

Around the City

UNSETTLED.

YESTERDAY'S ALARM. An alarm was sent in from box 124 yesterday afternoon for a grass fire just beyond the bridge on the Adelaide road. The blaze was soon extinguished by the firemen.

FERRY ENTRANCE DAMAGED. The ferry steamer Ludlow collided with the northern wing of the west side dock entrance yesterday morning about eight o'clock and caused a few hundred dollars damage to the cabin.

EXPORT FORMS. The board of trade has received copies of forms X and X 2 as required by recent regulations of the War Trade Board in connection with exports from the United States. These forms may be had on application.

HEARD WITH REGRET. The news that Rev. J. J. O'Donovan, pastor of the Church of Assumption, West St. John, is seriously ill with plural-pneumonia in Boston, was heard with general regret yesterday. His Lordship Bishop Le Blanc left Tuesday night to visit Father O'Donovan.

SEVERELY WOUNDED. A cabin had been received stating that Lieut. Berie W. Turbull of an imperial sloop battery, but formerly of the Bank of British North America here, has been severely wounded, and is at present at the General Hospital in Saint Omer, France.

ANOTHER DRAFT. Twenty-five members of a Jewish draft reached the city at noon yesterday from Boston and New York, and were welcomed by many of their fellow-countrymen. The party will proceed to Windsor this morning. With the draft were five men who have enlisted in the British army in the States.

NOVELTY SHOWER. A novelty shower was tendered Miss Kittie Phalen on Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. Kierwan, 8 Spruce Lane Road. The number present testified to the popularity of the young lady who is soon to be the principal in a happy event. A very pleasant evening was spent in games and music.

MILITARY NOTES. The London Gazette recently contained the following items: New Brunswick Regt.—Temp. Capt. C. F. Leonard, D. S. O., relinquishes act. rank of Capt. To be act. capt.—Temp. Lt. R. A. Major, M. C. (while sep. emp'd.). Temp. Lts. R. B. Campbell, A. W. Gregory, M. C., R. W. B. Coster and H. O. Ashford to be act. capt.

WAS ANOTHER ADAMS. Following inquiry at Ottawa, David Adams, 260 Main street, received word yesterday that the H. M. Adams mentioned in Monday's casualty list as having died of wounds in the hospital, Corporal Harry Melbourne Adams, Ottawa officials further stated that the exact whereabouts and condition of Mr. Adams's son reported on Friday last to have been wounded, would be ascertained by cable.

SOLDIERS PLAY BALL. A lively base ball game took place at Queen Square, West End yesterday afternoon between the 6888 Central Postal Directory Battalion and the King Square Red Triangle Club. Eight innings were played and the game finished up nine to five in favor of the Red Triangle team. Powers pitched for the 6888 men and Stafford for the Red Triangle. Ross of the Red Triangle proved an exceptionally good man at the bat, making a two and later a three base hit.

MIDNIGHT ALARM. An alarm from Box 42 called out the firemen shortly after twelve o'clock last night for a slight fire in a small workshop at Duke street owned by O. C. Ward. No water was turned on as the chemical soon put out the blaze. The shop has been unoccupied for some little time and it is thought a cigarette end may have accidentally been thrown in through the window, which was broken. Very good damage was done and it will be covered by insurance.

SCOUTS TO HARD. About 160 boy scouts from the various troops after procuring their supply of war garden cards at the Natural History rooms yesterday afternoon, spent a couple of hours industriously posting the same on the poles about the city. The result of their labors soon became very evident so that now even the most unobservant could not go along the streets without becoming aware of the existence of the War Gardens' Association and their energetic campaign on behalf of increased production.

RECEPTION TO HEROES. A party of five St. John heroes arrived home from the front yesterday: Gunner F. J. Gillet, a first contingent man; Corporal D. Sprague and Privates Thomas Phillips, Daniel Mayes and W. G. C. Hannah. The men were tendered a reception at the Discharge Depot by the members of the returning soldiers' reception committee. An address of welcome was given by mayor Hayes and the men were provided with smokes and candy by the ladies on the committee.

CREDIT TO INSPECTOR. In Tuesday's issue of The Standard mention was made of the good work accomplished by Detective Moore of Montreal in the Thorne and Co. robbery case, and there was no intention of taking any credit from Liquor Inspector Crawford who made the arrest of one Max Webber who had stolen articles in his possession. It might be also mentioned that the Thorne Company and the Montreal detective have stated that Inspector Crawford was of great assistance to them in as far as searching Webber's grip, locating some of the stolen property and in making the arrest. When Webber was arrested by Inspector Crawford at the Digby boat Detective Moore was present at the time and while the Inspector found stolen articles in the grip the detective found more of the stolen goods wrapped up in a parcel.

RUSSIAN OFFICERS PRESENT VALUABLE GIFT TO AID SOCIETY

Piano with Player Attachment Presented by Mariners of Steamship Now in Port—Was their Personal Property

The Children's Aid Society were the recipients of a very valuable and useful gift yesterday when the Russian officers of a steamer now in port presented the home with a very fine piano with player attachment and a number of records. As they are about to leave for their homes in Russia they desired to present their piano which was their personal property, having been purchased by them in New York last summer, to some deserving society. They consulted D. W. Ledingham of Wm. Thomson & Co., Ltd., who suggested the Children's Aid Society. Messrs. Ledingham and A. M. Belding, the latter the president of the society, wired Ottawa and were able to have the piano landed without duty and it is now installed in the new home of the society on Garden street.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. Belding, Rev. Geo. Scott, Mrs. D. McLellan, Mrs. J. H. Doody, Mrs. J. Willard Smith, Mrs. W. B. Tennant and Miss Grace Robertson, comprising the executive of the society, met the Russian officers at the office of Messrs. Thomson & Co. and expressed their deep appreciation for the valuable gift. Two of the officers spoke excellent English and they interpreted the remarks of the executive and explained the object of the society to their comrades. The officers expressed the pleasure it afforded them to have assisted in adding to the pleasure of the little inmates of the home and took occasion to wish the society every success. The members of the executive shook hands with the officers and wished them a safe and happy passage to their homes. It is estimated that the piano cost in the vicinity of a thousand dollars in New York.

JOHNSTON LODGE 23RD ANNIVERSARY

Members with Friends Celebrated Event in Orange Hall; Last Evening—Enjoyable Programme Carried Out.

The ladies of Johnston Lodge No. 14, L. O. B. A., with a number of their friends celebrated the twenty-third anniversary of the lodge in the Orange Hall on Germain street last evening. Mrs. G. O. Akerley, worthy grand mistress, presided. An interesting programme was carried out including the following numbers: Solos, Miss Eva Spencer, Mrs. J. T. Downey, Miss Ina Magnusson, Sgt. C. S. Segee and Peter Murray; vocal quintet, The Misses Wright; club swinging, Miss Cathers Cox; piano solo, Master Ralph Akerley, Miss M. E. Calvert; readings, W. Spencer, Miss Evelyn Lobb, Miss Elsie Moore and Miss Rita Day. At the conclusion of the programme the National Anthem was sung, after which refreshments were served.

ENTERTAINMENT LAST EVENING

Excellent Programme in the Orange Hall—Was Under Auspices of Carmarthen St. Church Junior Aid and Nfld. Society.

A large number of people attended the entertainment held last evening in the Orange Hall on Germain street, under the auspices jointly of the Junior Aid of the Carmarthen Street Methodist Church and the Newfoundland Society. The programme included many excellent numbers, nearly all of which were encored. The programme was as follows: Prologue, Ethel M. Causten; songs, Eleanor Larsen, Walter Causten, Ronald Causten; dialogue, "The Months"; Highland Fling, Laura Harding; Spanish waltz, Auley; umbrella drill; chorus, "Over There"; French exercise with Stella Fox as Joan of Arc; Daisy Tableau and song; playlet, "Stalling"; trio, "Boys in Khaki"; Mrs. Finn, Estelle Fox and May Alchorn; Spanish waltz; duet, Lillian Foster and Leonard Roberts; fan drill, twelve girls, Miss Stella Earle was director and Miss May Alchorn, pianist. A sale of candy was held during the intermission.

IMPERIAL TONIGHT

A Good Show and Speeches By Candidates for Commissioner.

Clara Kimball Young in "The Marlottes" at the Imperial is a thrilling story gorgeously produced and with a superb cast. From a simple little country girl she rises to great heights in her deliberation and blossoms into a Parisian butterfly, winning her husband's love. A sure laugh with clever stunts in the new Mack Sennett double reel comedy, "The Kitchen Lady." Patrons pronounced it a riot of fun at yesterday's show. It has been arranged that candidates for the election for the office of commissioner will speak at the Imperial tonight. The speakers will start at 10 o'clock, after the last show. On Monday they go to the polls for the last time and the electors are given this opportunity to hear the views of new men and men who have governed civic affairs before. Judging from a similar meeting in the Imperial two years ago they will be greeted with a crowded house.

GLOOM OF SADNESS SURROUNDS HOME OF MRS. W. H. DENNIS

Received Word Yesterday her Husband Died of Wounds in France—Her Brother, Pte. Vanwart, Died Suddenly Few Weeks Ago.

A gloom of sadness surrounds the home of Mrs. Wm. H. Dennis, 115 British street city. A telegram received by her from Ottawa yesterday morning conveyed the sad intelligence: "Regret to inform you that your husband, Pte. W. H. Dennis, Reg. No. —7 succumbed to wounds on April 12th, at 56th Clearing Station, France. As near as can be learned Pte. Dennis died from chest wounds."

The sad occurrence is still deepened by the fact that Mrs. Dennis's brother, the late Pte. Jas. Vanwart, died recently in a military hospital here. This makes a double sorrow encompassing the home. Mrs. Dennis states her husband was wounded in action one year ago at Vimy Ridge on the 9th April. He recovered and had been in the trenches nearly one year before meeting death. He formerly belonged to the 1st Battalion, 1st Canadian Infantry, and was killed on the 12th of August, 1916, he went to England in the following August. Whilst there he wrote many letters home, but was reticent regarding the war. He always said in his letters, "I'll tell you all when I return."

Two bright little children survive, Dorothy, aged ten, and William, aged seven. Before going overseas Pte. Dennis was in the employ of Geo. Dick & Son as teamster. Yesterday, the same day on which the above telegram reporting his death, the postman called in the evening and delivered a field card from the deceased, dated France, March 26th. Mrs. Dennis' troubles come in numbers—her husband's death, her brother's death and lately sickness of her only boy who was confined to a hospital. But it is to be added, "Every cloud has its silver lining, the darkest is before the dawn." The fact that her husband died in the cause of right and righteousness ought to be a great consolation to her. The citizens in general deeply grieve in her sorrow and fully sympathize with her.

ELIGIBLES RECEIVE THE NEWS CALMLY

Men Who are Liable Under the M. S. Act Anxiously Awaiting Further Results—Many Firms will Lose Employees.

A wide spasm separates the conservative estimate from the extravagant one regarding the number of men to be affected in New Brunswick by the order-in-council calling up all the unmarried, or widowers without children between the ages of twenty and twenty-three. The officials in the province have expressed themselves as unwilling to discuss the matter until they hear more from Ottawa. It is expected that following the secret session of the house held yesterday that developments of a detailed nature will reach the officials within a very few days. The announcement from Ottawa regarding the new man-power measure created considerable discussion yesterday in St. John and those who will come within the call received the news in a matter of fact way. "They got you at last," "I told you that they would take you before me," "I knew they would need me over there to win this war," and many other similar expressions were passed around. Some of the establishments in St. John will be obliged to engage female help to take the places of the men to be called out as there is quite a large number of men of this particular class who are employed as clerks.

COLLEGE BRIDGE MERCHANT ENLISTS

C. Owen LeBlanc Joins the Siege Battery—Has Many Friends in St. John.

C. Owen LeBlanc of College Bridge is in the city. Mr. LeBlanc is signing up today in a siege battery. He formerly, with his brother, ran a store in College Bridge and enjoyed a good trade. This was due to the fact of the affability and courtesy of the young men.

He received word to report at an infantry station on April 20th, but came to the city a little earlier and was successful in obtaining a transfer for another unit. Mr. LeBlanc is an old student of St. Joseph's College, and by this medium is well known by the St. John boys who wish "Owen" the best of success and now only await to see how he fits in the uniform.

WRECKED CREW LAIVE. Part of the crew of the wrecked Norwegian bark Ashmore, who were landed here in the city since they were landed here two weeks ago, left last evening for Portland, Me., where they will endeavor to ship to vessels. Several of the others decided to go west.

PRENTICE BOYS' FAIR. Another good crowd was present at the Prentice Boys' Fair last night and all enjoyed the games and amusements provided. The prize winners were: door prize, ton of coal, Miss Ruth Ferguson; ten pins, silver button, T. Macaulay; bean toss, umbrella, William Alchorn; ring toss, clock, Miss Alice Price; air gun, thermos bottle, Serg. T. Meehan; bagatelle, cake basket, Mrs. A. C. Smith.

TWO PRESBYTERIAN CONGREGATIONS AGREE ON UNION

St. Andrew's and Calvin Presbyterian Churches Will Unite—Consummation Expected Within the Next Two Weeks.

The congregation of St. Andrew's and Calvin Presbyterian churches have agreed on a basis of union and it is expected the consummation will take place within the next two or three weeks.

Committees from the two congregations have been at work for some time and the result of their labors is a basis of union containing no clauses. This was submitted to the congregation of St. Andrew's church Tuesday evening and unanimously agreed to. Last night the report was dealt with by the Calvin congregation and they too adopted the findings of the joint committees. The next step will be taken on Wednesday, April 24 when the basis will be laid before the Presbytery for its approval and it is expected this will be forthcoming without any difficulty. This union will result in the closing of another Presbyterian church in this city but it was felt that in the present crisis when the need for conservation in fuel and energies was so great that it would be in the interest of the both congregations and the work of the denomination as a whole that the union should take place. The matter was talked over in a quiet way and finally each church appointed a committee who have been working on the project for some little time and eventually arriving at the basis of union adopted by the two congregations last night on Tuesday. The both congregations will worship in St. Andrew's and Calvin will be sold.

MOVING PERIOD FAST APPROACHING

Many Difficulties are Being Experienced by Citizens in Having Household Effects Transferred.

"How soon before the first of May can you let me in, Mrs. —, as I want to get my furniture moved before then on account of the difficulty of getting hold of a truckman," remarked a woman yesterday to a lady who is vacating a house on May 1st. "Just as soon as Mrs. — moves out of the fat I am going to take," replied the lady addressed. And so it goes from one to the other and all attribute it to the scarcity of truckmen. This season of the year is certainly a bonanza for the men engaged in moving and every man, who is the owner of a team is booked ahead. So busy are the parties that they have thus far refused to take a load to the country and people moving out of town are obliged to wait for the roads to dry up. According to some persons the roads in some directions out of the city are in splendid shape for this season of the year, but teamsters state the roads are bad. The charges this moving period are if anything in advance of last year and the Standard has been informed of one case where one transfer company refused to haul a single load of furniture, but insists on two or more. Other parties are charging between \$4 and \$9 per load according to reports.

PAPER PUBLISHED BY THE AIRMEN

The Breezy Journal is Called "The Wing"—Former St. John Man is the Editor.

A copy of "The Wing," a magazine published in Felixstowe, Suffolk, has been received in St. John. The editor of the paper and his staff are members of the Royal Air Force stationed at Felixstowe. "The Wing" is a breezy little journal. One very interesting article describes a recent visit of His Majesty the King to this station. It will be remembered that it was here that the sad news of Kitchener's death was received by King George.

ARTILLERY BOYS HAD LONG MARCH

Returned to City After Long Tramp Yesterday—Heads Erect and all Looked Fit.

The boys who are soon to handle the heavy guns on the western front enjoyed a day en route yesterday. During the early hours of the day the men left barracks and with sufficient equipment for the day left the city for a few miles of a jaunt. Each carried with him facilities for a stay away from barracks for the day and although the burden was heavy to carry for a long distance all of the party returned without showing the slightest signs of exhaustion. The only feature of the homeward march was the dust which had accumulated upon their khaki clothes. Yesterday's march-out recalls the activities of the battery which was stationed here last summer and it is likely that the citizens will have the privilege of seeing this fine body of manhood again before they are called upon to make their departure. Give at least a dollar for a flag to help the Navy on St. George's Day.

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CITY CORNET BAND CONCERT TONIGHT. There promises to be bumper houses at the concert to be given tonight and tomorrow night in the Y. M. C. I. auditorium by the City Cornet Band and assisting talent. The Band is desirous of all assistance in encouraging the worthy object they have in view, that of raising funds to procure a set of instruments for the Juvenile City Cornet Band recently formed. The membership of the Juvenile Band is about forty, their ages ranging from eight to fourteen years. The programme for the concert will be the best ever presented to a St. John audience and the concert will be the best ever presented to a St. John audience. THE BEST YET. You are missing the best comedy drama of the season if you don't see Margarita Fisher in "Jilted Janet" this afternoon and evening at the Nickel, Queen Square. FRANCE IN ARMS. See it at the Star Theatre April 22nd and 23rd. The most instructive war picture ever filmed. Prices Monday matinee, 5c. and 10c. Evenings 10c. to all. S. O. S. MOVEMENT. The S. O. S. committee it is understood are making arrangements with the manager of the different theatres in the city to use their playhouses for a public meeting at the end of the month. These meetings will be addressed by prominent citizens who are interested in the movement. Charm and Economy Join Hands in These Daintiest of Lingerie Blouses. A Selling event of great interest to thrifty shoppers. But you would never dream that they were so inexpensive until you looked at the ticket—a very special marking for Thursday's selling. Values you would expect to pay at least one-third more for. One dainty Blouse has the long roll collar finished in an old lace design, collar of pin tucks and a dainty front of fancy embroidery. We have chosen a few for our display window, and the ticket reads \$1.55 each. Better buy your summer supply now. Every man, woman and child should wear an English Fling on St. George's Day to show that the work of the Navy is appreciated. The adjourned annual meeting of the Local Council of Women on Thursday at 3 o'clock, in Natural History room.