

DAIRY HERDS AND DAIRIES

Semi-Annual Report of Medical
Officer to Board of Health.

Milkmen and Bakers Must Use New
Form of Tickets—Think Block Pavement
Unhealthy—Other Business
of the Board.

The board of health met last night at the city hall, the members present being: Charles Taylor (chairman), Mayor Rumbell, Dr. Campbell, Robert Pritchard, Wm. Skinner and Samuel Stevely, Medical Health Officer Dr. Hutchinson and Secretary Bell.

The medical health officer presented his half-yearly report of dairies, etc. The report was as follows:

The Chairman and Board of Health—Gentlemen:

I beg to submit the semi-annual report of the inspection of herds, dairies and milk supplied in the city during the six months ending May 15. One hundred and forty-one persons are now engaged in supplying the city with milk. Charles Rowston, a dairyman, of Dorchester township, had been selling wholesale to Edward Sloan, a city vendor. Mr. Rowston's herd was in such an unclean and poor condition, that he was notified to cease selling. Mr. Sloan now buys from another dairy. A cow showing symptoms of tuberculosis was removed from one of the dairy herds.

Two samples of milk had cream added. This may sometimes occur accidentally, but where intentionally added is for publication.

The average percentage of butter-fat of all the samples collected by the inspectors, exclusive of those having cream added, is 4.01. This is very good for the season of the year when there is no grass.

EXPLANATIONS.

The herds and dairies, as heretofore, are divided into three classes, A, B, and C, according to condition, housing and cleanliness, and the milk also into three classes, 1, 2, and 3. The first class includes all milk having a percentage of butter-fat of 4.00 and upwards; the second class from 4.00 to 3.50, and the third from 3.50 to 3.00.

Some vendors are delivering milk in quart bottles or jars. There can be no objection to this, providing the same bottles are always returned to the same dwelling. But when this is not done, there will be more or less danger of carrying disease germs. A metal tag with a number should be attached to each bottle.

There is another matter connected with the sale of milk which calls for regulation by your board, that is, the practice of milk vendors using paste-board tickets, which in the course of time become like bank notes—dirty carriers of disease germs.

Bakers' bread tickets are open to the same objection. I would recommend that these tickets be bound in small booklets or packages, in the same way the street car tickets are bound, each ticket, when detached, being of no further value.

The number of herds and dairies now in the first class has increased to 13. Following are the results of inspection:

Kanes Bros., Westminster—A; sell to A. Pack.

C. E. Willson, Westminster—A; no sample obtained.

C. H. Sommer, Westminster—A. 1.

George Riddle, Westminster—A; sells to W. S. Evans.

John Griffith, Westminster—A; sells to John McIntosh.

David Jackson, Westminster—A; sells to W. S. Evans.

Wm. Bell, London township—A; sells to A. E. Hord.

Andrew Cornish, Westminster—A. 1; sells to R. Markham.

Joseph O'Brien, Westminster—A; no sample.

W. J. Saul, town line, Dorchester—A; sells to George F. Saul.

W. J. Walker, Westminster—A. 2.

A. Marshall, London township—A. 3; second sample.

Samuel Flory, North London—A. 3.

Kettellwell & McAlpin, Westminster—B. 1.

James Leorn, Westminster—B. 1.

Robb Bros., London township—B. 1.

W. G. Brown, London township—B. 1.

J. W. Wilkinson, River Road—B. 1.

Joseph McLeod, London township—B. 1.

Wm. Patten, London township—B. 1.

John Alda, London township—B; sells to W. J. Saul.

Wm. Cooper, London township—B. 1.

L. Lavant, North Dorchester—B; sells to John Beattie.

Thos. Legg, London township—B. 1.

John Clark, London township—B. 1.

Henry Messop, London township—B. 1.

John Gillbank, East London—B. 1.

Andrew Hogg, London township—B; sells to Joseph Blaney.

A. Dobbie, Westminster—B. 1.

S. S. Johnson—B. 1.

Thomas Hill, Westminster—B. 1.

James Hill, Westminster—B. 1.

R. Wildern—B. 1.

Clark Sutton, Lambeth—B. 1.

James Malloch, Colborne street—B. 1.

Charles McMurray, Westminster—B. 1.

John Kay, Westminster—B; sells to E. Polle.

George Hunt, Westminster—B. 1.

John Sutton—B. 1.

Henry Horne, Hyde Park—B. 1.

Mrs. S. Anderson—B. 1.

George F. Saul, London township—B; buys from W. J. Saul.

W. F. Turnbull, London township—B. 1.

Henry Webb, city—B. 1.

A. W. Walker—B. 1.

R. R. Walker—B. 1.

Mrs. Evans—B; sells to R. McLeod.

R. H. Walker—B. 1.

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ter was referred to the medical health officer.

A communication from Engineer Graydon, asking the council to establish a garbage system within certain limits, was referred by the council to the board. The board approved of the idea, and if the council will pass a bylaw establishing a system, the board will see that it is enforced.

A communication from City Clerk Kingston called attention to the insanitary condition of the sewer outlet near the corner of Piccadilly and Wellington streets. The secretary will report to the council that the only remedy will be to continue the drain from the present outlet to the main north sewer on Fall Mall street.

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