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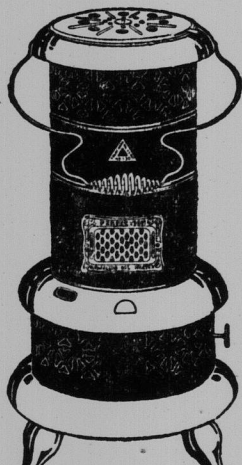
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LOCAL NEWS

SOLDIER ILL J. F. Gilbert of St. John, an infantryman is reported in the latest casualty list received today.

DEATH OF CHILD Mr. and Mrs. William Totten of 32 Frederick street have the sympathy of their friends in the death of their youngest child, Cora B., which occurred today.

SOLDIER BEREAVED Thomas C. one-year-old son of Pte. Edgar Pearson of the U. S. army, and the late Mrs. Pearson, is dead after week's illness of pneumonia, at the residence of John Anderson, 261 Tower street, Carleton Place. Many friends of the family will tender sympathy.

FOR MR. HOOPER'S FUND. In the Imperial Theatre lobby on Saturday afternoon a croquet nightdress was drawn for and was won by Mrs. Charles Hastings of 18 St. Patrick street. Mrs. James Garnett, who gave the vase, will donate the proceeds to Rev. Mr. Hooper's invalid soldiers' fund.

A CHALLENGE. Manager Jack Harris of the Wolves, a baseball nine of the North End, wishes to challenge the Acadias to a double-header on next Saturday afternoon, the games to be played on the Elm street diamond. He is willing that the proceeds be turned over to some patriotic fund.

MISSION IN SOUTH END. A mission will be commenced soon in St. John the Baptist church, Broad street, under the direction of the Rev. F. J. McMurray. It is quite likely the visiting priests conducting the mission in St. Peter's parish, North End, will officiate.

GOING TO SIBERIA Corp. J. A. Melanson of Richibucto, a member of No. 7 C. R., was transferred to the Siberian Battalion in Sussex and left today to join his unit and will leave soon for Victoria, B.C., for further training before leaving for overseas. Corp. Melanson has many friends who wish him the best of luck and a safe return.

BIRTHDAY SURPRISE Friends with merry interest invaded the home of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Mullin, Douglas avenue, last evening, for Mrs. Mullin's birthday, and they had a surprise in store. It was in the form of a dainty dinner set and the presentation was a very happy affair. Games and music were enjoyed. The committee in charge was composed of Mrs. Hobson D. Smith and Mrs. J. P. Harris.

WAR GARDEN EXHIBITION. In the War Gardens prize list recently issued, it was stated that roots and green vegetables on exhibition would become the property of the association and be sold at the close of the exhibition to help in defraying expenses. On representation of some intending exhibitors, the condition referred to has been cancelled and it will be optional with exhibitors to retain possession of and remove their exhibits.

DEATH OF GEORGE J. COSTER. The death of George J. Coster, 222 Queen street, occurred at his residence this morning. He was eighty years old and was highly respected by all those with whom he was acquainted. He leaves three sons—George of Philadelphia and Charles of West St. John. The funeral will take place on Tuesday from the residence of his son, Arthur Coster, 204 Guilford street, West St. John.

MRS. MARY A. SPRAGG. The death of Mrs. Mary A. Spragg, widow of Zebulon Spragg of Kiersteadville, occurred on Saturday night, Sept. 21, at her home in that place. She had been somewhat of an invalid for eight years, and bore her illness with Christian fortitude. She is survived by three daughters, Miss Anne Lindsay at home, Mrs. Alice Dummer of Station, and Mrs. J. H. Smith of Moss Glen; and two sons, Captain W. H. Spragg of Hampton and Captain A. L. Spragg now on a voyage to South Africa.

TWO SHOWERS. Friends of Miss Sarah Walker assembled last evening at the home of Mrs. J. Richardson, 222 Queen street, and tendered Miss Walker a linen shower in honor of her wedding, which is to take place in the near future. The evening was spent in games and music. About thirty friends of Miss Hattie Gallop of 138 Victoria street gathered at her home last evening and tendered her a novelty shower in honor of a happy event in which Miss Gallop is to be a principal.

BURIED TODAY. The funeral of Walter Walsh, who died in Brighton, Mass., took place this morning from the residence of his uncle, John Bennett, 90 Elliott street, in the Catholic church, where high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. A. P. Allen, assisted by Rev. W. L. Moore, deacon, and Rev. Robert Fraser as sub-deacon. The final absolution was given by His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc. Rev. William Duke was master of ceremonies. Interment was made in the new Catholic cemetery.

CAPTAIN SHORT TO THE SIBERIAN CONTINGENT. Lieut. Colonel Harris Goes To Pension Board in Edmonton.

Capt. Guy Short of the Depot Battalion, a returned officer of the 44th Battalion, has been appointed an officer of the base guard of the Siberian contingent, under Lieut.-Colonel A. H. Powell. Captain Short was several months overseas, and during his stay in France gave a good account of himself. Lieut.-Colonel Harris, chairman of the standing medical board, has severed his connection with the board of pension commissioners in Edmonton, Alberta. He is a native of Moncton and crossed overseas as medical officer of the 49th Battalion. He returned from overseas about one year ago.

HOUSE HAS VOTED FOR NATIONAL PROHIBITION.

Washington, Sept. 24.—National prohibition effective next July 1, for the period of the war, was approved last night by the house, which adopted, by a vote of 281 to 137, the senate prohibition rider to the \$120,000,000 emergency agricultural appropriation bill. The measure now will be sent to conference for adjustment of differences between the two houses on appropriation items.

PTE. J. COLEMAN JORDAN MISSING

Distressing News Received Today—Pte. J. M. Kenney Dead of Wounds

William C. Jordan, accountant of the Globe, received the sad news this morning that his son, Pte. J. Coleman Jordan, has been officially reported missing since Aug. 28. Private Jordan was a graduate of Mount Allison University and enlisted with a signalling unit, later he was transferred into the Princess Pats and at the time he was reported missing was with a machine gun section of the Northern Hussar expeditionary force.

Pte. Jordan is twenty-three years of age and a bright young man, well known and highly respected and a host of friends will cling to the hope that he may still be living a prisoner of war. Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kenney, 9 Clarence street, were advised this morning from Ottawa that their son, Private Joseph M. Kenney, had died of wounds. This was the first intimation that the family had received that he had been wounded. It is possible, however, that he died soon after being taken to a dressing station. Private Kenney signed on when only seventeen. Prior to going overseas he worked in the shipyard of Grant & Horne. Besides his parents, he leaves one little brother and four sisters.

POTATO INQUIRY OPENED TODAY

(Continued from page 1) cents asked many producers could not get an offer for all their stock. Mr. Hughes pointed out that some were bought at less than one dollar, and witness found that some prices ran as low as eighty-five cents. A few of the best shipments might have cost more than \$1. For the shipment of the potatoes the farmer Schliasia was chartered. She sailed on October 28, carrying about 100,000 bushels and the witness accompanied the shipment. In England the potatoes had been sold over to the British Board of Trade, looked after the unloading and distribution. Document is Missing. When Mr. Smith was authorized to purchase potatoes, a letter was given to the bank at East Florenceville. Mr. Taylor—"I presume Mr. Hughes has a copy of the letter." Mr. Hughes—"We found very little in the department's files." Mr. Taylor—"You made a general house-cleaning?" Mr. Hughes—"That occurred before the old government was in power. Mr. Hughes said he had not been able to find a copy of the letter. Mr. Daggert said he had not removed it. So far as he remembered the letter contained instructions for the shipment of potatoes and payment by draft attached to the bill of lading.

Reference to the shipment of the potatoes, witness said that 15,000 bushels of the Belgians were shipped a few days earlier. Answer is Questioned. Again referring to the instructions to the bank, Mr. Hughes asked if in view of the fact that Mr. Murray had informed the legislature that he could give no information on the matter during Mr. Daggert's illness, if witness still maintained that a copy of the letter had been in the files? Witness replied that he did not know.

Mr. Taylor at this point again demanded an adjournment until Mr. Murray could be present. The Commissioner—"I do not see that Mr. Murray could throw any further light on the matter at present. This witness seems to be the only person in a position to give the information." Mr. Taylor—"He should be here so I could be informed on what lines to conduct my cross-examination." The Commissioner—"We will proceed."

A copy of the order-in-council authorizing the gift of potatoes to Belgium was presented in evidence. It was dated Oct. 17, 1914, and witness said he believed the potatoes were shipped a day or two earlier, via Halifax freight free. He thought the total was about 15,000 barrels. A Big Surplus. When the shipments were made there was a large surplus still on hand, perhaps fifteen or sixteen thousand barrels. Mr. Hughes remarked that there seemed to be no records of the surplus in the department. Witness replied that when he left the department there was a record of every barrel in a book kept by H. H. Morton of Sussex.

Reference to the official report showed the number of barrels shipped to Belgium was 14,638. The total of the two shipments was about 34,000. Witness said that to complete the shipment of that size of proper quality, he did not regard the surplus as out of the way. The surplus was entirely in addition to the rejected potatoes, which amounted to two or three thousand barrels. The only potatoes rejected were those showing decay. They did not reject any that were regarded as ordinarily merchantable, but those below the standard set and they were included in the surplus. Finally A. C. Smith & Co. and Frank Clements were authorized to sell them. Witness sold one lot to a house in Cuba. When witness returned in December they began attempts to sell the surplus, but could not get an offer.

Witness, after consulting letter, said that A. C. Smith & Co. made returns to him of \$863.69 for sale of culls. He also received returns from them for 5,000 barrels at \$1.90 a barrel. Mr. Hughes—"That was higher than the market?" A.—"It seemed to be."

Regarding the fifteen to sixteen thousand barrels surplus, witness said that they were ordinarily good merchantable potatoes, but were not good enough to be shipped in an overseas gift. How It Happened. Witness said that B. F. Smith had been instructed to send in about 20,000 barrels. Mr. Murray had informed him that he intended to ask authority for the gift of 15,000 to 20,000 barrels for Belgium and he had better be prepared. Witness was leaving for Toronto, and as he feared that some of the shipments might fall down, he advised both A. C. Smith & Co. and B. F. Smith of the situation and asked them to be prepared to make up the shortage. As a result of what he regarded as a pure misunderstanding, the quantities shipped were larger than intended, and this accounted partly for the surplus.

The court adjourned at one o'clock to resume at 2:30 this afternoon.

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