

FACE DEBIT IF V.O.N. WORKS NOT CURTAILED

Requirements Force Expenditures Higher in Statement to Meeting.

ESTIMATE \$1,813
BEHIND IN 1925

Money Requests and Gifts Acknowledged in Report of President.

Reports to the annual meeting of the Victorian Order of Nurses St. John branch, arranged for this afternoon with Hon. J. G. Forbes, president, in the chair, show that the order has accomplished a great deal of work here; also that additional expenses have been placed in the order in such a position that a deficit of approximately \$1,800 is faced if the same activities as last year are to be continued.

May Reduce Staff.

The central governing body has decided that there must be an increase of \$120 a year paid to the nurses and also, owing to reports made by the Board of Health, a stenographer must be kept in future. In view of these matters the local branch is taking up the question of doing with one less nurse this year, reducing the staff to eight, including the superintendent who also does nursing work.

Miss Dora E. Coates, superintendent, reported 1,363 cases nursed. The nurses made 15,735 visits. In the children's welfare report it was shown that 8,095 babies were visited and the total visits to babies was 24,667. The report also shows that kindergarten classes and 297 children examined.

Financial Report.

The financial report was submitted by W. L. Caldwell, secretary-treasurer, and in this he included an estimate of the expenditures for 1925. The statements follow:

Grants—	
City of St. John	\$3,000.00
Parish of St. John	450.00
Parish of St. John	2,800.00
Board of Health	2,800.00
Fees	\$2,847.44
Income from Investments	491.08
Donations	1,244.00
I. O. D. E.	\$1,220.00
Alumnus St. John High	50.00
St. Andrew's Church	15.00
St. John's Soc. Regis-	25.00
tration	10.00
Friends	10.00
Directors' fees	20.00
Tag Day	\$11,407.12
	1,185.82
	\$12,592.44

Expenditures	
Nurses' salaries	\$11,322.46
Car fare	184.00
Telephone	171.50
Drugs and medical supplies	147.61
Interest on loan	80.75
Janitor	30.84
Sundries	34.82
Printing and stationery	29.20
Stenographer	16.00
Postage	10.00
Advertising	6.00
Surplus	\$12,514.67
	377.77
	\$12,592.44

Estimates For 1925.

The following estimates for the present year were submitted.

Expenditures	
One superintendent	\$1,800.00
Seven nurses at \$1,500	10,500.00
One stenographer	600.00
Car fares	240.00
Telephone	240.00
Drugs and medical supplies	150.00
Interest on loan	40.00
Janitor	35.00
Sundries	35.00
Printing and stationery	35.00
Stenographer	15.00
Postage	10.00
Advertising	6.00
Sundries	10.00
Income	\$13,790.00
Patients' fees	\$1,800.00
Life Ins. Co.	1,500.00
Investments	\$7,700.00
O. D. E.	1,200.00
Donations	200.00
Surplus from 1924	4,977.00
Leaving a balance for which we appeal, as follows:	
City of St. John	\$3,000.00
Board of Health	3,000.00
Parish of St. John	600.00
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Deficit	1,813.00
	\$13,790.00

"The deficit," continues the report, "we would endeavor to cover by special effort rather than further encroach on our capital which, during the years 1921, 1922 and 1923, was depleted a total of \$4,609.41."

"The salaries of our nurses show an increase of \$10 per month over the previous year. This is due to the decision of our Central Board at Ottawa and applies to all branches of the order throughout Canada where the increased scale was not previously in force. Due to the larger demands called for by our agreement with the Board of Health our new superintendent has to be highly specialized in that branch which applies to Child Welfare and Public Health Service as well as the work of the order and as such we will have to pay her a salary of \$1,800 per annum."

"The grants applied for have been reduced to a minimum as we well appreciate the great necessity of keeping down the public burden. We feel confident, therefore, that we can rely on your support to assist us in our very serious financial position."

President's Review.

In his report as president, Hon. J. G. Forbes recalled the coming of the work to St. John in 1899, and told of various phases of the work in the intervening years and at the present. The nursing work was shown to include visits to West St. John, Fairville, Randolph, East St. John, Glen Falls and Simonds, besides the city proper, and the report stated that the universal approval of the medical profession and of the poor evidenced their appreciation of the services.

Thanks Expressed.

The president expressed thanks for a request from the late James Manchester for a home for the nurses; \$500 from a former resident of the city

Golden Jubilee of Religious Is Observed at St. Vincent's

Sister Benedict Congratulated on 50th Year Since Novitiate Day.

Special mass was sung in the chapel of St. Dunstan's Convent, Cliff street yesterday in observance of the 50th anniversary of Sister Benedict's entry into the novitiate of the Sisters of Charity. In 1927 Sister Benedict will celebrate her golden jubilee, as final vows were not taken by her until 1877 when the novitiate period had expired. Sister Benedict received callers yesterday who felicitated her upon her notable anniversary and wished her many years of happiness and usefulness in her devoted life.

Sister Benedict, who in the world was Miss Rodgers, sister of James Rodgers and daughter of the late Patrick Rodgers. She has had wide experience in the philanthropic and educational activities of the Roman Catholic church hereabouts and in Prince Albert, Sask., where some ten years ago she was sent in connection with a new hospital work. As a teacher in the old St. Malachi's Hall before the big fire, Mother of the Industrial Home at Silver Falls for a period of years in charge of the dispensary work in the Mater Misericordiae Home, Sydney street, for three years Mother of the Cliff street Convent and in other capacities she has occupied a large place in the work of the Sisterhood.

who preferred his name be not made public; \$1,000 "from the children of our late esteemed member, Mrs. J. V. Ellis, an old worker who was associated with us since the inception of our order in this city, a worthy gift in memory of a noble mother, whose wise counsel and constant service to promote our cause will be ever cherished by her co-workers." These grants are to capital accounts and the latter only can be used.

Aid Is Acknowledged.

"Thanks also was expressed to the councillors of Lancaster and Simonds to the Corporation of the City of St. John, as well as to the County Council, for generous aid; especially to the I. O. D. E. Chapters for generous aid in child welfare work; to the friends who aided on tag day, and especially to the Alumni and young ladies of the High School, including teachers; to Dr. W. E. Rowley and other medical gentlemen who without fee or reward aided in the well-baby clinics.

"It is a matter of pride and satisfaction," says the report, "that not one dollar of the funds paid in salaries for management, and every dollar contributed for our charitable work was used for that purpose."

"We cannot close this report without bearing testimony to the faithfulness and efficiency of our chief superintendent, Miss Dora Coates, who now resigns at her own request, carrying with her the good wishes of our board."

"The board has great pleasure in handing over this work to their successors in a financially sound financial position, but we regret to note our city fathers have cut our estimates \$500. We appeal to our patrons to aid us by liberal subscriptions to carry on the work."

St. John Musicians To Moncton to Broadcast

The programme of a concert to be broadcasted from CNRA at Moncton will be in charge of a quartet consisting of St. John singers, Miss Miss Rosemarie Terrie, F. Joyce, M. Howard, C. Moore, E. Dykeman and M. Howard. The concert party left today for Moncton and the broadcasting will begin at 9 o'clock.

FUNERAL NOTICES

No. One S. C. & F. P. are requested to meet at their rooms, No. 3 Regent House, Union street, on Wednesday afternoon at 2:15 o'clock for the purpose of attending the funeral of the late GEORGE BLAKE, 312 Spring street (without register), for the purpose of attending the funeral of the late GEORGE BLAKE.

By order E. PERCY HOWARD, Secretary.

The members of Albion Lodge, No. 1, P. & A. M., are requested to meet on Wednesday afternoon at 2:15 o'clock at 31 Spring street (without register), for the purpose of attending the funeral of the late GEORGE BLAKE, 312 Spring street (without register), for the purpose of attending the funeral of the late GEORGE BLAKE.

By order CHAS. F. SANFORD, Commander-in-Chief.

Acting Chief Charles H. Jackson, of the St. John Fire Department, requests the members of the Fire Department and also the members of No. 1 and No. 2 Salvage and Fire Police to meet at No. 4 Engine House at 2:15 o'clock Wednesday afternoon to attend the funeral of the late CHIEF GEORGE BLAKE.

CHIEF GEORGE BLAKE.

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PORT COMMITTEE WIRE SIR HENRY

Asks C. N. R. Head About Sending St. John Delegation to Ottawa.

At a meeting of the port committee this morning in the office of Mayor Potts, it was decided to send a wire to Sir Henry Thornton asking if he thought the time ripe for sending a delegation to Ottawa to press on the Government development at the port. A committee was appointed to consider the matter of bagged grain rates.

Major Potts presided and Commissioners Wigmore, Bullock, Frink and Harding, Hon. W. E. Foster, M. L. A., H. C. Schofield, G. L. Warwick, D. W. Ledingham, A. P. Peterson and L. V. Lingley were present.

Port Facilities.

The matter of port facilities was discussed and keeping in mind the statement of Sir Henry Thornton that he would be glad to have a delegation from the city go before the Government and press for further facilities at this port, a tentative committee, composed of the Mayor, Commissioner Bullock, Hon. W. E. Foster and A. P. Peterson, was appointed to go to Ottawa when it was felt the time was ripe. It was decided to send a wire to Sir Henry Thornton asking him if he thought the delegation should go now and if he would assist them in presenting their case.

Bagged Grain.

The rate which should apply on bagged grain also came up and was discussed at some length. A committee, composed of Commissioner Bullock, A. P. Peterson and G. L. Warwick, was appointed to go into the matter and report.

SLANDER SUIT ENDS

Verdict Goes For James McLellan Before Chief Justice Barry and Jury.

The jury in the case of Clarence Tower vs. James McLellan, returned a verdict in favor of the defendant. This was an action for damages for alleged slander brought by Police Officer Tower of Lancaster against McLellan. McLellan claimed to have been made by Mr. McLellan in regard to the way the plaintiff was discharging his duty. The matter was referred to the Chief Justice Barry in the Circuit Court. Daniel Mullin, K. C. appeared for the plaintiff and J. B. M. Baxter, K. C. for the defendant.

Notices of Births, Marriages and Deaths, 50 cents.

BIRTHS

FERRIS—At Pleasant Point, Jan. 24, 1925, to Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Ferris, a son. PORTER—On Feb. 2, 1925, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Porter (nee Ross Bennett), Westfield Centre, a daughter, Dorcas Constance.

DEATHS

DAREY—Suddenly, at the General Public Hospital, on Feb. 2, 1925, Mary Darey, widow of Edward W. Darey, leaving her husband, one son and two sisters to mourn.

BLAKE—Suddenly, in this city, on Feb. 2, 1925, George Blake, leaving his wife and one son to mourn. Funeral from his late residence, 31 Spring street, Wednesday at 2:30 o'clock.

QATLEY—At Dorchester, Mass., on Feb. 1, 1925, William Qatley, son of Charles and Lillian Qatley, leaving to mourn his wife and daughter, two brothers and four sisters (Montreal, Portland, Oregon, papers please copy).

Body being brought on for burial. SPEIGHT—On Feb. 1, at 8:30 a. m., at his late residence, Brookville, aged 69 years, leaving to mourn his wife, seven sons and five daughters. Funeral from his late residence Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in Cedar Hill cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. Louisa Brown wishes to thank her many friends for their kindness extended to her during her recent bereavement. Also for floral offerings.

IN MEMORIAM

BRINDLE—In sad and loving memory of Walter Brindle, who departed this life February 3, 1924.

Where angels of glory assemble, Our loved one, our dear one, waits. The smile that is gone from the home, Now beams through the beautiful gate. WIFE AND FAMILY.

LOCAL NEWS

HOME FROM OTTAWA.

Dr. W. P. Broderick returned this afternoon from Ottawa.

ON INSPECTION TOUR.

W. N. Rippey, C. N. R. superintendent at Moncton, is in the city today on an inspection tour.

THE TRAINS.

The Boston express was one hour late today and the Halifax train was held in order to make connections. The Maritime express was also 40 minutes late in arriving this afternoon. The severe storm was the cause of the delay in both cases.

BURIED TODAY.

The funeral of Thomas J. Eagles was held this afternoon from his late residence, 168 Metcalf street. Service was conducted at 2:30 p. m. by Rev. H. A. Sl John near its source in order to proceed with the development of the Grand Falls hydro project. Other routine business occupied the time.

GAS HOUSE WORK.

W. S. Dole of New York gas engineer of the Federal Light & Traction Company, arrived here yesterday to spend several weeks here in connection with the proposed improvements to the new Brunswick Power Company's gas plant in the south end. He will supervise the installation of the new benches or ovens and will also make necessary changes. The work of installation will be started in the near future and is expected to be completed by June 1.

PROTEST ALLEGED ACTION OF MAYOR

I. O. G. T. District Lodge Resolution to Come Before Common Council.

The following resolution was handed to The Times-Star today as coming from District Lodge, I. O. G. T., held recently in Fairville:

"Whereas it has come to the notice of this District Lodge that, on the night of December 20th, 1924, an officer of the St. John force was taken by Mayor Potts to allow an offender under the N. B. Prohibitory Act to go after statement had been made by the police officer that he had been made."

"Resolved that this District Lodge, I. O. G. T. place itself on record deploring the indiscretion of the Mayor and asking that the acknowledgment of such indiscretion be made to the police officer by the Mayor."

"Further resolved that we commend the police officer for his desire to perform his duty."

"It was said a copy of this resolution had been sent to City Hall."

His Worship, when asked, said the matter would come up in council this afternoon.

Much Ice Along Coast Is Reported

The bays and small harbors along the coast are filled with ice, according to a report issued this morning at the local Marine and Fisheries office. The C. G. S. Laurentian is busy along the Nova Scotia coast of the Bay of Fundy replacing buoys which have overturned on account of the ice forming on their tops, thus making them too heavy, or of that have been dragged from position by the ice. All these buoys, however, are close in shore along the coast and they do not affect navigation in the bay for the ocean steamers. The ice is also confined to the smaller bays and harbors. The C. G. S. Dollard, which has been receiving general overhauling and repairs during the last few weeks, will probably be back in commission some time next week, and this will greatly aid in the work along the coast.

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Other Wall Papers for every room 5c up
Boxed Note Papers, reg. 35c to 60c 25c box
Boxed Note Paper and Envelopes 10c up
Reprint Fiction 60c
January Reprints 25c
Odd Assortment of Books, reg. 46c to \$1.50 25c
Writing Portfolios, reg. 75c to 1.00 50c
All Leather Goods 25% off
School Bags 50c to \$1.00
Writing Pad 35c
Lead Pencils 2 for 5c
Slate Pencils 2 for 25c
Crepe Paper, reg. 10c 6c roll
Examination Tablets 8c, 7c and 12c
Envelopes, Box of 500 (Business size) \$1.50
Memo Books 2 for 5c
Rubber Balls 8c to 80c each
Checkers, Boards and Dominoes 15c up
Balance of Stock of Toys, Dolls and Games, etc. at Special Reductions.

See Announcement on Page 9.

19 King Square

HYDRO CHIEF SAYS RAIN IS DESIRABLE

Hon. Dr. E. A. Smith, Here Today, Speaks of Situation in Several Places.

The general hydro outlook was discussed today by Hon. Dr. E. A. Smith, chairman of the N. B. Electric Power Commission, which is in monthly session here today. Dr. Smith said he noted that Halifax was forced to call on steam, also the Nipisiguit River development and the Cedar Rapids development in Quebec. The situation at Musquash, he said, was good in spite of the extended cold weather spell. "A little rainy spell, however," remarked Dr. Smith, "would be in no wise welcome to us or any other part of the country."

Hon. J. E. Michaud, Edmundston, a member of the commission, reported on the bill before the Quebec legislature to empower the province to dam the St. John near its source in order to proceed with the development of the Grand Falls hydro project. Other routine business occupied the time.

SHIPPING

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Monday, Feb. 2. Stmr. Hastings County, 2680, Hansen, from Halifax, to St. John.

Tuesday, Feb. 3. Stmr. Amada, from Halifax, to St. John. Coastwise—Stmr. Keith Cann, 177, Peters, from Westport, to St. John.

Schrs. Montclair, 271, Sallier, from Base Terre, Gaudeloupe, French West Indies, to St. John. Stmr. Manchester, 2672, Dorman, from Philadelphia, to St. John. Coastwise—Stmr. Empress, 612, MacDonald, for Digby.

MARINE NOTES.

The steamer Manchester Marine arrived yesterday afternoon from Manchester, cleared this afternoon for St. John, cleared this afternoon for Philadelphia.

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All Leather Goods 25% off
School Bags 50c to \$1.00
Writing Pad 35c
Lead Pencils 2 for 5c
Slate Pencils 2 for 25c
Crepe Paper, reg. 10c 6c roll
Examination Tablets 8c, 7c and 12c
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PLY BUSY NEEDLES

Sewing Circle Members in Three Fairville Churches Have Sessions.

Sewing circles are busy in Fairville. The Baptist ladies were entertained at the home of Mrs. Carl Cunningham last evening, and much work was accomplished. Mrs. Carey B. Black presided. Those present were Mrs. C. B. Black, Mrs. Walter A. Ross, Mrs. Thomas Alchorn, Mrs. Leonard Traflet, Mrs. Allan Thorne, Mrs. Harry I. Coombes, Mrs. George Currie and Mrs. Robert Lawson.

Baxter Lodge.

The Sewing Circle of Baxter Lodge, L. O. B. A., met yesterday afternoon and evening, and enjoyed a social hour at tea time. Mrs. Fred Cusack and Mrs. J. Cheeseman were the hostesses.

Quitting was carried on, with one quilt completed for the Protestant Orphanage. The members present were Mrs. Edward Duff, Mrs. William Murray, Mrs. Alonzo Craig, Mrs. Robert Irvine, Mrs. James Spill, Mrs. G