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HIGHER TAXATION?

The prospect of a thirty-four mill rate for the city this year is fairly certain, according to the best information available. What do the citizens think of it?

Further, what do they think of the request which is being made to the Ontario Government to remove limitations in the act which has tended to regulate and keep down the taxation that councils could impose?

In an analysis and review of the corporation's financial position made in November and December last, while in office of Mayor, the Editor of The Journal stated that while organically sound, the temporary position of the city would be somewhat embarrassing for two or three years. He also advised caution in expenditures and economy in administration.

The present mayor, among others, treated the facts lightly and regretted that there should be such a gloomy picture painted, Optimism and "dig themoney up" was the advice he gave, backed by the Queen Street oracle.

What has since happened? A journey has been made to the Drury Government, the High Potentate of civic taxation, ex-mayor Burgoyne being one of the Pilgrims, and that Government has been asked to take down a fence that will apparently open the way to heavier taxation on the people. More than that the outlook for the city rate is 34 mills this year. Verily it is a good tactic to be optimistic in the interests of the workers of the city for election purposes but why ask them to pay more taxes within three or four months afterwards? If the rate is allowed to go to 34 mills there is too extravagant expenditure in civic and academic boards. When the budget comes out The Journal will review it in the light of all the facts but it cannot support or condone a policy which leads to such an increase. One of the best ways of helping St. Catharines and the workmen here is to keep their taxes low. There is a law governing the relation of taxation to market values. Beyond that it is unwise and unsound to go.

CANADA'S OLDEST ORANGEMAN DIES ON 17TH OF MARCH

KINGSTON, March 18—Ex-Alderman Joseph Tait, said to be the oldest Orangeman in Canada, died yesterday in his hundredth year. He was born in County Armagh on August 21 1820, and lived in Kingston since 1847. He was a veteran of the Fenian Raid, serving under Captain Jackson and receiving a medal for his work in the campaign. Mr. Tait was a past Master of L. O. L. No. 6, and during the seventy-three years he had lived in Kingston he missed only two annual parades of the Orangemen. He was alderman for Frontenac Ward for eight years, being returned for the first time in 1895.

Mrs. M. D. Lawrie of Guelph died while on a visit to her son John in Hamilton.

Wm. H. Frost the President of the Smith's Falls Malleable Castings Co. died at the age of seventy-three.

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The fourp'ny doss

WHEN Peter Wright, the great Chief of the British Seamen's Union, was in Canada he said that any time in the old days a fourp'ny doss was the only thing that stood between him and a sleep on the sidewalk.

SAILORS and seafarers and good hardy men the world over have a vivid recollection of these places.

THE "Doss," as such does not exist in Canada, but Hotels for Working Men are a definite part of the Salvation Army's activities in the larger Canadian cities.

308 Service Posts in this Territory. Use them!

DUTCH FIXING SPOT TO INTERN KAISER

THE HAGUE, March 18—A royal decree issued March 16th says the place to be allotted to former Emperor William of Germany as his residence will form part of the Province of Utrecht, and that it will be fixed later by the Government. The decree was in connection with an announcement to the Allied Premiers regarding their recent note concerning the one-time Monarch.

Growth Shows Desire To Extend Army Work

Commissioner W. J. Richards, chief of the Salvation Army in Eastern Canada, has completed his fifth year in that capacity. During that time the Army has seen one of its greatest periods of usefulness. This period takes in the "war years." The great war had been under way since August and new problems presented themselves to the organization when he assumed command. These problems required a large measure of initiative to overcome. The task of rendering the highest and most efficient service was shouldered and Canada paid tribute to the success which attended those efforts by over subscribing the amount asked for during the Red Shield Drive.

Commissioner Richards is a forceful man. He is a man of few words. He believes in doing things. During the five years, more than 11,000 persons are recorded as having sought salvation. Notwithstanding the losses due to war, there are today nearly 2,000 more names on the Membership Roll than there were in this territory five years ago.

In July, 1915, Canada East was separated from Canada West, the dividing line being Port Arthur. Even in view of this, there are now only forty one fewer officers in active service in the Eastern territory alone than there were in the combined territories five years ago.

In the Field Report two very striking indications of financial growth are given. In 1914, the Self-Denial

total for the combined territories was \$43,726. In 1919, for Canada East alone, it was \$75,691. Harvest Festival returns have been doubled.

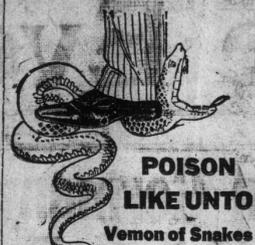
Shows Solid Growth. In all the various departments the same rate of growth has been recorded. This shows that as often as humanly possible every opportunity has been seized for the advancement of every branch of the organization. Inasmuch as every act of service means the welfare of somebody, the position which the Salvation Army occupies today indicates tremendously increased service to the community.

This service has been rendered under the leadership of Commissioner W. J. Richards. His five years in Canada have been five big years for the Salvation Army in Canada, and give great promise for the future.

MAN STRANGLES HIS WIFE

NEW YORK, Mar. 18—A man describing himself as George Evans of No. 662 West Main street, New Britain, Conn., attempted suicide in a room in the Park Avenue hotel yesterday afternoon by slashing his throat and taking poison. Attendants, attracted by the moans, broke into the room and the man was removed to Bellevue hospital in an unconscious condition. After being revived he said he had tried to end his life because he had killed his wife, Anna, by strangling her with reins taken from a harness.

Dispatches from New Britain today told of the discovery of the dead body of Mrs. George Eyanoff, wife of a Bulgarian miner, in a trunk in the home of her sister in New Britain. The woman had been dead twenty-four hours and had been strangled with a set of toy reins used by children. Her husband was last seen in



Professor H. Strauss, M. D., of the Royal Charity Hospital, says, "The cause for an attack of gout, rheumatism, lumbago, is supplied by the increase of uric acid in the blood serum, the result of various causes, the most frequent of which is renal. Before an attack, one suffers sometimes from headache, neuralgia, twinges of pain here and there."

"When your kidneys feel like lumps of lead, when the back hurts or the urine is cloudy, full of sediment, or you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night; when you suffer with sick headache, or dizzy, nervous spells, acid stomach; or you have rheumatic pains or lumbago, gout, sciatica when the weather is bad, do not neglect the warning, but try simple means. Take six or eight glasses of water during the day, then obtain at your nearest drug store 'An-uric' (anti-uric acid). This is the discovery of Dr. Pierce of the Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y. 'An-uric' will penetrate into the joints and muscles, and dissolve the poisonous accumulations. It will stamp out toxins. Send 10 cents to Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., for trial package.

New Britain yesterday afternoon when he visited the home of his mother-in-law with his four-year-old son, George, saying that he wanted to leave the little fellow there for a while.

The police believe Evans is really the missing man and have asked the New Britain authorities to send someone to identify the prisoner at Bellevue hospital.

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