

LOCAL NEWS

Government Meeting.

A meeting of the Provincial Government will be held in the city this evening.

Entertainment for Soldiers.

An entertainment for soldiers is to be conducted at the Y. M. C. A. building tonight, beginning at 7.30.

Going to Stanley.

Q. M. Sergt. Spalding, Corps of Military Staff Clerks, will go to Stanley tonight to inspect the arms, equipment and clothing of C company, 71st York Regt.

At the Gaiety.

Today the well known Japanese star, Sessue Hayakawa, in "The Soul of Kura-San," a five reel Laskey production. Also Gaiety Topical Review. Six reels today.

Sprained His Ankle.

Lance Corporal McLean, of the 236th Battalion, sprained an ankle at the Exhibition barracks last night. He was removed to the Park Barracks hospital.

Three for Highlanders.

Three recruits were enlisted here yesterday afternoon and this morning for the 236th Highlanders. They are D. A. Hickey, 23, St. John; John Scott, 34, St. John; W. A. Kennedy, 36, Fredericton.

Woodstock Election.

Mr. H. E. Burt was elected Mayor of Woodstock yesterday by a majority of 35 over Mr. Charles Noddin. The councillors elected were Stevens, Fawcett, Smith, Leighton, Flemming and Stairs.

An Incorrect Statement.

The statement which appeared in the St. John morning papers today to the effect that York county enlisted no recruits last week, was incorrect. Six men were enlisted at the local recruiting office during that period.

At the Gem.

Today May Robson, in a five reel comedy, "A Night Out." It's a Blue Ribbon Vitagraph feature. May Robson is well known here, having appeared at the Opera House recently in "The Making Over of Mrs. Matt."

Lieut. Martin in Hospital.

Lieut. E. Byron Martin, of Moncton, is confined to hospital near Crowborough, England. His illness is not serious and he will be about again in a short time. Lieut. Martin was a graduate of the U. N. B. and is a civil engineer by profession.

Returned With Recruit.

Transport Sergt. Lawney, of 236th Battalion, has returned to this city. He was accompanied by one recruit from Prince Rupert. A number of other British Columbians who are desirous of joining the 236th Highlanders will come to Fredericton with Capt. Percy Gordonrath.

Raising Artillery Draft.

Lieut. Frank H. Tingley, M. C., a U. N. B. graduate well known in Fredericton, has been authorized to raise an artillery draft of 50 men. He will have his headquarters in Moncton. Lieut. Tingley was wounded in France while serving with the First Canadian Division.

Gibson Men With A. M. C.

Concerning the hockey team of the Army Medical Corps Depot at St. John, the St. John Times has the following: "In Forsythe of Fredericton they have one of the best net defenders in the league. For defence Harrison of last year's Gibson team showed considerable ability in breaking up rushes and he has a shot like a 4.7. Of the forwards, Currie, a former Chatham player, and McPherson, of the Gibson team, showed up well."

Product of Imagination.

In regard to the story current in the city for some weeks past that the Misses Mary and Geraldine Jago, daughters of Mr. J. Darrell Jago, of this city, had become heirs to property in England through the death of a grandaunt, a member of the family has informed the Mail that the only correct feature of the story is that Mr. Jago's aunt passed away in England some time ago. What disposition she made of her property is unknown at the present time and stories of it being left to the Misses Jago are products of imagination.

That Complimentary Dinner.

The St. John Standard, which is always boosting cheap Tory politicians, announced yesterday that a complimentary dinner had been tendered to Mr. Harry Woods at the Royal Hotel. In today's issue it admits that an employee of the hotel "put one over on it," and takes it all back. It seems that the dinner was given by the proprietor of the hotel to a few friends. What Mr. Woods is looking for at the present time is not a complimentary dinner, but a government job. He is anxious to get in out of the rain.

Hop Beer Case Dismissed.

Police Magistrate Limerick this morning dismissed the Canada Temperance Act case which was laid against a Queen street shopkeeper for selling hop beer. His Honor made no comment when he dismissed the case, but evidently did not take the word of the Oromocto Indian, who swore that he became intoxicated on six bottles of hop-beer. The defendant called one witness, who swore that he frequently had drunk six bottles of hop beer without feeling any effect. The police have not received the result of the analysis of hop beer and Weiss beer.

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**SOLDIERS' CHILDREN
WILL BE TAKEN
BY AID SOCIETY**

Living in Gibson Under Unsatisfactory
Conditions--Many Children Now
Under Care of Children's
Aid Society.

A meeting of the executive committee of the Children's Aid Society was held last evening at which the following were present: Dr. W. C. Kierstead, President; J. J. Weddall, Vice-President; R. B. Wallace, secretary; Miss Jean Cooper, Mrs. W. G. Clark and Dr. B. C. Foster.

Miss Cooper, agent of the society, reported much work done during the month, in endeavoring to provide for children now under the care of the society, and in looking after other cases which needed attention. Among things reported were the housing of five children belonging to an overseas soldier, the children being paroled by the police magistrate under the care and protection of the Society; efforts made to provide a suitable home for a thirteen-year-old boy now in the custody of the society; enquiry into the conditions of a home where two children were said to be kept under conditions which were not regarded suitable for their well being; and assisting in making arrangements for sending two children from the city to the School for the Blind, Halifax, N. S.

The committee decided to take the necessary legal steps to bring under the control of the society the three children of another overseas soldier whose family lives in Gibson, as the conditions in the home were reported far from satisfactory. Numerous com-

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**CITY COUNCIL
WILL WAIT UPON
GOVERNMENT TONIGHT**

Strong Protest Against Apportionment
Of Patriotic Fund Will be Made
--Water Department Matters
Before Council Meeting

A strong protest is to be made to the Provincial Government tonight by the City Council against the apportionment of \$25,000 to Fredericton as the city's share of the Patriotic Fund in 1917.

Statistics have been prepared for the purpose of showing that Fredericton is required to raise a larger share of the Patriotic Fund than is justifiable, and also is being discriminated against in favor of other parts of the province.

Mayor Mitchell stated today that a delegation, probably composed of the whole council, would wait upon the Provincial Government at nine o'clock tonight and place its views before the executive.

Water Dept. Matters.

In addition to the Patriotic Fund apportionment, the recent changes in the engineering staff of the Pumping Station will be up for discussion tonight. The meeting is called for 7.30 to permit of business being transacted prior to the conference with the Government. The Water Committee will report upon the dismissal of former Chief Engineer Bowers and the appointment of Engineer John Malloy to be chief.

Ald. Everett, chairman of the committee who opposed the dismissal of Mr. Bowers, is to present a minority report.

Mr. John W. Davidson, of Rothesay, is among the commercial men registered at the Queen.

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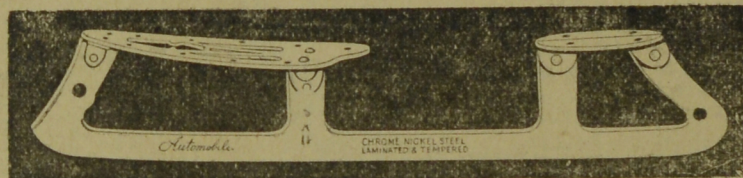
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