

# THE WEEK IN NEWCASTLE

**Begin Today**  
Today is Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent.

**Failed to Connect**  
Two rinks from Chatham failed to make connections at Bathurst on Wednesday last for the McLellan Cup.

**Maritime Delayed**  
Thursday morning's Maritime was about two hours and a half late reaching Moncton owing to a freight run-off north of Campbellton.

**Card of Thanks**  
The Surgical Committee, of the Red Cross Society, deeply appreciate the generous support accorded them in their various undertakings and extend to one and all most sincere thanks.

**Special S. A. Meeting**  
Brigadier Taylor and Major Coombs of St. John, will visit Newcastle today (Wednesday) and will conduct a special public meeting in the Salvation Army Hall in the evening. Everybody is invited to attend.

**Gets Promotion**  
Lieut. Eric MacDonald, who left Fredericton as a supernumerary officer with the 12th Battalion of the First Canadian Contingent, is now a Lieutenant with the No. 4 Company of the Battalion and will probably be given a "third star" and become a captain within a short time.—Gleaner.

**Sale on Saturday**  
The ladies of the Red Cross Society respectfully call the attention of the general public to their auction sale, on Saturday afternoon at two o'clock, of the handsome sleigh donated to them by The Canadian Gear Works, Ltd. The sale will be held in front of the Town Hall.

**Special Notice**  
Following is the list of gifts sent with the Queen Mary New Year's offering from the Red Cross Society:  
From Miss Clare L. Lawlor's class, grade III: 4 pairs stockings, 3 baby's bonnets.

Wilbur and Irene Howe: 2 baby's dresses, 1 pair booties.  
Gordon Mackay: 2 baby's vests.  
Mary De Roche: 1 baby's jacket.

**A Clean and Prosperous Town!**  
The subject at the Men's Union next Monday evening, 22nd inst., will be "The Conditions for a Clean and Prosperous Town." It will be introduced by Mr. J. J. Ander, and the meeting will be open to the public, both men and women being cordially invited. Place—the Methodist Vestry; time—8 o'clock.

**Bois School Standing for January**  
Grade V—Lillian Croft 1, Lottie Russell 2.  
Grade IV—Earl Delano 1, William Curtis 2.  
Grade III—Martha Richardson, Earle Russell 1, Mary Barry 2.  
Grade II—Byrdie Croft 1, Dick Jones 2.  
Grade I—Teresa Foran 1, Greta Morrison, Lizzie Morrison 2.

**Adopted the War Tax**  
A prominent citizen walked into the Times office last night and displayed a one cent clay pipe decorated with a two cent stamp. He explained that he was so much in sympathy with the war tax imposed in the Finance Minister's budget speech that he has decided to immediately put the stamp tax into effect.—Moncton Times.

**Just What is Wanted**  
Newcastle patrons of the rink are now becoming interested in hockey, and that is just what is necessary in order to make the same a lively one. Baseball is summer's sport and hockey in winter. We have a good little team now that needs a little encouragement, and very soon the town will be recognized as one of the best for hockey in the Province.

**Mrs. Janet Kerr**  
The death of Mrs. Janet Kerr, widow of late Donald Kerr of Charlottetown, occurred at her home with the Misses Falconer, Sunday evening. Deceased who was in very poor health for a long time, had resided here the last seven years. She was a Miss Ritchie, and was a native of Aberdeen, Scotland. She leaves three brothers and two sisters. She was 88 years of age. The funeral was held on Monday, and the remains were taken to New Mills where interment was made yesterday.

**Weds-Brown**  
The marriage of Archibald Woods and Miss Gertrude Brown, both of Douglastown, took place at St. Samuel's Rectory Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. Rev. J. G. Cormier officiating. The bride looked charming in a tan suit with black hat with white plumes. She was attended by Miss Kate Driscoll, who was tastefully dressed in brown cloth with black hat and white plumes. The groom was supported by the bride's brother, Michael Brown. After the wedding a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Brown. Many gifts were received by the young couple.  
The groom is a soldier at the Wireless. They will make their home in Douglastown.

## PATRONIZE HOME TRADE

**Patriotic Fund**  
Contribution received since last acknowledgment:  
Northumberland Co. L. L. L. \$12.20

**Straight Talks**  
The Advocate would like to know the opinions of its lady readers on "Straight Talks to Women," which are published each issue on page three.

**Make it Interesting**  
Many valuable suggestions can be learned by dropping a line to Dorothy Richmond, care of The Advocate. Only initials will be used for publication.

**Notice of Change**  
The Advocate now goes to press Wednesday morning instead of the afternoon, in order to catch outgoing mails. Parties sending in news items will kindly make a note of this.

**To Correspondents**  
The Advocate will willingly publish news items sent in by correspondents from the different districts, provided they are signed by the writer, but please omit all personal jokes and silly stuff.

**Notice**  
The Red Cross Society of Whitney, Strathadam and South Esk, wish to thank the Division No. 452 Sons of Temperance, for the gift of \$10.00, to help furnish supplies for soldiers. Will the kind friends who helped before, and are willing to do so again, kindly let the President know.

**Newcastle 5; Dalhousie 3**  
The local hockey team had an enjoyable trip to Dalhousie last Saturday and played a fast but friendly game with the boys of the northern town, defeating them, though (which was natural) by a score of 5 to 3. The boys speak in the best of terms for the Dalhousie people, and will endeavor to have a return game before the close of the season.

**The Lenten Season**  
Today being Ash Wednesday, service was held in St. Andrew's Church at 10 a. m. and will be at 7.30 p. m. Weekday Lenten services at St. Andrew's will be Wednesdays. Confirmation class at 6.30, and Evensong at 7.30. On Friday afternoon an intercessory service (especially for our soldiers and sailors) will be held at 4.15. At St. Mark's, Nelson, Lenten service will be on Thursdays at 7.30.

**St. James S. S. Concert**  
The members of St. James' Sunday School will hold their annual entertainment in St. James' Hall on Friday evening, 19th inst., at eight o'clock. A humorous programme has been prepared. Any amount of amusement for little and big. A silver collection will be taken to defray expenses. All are invited. Come and see the young people in their unique concert. 8-1

**Hockey Tonight**  
The fast local hockey team will clash sticks tonight with the St. Thomas team of Chatham. The last team up here from Chatham was accompanied by a full regiment of supporters. Tonight there should be a good contingent of local supporters to encourage their own fast improving team. Swell the attendance, boost up the sport, and don't let our boys go down to defeat at the hands of an outside team. Make it Newcastle every minute of the play.

**Red Cross Lottery**  
The drawing of the Baird & Peters lottery in connection with the Red Cross Society was held in the Town Hall on Monday at four o'clock, under the direction of Mayor Morrissey. The first prize of a barrel of flour was drawn by ticket number 291 held by Bert Irving. The second prize, a bag of sugar, "some poor family" drawn by ticket number 56. The sugar was handed over to the Civic Relief for distribution. The proceeds amounted to \$101.00.

**An Enjoyable Dance**  
A most enjoyable dance was held in the Associated Lodges Hall, Douglastown, on Friday evening, under the auspices of the trustees, and was attended by large numbers from Newcastle, Chatham, Loggieville and Millerton. The Gelkie-Cansidy orchestra, which is receiving much favorable comment for their excellent music, furnished the music for the dancing, which was highly enjoyed by all. The Surgical Committee of the Newcastle branch of the Red Cross Society furnished one hundred and sixty favorable comment. This committee, we are pleased to state, have raised about \$75.00 since the beginning of January, for which they are deserving of much praise.

## PERSONAL

Hon. John Morrissey left this morning for Fredericton to attend a government meeting there tonight. Congratulations are being extended to Mr. and Mrs. George Brooks, Douglastown, upon the arrival of a boy at their home on the 13th.

## How Canada Will Pay Special War Tax

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Canada, for every bottle of champagne containing one quart or less, five cents, and for each additional quart five cents.

Upon champagne and on sparkling wines sold in Canada, every bottle containing one quart or less, twenty-five cents, and for each additional quart, fifteen cents.  
The special taxes above outlined will come into force at a date to be fixed in the Act, with the exception of the taxes on wines and champagnes which become effective, at once. The total amount expected to be increased revenue Mr. White estimated at from eight to ten million dollars, with the probability in favor of the former figure.

**No Income Tax**  
Dealing with the imposition of an income tax upon individuals, the Finance Minister declared that after giving the question consideration, the government had decided it was not expedient for the present, in order to bring into force an income tax the government would be obliged to create machinery for assessment, revision and collection, involving a heavy expense as compared with the amount which would be realized. In any event it would appear that Canada could hardly expect to derive an income tax similar to that made by the United States, more than two million dollars. The chief objection, however, was that the several provinces are likely to be obliged to resort to measures for raising additional revenue, and the government thought the dominion should not unnecessarily enter upon a domain of taxation which belonged peculiarly to the provinces.

**General Tariff Increase**  
In announcing the new tariff taxation, Mr. White said:  
"As our main revenue measure we propose, with certain exceptions, a general horizontal increase in the customs duties upon all goods and commodities important or taken out of bonded warehouses in Canada. The list includes all articles hitherto dutiable or on the free list, and whether raw material or finished or partly finished products. The increase we propose is seven and a half per cent. ad valorem to the general and intermediate tariffs, and five per cent. ad valorem to the British preferential. In the case of iron ore, for reasons I shall give in committee, the ad valorem duty is specific, and not ad valorem. In determining the list of exceptions, regard has been had to our trade conventions with France, and the obligations of our agreement with certain of the British West Indies colonies. By reason of the former, the increased customs duties will not apply to silk fabrics, velvets, ribbons, embroideries and certain other goods. The exceptions to the tariff increase I have mentioned include wheat, flour, tea, anthracite coal, fish from Newfoundland, salt for curing fish, tines, twines, nets and hooks for the fisheries, reapers, mowers, binders, harvesters binder-twine, traction (except with in August) newsprint paper, type setting and type casting machines, and a number of other items of lesser consequence."

The tariff upon the articles exempted from the increased duties will remain as at present.  
So far as concerns the duty upon raw materials it is to be pointed out that in accordance with regulations made under the provisions of the Customs Act, manufacturers are entitled to a drawback of ninety-nine per cent, upon all duties paid upon imported materials used, wrought into, or attached to articles manufactured in Canada and exported therefrom. In addition to making the increases mentioned, for the purpose of increasing revenue, we propose to alter the existing tariff by adding liquid and nicotine sulphate to the free list. Squid is used as bait by the fishermen, the white nicotine sulphate is a spraying material used by fruit growers for the destruction of insect pests. These two items have for some time past been noted for change.  
The revenue obtained from the proposed tariff changes will be separately shown in the trade and navigation returns of the Department of Customs. By this we shall know the precise amount collected of the War Revenue Act.

Upon the basis of importations for the current year, and having regard to conditions which I have described as likely to prevail during the coming year, we expect to realize from our proposed customs tariff legislation from twenty to twenty five million dollars.  
These, Mr. Speaker, are the proposals of the Government, having as their object the raising of additional revenue rendered necessary by the war, and our participation therein as a belligerent. We are not unmindful that they will entail a considerable burden upon the community. We believe, however, that to adopt measures less comprehensive in this scope would be but to temporize with a situation with which it is our duty to adequately cope. That the people will cheerfully respond to the demands made upon their patriotism goes without saying. At the outbreak of the war it would have been premature to have brought forward measures which today have been long foreseen by public opinion to be

necessary, and indeed inevitable. It would also have been most impetuous and inexpedient, by reason of the profound disorganization and disorganization of business caused by the war, and the shock to financial ability, which the Dominion was so suddenly called upon to withstand.

**Will Aid Canadian Industry**  
"We believe the tariff increases which we propose will not only be effectual in producing greater revenue but will be strongly efficacious in stimulating Canadian industry and agriculture and in relieving unemployment."  
In conclusion Hon. Mr. White said: "It may be fitting that I should say something as to general economic conditions, both present and prospective. On the whole, having regard to the vast dislocation of finance and commerce occasioned by the war, the Dominion has withstood the shock exceedingly well. When we consider the immense distance we have traversed since August last, in improved tone, confidence and commercial and financial outlook, there is abundant cause for gratification and thankfulness."

Readjustment, he said, had been perhaps a painful process for many industries, but it was proceeding satisfactorily. The interruption of foreign borrowing had been shown in the slackening of many trades. On the other hand, production in other lines, had been greatly stimulated by orders on a very large scale for clothing, munitions of war and other equipment, not only from the Dominion government, but also from the British government and from the Allies.

**Increased Production**  
"It is apparent," said the Hon. Mr. White, "that throughout the Dominion strong efforts are being made to increase production. The enhanced prices of grain and other products will be a great incentive to exceptional exertion along this line. The returns as to fall ploughing and general conditions, together with most favorable for a record production next year. During war times it is the duty as well as the interest of all to multiply effort, to increase their production in order that wastage may be repaired, and the nation kept strong for the struggle."

With regard to the future, Hon. Mr. White said that while it was hard to forecast, in times so liable to violent changes, it would appear that the accumulation of funds, with accompanying easier interest rates and increasing confidence on the part of investors, would result in the gradual resumption in the sale abroad and home of securities for dominion, provincial, railway and industrial securities.  
Such expenditures, even on a greatly reduced scale, together with the heavy war expenditure, should go long way toward the restoration of such industries as had suffered from the war.  
"Above all," declared Mr. White, "will our commercial improvements, and commercial improvement throughout the world, follow upon the continued success of the Allies. With such continued success, legislative business throughout the world must improve during the remaining period of the war. Should the progress of that success be interrupted, international trade and commerce must suffer another setback."

"Happily we have no cause to be apprehensive as to the ultimate success of the arms of the Empire and her Allies. So far as any war can be said to go well, we have every reason to make this statement as to this, the most terrible of all wars. As to its duration, no one can hazard a guess, but one thing is certain, that be it long or short, the Empire, and every part of it, is determined that its conclusion must be upon such terms that the ensuing peace will not be a transient truce; not an armistice and armed armistice, but a real and lasting settlement with securities amply guaranteeing the world against a recrudescence of the militarist ambition, the greed of possession, the lust of conquest, which have brought about almost a subversion of our civilization.  
Mr. White then moved the resolution providing for the new taxes as outlined.  
The debate on the Budget and on the whole fiscal problem raised by the new taxation will be continued by Mr. A. K. McLean, who moved the adjournment by agreement, either Tuesday or Thursday of next week.

## SUNNY CORNER

Feb. 15—Mrs. James Dunnet returned to his home in Whitney, Sunday, after a lengthy visit to relatives and friends in Redbank.  
Miss Aletis Forsythe spent Sunday at Mrs. Allan Tosser's.  
Miss Emma Gulliver is visiting in Douglastown.  
Mr. Theo. Altari has returned to his home in Negusc.  
Miss Reta McKenzie was hostess at a very pleasant dance Thursday night.  
Miss Mae Tosser was in Boom Road a few days last week.  
The brothers and sisters of Redbank S. O. T. division had a very enjoyable surprise party at Brother Perley Tosser's one night last week.

**For the Third**  
A large number of Newcastle boys have enlisted for the third contingent.

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