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Church Parades on Sunday—"B" Company, 69th, Hosts at Concert on Saturday Evening—Honor Roll Unveiled

Owing to the heavy rain on Saturday night, the recruiting meeting in the Mill street offices was postponed. Three men signed the roll of the 118th, Joseph Butfield and Arthur Robertson of Fairville, and Fred, Farren, Mill street.

The 69th Battalion yesterday morning attended St. John the Baptist and Trinity churches; the 140th detachment in West St. John attended at the churches of the respective denominations there.

A pleasing concert was given on Saturday evening at the army by the members of "B" Co., 69th Battalion, and despite the rain, the popularity of the event and of those promoting it was shown by the large gathering attending. The battalion band gave selections, including one written by Bandmaster Labadie, and dedicated to the ladies of St. John. The programme given was:

Accordion solo, Sgt. Skene; song, "When I Dream of Old Erin," Bugler McDermott; step dance, Drummer McCarty; song, "We Meet Tonight," Pte. Abbott; song, "Till the Boys Come Home," Miss Daisy O'Sullivan; mouth organ solo, Pte. Brady; song, "A Little Bit of Heaven," Miss Creighton; solo, Pte. Brown; song, Pte. Harris; song, Corp. Dunsmuir; song, Corp. Gibson; song, "The Little Irish Girl," Miss Knight; step dance, Pte. Mullany; song, Miss O'Sullivan; song, Pte. Harris; recitation, Pte. Rollins; song, Miss Creighton; step dance, Pte. W. Reynolds; song, Sgt. Skene; recitation, Pte. Macdonald.

The band of the 69th battalion, under the direction of Bandmaster Labadie, gave several splendid selections, among them a march which had been composed by the bandmaster himself and dedicated to the ladies of St. John. The congregation of St. David's church last night entertained a large gathering of soldiers, including many from the 69th Battalion. These Sunday night meetings are open to all soldiers in the city.

Chas. W. Jones has set an excellent example in the announcement that he will entertain four soldiers for Christmas at his home.

N. Fraser, of Moncton, 28th Battalion, has been killed in action. Frank P. Murphy, St. John's 69th Battalion, is reported seriously ill.

A largely attended recruiting meeting in the Imperial Theatre last evening was addressed by Capt. L. P. D. Tilley, Lieut. Belque, 69th Battalion, and Rev. Dr. Campbell. W. S. Fisher presided and the 69th Battalion band played several selections.

An honor roll unveiled in Leinster street Baptist church last night included the names of thirteen volunteers. Arthur Everett, president of the Barreco Brotherhood class, officiated at the unveiling and the pastor, Rev. W. Camp, preached an eloquent sermon appropriate to the event.

An address on "India" was given last night in the Y. M. C. A. rooms at the armory by Rev. Mr. Fletcher, one of the members of the 69th Battalion by whom it was much enjoyed.

In German street Baptist church last night many of the 69th Battalion were entertained by the brotherhood. Refreshments were served after the services.

CANADIAN CITIES

"DOPE RING" CENTRES

Detroit Officials Say Windsor is Worst of Four in Catering To Debased Appetite

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 20—Windsor, London, and Toronto are the headquarters of "dope rings" and these cities, with Windsor leading them, cater to the abnormal appetites of thousands of drug users in the Middle West, according to a statement made by International Revenue Collector James Brady of Detroit.

Selling narcotics of various kinds to habitual drug users, he says, forms the major part of the business done by three Windsor drug stores. Two Windsor physicians, he adds, furnish prescriptions by which drugs can be obtained, charging \$1 or \$2.

"Enough cocaine was recently purchased at one time at a Windsor drug store by a young man to last the largest prescription drug store in Detroit for six months," continued Brady. "It would take an ordinary drug store between four and eight years to use it."

Windsor and other Canadian cities are setting at naught the Harrison drug law,

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by which the sale of narcotics is regulated in the United States.

Peddlers of the drug supply it free to novices and thereby gain customers who will afterwards pay any price for it. Windsor has not escaped the scourge and hundreds of residents are slaves to the habit.

Brady suggests the following remedies: Put the sellers out of business, jail the offending physicians, enact legislation similar to the Harrison law, and enforce it, cause a general investigation of conditions and have the crown attorney, the provincial police and the city police departments co-operate with the federal and police authorities in Detroit in suppression of illicit traffic.

Indictments will be asked in the United States federal courts by Brady against Windsor druggists and physicians who supply Americans with the drug. Although these indictments will not stand before a jury, they will authorize the arrest of Windsor men in Detroit.

Fish Exports Increase.

During the last twelve months half a million dollars worth of fish has been sent from Canada to Australia, war conditions there producing a good demand for the product at good prices. In Great Britain fish prices have increased a hundred per cent since the war. New Brunswick canners are getting a larger share of the business.

Kings County Cattle Shot.

Stock raisers in Kings county have been suffering from the depredations of cattle thieves. At least seven head of cattle, including many of the best, have been shot and the skins and meat removed. The chief losses are Devine Brothers of Hillsdale and W. F. Fowler of Hammondville.

Cash Specials

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Monday Dec. 20th

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2 lbs. Prunes.....25c
1 lb. Raisins.....25c
Libby's Asparagus Tips (lb. tin).....25c
Libby's Asparagus, Large Green (2 lb. tin).....35c
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Soups, all kinds.....12c
Cider.....Per gal. 35c
Wetley's Mince Meat, Per pkg. 10c
Baker's Chocolate in 1/2 lb. cakes, 22c
Orange Pekoe Tea (lb. only).....35c
Chase & Sanborn's Coffee (fresh).....35c
Quart "Perfect Seal" Joe Golden Syrup.....30c
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RECENT DEATHS

John Brittain.

An old resident of the city passed away on Saturday evening in the person of John Brittain, who died at his late residence, 38 St. Patrick street. The deceased, who enjoyed the esteem of many in the city, was in the 90th year of his age. For the last forty-three years he had been a resident, a greater part in West St. John. He is survived by his wife, three sons and one daughter. The sons are James and Ernest, of West St. John, and William, of Wexford. A daughter, Bertha, resides at home. Mrs. Margaret Totter of Wexford, is a sister. The funeral will be held on Monday evening. The body will be taken on Tuesday morning's train to Nerepis where interment will be made.

Mrs. Amy Branscombe.

Mrs. Amy Branscombe, widow of John Branscombe died at her home in Somerville (Mass.), yesterday (Sunday) at 4 o'clock. Mrs. Branscombe was the daughter of late Isaac and Mary Ann McLean, of Waterbury, Queen's county. She leaves two daughters, Rita and Jennie in Somerville and two sisters, Mrs. W. H. White and Mrs. Sharpe, of Queen's county, also one brother, Fred. McLean, of Fredericton. The funeral will be held at Waterbury, Queen's county, on Thursday, December 23.

The sympathy of friends is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hart, River street, in the death of their child, Walter, which occurred early Sunday morning. The boy, who was the eldest of the family, contracted diphtheria on Friday, and died at 10 o'clock Sunday morning, and he passed away yesterday morning.

The death of John A. Laddis, aged forty-nine years, a well known resident of Fredericton, occurred on Saturday from pneumonia.

"My wife sent me to buy a rolling pin," said the mild looking man.

"What kind of wood do you prefer?" inquired the salesman.

"What is the softest wood you have?"

KAISER AT CHURCH

German Correspondent at Vilna

Recounts Incidents of Emperor's Visit

Berlin, Dec. 20.—The Wolff Agency's war correspondent with Von Hindenburg, who the following account of the Kaiser's visit to Vilna.

"A little before 8 a. m. the Kaiser arrived at the Vilna railway station, coming from the direction of Kovno. After a short reception he retired to the Lutheran church for service. Two field chaplains awaited the ruler at the evergreen decorated entrance. Prince Oscar sat at the Kaiser's left and in the half circle around him Hindenburg, the leader of the army, and Holtzendorff, chief of the admiralty staff. The Kaiser followed the ceremony with the utmost attention and at the end of it joined in singing the old "Dunkelget," (Thanks giving).

After church he motored to the botanical gardens where he reviewed the troops. The streets and squares of Vilna were crowded with thousands of the Jewish population, while the Catholics assembled near the Cathedral. Von Hindenburg and Von Elchhorn led the parade in person, marching past the Kaiser at the head of the first company, and then took their places immediately behind the Oberster Kriegsherr (Supreme War Lord). The greater part of the Vilna garrison marched by. Then the Kaiser repaired to the castle on the hill.

"Meanwhile the soldiers who were to receive iron crosses ranged themselves in a long line. The Kaiser stepped up to each man who made a short report, the Kaiser then pressing the cross into his hand with a hand-shake.

"The action, however, became really lively when the imperial questions were put to a newly created knight. In response to the Kaiser's inquiries one brave pioneer answered in confusion, 'At your orders, captain,' and tried to correct himself, saying, 'his face red as a beet,' 'Beg pardon, Major!'

"Questioning an infantryman who

says he is from Lubeck and that he used to be in the East Asiatic Cavalry regiment, the Kaiser said:

"How do you like it in the infantry now?"

"I am quite satisfied."

"What, without your lance?"

"We used our rifle butts, Your Majesty."

"Have you ever been so close at that?"

"Oh, yes, Your Majesty."

"Bayonet or rifle butt?"

"Both, Your Majesty."

"He's from Lubeck, alright," the Kaiser laughed and passed to the next man.

"The Kaiser then went over to the St. Stanislaus Cathedral where the Bishop of Vilna greeted him. The high prelate and the priests led the ruler to the marble chapel, in which rests the heavy silver coffin of St. Casimir, and eight statues of Polish kings ornament the walls. Then they showed the Kaiser the tomb of the Lithuanian Grand Duke Witold. Organ music flooded the church and the Kaiser is moved to ask the bishop the name of the organist. In front of the church the Lithuanian and Polish populace, densely packed awaits the reappearance of the Kaiser, who at the door thanks the prince of the church with a warm hand-shake and then climbs into his automobile amid a storm of cheers."

William Travers Jerome says an emigration agent for one of the western trunk lines was making a cross-country trip through the poorest part of the Tennessee Mountains, seeking colonists for newly developed sections beyond the Mississippi, when he came to a barren and gullied hillside where a native in ragged garments ploughed with the aid of a slab-sided mule. Seeking a convert the agent stopped his backboard up alongside the tottering rail fence which bounded the field and hailed the ploughman.

"My friend," he said, why don't you quit wasting your life on this worthless soil? Why don't you sell out here and move to a country where your labor will bring you some fitting return?"

"Stranger," said the hillman, "I ain't as bad off as you seem to think I am—I don't own any acre of this here land."

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