

## RED CROSS TAKES UP SOLDIER PENSIONS

N. B. Division Will Urge Central Council to Take Action.

The New Brunswick Division of the Red Cross Society, through its representative, C. B. Allan, will urge upon the Central Council of the Red Cross at its meeting in Toronto, next week, that the society use its influence in procuring pensions for soldiers who are sick and unable to work. This matter was brought before the meeting of the division yesterday afternoon in the Red Cross depot in Prince William street.

The hospital committee of the New Brunswick Red Cross in a letter asked that this action be taken and that a full statement of the case be presented to Hon. Dr. J. B. M. Baker, K.C., M.P., with the request that he take the matter up with the proper authorities. The statements contained in the letter were endorsed by the meeting. C. B. Allan, treasurer, presided in the absence of the president and vice-presidents.

The report of Miss Ethel Hazen, secretary, told of the activities of the summer months. The various local branches had continued their sewing for emergency supplies. The relief work had been the most extensive known in any summer and the extent of the probable calls for relief in the winter was considered with alarm. The bills in connection with the great part of the relief work were paid by the St. John society.

Immigration cards from Quebec had been received telling of the coming of new settlers to this province and Miss Jarvis, in her report, urged the Red Cross branches and individuals generally to make the newcomers welcome in every way. The report referred to the work of different branches, Roch-

say having aided the Lady Byng summer camp and sent gifts to Lancaster and East St. John hospitals. Sheliae had undertaken almost the entire support of a public health nurse and in clinics through local effort. Lakeville had the honor of completing the first home nursing class. St. John had carried on relief work. Miss McPhail had been sent as public health nurse to Rexton in September.

The sale of the work of soldier patients shown at the St. John Exhibition, had brought \$108 as well as many orders for more work. The hospital committee had had charge of this exhibit, while the nursery was conducted by the local Red Cross. The field and the holding of the convention as a preliminary to the launching of the membership campaign and the campaign for the establishment of home nursing classes were also mentioned in the report.

Correspondence read included thanks for supplying a nurse's salary as well as blankets and equipment for the Lady Byng Camp, an appeal for assistance from a soldier's wife in Bathurst, which was referred to a local branch, letters announcing that several of the branches were holding their membership drive on Oct. 15 and a letter from Grand Falls saying that that community hoped soon to have a flourishing Red Cross branch and to open a home nursing class.

Dr. Rene Sand, secretary-general of the League of Red Cross Societies, writing from Paris thanked the New Brunswick division for forwarding a copy of a letter from Premier Veniot with relation to forest fires and a type-written report of the disaster relief policy of the New Brunswick Red Cross. He hoped other societies would have the same cordial co-operation that had been received from New Brunswick.

The financial statement showed receipts during the four months had totalled \$2,831.22 and expenditures amounted to \$2,417.22.

The Junior Red Cross report given by Mrs. Margaret Lawrence told of the organization of 22 new junior branches since the opening of the schools this season. The new branches have an enrollment of more than 600. At the close of last year there were more than 2,000 Junior Red Cross members on the roll. Amongst the new branches were 14 formed in the New Albert school, West St. John, and one in Beauséjour school. The children's fund had been increased by \$92 received in the last month and there were now three Junior Red Cross committees in the General Public Hospital.

Mrs. Lawrence told of Miss Jessie Lawson having gone to Toronto to attend the meeting of the Dominion Junior Red Cross committee.

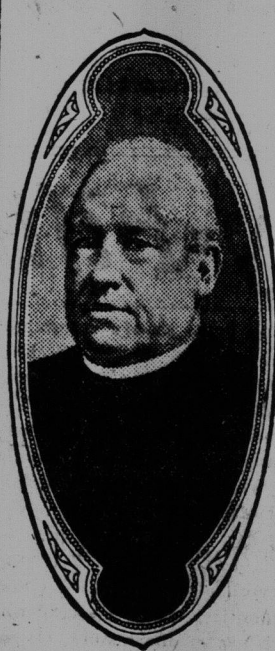
The report of Miss R. E. Hamilton, Dominion organizer of home nursing classes, told of the effort made to visit as many branches as possible during the last month. The places visited were McAdam, Plaster Rock, Riley Brook, Grand Falls, Edmundton, Petticoat, Salisbury, Riverview, St. John, Andover and Perth, Hartland, Centerville, Fredericton, Beaver Harbor, Westfield and Rexton.

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## An Old Story of 69 Years Ago



Rev. Fr. John O'Brien, from whom Father John's Medicine got its name.

TO those of us who cling to the land of our fathers, parts of New England and especially the state of Massachusetts are like "our second home." Uncles and aunts, brothers and sisters, and distant relatives have settled among our neighbors to the South; and through holidays, visits and correspondence, we in Canada have a good knowledge of life and conditions in New England.

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Father John, as he was affectionately known to his people, was born in Ireland, ordained to the priesthood there in 1828, and came to America in 1841 to take charge of a large missionary field in the hills and mountains, through rain and shine, heat and cold, visiting the sick and afflicted, cheering and encouraging the unfortunate.

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unless financial assistance was forthcoming its grant of \$50 towards its public health nurse must stop. Miss Armstrong, the present nurse at Sheliae, recommended the appointment of a district nurse for the winter. Miss McPhail was at Rexton and was giving a demonstration there which would end by Dec. 1.

Branch reports were received. Mrs. Fletcher Longley, recently of Saskatchewan, was a visitor at the meeting and told of Red Cross work in that province.

Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting with Miss Alice Murdoch in charge.

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For Corns and Warts—Bunsard's Liniment.

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