to the Children's Aid Home but it was impossible to care for them there and temporary quarters were found for them outside.

Today arrangements will be made to look after them and place them in proper surroundings.

JOHN BISHARA MAKES SUPREME SACRIFICE ON THE WAR FRONT

Former Well-Known Member of Local Assyrian Colony Succumbs to Wounds Received in Battle.

John Bishara, the first member of the Assyrian Protective Association in this city, who went to the front to fight for the Empire, has succumbed to wounds received in battle, and his many friends in this city will learn with regret of his death. Private Bishara for a number of years resided on Erin street, and then removed to Yarmouth, N.S. It was in the early part of the war that he enlisted with the 25th Nova Scotia battalion. He had leave for a short time and before going into real training visited his old home in St. John. Here dressed in the king's uniform, Bishara was a hero among his countrymen in the Assyrian colony at the foot of Erin street. The night he left for Halifax was one that will long be remembered by his fellow countrymen, as well as by many other citizens. With a band playing, and a large number of citizens following through the streets, Bishara was the feature of the night.

Near the Halifax express, in the train shed, there were hundreds of people who cheered long and loud for the Assyrian. Private John was called on for a speech, and from the car steps, in his broken English, he advised all young men to don the uniform and fight for the king, and in finishing he said, "Good by, I go away to kill the Kaiser."

Private Bishara did not have the chance to kill the Kaiser, but for many months he did his bit, and finally received a shrapnel wound in the face, and had part of his jaw shattered. He was removed to a hospital in England, and yesterday friends received a telegram stating that he had died. Speaking of his death yesterday one of his fellow countrymen stated that John must have had some knowledge that he was going to die, for it was only a week or so ago, that his brother received a box from England which contained some very curious souvenirs. Among other things in the box were German buttons, a brooch, made of German money, and finger rings made of Belgian and German money. In addition to these Bishara sent his teeth which had been knocked out by the piece of shrapnel, and as his friend said yesterday, "John must have known that his time was near when he sent over all these goods."

When he enlisted he signed over his business in Yarmouth, N.S. to his nephew, George. Private Bishara's wife died a short time before he enlisted. The dead hero has two nephews enlisted—Ade Bishara is with the 104th Battalion, while Joseph is with the battalion in Halifax.

One of your most faithful workers is forced to ask for a raise and sets forth reasons on page 3, this issue.

CAPT. ANGLIN WOUNDED BUT CARRIED ON

High Praise for Local Officer—Major Brown Slated for Important Command—Artillery Commanders Here.

The Standard a few weeks ago published exclusively the welcome news that Captain Gerald Anglin had been awarded the military cross. The daring exploit in which the gallant young officer received the coveted decoration is described by an officer of the 26th Battalion in letters which reached local friends yesterday. Captain Anglin voluntarily participated in a most successful raid on the German trenches. Soon after going over the parapet he was severely wounded, but the letters state that he continued to lead and encourage his men, his work resulting in the routing of the enemy. The letters state that the local officer's work was of a remarkable character and the equal of any of the famous raids carried out by the members of the Battalion.

Advices from officers of the 26th are to the effect that Major Brown has returned to the front after having successfully completed a commanding officer's course, in an English training school. It is understood that Major Brown is slated for an important command at the front.

Captain Gordon Johnston, speaking with The Standard last evening, said that complaints laid against the treatment of soldiers at the Y. M. C. A. were in his opinion wholly unwarranted. He says that the men of the 26th Battalion had nothing but high praise for the manner in which they were entertained by the officials of the association.

Two well known officers, Lieut. Frank Tingley, of Moncton, and Lieut. J. H. Lawlor, of Newcastle, were in the city yesterday and registered at the Victoria Hotel. Lieut. Tingley was formerly an engineer at Courtenay Barr. He was twice wounded at the front. He has returned to Canada to recruit and command an Artillery draft. Lieut. Lawlor is a son of Judge J. R. Lawlor, and is in command of a draft of the 12th Newcastle Field Battery, which he will shortly take overseas. Though one of the youngest commanding officers in the entire Canadian army, he is nevertheless highly efficient and is exceedingly popular with the men under his charge.

ENOCH THOMPSON HEADS UNION R. A. CHAPTER

Installation of Officers Last Evening—Chapter is in Flourishing Condition.

At a largely attended meeting of the Union Royal Arch Chapter last evening Past Grand High Priest W. L. Ellis installed the new officers for 1917 as follows: Enoch Thompson, high priest; W. R. Bennett, K.; G. M. Baillie, S.; E. G. Horne, C. of H.; E. R. W. Ingraham, P. S.; J. W. Myles, R. A. C.; W. Carter, M. S. V.; C. W. Hanington, M. 1 V.; Harold Mayes, treasurer; W. L. Stewart, secretary. At the close of the installation ceremonies refreshments were served and a pleasant evening was spent. The chapter is in a flourishing condition, both financially and numerically. High Priest Thompson looks forward to a prosperous year for the Chapter during 1917.

A Pleasant Evening.

The first of a series of three invitation evenings was held in the rooms of the Natural History Society on Union street last evening. Mrs. J. V. Ellis and Mrs. Richard Hooper were in charge. Members of the King's Daughters' Guild, the Girls' Friendly Society of Trinity church and the sewing class of the Mission church were the guests of the evening. Mrs. Richard Hooper gave an illustrated talk on "The Eskimos of Labrador," which was much appreciated. Later general singing was indulged in and refreshments served.

KEWPIE KNITTED SUITS FOR KIDDIES.

The most comfortable outfit for boys from two to four years is the knitted suit consisting of Overalls, Sweater and Cap all to match. When they are made from good pure wool strong yarns they wear well and are very warm and look attractive. They can be had at F. A. Dykeman & Co's in Cardinal, Scarlet, Khaki, Grey and Brown at \$2.75, \$3.39, \$3.75 and \$4.50. These prices are made possible because they bought the goods just a year ago when they were one-third lower than they are now.

Owing to the war many articles are being given to a greater extent than formerly. Gundry's experience shows a strong demand existing for Cigarette Cases, Skinet Rings and Military Brushes. A grand selection of these articles is always kept in stock. The famous wrist watch is also shown in many styles.

HARD LABOR SQUAD WILL DISAPPEAR

Have Built Many Streets in the City and Walks in Rockwood Park.

Yesterday witnessed the passing of an institution which has not always caused favorable comment in the city, the hard labor squad. For the past twelve or fifteen years the city has made the prisoners sentenced to hard labor work on the streets and in the parks. It was a familiar sight twice a day to see a file of men handcuffed together marching through the streets to their work and the children would stop their play to look and say "there goes the jail gang," but unless the councilors have a change of heart that sight will not be seen again.

The idea in inaugurating this way of employing the prisoners in the jail was that it would act as a deterrent but it has not worked out that way in practice, rather has it had an opposite effect and hardened the men. For some years there has been an agitation to do away with this method of dealing with these unfortunates and as long as ten years ago the present county secretary, J. King Kelley, moved that it be abolished and this was the first motion he ever made in the municipal council.

At that time he was laughed at but the sentiment in favor of abolishing this form of punishment has grown wonderfully and yesterday the municipal council by a practically unanimous vote—Councillor Fisher being the only dissenting voice—decided to do away with this relic of barbarism.

During the time the municipality has been using the labor of these men they have built miles of streets in the city and in Rockwood Park. In fact, Rockwood Park would not be the beauty spot it is today except for the labor which they expended there. The beautiful artificial lakes were made altogether through their efforts and many of the drives were made in the same way.

The objection is not to their being employed in these labor but to the marching of them through the streets shackled together and the warden advocated giving them physical exercises in the jail rather than continue the present system.

ST. ANDREW'S ST. HOUSE RAIDED BY THE POLICE

Four Arrests Early This Morning in Connection With Disorderly House Case.

This morning at about 1.30 o'clock two police constables made a raid on a St. Andrew's street house, and witnessed a most deplorable sight. Two married women, whose husbands are in France fighting for the Empire, were in company with two soldiers belonging to a local unit. There had been much drinking of liquor on the premises, and conditions were such that the police placed the quartette under arrest. The woman who conducts the house is charged with being the keeper of a disorderly house, while her married female companion and the two soldiers are charged with being inmates. One of the soldiers was too drunk when arrested to give his name to the officers.

A most sad part of the affair is that the proprietress of the house had in her company a twelve-year-old daughter, and the little girl was taken to police headquarters with the others. Rev. W. R. Robinson secretary of the Children's Aid Society, was notified, and with Police Matron Ross, looked after the little girl, who was sent to the Children's Aid Society home for safety.

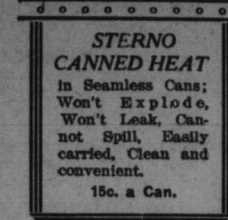
S. W. McMAKIN RETIRING FROM BUSINESS.

As will be noticed elsewhere in this paper, Mr. McMackin, who has been in business in North End for the past seventeen years has decided to retire from same and offers his business for sale en bloc. This is a great opportunity for anyone who desires a going business as the store is the best in North End and the stock is up to date in every particular.

OBITUARY

Wm. G. Douglas. After a short illness William G. Douglas died in the St. John Infirmary yesterday morning. The deceased was a builder and contractor, coming here from Cambridge, Mass., recently, and became ill while visiting his brother, Daniel, at Torryburn. He was in his eighty-second year, and was a son of the late Daniel Douglas, a farmer of Jerusalem, who died at the age of ninety-three years. Besides his wife, he is survived by two brothers, Daniel, of Torryburn, and Robert, who resides in Jerusalem, also three sisters, Mrs. Friars, of Randolph, Mass.; Mrs. Wheeler, of San Francisco, and Mrs. John Dunn, of Jerusalem. His burial will take place at Jerusalem on Thursday.

A Good Hot Drink in a Jiffy



Tea, Coffee, Milk, Cocoa, Chocolate, Beef Tea, Lemonade—Piping Hot—are grateful to the stomach on cold days and frosty nights. You can have these comforts anytime, anywhere, if you provide yourself a

STERNO SOLID ALCOHOL COOKING STOVE which is Very Compact—the tin of Canned Heat and the Nickeled Collapsible Stand fit inside the Pint Boiler, the Hinged Handles of which fold in snugly to the sides. They cost but little. Sterno Stove, complete with can of Heat Collapsible Stand and One Pint Covered Boiler, 75c. Sterno Disc Stove \$1.00. Brass Tea Kettle and Stand \$1.85 Sterno Big 3—Chafing Dish Stand and Tray, Nickeled, \$1.50 A Tin of Canned Heat with Each Sterno Outfit.

MARKET SQUARE - W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD. - KING STREET

FEATHER HATS

Very popular at the present time in New York We can give you White, Black and Colors

Large Showing Trimmed Hats Colored Felts, 25c each, your choice

Marr Millinery Co., Ltd.

Sleds and Framers

Cold Weather Means Good Sport—Are You Ready?

SPEEDWAY SLEDS (Strong and Serviceable) ... \$1.75, \$2, \$2.50 and \$3 CLIPPER SLEDS ... 35c. to \$3.35 FRAMER SLEDS ... 50c. to \$2.75 "AUTOMOBILE" HOCKEY SKATES ... \$1.25 to \$6.00 WHELPLEY'S LONG REACH SKAT. \$1.40 to \$2.25 "SALYER'S" HOCKEY STICKS ... 10c. to 60c. HOCKEY PUCKS ... 15c. to 20c.



Emerson & Fisher Ltd.

Advertisement for Manchester Robertson Allison Limited with logo and store information: STORES OPEN AT 9 AND CLOSE AT 6 O'CLOCK KING ST. GERMAINSE AND MARKET SQUARE



Final Disposal of Quality Furs

Every Piece in Stock Has Been Marked Down for This Annual Mid-Winter Sale

All this Season's Fashionable Shapes and Most Stylish Furs offered At Reduced Prices.

Black and Taupe Wolf are the most favored pelts, closely followed by Mink, Marten, Persian Lamb, Ermine, etc. In Muffs the round shape is the popular one. The Single Skin Head and Tail Ruff and the larger Neck Pieces are most in Demand.

ALL THE ABOVE SKINS AND SHAPES REPRESENTED IN SALE.

Without considering the money-saving opportunity offered, think of the satisfaction and comfort derived from the possession of one of these furs.

SEE THEM IN OUR WINDOW.

Plainly Marked at Sale Prices, and in Fur Department.

Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited