

LOCAL NEWS

Sugar Prices Decline.
Sugar prices declined 10c. per 100 lbs. yesterday.

The Cold Snap.
The thermometer at the city pumping station registered ten degrees below zero last night.

Wounded and Missing.
Private LeBaron Beach, whose home is near Chipman, is reported wounded and missing in France.

Admitted to Hospital.
Mr. Guy Dunbar, of Barker's Point, has been admitted to Victoria Hospital suffering from appendicitis.

At the Gaiety.
Today Daniel Frohman presents Denman Thompson's rural classic "The Old Homestead," 6 big reels. Famous Players feature.

National Service.
The postmen are busy today distributing the National Service cards. The cards are to be filled out and returned to Ottawa next week.

To Attend Methodist Church.
The Protestant troops stationed in Fredericton will attend divine service at the Methodist Church tomorrow morning.

Bridal Reception.
Mrs. Percy Rigby, nee Miss Mary Robinson, will be pleased to receive her friends on the afternoon and evening of New Year's day at the home of her parents at Marysville.

Called to Fairville.
At a meeting of the quarterly board of the Fairville Methodist Church yesterday, it was decided to extend a call to Rev. Thomas Marshall, now of Fredericton. Rev. Mr. Marshall is a former pastor of the Fairville church.

Week-end Market.
Owing to the extreme cold weather, there was only a small market this morning. Beef and pork were plentiful, but there was a marked scarcity of poultry. Butter sold at 38c. a lb., eggs at 55c. a doz., pork at 14c. lb., beef at 7 and 9 cents; potatoes at \$4 a barrel, turnips at \$1; chickens at \$1.50.

Sunday School Convention.
The annual convention of the City Sunday school workers will be held on Wednesday evening, Jan. 3rd, at eight o'clock, in the vestry of the Methodist church. Rev. H. C. Archer, president of the Provincial Association, and Rev. W. A. Ross, field secretary, will be the leaders in carrying out the programme. Come and bring others. 12-30 31

Special Jury Summoned.
Judge Barry will preside at the session of the Circuit Court which will open on Tuesday next. A special jury has been summoned to try the case of the Victoria S. S. Company vs. Northern Insurance Co., which arises out of the destruction of the steamer Victoria by fire at St. John.

At the Gem.
Today the 5th episode of "Liberty"—"Love and War"—in two parts, "Breanna o' the Moor," a two reel feature with Grace Cunard and Francis Ford; also a great comedy, "The Bar Fly," with Eddie Lyons and Lee Moran, the screen favorites. An excellent week-end programme.

Fourteen Recruits.
Fourteen recruits had been enlisted here up to noon today during the present week. In addition to these, six men who applied, but failed to pass the medical examination, were supplied with "A. & R." buttons. Two western recruits for the 236th Highlanders were enlisted here. They are H. M. Gartley, 28, Calgary, and Thos. J. Johnston, 30, Calgary.

Funeral on Sunday.
The funeral of the late Fred St. John Bliss will take place Sunday afternoon, leaving his late residence at 1.45. Service will be conducted at Christchurch Cathedral at 2 o'clock. Interment will be made at Forest Hill cemetery. The funeral will be under Masonic auspices, the members of Hiram Lodge, No. 6, A. F. and A. M., attending. The members of the local bar also will attend.

Curlers are Busy.
At a special meeting of the Fredericton Curling Club held last night, Dr. S. P. A. Wainwright and Mr. D. L. Dolan were elected members. It was decided to have the usual series of three matches—Old Players vs. Young Play, six rinks a side. The first match will be on January 10th. On January 4th and 5th there will be a points competition for a case of pipes offered by Mr. John Neill. The six high rinks in the Old vs. Young competition will play off at points for a prize offered by Mr. A. A. Shute. On Monday the second round, President vs. Vice-President, will be played.

Lord Shaughnessy's New Year's Message

Montreal, Dec. 30.—Lord Shaughnessy has sent the following telegram today to all officers and employees of the Canadian Pacific Railway:
"My very best wishes for the New Year. May it bring peace on the terms of Britain and her Allies."

The high cost of living should not—decidedly not—get on the water wagon. It should resolve right away to take a drop—and take it often.

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ACTING SECRETARY TREASURER WILL BEGIN WORK MONDAY

Mrs. W. J. Glenn Consents to Take Up Duties—Independent Auditor To be Secured—Brief Session On Tuesday.

Mrs. W. J. Glenn, of this city, who was Deputy County Secretary-Treasurer for several years, has been appointed Acting County Secretary-Treasurer and will take up the duties of the office on Monday. Her efforts will be directed toward placing the accounts in condition for presentation to the Municipal Council of York at its meeting next week. She will remain in office until the appointment of a successor to the late Secretary-Treasurer, F. St. John Bliss. This action was decided upon yesterday at a meeting of a committee of the Municipal Council. Mrs. Glenn consented, under the unfortunate circumstances of the past few days.

Independent Auditor.

On account of the fact that there is an alleged shortage in the accounts of the late Secretary-Treasurer, an independent auditor, agreeable both to the Municipal Council and to the guaranty company in which the late Secretary-Treasurer was bonded, is to be engaged to audit the municipal accounts.

Session of Council.

The session of the Municipal Council which will open upon Tuesday next at 12.30 p.m. will be very brief, the intention being to adjourn after the usual formalities, in order to give Mrs. Glenn time to prepare the accounts.

FEWER CASES OF INTOXICATION IN CITY DURING YEAR 1916

Statistics of Police Court Show Canada Temperance Act Cases Were More Numerous—Thefts Increased in Number.

The annual report forwarded to the Department of Justice at Ottawa by Police Magistrate Limerick contains some interesting statistics relative to law violation in Fredericton. In 1916 the cases heard in the police court numbered 101 fewer than in 1915, the totals for the respective years being 363 and 464.

The question of the relation of Canada Temperance Act enforcement and intoxication is presented by the figures in the report. C. T. A. cases in the year just closing numbered 96, while in 1915 they numbered 74. In 1916 cases of intoxication numbered 107, and in the year preceding 128. If statistics can be depended upon, there was less drunkenness in the city.

Thefts, robberies, burglaries and similar offences numbered 31 in the present year, and 28 in 1915, showing a slight increase. Assaults of various kinds and offences against the person increased considerably, as they numbered 47 in 1916 and 34 in 1915. Cases of assault upon police officers and interferences with them were more numerous, however. Vagrancy appears to have decreased, such cases numbering 21 as compared with 27 in 1915.

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It is also possible that there will be consideration of municipal business by the councillors in private.

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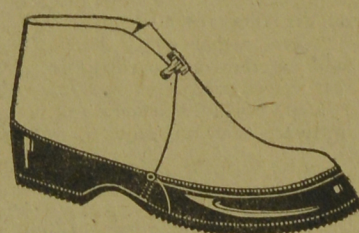
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