

# GOOD THINGS COMING TO THEATRES OF ST. JOHN

## MME. CLIFFORD TONIGHT, OPERA HOUSE, FINE NEW PROGRAMME

The Opera House vaudeville programme opening tonight has enough variety and novelty to suit all tastes. First there is Mme. Clifford, the famous mind reader and teller of the past, present and future, who was here a short while ago and created so much interest that many of the regular patrons asked that a return engagement be arranged. She will be here for the three days and it is probable that on Monday afternoon she will give a special and exclusive performance for ladies only, directly after the regular matinee performance.

Another good card on the bill is Billy Lehr and Company, a quartette of entertainers in a comedy variety novelty. Other features include Fred and Bess Lucier in comedy songs, chat and dancing; Jimmie Duffy, who sings comedy songs, tells humorous stories and is a good musician as well. There will be one other good act, and the sixth chapter of the serial, "The Terror of the Range." This evening at 7.30 and 9.15 tomorrow afternoon at 2 and 3.30. Popular prices.

# THE STAR THEATRE TONIGHT

The bill of pictures at the Star Theatre this evening will be exceptionally long and varied. The chief attraction, of course, will be Ruth Roland in the third chapter of "Father's Storing" western serial "Hands Up." Once more the "Phantom Rider" comes to the rescue. Earle Williams and Edith Storey will be seen in a Vitaphone drama "Chains of Oath." The comedy end will be supplied by Charlie Chaplin in "The Landlady's Pet," and Montgomery and Rock in "Bonds and Banners." The regular issue of the "British-Canadian News," will also be shown.

# WOMEN OF CANADA.

You are now citizens. You have the privilege and the opportunity of expressing yourselves—indirectly—by your own vote. You have a duty and an obligation to so express yourselves. If the women voters of Canada should merely fall into line behind two political parties their part would not help the country. Indeed, it would be an added burden by necessitating an extension of the machinery for voting and increasing the money cost of the same. On the other hand, while it is not desirable to form a woman's party it is obvious that there are certain principles which should demand the support of women of both parties.

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Napoleon Points the Way In a tiny French village that is hardly a village any more, since shells almost removed it from the earth, one building has a tower standing untouched. A platform tops this tower and a miniature figure of Napoleon stands there facing and pointing toward the positions held by the Germans. Thousands of shells have whizzed and exploded by this tower, but none has touched the tower or the figure of Napoleon pointing northward. Thousands of Americans, thousands of trucks, quantities of guns and ammunition and supplies rolled over the main street by this figure pointing the way to the boche in the last few weeks of the war. Every one marvelled that the tower with the miniature Napoleon withstood all bombardment. —Scranton Times.

Detective Donahue found two dining room chairs in Orange street marked "L. Murray, Vancouver." They are now at the police station.

# TO HARMONIZE DIVORCE LAWS

Bill Introduced in Canadian House of Commons

Some Inquiries Answered—Settlement of Matter Between I. C. R. Employees and Management—The C. N. R. Bill

Ottawa, April 24.—W. F. Nickle presented a bill in the house of commons this afternoon respecting divorce. The purpose of the bill, he said, was to constitute divorce courts in Canada. It was proposed that the supreme court in each province should be a divorce court for that province and the exchequer court a divorce court for the dominion. The bill sets out reasons for divorce, nullity of marriage and contains provisions in regard to domicile of husband and wife, and also treats of the family.

The purpose of the bill, Mr. Nickle said, was not to facilitate divorce but to harmonize the divorce laws of the country and to make the position of man and woman equal. Major Power asked if it was a fact that an extra equipment allowance was given to officers in England and France after the armistice was signed. Major-General Newburn replied in the negative, but remarked that an order-in-council of Sept. 12, 1918, provided that an additional outfit allowance of \$100 should be paid annually to officers on the strength, and issued with pay and allowances to the overseas military forces who had completed twelve months' service since the last payment of outfit allowance was due.

J. E. Sinclair, of Queens (P. E. I.), read from a newspaper a statement that a meeting of farmers who had sons in military service had been informed by the premier of Prince Edward Island that leave or discharge would be granted to their sons. He asked if the premier had any authority from the militia department to make the statement. He also asked why soldiers who had entered the service after the armistice was signed were still being held at Halifax. General Newburn replied that the premier of Prince Edward Island had no authority from the militia department whatever. He said that a certain number of troops were doing garrison duty at Halifax, but he had knowledge himself of soldiers who had been taken into the service after the armistice, being added to the machinery for voting and increasing the money cost of the same.

# Railway Trouble Settled.

Hon. Dr. Reid, in a reply to B. D. Mackenzie said he had been informed by the minister of labor that the trouble between employees of the I. C. R. and the management had been settled. The employees had agreed to settle the matter with the executive board. The hon. member then went into the committee on the bill to incorporate the Canadian National Railway Company. Clause No. 7, which involves the question of the placing of the directors proved a contentious section and after considerable discussion an amendment by D. D. Mackenzie was passed and settled the debate. The amendment provides that the first directors may meet at such time and place as may be designated by the minister of railways for the purpose of passing by-laws and organizing the company.

# LOCAL COUNCIL WOMEN.

The president of each affiliated society is requested to notify her delegates of the annual meeting of the Local Council of Women to be held in Natural History Rooms Saturday, April 26, at 11 a. m. and 2.30 p. m. (daylight time).

# SALE OF WHITEWEAR.

Many thrifty people took advantage of the big bargains in white wear section of M. R. A's Ltd. yesterday. We have still a good assortment of dainty night-gowns, envelope chemises, Princess slips, corsets, corset covers, drawers, aprons, children's white dresses, etc., which will be on sale all day Saturday.

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says Bobby



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# LOCAL NEWS

St. David's Church pantry sale, Bond's, Saturday, 10-1 daylight time.

Dr. Mabel Hamilton will speak this evening at St. Paul's school house at 8 (daylight). Junior W. A. entertainment.

# TONIGHT.

Big alteration sale in full swing. Visit King Square Sales Co.

# RETURNED SOLDIERS' SPECIAL.

A special discount of 10 per cent off sale prices to all returned soldiers.—King Square Sales Co.

Earle Williams at the Star tonight.

# BIG DROP IN PRICES.

Twenty-four lbs. Purify or Five Roses Flour, \$1.22; 10 lbs. Roll Oatmeal, 60c; 10 lbs. onions, 25c; white beans, 16c; corn, 12c; Red Eye beans, 17c; corn, 12c; garden seed of all kinds by the pound or package. Chas. F. Francis & Co., 72 Mill street. 98499-4-28

# BRITAIN'S SEA CHAMPION

Members of the Navy League and the public generally should hear Councillor Peter Wright's address in the Seamen's Mission hall on Monday next at 8 o'clock (daylight time). Mr. Wright is a fearless champion of British sea power, besides being a pungent, eloquent speaker.

The young ladies of Knox Church will hold pantry sale Saturday, April 26, W. Pedersen's, Market Building.

Spring opening of bargain millinery.—Mrs. Brown, 17 Brussels St., opposite Union. 97973-5-21

Charlie Chaplin at the Star tonight.

# ATTENTION PEOPLE!

Tobias & Gamett's public auto truck at your service. Furniture moving a specialty. Phone us your orders and we will receive prompt attention. Phones M. 1746-21 and M. 2498-21. 4-28.

# AUCTION

Goods consisting of dry goods of all kinds, boots, shoes, etc., at 65 Brussels street. Begins at 7.30 tonight. 4-27.

You can make your own clothes with the aid of our wonderful book on dress-making, every step of the way is clearly shown. You can't help understand it when it comes to repairs and alterations you save its cost over and over again. Get American Dressmaking Step by Step today at Pattern Center, 1235 per copy.—Daniel, Head King street.

# Great alteration sale now on.

LADIES' BOOTS \$1.98.

Two lots for ad, but these offer exceptional value. Come in and see this \$1.98 line.—King Square Sales Co.

# NOTICE.

A special mass meeting to be held for all civic employees tonight, 7.30 (old time). Trades and Labor Hall, Union street. By order of the president, F. A. Campbell.

Rummage sale at 77 Sydney street, Saturday, April 26. 98890-4-26.

Earle Williams at the Star tonight.

For taxi and touring car hire, open all hours day and night. Morrell Garage. Phone 2957-11 or 1611-11. 98390-5-1.

Edith Storey at the Star tonight.

Try the Y. W. C. A. cafeteria, 28 King street, supper Saturday served 5-7, Sunday dinner 1-2. 8-28-T

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The new waist seam style is the best yet. It gives the popular pinch-back a black eye. See them. Brager's, 185-187 Union street.

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Private dancing appointment any hour. Class Wednesday and Saturday.—Miss Sherwood, 2012. 98220-4-29.

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MEN'S CAPS 50c EACH.

Ten dozen caps, regular \$1 to \$2. All good styles, 50c. Friday and Saturday. The Hatter, Union street. 14-28

# RUMMAGE SALE.

Loyalist Chapter, I. O. O. F., will hold a rummage sale in Mission Church Sunday school, Saturday, April 26, 10 a. m. daylight time.

Ruth Roland at the Star tonight.

Remember the Nurses' Tea, K. of C. Hall, Saturday, April 26, 4 p. m. daylight time.

# LADIES' DRESSES.

New shipment of dresses just received—poplins, silks and georgette, prices from \$15 to \$45. Call and see them. A few sample suits at \$20.—J. Perchanko, 38 Dock street.

# PERSONALS

Mrs. Gordon Sully and her daughter, Bee, sailed today on the steamer Gramplan for an extended visit to Mrs. Sully's former home in England.

Frank B. Ellis is among the passengers for England on the Gramplan today.

Mrs. William Pugsley entertained at bridge and supper dance at the Queen Hotel, Fredericton, last night. About 100 invitations were issued.

Rev. Dr. George Steel, traveling representative of the Methodist Board of Missions, went to the eastern section of the province at noon.

Thomas Nagle came in from Montreal on today's express.

M. C. Manning of the Bank of Nova Scotia staff, Ottawa, came to the city today because of the death of his mother, widow of Edward Manning, late secretary Board of School Trustees.

Mrs. E. Albertson Smith, Mrs. Geo. K. McLeod, Mrs. Hugh Mackay and other Daughters of the Empire delegates to the Fredericton convention, returned at noon.

# MOTHER OF 22 CHILDREN, SIX SETS OF TWINS

Mrs. Dowington, a resident in Guernsey, has given birth to six sets of twins in eleven years. She also has ten other children.

Of this remarkable family eighteen are living and the case was reported to the king and recommended for special notice. Seeing that the record was so remarkable and that the family was in serving one, His Majesty sent a donation.

# RED CROSS COMMITTEE.

The monthly meeting of the hospital committee of the Provincial Red Cross was held this morning. Reports from committees and letter from hospitals acknowledging Easter gifts from the Red Cross were read—one from Matron Hegan of the St. John Military Hospital, Miss Riordan of the Jordan Sanatorium, from Fortunate, and from the East St. John County Hospital. A satisfactory report came from the Ashburnham branch of the Red Cross at Fredericton.

P. D. Tilley, the president, was in the chair.

# ARRIVED AT PORTLAND.

Chas. Robinson, secretary of New Brunswick Returned Soldiers' Commission today received a following telegram from Portland, Me., giving names of N. B. men who arrived there this morning on the S.S. Araguaya and will leave tonight for St. John attached to the regular Boston train. The New Brunswick men will proceed direct to Fredericton, where they will get their furlough and arrive in this city on Saturday night at 11.35. The St. John men are Pte. H. C. Fowle, 80 Portland street; Pte. W. Gould, Fairville; Pte. Skidmore, 64 Summer street.

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His life is rimmed by wharves where hulls converge, With flags of all the world on truck and stern; Fresh from the southern coasts where trade winds urge, Or icy ports where northern fires burn.

His lips with river mist are ever wet; His ears are drummed by hoisting engines' strain; And in his dreams the ships he can't forget, Wash in the channel from the misty main.

—T. J. Murray in Contemporary Verse.

# SHIPPING

ALMANAC FOR ST. JOHN, APR 25

A.M. P.M.  
High Tide... 8.08 Low Tide... 14.14  
Sun Rises... 6.27 Sun Sets... 8.17  
Time used is Daylight saving.

# OTHER PORTS

Boston, April 24—Arr. sch. Louise McLeod, Abbot's Harbor (NS). Arr. Sch. Layolla, Apple River (NS).  
Halifax, NS, April 24—Arr. str. Burma, Gibraltar, Mackay-Bennett, from sea. Str. War Chilkat, Vancouver. Sid—Str. Jristfield, Montreal; str. Impeco, Montreal.

# PERSONALS

Dr. H. S. Clarke left by C. P. R. last evening for Montreal.

Hon. Dr. E. A. Smith, of Shediac, minister of lands and mines, was in the city yesterday on his way home from the capital.

Rev. Canon Armstrong arrived home last evening from Halifax, where he had been preaching and giving an address.

Hon. Dr. J. E. Hetherington, of Cady's, was in the city yesterday.

R. W. McLellan of Fredericton is to sail tomorrow on the Olympic on a business trip to the old country.

# MUSIC-LOVERS ENTHUSIASTIC.

Those who have not yet purchased advance tickets for the Anna Case song festival under the G. W. Y. A. auspices on May 2, should do so promptly as the supply is rapidly running short. Seats will be secured on Monday, 25th, and afterwards at the Imperial box office.

Regarding the upstairs locations, several parties of music enthusiasts have already purchased groups of tickets. This idea is quite popular at the symphony concerts and other prime musical events in Boston and elsewhere. Advance tickets can be had at Gray & Richey's, King street, Imperial Theatre, from the members of the Y. W. P. A. and from the Daughters of the Empire.

# THE DRY LAKE WORK.

In another fortnight or so, it is expected, work on the new section of the Loch Lomond water main, at Lake Fitzgerald, will be resumed. This work, which involves the construction of a new section of pipe running around the edges of the "dry lake" to take the place of the old main which runs through the bog, was started in the fall of 1917, continued last year and now is about three-quarters completed. When the work was undertaken, the estimated cost was \$40,000; the last estimate was \$75,000. No matter what it cost the work had to be done as the old section is in such bad shape that it constitutes a serious menace to the city's water supply and the only solution of the trouble was the construction of a new pipe section on solid ground.

# MT. ALLISON PLAN.

Mount Allison University's idea of holding an important section of its closing programme in this city next month is developing into quite a pretentious undertaking and graduates of that institution throughout the city and surrounding parts are growing enthusiastic. A company of some ten young ladies and gentlemen under the direction of their teacher in elocution and oratory will present the stage success "The Varsity Coach," in several acts and the first part of the proposed programme will consist of a piano, vocal and string quartette recital. Members of the university and prominent Methodists of the province will take part in the programme. Attending to the local direction is a committee headed by Miss Henderson and Miss Smith of King street east.

# MEMORIAL TABLET.

A brass tablet, erected in memory of Lieutenant Jack Basil Hipwell, C. F. A., son of Mr. and Mrs. David Hipwell, of this city, has been placed on the walls of St. John's church. It has been presented by his sisters, Misses Annie and Mary, and will be dedicated this evening.

# ANYONE MAY FLY

London, April 24.—(British Wireless Service).—The ban on civil aviators will be raised May 1 in Great Britain.

# No "Hop-off" Yet.

St. John's, Nfld., April 25.—Fog again appeared this morning, making it very unlikely that the "hop-off" of the aviators could take place today.

# ARRIVES ON COISCAN; IS MARRIED HERE

At the Lansdowne House this afternoon at three o'clock, Rev. George Morris united in marriage Robt. H. MacKinnon of Warton, Ontario, and Miss J. Nicholls of St. Paddy, England. The bride arrived this morning on the S. S. Corsican. She met her husband while he was in England. He enlisted in the navy and was a mate in the Nova Scotia service for two years. They will leave for Ontario today.

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