

A SPECIAL FEATURE

Women's Mahogany Calf High Laced Boot, Neolin Soles and Rubber Heels, on a recede Toe, medium heel last.

Price \$6.00

R. B. VANDINE

QUEEN STREET YORK STREET.

Special Sale on Goods Slightly Soiled

25 to 50 per cent. Discount While They Last

LADIES' HOUSE DRESSES.
LADIES' WHITE VOILE BLOUSES.
INFANTS' and CHILDREN'S WHITE BEAR SKIN COATS.
CHILDREN'S DRESSES and ROMPERS.
LADIES' and CHILDREN'S MIDDIES and KIMONAS.

Also 25 p. c. DISCOUNT on Ladies' Serge Skirts in black and navy and Ladies' and Children's Waterproofs and Sweaters.

There is only a small quantity of these goods.

Come early and pick what you want.

A. Murray & Co.

Directly Opposite City Hall. Phone 159.

GAIETY Today @ Thursday

REX BEACH'S THRILLING MYSTERY STORY

'The Crimson Gardenia'

With All Star Cast including

Owen Moore

Also SENNETT'S Newest Comedy

"Hearts and Flowers"

With Ford Sterling and Louise Fazenda.

SHOWS START 2.30, 3.45, 7.15 and 8.40.

Fri.—CONSTANCE TALMADGE in "The Lesson."

GEM THEATRE

Three Shows Daily
Matinee, 3 p. m.;
Evening, 7.15 and 8.45.
See It Today

ETHEL CLAYTON

Starred in

"Vicky Van"

A splendid Detective Story with a punch.

Ruth Schuyler soon got so tired of her old, grey husband that she changed her name to Victoria Van Allen and resolved to have the time of her life. But even an old husband can fight for what he considers his personal property. You just must see "Vicky's" husband "raise hob."

ETHEL CLAYTON in "Vicky Van" A Paramount Picture

FR.—PEGGY HYLAND in "CAUGHT IN THE ACT." It's some comedy.

Sixty Buildings Burned; \$350,000 Loss at Oromocto

Over 30 Families Rendered Homeless by Fire That Wiped Out Almost Whole Sunbury County Village—All Four Churches Burned—Valley Lumber Company's Loss Placed at \$200,000 With \$50,000 Insurance.

More than sixty buildings, including all four of its churches, almost forty houses, the only public hall, several stores and the large lumber mill which was its only big industry, were destroyed in an immense conflagration which did \$350,000 damage and almost wiped the village of Oromocto, Sunbury county, entirely off the map yesterday.

The burned buildings were scattered all over the various sections of the village in an area more than half a mile in length and extending the entire width of the village, the variable and constantly changing wind, which oftentimes reached the fury of a gale, being responsible for the unusual spread of the flames. The four churches, for instance, formed what might be called the lower boundary of the village along the top of the hill, yet all four were burned and that which was located nearest to where the fire originated was the first to burn.

In all its history Oromocto, which has suffered from many severe fires, never met with such a disaster as that of yesterday, and it will take a long time for the village to recover. Over thirty families were rendered homeless and last night and today there was much need for the relief work which was being carried on by patriotic societies of Fredericton, who sent consignments of cooked food and clothing by automobiles to the fire-stricken community. A number of families and elderly people were left absolutely penniless as a result of their homes and practically all the contents being lost, and in some cases it was the second time within little more than a year that they had had their homes destroyed by fire.

For more than four hours the fire raged, the flames being fanned by a

veritable gale which caused the flames to shoot up like geysers of fire into the air from the burning lumber piles more than fifty feet and carried sparks and large burning embers a distance of more than half a mile. Without fire fighting apparatus of any kind, the population were forced to practically stand by and watch the flames jump from one building to another, as all they could do was throw a little water from their wells on the burning buildings with buckets, and most of the wells had gone dry, as the wind frequently shifted from one quarter to another, the flames were breaking out in every section of the village almost simultaneously.

There was scarcely one of the remaining buildings which had not been salvaged at some time during the fire, but at the same time there were several houses which were directly in the line of the flames that were almost unharmed beyond being scorched or having a few shingles of the roof burned. In that connection Chief Harry Rutter and his detachment of volunteers from the Fredericton Fire Department rendered especially valuable service with several hand chemical extinguishers, which they were able to put out fires which had started at the Registry office and several other buildings on the western side of the main thoroughfare through the village, as well as in other sections of the place. For a bit of that assistance the people of Oromocto were warmly in their appreciation and, in the face of the desolation and sadness of it all, they maintained a morose well which equal to that of the inhabitants of the destroyed sections of war-torn France and Belgium.

No Fatalities Reported.

If such a conflagration had occurred during the night it would doubtless have been accompanied by a heavy loss of life as the fire spread so rapidly and to such unexpected sections of the village that the people had but little chance to save any of their personal effects.

There were, however, no fatalities, and the only casualty of a serious nature was that of Andrew Wood, whose leg was broken while removing a stove from the home of George Wood just before it was burned. John Malone, who had been an invalid and confined to his bed for more than a year, had the narrowest escape from being burned to death of anybody in the village. He was carried to safety from the residence of Robert Campbell, but later it was discovered that the bedding in which he was wrapped was so ablaze and he was rescued again just in time, but not, however, until he had been painfully burned.

Most of the live stock in the barns were liberated in time to escape, but kittens, hogs and other animals were found after the fire had subsided and in some cases so badly burned that they had to be destroyed to end their sufferings.

The heaviest individual loser in the fire was Robert B. Smith, M.L.A. for Sunbury. He is the principal and controlling stockholder in the River Valley Lumber Co. Ltd., whose losses in plant and manufactured stock are placed at \$200,000, and of which not more than \$50,000 is declared to have been covered by insurance. The mill, which it is said will cost \$50,000 to replace, was where the fire originated, and it was entirely destroyed, as well as almost four million feet of manufactured lumber piled in the yards or on two scows which were ground alongside the wharf and could not be moved to safety. The office, barns, boarding houses and various outbuildings owned by the company were also destroyed, but Mr. Smith was able to save his fine residence, although it was afire several times. The second heaviest loser was Thomas McElroy, general merchant, who, besides his store with its stock, lost his residence worth more than \$15,000, three other houses, five barns and several warehouses. His total loss was estimated at not less than \$50,000, of which it was said less than half was covered by insurance.

The Destroyed Churches.

The destruction of the four churches of the village was one of the most severe blows to the people of Oromocto, as they were all structures that were creditable to the denominations which built and maintained them. The Anglican and Methodist churches both had parsonages adjoining which also were destroyed, but the Roman Catholic church was administered as part of the parish of Petersville.

St. John's Church was one of the oldest Anglican churches in New Brunswick and one of the most beautiful and costly rural churches in the diocese of Fredericton. It was built about 1860 and the stained glass windows were imported at the time from England, all being of different designs and rare beauty. The church could not be replaced today for more than \$10,000, but all the insurance which was carried on the building was \$25,000, while there was \$1,000 insurance on the parsonage and barn, which represented a loss of more than \$5,000. Rev. S. J. Gray, the energetic young rector, was able to save the holy vessels, altar, prayer desk, organ, font and pulpit while the church burned, and from the rectory he saved a piano, which had been borrowed by him and which previously had come safely through three other fires. Rev. Mr. Gray was one of the hardest workers during the fire and had the jacket of the suit of clothes he was wearing badly burned while salvaging furniture from the houses.

Rev. Father Hanigan arrived at Oromocto on his way from Petersville to

HARRY R. ADAMS
610 Queen Street.
Day and Night Telephone Connection.

CITY HALL

4 Days Only, Starting

TONIGHT

—THE—

Urban Stock Co.

—WITH—

FRANK URBAN

In a Repertoire of High Class Plays.

OPENING PLAY TONIGHT:

"PALS FIRST"

Tom Wise's Greatest Success.

PLAYS TO FOLLOW:

"A Light in the Dark."

"A Man's Game."

"After Office Hours."

Reserved Seats now on sale at Ryan's Drug Store.

Prices—25c, 35c, and 50c.

COLDS OPEN THE DOOR TO MORE SERIOUS AILMENTS

Don't wait until that cold of yours develops into La Grippe, or influenza, get a box of Dominion C. B. Q. tablets now, one or two doses will break up the worst cold. C. B. Q. stands for Cascara Bromide Quinine properly combined in the right proportion and compressed into small chocolate coated tablets that are easily swallowed. Insist on Dominion C. B. Q. (in the red box). Carry them always in your pocket or purse, if you don't need them to-day you may to-morrow, be prepared. National Drug & Chemical Co. of Canada, Limited.

FOR TAKE

Dominion C. B. Q.
Tablets in the red box
25 cents.

FOR SALE

Several Farms in good locations also a list of City Residences, Building Lots and Stores.

If you are interested it will be to your advantage to call and look over lists as we have some excellent bargains.

OLTS. THOMAS & CO.
REAL ESTATE AGENTS
Office, 532 Queen Street. Phone 689

PUBLIC NOTICE TO THE ELECTORS.

All persons of the age of Twenty-one (21), British subjects, domiciled in the City of Fredericton, for six months prior to August 24th, 1919, whose names do not appear on the voters lists now posted in the City, are requested to present themselves at the Mayor's Office in the City of Fredericton and register their names as required by law on or before the 8th day of October, 1919.

ALLAN J. WHEELER, Chairman
WYOMCKAY, Secretary
THOS. S. WILKINSON, Revisors.

Office will be open from 10 to 12 a. m. and 2 to 5 p. m.

LIFE INSURANCE.

MR. JOHN S. SCOTT
Begs to announce that after three and a half years' service at the front, he has been appointed a New Brunswick Representative for The Canada Life Assurance Co.

Office at residence, 142 Charlotte St. Telephone 112.

Mid-Summer CLEARANCE SALE

Now Going on at

M. L. BLOCK

Corner Queen and Regent Streets, Fredericton, N. B.

Furniture Of Beauty and Comfort

The approach of Fall days suggest Upholstered Furniture to make the home cheerful. We would like you to see our Upholstered Furniture. We have a large line of CHESTERFIELDS, DIVANETTES, CHAIRS and ROCKERS, upholstered with Tapestry. Very comfortable.

If you are looking for Leather or Imitation Leather we have a large stock to show you.

Also Library Tables in a large number of styles and finishes.

LEMONT & SONS, LTD.

Fredericton, N. B. Telephone 247.

Honest advertising, simply put, brings honest returns.

A. DAVIDSON

A new shipment of CHRISTIE'S BISCUITS.

A new shipment of HEINZ GOODS including Spaghetti, Pickles, Vinegar, Tomato-Ketchup, India-Relish, Etc.

CREAMERY BUTTER.

A good supply of MOOSE AND DEER MEAT

Always in stock.

TINGLEY & LEE

Food Board License No. 9-5534

ELECTRICAL WIRING

FOR LIGHT and POWER PURPOSES

Estimates Free.

W. Allan Staples

"The Electrical Store"

MOORE'S LIVERY STABLE.

673 Brunswick St. Phone 525

A good assortment of Up-to-Date Riggs At Orders receive prompt attention

I have a number of Heavy Draught and Light Driving Horses for sale.

Geo. B. Moore, Prop.

RASPBERRY ROYAL

A Brand New Sundae.

THE PALMS

Canada Food Board License No. 10-1983

The Imperial

Lunch and Dining Rooms

Dinner served daily from 12 to 2. Meals and Luncheon at all hours. Special attention given to auto parties. Open from 2 a. m. to 12 p. m. IMPERIAL LUNCH AND DINING ROOMS 67 Corleton Street. G. FEED CROWLEY, Prop.

The Most Popular and Up-to-Date Amusement is Dancing

The Most Popular Dances are Reproduced on

VICTOR RECORDS

by Smith's Orchestra. Ask to hear "Tell Me" (Fox Trot) one of the best ballad successes of the day, and in this Record the chorus is sung as an "extra" to the Orchestra, which maintains its high standard. "The Vamp" is a star piece which has already become famous and will become more so now that Smith's Orchestra has made a Victor Record of it.

Wild, intense, colorful in style it is "different" in melody and harmony from anything you have heard this or any other season.

Other dance records equally as good are "Peter Gink," "Fidgety Feet," "Lazy Daddy," "Egyptland," and many others. Remember Victorols and Victor Records assure satisfaction.

Victor Machines and Victorols can be had on easy terms as low as \$1.25 per week.

McMurray Book & Stationery Co., Ltd.