

Around the City

FAIR AND MILD

MINISTER RESIGNED. Rev. J. B. Harvey, Baptist minister of Brown's Flats, has resigned his charge. He preached his last sermon here as pastor yesterday.

PROCURED A POSITION. T. Holly, of Bridgetown, N. S., was in the city Saturday. He was on route to Boston where he has procured a position with a rubber company in that city.

THE FINE WEATHER. The fine weather yesterday drew a large number of people to Rockwood and Seaside Parks. The air was a little cool on the sea shore but it was perfect in Rockwood.

GOOD TRAIN NEWS. Today the through Boston train service will be re-established and the through night train to Halifax via C. G. R. leaving here at 11:30 will be restored on June 2nd.

ANSWERED THE CALL. S. McEvoy, of Boston, passed through the city Saturday en route from Halifax to the Hub to answer the call to the colors. It will only be a few days when he will be drilling with Uncle Sam's army.

A FOOTBALL MATCH. It is stated that the crews of two of the steamers in port are making arrangements for a real old-time game of football to be played on the Shamrock grounds sometime during the present week.

RETURNS TO COLLEGE. Rev. J. Fleet, C. S. C. of St. Joseph's University, returns to the college this morning. The reverend father was here assisting Rev. J. F. McMurray of St. John Baptist parish in the forty hours' devotion.

THE 29TH ANNIVERSARY. On Saturday Magistrate Ritchie was being congratulated as it marked his 29th year that he has been police magistrate of St. John. His Honor was presented with a bouquet of twenty-nine carnations by K. Pedersen the florist.

P. T. A. E. PARKS WOUNDED. Word has been received by Joseph Parks, 189 Millidge avenue, that his brother, P. T. A. E. Parks, had been admitted to the 2nd London Field Ambulance Hospital suffering from gunshot wounds in the hip and right elbow.

SONG SERVICE ENJOYED. The song service and social gathering for soldiers and sailors in St. David's church last evening was well attended. A vocal solo by A. C. Smith was pleasingly rendered. After the singing of a number of hymns and choruses refreshments were served.

THIS IS CLEAN-UP DAY. Starting this morning the city public works department teams will remove all packages of refuse that are left in convenient places in the south end of the city, as well as in Lorne and Lansdowne wards. Tomorrow other sections of the city will be visited.

REV. CAPT. McCASKILL. Included in a list of Canadian chaplains, whose locations have been changed, is the name of Rev. Captain J. J. McCaskill. He is now attached to the Canadian Casualty Discharge Depot, Burton, Eng. Rev. Mr. McCaskill was for several years pastor of St. Matthew's church, Douglas avenue.

MAKING INVESTIGATIONS. The Atlantic Biological Station motorboat Prince, in charge of Capt. Elmer Rigby, Arthur Calder, engineer, sailed from St. Andrews on Thursday for the North Shore of New Brunswick, where she will be engaged in biological investigations of fisheries to be conducted this summer by Dr. A. G. Huxman.

A BOYS' MEETING. An "enthusiastic boys' meeting" was held in the Fairville Baptist church yesterday afternoon when A. M. Gregg delivered an address on "Earn and Give Campaign." A number of the boys expressed their intention of signing up and co-operating in this movement. The total number of boys signed up in the city of St. John at present is 152.

THE BOATING SEASON. For the past couple of weeks those owning motor boats and sailing yachts have been working all their spare time putting their boats in shape for the summer season. This work has been about completed and the majority of the boats have been placed in the water. The cruising season has about commenced and quite a number of boats went up river yesterday.

VISITED SHIP YARD. The members of the St. John branch of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers visited the Grant and Horse ship yards Saturday afternoon and the members were shown all over the plant and the building of the ship explained. Visits to other works of special interest to the engineers will be made during the summer, and when the summer is over a schedule of meetings will be arranged.

PARENTS MUST REPORT. Eleven marriages and seventeen births—ten boys and seven girls—were reported to the registrar during the past week. The registrar said that he intends to see in the future that parents do not neglect to report the birth of their children, and that they make the proper returns to him. He explained that parents should not take it for granted that the attending physician looks after this duty.

QUIETLY OBSERVED. The first party of United Empire Loyalists landed on these shores one hundred and thirty-five years ago May 18, and honor to the loyalists was celebrated in a quiet manner on Saturday. Flags were flying from many of the business houses. The day will be observed in some of the public schools today, while on Friday many of the teachers rehearsed the historical event to their scholars.

TWO NEW CASES OF SMALLPOX ADDED TO LIST

Were Discovered on Rockland Road Saturday—Board of Health Have Situation Well in Hand — In December, 1901, There Was Over One Hundred Cases.

Two new cases of smallpox are added to the list of city and county. These were discovered on Saturday on Rockland Road, thus totaling twenty cases to date. Much anxiety is naturally shown by the citizens, but the doctors and officials in charge are to be congratulated on the efficient manner in which they are coping with the disease and every precaution is being taken to curtail it.

Citizens must work in unison with the officials and the best means of doing this is to comply with the ordinary rule—vaccination. Dr. Melvin mentioned a few days ago that citizens did not realize the gravity of the disease and many remained unvaccinated. By complying with the rule many cases could be avoided; again citizens should immediately call a physician if they believe they are affected. By doing this they will help to stop the spread of the disease and their cases can be easily eradicated.

Twenty cases are the total now, but these are in check and every precaution is being taken and with warm weather coming on the disease can more easily be stamped out. Making a comparison of the number of cases today, to those of 1901, might cause more anxiety, as at that time it was cold weather and the disease was very prevalent in the city and county. From an early date in October of that year up to and including December 27, 101 cases were reported and quite a number of these proved fatal at the time. Dr. Morris, who then visited the patients, reported: The citizens, as now, knew the danger ground for the disease in the fact of not being vaccinated. A house to house canvass was the medium resorted to, and 10,000 persons were vaccinated by this source. A local druggist then reported the sale of 32,000 vaccinations, which was the fact that the citizens realized the gravity of the disease and woke up to the fact that vaccination was the right source to combat the disease, this being done few new cases arose, and those which did arise were of a milder type and easily wiped out. However, thanks to the efficiency of Dr. Melvin and the staff of local doctors at the present time the disease so far has not proved fatal in any case, and precautions exhorted by him and his staff have had good effects. New cases breaking out are quickly handled in an efficient manner and with warm weather here can be easily be combatted so if the citizens comply with the regulations they also can help in an efficient manner and again curtail future anxiety.

DERELICT SCHOONER 'MAGGIE ALICE' IS TOWED INTO PORT

Ocean Going Tug Pejepsoot Finds Craft Dismasted and Waterlogged Off St. Martins—Fate of Captain Sabean So Far Unknown.

The fate of Capt. J. A. Sabean of the schooner Maggie Alice is still a mystery although that ill fated craft was picked up and towed into harbor yesterday afternoon by the ocean going tug Pejepsoot. The Pejepsoot was proceeding from St. Martins to Belfast, Maine, with a barge in tow, when off St. Martins her captain saw the derelict schooner with her signal distress flying. He proceeded to investigate and after anchoring the barge boarded the schooner. He found no person on board and made up his mind to tow her to this port. A hawser was made fast around the stump of a foremast and the schooner was towed here, arriving about half past four.

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NOTHING DEFINITE ABOUT HARD COAL SUPPLY FOR WINTER

J. H. Frink Says Allotment for Canada Will Be Made at Philadelphia This Week — Trying to Arrange for Water Transportation to This Port.

J. H. Frink returned from Ottawa on Saturday where he had been in consultation with the Government in connection with fuel for the province of New Brunswick for the coming winter. Mr. Frink stated to the Standard last night that as yet it was impossible to make any definite statement as to the supply of anthracite which would be available for this city, as the meeting of the Anthracite Distribution Committee, which had charge of the anthracite coal in the United States and the placing of it would not meet until the early part of this week. This meeting would be held in Philadelphia and Canadian Fuel Controller Magrath expected to attend and arrange for Canada's supply which would then be allotted to the various provinces.

Mr. Frink made the following statement on the situation: "Before going to Ottawa I had advised the Government to obtain a ship to carry 5,000 tons of Welsh anthracite to St. John. This coal would cost 31 shillings a ton F. O. B. and the freight would be 30 shillings a ton making the cost \$14.50 per ton of 2,240 pounds. Lighterage, breakage and insurance would add about \$4.50 per ton to this making the total cost \$19.35. Some dealers even at this price appeared to look favorably on the proposition but nothing definite has been done. I thought that probably better terms might be obtained but return cablegrams shaded the freight a little but not very much. This ship and cargo are still available but I am of the opinion that the price will be too high for local consumers.

"The American anthracite supply is extremely uncertain and the information I have is that nothing definite on this point will be available until the Fuel Controller has an agreement with the distribution committee of the United States, which will meet shortly in Philadelphia. There appears to be a great deal of difficulty with cargoes from the United States in vessels bound for Maritime ports as vessels from the U. S. are under the control of the United States shipping board. Negotiations are now under way to remove these difficulties which it is hoped will be successful.

"There seemed to be a fair supply of anthracite in Ottawa which was selling at \$10.50 per ton. This price is of course due to the short and direct rail haul from the mines. Fuel distribution there is under the control of a fuel committee composed of W. H. Dwyer, W. H. McAuliffe and W. L. Best. Mr. Dwyer is one of the foremost business men of the Dominion. Mr. McAuliffe is a retired lumber man and Mr. Best is an M. P. All these men are men of standing and ability and command the respect of the community, dealers and consumers alike. Their work has been very efficiently performed and the example of Ottawa in this respect might well be followed by other cities.

Mr. Frink said he understood the American distribution committee were going to apportion the coal to the States of the Union on the basis of what they used in 1916 and it was expected the same basis would be used for Canada as far as they were concerned.

HENRY A. PARLEE KILLED IN ACTION

Many friends in both Nova Scotia and New Brunswick will deeply sympathize with Rev. Henry T. Parlee and Mrs. Parlee, the rectory, Stewiacke, N. S. on the death of their son Henry Andrew (Harry) Parlee who was killed in action "Somewhere in France" on May 1st. The sad news reached Stewiacke on Monday May 13th. While his father was rector of Aylesford Harry became a member of the staff of the then Capt. N. B. (later the Bank of N. S.) at that place. He was transferred to St. Stephen and afterward to Montreal, Regina and Moose Jaw where he was accountant, his progress having been rapid.

In December 1916 he resigned his position in the bank and came back to Halifax to enlist. He was put in the Depot with rank of sergeant, after giving perfect satisfaction resigned declaring it to be a "Safety first" job and that the men who were unfit for overseas work, or returned men should have such positions. He gave up his stripes and was transferred to the 193rd Highland Batt. Word was sent from Halifax to his colonel to again put him in the office but he absolutely refused it as he said it was another "safety first" job and he was resolved to go overseas. In England he again won his sergeant's stripes and took a course at Beithhill-by-the-sea, giving them up again to get to France. He was transferred to the 17th reserve on March 16th crossed to France and reached the trenches on April 9th. As he was one of a gentry, retiring disposition, he was greatly esteemed by his officers and men. He was very lively and his words will carry benefit and assurance to those who heed them.

BIRTHDAY OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Rev. J. V. Young Preached Interesting Sermon in Mission Church of St. John the Baptist Yesterday.

Preaching on the Holy Spirit and referring to Whit Sunday as the birthday of the Christian church, Rev. J. V. Young, priest in charge of the Mission church of St. John Baptist, Paradise Row, in his sermon at the solemn celebration of the Holy Eucharist yesterday contrasted the state of the church one hundred years ago with that of today. More than eighteen hundred years ago, he said, the church was established when the Holy Ghost descended. The Holy Spirit had been with the Catholic church ever since, although the Anglican branch one hundred years ago lapsed for a time and became practically dead. Then it was the custom to celebrate the Holy Eucharist just four times a year; the church neglected her duties and priests were worldly. However the Holy Spirit remained with the church and she is still Catholic. Now in thousands of church edifices there are daily celebrations of the Holy Eucharist and other Catholic essentials are maintained, evidence of the presence of the third person of the Blessed Trinity.

SOFT DRINK TRADE NOT PROFITABLE

Large Number of Beer Shops Have Closed — Complaints Regarding Shops Keeping Open After Regulation Hours.

A number of the soft drink merchants in various parts of the city have not found business as profitable as they anticipated and have either gone out of business by selling out or closing shop. One place near the station has closed another in that vicinity has a to-let sign in the window. Two of the establishments on Union street, which were formerly liquor stores, are no longer in the soft drink trade, and another on German street closed, sometime ago, making an assignment. A Reed's Point man has sold out, but there are still two or three shops open in that district. There are also less in Water street. Some of the dealers put in luncheon and oyster counters, but this novelty did not help business as expected. Rev. George Scott, agent of the Children's Aid Society, has stated that his attention has been directed to some beer shops that remain open after the regulation closing hour. There is not half the number of applicants for beer licenses this year as there was in 1917.

FORTY HOURS' DEVOTION HAS SUCCESSFUL CLOSING

Large Congregation in St. John Baptist Church Last Evening—Interesting Address by Rev. Dr. O'Reiley.

The forty hours devotion in St. John Baptist Church, was brought to a very successful close last evening and the seating capacity of the church was taxed to its limit.

The altar was beautifully decorated with flowers. In the sanctuary were Rev. J. F. McMurray, the rector; Rev. J. Fleet, C. S. C. of St. Joseph's and Rev. Dr. O'Reiley, chaplain of the Mater Misericordiae Home. After the opening prayers were recited by the rector, Rev. Dr. O'Reiley gave an interesting lecture on "Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God." The speaker touched on the evils of the world today—the ever grasping hand of Satan to snatch his follower into his highway; to the amusements offered to the young people of today; and to the environments of the young.

He alluded to different forces in the world of today—first to that of the world, and secondly—Religion. He defined this worldly force, which offered protection to those who could and would forget their religion, and training; and to the evil effects if one followed this force. Religion—the speaker added is the second force and this force alone can combat the other effect successfully. He dealt on religion, on the sacraments, and on the sacrifice of the Mass. This sacrifice was a means of attaining the other sacraments. He touched on the youth of today, who must be given early training by their parents, that they might eventually grow up to be good men and women. He exhorted mothers and fathers to keep their children ever under their watchful eyes, and ever to correct any wrong-doing of their children. He exhorted the young boys and girls to live up to the teachings of their youth, and ever remember the words "Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God." The speaker was listened to attentively.

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all who knew him being splendidly loyal to his friends, his family, his church and his country. During the four years the family lived in Halifax he and his four brothers were members of St. Luke's Cathedral vested choir, all since the war having donned the khaki. Two sisters, Mrs. H. W. Cronk of Brooklyn, N. Y., who is a graduate of the G. Hospital, Halifax, and Miss Ruth, at home, also four brothers, survive. A brother, Percy Parlee, D. C. M., who enlisted in 1914, and served nearly three years at the front, was badly wounded and gassed at Lens on August 17, 1918. While waiting in an ambulance at the dressing station a shell struck the ambulance, instantly killing a companion and Percy's foot was blown off. He has recently undergone a fourth operation—a most serious one—on his leg but is now unconvalescing at the Orthopaedic Hospital, Toronto. Lieut. Medley Parlee and Lieut. George Parlee are with the R. A. forces. While engaged in flying Lieut. Medley Parlee brought down seven Hun machines. Recently he has crashed after a nine months' course and is now an instructor in England. Archie, another brother, is now somewhere in France with the C. A. M. C. B. E. F. All are nobly doing or have done their bit for the cause of world freedom. The Young Women's Christian Association annual meeting Stone church S. S. room this evening 8 o'clock. Public invited, to attend. "The Hidden Hand." Pathe's four star serial, opens at the Star Theatre on Friday, May 24th. Don't miss the opening chapter. MUSLIN FROCKS, AS MANY AS THE FLOWERS IN MAY, FOR THE HOLIDAY. Puffed and be-frilled frocks, sashed and tuniced frocks, dresses reminiscent of colonial belles of '76, even to the quaint conventional designs of the tissues. The "calico mode" given widest interpretation in choice of fabrics, sheerest of printed voiles, transparent organdies and muslins, plain colored voiles, and just to give substantiality, Hawaiian cloth and drills. Prices start moderately at \$6.75 and range as high as \$15.00. Dykeman's, the house of stylish women's apparel at moderate prices. Ruth Roland in a new series at the Star Theatre—commencing Monday, May 27th. See the opening installment.