

Around the City

FAIR AND MILD.

THE POLICE COURT. In the police court yesterday morning two drunks were remanded.

ACCIDENT YESTERDAY. Yesterday morning Gardner Porter of St. James street fell off a pile of lumber at Haley Bros. & Co.'s factory and received severe cuts about the head.

THERE WAS NO MEETING. The Common Council committee meeting was not held yesterday morning as there was no quorum present. The regular meeting of the council takes place today.

EXCEEDED ESTIMATES. Commissioner Fisher says that the tenders for paving Main street exceed the estimates of the city engineer and himself. The only complete tender submitted is from B. Mooney and Sons.

THE RIVER BOATS. It is stated that the steamer Hampton will be put on the Bellisle route this summer. Carpenters and painters are busy on all the steamers at Indian town getting them ready for the opening of the season.

A DEMONSTRATION. A demonstration of a new smoke helmet was given in the rear of No. 2 fire station yesterday morning. Mr. Tremblay, representing the La France Company donned the helmet and remained in a room full of dense smoke for over half an hour.

TOM DALEY TRAINING. Tom Daley, native of the Chicago, is in training with his club at Pasadena, Cal. It was stated some time ago he had selected service in the navy, if drafted, but he has not been called yet. His brother is training with the American Aviation Corps.

RECEPTION TO SOLDIERS. Members of the 9th Siege Battery with other soldiers were waited on by a number of ladies of the Canadian War Contingent Association and members of the Red Cross, yesterday afternoon, and each man was presented with a pair of socks and a package containing extra.

A SMALLPOX CASE. A man from a lumber camp who came to the city from Mispec, was discovered Wednesday to be suffering with smallpox. He was conveyed to the Isolation Hospital. All persons who came in contact with him have been vaccinated, the house which he had been in has been quarantined and the Mispec school is closed for two weeks.

CAPTAIN WELDON HERE. Captain D. B. Weldon of Moncton was in the city yesterday and was given a warm welcome by many friends. Captain Weldon was a Moncton newspaper man when he enlisted with the 115th Battalion under Lieut. Col. Wedderburn, and by his genial manner made a host of warm friends while training with that unit in St. John. He went overseas with the rank of lieutenant and won his promotion on the field.

COMING TO ST. JOHN. Prof. Paul S. Duffy of Moncton has resigned as organist and choir leader of the Highfield St. Baptist church in the railway town in order to join evangelist E. W. Kenyon and will in the future assist Mr. Kenyon in evangelistic work. Prof. Duffy is a talented organist and soloist and assisted the evangelist when he was in Moncton. Wednesday night Prof. Duffy was presented with a handbag and address by the Highfield street church choir.

THE CITY LOTS. The city land on the Manawagonish Road will be available for those who wish to take part in the greater production campaign this year and it is understood that persons who had lots last year can procure the same lots this year if they apply before the first day of April. About eighty lots were under cultivation last year and some fine crops were raised. One man who has a fairly large family harvested enough potatoes to last for four and a half months and enough turnips to do the season. These desirable lots should make early application to the city engineer as otherwise they are apt to get left as a good many applicants did last year.

SPRING OPENING TODAY. Beautiful and Exclusive Display of Spring Modes—An All Week Feature.

Women simply can't see too much of the lovely smart Suits, the charming dresses, the exquisite waists, the hundreds of Novelties and Dress Accessories. New York herself would be interested in the wealth of lovely styles and distinctive novelties that are being presented at Dykeman's this week.

This is a series of fashion displays that establishes and confirms the coming season's modes. As far as Spring and Easter are concerned the styles are fixed, and their most charming and artistic interpretations are being presented this week at Dykeman's opening display.

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MAKING INSPECTION OF SITES FOR STEEL SHIPBUILDING PLANT

Frank D. Chase, International Industrial Engineer, in the City—St. John, With Open Water All Year Round, Has Advantage Over Inland Ports—Proposed Plant Will Employ a Thousand Men.

Frank D. Chase, the well known international industrial engineer, who has been engaged by the St. John Shipbuilding Company to select a site and lay out the proposed shipyard for the building of steel ships here, arrived in the city yesterday at noon and spent the afternoon in looking over sites in company with Thomas Nagle, the prime mover in this effort to obtain an up to date steel shipbuilding plant for St. John. A number of sites were looked over and others will be inspected today by Mr. Chase and Mr. Nagle, after which Mr. Chase will make his report on the one he considers the best.

Speaking with the Standard last night Mr. Chase said there were essential which entered into the choosing of a site for a plant of this kind. There was the water frontage, space for buildings, storage space, railroad facilities and labor facilities. After he had inspected all the sites he would then analyze them, and the most economical in all these requirements would be the one chosen.

This is the first time Mr. Chase has visited St. John but he expressed himself as very pleased with what he had seen and saw no reason why St. John should not be as successful in the building of steel ships as she was in the old days when the finest sailing ships in the world were turned out in local yards. The great advantage of such an industry as steel shipbuilding was its permanency and this should make it most attractive to the investor. It would be years before the loss in ships would be made up and this without taking into consideration the natural increase in the demand for bottoms which must come after the war, particularly in Canada where the population and production was bound to increase rapidly.

A plant such as was proposed here would give employment to about one thousand persons and would mean a big thing to the industrial life of the city. One of the big advantages possessed by this city as a site for an industry of this kind was the all year open water where ships could be launched at any time of year. In the great lakes and at Montreal where there was probably one hundred and fifty ships under construction they must wait for the ice to go out before they could be launched which was a big handicap, while in a place like St. John the ship could be launched as soon as completed, and another put on the stocks.

Mr. Chase's firm have just completed a shipbuilding plant at Saginaw, Mich., which they turned out complete in sixty days. They are at work on plants in New York state, Michigan, North Carolina, Maryland and Arizona. Speaking of the proposed plant here Mr. Chase said he thought there would be no trouble in having it ready for business in between three and four months.

WISDOM OF HAVING WIRELESS ON ALL CLASSES OF SHIPS. If ill-fated Batiscan Had Been Equipped Could Have Called for Help—Is Third Ship from Cape Breton Port Without Wireless That Has Disappeared.

The loss of the steamer Batiscan, with all hands, has drawn attention to the wisdom of equipping all steamers with wireless whether engaged in the coasting trade or deep sea traffic. A well known shipping man in speaking to The Standard about this matter, said that if the Batiscan had been fitted with wireless she would have been able to send out a call when she found herself in difficulties and there would then have been a possibility of sending to her aid a life saving crew, and it might have been the means of saving the lives of many men who found a watery grave when the vessel went down. Had she been equipped with wireless the world would have known to day just where she sank and probably the cause of her loss, which now can only be guessed at. This gentleman pointed out that this is the third steamer without wireless which has sailed from Cape Breton port coal laden and never heard of after sailing in the past seven years.

In the year 1911 the steamer Morien sailed from Sydney with a cargo of coal for St. John's, Nfld., with a crew of between twenty and twenty-five persons, and was lost on the voyage. In 1912 the Bridgeport sailed for Montreal with a crew of forty-five and she has never been heard of since. He said that had these vessels all been equipped with wireless the world would at least have known where they went down and why and it is just possible that many of the crew might have been saved had there been any way of communicating the fact that they were in distress.

THE TWINS ARE DOING WELL IN MONTREAL. Infants Born to Wife of Private "Glad" McKenzie While on Voyage to St. John Are in Montreal Hospital—Doctors Named Them C. P. R., and Missanabie.

The twins who were born on board a liner while on a voyage from England to this port last week, are now with the mother, being cared for at Montreal Maternity Hospital and been named by the doctors "C.P.R." and "Missanabie." Their father is Pte. "Glad" McKenzie, one of the three soldier sons of Peter McKenzie, managing director of the Chibougamou Company. From last reports the mother and the infants were doing well and the latter are the most interesting patients in the institution.

CHIEF RECRUITING OFFICER. Official authority for the appointment of Lieutenant G. H. Currie as chief recruiting officer for Military District No. 1 for securing men for the Royal Canadian Engineers, has been received at military headquarters. There is a demand on the western front at present for engineers and Canada is to make an attempt to send her share of recruits.

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ST. JOHN MAN LOST HIS LIFE ON THE STEAMER BATISCAN

William H. Williams Was Fourth Engineer—Was Making His First Trip—Leaves a Wife and Young Daughter at 256 Duke Street.

Only one St. John man is known to have been on board of the Collier Batiscan when she was wrecked after leaving Lunenburg for St. John on March the 14th. That is William H. Williams, who has a wife and ten-year-old daughter residing at 256 Duke street. Mrs. Williams stated yesterday that her husband had been working in a shipyard during the winter and had signed on the Batiscan as fourth engineer a little more than two weeks ago. His wife received a letter several days ago, dated the 19th, in which he stated that he was just sending her a few lines so that she would not worry. He expressed himself as much pleased with the position and the officers and crew of the ship. He said that he expected soon to be back in St. John. Mr. Williams was in high spirits on securing the position on the ship and he and his wife had been making a number of plans for the summer. His loss came as a great shock to his family and much sympathy will be extended to the bereaved wife and daughter in their sorrow. Mrs. Williams said that her husband had been waiting a chance to get a good position on board a ship and was overjoyed when Mr. Phillips, the chief engineer of the Batiscan, retired from his position and remained in St. John for a few holidays. The retirement of the chief placed the second engineer in command of the engine room, the third took the place of the second, and there being a vacancy for fourth Mr. Williams was given the position.

THOMAS H. WIGMORE DIED IN WINDSOR

Father of Rupert W. Wigmore Was 75 Years of Age—Had Been Ill Since First of Year—Funeral Will Be Held Today.

The death of Thomas Hazen Wigmore, aged 75 years, and a much respected resident of Windsor, N. S., and father of Rupert W. Wigmore, M.P., of this city, took place in Windsor on Tuesday evening. The deceased had been ailing since the beginning of the year and five weeks ago was taken to the hospital where he died. Everything that medical skill and careful nursing could accomplish was done for him but without avail.

The deceased leaves to mourn their loss two daughters, Grace and Amy at home, and one son, Rupert W. of this city. He was married twice, his first wife being Miss Wilson of Windsor Forks, and the second wife, Miss London of St. John, who predeceased him eight years ago. He was born in Sackville, N. B., but has resided in Windsor for the past seven years going to that town from Kentville, N. S. He was a staunch member of the Baptist church. Rupert W. Wigmore passed through the city yesterday from Ottawa en route to Windsor to attend the funeral which will be held today. Rev. H. G. Kennedy will conduct the services.

SAPPHIRE LODGE ENTERTAINS SOLDIERS

About 250 Men at Red Triangle Club Last Evening—Enjoyable Programme Carried Through.

About 250 soldiers were entertained at the Red Triangle Club last evening by Sapphire Rebekah Lodge. The programme was an excellent one and many of the numbers were enjoyed. The programme included solos by Miss Treacart, Miss Anne VanHorn, Corp. Smith, Mr. Punter, Mr. Parker, Mrs. Bussie, Miss Spencer, Miss McGowan and Sgt. H. D. Smith; recitations, Mr. Spencer, Miss Gladys Whalen, Miss Ross and Sgt. Logan; piano solo, Miss Ina Magnusson. The men entered heartily into some choruses singing. Refreshments were served and the evening closed with the National Anthem and three cheers for the ladies. Miss Edna Whalen was the convener.

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