

LOCAL NEWS

Presented Booklets.

Mr. F. B. Edgecombe yesterday presented copies of the Fredericton Tourist booklet to the delegates to the United Baptist Missionary convention. At the evening session the convention adopted a resolution of thanks.

A Clean Sheet.

There is a clean sheet at the police station today as no drunks or complaints have been received. No bicyclist has been reported yesterday or today for riding on the sidewalks due to the drying up of the roads.

George Beban at the Gaiety.

George Beban, the famous character actor, is the feature attraction at the Gaiety Theatre today and Saturday in "The Cook of Canyon Camp," a special Paramount picture. One of the famous "O. Henry" stories is also being featured today.

Off for the Woods.

Mr. Charles Cremin left this morning for his camps on the headwaters of the Nepisiguit river to meet two parties of American sportsmen. Mr. Cremin reports big game plentiful in his section of the province. He anticipates a very successful season.

"Our Day" A Success.

The collection for "Our Day" yesterday for the Red Cross was a grand success. Many prominent ladies took part in canvassing from door to door and worked hard for the good cause. As all the returns have not yet been handed in the day's receipts will be announced at a later date.

Fire Yesterday

An alarm of fire was ringing in yesterday afternoon about four o'clock from box 17. The fire was in a barn on King Street owned by Mr. Hugh Calder and occupied by Smith Mersereau. It resulted from a small boy playing with matches. The flames were quickly put out with the chemicals.

Won a Commission

Mr. Otis E. White, of St. John, who went overseas as a member of the first Canadian division, has been granted a commission as Lieutenant in the Canadian Army Service Corps. Lieut. White is a Fredericton boy and son of the late Mr. Odbur White. His friends here will be pleased to learn of his success.

Novelty Shower

About twenty-five friends gathered last evening at the home of Mrs. Gorman, Devon, and tended a novelty shower to Miss Beatrice Limberg, who is about to wed Mr. Jack Fenety of this city. Music and games were indulged in and refreshments served in the wee hours of the morning. Miss Limberg proved a charming hostess.

Want to Change Service.

The New Brunswick Telephone Co. recently made a proposal to shorten the rates of night service from 6 o'clock to 8 o'clock, to a new service starting at 11 p. m. to 7 a. m. It is being strongly opposed by the Board of Trade and business men. The matter will come under consideration Wednesday.

Result of Examination.

Of the thirty-nine men examined at Fredericton Junction yesterday by the Medical Board, thirteen qualified. Twenty-two men were examined at Oromocto yesterday and thirteen qualified. Up to the time The Mail today went to press, one hundred and thirty-five men were before the Board here and forty-seven qualified in Class A.

Freshmen Entertained.

The Freshmen attending the University of New Brunswick were given the usual reception last evening by the two higher classes at the University. Miss Robinson and Mr. Burnet of the Student Association, Mrs. McGinnis and Mrs. C. C. Jones received. A contest and a short program were held during the evening. Mrs. Peacock rendered a solo, Mr. Oldham a piano solo and Dr. Cox delivered a reading. The outside attendance was small in comparison to other years.

Late Charles N. Clark.

The funeral of the late Charles N. Clark took place from his late residence, 531 Brunswick street, this afternoon. Service was conducted by Rev. G. M. Young, pastor of the Methodist church, beginning at three o'clock, and music was sung by members of the choir of the same church. The chief mourners were Messrs. C. W. Clark and W. P. Edwards. The pall bearers were Messrs. C. A. Sampson, Peter Farrell, Edward O'Connor, F. McCausland, John Donohoe and Michael Moore. Interment was made in the Rural cemetery.

Death at Hoyt.

Mrs. Frederick Kingston passed away yesterday morning at her late home at Hoyt after a lingering illness. The deceased was seventy-six years of age and is survived by two sons, Hanford of this city, and William of Hoyt; two daughters, Mrs. Thomas Woods of Posterville, York county, and Mrs. James Mersereau of Hoyt; two sisters, Mrs. Thomas Bell of Mills Settlement, Sunbury county, and Mrs. Obediah Buckinham of Posterville. The body will be taken to Blissville for interment. Rev. David Patterson will conduct the funeral service.

Old Resident Dead.

Mr. William Henry of Magaguadavic, who for the past year has made his home with Mr. John Powys of Kingsclear, passed away at that place last night at the advanced age of eighty-six years. He is survived by two sons, Dr. E. W. Henry of Saskatoon, formerly of this city, and Mr. Jerome Henry, who is also in the west. Mrs. Henry predeceased her husband by about a year. The deceased was a leading farmer of the western end of the county and was highly respected. The funeral will take place on Saturday morning at ten o'clock with services by Rev. Mr. Wilkinson. Interment will be made at Upper Magaguadavic.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Phillips left this morning on a trip to Nova Scotia.

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ESCAPED THE HORRORS OF HUN PRISON CAMP

Gunner Fred Boyd, Son of John Boyd, of This City, is Now in Holland.

Gunner Frederick Boyd of this city, who has been a prisoner of war in Germany for two years, has made his escape and is now interned in Holland.

Much to her joy and relief, a letter was received by Mrs. John Boyd, yesterday from her son Gunner Fred Boyd, dated September 30th, Didan, Holland, containing the welcome news.

Gunner "Tobby" is a local boy and has many friends who will be glad to hear of his escape. At the outbreak of the war he enlisted and went overseas over two years ago he was captured by the Huns and sent to the prison camp, where he has been up to the present.

Extracts From Letter

Extracts from the letter state that Alexander Blocklock, Dick Howitt and himself escaped from K47 Reckelshansen Saturday morning last at five o'clock, half an hour before work. They were on the road for six days, and arrived in Holland at five o'clock in the morning of the following Friday. The letter stated they would have to stay in Didan fourteen days for quarantine, but they were used splendidly and this peaceful country was just like heaven. They will then leave for Rotterdam to take the first boat for England, but hope to eat their Christmas dinner home.

Was in Slavery

He states that he was a slave at the time of his escape. He was working at Koken for several days. He had to work twelve hours a day every day and Sunday it was twenty-four hours. One man in a day must load into barrels and wheel to cars anywhere from fifteen to fifty yards, twenty tons or more of koke that has just been taken from the ovens amid all the gas and heat. Should one not finish in twelve hours, he must remain with the next shift until he has finished, even if it takes eighteen hours, and then return to his own shift the next day. Every other Sunday we did just twice as much, so you can imagine what the

INSPECTED THE P. N. S. CADETS THIS MORNING

Capt. R. R. Black, Maritime Inspector On An Official Visit—Is Touring Province.

Captain R. Robinson Black, Maritime Inspector and Organizer of Cadet Cours, Military District No. 6, arrived here this morning from Halifax and is among the guests at the Queen Hotel. This is Captain Black's first inspection tour since the opening of the fall term of the Normal School, and he will spend the rest of the week here organizing the different cadet corps throughout the city. He has six classes up for inspection which were formed here since the opening of the term.

Captain Black inspected the Normal School cadet corps this morning in physical drill and commenced the inspection of the High School cadet corps this afternoon at two o'clock. He will afterwards inspect the corps in the cadet drilling.

Touring Province.

The captain is making a tour of all New Brunswick towns in connection with this work and will leave here Saturday evening for St. John where he will proceed with the organization of the different corps and the selection of the instructors.

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German Food Poor.

The German food is terrible and we all go hungry rather than eat it. For the past twelve months it has been continually dry turnips of last year made into soup. We get coffee or what they call coffee for breakfast, soup and black bread for dinner and soup again for supper. Once in a long time it is barley or corn meal. We also got about one-half ounce of meat or a bit of sausage or salt herring each day. That was all, but nine times out of ten it was uneatable except

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