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LOCAL NEWS

856 RECOVERIES
The Board of Health has twenty-seven new cases of influenza reported today, making a total of 856. However, of this number 856 have been definitely reported as recovered and placards removed from doorways. The balance, 692 cases, are convalescent or bed-ridden.

MRS. ETHEL MAY GREAVES.
The death took place last night of Mrs. Ethel May Greaves, second daughter of Jesse and Sophia Peacock, at her residence, 101 Exmouth street. Besides her parents she is survived by two brothers, Albert at the front and Cyril at home, and two sisters, Florence and Violet. The funeral tomorrow will be private.

COOK-BRUME.
The wedding of John William Cook and Mrs. Martha Brume, was solemnized last evening at the bride's residence, 24 Winslow street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. H. Sampson. Mr. Cook was supported by J. Fillmore and Mrs. Loney Jennings attended the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Cook will make their future home in West St. John.

CARROLL LEE.
Many friends sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. John Lee of Fairville, whose second son, Carroll, died at Brownville Junction. He was an engineer on the Brownville division. Besides his parents he is survived by one brother, Thomas, and one sister, Winifred. The body was brought to St. John today on the Montreal express and interred in the new Catholic cemetery.

HARRY O'DONNELL.
The death occurred at Fredericton Nov. 6 of Harry O'Donnell, aged twenty-nine years. He is survived by his wife, his father, two brothers, John A. of Toronto, and Capt. Malcolm O'Donnell, overseas, and two sisters, Mrs. Dr. Gests of Indianapolis and Mrs. Z. Cowan of this city. Mr. O'Donnell was an engineer for some time in connection with coal mining at Minto, where interment was made. He was a man of sterling worth, beloved by all who knew him.

A FINE SHOWING.
A thorough canvass of the members of the Victory Loan committee continues to show splendid results. At 1 o'clock this afternoon the city subscription had reached a grand total of \$3,150,000. Owing to the exceptionally fine showing of Lunenburg ward a flag is today hanging over the clock which is placed on a building above Harrison street. In this ward \$176,400 has been subscribed with 462 subscriptions. Their objective was \$160,000. Last year only \$97,400 was subscribed with a total of 320 applications.

AT CITY HALL.

A lengthy discussion took place at a meeting of the common council this morning about the piece of property in West St. John, which is owned by W. E. Scully and over which the street railway were operating a service around the loop line. As a result of a failure to reach a settlement, Mr. Scully blocked the tracks and the car service in that section was discontinued. After going into the matter thoroughly with the city solicitor the commissioners decided to have him draw up a resolution embodying the expropriation powers of the city. On motion of Commissioner Hilyard, and on the advice of the city engineer, it was decided to advance to contractors Moses and Tobias, who are doing the excavating around Lake Fitzgerald, \$1,000. Reasons for so doing were discussed thoroughly by the commissioners.

DEVIL'S WORK IN BELGIUM

Retreating Germans Bombard Defenseless Towns—Inhuman Acts and Heart-rending Scenes

Washington, Nov. 6.—German forces in their retreat from Belgium are bombarding defenseless towns, using especially gas shells and devastating the countryside, according to an eye-witness account made public today by the Belgian legation.

"The Belgian government has been informed," said the statement, "by a reliable eye-witness who follows closely the operations on the Belgian front that at the very moment that the German government has been informed that German forces are bombarding the villages and towns which they were obliged to abandon during their retreat; they have used especially gas shells and have caused 'indiscreetly heart-rending scenes' having no gas masks or means of protection against these death-spreading fumes."

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NOTORIOUS CROOK IS FOUND DEAD

Chicago, Nov. 6.—Edward Joseph Fay, a world notorious crook and bank robber, known as "Reddy Fay," was found shot to death in an alley here today. There was a bullet wound in his head just below the right ear. The police believe he was slain by a member of his own gang following an argument over the division of loot.

Fay's career of crime extends all over America and parts of Europe. He became internationally known fifteen years ago when he was arrested in Paris with "Mickey" Gleason, also of Chicago, for robbery of a Paris bank. They were sentenced to death in a French prison, surrounded by cliffs, and Fay later escaped. He was the first criminal to make a successful break for freedom from that prison.

The police estimate that Fay has stolen more than \$2,000,000 from banks throughout the country.

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BANK CLEARINGS

The St. John bank clearings for the week ending today are \$2,725,901; corresponding week last year, \$2,293,917; corresponding week 1916, \$1,880,028.

HON. J. A. MURRAY'S NAME WAS ON ONE OF THE NOTES

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not accounted for, witness said that he had gone to Sussex last night to consult with his former clerk, Morton, but the interview had not refreshed his memory of the matter.

In settling with A. C. Smith & Co., witness said, he had cut down the charges by about \$4,000. Mr. Hughes, witness identified the charter party for the British shipment and it was put in evidence.

Witness said that the steamer which carried the British shipment was expected on Oct. 20. He feared the potatoes were not coming forward fast enough and he was ready to supply enough to fill up the ship.

Q.—How were these instructions given?
A.—By word of mouth.
Q.—By letter also?
A.—Breeze.

Q.—I won't answer that until I see if you have a letter. You caught me once. (Laughter.)
Mr. Hughes—I caught you a great many times. You have changed your story a great many times.

Mr. Powell—Imagine that. A statement like that from a fibber-gibber like that. If Mr. Daggett did what he should, he would throw you out of the window, Mr. Hughes. Accusing a witness of perjury.

Mr. Hughes—If you were more familiar with the case you would not have made that statement, Mr. Powell. You will be sorry for it before another half-hour.

Witness (rising and with considerable heat.) You cannot make insinuations like that Mr. Hughes. I appeal to the court for protection.

Mr. Hughes—I make no insinuations. I am not prepared to support.

Mr. Powell—I must object to this. (Commissioner—I am afraid Mr. Powell that much of this is due to the fact that you were not here earlier in the inquiry and so are not in a position to be familiar with the evidence.)

Mr. Hughes then produced a letter which witness identified as one written by him to B. F. Smith, confirming the additional order.

Q.—This is dated September 21, 1914.
A.—Yes.
Q.—And the steamer was not expected until October 20.
A.—That is right.

Q.—And a month before the steamer was due you became alarmed that there would not be enough cargo for her.
A.—Yes.
Q.—While you have told us before that you were deluged with offers to supply potatoes.

A.—I did not say that.
Paid for Culls.
Regarding the culls from B. F. Smith's shipment, witness appeared uncertain who had paid for them but when pressed by Mr. Hughes for an answer to his question "Was Mr. Smith paid for his culls?" the witness finally said "I know he was paid for most of them."

An Exception.
Witness said that the price paid to the farmers was \$1 a barrel. There was an exception. Robert Kidner was paid \$1.10.

Mr. Kidner lived near the railway and shipped the potatoes himself. Besides Mr. Kidner, Dr. McIntosh and the witness were interested in the farm. Mr. Kidner operated the farm on shares.

Questioned whether he had not told Mr. Powell that the value of the culls had been deducted from Mr. Smith's payments, witness appealed to the record, and explained that it was the shortages which he had said were deducted.

Witness said that so far as he knew the government did not pay any interest on Mr. Smith's drafts.

The account was produced and shown to contain an entry of \$71.88 for "interest on drafts."

Witness hesitated to admit that this meant what it said.

Is not this part of the amount which the government claimed was overpaid to Mr. Smith and not returned by him?

Mr. Hughes asked.

Witness turned up the auditor-general's accounts and found that this amount had been paid.

Regarding the amount of \$9,521, fined by witness as the amount to be paid in final settlement of A. C. Smith & Company's claims, witness said that he could not recollect exactly how this amount had been arrived at. He had thought that it was a fair settlement.

Hon. Mr. Murray's Financing.
Examined regarding a payment of \$1,500 credited by A. C. Smith & Co. as a payment from the government, witness maintained that his previous evidence that this amount was deposited by himself in payment of a personal obligation was correct. He finally explained that it was to retire a note in which he (witness), Mr. Smith and Hon. J. A. Murray were interested. He did not remember who drew the note. It was a private matter of personal accommodation between himself and Mr. Murray. They did their financing together. Witness then asked if he should not be pressed further until he had time to think it over and look up his records.

Counsel referred to the evidence of George B. Jones, M.P.P., to the effect that the note for \$5,077, endorsed by Mr. Jones, was purely a matter of personal accommodation for Mr. Daggett. Witness asked that this also should be allowed to stand over until he could go over his records.

To Mr. Powell, witness said that the claims of the department against B. F. Smith never had been settled.

H. H. Morton.

H. H. Morton, formerly a clerk in the department, was recalled. He identified his signature on the receipt for \$120 paid in by Leslie Slipp, and acknowledged that he must have received the money. He did not keep it but was not sure where it went. He believed there was an adjustment with the shippers regarding the culls and this payment might have gone to that account. The adjustment could be made by Mr. Daggett. He did not know anything about it.

Paid for Total Shipments.
Referring to the statement of B. F. Smith's shipments, witness said that the third column showed the amount of Mr. Smith's invoices and the total was \$47,761.95. By reference to the auditor-general's report, witness testified that the amount paid to Mr. Smith was exactly the same amount.

To Mr. Powell, witness said that these payments were made without reference to culls or shortages. A statement of the value of the culls and shortages was made up afterwards by the department but Mr. Smith had claimed that he was responsible for the culls.

The court took recess.

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