

We Will Pay \$50 in Cash for the Best Answer to Three Questions

You can help us determine just which part of our plan is the part on which we should concentrate. You can do it and at the same time earn one of our cash prizes.

Which point of superiority do the purchasing public seek above all others when they buy the goods we are offering?

To the person who most clearly expresses the leading reason why everybody in St. John should make their purchases at the Asepto Store we will pay \$15.00 in cash. For the next best reply \$10.00. For the next best \$5.00, and for the next twenty, each a bright new one dollar bill.

Meantime an examination of our store, a small purchase, a talk with our clerks, a look over our lines and a general sizing up of our whole business will be of service to you in earning one of the prizes.

The Facts in Brief

For years we have been offering premiums on goods of our own manufacture. For the past few years we have given the premium plan our special attention, the outcome of which is the Asepto Store, Corner Mill and Union streets.

Our Stock Includes

- BOOTS AND SHOES
CROCKERY
GLASS
WATER BAGS
BROCCHEES
PENDANTS
HAT PINS
LANTERNS
INK STANDS
SMOKERS' SETS
DOLLS
TOYS
UMBRELLAS
CARVING SETS
SILVERWARE
WORK BASKETS
SLIPPERS
CLOCKS
STATUARY
CHRISTMAS TREE ORNAMENTS
TEA SETS
DINNER SETS
LIMOGES CHINA
(Hand Painted)
SCISSORS
BON-BON DISHES
PEARL HANDLE
PICKLE FORKS and BUTTER KNIVES
CAKE BASKETS
CAKE PLATES
CHINA SUGARS
AND CREAMS
PAPPIERS
BOOKS of All Kinds
COMPANION SETS
LEATHER GOODS
BOYS' and MEN'S CLOTHING
SUITS and OVERCOATS
WRITING CASES

The Asepto Plan

The Asepto plan of doing business is the only plan of its kind in Canada. It works itself out in this way: If you spend five cents you get a check worth one cent; if you spend twenty-five cents you get one worth five cents; if you spend \$1.00 you get one worth twenty cents; if you purchase amounts to \$5.00 you get one worth \$1.00, and so on.

These Are the Three Questions That You Are Requested to Answer

FIRST—What in your judgment is the feature in the Asepto plan that has made our store do a volume of business in less than six months that other stores have not been able to get in years?
SECOND—What was the most important feature that first induced you to buy at the Asepto store?
THIRD—Which of these four vital points—Asepto Quality, Asepto Service, Asepto Store Location, or Asepto Premiums—would you advertise with the conviction that when people knew that fact they would go to our store and take advantage of our whole plan?

ROTHESAY SCHOOL IN GOOD CONDITION

Synod Committees of Church of England Near Report of Board of Education—Board of Missions.

The Synod committee of the Church of England met in the Church of England meeting room, afternoon and evening. The Rev. Bishop Richardson presided.

At 10 o'clock the Bishop Kingston memorial committee met and the sub-committee of the Board of Missions met at 10 o'clock.

The Board of Education and Board of Church Literature met in the afternoon. The report of the Board of Education showed that Rothesay school has progressed during the past year. The number of students in residence is in the vicinity of fifty, with about a dozen day scholars.

The Board of Church Literature reported the sale of books for the year above the ordinary. Rev. W. H. Sampson was appointed deputy chairman of the board with J. H. Fairweather treasurer, and Rev. H. A. Cody secretary.

At the meeting of the Board of Missions held in the evening it was reported that the amount raised for the past year was larger than for the preceding one. As the vacant parishes were all filled, the account was slightly overdrawn. It was decided to make an earnest appeal to the parishes to contribute generously during the present year, in view of the fact that the Synod has decided on an increased stipend for the clergy.

An appeal was presented for increased contributions for the foreign field necessitated by the work taken up by the Canadian Church in India, China and Japan.

As the board could not complete the business scheduled last evening the meeting adjourned until this morning at 10 o'clock.

Moncton—Locomotive and car shops, etc., \$300,000.
Moncton—Office buildings, \$25,000.
Mulgrave—Improvements, \$9,000.
St. John—Increased accommodation, \$37,200.
Sussex—Improvements, \$35,500.

Prince Edward Island Railway—Branch line to Elmira, \$69,500.
Summerside—Increased accommodation, \$2,300.
The Public Works' capital expenditure, includes \$1,000,000 for improvements at St. John.

Public Buildings.
Campbellton—Public building, \$15,000.
Fairville—Public building, \$15,000.
Grand Falls—Public building, \$8,000.
Hampton—Public building, \$3,000.
Hartland—Public building, \$9,000.
Hillsboro—Public building, \$24,000.
Newcastle—Public building, clock, \$1,000.

St. John, Dominion buildings—Improvements, repairs, etc., \$4,000.
St. John—Drill hall, \$150,000.
St. John—New post office, \$119,000.
St. John Quarantine Station—Particulars—Public buildings, repairs and improvements, \$40,000.
St. John Quarantine Station, Particulars—Renovation of water service, \$3,000.

Tracadie Lazaretto—Building, etc., \$10,400.
Harbors and Rivers.
Anderson's Hollow—General repairs to breakwater wharf, \$850.
Black River—River—Renovation of superstructure, etc., of breakwater pier, \$4,150.
Black River—Wharf, \$800.
Bouchette—To repair breakwaters and breakwater, \$900.
Campbellton—Deep water wharf, accommodation, \$5,000; head block to market wharf, 1,500.
Cape Bald—Breakwater pier, \$750.
Cape Torment—Repairs and strengthening breakwater, \$7,000.
Chance Harbor—Improvements to breakwater, \$2,250.
Chatham—Repairs to custom house wharf, \$1,950.
Chatham—River—Extension of breakwater at mouth, \$600.
Dipper Harbor—Extension of breakwater, \$4,000.
Fairhaven—To rebuild pier, etc., \$3,000.
Gardner's Creek—Repairs to harbor works, \$2,200.
Goose Creek Harbor—Breakwater, \$2,000.
Grand Anse—New groynes, \$2,000.
Grand Anse—Wharf, \$6,500.
Green Point breakwater—\$6,500.
Harbors, rivers and bridges generally, repairs and improvements—\$50,000.
Harvey Bank, raising wharf—\$25,000.
Hopewell Cape, repairs to wharf—\$2,150.
Kouchibouguac harbor—\$2,000.
Lamouche wharf improvements—\$1,450.
L'Angeville, repairs to wharf—\$2,000.
Lorneville, breakwater wharf extension and repairs—\$15,000.
Mill Cove, wharf—2,200.
Miramichi Bay dredging ship channel—\$40,000.
Grand Dune Flats—\$40,000.
Miscellaneous extension to wharf—\$5,000.
Moncton berth for scows and repairs to wharf—\$2,000.
Point St. Pierre, breakwater—\$18,000.
Quaco repairs to east and west piers—\$17,000.
Rexton to close pile and repair wharf—\$4,500.
River St. John including tributaries—\$6,000.
River John tributaries, construction of wharves in tidal waters—\$30,000.
Sackville, wharf—\$15,000.
Seal Cove, construction of break, etc.—\$1,000.
Shediac wharf—\$4,000.
Shippigan harbor, improvements and repairs at Shippigan Gully—\$5,000.
St. Andrews, repairs and improvements—\$2,000.
St. John harbor improvements and repairs and renewals—\$25,000.
St. Louis dredging of channel and construction of retaining walls—\$1,000.
Tracadie, repairs to wharf—\$1,750.
Tracadie harbor, to build additional and repair old breakwaters—\$325.
Tyrnors Cove, to complete new wharf—\$1,000.
Tracadie Creek, harbor improvements—\$600.
Dredging plant, Maritime Provinces—\$166,000.
Dredging, Maritime Provinces—\$500,000.

CITY COUNCIL TURNED DOWN ALL THE SALARY INCREASES

Because of Recent Criticism and Coming Change in System of City Government, City Employees Will Not Receive Any Increases in Salary This Year—Lively Meeting Yesterday

The common council held a special meeting yesterday afternoon and turned down all applications for increases of salary on the part of the civic officials and employees. A bill of about \$30 from the Carleton Cornet band for taking part in the procession of the Catholic societies on Coronation day was referred to the Coronation committee to report back.

Besides the mayor there were present Ald. C. T. Jones, Elkin, Green, J. B. Jones, Codner, Wigmore, Elliott, Potts, McGoldrick, Russell, Scully, Hayes, Kierstead, Wilson, Christie, Smith with the common clerk, Supt. Waring, and Marshal Coughlin.

The first matter taken up was the recommendations for increases of salaries in the treasury department. In reference to the recommendation to increase the salary of the chamberlain from \$1800 to \$2000 a year Ald. Hayes said that some years ago a committee had recommended that the chamberlain's maximum be \$1800. But there was a feeling that he was entitled to \$2,000. The chamberlain had certainly made good. The work of his office was well conducted, there had been a great improvement in the tax collections.

Ald. Elliott said he had opposed the granting of the increases in the newspapers and felt he had the public with him. He said there wasn't a man in the city hall who wasn't getting as much as he earned. Besides the commission might come in and not want men with high salaries. He moved that the chamberlain's salary remain at \$1,800.

Ald. J. B. Jones said there had been a rapid increase in the expenses of the departments and there was necessity of economy. There were complaints about the condition of the streets, and if they were not in proper shape it was because the street department did not have enough money for street work. Because there were not enough men working on the streets on Tuesday, the city would lose thousands of dollars.

Ald. McGoldrick rose to reply to the reference to the condition of the streets, but the mayor ruled him out of order. Ald. Kierstead said that if the present system of government was to continue he would favor granting the chamberlain an increase, as he was an efficient official.

Ald. Potts said the chamberlain had done a good deal of good work for which he got no credit. There were men in the city's services getting more pay than the chamberlain and not doing as good work. He would vote for the chamberlain's increase, but he thought there should be a general overhauling of the salaries paid by the city.

Ald. Hayes said the chamberlain and controller were entrusted with the control of about \$1,000,000. There were complaints about other officials but he had never heard any against the chamberlain. Ald. Elliott's motion to refuse the measure was adopted on the following division:
Yeas—Elliott, C. T. Jones, C. T. Jones, Wilson, Smith, Wigmore, Green, Elkin, Codner, Scully—10.
Nays—Hayes, Russell, McGoldrick, Christie, Kierstead, Potts—6.

The next matter was the recommendation to give the employees of the Chamberlain's office an increase of \$100 a year. Ald. Hayes moved in view of the opposition he would

CHRONIC THROAT TROUBLE PERMANENTLY CURED

Seven Day's Use of Catarrhazone Performed Regular Miracle.
Miss Counter's Case Proves the Wonderful Efficacy of Catarrhazone in all Throat and Nose Diseases.

Windsor, Ont., Jan. 11.—Miss Counter's case will prove of great interest to those who are afflicted with chronic throat, bronchitis or weak lungs. When asked for a statement, Miss Counter said: "About seven years ago I contracted a heavy cold that settled on my lungs and resisted all treatment. After I had tried several doctors here and specialists in Detroit without benefit, I went to my druggist and asked him for the best remedy he had for cold on the lungs. He recommended Catarrhazone, which cured my cold in one week. It brought back my voice and I have been ever since free from my old trouble. For a cough, colds and lung trouble I am sure that Catarrhazone is the best remedy. It goes right to the sore spot, gives quick relief and makes a lasting cure.

Catarrhazone cures because its healing vapor is inhaled to the very places that are sore. An individual is permanently cured your winter illness, your coughs, sneezing and Catarrh, by all means use a tried and proven remedy like Catarrhazone. But beware of the substitutes and imitations. Look for Catarrhazone, which is sold by the Catarrhazone Company, Buffalo, N. Y., and Kingston, Canada.

COURT ST. ANDREW'S

St. Andrews, Jan. 9.—At a regular meeting of Court St. Andrew's No. 688, O. F., the following officers were duly installed by the High Chief Ranger, Judge M. N. Cockburn, W. J. McQuoid, C. R.; David Johnson, V. C. R.; G. H. Lamb, F. S.; James St. Pierre, C. J.; John S. Maloney, Treasurer; A. Wade, orator; John Field, S. W.; Thos. W. J. Williamson, J. W.; L. T. Stinson, S. B.; Frank P. J. L. Trustees, W. J. McQuoid and L. E. A. Cockburn, T. Stinson; Finance committee, Dr. A. Wade, W. J. A. Cockburn; court deputy H. C. R. E. A. Cockburn; court physician, Dr. J. A. Wade.

HER SKIN SEEMED ON FIRE

EVERY OTHER TREATMENT FAILED BUT "FRUIT-A-LIVES" CURES

Grande Ligne, Que., Jan. 2nd, 1910. "My wife was greatly distressed for three years with chronic eczema on the hands, and the disease was so severe that it almost prevented her from using her hands. The doctor gave her several ointments to use, but none of them did any good. He also advised her to wear rubber gloves and she wore out three pairs without getting any benefit. As a last resort, I persuaded her to try "Fruit-a-lives", and the effect was marvellous. Not only did "Fruit-a-lives" entirely cure the Eczema, but the Asthma, which she suffered from, was also completely cured.

We both attribute our present good health to "Fruit-a-lives". N. JOUBERT. "Fruit-a-lives" will always cure Eczema or Salt Rheum because "Fruit-a-lives" purifies the blood, corrects the indigestion and Constipation, and tones up the Nervous System.

"Fruit-a-lives" is the only medicine in the world made of fruit juices and valuable tonics, and is the greatest of all blood-purifying remedies. 50c. a box—6 for \$2.50—or trial size, 25c. At all dealers or from Fruit-a-lives Limited, Ottawa.

WEEK OF PRAYER IS AROUSING INTEREST.

At the services connected with the week of prayer last evening much interest and enthusiasm was aroused and many laymen testified and led in prayer.

In connection with these services the United Women's Missionary Association will meet this afternoon at St. David's church at three o'clock, when Rev. Dr. Patterson will deliver an address on "Work Among the Immigrants" and Rev. Dr. Patterson will speak on "Mission Work in the Kindergarten."

The subject for discussion this evening is "Foreign Missions." "Fruit-a-lives" is the only medicine in the world made of fruit juices and valuable tonics, and is the greatest of all blood-purifying remedies. 50c. a box—6 for \$2.50—or trial size, 25c. At all dealers or from Fruit-a-lives Limited, Ottawa.

Old Fashioned Santa Claus

The young people of Trinity church repeated last evening the performance of "The old fashioned Santa Claus," which they put on during Christmas week. There was a small attendance in the church school-room and the tattle mat with much applause. After the play the boy scouts gave an exhibition of first aid work, wireless telegraphy, and signalling. This was followed with an exhibition of club swinging by Cecil Markham, all of which was a marked success.

A Skin Tightener To Reduce Wrinkles

(From Popular Medicine.) In beauty culture as in the treatment of disease the tendency nowadays is to seek the removal of causes, rather than to treat symptoms or effects. In the matter of wrinkles, for instance, we know that the lines or furrows are caused by the skin becoming loose in places, so it does not perfectly fit the flesh beneath. The skin then "wrinkles" or sags. Naturally the proper thing to do is to tighten the skin—made it fit—then there's no room for lines, wrinkles and folds, and no surplus skin to sag or bag.

The best known formula for the purpose is: Saxonite 1 oz., in ½ pint (16 oz.) of water. Use as wash lotion. The effect is truly remarkable, especially as results are immediate. Ask the druggist for the powdered saxonite, which dissolves more quickly than any other form.

The Spirit of Progress Keeps the Underwood Standard Typewriter in the Lead

"The machine you will eventually buy." Get our prices on rebuilt and second-hand machines.

COMPREHENSIVE COURSE IS PLANNED

The mechanical drawing class of the Y.M.C.A. will start on Friday evening at 7:30 with Roy A. Ring, the draughtsman of the St. John Iron Works as teacher. The course will consist of the following phases: Drawing instruments and their use, simple projections, front, top and side views of rectangular solids with dimensions, working drawings of simple objects, development of simple surfaces, plain and curved patterns, screw threads and conventional, bolts and nuts, free and fast; dimension sketches of simple objects, parts of machines, working drawings of machine details, full size and to scale as pulleys, wrenches, clamps, pipe elbows, tees, valves and couplings, etc., practice of lettering and blue print reading.

BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.

Much interest is aroused in billiard circles by the billiard tournament that starts this evening in the Y. M. C. A. The following will be the entries: T. E. Taylor, A. G. Burnham, J. J. Carter, E. S. H. Peacock, A. D. Duncan, R. A. Pendleton, O. M. Wilkinson, A. H. Hall, A. W. Robb, E. E. Churchill, K. G. McDonald and J. L. Hamm.

All men Army Service Corps will meet tonight at Armory. Important business.

OPERA HOUSE

Under the patronage of the Mayor and Common Council.

THE LOYALIST DRAMATIC CLUB WILL PRESENT

The Servant in the House

ON Thursday and Friday, JANUARY 11th and 12th.

Reserved Seats, 35 and 50 cents. Box Office Opens Today.

It is the intention of the club to enter with this play for the Dominion Dramatic Trophy Competition which will be held at Ottawa in April.

Attend the great stock taking sale at the People's Dry Goods Store, 14 Charlotte street.

Not summer goods we have marked down in prices, but just now it is winter goods you want. We have every line. Come do all your shopping with us. At the People's Dry Goods Store, 14 Charlotte street.

Red Rose Flour Is Straight Manitoba

DIED.

POWERS—In this city on January 9th, Julia, widow of the late Calvin Powers in the 86th year of her age, leaving six sons, and five daughters, to mourn.

(Boston and New York papers please copy.) Funeral from the residence of E. S. Hennigar, 25 Orange street, on Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Interment in Fernhill. Friends and acquaintances respectfully invited to attend.

D. BOYANER Optician and Optometrist 38 Dock St. Optics Exclusively

INDICATIONS POINT TO BUSY SESSION OF HOUSE

Continued from page one. The Estimates.

Ottawa, Jan. 10.—The first main estimates of the new government were laid on the table of the House this afternoon by Hon. W. T. White, minister of finance. They show a total appropriation of \$149,783,677 as against \$156,079,538 for the year 1911-12. As compared with the total estimates presented to parliament by the Laurier government last year, this shows a decrease of \$6,295,861, but as compared with the main estimates brought down by Mr. Fielding there is an increase of \$10,926,477.

Mr. Fielding's main estimates totaled \$138,857,200 to which were subsequently added three supplementaries aggregating \$17,230,880. Until the supplementaries of the present government are brought down later in the session, it is impossible to make a definite comparison as between the expenditure for the current year and the year which will commence on April 1st next.

The total for 1912-13 as brought down today is made up of \$104,919,314 on consolidated account and \$44,870,372 on capital account as against \$102,616,917 and \$46,462,621 respectively in 1911-12, showing decreases of \$4,697,162 on consolidated revenue account, and \$1,592,248 on capital account.

Under the heading of arts, agriculture and statistics there is a decrease of \$910,000 accounted for by the absence of the appropriation for the purchase of the Dominion of the Philippines and the entertainment of members of the Congress while in Canada.

Following the recent census the subsidies of all the provinces with the exception of Manitoba are increased. Manitoba loses \$4,604. The total increase amounts to \$1,188,570, divided as follows: Ontario, \$267,657; Quebec, \$285,125; Nova Scotia, \$26,297; New Brunswick, \$16,814; British Columbia, \$191,704; Alberta, \$87,653; Saskatchewan, \$518,212. Prince Edward Island subsidy remains stationary.

There is an appropriation of \$255,000, an increase of \$100,000, for the protection of timber in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the territories and the B. C. railway belt.

There is a new vote of \$100,000 provided for the National Battlefields Commission.

The cost of the new Public Service Commission, which is to investigate the civil service is provided for by an appropriation of \$75,000.

the Canadian National exhibition at Toronto. Car for Duke.

There is a capital expenditure of \$15,000 under railways for the purchase of the car Canada for his Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught. The Port Colborne elevator is to be enlarged at a cost of \$200,000, and the breakwater extended at a cost of \$75,000, in addition to which there is a \$145,000 for general improvements at Port Colborne.

Proposed capital expenditure on harbors and rivers include: \$100,000 for harbor and river improvements at Port Arthur and Fort William. \$150,000 for a deep water wharf at Levis, Que.

\$500,000 for navigation improvements on the river St. Charles. \$1,000,000 for St. John, N. B., improvements. \$137,000 for Tiffin harbor, Ont. \$164,000 for Victoria harbor, Ont. \$100,000 for Victoria harbor, B. C. \$500,000 for Vancouver, B. C.

Under income there is an expenditure of \$195,000 for harbor improvements at Toronto. That city also gets \$300,000 for new customs examining warehouse and a similar amount will be spent on an examining warehouse for Ottawa.

The only votes for mail subsidies and steamship conventions, is an addition of \$5,823 for the steam service between Sarnia and Sault Ste. Marie.

Ship Channel. The appropriation for the St. Lawrence ship channel in the marine estimates is decreased by \$50,000, but there is an additional \$77,000 to be voted for the construction of a dredging plant for the river St. Lawrence from Montreal to Father Point.

Twenty thousand dollars is appropriated to provide expenses of delegates to the International Association of Navigation Congress to be held in Philadelphia and the entertainment of members of the Congress while in Canada.

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Expenditure on I. C. R. The capital expenditure of the I. C. R. includes the following: Campbellton—increased accommodation, \$160,000. Chatham—Division of Hne, etc., \$160,000. Campbellton—increased accommodation, \$45,500. Halifax—Dock and wharves, \$900,000. Halifax—increased accommodation, \$200,000. Hampton—increased accommodation, \$31,200.