articles of papers like The Globe and The Star on our nickel policy since it was made a live issue, the more one sees how hard it is to throw light sufficiently strong on the situation to illuminate it; because you run up against a gentlemen's agreement between two political parties for years back that nothing is to be said about nickel; and you run up against leaders of the opposition who are just as friendly to the International Co. as are the governments in office; and you run up against newspapers who wish to discuss everything but nickel and who want to talk about prohibition and social uplift and the record of Sir Sam Hughes and things of that kind, but not any nickel for them.

Just imagine for a moment what a row could have been made in this country and how the governments could have been driven out of office, both at Toronto and Ottawa, if Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his lieutenants, and The Globe and The Star, and Mr. N. W. Rowell had challenged them on their record in connection with nickel and exposed them as best they could and have brought out all the facts. They could have put the Conservatives out of office months ago! And yet for some months they have allowed themselves to be chloroformed; and there they are chloroformed at this minute; and any of them who says anything says it in a meek and apologetic way. If The Star now thinks there is anything wrong with nickel why did it not say so months ago, why did it not talk about it in Southwest Toronto instead of talking about prohibition? We can fight with prohibition later on, but just now we have to fight with Germany and how Germany is getting cut metal to the great injury of our sons who have gone to the front. But soft pedals on the Deutschland and Bremen!

Just imagine for a moment what a row Mr. N. W. Rowell could have raised in the legislature if he had demanded from the government the name of the clever and astute lawyer who had drafted the order-in-council put thru by Hon. Frank Cochrane giving complete title of the nickel ranges to the companies. That order-in-council is published in Mr. Wilkie's article on nickel in the Canadian Magazine for August and makes great reading; and especially should have made great reading to the opposition if it had not been chloroformed and to opposition members, who for some reason or other had lost their voice.

Some day the people in this country will see how it is that you can't make much headway in Canadian politics when you are up against an arrangement made between two parties, whether in regard to railways, or in regard to corporations or in regard to monopolies or electric energy. You can't do much with the banking law in this country when you run up against two parties united to serve the banks. And ex-Judge Wallace Nesbitt, who did so much for the nickel companies in the way of ironing out the opposition was also a great help in the same way when the banking committee was at work. And the same two distinguished Liberals in the house of commons, Mr. Ned Nesbitt of Oxford and Mr. Ned Macdonald of Pictou, played the same game as they did in regard to nickel, and approved of everything that had been done by the government. And, to complete an arrangement of this kind, you found a silent or chloroformed press; and when it is impossible, as now, to keep some of the newspapers from discussing the question, you find other newspapers ready to publish articles supplied to them by the nickel interests.

For weeks now this kind of articles have been appearing in Canadian newspapers; and that faithful friend of the corporations, The Montreal Gazette, has got into the business now and is handing out some great stuff about the work the International Nickel Co. has been doing for the empire and the allies, and how it is impossible for it to have been doing otherwise than it has been doing. And you ought to read the marvelous deliverance of the Port Colborne papers now on the nickel situation, and how it has been impossible to do better than the International Co. has done up to date; but, thanks to kind Providence and the farsight of our politicians at Ottawa and Toronto, some of the nickel is to be refined in Canada, and especially at Port Colborne, hereafter. And The Kingston Standard gives some fine deliverances.

We advise The Globe and The Star to read The Winnipeg Free Press, and what it has to say about nickel and the admiration it has for Mr. Dewart, and the speeches he made in the Southwest Toronto election.

In the meantime the German owners are getting somewhat frightened about International Nickel manipulation; they are beginning to part with their holdings in that company, and the stock, which was watered double not long ago, and put on the market at 50, is now being quoted at 39; perhaps a lot of them want to sell. And they have been very anxious to sell to Canadians and get Canadians on their list; and they had men all thru Canada a few weeks ago peddling it.

A good idea of the nickel deposits in Canada may be got from the August number of The Canadian Mining Journal, a very excellent publication, by-the-by, but up to the present with a decided squint in the direction of International Nickel. But it is now coming to see that a new policy is in sight and that it must line up with it. In the meantime, however, it is very busy correcting some of the mis-statements of The Toronto World. But The Mining Journal is more than changing its attitude. It shows in this number that the Sudbury nickel mines in their present comparatively unproductive condition, are worth more than Cobalt and Porcupine put together, and have simply marvelous potentialities ahead of them. Does it not seem the height of absurdity that we have had this great mining output and still greater potentialities, and have not, a real national policy in regard to them going yet?

In the meantime, keep your eye on the Bremen, and see when she arrives and what she takes on board. And also keep your eye open for the chloroform bottle, which is still being used so efficaciously in all directions in this country, and especially among newspapers.

Editor World: Over twenty years ago I suggested to our government that something should be done to reduce the price of nickel in this country, because we had the ore and only wanted help from them to establish a refining plant here; but they did not even answer my letter. I was at that time using nickel for plating, and thought then and still think now that the government should control all the mineral resources of the country for the people. The Dominion Government should step in and confiscate, not only the nickel, but all commercial minerals for the people. Then in ten years the expense of the war could be paid off.

We have men in this country who, if given a chance, could build and equip a refining plant, that is a plant that would refine gold, silver, nickel, cobalt, copper and other by-product metals. And this could be done in less than two years. So one can see what we have missed by not having practical men in control of our resources. It seems to me that our government do not want practical men in any department. I will, and I know of many others who will, help you and your paper to fight this metal trust, and the grafters also, to start a campaign to make the Dominion Government make the International Nickel Co. refine all the ore in this province. We must not stop now we have them on the run.

Subscriber.

Aug. 22, 1916.

LIEUT. STUART FORBES REWARDED FOR BRAVERY

Is Son of J. C. Forbes, R.C.A., Formerly of Toronto.

Contained in a recent list of Canadians who have been awarded the military cross for conspicuous gallantry at the front, was the name of Lieut. Stuart Forbes, a machine gun officer with the Princess Patricia Light Infantry Battalion. Lieut. Forbes is a Toronto boy, and is the son of J. Colin Forbes, R.C.A., an old Torontonian, and the announcement of his reward for gallantry will be received with much pleasure by his many Toronto friends.

U. S. REGIMENT CUT UP?

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Aug. 24.—The 22nd Battalion, Sonora Infantry, was practically annihilated after it had been ambushed by Yaquis near Baramonte, in the Alamos district, about ten days ago, according to the reports brought here today by arrivals from Sahuaripa, 250 miles south of the frontier.

CENTENNIAL PICNIC.

The ladies of Centennial Methodist Church held what proved to be an enjoyable picnic on Tuesday afternoon, at the picnic grounds, Bloor st. entrance. During the afternoon a visit was made to the mineral baths, also the open air school near by. At half-past five an appetizing tea was spread and a pleasant hour spent.

WAR SUMMARY

THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

(Continued From Page 1.)

Valley, where a line of Austrian trenches have yielded to the assault of mountain troops.

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Not only have the French driven the Germans entirely out of the Village of Maurepas, north of the Somme, but they have advanced their lines beyond the village to the extent of about one-eighth of a mile on a front of roughly one and one-quarter miles. Two hundred prisoners and a dozen machine guns were captured in this operation, which was carried out with irresistible dash. In the Verdun sector the enemy made repeated attempts to regain the ground lost on the right bank of the Meuse, between Fleury and the Thiaumont work, but the French fire could not be withstood.

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A bombardment of intense violence by French artillery may portend a new offensive against the thirty-mile stretch of German front between Estrees and Lassigny. The former point marks the southern limit of the French offensive to date.

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On the eastern front the Austro-German forces are continuing at scattered points to press offensive movements. Petrograd reports that Russian troops, which recently advanced to the west bank of the Stokhod, northeast of Kovel, are being subjected to determined attacks, but it is asserted that enemy columns were driven off by rifle and machine gun fire. Sharp and indecisive fighting is going on in the Carpathian regions, where desperate efforts are being made to arrest the Slavs' progress into Hungary. Petrograd last night reported no change in the general situation.

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The conflicting character of the official despatches from the Saloniki front makes it difficult to obtain a clear view of the situation. Rather sweeping assertions of successful advances are made in Sofia and Berlin, but the extremely unreliability of such advices, particularly when relating to Balkan operations, has been so often demonstrated that they should be accepted with great reserve. Enemy claims that Anglo-French forces have been defeated on the Struma River are countered by the declaration of the French War Office that hostile attacks between the Struma and the upper valley of the Moglenica have been easily repulsed and that to the west of the Moglenica the Serbs are developing a successful offensive, and have on the extreme left of their line regained a height three miles northwest of Ostrovo Lake. Sofia repeats its claim of the capture of Kastoria, 25 miles southwest of Florina.

CANADIAN CASUALTIES

One-Thirty a.m. List

INFANTRY.

Killed in action—430125, L.-Corp. John Wadey Montreal.

Wounded—101599, Thomas Biscoley, Edmonton; 53104, Arthur R. Elliott, London, Ont.; 406758, Jack William May, Weir, Ont.; 141024, Alex. Marquis, Welland, Ont.; 628518, L.-Corp. Guy L. Marshall, 286 Gladstone avenue, Toronto; 464219, Jos. Mulvaney, Vancouver, B.C.; 420960, John McMurdo, Winnipeg; 453103, Geo. Ogle, St. Patricks, Que.; 486577, Norman Rand, Fern Glen, Ont.; 101382, Floyd J. South, Grand Prairie, Alta.; 59938, Ernest W. Sutton, Campbellford, Ont.; 458466, Robert Woodall, Montreal.

Officially reported missing, believed killed—77254, Corp. Jas. A. Pascoe, Victoria.

Previously reported missing, now rejoining unit—Lieut. Wilson E. Dunton, Montreal.

Died—7126, Wm. Bowie, Scotland; 18173, George Barker, England; 11060, Fred Birch, Farnham, Que; 21806, John Bewsher, England; 28363, Albert E. Bayley, England; 9445, Thomas S. Freeebairn, Erie, Pa.; 81483, Harold V. Kift, England; 16579, Harold G. Mould, England; 16797, Martin McMullen, England.

TUNNELING CO.

Previously reported missing, now killed in action—503366, Sapper Henry W. Banks, England.

CANADIAN MOUNTED RIFLES.

Wounded—464070, Carl Fallas, England; 16125, Pioneer Neil C. McKenzie, New Waterford, C.B.; 401201, Ernest Buckles, Lawton, Okla.; 446790, John Ferguson, Cariboo Marsh, N.S.; 441525, Emile Dufresne, St. Prime, Que.; 61825, Euclide Charron, Stottsville, Que.; 141214, Jas. T. Hannifer, Hamilton; 458484, Philip Hastie, Montreal; 430083, Sgt. Robert M. McIntosh, Grandanse, C.B.; 470338, Richard Woodworth, Simpson's Corner, N.S.; 60022, Chas. Walford, Almonte, Ont.

ENGINEERS.

Wounded—Lieut. Frank J. Clarke, Hyams, Mass.

INFANTRY.

Previously reported missing, now for official purposes presumed dead—77500, Wm. S. Barker, Beresford, B.C.; 20003, John Cairns, Scotland; 24932, Lance-Corp. Chas. W. Cornwall, Montreal; 22564, John W. Devoe, Cariboo, Me.; 51167, Lance-Corp. Vernon F. C. Gamble, Victoria; 27355, Wm. A. Irving, Sudbury.

Previously reported wounded, now reported died of wounds—416331, Paul E. Leblanc, Montreal.

Previously reported missing, now for official purposes presumed dead—23291, Chas. G. McCarley, England; 29286, Sgt. Adam M. Kane, Ireland; 11013, Everton Patterson, Orangeville, Ont.

Wounded—159103, Lewis Gray, Syracuse, N.Y.; Lt. Benj. R. Bechtel, Ottawa; 445553, Jean Gallant, Milnikek, Que.; 458239, Herbert Jobson, Montreal; 420997, Henry Gray, St. James, Man.; 491327, John Harper, Albion, Mich.; A33090, Lewis A. Perry, Slate River, Ont.

MOUNTED RIFLES.

Died of wounds—171732, Jas. Ackers, 51 Somerset avenue, Toronto.

Died—348406, Signaller Roy B. Cheeseman, 55 Swanwick avenue, Toronto.

Dangerously ill—113109, John P. Brown, 166 Kimberley avenue, Toronto.

Wounded—117353, Clare H. Leppard, Red Deer, Alb.

ARTILLERY.

Wounded—114160, Wm. F. Gowler, Tranter, Man.; 105544, Weldon F. Gordon, Arcola, Sask.; 432393, Corp. Geo. C. Saunders, Okotoks, Alb.

ENGINEERS.

Wounded—501103, Sapper Henry Shaw, Cobalt, Ont.

Wounded—136118, Wm. F. Portoous, 230 Spadina avenue, Toronto.

INFANTRY.

Died of wounds—447031, Joseph Brook, Woodham, Ont.

Wounded—Lieut. Frank L. Bradbury, Peterboro, Ont.; 140582, Hector Brown, 41 West Gerrard street, Toronto; 139527, James Browne, Galt, Ont.; 439841, Thos. Burns, Fort William; 452561, Robert D. Bakers, 131 Summerhill avenue, Toronto; 141550, Wm. Ross, Virden, Man.; 153823, Lance-Corp. Stanley L. Dowswell, Winnipeg; 406708, Robert Farraway, Burlington, Ont.

MOUNTED RIFLES.

Wounded—416412, Arthur Fontaine, St. Hyacinthe, Que.

ARTILLERY.

Killed in action—307740, Gunner Kenneth Brown Downie, Melita, Man.

ENGINEERS.

Wounded—2217, Driver Chas. Pearson, Ottawa.

Thursday Afternoon List

INFANTRY.

Killed in action—457929, Pte. Peter Andrivsky, Russia; 455562, Pte. Philip Jeacle, Ireland; 451563, Pte. F. W. Weston, England.

Wounded—420054, Pte. G. W. Bell, London, Eng.; 128540, Pte. M. J. Cooke, Ireland; 181192, Pte. K. Mataitch, Russia; 66662, Pte. P. P. Mitchell, Scotland; 412-401, Pte. B. D. Munford, England; 420658, Pte. James Nicol, Scotland; 463660, Pioneer John Penny, Ireland; 186225, Pte. Chas. Robson, Scotland; 139507, Pte. David Ryall, Ireland; 422522, Pte. Percival Schnorr, England; 150571, Pte. Wm. Scott, England; Lieut. Thomas L. O. Williams, Wales; 451961, Lance-Corp. H. C. Webster, England; 139217, Pte. Thos. Wolstenholme, England.

MOUNTED RIFLES.

Wounded—425751, Pte. P. G. Wood, England; 425023, Pte. Thomas Leighton, Scotland; 135536, Pte. David McIsaac, Scotland; 152598, Pte. W. C. McManus, Ireland; 136117, Pte. Henry Plummer, England.

ENGINEERS.

Previously unofficially, now officially, reported prisoner of war and wounded at Roslaz Julich—Lieut. Ralph G. Barnes, England.

INFANTRY.

Wounded—17231, Pte. John E. Godson, New Westminster, B.C.

Eleven p.m. List

INFANTRY.

Killed in action—420603, Carl M. Carlson, Toulon, Man.; Lieut. Frederick R. Robinson, Granby, Que.

Previously reported wounded, now believed killed in action—415449, Rod A. McKenzie, Caledonia Mines, C. B.

Previously reported wounded and missing, now killed in action—Lieut. Albert Frederick Major, Halifax.

Died of wounds—147708, Wilfred C. Stringer, England; Lieut. Chas. I. Jameson, Winnipeg.

Died—746216, Harry T. Newton, Uxbridge, Ont.

Previously reported unofficially, now officially, died whilst prisoner—475479, Leonard C. Moore, Guelph, Ont.

Wounded and missing—27098, Acting Corp. James Munro, New York; 27611, Corp. Charles Coyde, 227 Sackville street, Toronto.

Previously reported wounded, supposed prisoner of war, now officially reported missing—7855, Richard Gardner, Manilwaki, Que.

Previously reported missing, now prisoner of war—475870, James G. Hall, Prescott, Ont.

Killed in action—Lieut. Kenneth Turnbull, Montreal; 435106, Lance-Sergt. Geo. J. Stewart, England.

Wounded—427790, Thomas McGeorge, Scotland; 139129, Eli King, 83 Hallam street, Toronto; Lieut. Harry J. L. Pearce, Calgary; 457046, Lance-Corp. Jno. Partridge, Montreal; 430083, Sergt. Robert M. McIntosh, Dundee, C.B.; 457859, Lance-Corp. Anthony Robertson, Montreal; 458644, Robert Best, Montreal; 477420, Chas. Holloway, England; 434827, Percy H. Millar, Sarcee Camp, Calgary, Alb.; 458196, Geo. Sebire, Montreal; 472311, Alfred C. James, Nutana, Sask.; 139614, George Jackson, 744 Logan avenue, Toronto.

MOUNTED RIFLES.

Died of wounds—471459, Edward J. Field, Gerrard street, Toronto; 123259, Wm. Jacobs, Chatham, Ont.

Previously reported missing, now officially prisoner of war—405579, John McAuley, 21 Jones avenue, Toronto.

Wounded—172236, Chas. Mason, 140 Arundel avenue, Toronto; 136188, Russell Prudhom, 681 Pape avenue, Toronto; 135857, Lance-Corp. Lewis O. Savage, 11 Maitland street, Toronto; 172368, Herbert W. Steele, St. Thomas, Ont.; 150641, Ralph Traill, Sinclair, Man.

ARTILLERY.

Wounded—425584, Chas. J. Morton, Elphinstone, Man.; 444571, Henry H. Price, Grand Falls, N.B.

Gassed—305140, Driver Edward S. Richards, Hamilton.

ENGINEERS.

Wounded—504491, Sapper Stanley A. Halling, Wadena, Sask.

INFANTRY.

Previously reported missing, now unofficially died whilst prisoner of war—475862, Arnold Giles, Chilliwack, B.C.

Seriously ill—437736, John Britain, Edmonton; 124721, Allan W. Leaney, Woodstock, Ont.

Wounded—622756, Edward C. Coslett, Ft. William, Ont.; 475588, Frank C. Keslick, Deloraine, Man.; 80134, Harry Parsons, Passburg, Alb.; 629401, Richard J. Pollard, Vancouver, B.C.

MOUNTED RIFLES.

Wounded—113223, Acting Lance-Corp. Allan Forsythe, Portsmouth, Ont.

ARTILLERY.

Wounded—55688, Gunner Glendon A. Butler, Weymouth, N.S.

ENGINEERS.

Wounded—502712, Sapper Elihu R. Marston, Kempitville, Ont.

SERVICES.

Wounded—30268, Driver James Rigby, England.

HAMILTON NEWS

The Hamilton Office of The Toronto World is now located at 40 South McNab Street.

MAJOR WEBSTER KILLED IN ACTION

Three Other Hamiltonians Included in Latest Casualty List.

HEROES WELCOMED

Seven Returned Soldiers Given Civic Reception by Recruiting League.

HAMILTON, Friday, Aug. 25.—Word was received here yesterday that Maj. L. O. Webster, whose wife resides in this city, had been killed in action. Maj. Webster lived in Calgary previous to the war, where he was engaged as an instructor in the militia. Pte. William McEwan, 35 Shaw street, is also reported to have been killed.

Sapper William Beach, 171 North Grosvenor avenue, who was wounded, is now back on duty. Driver Hugh Reid, city, is reported to be suffering from wounds.

Returned Soldiers Welcomed.

Seven returned soldiers were accorded an enthusiastic welcome at the station yesterday by their friends, and a civic reception was tendered the heroes by Controllers Jutten and Robertson and Secretary Kaye of the Recruiting League. Following the addresses the men were taken to their homes in motor cars.

At the hydro radial convention to be held here on Wednesday representatives of the surrounding districts will learn of the plans of the hydro commissioners for new lines running to the different towns and cities. All the proposed plans will be shown on blue prints.

G.T.R. Officials to Meet City.

It was stated here yesterday that the officials of the G.T.R. would be in the city in the course of a few days to meet the civic and beach committees on a more adequate service to the beach. Superintendent Gordon said that there was not the least doubt that the officials would improve the service if they could be convinced it would pay.

After complaining of the heat yesterday Mrs. Elizabeth Dalton, McNab street, left her neighbors house, opposite her own residence, and crossing the street, dropped dead. Doctor Hopkins, coroner, examined the body and decided that death was due to apoplexy. Mrs. Dalton was 66 years of age and is survived by one daughter.

CITY HALL NOTES

Camp Borden will be visited on Saturday by the board of control and city council. The party will motor up leaving the city hall at 9 o'clock, and will be met by Controller Capt. Joe Thompson, who will guide them around this now famous training grounds.

For extra services rendered the city, the board of control yesterday granted an honorarium of $1500 to A. E. Black, deputy city treasurer.

The little girl in the Oakwood district, who was thought to have contracted infantile paralysis, is reported to be doing favorably, and as yet her illness has not been specifically diagnosed as infantile paralysis. The family, however, are still under quarantine.

RECRUITING SLUMPED IN CITY YESTERDAY

Only Fourteen Were Accepted Out of Twenty-Two Applicants.

SOLDIERS SERIOUSLY ILL

Pte. Howley Suffering From Abscess of the Brain—Operation Postponed.

Yesterday's recruiting results were again very low, only 14 being attested out of 22 who applied. The 208th Battalion headed the list with four recruits and the other units gained as follows: 166th, 2; 238th, 3; A.S.C., 1; R.C.D., 1; 69th Battery, 1.

Pte. Robert Howley of the Welland Canal forces was admitted a week ago to the base hospital, and last night he was in a critical condition as the result of an abscess on the brain. It was decided to operate in order to relieve the trouble but his condition was so low yesterday that the operation has been postponed indefinitely.

The condition of Pte. L. Berman of the 208th Battalion, who is affected with an abscess on the throat is also causing anxiety.

Last Recruiting Meeting.

The 220th York Rangers' Battalion held their last recruiting meeting of the summer campaign in the city last night and for the next few weeks efforts will be directed towards securing recruits thruout the county. As the harvest is now over the officers of the battalion are anticipating that much success will attend their efforts.

At last night's meeting the leading feature was an exhibition of machine gun drill by the machine gun section, under the command of Lieut. Stoneman. Speeches were delivered by Sergeant Strutt, Sergeant Major Kirtley and Capt. C. F. Mills. Rain interfered and the meeting was short.

The noon meeting at the city hall steps attracted a great crowd. Lieut. W. H. Jamieson was chairman, Sergt. Messer, a returned soldier and a former member of the 35th Battalion, spoke and stated that Canada is the country which the Germans desire. Capt. C. F. Mills in the course of his remarks asked "How can we expect to cope with such a highly organized military power as Germany, which has every available man at the front or in training, while in Canada there are thousands who are doing nothing at all."

Jewish Battalion.

In the interests of the Jewish Battalion which is being recruited in Montreal, a huge Jewish mass meeting will be held on Monday night in that city, at which Hon. Chas. Doherty, minister of justice, will be the leading speaker. The Jews in Toronto are also keenly interested in this battalion, and are arranging for a series of meetings to be held at the beginning of next week in Toronto and Hamilton.

Pte. Stackhouse Buried.

Pte. Stackhouse of the 208th Battalion, who died in the base hospital on Tuesday, was buried yesterday afternoon with full military honors. The funeral took place from his late residence, at 110 Sumach street, to the Necropolis. A firing party and band was provided by the 220th Battalion, and the service was conducted by Canon Dixon, senior chaplain in Toronto. Lieut. Keeley of the 208th Battalion represented the officers of the unit at the funeral. Lieut. C. S. Spiers of the 220th was in command of the firing party and escort. Six of the former comrades of Pte. Stackhouse were the pallbearers.

Recent changes in the staff of the Military Convalescent Hospital on College street are the appointment of Capt. Ogden in place of Capt. Ley, who has been in charge for the past six months, and the appointment of Dr. Carpenter and Dr. Storrie as medical assistants.

Recruiting for A. M. C.

Recruiting in the Army Medical Corps has been stimulated by the new order governing instructional training, which went into effect last Monday. Sgt.-Major McGillicuddy, who has lately returned from the front and has been attached to the A.M.C., will instruct classes from the three A. M. C. units at Niagara Camp. Drafts from each take the course in turn. Recruits will in this way receive much of the practical work here, and shorten the period spent at the R.A.M.C. School in England.

YORK COUNTY ...AND... SUBURBS

LAST NIGHT'S RAIN WELCOMED BY FARMERS

Late Grain Crops, Potatoes, and Meadow Lands Will Benefit.

Reports received at The World office last night from all parts of the county indicate that the electric storm which visited the city was general, the rainfall being heavier at all the country points than in the immediate vicinity of the city. The storm was accompanied by a good deal of thunder and lightning, but no damage is known to have been caused.

The downpour will do an immense amount of good to the late growing buckwheat crops, potatoes and meadow lands. Harvesting operations will be delayed for a day or two, but the great bulk of the crop is already in the barns and the urgency for rain is so great that farmers will gladly lose a week's harvesting from this cause.

WESTON COUNCIL TO SUE TO RECOVER OVERCHARGE

Hartley Dewart Suggests Action Against Contractors Installing New Sewerage System.

At a special meeting of the Weston Town Council, held last night, the advice of H. H. Dewart, K.C., to proceed with the suit against the contractors employed on the installation of the town sewage system, in an attempt to recover an alleged overpayment of $10,000, was adopted. The case has been dragging along for more than two years, and last night's decision will precipitate action.

NEWMARKET BOWLERS DEFEATED JACKSON'S PT.

Newmarket bowlers ha da big day in that town yesterday when they met and defeated four rinks from Jackson's Point in a friendly match in the manufacturing town. The visitors were entertained to luncheon and an enjoyable afternoon was spent.

Recruiting is going on steadily in Newmarket, and it is expected that now the harvest is over a good deal of success will attend the efforts of the local men around the town.

MANY ENLISTED FROM WEST GWILLIMBURY

The Town of West Gwillimbury is proud of the record she has attained thru the enlistment for service of 80 men in the township and 96 men from the Town of Bradford. Of those from West Gwillimbury only one, William Dale, has been killed in service, and from Bradford five casualties are known. These are John Milligan, Arthur Long, Arthur Porter, Henry Ashford and Gordon Cerswell.

FRED WILLIS FREED FROM CRIMINAL CHARGE

Police Magistrate Brunton, after hearing all the evidence in the case of Fred Willis of King City, charged with criminal negligence in causing the death of Stuart B. Oliver, a 12-year-old-boy, in Richmond Hill three weeks ago, decided that Willis was not guilty of negligence. It was shown that Willis' car was traveling at a rate of 12 miles an hour when the accident occurred. The accused was accordingly discharged.

BAKERS BOOST PRICE.

Aurora bakers, at a special meeting held last night, unanimously agreed to increase the price of bread from 12 to 14 cents, the new rates to go into effect at once. Increased price of flour, coupled with the scarcity of labor, is given as the cause of the advance.

IN CHARGE OF RECRUITING.

Lieut. Griffin, 220th York O.S. Battalion, has been transferred from Camp Borden to the charge of the recruiting depot, St. Clair avenue, Earlscourt.

Lieut. Griffin, with the recruiting staff, will prosecute a vigorous campaign to complete the battalion, and intends holding many meetings in the section.

ADAM HOOD RECOVERING.

The many friends of Adam Hood of Milliken's Corners, who has been seriously ill from blood poisoning, will learn with pleasure that he is making satisfactory progress toward complete recovery.

GOING OVERSEAS WITH DRAFT.

GODERICH, Ont., Aug. 24.—Lieut. Ernest Porter, son of George Porter, and a member of the 161st Huron battalion, is among the draft of volunteer officers soon to leave for active service overseas. The young officer is visiting at his home here at present.

CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE TO ENGAGE COUNSEL

Fight for Express and Freight Extension Will Be Proceeded With.

A special meeting of the Citizens' Express and Freight Campaign Executive Committee was held last evening at the headquarters of the organization, Royal George Chambers, corner of St. Clair avenue and Dufferin street, Earlscourt.

Chairman J. R. MacNicol occupied the chair, and the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Moved by Clifford E. Blackburn, J.P., and seconded by Henry Parfrey, J.P.: "That, inasmuch as the city solicitor's department has declined to engage outside counsel to take the case of the Citizens' Express and Freight Campaign before the Dominion Railway Board, when the board will be asked to order the extension of the present collection and delivery limits to include the present city limits, or any extension thereof, that the Citizens' Express and Freight Campaign proceed with the prosecution of the case themselves, and that counsel be engaged."

It was also moved by Brook Sykes and seconded by J. Walshe: "That the offer of the board of control be accepted to have the city engineering department prepare maps showing the state of all streets and roads in the so-called 'outside of the limits' area, to which the express and railway companies now refuse to deliver, and that a committee now be appointed to meet the engineer's department."

The chairman was appointed to interview the city's engineering department regarding the matter of maps.

A letter endorsing the work of the committee and offering hearty co-operation was read from Secretary T. A. Stevenson of the Trades and Labor Council. The secretary was instructed to reply to Mr. Stevenson, thanking the labor council for their interest in the express and freight campaign, and also for kind offer of monetary assistance towards the advertising scheme.

The offer of Alderman Donald C. MacGregor to organize a concert to be held at the close of the Exhibition was accepted, and a letter of thanks will be sent the alderman.

Chairman J. R. MacNicol gave a brief outline of his recent tour thru the United States, stating that he visited the offices of the several express companies of whom, he said: "They themselves are always eager to have their limits extended and rarely did the railway commission have to interfere and no discrimination was allowed."

If a condition similar to that which at present exists in Toronto in our own section was brought about in the United States their railway board would immediately prosecute," said Mr. MacNichol, who went on to say that he had secured valuable information from the secretary of the railway commission in Albany, which would be valuable to the committee.

Alderman Fred McBrien was elected a member of the campaign committee.

ATHLETICS AT EARLSCOURT.

The inter-playground athletics were run off Wednesday night at Earlscourt Playground. The results were as follows:

75 yard dash, midget—1, G. Stockdale; 2, F. McMartin; 3, F. Brown.

Juvenile—1, L. Hibbert; 2, Hall; 3, Williamson.

440 yards, junior—1, Taylor; 2, J. McEwen; 3, F. Godfrey.

Intermediate—1, W. Martin and H. McMillan; 3, W. Sharp.

Running hop, step and jump—1, G. Stockdale; 2, J. McKinnon; 3, J. Murray.

Juvenile—1, L. Hibbert; 2, Hall; 3, Williamson.

Junior—1, J. McEwen; 2, M. Pooke; 3, F. Godfrey.

Intermediate—1, H. McMillan; 2, Jackson; 3, Martin.

STUNNED BY LIGHTNING.

Bert Snowball, a young man, who resides on the 7th concession of Markham Township, had a narrow escape from death while thrashing on a farm on the 8th concession. Young Snowball was standing beside the engine when a blinding flash of lightning stunned him so severely that he fell on the ground. He recovered in a short time, and is feeling none the worse for his close call.

C. N. HAGERMAN TO BUILD.

C. N. Hagerman, who some time ago disposed of his fine farm on the 5th concession to John Young, an adjoining neighbor, will shortly begin the erection of his new residence at Hagerman's Corners, a short distance from the homestead. The masonry work of Mr. Hagerman's residence will be in charge of John Miller, and the building will be ready for occupation early in the spring, the latter retaining possession of his farm until that time.