

PRISONERS ARE ORDERED DISCHARGED

TWO BELGIANS RELEASED UNDER HABEAS CORPUS

Conviction at Minto of Viola—of Intoxicating Liquor Act—Defects in Warrants Alleged.

As the result of an application made by Mr. C. D. Richards before His Honor Judge Brackett under Habeas Corpus two Belgians convicted at Minto before Magistrate William E. Upton recently for violation of the Intoxicating Liquor Act 1914, have been ordered released. One hearing took place Tuesday and the other this morning.

In the case of Patris heard on Tuesday the grounds were defects in the warrant and also that there was no evidence on which conviction could be based. In the case of Fievey this morning the grounds were that the warrant was defective in not stating that the offense was within the jurisdiction of the magistrate. Both men were sent to Gagetown jail.

The alleged offense consisted in importing for personal use more liquor than was permitted under the act.

Reception Not Held.

The weekly reception by His Honor the Lieut. Governor and Mrs. Pugsley was not held this week.

His Honor Returns.

His Honor the Lieut. Governor who had been in Boston for several days, returned to St. John yesterday. He came to Fredericton last night.

First Day of Spring.

Today is the first day of spring, the vernal season officially opening today. The weather is very springlike and the snow is melting fast.

A Wonderful Picture.

All those who had the pleasure of attending the Gem Theatre last night were certainly well repaid for going so. "Civilization" was exactly as advertised, a truly impressive and gripping production. It will be shown to night for the last time.

Late Samuel Shepherd.

The funeral of the late Samuel Shepherd took place this afternoon from the residence of his nephew, Mr. Woodford Merrithew, Keswick. The service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Brown and interment was made at the Mouth of Keswick.

Late Miss Mary O'Brien.

The funeral of the late Miss Mary O'Brien took place this morning from the late home of the deceased, Charlotte street. Solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated at St. Dunstan's church by Rev. Father Carney and interment was made at the Hermitage.

Wants Rule of Road Changed.

Mr. T. P. Regan of St. John, president of the New Brunswick Automobile Association, arrived here this morning. He is in the city for the purpose of obtaining support among the members of the legislature for the proposed change in the rule of the road.

Colwells Limited.

James F. Brittain, Clarence C. White and William L. Stewart, all of St. John, have been incorporated as Colwells Limited, with head office at St. John, and a capital stock of \$9,000. The company is authorized to carry on a business in coal, wood, fuels, fish, meats and foodstuffs of all kinds.

Catch Basins Obstructed.

At several of the street corners in the city pedestrians are obliged to take to the roads as the water is over the sidewalks. Spring is here and if the catch basins are not cleared the city is apt to be flooded. Drains also are needed in gutters as in previous years so that the water along the streets will have some outlet.

More Returned Soldiers.

Several more returned soldiers arrived here last night and were received at the C.P.R. station by Deputy Mayor Walker and Judge Wilson who made arrangements for them to be taken to their homes. Those who arrived were J. H. Hawkins of Currie's Mountain, A. Kitchen of Fredericton, Ray Kean of Devon and J. L. Ross and E. McCollom.

Death of Wm. W. Clarke.

The death of William W. Clarke, a highly respected resident of North Devon, occurred at his late home last night, as the age of 63 years. Besides his widow and mother, he is survived by two sisters and two brothers, all of St. John, and one son at Minto. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon with service at the home at 2.30 o'clock. Rev. Canon Smithers officiating. Interment will be made at Forest Hill cemetery.

Vocational Education.

The committee on Vocational Education yesterday afternoon conferred with Mr. W. R. Ross, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, upon the subject of agricultural training and last night the committee had a conference with Dr. W. S. Carter, Chief Superintendent of Education. The committee met again this morning and will again meet this evening. A report will be presented to the legislature next week.

BRIG. GENERAL H. M. CAMPBELL LOSES AN EYE

CABLEGRAM TO SISTER TODAY CONTAINED NEWS

Brother of Lt. Col. H. Montgomery Campbell, of Apohaqui—In Army Since Boyhood.

Word has been received here to the effect that Brigadier General Herbert Montgomery Campbell of the Imperial Army has been seriously wounded, losing one eye. General Campbell is a brother of Lt. Col. Henry W. Montgomery of Apohaqui, who went overseas as officer commanding the 64th Battalion and is a native of Fredericton. He is a son of the late Prof. Montgomery Campbell of the University of New Brunswick.

Brigadier General Montgomery Campbell has had a lengthy military career. When little more than a boy he was commissioned in the Imperial Army and served in various parts of the world in the Royal Artillery. He saw service in India, South Africa and elsewhere prior to the outbreak of the present conflict. When the war began he had the rank of colonel but was promoted to the rank of brigadier general. Later he was created a C. M. G. on account of his services.

No Details Known.

Mrs. C. F. Deacon of Charlottetown, sister of General Montgomery Campbell, who is residing in Fredericton at present, received a delayed London cable this morning which contained the information that her brother had lost his left eye but otherwise was unhurt. General Montgomery Campbell visited Fredericton and other places in the province a short time previous to the outbreak of the present war. As a youth he resided in this city his home being the building now occupied as the headquarters of "K" Unit, M. H. C. C.

Law Committee.

The Law Committee of the Provincial Legislature was in session this morning, the Attorney General in the chair. Routine business was transacted.

To Close at Six-thirty.

The storekeepers of Devon have decided to close their stores at half past six every night except Saturday, starting April 1st.

Deserter Arrested.

Pte. Fred Wry, deserter from the 236th MacLean Highlanders, was arrested yesterday afternoon by the civil authorities and taken to St. John this morning under military escort.

Red Cross Concert.

A parlor concert for Red Cross purposes will be held at the residence of Mr. A. Sherwood, 146 Waterloo Row on Friday evening of this week. The admission will be 15 cents and for children 10 cents.

BANK MERGER OF CONSIDERABLE LOCAL INTEREST

BANK OF B. N. A. OLDEST BRANCH BANK IN CITY

Formerly Located in Building Now Occupied by Provincial Department of Agriculture.

The people of Fredericton are much interested in the announcement in a Montreal dispatch that the Bank of B.N.A. is to merge with the Bank of Montreal. It is said that the deal has been consummated and will soon go into effect. The Bank of B.N.A. has a capital of \$4,866,666, and is the only bank in Canada doing business under a British charter. Because of this fact its shareholders are exempt from the double liability clause. The dispatch says that the banks will continue their branches as at present. It is said that the shareholders of the Bank of B. N. A. will accept in payment of their shares part cash and part in Bank of Montreal stock. The par value of a share of Bank of B.N.A. is £50 while that of a share of Bank of Montreal stock is \$100.

Oldest in City.

The branch Bank of British North America here is by long odds the oldest in the city, having been opened in the year 1838, two years after the bank secured its charter. The branch was closed in the early sixties but was reopened about ten years later. The present manager is Mr. J. H. Brooks, who came here from British Columbia about four years ago.

The building now occupied by the Provincial Department of Agriculture was at one time occupied by the Bank of B. N. A.

C. S. E. T. Debate.

An animated and interesting debate was held at the Methodist church last night. The resolution read: "Resolved, that alcohol is more destructive than war." The affirmative was upheld by Messrs. Holyoke, Jewett, dist. C. S. E. T. group, while Messrs. Porter, Booth and Niles, representing "Les Etoules" of the Brunswick Street Baptist church argued for the negative. The affirmative quoted freely from Billy Sunday's sermon on booze but were unable to obtain the decision of the judges who were bombarded by facts from Biblical and secular history and figures referring to the present war. Thanks of the clubs are due Mr. McMullen who acted as chairman and to the judges, Messrs. J. M. Lemont and R. B. Wallace.

Prohibition Cases.

At the police court this morning the case against two young men of this city, charged with violating the prohibition law, was brought up. One of the young men pleaded not guilty to the charge, while the other acknowledged his guilt, was convicted and fined \$100 and costs. One witness was heard and adjournment was made to procure further evidence.

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