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St. John Merchants at Resumed Hearing Yesterday Before Royal Commission Urged Need of Better Service.

DELAYS AT HALIFAX INTERFERE WITH TRADE

Royal Commission Investigating Conditions Between Canada and West Indies held a concluding session yesterday at Trade rooms...

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competing with New York, so far as prices were concerned. Details of the delay at Halifax he had no complaints to make in regard to the transportation facilities. The rates were reasonable.

Mr. J. S. Armstrong, C. E., spoke in regard to the possibility of developing the harbor for the West India trade, and in regard to a customs-free port at St. John and in the West Indies.

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TREASURY BOARD DISCUSSES CHANGES IN RISING LOW CROPS MAKE

FILE SHOWING No Money For Sewerage Maintenance — Construction of Catch Basins Is Made Capital Expenditure — Tailoring of Police Coats Cannot Be Paid For — Bill Must Wait Till Next Year — Free Kindergartens To Get \$500 in 1910.

At the monthly meeting of the Treasury Board last evening it was reported that the appropriation for sewerage maintenance was almost exhausted with three months of the year still to run.

On motion of Ald. McGoldrick, the board recommended that the widow of Mr. Hurd Peters should be given a grant equivalent to the monthly salary of a late consulting engineer.

A communication from Mr. William Murdoch, director of the Water and Sewerage Department, informed the board that \$12,000 voted for sewerage maintenance was nearly exhausted with three months of the year yet to run.

Ald. Frink, as chairman of the board, explained that the amount originally placed in the estimates for sewerage maintenance had been cut down to \$12,000 and that the present situation had arisen on that account.

The men, he said, had to be paid, and if old sewers collapsed, as they were constantly doing, something would have to be done or there would be trouble. He agreed with the suggestion that catch basins were permanent work and could be charged to the city's ordinary.

The Free Kindergarten. A letter from the Free Kindergarten asking for a grant of \$800 was read. It was stated that the cost of the work was \$1800 a year.

WEDDINGS. Betterton-Markham. In St. Paul's church on Saturday morning, Sept. 18 the marriage of Mr. Philip Betterton of Birmingham, England, and Miss Emily Frances Markham, youngest daughter of Lieut. Colonel Markham of Vancouver, formerly of this city, was celebrated by Rev. A. T. Penner, Mr. and Mrs. Betterton left on a honeymoon trip, and on their return will reside in Kilsano.

Ramsay-Hales. Rev. L. B. McKel of the Church of the Good Shepherd, officiated on Wednesday at the marriage of Mr. Fred Ramsay and Miss Eva Hales. Both belong in England and are employed in the Provincial Hospital. The ceremony was performed at Mr. Cole's residence on Harding street.

LATE MARINE NEWS. British Ports. Southampton, Sept. 30.—Arrived: Str. Majestic, New York via Plymouth and Cherbourg. Manchester, Sept. 30.—Sailed: Str. Liverpool, Boston. Str. Liverpool, Sept. 30.—Arrived: Str. Liverpool, Boston via Queenstown. Queenstown, Sept. 30.—Sailed: Str. Liverpool, Boston. Str. Liverpool, Sept. 30.—Arrived: Str. Liverpool, Boston via Queenstown. Str. Liverpool, Sept. 30.—Sailed: Str. Liverpool, Boston.

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St. David's Y. P. A. Elect Officers. At the annual meeting of the Young People's Association of St. David's last evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Honorary President, Rev. A. A. Graham; President, Mr. R. Frank Archibald; 1st Vice President, Harry A. Cooke; 2nd Vice President, Mr. Fred MacMurray; Fin. Secretary, W. J. Davis; Assistant Secretary, Mrs. Margaret A. Milligan; Pianist, Mrs. J. M. Barnes; Assistant Pianist, Mrs. J. Ogilvie; Conveners of committees are: Reception, Mrs. Robt. Reid and Mrs. F. J. Punter; Devo-

MUCH BUSINESS BY SYNOD COMMITTEES DONE YESTERDAY. The Executive Committee of the Church of England Synod transacted some important business yesterday. The report of the Board of Missions showed that during the summer months 16 student missionaries were at work in various parts of the Province. During the past two months seven vacant parishes have been supplied with clergymen. Nine parishes are yet vacant, several of which will be filled shortly.

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