

Around the City

FAIR AND WARM.

FREIGHT HANDLERS. A meeting of the railway freight handlers was held last night. Routine business only was transacted.

IS IMPROVING. Little Wm. Halliday, recently injured on Wall street bridge, when he was struck by an auto, was reported much improved last evening.

JOINED NAVY LEAGUE. The City Cornet Band have joined the Navy League in a body and every member of the organization is now wearing the navy button.

GETTING READY FOR WINTER. The C. G. R. spur around Courtenay Bay is being thoroughly rehabilitated and put in first class shape in preparation for the winter traffic.

WAS CAPTURED. William Taylor, who escaped from the Boys' Industrial Home, was arrested on Wednesday at a local business place where he was employed. He was returned to the home.

SUBSCRIPTION RECEIVED. Mayor Hayes yesterday afternoon received a subscription of \$100 in response to the appeal sent out by Capt. F. W. Rising for Canadian convalescing soldiers in England.

APPEAL FOR FUNDS. Mayor Hayes has received a letter from Capt. F. M. Rising, quartermaster of the 13th reserve battalion, containing an appeal for funds to assist Canadian soldiers convalescing in England.

AN APPOINTMENT. George Evans has been appointed acting foreman of street work in the West End, in succession to the late John Nichols. A permanent appointment will not be made for some time.

OF XAVIERIAN ORDER. Brother Lorenzo of the Xavierian Order, a teacher in an East Boston school, passed through the city last evening en route to Boston from Halifax, where he had spent the past two months.

CHARGED WITH THEFT. Michael Delaney, wanted by the city police on a charge of theft from a former employer here, was brought to the city yesterday by Detective Bladecombe, having been arrested in Halifax.

CALL FOR TENDERS. Commission. Hilday announces that tenders for the East St. John extension will be called for in a few days, and he hopes to have the line in use before Christmas. Tenders to the department were locating leaks on the Marsh Road and Erin street.

ENJOYS VACATION. Police Inspector Caples returned on Tuesday to the city after a vacation spent in Montreal. The police department of Montreal, where Inspector John official a royal time, combined with an investigation of police methods and routine in the city of islands.

W. V. TURNBULL HONORED. Wellington V. Turnbull, of the Canadian Pacific Railway maintenance of way department was honored yesterday by the railroad employees, who are in convention at St. Louis. Particulars have not been received.

THE POLICE COURT. His Honor yesterday morning fined each of the three men who lately were charged with an assault, \$20 each; also warned the woman, who were connected with the case.

CHIEF JUSTICE ARCHIBALD. Chief Justice Archibald, Montreal, is in the city, a guest at the Royal route to Little Leticia Lake, from Lockport, N. S., where he spent the past few weeks. Chief Justice Archibald will proceed homeward from Little Leticia Lake for the opening of court in Montreal on September 4th.

GIVEN A STRIPE. Mrs. M. Pemberton, of 102 Winter street, recently received a letter from her son, Peter Pemberton, that he had been given one stripe, raising him to the rank of lance corporal, and sent to England to take an instructional course. The young soldier went overseas with the 56th and was wounded at the Somme.

FEMALE LABOR. Young ladies employed in Fernhill cemetery, apparently take to work in excellent order, as the cemetery shows a careful upkeep. These young ladies were seen yesterday dressed in overall and hard at work moving grass off the lots. Apparently the old door line agrees with all of them, as they appeared robust and healthy in their male attire.

CARPENTER INJURED. W. Ernest Wallace, a ship carpenter, employed at the Marine Construction Company's plant, received a blow shaking up and several cuts about the head yesterday morning when he fell backward from a platform about twenty-five feet high. He was taken to the General Public Hospital where his wounds were dressed and later removed to his home, 168 Union street.

HAD SHIP TORPEDOED. Capt. F. C. H. Arantz, Bergen, Norway, accompanied by his wife, is in the city en route to St. George to spend a vacation. Captain Arantz commanded the ship Medvia which was torpedoed by the Hunns about a year ago and was taken over by the Imperial government. He has now taken up his residence at Hillsboro, the former home of Mrs. Arantz.

WORD OF PROMOTION. Word has been received by Miss Eva Casseley, of 109 Rothersey avenue, city, of the promotion to Lieutenant of S. F. Bennett, who went overseas with the A. P. O. 118th F. A. S. I., American expeditionary forces. Mr. Bennett is well known in St. John. He fore enlisting he was employed as assistant manager for the Colonial Hide Company, Market street. His host of friends in this city will be pleased to hear of his promotion.

Y. W. F. A. meeting tonight. Y. W. F. A. rooms, Wellington Row, 3 p. m.

SARDINE INDUSTRY AT A STANDSTILL

Fish is Unusually Scarce At the Present Time—Unless Sardines Strike in Soon Fishermen Will Prove Heavy Losers.

The sardine industry is a slow business at present as this species of fish is unusually scarce. The Booth Fisheries are experiencing an unusually poor business, as well as Connors Bros. at Black's Harbor.

Local weir men have expended thousands of dollars in erecting weirs and unless the fish strike in pretty soon the loss will be very heavy.

GAME WARDEN ON THE NORTH SHORE

Story Told About a Man Who Said Much and on Learning To Whom He Talked, Said He Was Noted Liar.

A traveller in a local hotel rounds told a good yarn yesterday regarding game licenses and illegal slaying of wild animals in Northern New Brunswick.

A game warden hearing of the violation of the game laws made a journey to investigate things to his own satisfaction. Arriving in a northern town, the warden registered in a hotel and seated himself near some of the residents of that locality lounging around in the hotel.

Then came a moment of suspense, when the warden rightly introduced himself as a provincial official with power to arrest offenders. However the warden's informant was quite undismayed again and added, "Well warden I told you of my good luck in the woods; also of my violating the law; and in fact let me tell you I am the biggest liar in these parts."

DEPOT BATTALION BAND WILL PLAY

Arrangements Completed For Veterans' Fair—Widows and Children of Fallen Comrades Receive Free Admission.

The committee of War Veterans and Trades and Labor Council in connection with the coming fair met last evening in the Veterans' Home and further discussed plans. It was reported at the meeting that Lieut-Col. McAvity had kindly loaned the Depot Battalion Regimental Band to furnish music during the week and this alone will prove a big attraction.

ST. JOHN SOLDIER KILLED IN FRANCE

Purdy A. Chesley Notified His Son Frank Paid Supreme Sacrifice on August 9.

Purdy A. Chesley, 374 Main street, received an official telegram last evening informing him that his son, Frank A. Chesley, was killed in action in France on August 9th. The news of the young soldier's death is doubly sad as his mother died on the 27th of last month. It was in the fall of 1914 that the soldier hero at the age of eighteen years enlisted and went overseas with the Army Service Corps unit from Toronto, and a brother, Harold A. who was just one year younger, accompanied him. A third brother, George A. Chesley, who is in his 31st year, is also in France fighting for king and country and has been there going on four years. In addition to the father and brothers left to mourn there are three sisters at home.

ST. JOHN VERY LOW IN ITS CHARGES

Commissioner Bullock Collecting Statistics From Other Parts on Wharf Ownership and Charges.

Preparatory to recommending an increase in the rates charged by the city for side and top wharfage, Commissioner Bullock has been collecting statistics from other ports on the form of ownership and charges made. From the information furnished he has found that in some of the ports municipal ownership exists, while in others municipal and private ownership, and some are in commission. He found that the rates varied no two ports charging the same, but taken all round St. John was very low in its charges.

LOCAL BARBERS MAY INCREASE THE RATES

One Artist Gives Reason, Stating Soldiers Shaving Selves and Others Using Safety Razors, Makes Business Slack For Shops.

A local barber, speaking to some customers yesterday morning, when scraping off near three days growth of whiskers said: "Soon the everyday shave may cost you a quarter-dollar; and a haircut one-half dollar." Asked why prices should climb in the tonorial business; and if war was the cause of this proposed advance he said that many men since joining the army have learned to shave themselves, thus curtailing trade for a barber; again, safety razors have inadvertently hit the barbers, as this form of razor permits a rapid shave with very little danger of cutting one's self, so that men who formerly journeyed to a tonorial artist now shave with the safety. The artist of the beard predicted that in about two years time no barbers would shave customers, their trade being but that of hair dressing which would cost a good figure.

With present conditions he believed many barbers would be eventually compelled to cut all over-head expenses, take smaller shops and hire less help.

DEATH IN OTTAWA OF W. T. STEBBINGS

Rev. H. A. Goodwin Will Bring Remains To Sackville For Interment in Family Lot.

Rev. H. A. Goodwin, of Centenary Methodist Church, left on the express last evening for Ottawa, having been called there by the death of his nephew, W. T. Stebbings of the Civil Service Department, who died yesterday. Mr. Stebbings was the son of the late Rev. Thomas Stebbings of Sackville, and leaves to mourn a mother and two sisters, Misses Elizabeth and Winnie, residing in Sackville, and one brother, Rev. Charles Stebbings, at Harcourt.

CONFERENCE OF A. M. E. CHURCHES

Will Be Presided Over By Bishop C. S. Smith—Reception To Visiting Clergymen This Evening.

The convention of the A. M. E. churches opens this evening in St. Philip's church, Queen street. Many visiting clergymen from Nova Scotia and New Brunswick will reach the city today to attend the conference to be presided over by Bishop C. S. Smith, of Michigan, who is at present in the city.

CAMPAIN FOR A LIVING WAGE

Steam and Operating Engineers' Union Held Meeting Last Night—Majority of Engineers in City Are Members.

A large and enthusiastic meeting of the St. John branch of the International Union of Steam and Operating Engineers was held last night in the Painters' Hall, Charlotte street. The meeting was largely devoted to a discussion on the starting of a campaign for a living wage, many of those claiming that this was not paid to stationary engineers at the present time.

BEERSVILLE MINE WILL BE OPERATED

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Should negotiations which are now under way materialize, a new coal mine will soon be in operation in the province which should help to relieve the situation, so far as soft coal is concerned.

HELP QUESTION ON PROVINCIAL FARMS

Farmers Want Help From St. John—Provincial Official Says Only Small Number of Farmers Write For Help.

The question of obtaining help on the farms in New Brunswick during the harvest time has become acute, according to a St. John River farmer who was in the city recently. He stated that registration offices had been opened by the Provincial Department of Agriculture with the expectation that people in other lines of work would volunteer to help gather in the crops, but so far the response had been disappointing.

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Yesterday G. E. Burchill, of Sydney; J. W. Cummings, of New Glasgow, and J. D. Betts, of Joggins Mines, who are interested in mining at Beersville, were in consultation with J. H. Frink, fuel administrator for the province in connection with the resumption of operations at that place. Later these gentlemen met Premier Foster and discussed with him the possibility of having the Beersville Railway, which has been idle since the sale a few weeks ago, resume operations in order that the coal mined, if the mines were reopened.

WILLIAM PERKINS SOLVED MYSTERY

Rabbit Wire Caused Leakage in Telegraph System Which Bothered Officials For Some Days.

It remained for William Perkins of Hampton and a companion to find a troublesome leak in the wire of a telegraph company between here and Moncton. The leak which was on a through trunk wire, bothered the operators and testers for some days, finally Perkins and another man were sent along up the line from the headquarters in St. John. After a long still hunt by daylight and moonlight the trouble was located near Bloomfield where some boys had attached a piece of rabbit wire to the telegraph wire, allowing the juice to leak down the smaller wire into the ground.

CONCERT AND DANCE.

An excellent entertainment was given for the soldier boys last night by West Side Soldiers' Field Comforts for the Composite Battery on Paradise Island. The programme was as follows: Solo and chorus, Miss Oram; dance, Little Miss Gregory, five years old; solo and chorus, Miss Nellie Ferguson; dancing, Miss Rose; solo and chorus, Miss Edith Long; solo, Miss Oram; step dance, Miss Ferguson; address, Mrs. E. A. Young.

THE NEW FALL BROADCLOTHS ARE AT DYKEMAN'S

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