

Local News

OUTSIDE COMPLETED.

Work on the exterior of the new post office has been completed and the staging in front of the building was removed today.

HOME GUARD DRILL.

"C" Company of the Fredericton Home Guards will assemble for drill at the Armory this evening at eight o'clock.

THE ICE BRIDGE.

Men in the employ of the city road department are at work today brushing out a road on the ice between the City Hall landing and St. Mary's Ferry.

U.N.B. EXAMS.

The terminal examinations at the University of New Brunswick commenced today and will be finished on the 27th. The institution will then close for the Christmas vacation.

SILVER WEDDING.

Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Turner of Medicine, have issued invitations for their silver wedding, which will be celebrated at their home on Christmas Day.

THE NORMAL SCHOOL.

The license examinations at the Provincial Normal School will begin on Tuesday next. The candidates will be the students of the French department and those in Class III. The institution will close on Friday week for the Christmas holidays.

NEW DOCK OPENED.

The new dock constructed at St. John West was formally opened this afternoon in the presence of a large gathering. The speakers included Hon. J. D. Hazen, Hon. Robert Rogers and several officials of the C.P.R. Sir Robert Borden was unable to attend.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

At the regular meeting of Fredericton Lodge No. 6, K. of P., held at Castle Hall last evening, three young men were advanced to the rank of knight, taking the "third degree" in this noble order. A large number of the members were present and a jolly good time was spent by all.

SALE AND TEA.

The vestry of the Main Street United Baptist church at Gibson was the scene last evening of a very successful sale and tea. A large crowd was present who enjoyed the few hours spent together. The affair which was under the auspices of the Mission Band, netted the snug sum of \$20.

TO CONFER WITH HAZEN.

Premier Clarke, who has a cabinet-making job on hand, went to St. John this morning to confer with Hon. J. D. Hazen, the political godfather of the late government, and get the benefit of his experience. The personnel of the government is likely to be announced the latter part of this week.

WELL REPRESENTED.

Maritime Baptist.—Rev. G. C. Pincomb of Marysville, N.B., who has had a long and honorable military career, is making another notable contribution to Britain's cause in the present war. His second son is now with the artillery at Salisbury Plain, England, and the oldest son has enlisted with the 26th Battalion. A brother and brother-in-law are among the brave men who are making the allied lines impenetrable from the Swiss frontier to the North Sea.

RECOVERED FROM THE DEEP.

Dr. T. C. Allen, clerk of the peace, received a letter a few days ago which was recovered from the steamer Empress of Ireland, sunk in the St. Lawrence in May last. The letter had been written by Dr. Allen to a friend in the Old Country. It was recovered by divers from the Empress and returned to the writer through the dead letter office at Ottawa. Although it has been under water many months the writing was still legible. Dr. Allen will keep the letter as a souvenir.

MIXING THINGS UP.

Complaints are heard over the manner in which mail matter is being mixed up at the post office. For a time the clerks, to avoid errors, were required to number the letters passing through their hands but this practice seems to have been discontinued. There is no particular reason why letters addressed to the public works department should be placed in The Mail's box and vice versa. A little more attention on the part of the postmaster ought to bring about a change for the better.

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LADY TEACHER HAD THRILLING EXPERIENCE

Miss C. M. Gallagher Broke Through the Ice While Skating and Had a Close Call—Rescued by Two Young Men

Miss C. M. Gallagher of this city, teacher of the primary department of the school at Nashwaakasis, broke through the ice while skating on the river and but for the timely assistance of two young men who happened to be near she would undoubtedly have lost her life. She had completed her day's work and was skating across the river en route to her home when the accident occurred. Mr. Charles Fleet, who has quite a reputation as a life saver, and Lee Lister noticed the young lady skating in the direction of an air hole and shouted a warning to her, but too late. She skated directly into the air hole, disappearing below the surface of the water. The young men hastened to her assistance and after a hard struggle succeeded in extricating her from her dangerous position. The young lady was quickly removed to her home on Westmorland street, where everything was done to restore her from the effects of the terrible shock. She suffered greatly from the cold and exposure and it will probably be several days before she is able to resume her duties.

There have been more than usual number of skating accidents on river this season; fortunately none of them have resulted fatally. The water was at a very low pitch when it froze over and there are quite a number of air holes which skaters and pedestrians should studiously avoid.

We wouldn't mind women doing their war knitting in public places if they only wouldn't be so self-conscious about it.

LUMBER OUTLOOK IS BRIGHTER THAN USUAL

The Cut in New Brunswick Will be Larger Than Last Season—St. Croix Operator Recently Made Big Sale at High Price

Although very little has been said about the lumbering operations being carried on in the province at the present time, there is every reason to believe that there will be a substantial increase over last season's cut. The Partington Company will cut upwards of twenty million feet on the Nashwaak and it is believed that the Miramichi Lumber Company's cut on the Southwest Miramichi and tributaries will be greater than that of last year. On the Restigouche, Tobique and St. Croix the cut will probably be slightly in excess of last year.

Those in a position to know state that manufactured lumber is selling at a higher price now than has prevailed for several years. In this connection it is reported that a St. Croix lumberman recently contracted to deliver one and a half million feet of manufactured lumber to a St. John concern at a price ranging from \$20 to \$23 per thousand feet. Several other equally satisfactory contracts are alleged to have been made during the past few weeks.

With lumber in brisk demand at good prices there does not appear to be any good reason why the people of New Brunswick should be discouraged over the outlook. As a matter of fact, there is no province in Canada in a better position to weather the storm.

There may be a slight decrease in the lumber cut on crown lands during the present winter but it will be more than offset by the increased cut on private lands.

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THE FIELD BATTERY.

The work of equipping the men of the 23rd Field Battery for overseas service is progressing satisfactorily. It is expected that in the course of a few days all of the men will be fitted out. The first great coats were issued today and will add much to the comfort of the men. It is likely that another field battery will be organized here in the near future.

What to Buy?
What to Give?

Do you think she would like a Cross and Chain? You can procure a solid gold cross and chain for \$5.00. It is simple, it is beautiful. Come in and see our crosses.. We have them in plain, chased and stone-set styles.

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Opposite Normal School