

PRICE OF HAY AFFECTS WORK ON HIGHWAYS

TEAMS EVERYWHERE ARE AT A PREMIUM

Hon. P. J. Veniot, Minister of Public Works, Returns After a Tour of Inspection.

Hon. P. J. Veniot, Minister of Public Works arrived here last night after an extensive tour of highway inspection in the southern sections of the province on which he was accompanied by Chief Highway Engineer B. M. Hill. The Minister will continue his inspection in the western part of the province as soon as weather conditions permit. At present he is held here by the rain and is attending to office work.

Teams of Premium

The Minister stated today that highway work throughout the province was progressing satisfactorily. Concerning labor conditions he said that the Department of Public Works had not yet encountered any great difficulty in getting men but that teams and wagons were at a premium. This is due directly to the enormously increased price of hay which has been almost fifty dollars per ton in some sections. A considerable number of returned soldiers are employed on highway work as motor-truck drivers and in other capacities.

Omitted from Entry List

There was an omission from the list of entries for the opening harness meeting at Fredericton track. The entry omitted was Miss Penn, 2.17, by William Penn, Cogger & Carvell.

Registered in London

Among New Brunswickers who registered in London at the office of the agent general of New Brunswick recently were Major (Rev.) F. S. Porter and Lieut. C. E. Blair and Major Allan Sterling of Stanley.

Elected President at St. John

Major Norman P. McLeod, M. C., was last night elected president of the St. John Branch of the G. W. V. A. His election was made on a second ballot there being several candidates and a majority not being secured on the first ballot.

Received Heavy Fine.

A South Devonian was arrested last evening and placed in the Fredericton police station. He was taken before Police Magistrate Jaffrey this morning at Devon and pleaded guilty to charges of creating a disturbance and resisting arrest. He was fined \$10 for creating a disturbance and \$50 with \$2 costs for resisting arrest.

Principal of Ladies' College

Mrs. C. McN. Steeves, who for some time has been the very efficient principal of the Halifax Ladies' College ends her term of office this closing college year. She and her husband, Captain Steeves who returned some weeks ago from France are leaving son on a fishing trip to the Tobique river. Mrs. Stevens belongs to Fredericton.

Expects Four-Leafed Clover

Chatham World: Objections to the allowance of the will of the late Ernest Hutchinson have been withdrawn. Richard says he expects to get a four-leafed clover from the vegetable garden which he may later share with his uncle, Will Johnson, who, at sixty eight years young, has accepted a position with a mercantile house in Alberta where there is ample scope for advancement.

Funeral This Morning

The funeral of the late Harry Burke took place this morning at nine o'clock. High Mass of Requiem was celebrated by Rev. Father Carney at St. Dunstan's Church. Interment was made at the Hermitage. The floral tributes were many and beautiful and are as follows. Family, Crescent; Boy chums Bouquet; Leonard Toner and Harry Gregory, Bouquet; Mrs. C. W. Camp, Bouquet; Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. Roy Smith and Children, Bouquet; Miss E. MacKey, Crescent; Mass Cards, Roger Dever and Helen Barry.

Judgment Given This Morning.

Judgment was given this morning in the cases of the men charged with trespassing at Hammondville upon the C. N. R. Mr. G. T. Feeney appeared for the defence and Mr. O. B. Lawson, C. N. R. police inspector, appeared for the prosecution. Four convictions were secured and the men were fined \$2 each and costs amounting to about \$22 each in all. Mr. Lawson then laid information against two men, one for being drunk and using profane language and the other for using profane language. The former was fined \$25 and the latter \$20.

Pets Won Game

The Pets defeated the Bankers last evening at the Trotting Park in a loosely played baseball game. The game lasted seven innings and was kept well in hand by the Pets at all stages. The score was 12 to 3 in favor of the Pets. Wheeler and Hall for the Pets and Paynter and Allen for the Bankers were the batteries. The Pets started off with a good lead to which they added in the various innings. Wheeler received good support and handled the ball well while Paynter lacked support at all times. The Bankers got their three runs in the last inning of play.

RETURNED MEN COMING HERE TONIGHT

MANY ARRIVED BY THE STEAMER ROYAL GEORGE

Several of Returning Soldiers Went Overseas With the Last Draft from 65th Battery.

A number of returned New Brunswick men arrived at Halifax on board the Royal George. Among them are a number of Fredericton men and others from this part of the country. They are expected to arrive in the city this evening and are as follows:

Gnr. William S. Lounsbury

Gnr. Lounsbury is a son of Mrs. John Lounsbury of this city. He went overseas with the last draft of the 65th Field Battery in September, 1918. After arriving in England he was taken ill with the "flu" and spent some time in hospital. He is very well known in this city as a baseball, football and hockey player of some standing. One brother Lieut. Edward Lounsbury returned recently from overseas.

Gnr. Harold Porter

Gnr. Harold Porter is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Porter of this city. He went overseas with the final draft of the 65th Field Battery in September 1918. On arriving in England he with the rest of his battery was stationed at a camp in Wales. One brother Wilson Porter is still overseas but is expected home shortly. He was awarded the Military Medal for gallantry in action.

Corp. M. A. McLeod

Corp. M. A. McLeod is a son of Rev. and Mrs. A. D. McLeod of Devon. He enlisted in April 1918 at the age of seventeen years with the 65th Field Battery. He left Petawawa in September 1918 with the final draft from that battery and on arriving in England he was stationed at Kimmel Park Barracks. At the time of the Rhyll riots he was arrested and tried on a charge of joining in the mutiny. He was proved absolutely innocent of the charge placed against him.

Gnr. Eldon DeLong

Gnr. Eldon DeLong enlisted in April 1918 with the 65th Field Battery at Woodstock. He left Petawawa Camp in September with the final draft of the Battery for overseas. He was stationed at Kimmel Park Camp in Wales and came through the Rhyll riots. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. James DeLong of this city.

Gnr. Harold P. Rickard

Gnr. Rickard is a son of Mrs. Frank Dickson of Barker's Point. He enlisted in 1918 with the 65th Field Battery at Woodstock and went overseas in September 1918, with the last draft

FOUND IRELAND QUIET, CONTRARY TO NEWSPAPERS

R. W. McLELLAN RETURNS AFTER LENGTHY TRIP

Was All Over Ireland, but Saw No Demonstrations—Linen Industry Prosperous—England Unsettled.

Mr. R. W. McLellan who returned on Saturday after a business trip to the British Isles states that conditions in Ireland at the time of his visit there were very quiet contrary to the many newspaper reports he had read. Mr. McLellan has made four or five business trips to Ireland during the last fifteen or twenty years and states that the country has never been quieter than it was on his last trip.

Saw New Brunswick Soldiers

He left here April 25th and sailed on the Olympic arriving in London May 2nd. He was in London several days and spent much of his time at Beaver Hut, the Y. M. C. A. headquarters for the Canadian troops in England. Mr. McLellan spent some time looking for New Brunswick men there and "bumped" into Lieut. Atwood Bridges, son of Dr. H. S. Bridges of St. John. There were very few New Brunswickers there at the time, Nova Scotian troops being in the majority.

Ireland Quiet and Prosperous

From London Mr. McLellan went to Birmingham on business and then crossed to Belfast, the centre of the linen industry. He visited practically all the important places in Ireland on his trip and states that he was very agreeably surprised to find the business and political conditions very quiet and much different from the view one would take from reading the newspapers on the subject. When asked by a reporter of the Mail if he had noticed any demonstrations for or against Home Rule he stated that he had not. The linen industry was flourishing although the supplies of raw material were very low. He stated that the unsettled condition of Ireland caused by the war was practically readjusted and that business activities would be adjusted in a short time.

Speaking of the condition of affairs in England Mr. McLellan stated that it would be some time before the country could be readjusted to the state of pre-war conditions. On the return trip Mr. McLellan sailed from Liverpool and arrived at New York.

One brother Frank who returned recently is at present in Toronto taking treatment.

Corp. W. J. Blanchard

Corp. William Blanchard is a son of (Continued on page 4)

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