

AROUND THE CITY SHOWERY.

THE STEAMER PREMIER. The steamer Premier has been towed to Hilyard's blocks where repairs will be completed. It is hoped to have her back on her route in a few days.

VENDOR APPOINTED. Robert W. Hawker, Druggist, 221 Main Street, is acting as a temporary vendor during this epidemic. W. D. Wilson, Chief Inspector, made the appointment last evening.

TENDERS FOR BALCONIES. Tenders for the erection of balconies on the St. John County Hospital will be called for at once. These balconies will be erected on the north and east sides and will be enclosed with glass, making them available both winter and summer.

PREMIER BROKEN INTO. The manager of T. Collins & Co., wholesale grocers and commission merchants, North Market Street, reports that the premises have been broken into five times within two weeks, and a quantity of goods stolen. The most recent break was on last Monday night.

BELL FOR ROTHESAY SCHOOL. Captain J. H. A. Fairweather, now in England, has sent home a good sized bell, which he found in a trench which had been used to bury the Huns in a gas attack. The bell has been received by Percy Fairweather and is a presentation to Rothesay Collegiate School.

THE TOTAL RECEIPTS. The total receipts of the big fair recently held in the St. Andrew's rink were \$7,000.88. Of this amount \$4,325.01 was required to defray expenses, leaving \$2,675.87 profit. This amount was divided as follows: Trades and Labor Council, \$840.00, and Great War Veterans' Association, \$1,835.87.

BIG FALL IN POTATOES. Prerequisite, Me., Oct. 30.—I cost O. J. Bishop just \$1,000 to move five thousand barrels of potatoes which rolled out of his warehouse on a Canadian Pacific siding when the walls of the building collapsed under the great weight. The damage to the stock was slight.

STOPPED AT BORDER. Thomas McPherson, of Harcourt, who was in the city a day or two ago on his way to Boston to receive surgical treatment, was not permitted to pass the border by the United States immigration officials. Mr. McPherson had been a patient at the Moncton hospital, and had been advised to go to Boston for treatment.

FRANCES STETSON ESTATE. The inventory of the estate of Mrs. Frances Stetson, late of Bangor, Me., has been filed in the office of the probate court. The appraisers were Isaiah R. Stetson, William W. Palmer, Otto H. Nelson, and Hayward Stetson, named as executor.

EXCESSIVE PRICES. Comment prevails on the excessive prices being asked by dealers and grocers on such lines as lemons and oranges. Yesterday oranges in one shop sold at \$1.30 per dozen, and lemons 70 cents per dozen and found a ready sale. The proprietor of the shop on which we were asked stated that lately these foodstuffs had climbed the ladder of price on account of the enormous duties being asked for transportation, and to various other causes.

HOW WINDOW WAS SMASHED. A young married woman called on the Standard yesterday and said that she wished to make an explanation regarding an article which stated that a young woman who had been attending a dance in a St. Patrick street house had fallen out of a window. She said that it was not a dance that was taking place at the house but a card party and instead of a woman falling out, the window was broken when a table was pushed through the pane. She claims that it was a peaceful party that they were not playing pool but only cards. Nevertheless, she says she has more than five persons here at the present time not allowed by law, but there were more than that number at this party and perhaps they were ignorant of the health regulations.

THE POLICE COURT. Charles Ross appeared before the police magistrate yesterday morning on a charge of being drunk and violently resisting the police. Policeman Cook who made it arrest on Brassey street stated Ross resisted and fought considerably. The prisoner pleaded guilty to being drunk but denied guilt to the second charge. As he became ill in court he was sent before Judge George Meade who ordered on a charge of assaulting P.C. Buckingham, was remanded for further hearing. Buckingham stated Meade asked him if he took an X-ray out of a shed at Reid's Point, and without waiting for an answer Meade hit him, knocking him down. The case which was to have been continued in the afternoon did not come up for hearing.

KIMONA VELOURS. Just these kinds of morning—does not appreciate their soft warm thick-ness. Rich tones of Rose, Blue, Grey, etc., developed in square designs, necks, and various necks. A great wealth of two tone coloring to choose from. Very special at 60c. per yard. This is the same price as we sold them at last year. We were fortunate to be able to secure them to sell at this price, don't you think?

Diaper VeLOURS, sufficient for a baby, or Kimona complete with tassels. Comes in pretty border designs. Price, complete—\$6.75. Better buy your Victory Bond today. DYKEMAN'S.

MAJ. GEN. MACDONELL FOR TORONTO; LIEUT. COLONEL McAVITY TO SUCCEED HIM?

This is interesting rumor in Military Circles — Promotion for Major General Macdonnell Would be Popular Move as He Has Done Splendid Work in This District — First Commander of "Fighting 26th" To Be Next Headquarters Commandant in New Brunswick

Although it has not yet been officially announced The Standard understands that there may soon be a change in the military headquarters in this district. There is a vacancy in the command of Military District No. 2, Toronto, and it is reported that Major General Macdonnell may be appointed to that command. The Toronto vacancy was caused by the appointment of Major General Loggie to the Supreme Court of Ontario, while his named successor, Col. Bickford, has been given an appointment in the Siberian contingent. It is understood that Major General Macdonnell has been favorably mentioned in connection with the promotion to the Toronto district, and that his appointment will be announced in due time. His successor in this district is expected to be Lieut.-Col. James L. McAvity, commander of the "Fighting 26th," and now officer commanding the New Brunswick Depot Battalion, and regimental commander of the 7th C. O. R. of which Lieut.-Col. Wedderburn has been named battalion commander.

THE COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS WILL REFRAIN FROM WORK

"Knights of the Grip" Decide to Remain Home for Two Weeks on Account of Epidemic—Over Five Hundred Expected to Comply With Request of the Association.

Realizing the gravity of the present epidemic in the Province, the Maritime Travellers' Association, wishing to co-operate with the Provincial Health Department, have publicly requested their members to "refrain" from their work for a period of two weeks, so as to alleviate in a manner the radius of contagion to others, who have up to the present escaped the disease. The desire of the travellers to co-operate came to a climax yesterday when some of their members consulted Hon. Dr. Roberts, Minister of Health, who was in hearty accord with the wishes of the "Knights of the Grip," and outlined the only method which was a "restraint" from their duties for the present time, during the epidemic, so as to avoid all contagion, and perhaps widen the sphere of the epidemic by even contracting it themselves, ultimately bringing the epidemic to others quite susceptible to it.

Not content with the New Brunswick travellers refraining from their proposed journeys, they then approached Premier Foster, requesting him to co-operate by notifying the Health Departments in the other provinces curtailing all operations, if possible, during the epidemic. Premier Foster heard the requests of the men, and presented them his cooperation by his notifying all chambers of commerce of the several outside health departments of the action of the New Brunswick travellers, and to urge, request, or exhort the travellers in their respective districts to at once co-operate with those in New Brunswick by ceasing their duties for a time. The publicity given in the press will reach near and distant centres regarding the co-operation which is being exercised between the Health Department in New Brunswick and the "Knights of the Grip" which may serve to set an example to outside associations by at once stepping in line. The decision of the Travellers Association of New Brunswick is not a committal, but in the form of an exhortation to their members, of whom

ANOTHER BOOST IN MILK PRICE MOST PROBABLE

Citizens May Expect to Pay Additional Two Cents Per Quart—Kings County Producers Ask for Conference.

St. John citizens will probably be called upon in the near future to pay an additional one or two cents per quart for milk, according to information received by The Standard. Recently a delegation of the Kings County Milk and Cream Producers Association approached a number of the city milk dealers and asked for a conference on the matter of price and intimated it was their intention to raise the price now being charged the dealers. It was pointed out that no conference could be held just now as the health regulations forbade public gatherings of all kinds, and the matter stands in that position at present.

It is understood the members of the association are unanimous that there must be an increase in the price per quart, but are not agreed as to amount of the increase, some have suggested two cents per quart, and some one cent per quart. At the present time the price paid the farmers by the dealers is seven cents per quart, or fifty-six cents per can, and the retail price to the consumer is twelve cents per quart. Should the price be increased by the farmer, and the dealer be satisfied with the same margin for handling, namely five cents per quart, the price to the consumer will be either thirteen or fourteen cents per quart, and the producers may elect. The present price of seven cents

NEW ASSESSMENT Will Go Into Effect Tomorrow —Forms and Schedules Are Being Printed—The Provisions and Requirements.

Tomorrow the new assessment law for the city of St. John comes into effect, and the bill received by the citizens will be made up under its provisions.

Speaking yesterday with E. Murray Olive, chairman of the board of assessors, The Standard learned that all the forms and schedules required under the new act had been made up by his staff and were now in the hands of the printers. It was the intention of the board to place in the hands of every rate payer a form for each rate, and to make returns to the assessors of all taxable property and income, and this return must be made before February 10th next, or else the penalty provided by the law will be invoked. Each return sheet bears on it in red ink a warning to this effect, and the amount of the penalty.

Failure to make returns under the new law does away with the poll tax, but in its place provides that every person must pay on at least \$100 income. The exemption of \$500, the property of widows and spinners, only applies up to a value of \$2,000 under the new act, while it was up to \$5,000 of value under the old act. Under the new act the new income means the total amount of money received by the taxpayer, no matter what the source and each person must in making out his return fill in the net amount of this income.

The taxes on real estate remain the same as under the old law. Household furniture is exempt altogether, under the new law, while under the old it was assessed the same as personal property. Taxable personal property other than household furniture is taxed as under the old law, stocks in trade are taxed on the personal property, and intangible income at the prevailing tax rate, instead of on the principal as under the old law.

LOCAL HOSPITAL IS NOT EQUIPPED

Parks Convalescent Home in Bad Shape to Care for Influenza Patients — Private Generosity Now Depended Upon—Standard Will Receive Subscriptions.

The conditions in connection with the methods of fighting the epidemic of influenza in this city and province are not satisfactory, despite what the Times and other subsidized organs of the Foster government may say. In this city the Parks Convalescent Home has been designated as a source that facilities at that hospital are not at all what they should be and that no effort has been made by the department of Health to improve them. On Tuesday night patients in that hospital required milk. There was none to be had through official sources and but for an appeal to private generosity none would have been forthcoming. Yet milk is an essential article of diet with the majority of the cases there.

The situation as regards ice is the same. Some of the patients on Tuesday night required ice compressed, yet no ice was to be had, and if ice was procured there were no facilities for keeping it in the hospital, so that this condition was brought to the attention of the responsible authorities, but it was said that the money appropriation for the hospital had been expended and nothing further could be done.

At the present time there are four infant patients in the hospital who require night clothing. On Tuesday night they were put to bed in men's nightshirts because of the lack of infantile clothing. A lot of flannel or flannellette is also required. These are things that, no matter what device may be put up, should be publicly supplied if the hospital is to be properly equipped. Yet the supply is not forthcoming and private citizens are now asked to assist. The Standard will be pleased to receive subscriptions to fill the needs at this institution, and will forward all goods received without delay.

ORDERED TO CANADA. The friends of Lieut. Harold L. Nixon will be glad to learn that he has been ordered to Canada. Lieut. Nixon spent eighteen months at the front, was wounded in February last and has spent the time since that in hospital in England.

NOTICE Commercial Travellers of New Brunswick. As a preventive measure we would ask you at the present time if at all possible to stay off the road for at least two weeks. Those who find it impossible to comply with the above request we would ask to avoid the towns and places where the influenza is prevalent. We would also ask the wholesale houses and manufacturers of New Brunswick to co-operate with us to assist the health board to stamp out this epidemic.

W. H. SMITH, President. W. V. McKENNEY, Assistant Secretary.

Dreadnaught Tire Chains. Tires—Johnson's Freeze-Proof Are Motor-Car Requirements that should Have Your Attention—Now. Although DREADNAUGHT Tire Chains will cost less than some other kinds, their quality standard is unexcelled, regardless of prices. Imperial Grips are highly recommended for light cars and will give you excellent value. GOODYEAR CORD TIRES. Royal Oak and Clover Leaf are strongly featured in our Tire Department, and each, in its class, represents the top notch in efficiency and long service. JOHNSON'S FREEZE-PROOF. Positively Prevents Frozen Radiator, and one application will do the winter. Johnson's Freeze-Proof will not evaporate, will not injure the radiator, will not corrode metal. Let Us Furnish You These Three Motor-Car Needs—and Any Others—and So Prevent Trouble and Expense Later On. MOTOR CAR SUPPLY DEPARTMENT—First Floor. W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD. King Street.

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