

THE WEATHER

Forecast.

Maritime—Strong winds and moderate gales, northwest to north; some light snowfalls and flurries, but partly fair and turning colder.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Forecast: Northern New England—Partly cloudy Friday, colder to coast, Saturday, probably fair; moderate west to northwest gales.

Toronto, Dec. 9.—The depression which was over southeastern Ontario last night has now reached Newfoundland, while a cold wave is spreading into Ontario and Quebec from the north. Sleet and rain occurred today in the Maritime Provinces and light snowfalls or flurries in Massachusetts.

Temperatures.

Table with 3 columns: Location, Min., Max. Includes entries for Prince Rupert, Victoria, Vancouver, Kamloops, Calgary, Edmonton, Medicine Hat, Battleford, Prince Albert, Moose Jaw, Winnipeg, Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax.

Around the City

Officer Elliott Resigns. Police Officer Elliott resigned his position of the force yesterday afternoon. This is the second time within six months that Elliott has resigned.

Major Mersereau in City. Major C. J. Mersereau, who was wounded in France and lost his memory for some time, is in St. John. Major Mersereau went to the front in the first Canadian contingent.

Breaking and Entering. William Moore, aged forty years, was arrested at six o'clock yesterday afternoon by Policeman Fuller on the charge of breaking and entering the store on Smythe street kept by Mrs. Mary Walsh.

City Schools Close Dec. 17. The public schools will close Friday, Dec. 17th, for the Christmas holidays and reopen on Monday, Jan. 3. Closing exercises will be held in all the schools. In the High School there will be the presentation of prizes and medals.

Fire in Waste Paper. Shortly before ten o'clock last night smoke was seen issuing from the Robinson building, Market Square, and a still alarm was sent to No. 1 chemical. The glass in the front door was broken and the firemen found a small blaze among waste paper in the basement which was quickly extinguished.

Flour Prices Soar. An increase of 20c in the jobbers' price of Manitoba flour last Friday, and of a like sum last Tuesday brought the price of this grade to \$7.25 yesterday. Ontario flour has also increased in price, an advance of 20c on Tuesday and of the same sum on Wednesday, bringing yesterday's quotation for this flour to 47.

A Successful Supper. The choir of Lenister St. Baptist church held a very successful supper last night, the proceeds being for patriotic purposes. Over 400 people were served during the evening. There were about 200 members of the 69th present and the band provided music. Each soldier present received a bag of oranges and candy.

Entertained Soldiers. The congregation of St. Andrew's church entertained about 100 members of the Siege Battery last night. At 6 o'clock the ladies of the church served a turkey supper. After the good things to eat had been disposed of the following programme was carried out: Address of welcome, Rev. F. S. Downing; solos, Miss V. Fenton, Mr. C. Girvan, Lieut. Wetmore, Gunner Vaughan, Miss D. Creighton, Gunner Turner; impersonation of Harry Lauder, F. C. McNeil; solos, Gunner Campbell, Thos. Gray; musical sketch, Sergt. Vaughan and Corp. Griffin.

Church Sales. A fancy sale and tea was held yesterday afternoon in St. Stephen's church schoolroom under the auspices of the Young People's Society. The proceeds will go for the mission fund. Pianoforte selections were given by some of the members of the society and solos were rendered by Miss de Soyres and Miss McGarrity. The schoolroom was tastefully decorated for the occasion and the proceedings were enjoyable throughout. The sewing circle of the United Baptist church, Waterloo street, held a tea and sale yesterday afternoon, the proceeds of which will be given for church purposes. The hall was nicely decorated with flags and bunting and the many present spent an enjoyable and profitable afternoon.

BRAYLEY'S FLAVORING. EXTRACTS—Your grocer will gladly supply them.

DIG RALLY TONIGHT IN QUEENS RINK

Special Features Arranged for Rousing Meeting—Officers of 69th Among Speakers

There is going to be a rousing recruiting meeting in Queen's rink tonight, a meeting every man in St. John should lend his presence to. The meeting will be notable for the assistance to be lent the local committee by the officers and musicians of the 69th Battalion quartered here. Lieut.-Col. Danereau has shown an excellent spirit of co-operation in giving the services of his brass and drum bands and some of his best speakers will address the meeting.

It has been some time since one of St. John's typical rousing patriotic meetings has been held in the rink and past experiences suggest a crowd that will tax the capacity of the building.

Previous to the meeting the drum band of the 69th will parade the streets and proceed to the rink.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS IN RECRUITING

Nine Men Signed Roll of Honor—Two Good Meetings Held Last Night

ROLL OF HONOR.

- John H. Willis, St. John; Albert E. Parks, St. John; Geo. Murphy, St. John, for the 115th, and 6 for the Siege Battery.

There was another good day at the recruiting headquarters, Mill street, yesterday when nine men were passed and several others made application.

At the meeting last night A. O. Skinner was chairman and during the evening Dr. J. G. Leonard sang and Wm. Evans gave a selection on the concertina. Prof. J. S. Ford officiated at the piano. The speakers were Rev. W. G. Lane and Rev. F. S. Porter.

The Temperance Hall on the West Side was well filled last evening by an enthusiastic crowd who listened attentively to addresses by Rev. Dr. J. A. Morrison and A. M. Belding. Capt. Mulcahey was chairman and the Bugle Band of the 69th Battalion was present and rendered some music.

A meeting will be held in the Temperance Hall, St. James street tonight, when the speakers will be Rev. H. A. Cody and Douglas McArthur. P. C. Johnson and others will entertain. On Saturday the speakers will be Rev. W. R. Robinson and John C. Ferguson.

MAKE TODAY TO MAKE READY FOR THE 140TH.

Major Gunning and Capt. Rising Coming to Prepare Quarters in West St. John

At the meeting of the citizens recruiting committee yesterday afternoon it was reported that George S. Cushing had offered the use of part of his mill at Fairville for the accommodation of troops. This consists of a section of the mill measuring about 160 by 80 feet, and of a brick building attached. Heating and other means to make the place suitable for the purpose intended could be provided to make comfortable some 500 men. It was reported that Major G. S. Gunning and Captain P. M. Rising would arrive in St. John from Summerside today to assist in the provision of quarters on the West Side for the men of the 140th Battalion.

NEARLY 200 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TAKE THE FOURTH DEGREE

About 175 Knights of Columbus from various parts of the Maritime Provinces attended the exemplification of the fourth degree in the rooms of the local council last night. The occasion was the first on which this degree has been exemplified in these provinces. At the conclusion of the ceremony the knights dined at Bond's cafe.

Several visitors from Quebec were present. The ceremonies were conducted by W. J. Mahoney, master of the fourth degree for the Maritime Provinces. He was assisted by the following officers: Charles A. Ovens, Dr. R. F. Quigley, L. H. Coleman, Rev. W. M. Duke, and Dr. D. J. Mullin.

The following were aids to the master: P. J. Fitzpatrick, John Crowley, James B. Daley, Dr. S. H. McDonald and C. J. Kane. His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc and many of the other clergy were present.

At the banquet there were addresses by Mr. Mahoney, Rev. Dr. McMillan of Prince Edward Island; Rev. Fr. McAdam of Sydney; Rev. Fr. Wallace of Chatham; Rev. Fr. Barry of Antigonish; John C. O'Mullin of Halifax; District Deputy Hugh Hamilton of Moncton; Hon. Frank J. Sweeney of Moncton; George Bolvin, M.P., of Granby, Que., and Rev. Fr. O'Keefe of Chatham. Mr. Golinvaux thanked St. John for its hospitality to the 69th battalion. He said the boys in their letters to their homes in Quebec province warmly praised the reception and treatment they had received here.

PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. Norman McGloan and child arrived in the city yesterday, and are guests of Mrs. McGloan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sullivan, Rockland Road. Captain Gilles, marine superintendent of the Donaldson line, arrived here yesterday from Montreal. The condition of F. S. Walker, who was operated upon Monday was much improved last night.

Pioneer Lodge Honors Soldiers. Messrs. Charles K. Cowan, I. Leslie Canty and Alex. Clibe, were the guests of honor at a very interesting gathering last evening in the rooms of Pioneer Lodge, No. 9, I.O.O.F., when their fellow lodge members presented fountain pens to the gentlemen named in recognition of their enlistment for active service. Messrs. Cowan and Canty have joined the ranks of the Siege Battery and Mr. Clibe goes with the 115th. A. E. McGinley, Noble Grand of the lodge, made the presentation. In addition to the lodge members a large number of guests were present and following the presentation an enjoyable dance was held. Pioneer lodge now has seven members in khaki, three of whom are already overseas.

For the Soldiers' Christmas. In order that friendless soldiers serving at the front may not be overlooked Christmas Mayor Frink yesterday said that he was willing to hear from societies, other organizations or individuals who wish to contribute something. The Mayor will be glad to send a list of contributors and receive funds.

New Company. L. C. Prime, Edward A. Graham, A. H. Huntington and Charles S. Hainington and Mrs. L. C. Prime, all of St. John, have been granted letters of incorporation as the Permanent Farms Limited, to take over the farms and farm lands of L. C. Prime, of South Bay, St. John county. The capital stock of the company is \$30,000.

Nurses from Halifax. Miss Geraldine Stearns and Miss Helen Jones left Halifax for St. John yesterday to sail for England to take up nursing. Both young ladies were the guests of honor at a number of functions recently given by their friends, and received a number of gifts as tokens of esteem.

Advertisement for "Wear-Ever" Aluminum Cooking Utensils. Form Practical Christmas Gifts. To thrifty housewives especially, "Wear-Ever" Aluminum utensils will have a strong appeal, being cleanly, light, sanitary and easy to keep clean. They require less heat than other kinds, thus effecting a considerable saving in fuel. "Wear-Ever" Aluminum is of superior quality, being rolled and pressed to almost extreme hardness, by powerful machinery. It is more durable than other kinds of aluminum yet COSTS no more. Our large, well varied display of "Wear-Ever" cooking utensils is well worthy your careful inspection. CALL AND SEE THEM. KITCHEN WARE DEPARTMENT—FIRST FLOOR—MARKET SQUARE STORE. Market Square—W. H. THORNE & CO. LTD.—King Street

Macaulay Bros. & Co., King Street, St. John, N. B. Saturdays our stores will be open until 10 p.m.; open at 8 a.m.; close 6 p.m., excepting Saturday 10 p.m. The New Winter Suits for Small Boys 2 to 6 Years of Age. They are heavy Brush Knitted Wool Suits of Norfolk Jacket with Belt; Trousers with feet and cap to match. Some special suits in Norfolk Jacket and Trousers with feet in tan color, grey, light blue and cardinal. FIRST-CLASS ALL-WOOL OVERSTOCKINGS—in light blue, white, cardinal and scarlet; toques and sashes to match. WHITE CORDUROY—For small Children's Coats. A make that washes perfectly; 27 inches wide, 85c. a yard. MACAULAY BROS. & CO.

Always a Popular Christmas Gift Eight-Day Mantel Clocks. No article around the house is more useful than a clock. A Clock should be attractive, as well as good timekeepers. Prices - \$5.00 to \$8.00. MARBLE, ONYX, MAHOGANY AND BLACK ENAMEL. Dresser Clocks \$2.00 to \$4.50 | Watches \$1.00 to \$4.50 | Alarm Clocks 85 cts. to \$3.00 | Wrist Watches \$4.50 to \$9.00. DEMONSTRATION OF "WEAR-EVER ALUMINUM UTENSILS, DECEMBER 6-11. Emerson & Fisher Ltd.

Clearance Sale Today and Saturday of Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats. It has been our custom for some seasons past to devote a part of the Millinery Salon to the display of Christmas goods, and again this year, in order to provide the space required, the millinery must be sold at once, which necessitates this sale, with its decidedly low clearance prices. There will be tempting bargains in UNTRIMMED HATS, TRIMMED HATS, HANDSOME PATTERN HATS AND FANCY FEATHERS. A grand before Christmas event, for the securing of gifts and the saving of considerable money. Come early, as crowds of shoppers will, as usual take advantage of this anticipated opportunity. Ready-to-Wear Hats All at Two Sale Prices. Each \$1.00 and \$2.00. Untrimmed Hats Each 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Fancy Feathers All Kinds and Colors. Each 25c and 50c. All Remaining Pattern Hats Are to Be Offered at Half and Less Than Half Price. NO APPROVAL NO EXCHANGE. MILLINERY SALON—SECOND FLOOR. Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited

TWO YEARS IN PENITENTIARY

Men Concerned in Indecent Assault Cases Sentenced by Judge McKeown—Probate Court Business

Alexander McMullen, one of the five men recently indicted by the Grand Jury in the indecent assault cases, is elected to be tried under the Speedy Trials Act. The case was commenced under Judge Armstrong of the County Court yesterday afternoon. Witnesses for the prosecution were Rosella Stafford, Marjorie Nodwell and Margaret A. Short. Several prominent citizens were called by the defence and spoke highly of the character of the defendant. C. H. Ferguson, clerk of the County Court, is prosecuting against R. G. Murray in connection with the defence. Court adjourned until this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

At the closing of the Circuit Court which adjourned sine die yesterday morning His Honor Judge McKeown sentenced James Johnston, Michael Kenny and James Devlin to two years each in Dorchester penitentiary; Kenny and Devlin got hard labor with their.

In the Probate Court. The will of Mrs. Emily C. Nelson, late of this city, wife of Charles L. Nelson, has been admitted to Probate and letters testamentary issued to the executor, John E. Waring. The estate consists of personalty valued at \$1,400. The will contains a bequest of \$100 to St. George's church, West End. The proctor is John A. Sinclair.

The will of Daniel O'Connell, late of this city, has been proved. Miss Margaret Lantulum is the executrix. Probate value, \$400. Proctor is William Ryan. Probate of the will of Eliza Stockford, widow, has been granted to Edwin Stockford, one of the executors. Leasehold premises in Thorne Ave., probate value, \$750. J. M. Trueman, proctor.

MR. JOB ALAN A. MAGEE GETS HIS COLONELCY

Col. Magee's Wife Was Formerly Miss Madeline Smith of This City

Major Alan A. Magee, of the 148th Battalion, whose wife was Miss Madeline Smith of St. John, has been advanced to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. Word to that effect was received in Montreal by Brig. Gen. E. W. Wilson, G. O. C. Col. Magee is a son of Justice Magee of the Ontario Court of Appeals. He has been on the law staff of the Canadian Pacific Railroad at Montreal and has been prominent as an all around athlete. He formed the 148th battalion.

Mrs. Magee is a daughter of the late George F. Smith, of this city.

Parcels For The Soldiers. The St. John post office officials announce that hereafter the weight of packages destined for France and Flanders will be limited to seven pounds. Heretofore the limit has been eleven pounds.

The new regulations will affect of course packages sent to the troops in those countries and will have an important bearing on Christmas matter not already mailed.

OFFICERS TO GO IN RANKS

Col. Wedderburn Meeting with Success in Recruiting for 115th Regiment

Many of the old officers of the Eighth Regiment, Princess Louise Hussars, are applying for re-enlistment in the ranks. Lieut.-Col. F. V. Wedderburn said last night that one man recently drove forty miles and then came 100 miles by train to make application to go on the non-commissioned list.

Col. Wedderburn yesterday received notice from Ottawa of three additional appointments of officers to the 115th Battalion, Major Guy Stanhope Kinlear of the Princess Louise Regiment, 8th Hussars, Sussex, will have command of a double company; W. G. Thomas of the 62nd Fusiliers, St. John, who has been in command of the detaching forces along the Maine border, will head one of the companies and Lieut. Richard Ingleton of the 62nd will be a platoon commander.

Only Two Days Left. Every woman should not miss the opportunity of securing a beautiful Hoosier cabinet at Amund Bros., Ltd., Waterloo street, on such liberal terms as they are advertising in The Standard today. Already there is a very large number of these beautiful kitchen cabinets in many homes in this city, as well as throughout the Maritime Provinces. Any woman can have a Hoosier cabinet in her home by paying \$1.00 down and have one delivered immediately and pay the balance at the rate of \$1.00 per week. This sale will close on Saturday night and those who wish to make mother, wife or sister a Christmas gift of a Hoosier should leave their orders at once.

Kimonos for Christmas Presents. Something that every lady appreciates is a comfortable kimono that she can get a good deal of satisfaction from the wearing and a constant reminder of the giver. Some very handsome silk trimmed kimonos in beautiful colors can be had at F. A. Dykeman & Co.'s at \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.38. Also silk ones at \$5.75, and \$8.50. The materials from which the cheaper kimonos are made are soft, heavy velours and are good washing qualities. They come in sizes from 34 to 44.

Art Club Lecture. The St. John Art Club held its monthly meeting in the studio on Carleton street, last night. A selected reading comprising Rossetti and Botticelli, was given Mrs. W. E. Raymond before a large audience. On exhibition for the first time were five new Medici prints, selected by a committee and purchased in and imported from England. These prints are supposed to be the finest reproductions, illustrative of some of the older artists. They were presented to the club by a few of the members.

Lunch was served by Mrs. R. G. Murray, the president, assisted by Richard Arcott, Mrs. Kimball, Mrs. Geo. McCafferty and Mrs. G. T. Fairweather.