

IMPORTERS TO GET REFUND ON DUTY

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INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED
New Order Is Retroactive To July 22.

It is estimated thousands of dollars will be refunded to importers clearing goods through the local customs port as a result of a ruling just received from Ottawa in reference to collecting duty on goods brought to Canada from Great Britain and foreign countries at the depreciated value of the gold standard in relation to paper currency. The announcement of the refund was made officially this afternoon.

The information received came as a result of an understanding being reached by the Chamber of Commerce. It was thought importers dealing at ports other than London were receiving advantages in the denied local firms. There was no discrimination against London the advice from Ottawa states.

REFUND RETROACTIVE.
The refund of money will be retroactive to July 22, the date when memorandum No. 2410-B was issued, which caused considerable misunderstanding. No applications for the refund have as yet been made locally. According to the details which have to be fulfilled, as interpreted by the collector here, it will be at least a month, probably more, before any actual money is paid back.

The more recent memorandum, which was issued in explanation of Memo. No. 2410-B, states that all invoices received must show in a separate column the relative value of the gold standard (the British sovereign) in terms of the depreciated paper currency. The normal value of the gold standard is \$4.86 2-3, while the depreciated value is in the neighborhood of \$3.86. The invoices, which do not show the relative value, will have to be sent back to the exporters for correction, and it is believed none of the invoices received since July 22 shows this comparison.

SEND BACK INVOICES.
Importers will have to dig up their invoices and send them back and then await their return before presenting them for refund. Invoices from now on which show this depreciated value will be accepted, it is understood. There was a suggestion that the relative value could be determined through the records of local banks for the period from July 22 to now, but it is explained that the collectors do not interpret their instructions from Ottawa in accordance with this suggestion.

It is further pointed out there have been fluctuations of the British sovereign since July 22, and the invoices which are to be presented for the refund must show the depreciated value such as existed on the date the invoice was made out.

PRESBYTERY TO TALK FORWARD MOVEMENT

Spiritual Aspects To Be Dealt With At Special Meeting To Be Held Here On Tuesday.

A special adjourned meeting of the Presbytery of London will be held in First Church, London, on Tuesday, at 10:30 a.m. The meeting will take the form of a conference on the forward movement in its spiritual aspects. The Rev. Dr. W. G. Wallace, of Toronto, will give an inspirational address at the forenoon session. Rev. Campbell and Ivan, will deal with the question of developing a praying congregation, by vitalizing the prayer meeting, and by enlisting intercessors through the young people's societies and through the other organizations in the church. In the afternoon the Rev. T. A. Symington, M.A., will introduce the subject of co-operation with the home, through the family altar, training in the Bible, training in prayer and training in service. The Rev. Dr. McMillan, B.A., of Knox Church, St. Thomas, will present the subject of recruiting for life service, showing the need of men in the ministry, missionaries for the home and foreign fields, and other social workers, and how the church can secure such recruits. There will be full conference and discussion on all these questions. In addition to the ministers and elders, presbytery delegates from congregations and women's organizations will be present and the whole meeting will give an impetus to more earnest and faithful Christian life and service to all the congregations of the presbytery. The only business matters to be considered are the reports of the committees on Chalmers Church finances and on Delaware, Cooke's and S. Carnegie churches. The presbytery will continue in session the whole of the day.

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RAMBLING AROUND WITH OLD DOC. PEP

October 6.—Up thinking on the noteworthy fact that we have had a frost of any proportions, nor the leaves yet turned to any high degree, despite cool days, like a guest departing for a long while and reluctant to say good-bye to the summer. All of which is high ground news to most people, who are grounded by the coal prices, and the heaven continue us in this fine weather till over Christmas.

Over yesterday to a meeting of the Board of Education when I am disgusted beyond anything in the world. This because of two attitudes. One is that anything which comes from Toronto is like a Gospel inspired. Especially to the building of schools. Also they do decide on a little costly high school, which will mean building a school of high class, and all to the detriment of the public schools. Which is no more than an idea of the Yangtze. They, contrary to our past practice, go spend huge sums on these secondary near-colleges, while the public schools go about like orphan waifs at a home for the friendless.

And the matter would be all well enough were there evidence, bating a few, that the matter has been given considerable attention. For one thing, early in the meeting, the board do vote to reconsider its motion that a school of 30 rooms be built. Yet later on a man gets up and declares the highest that ever was in the world against the very thing he had voted upon. Which, St. Andrew take note, is a shame to our city. He is a millionaire, and he is to be spent, and none that regard the matter very seriously.

Especially do Master Mooney, who is a principal, warn against this several times, but the cry that children lose touch with teachers is but a consolation of the issue. For with a crowded school for the past 15 years there have never been as intimate as some dreamed of. It is a grievous mistake, marked by little undignified passes, and what is to become of us, St. George alone knows!

But I would serve my lazy citizens right if they would spend \$10,000,000 on us and mortgage the skins on our backs. That with our vote in some election day. Saying, with full stomachs of turkey and other indigestibles, "Let George do it!" And the light of the year groaning over our burdens.

Comes a cable from my mother-in-law, now at sea, in which she tells us to pray for her, what with the waves and her sea-sickness. Now, my wife sympathizes with, but I have no sympathy. Coming of sea-sickness and never knew a qualm in any storm of Father Ocean. Which is the most ridiculous thing in the world how some poor people get sick to their stomachs with the smallest wave, even a swell on the lake. Springfield, died yesterday afternoon from heart failure, after only a day's illness. He was 71 years old and a native of this city.

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Sprinklers and Hydrants Are a Necessity.

FIRE CHIEF STATES
Not Enough Attention Paid To Protection.

London's \$3,000,000 of school property are not only unprotected by a fair proportion of insurance, according to the statements of trustees and aldermen, but the schools have nowhere an installation of automatic sprinklers that would guard against incipient fires while the citizens sleep.

Trustee A. N. Udy to-day pointed out that while manufacturing concerns of major eminence have installed sprinkler systems in their plants in order to protect their contents and stored materials may be protected from fire, the Board of Education has neglected this obvious precaution, where materials are not only concentrated, but the lives of the school children. He states that the question should receive early and serious consideration by the Board of Education in order that valuable properties, insured for only a tenth of their value, may not be destroyed in a few hours and the city burdened with overwhelming debt burdens to replace them.

FIRE HYDRANTS.
Fire Chief John Aitken asserted today that if schools had efficient hydrant systems installed and fire hydrants located in the buildings, instead of several hundred feet away where pressure would be lost through friction, that London might at least have a few buildings fireproof, and not until then the Technical School's value is estimated at \$75,000, and the school over its initial cost. Yet that building, it is stated, contains no sprinkler system to fight fires that might start from a variety of causes. The same is said to be true of other schools in London. Whether buildings of the latest designs, technically fireproof, or buildings that are no more than fire traps according to the fireproofers' points of view.

That the Board of Education will be asked to consider the advisability of putting in efficient sprinkler systems and the locating of fire hydrants in new buildings is considered certain. Those favoring the plan are also determined that every London school shall have this protection at the earliest date possible. For, while costs of such systems are said to be high, they give assurance of safety that no fire department may however efficient. The matter will also be presented in the light of the safety of children, it is stated. The automatic sprinkler would banish the fear of parents that send their children to the older schools. For the first time the parents could send their children to the older schools. For the first time the parents could send their children to the older schools. For the first time the parents could send their children to the older schools.

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BUILD NEW METHODIST CHURCH AT POTTERSBURG

Facilities Will Be Provided For Modern Social Activities For All Ages of Membership.

A splendid development in church work in London is planned by the members of the Pottersburg Methodist Church, who yesterday applied to the Board of Education for permission to use the Pottersburg School pending the erection of a new building. This building, Rev. L. V. Reid states, will be a brick structure, if present plans are carried out, that will be the last word in departmental church construction. They plan to rebuild on the site of the church building now in use.

Facilities will be provided, Mr. Reid stated, for the modern social activities of church work for all ages of the membership. Sunday school accommodation will be ample for present and future needs and other departments will be efficiently equipped. The importance of the Pottersburg district is admitted by all churchmen in the city. For with the development of London's industrial area, now going ahead at record speed, it is considered imperative, in the interests of a Christian London, that the outposts of the city's growth should be efficiently provided for.

It is understood that the old building will be sold for mission purposes elsewhere in the city.

BUSINESS COULD BE DESTROYED BY O. T. A.

Placing of Open Bottle In Store a Couple of Times Would Do the Trick. It is claimed in police circles, that under the Ontario Temperance Act it is possible for one man to so destroy a legitimate business of another that he would be forced to close out and seek other means of obtaining a living.

If a man were in business for himself, such as conducting a grocery store, merchandise shop, or even an hotel, it is pointed out, and if for some reason another person wanted to fulfill the fillet-of-steak-for-this-suit, all that would be necessary would be to plant a bottle partly filled with liquor in his place of business and then inform the police. The inevitable result, it is declared, would be a fine of not less than \$200 for having liquor in other than a private dwelling.

"Of course," he continued, "the person charged might put up a vigorous fight in court, but it would be held, under the terms of the act, that he was guilty until he could prove his innocence, and that would be a difficult thing to do."

PARKING PLACES FOR AUTOS ARE NEEDED
Business Section Becoming Congested Under Present System—Danger At Night.
That new parking places for London's motor cars are an immediate necessity, the opinion of Magistrate Graydon. The streets at night, especially those in the business section, are becoming so congested with motor cars

that traffic is conducted only at considerable menace. It was pointed out, Queen's avenue and Clarence street both sides are generally filled on any week night with parked motor cars. Even Dundas street is filled with many cars after the other two parking thoroughfares are overcrowded, and the riding lined for exceeding the parking time.

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PRESENTED WITH BIBLE.
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On the eve of her departure for Toronto, Mrs. Nicholls, a member of the

Christian Workers' Church and a prominent worker in the Sunday school, who has for many years resided outside of the city, south of Egerton street bridge, was presented with a Bible and an unbound copy of the Bible by her associates in the school. Mrs. Nicholls will leave for Toronto on Thursday.

An address expressing the heartfelt sorrow of the school at the loss of her companionship and conveying the best wishes of the teachers and pupils for a happy sphere of usefulness in her new home was read by Miss Wanda Weston. Mrs. Garside made the presentation.

Mrs. Nicholls in a few words thanked the members for their tokens and assured them that she would greatly miss their association after so many years of fellowship in the work.

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