

MINTO HAD SERIOUS FIRE YESTERDAY

McMANN'S HOTEL AND OTHER PROPERTY LOST

Fire Broke Out in Hotel Barns
—Some Goods and Furni-
ture Saved—Loss in
the Thousands.

The Village of Minto was visited by a disastrous fire Thursday afternoon when the new hotel owned by Mr. Fred D. McMann, with barns and two stores adjoining, were totally destroyed. The fire broke out at about 2.30 o'clock in the barns and burned until darkness fell. As there were no fire-fighting appliances little could be done apart from removing some of the goods and furniture. A considerable quantity was got out safely but much was lost in the buildings.

The loss is a very heavy one and is difficult to estimate but will run into the thousands. Insurance was carried. Besides the hotel and barns there were a feed store and a general store in the same property. All were connected and the flames ran from one to the other.

The hotel was built a few years ago and was well equipped. An electric lighting plant was part of the equipment.

The N. B. Telephone Company's service was interfered with by the fire. Messrs. John Fenety and James B. Adams of Fredericton lost personal effects in the fire, having recently gone to Minto to establish a garage.

At Bebbington's

Newly arrived, beautiful fresh roses carnations, lilies, etc. Also hardy perennial roots for the garden. Now is the time to plant them.

Sale Continued

The auction sale at the residence of the late G. Y. Dibblee will be continued on Saturday when articles will be sold at private sale and at auction. Sale must be concluded Saturday as property must be delivered to purchaser.

Soldier Settlement Board Meeting

A meeting of the Soldier Settlement Board is being held in this city today with Maj. J. J. Bull, Major Kinnear and Lieut. Robinson as members to consider applications of returned soldiers for farms. Several of the returned men have already taken out land in the Bluebell Tract in Victoria County.

Held Enjoyable Dance

The A. Y. P. A. of Christchurch Cathedral held a very enjoyable dance at the Church Hall last evening. A program of some fifteen dances was carried out the company having lunch between the 7th and 8th dances. Between 150 and 200 young people were assembled and a very pleasant evening was enjoyed by all. The dance broke up about midnight.

Boys' Meeting Last Evening

At a meeting of representatives of the boys of the various churches last evening at Christchurch Parish House it was decided that a committee of representative men be appointed to select a supervisor for the public playground and find ways and means of raising funds by the financial drive by the boys to carry out plans connected with the playground.

Mrs. Pugsley Entertained

Mrs. Pugsley, wife of His Honor the Lieut. Governor, pleasantly entertained a large number of friends at the Queen Hotel last night. A bridge of eight tables was held early in the evening followed by an afternoon supper dance for which ninety eight invitations were issued. There was a dance program of ten numbers which was not completed until about two o'clock this morning.

Held Meeting Last Evening

The Fredericton firemen held a meeting last evening at the Central Fire Station to go over the rules and regulations of the force. Capt. Alex. Sinnott acted as chairman of the meeting and it was decided to present Fireman John Bolster a member of the force with a pipe as a token of appreciation of his work on the force. Mr. Bolster is leaving for Halifax to take charge of a glazing department there in the near future.

Memorial Service Sunday

The Memorial Service planned for Sunday, April 27th in commemoration of the 1st Battle of Ypres will be held at the Methodist Church, Rev. G. M. Young conducting the service. A church parade composed of the Red Cross, Returned Soldiers Aid, G. W. V. A. and other societies with the Fredericton Brass Band, heading the procession will form at the corner of Westmorland and Queen Streets and will march via Queen and Carleton Streets to the Church.

CORP. HODGES WON THE M. M. AT HILL 70

ENLISTED HERE IN 1914, ALTHOUGH UNDER AGE

Was With Army of Occupation
—Gunner Allen Johnson
Gunner G. D. McDonald
Arrive.

A few more returned soldiers have arrived in the city recently. Corp. Arthur Hodges M. M. arrived on Tuesday and Gnr. G. C. McDonald came in last evening. Among those who are expected to arrive in the city this evening is Gnr. Allen Johnson.

Gunner G. D. McDonald

Gunner G. C. McDonald arrived in St. John yesterday on board the Belgic. He enlisted here in 1915 with the 23rd Battery being afterward transferred to a trench mortar battery and later to the field artillery. He was wounded in 1918 but after some two months in the hospital he went back for the finish and entered Germany with the army of occupation.

Corp. Arthur Hodges, M. M.

Corp. Arthur Hodges M. M. who left here with the 12th Battalion in August 1914 arrived in the city on Tuesday last. He went overseas with the 12th Battalion and was in England for some time. He was transferred to the 15th Battalion with which he went to France. He wears the Mons Star and the Military Medal which he received for conspicuous bravery at Hill 70. He was in Germany at Cologne after the armistice was signed and returned through Belgium to England where he spent some six weeks. Corp. Hodges was under military age at the time of enlistment.

Gnr. Allen Johnson

Gunner Johnson enlisted here in 1914 with the 23rd Battery and went overseas in June 1915 with the same. He remained in England for some time and was finally transferred to a battery in France. He came through the numerous engagements without being wounded.

Arrived Home at Noon

Private John L. Brewer arrived home at noon from Kingston where he had gone to receive his discharge on the docking of the Olympic at Halifax. Private Brewer is a son of the late Mered Brewer of this city. He went overseas with the 71st Regiment Band which afterward became the 12th Battalion Band. He stayed with the band for some time and then was trans-

ESTATE OF LATE JOSIAH HALLETT IS PROBATED

REAL AND PERSONAL EST. VALUED AT \$24,000

Two Thousand Dollars to Each
of Five Daughters and Four
Sons—Residue to
Widow.

The estate of the late Josiah Hallett of the Parish of Southampton has been probated before Mr. Peter J. Hughes Judge of Probate for York County. Shipp & Hanson are proctors. The estate has been sworn at \$23,822. Real estate is valued at \$4,750, and personal property at \$19,072. In addition there is a life insurance policy for \$1,000 payable to the widow, Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Hallett. The executors are Rufus W. Jones and E. Herbert Estey both of the Parish of Southampton.

Terms of Will

By the terms of the will each of five daughters is to receive \$2,000 upon coming of age, four sons to receive a like sum and the residue is to go to the widow.

The children mentioned in the will as beneficiaries are Alvah E. Hallett, Stella V. Hallett, Jennet M. Hallett, H. G. Hallett, Annie L. Hallett, Alice M. Hallett, Lulu R. Hallett, Paul R. Hallett, Edward O. B. Hallett.

One of the sons of the deceased, Arden Hallett, left Fredericton in 1914 with the first draft of volunteers from the 71st York Regt. and served in France for upwards of three years being killed in action a few months before the close of hostilities. Another son H. G. Hallett is at present overseas with the C. E. F.

Real Estate

At the time of his death the deceased was owner of a number of pieces of real estate including the homestead in Southampton some two hundred acres in extent, two other lots in the same parish respectively 100 and 150 acres in extent, also two lots in the Parish of Bright each 100 acres in extent.

Farm Settlement Board

The Farm Settlement Board is in session today in St. John. Mr. E. P. Bradt, Deputy Minister of Agriculture went down to attend it.

ferred to the 2nd Battalion with which he saw considerable service. He escaped being wounded.



No One Can Tell

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