

## Sidney Local Health Committee Thanked by Medical Authorities

Provincial Board of Health,  
Victoria, Dec. 10th, 1918.  
W. H. Dawes, Esq.,  
Secretary Board of Trade,  
Sidney, B. C.

Sir,—

I am in receipt of your letter of the 6th inst., wherewith you forward a report of the Local Health Committee and also an account of the expenses to date.

I wish to thank you for the very effective co-operation which I have received from your Board and I feel under an obligation to the individual members for the services they have rendered and also to those who volunteered their services for nursing. Your report of the results shows a very favorable condition as compared with other places in the Province and I attribute it to the fact that there was such thorough and efficient co-operation.

I have forwarded your account for \$42.03 to the Treasury today and cheque

will be forwarded to you in due course. I am sending the full amount to you as Secretary of the Board and would be pleased if you would see that the different items are paid.

Yours truly,

H. E. YOUNG  
Provincial Health Officer.

### The Committee's Report

We unavoidably omitted the following from the Secretary's report:

"Arrangements were also made that Dr. Bavis be met by motor on his arrival at Sidney from James Island thus helping him to cover more ground, the following undertaking this important service—Stevenson and the Rev. F. Letts, Mr. J. J. White, Miss Askell, Miss McClellan, Miss Morley and Mrs. Lewis offered their services as volunteer nurses which was very acceptable in many cases."

## Sidney Red Cross

Work sent to headquarters for month of November:

Dressing Gowns, 1; Day Shirts, 18; Pajamas, 42; Ab. Bandages, 18; Chest Bandages, 66; T. Bandages, 30; Socks, 75 pairs; Mitts, 5 pairs.

Work received from Deep Cove Branch:

Dressing Gown, 1; Day Shirts, 8; Pyjamas, 15; Ab. Bandages, 3; Chest Bandages, 60; T. Bandages, 14; Socks, 36; Mitts, 5; P. B. Bags, 7; Many tailed Bandage, 1.

Work from James Island:

Day Shirts, 5; Pyjamas, 10; Socks, 12 pairs; Tacked Chest Bandages, 43; Tacked T. Bandages, 12.

Further collections to acknowledge:

Mrs. J. Anderson, on account Life Membership .....	\$2.00
Collection Box at Merchants Bank .....	6.60
Collection Box at Customs Office .....	4.15
Mr. Bristowe, donation to "Gift Shop" .....	10.00
A Member Women's Institute, donation .....	.50
Mrs. Weymss, on account Life Membership .....	2.00
B. C. Electric Ry., receipted bill for light and power .....	50

### CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS TREE

Schoolchildren Invited

The Women's Institute and Teachers of Sidney are giving a children's Xmas treat in Berquist Hall, from five-thirty till nine o'clock, Friday, December 20th.

A tea, impromptu concert at seven, also Xmas tree and lantern slides will be features of the entertainment. A cordial invitation is extended to all school children, parents or those interested.

The secretary of the local Returned Soldiers' Employment Committee has been notified that F. Mann left St. John, N.B., on Sunday last, December 15th, on his way to the coast.

Amongst the many visitors to Sidney from Victoria during the past week were Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Fatt, Miss Sidney Fatt, Patsie and Master Harry Fatt and Mr. Denbigh.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Campbell who have been visiting in Victoria returned to Sidney on Tuesday.

Nurse Pond, who has been in Sidney for some weeks past has returned to Victoria.

### SIDNEY CUSTOMS RETURNS

The duty collected at the Sidney Custom House last month amounted to \$47,560.83

A meeting of the Central Island Committee of Vancouver Island will be held on Friday, at 8 o'clock, in the Winch Building, Victoria. Members of the Sidney Board of Trade are invited.

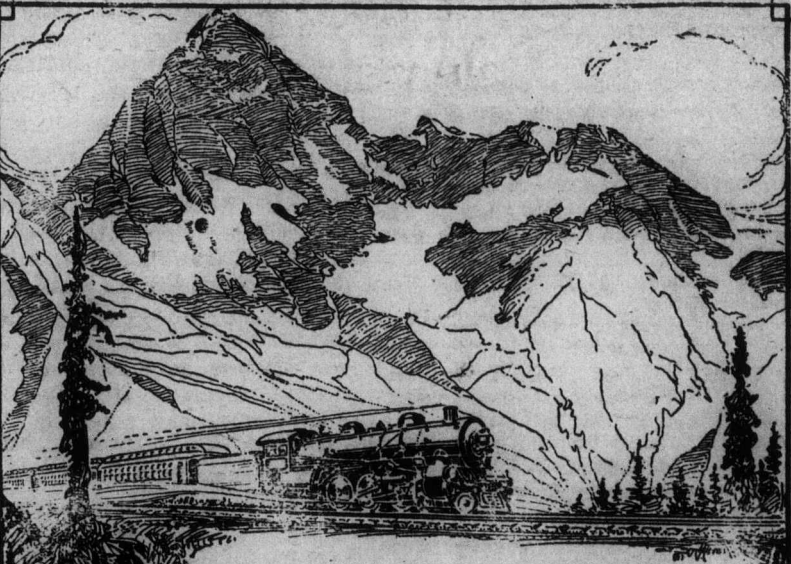
### DEATH OF DR. BEECH OF GANGES

The death occurred after a short illness from a shock of paralysis at 4 o'clock on Monday morning at the Ganges Hospital of Dr. Lionel Beech, in his 63rd year. Dr. Beech was trained at the London Hospital where he was twice elected House Surgeon. In 1873 he entered the Indian Medical Service, being first attached to the artillery and then to the 38th Native Infantry, in Trichinopoly; from that to the 1st Light Infantry at Secunderabad, with which regiment he went through the Afghan war, 1879 and 1880, and for which he received the War Medal; he was next civil surgeon at Bellary during the Indian famine, for which he received the thanks of the Government. He also went to Laccadive Islands on H.M.S. Kingfisher on a leprosy commission, staying there three months. After retiring in 1893, Dr. Beech came to Manitoba, where he practised for eight years, finally coming to British Columbia and settling on Salt Spring Island in 1904, here he took up the practice for some years.

Dr. Beech leaves a wife, two daughters and five sons to mourn his loss. All of the sons have been through the present war. Pte. Percy Beech, who was with the Forestry corps, now on his way home to Ganges, Dr. Alan Beech, formerly doctor on Salt Spring Island, which he left to serve with the Army Medical Corps in France, where he has been for three years; Dr. Stewart Beech, formerly doctor at Parksville, he served for a time in France and is now at the Canadian Red Cross Hospital, Maidenhead, England; Pte. Gerard who was badly wounded and got his discharge over a year ago; Lieut. Roy Beech, in the Royal Canadian Navy; Miss Ida Beech, who has been working for the war in England for over two years, latterly at munitions; Miss Marjory Beech, who has resided with her parents at home.

### SAANICH WORKS COMMITTEE

That the fire, water, and sewers committee should be definitely authorized to purchase a motor hose wagon, equipped with a chemical fire extinguisher, at a cost not exceeding \$2,400 is the recommendation which will be handed to the Saanich Council, as a result of a decision of the Works Committee which met on Saturday. The committee instructed the Medical Health Officer to take such steps as seemed necessary to restrict the spread of influenza in the northern portion of the municipality. A letter from J. C. McIntosh, M.P., notified the Councillors that the post office authorities have under consideration an extension of the house-to-house delivery of mail in the district. Much business in regard to roads was completed at the meeting.



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## A Message from Santa Claus to the Children of Sidney and North Saanich

Last year was first visit to Sidney. I was surprised to find such a lot of Boys and Girls. I liked Sidney so much, I AM COMING AGAIN ON FRIDAY NEXT and will be at the SIDNEY TRADING CO.'S BIG STORE at 3 o'clock, here will be found the greatest DISPLAY OF TOYS EVER SEEN IN SIDNEY

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