

WILL REGULATE CITY HOUSING

Civic Commission to see that Cheap Houses Are Kept in Good Condition

The Weekly Meeting of the Civic Commission took place last evening. The full board was present. A message was read from Mr. Longley, the water expert, that he will arrive by next Monday's express. The Commissioners will meet him at the Council chamber after his arrival. Morine and Summers claimed compensation for Mrs. Barrett, who was deprived of right of way to her home. The Council is not liable.

W. H. Rennie acknowledged receipt of Council's letter. In future the Gas Co. will not open streets without consulting with the city engineer.

Refused Debentures.
J. P. Blackwood on behalf of the Trustees of Cochrane Street Church, refused to accept the debentures. Council admits its liability to pay in cash and Royal Bank of Canada will be asked to advance the money.

Kent and McGrath wrote re settlement of Patrick Caul's award. There were several other claims of a similar character to be paid, and on motion it was decided to settle them.

W. C. Winsboro asked the support of Council re his improved telephone system. His letter will be acknowledged, but the Council is not in a position to move.

Soper and Halley sent plans, but as there is no sewer on the street, they were held over.

Preparing Plans.
Inspector Rooney is preparing plans of unoccupied land in the city suitable for building lots, which will be ready for next meeting.

The Engineer was asked to report on George Chapter's application to erect a one-storey shed on Monroe Street.

Rd. French, Signal Hill Road, must connect with water and sewerage. Alfred Rose, Coronation Street, wrote asking that the drains be repaired.

The office committee Messrs. McNamara, Ayre and Anderson, reported at length suggesting improvements in the methods employed at present. In future bills will be sent out in ten days after the first of each half year.

Can Make Regulations.
The Solicitor reported on the law as to the owners of houses rented for \$50.00 or less. They must be reasonably fit for human habitation and the Board had the power to make regulations for that purpose, and to impose a penalty not exceeding \$5.00 per day for non-compliance. The engineer will draw up a scheme governing tenant conditions.

The engineers report dealt with various matters. John Duff must pay for six bowling alleys.

Two cases of diptheria were reported at the General Hospital during the week, and one at LeMarchant Road.

Coun. Bradshaw asked that in fu,

NARROW ESCAPE OF FIREMEN WHEN BAKERY ROOF CAVED IN

Fire Guttled Browning's Bakery Yesterday Afternoon Doing \$30,000 Damage

ALMOST RESULTED IN THREE FATALITIES

Origin of the Fire Which Started Over the Boiler is Altogether a Mystery

Fire did damage to the tune of \$30,000.00 in two hours at Browning's Bakery yesterday afternoon, and the place is now in ruins.

It was the most serious blaze in the city for some time and but for the work of the firefighters the damage would have been much greater.

At 2:15 p.m. fire was discovered just over the boiler, and an alarm was sent in. The building being dry owing to the great heat always in the place, the flames spread quickly and by the time the fire departments reached the scene the flames had spread considerably.

Couldn't Check It.

Seven or eight streams of water were applied but had very little effect. The engine pumped a couple of streams from the river, the South Side Volunteers had two branches connected to the hydrant on the South Side Road, while the Western and Central Co's were attached to hydrants on Water Street.

For two hours the fire raged furiously. The firemen were ably assisted by men from H.M.S. Calypso, members of the Volunteers Regiment and civilians, and all rendered yeoman service.

Confined the Blaze.
By hard work they succeeded in confining the blaze to the bakery property and it did not reach the store nearby where the stock is kept.

At times the smoke was so dense that the lives of the firemen were in jeopardy.

When it was in progress about an hour Chief Winsor, and firemen Neary and Boggan entered the top storey and shortly after the roof caved in, and how the three men escaped is a mystery.

Were Horrified.
Spectators were horrified as they feared the men would never be able to get out. The roof fell on Chief Winsor's head and he was wedged under it for several moments. Spectators' details of flushing be submitted.

Coun. Ayre requested that details also be furnished of repairs to roads such as washouts, ruts, and holes.

The chairman reported on the condition of Forest Road. On motion it was decided to ask Hon. E. R. Bowring to permit Mr. Cochius to assist the Park Committee.

Com. Harris referred to the drain at the rear of J. J. Tobin's premises. The engineer will report.

At 10:20 the meeting adjourned.

could see his dangerous position, but were powerless to render aid. He succeeded in getting free, however, to the great delight of onlookers and soon after Messrs. Neary and Boggan appeared. Very little the worse for their close call.

In spite of the efforts of all, the bakery was almost totally destroyed, only the brick walls remaining.

Origin Unknown.
The origin is unknown, but it is believed to have been caused by excessive heat from the boiler.

The damage is estimated at about \$30,000.00 and is covered by insurance.

The Insurance is:

	Bldg.	Mchy.	Stk.
Royal-Jobs	4000	3000	500
L. L. & G.—Bowrings	1500	1500	3000
Na. of Ire.—Bishop	2500		
Guardian—Winter	2000	3000	1000
Law Un.—Ayre's	1000	2500	1500
Northern—Bairds	500		
Baloise—Knowing's	1000		
Union—Monroe's	1000		

This makes a total of \$30,000.00. On the brick store there is \$6,000 and the stock \$21,000, but the damage there is slight.

Rebuilding will start as soon as possible.

B.I.S. FAREWELL TO VOLUNTEERS

Six Members of the Society Were Given a Good "Send Off" Last Night

The members of the B.I.S. who are going to the front with the Volunteers farewelled last evening.

The B.I.S. boy who have volunteered are:

Lieut. Quarter-Master, M. Frank Summers. Sergt. M. Murphy, Lce.-Corpl. R. Shortall, Ptes. G. Byrne, Gus Summers, P. Brien, B. Channing.

The following were special guests, Capt. Instructor Murphy and Pte. H. Dewling.

There was a large gathering and the evening was pleasantly passed.

Mr. J. C. Pippy occupied the chair, and patriotic speeches were made by Messrs. W. J. Mahoney, J. H. Dee, G. F. Power, P. J. Shea, T. Nash, J. Rooney, F. Canning, F. Summers, H. Dewling and the chairman.

Songs and recitations were given by P. K. Devine, C. J. Fox, J. Aylward, T. P. Halley, A. Summers, A. Joy, W. Harris, J. L. Slattery and T. H. O'Neill.

The Volunteers were then presented with shaving soap, chocolates and cigarettes by their friends. The singing of Auld Lang Syne and the National Anthem brought the pleasant time to a close.

Carthaginian Here With Few Passengers

The s.s. Carthaginian, Capt. Ogilvie, arrived from Philadelphia at 9:30 last night, bringing a small cargo and the following passengers: Arthur B. Wise Well, Vilhelm Coucheron and 2 in second cabin.

The Carthaginian leaves again at 6 p.m., taking 1000 casks of oil and the following passengers:

Masters Monroe, J. O. Fraser, N. S. Fraser, Mrs. V. Jones, two children and nurse, Mrs. W. Rogerson, G. M. Johnson, H. Ryan, Miss M. Goodridge, W. Duff, H. C. Thompson, Mrs. L. Miller, Captain Franklin, Mrs. F. Bate-man and three steerage.

Repair At Sydney

The Lunenburg new schooner Mark A. Tobin, which was damaged while laying at anchor at Burgeo during the recent storm, will be towed to Sydney for repairs by the tug Douglas H. Thomas, which arrived at Burgeo last night.

TENNIS CLUB PRIZEWINNERS

The following are prize winners at the Tennis Club during the summer: Men's Championship—J. S. Mann. Ladies' Championship—Mrs. H. A. Outerbridge. Croquet Championship—Mrs. J. A. Clift. Men's Doubles, Handicap—J. Clift, T. Winter. Ladies' Doubles, Handicap—Mrs. H. A. Outerbridge, Mrs. W. H. Rennie. Mixed Doubles, Handicap—H. A. Winter, Mrs. W. H. Rennie.

Attacking Pola

Rome, Oct. 2.—The Anglo-French Mediterranean fleet is attacking Pola, in the Adriatic.

READ THE MAIL AND ADVOCATE

LO.O.F. HONOR VOLUNTEERS

Bade 'Au Revoir' to J. Snow And N. McLeod Last Night

The Odd Fellows of the city had a very enjoyable time together at their hall last night, when they met to bid au-revoir to Bros. J. Snow and W. McLeod who, with several members of Cabot Lodge of Bonavista, are about to go to the front with our Volunteers.

The entertainment, which was a smoker consisted of a variety of songs recitations, speeches and gramophone selections, the contributors being Bros. C. W. Udle, C. Hammond, Robt. Young, and D. Cook, who rendered stirring patriotic songs, while inspiring recitations were given by Bros. G. W. Soper, C. J. Phillips, and G. Hierlily.

Addresses full of deepest patriotism and illumined with the spirit of Odd Fellowship were delivered by Bros. J. Adrain, S. G. Collier, Alcock, J. W. Bartlett, and E. D. Spurrell.

Selections from the gramophone furnished by Bro. E. D. Spry were "Charge of the Light Brigade," "The Minstrel Boy," "The Old Brigade," and others, after which Bro. Geo. Grimes, N.G., on behalf of Atlantic Lodge presented Bros. Snow and McLeod, with a piece of gold each. Both replied very interestingly.

Jolly Good Fellows and Auld Lang Syne were then heartily sung, followed by God Save the King.

Ringling cheers, with a tiger, were then given for our Volunteers which brought the historical event to a close. Afterwards Bro. E. D. Spurrell took a flashlight photograph of the whole gathering.

PROMISING LIFE CUT SADLY SHORT

Joseph G. Boyles Dies at St. Anthony at the Early Age Of Twenty-six

It is with exceeding regret we learn today the death at St. Anthony Hospital of Joseph G. Boyles, who died there on the 25th of September, at the early age of 26 years.

Deceased was born at Little Bay Mine, N.B., and was the son of B. T. Boyles, of that place, and grandson of the late J. J. Benson, of this city.

For the past three years deceased has been studying for the Methodist Ministry at Mount Allison College, Sackville, New Brunswick, where he gave promise of a life of great usefulness in the cause of God and humanity, which has, through the mysterious working of Providence, been cut short.

In Sept. of 1913 his health began to fail, but he still continued his studies until June of this year when he came to St. John's when he was advised by the doctors to go to his home and rest. After reaching his home he proceeded to St. Anthony for treatment, unfortunately without avail.

Deceased leaves a sorrowing father and mother, three brothers and two sisters, the eldest of whom is at present studying at the Methodist College in this city.

The master and mate of the schr. Novelty are uncles of the deceased. To the sorrowing relatives we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

RHODES' SCHOLAR GIVES SERVICES

P. V. Curtis of This City a Volunteer

Word has been received that Piercion V. Curtis, son of Rev. Dr. Curtis, who is one of Newfoundland's Rhodes' Scholars at Oxford University, has volunteered for active service and is now in camp at Kent.

Sir Alfred Paget On Retired List

In accordance with the provisions of His late Majesty's Order in Council of Dec. 8, 1903, Sir Alfred W. Paget, has been placed on the Retired List of his own request, in order to take up an appointment for sea service in the R.N.R.

French Finances Very Satisfactory

London, Oct. 3.—A despatch from Bordeaux says the accounts of the Bank of France and of the State Treasury on October 1st were completely satisfactory, and that there will be no necessity to have recourse to a public loan.

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The s.s. Nevada, ten days from Montreal via Gulf ports, arrives last evening with a full general cargo.

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The Judgment of America

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Top-Notch of Stylish Footery

and the Women of St. John's can endorse that statement.



Our New Fall Stock Includes the Popular Cloth Top Shoe, in the following Styles:—

- Black Top, Buttoned, Patent Lea. Vamp.
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- Grey Top, Buttoned, Vici Kid Vamp.
- Fawn Top, Buttoned, Tan Vici Vamp.

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Sorosis Agents for Newfoundland.

ANTWERP HARD NUT TO CRACK

London, Oct. 2.—News from Antwerp says the city's position is excellent.

The German dead near Wovre and St. Catherine are counted by thousands, entire companies having been wiped out.

ATTACK ANTWERP WITH AIRSHIPS

Antwerp, Oct. 2.—Zeppelin airships are operating with German artillery in attacking Antwerp.

The infantry attacks by the Germans are decreasing because of severe shocks and heavy losses.

Burned at Sea

The schr. Duchess of Cornwall, 34 days from Maelo, has arrived at Burgeo in ballast to R. Moulton & Co.

On Sept. 13th Captain died of chronic kidney trouble, and was buried at sea. The crew are all well.

The deceased, who was a native of Burgeo, was about 55 years of age and leaves a wife and several children. He was well-known in St. John's.

Berrypicking Tragedy

Deputy Minister of Customs LeMessurier had a message from Stone's Cove, last evening that two aged women, Sarah Dodge and Harriet Hall, and a boy named Parly, lost their lives while berrypicking near Fenno on Tuesday. The bodies have been recovered.

The Portia left Trepassey at 7 a.m.

Prospero left Trinity at 9:30 a.m. She is due here at 5.

Colonel Turner of S. A. Headquarters, Toronto, will visit St. John's on October 3rd and conduct the following meetings:—

11 a.m. United Holiness Meeting in S. A. Citadel, New Gower Street.

3 p.m. Public meeting, S. A. Hall, Livingstone Street.

7 p.m. Public meeting in S. A. Hall, New Gower Street. —Oct 2, 21

Brought Wrecked Crew

The Danish steamer Marselsborg from Baltimore to Sweden with a cargo of grain arrived at noon to land the captain and crew, seven men, of the schr. Kate B. Ogden of Philadelphia.

The Ogden left Philadelphia on Sept. 2nd for Charlottetown, P.E.I., with a cargo of coal and on the 26th ult. struck a heavy gale and became leaky.

On Sept. 29th in lat. 41.30 north, long. 63.30 west, the Marselsborg came in sight and rescued the men just in time to save their lives. The men were obliged to leave just as they stood and were thankful to escape with their lives.

The shipwrecked men are from Philadelphia and will be looked after by the American Consul.

The Ogden is 625 tons gross and 541 net. During the gale her gasoline engine gave out.

The Marselsborg continued her voyage at 12.30.

Mr. J. B. Orr, of the Bear Brand Rubbers, arrived by today's express.

The s.s. Durango left Halifax at 2 o'clock this morning for this port.

FISHERY GEAR!

WE ARE MANUFACTURERS, of the GILL NETS, used by Messrs. Job Brothers & Co. in the Straits this year. They have been successful at a time when traps had partially failed. We make them in all sizes to order.

WE ARE MANUFACTURERS, of COTTON DRIFT NETS, such as are used in the North Sea Herring fishery. As the catch of Herring will be interfered with during the war, a good opportunity occurs for use of these Nets in Newfoundland.

WE ARE MANUFACTURERS, of the celebrated STANDARD brand of Herring Nets, which is universally acknowledged to be the very best Net on the market. We are now making the CRESCENT brand Herring Net, which is the best and strongest low priced Net made. It is mounted just the same as the Standard Net, and it is barked for preservation, not merely dyed like other cheap Nets.

WE ARE MANUFACTURERS, of SQUID TRAPS, which are now legal, we make them in any size required, to order.

We manufacture TARRED COTTON LINES, all sizes, for Bankers use, strong, durable, and easily handled.

We make Cod Traps, Cod Seines, Caplin Seines, etc., to order, in all sizes.

All the above fishery gear we can strongly recommend, and we would urge our fishermen to patronize articles of home manufacture, in order to give employment, which is so much needed this year.

Colonial Cordage Co., Ltd.

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CLOSING Notice!

The Importers' Association have decided to close their Stores between the hours of 4.30 and 6.30 this afternoon. Other Stores are also requested to close.

R. A. Templeton,
Hon. Secretary Importers' Asso.



THE FIRE ALARM

may ring at a moment's notice. What a hurry and scurry and how the horses dash by to reach the fire. IF YOUR HOUSE BURNED WOULD YOU SUFFER LOSS!

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