

LOCAL NEWS

Three Hours Late.

The train from Montreal on the C. P. R. was three hours late today. The extremely low temperature was the cause of the delay.

The Calendar Season

Mr. E. T. Langille, provincial representative of the DeLaval Separator Company, and Mr. A. C. M. Lawson, inspector for the North American Life Assurance Company have the Mail's thanks for handsome 1918 calendars.

Engagement Announced.

Major and Mrs. H. R. Emmerson of Dorchester, announce the engagement of their sister, Bernice Seaman Emmerson, to Mr. William A. K. McQueen, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McQueen, marriage to take place early in January.

Week-End Market

The market this morning was a small one and was marked by the scarcity of poultry. Veal sold at 18 and 20 cents, beef at 12 to 15 cents, pork 22 cents, butter 45 cents, eggs 60 cents, hay \$11 per ton. There was a great scarcity of apples and vegetables.

Is Being Congratulated.

Rev. W. D. Wilson, chief inspector for New Brunswick under the Intoxicating Liquors Act, 1916, is being heartily congratulated upon the arrival of a son at his home Christmas Day. This is the fourth boy in the family.

Will Play Again Tuesday.

The second round of the annual match, President vs. Vice President, will be played at the Fredericton Curling Rink on the morning and afternoon of Tuesday, New Year's Day. Rinks for the local series are now being selected and some interesting matches are expected during the winter.

Carpenters Only.

A number of the towns and cities are sending plumbers and electricians to Halifax for relief reconstruction. In this connection Col. R. S. Low, in charge of the reconstruction work there has issued a notice to the effect that at present carpenters only are required for work there.

For Halifax Relief.

Deputy Mayor Walker has received the following contributions to the Halifax Relief Fund, of which he is treasurer: Women's Institute of Ripples, Sunbury county, \$25; Women's Institute of Lower Kingsclear, per Mrs. William Grant, \$2. This is a second contribution from Lower Kingsclear.

Wedding Bells

At the Baptist parsonage last evening Rev. G. C. Warren performed the ceremony uniting in marriage Mr. George Howard Smith of Chipman, Queens County, and Miss Nellie B. Miller of The Range. Miss Allie Beatrice Miller was bridesmaid and Mr. Robert F. Smith was best man. The happy couple will make their home at Chipman.

Storm and Cold Weather.

The zero weather moderated sufficiently last evening for a slight fall of snow to occur. The storm was accompanied by a high wind which made the night very rough. A drop in the temperature followed. Last night twenty degrees below zero was registered in the city and this morning the mercury remained below the cipher several degrees.

Reverts to Lieutenant

The London Gazette says: New Brunswick Regiment—Temp. Major W. R. Brown, D. S. O., to command battalion and to be temporary lieutenant-colonel while so employed. (corrected notice) Temporary Captain A. L. Barry reverts to temporary rank of lieutenant on proceeding overseas. (Lieut. Barry belongs to Fredericton and went overseas with a North Shore unit.)

Returning Tonight.

Private J. L. McCutcheon of 320 York street, arrived at St. John yesterday with a large party of invalided Canadian troops. He is to arrive here by C. P. R. tonight. Deputy Mayor Walker has made arrangements to meet him at the C. P. R. station and to extend an official welcome. The European War Veterans' Association also is to be represented at the reception. Private McCutcheon was wounded during service in France.

Death at Amherst.

An Amherst despatch to the Telegraph says: After a long and trying illness there passed away today at the home of her father, J. L. Allen, Doris Allen at the age of twenty years. Miss Allen who was well known was one of Amherst's bright, clever and popular young ladies and the news of her death will be learned with general regret. Death was due to heart failure. She leaves to mourn their loss, her father, two sisters, Miss Kathleen of Montreal, and Miss Grace, a trained nurse, who has been with her sister during her illness. (Miss Allen was a niece of Mr. R. P. Allen of this city.)

Gets Military Medal

The many friends of Sergt. Walter ("Happy") Evans will be pleased to learn that he has won the Military Medal. Sergt. Evans, who is a son of Capt. George E. and Mrs. Evans, 83 Seely st., St. John, enlisted as a gunner in the 2nd Divisional Ammunition Column, under Lieut.-Col. Harrison, and has been in France for over two years, winning his stripes at the front. The medal was awarded to him for delivering ammunition to one of the Canadian batteries under very heavy shell fire. The party had a very hard time of it, and on one occasion the Sergeant was blown off the road, but kept on going and finally reached the battery. There were only two casualties, one man losing a leg, and another being slightly wounded. Sergt. Evans has been recommended for a commission in the artillery, and expected to be in England by Christmas. He is well known in Fredericton.

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PROVINCE WILL HAVE SMALLPOX ALL WINTER

Difficult to Combat the Disease in Cold Weather—Cases on Grand Manan—More on North Shore.

New Brunswick now has an excellent prospect of smallpox remaining in certain sections of the country during the winter. Weather conditions make it more difficult to combat the disease in the winter than at other seasons of the year and it will be spring before an attempt to stamp out the disease can be made with prospect of success. The state of Maine is the recognized source of smallpox in all cases.

Cases on Grand Manan.

In spite of the precautions taken by the provincial health authorities on account of serious conditions for some time past in the town of Fastport, Me., smallpox has obtained a footing on the island of Grand Manan. Two cases have been reported from that island.

On the North Shore.

Conditions on the North Shore also are not encouraging. One new case is reported from Chatham, another at a point in Northumberland county near there. There is no report from Kent county but it is known that there are several cases there. Fortunately all cases are of a mild type.

Arrived at St. John.

Among the returned soldiers who arrived at St. John yesterday was Private George White of this city. Private White is a son of Mr. and Mrs. James White and went overseas with the 1st Division as a bandsman with the 12th Battalion. He afterwards went to France in an infantry battalion and was wounded in the leg. His brother, Walter, was killed in action. His father returned a few months ago after three years' service in the C. E. F. Private H. L. Bunker of Waasis, also is at St. John.

LITTLE CHILD WAS POISONED BY MEDICINE

Myrtle, 3-Year-Old Daughter of John Brown, of Bear Island, Ate Box of "Fruitatives."

Myrtle C. Brown, only child of Mr. and Mrs. John Brown of Bear Island, York county, was poisoned at her home Friday afternoon by an overdose of patent medicine, her death resulting in a short time. The little girl was aged three years and six months. The medicine which had the fatal result was a box of "Fruitatives." Unnoticed the little one obtained the box and evidently thought the medicine was candy, eating it all. The effects of the overdose were quick.

Funeral Sunday.

The funeral will take place at two o'clock Sunday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Rutledge conducting the service. Interment will be made at Bear Island.

Another Case.

Too much caution in the keeping of medicines out of the reach of children cannot be exercised. This is the second death of a child which has resulted in this section of the province from the patent medicine named. The other occurred a couple of years ago at New Maryland when a little child met its death in practically the same way.

Now in California.

Mr. Herbert Vavasour of this city, is now in Southern California. Recently he visited ex-Ald. Hugh Calder, Dr. A. B. Atherton, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Burkhardt and other Fredericton people who are residents of San Diego and neighboring places.

Gave Afternoon Tea.

Mrs. A. McM. Staples entertained yesterday at an afternoon tea in honor of Miss Martha Poole of Montague, P. E. I. She was assisted in serving by Misses Erna Scott and Ardath Staples.

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