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SOLDIERS' LETTERS

Private Edward Jennings, of one of the overseas units in England, writing to his mother, Mrs. P. L. Jennings, from Roffey Camp, says:—"I had a letter from Frank about three days ago and I think he may be coming to England soon. He advised me not to be in a hurry getting leave, as he may have a few days with me if we can arrange to have leave at the same time. I am writing this in our tent, or rather marquee, sitting on my pile of blankets and rubber sheet. There are twenty-six in the tent. We were moved from the huts into tents in order to have the soldiers all together.

"We get to town once in a while and eat and we cannot get enough to satisfy our increased appetites. Yesterday, Sunday, there was a procession of the Blessed Sacrament at Brownridge Heath, a small town about one and a half miles away. Considering the small percentage of Catholics in the district it was great. The canopy was carried by four soldiers and had a guard of six soldiers. There were about forty soldiers present. The people walked, then the soldiers, then little girls in white with baskets of flowers, then was carried the Blessed Sacrament. Coming to the last after the flowers. We picked up most of the flowers afterwards. I am sending you one and I think that it ought to be worth keeping.

"After the procession the soldiers were

Water Tax Bills Show No Increase For Individual

Extra Number of Properties Supplied With Water Produces Increase in Total Assessment For 1916—More Meters Installed—Schools to Pay For Quantity Used

The water assessment schedule has been prepared by the officials of the water and sewerage department, and will be presented to the Common Council today.

The schedule, as given herewith, shows an increase of \$2,206.88, in the total warrant, as compared with last year, but this by no means represents the increase of the city during the last year.

For one thing, the city assessors found a couple of million dollars worth of additional values in making up the 1916 assessment, but the water and sewerage department did not take advantage of this. Another reason why the increase in the schedule does not represent an indication of the growth of the city is the fact that the schedule does not include the taxes paid according to meter readings. Many of the largest consumers pay for their water according to meter and this does not appear in the list. In 1915 the income from this source amounted to more than \$60,000 and during the year many new meters were installed, thus removing the properties from the schedule of service rates and valuations. One effect of this is shown in this year's total for the eastern division of the city, in which the total taxes on the schedule show a falling off from last year.

The increase for the reduction is the fact that meters have been installed in the public schools and these properties are removed from the lists of services and valuations. Complaints have been made that the schools are among the worst offenders in the wasting of water and the meters were placed on the buildings to show just how much water is being consumed and wasted. If the bills appear too great, the trustees will have the option of exercising more care in the use of the water.

The total of the schedule this year is \$1,697,821.10, as compared with \$1,675,557.77 last year, not including the more than \$40,000 collected from metered properties.

The schedule for 1916 is as follows:

Valuation	Stock	Assessment	Total			
1915	1916	1915	1916			
North	\$4,549,700	\$841,700	\$1,744,881.50	\$881,083.55	\$649,409.47	
East	14,251,700	2,888,100	46,985.65	47,738.00	\$4,788.65	\$6,798.65
West	1,384,800	42,800	\$,851.20	9,161.50	\$2,548.45	\$1,646.30
Lancaster	1,288,400	125,800	6,884.70	6,896.75	10,841.45	9,911.46
	\$28,069,100	\$3,648,900	\$2,148.85	\$97,618.75	\$189,762.10	\$107,556.77

LOCAL NEWS

RECENT CHARTERS.
The Norwegian bark Froulla, 1,880 tons, has been chartered to carry lumber from Bridgewater, N. S., to Buenos Ayres, 236 Schooner Harry Miller, in here a few days ago with hard coal for Wm. Law & Company, will take deals from a Bay of Fundy port at \$84.

GETTING ALONG WELL.
Work on the new concrete sidewalks in Lancaster is making favorable progress and now has reached a point below St. Rose's Church, Milford. Perhaps no improvement in this section of the parish has met with more hearty approval than this effort permanently to improve the sidewalks through a district much traversed and which would have been in a bad state this year with the prevailing wet weather. Out of the Manawagonish many holes in the road, largely caused by autos when the roadbed was in soft condition, have been filled in and the general condition of the highway has been considerably improved already this year.

AUTO, WITHOUT A DRIVER, CRASHES INTO IMPERIAL POST

George Crow's automobile was quite badly damaged this morning as a result of the machine colliding with one of the large lamp posts opposite the Imperial Theatre. Mr. Crow had occasion to leave his car standing outside his house on the south side of King square the car was facing Charlotte street. While he was in the house the car which was left out of gear was started ahead. His son, a small boy, was responsible, as it proceeded it gradually gained speed until it shot across the road and crashed into one of the lamp posts, where it came to a standstill. The car was badly damaged crashing down on top of the car. Mr. Crow had left the power of on going into the house.

COMMISSIONER FISHER EXPLAINS STAND HE TAKES

In explanation of the course pursued by him at the meeting of the common council yesterday afternoon when he refused to vote for a bond issue for the purchase of an aerial ladder truck for the fire department, Commissioner Fisher said this morning:

"I firmly believed that a survey should have been made of the whole situation regarding the condition and needs of the fire department and that the council should have been asked to vote money for the purchase of equipment only if it had been shown definitely what apparatus is most urgently needed.

"I also felt that purchases of this size should not be made privately, but that the commissioner, after securing quotations, should submit to the council the list of companies and their prices, with his recommendation regarding the purchase of the particular apparatus of which he approved; the council must share the responsibility and the other members should have some opportunity to express their approval or otherwise.

"One reason why I wished for a survey was that it would give citizens who are qualified to give opinions an opportunity to express their opinions and the commissioners and we would thus be better able to estimate the direction of public opinion. The real proposition was not known until yesterday and we had no opportunity to give the matter consideration.

"Even so, if Commissioner McLellan had been willing even to bring his proposals for the purchase back to the council for ratification, I would have withdrawn my request for a survey and would have supported the expenditure."

THE CITY HEALTH

Of the seven Board of Health inspectors three have completed their rounds. The parts of the city inspected includes Dukes, Sweeney, Guys and Brooks wards. The conditions reported are better than last year, generally speaking, although there is room yet for improvement.

An epidemic of measles is reported on the decrease. In April there were ten cases reported to the board. In May 28, in June 50 and up to date of the present month there have been 28. During this month there have been almost two cases a day, but now a decrease has set in.

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LETTER BRINGS FIRST WORD OF CASUALTY

Corp. Fred Breaux in Hospital—Wounded on Anniversary of Leaving For the War

The following letter was received from Corporal Fred Breaux of the Grenadier section of a N. B. Battalion, by his mother, Corporal Wm. in hospital in France I was looking to be sent back to the firing line in two or three weeks but guess now that I am good here for some time longer. It is certainly wonderful what is being done for the wounded in these hospitals. They bring them through alive without arms or legs.

I am keeping the piece of shrapnel that removed from my hip. It was necessary to make it cut eight inches long to get it; I feel no pain, however, and feel quite comfortable. We get plenty to eat, four meals a day and we can get anything we want. I tell you it is some change to get away from the trenches; it was awful where we were; the dead were lying all around, Canadians and Germans, but about five dead Germans to one Canadian.

We got a lot of prisoners the last time we were up at Ypres. The day before we went to the trenches for our last fight our sergeant was sent to hospital with sore eyes and I had to take his place. The day of the fight our officer was wounded and left me in charge of our bombing section. Just after I had posted the bombers, about four o'clock in the morning, I got mine. I had to stay in the trenches, however, all day and until dark. I could not get out and had no place to get into. I had to stay in the trenches, however, all day and until dark. I could not get out and had no place to get into. I had to stay in the trenches, however, all day and until dark. I could not get out and had no place to get into.

Corporal Breaux has never appeared in the official list as among those wounded.

CORP. H. MILTON POWERS WOUNDED

"Severe," Says Report Relative to Saint John Man—Letter From Chaplain Kuhring

J. M. Power of 88 Dorchester street, received a letter yesterday, dated June 29, from Chaplain Kuhring, informing him that his son, Corp. H. Milton Powers, was in hospital suffering from a wound in the neck. Chaplain Kuhring says that Milton was made of the right stuff like all the Canadian boys and would rather be on the firing line than in hospital.

Later a card was received from the hospital authorities saying the wound was severe.