

DIPHTHERIA OUTBREAK FACES CAMPBELLTON

Another Case Has Been Reported

Sanitary Conditions Are Likely to Cause an Epidemic

Several Contributions Came in Yesterday—Town Council Decides on Fire Limit— Officer Hughes, of St. John Force, Applicant for Chief of Police.

Campbellton, N. B., Aug. 2.—The stricken town has at last reached that stage where something must be done, and done immediately, for the placing of the people in permanent homes. The sanitary conditions in the town are such that it is already epidemic. A new case of diphtheria was discovered yesterday, and it is believed that many other cases are developing.

At a meeting of the town council held yesterday afternoon, three applications for the position of chief of police, made vacant by the dismissal of Robert Crawford, were received. One of these was from Charles W. Hughes, a St. John police officer. Accompanying Mr. Hughes' application were certificates of recommendation from Mayor Frink, J. King Kelley and others. The other applications were from Thomas P. Gray and Archibald Green. The council decided to refer the matter to the police and license committee.

Fire Limit Recommended.

The question of having a fire limit established in the town was again brought up for discussion. Mayor Murray read a letter from Peter Clinch, of St. John, wherein it was stated: "That it was the desire of the New Brunswick Board of Fire Underwriters that there should be in the business section of Campbellton a district where no wooden buildings are permitted and a second district where wooden buildings are restricted to a height of twenty-five feet, and a general opinion prevails that there should be no single rooms."

The tone of this letter seemed to be the prevailing opinion and desire of the local council, who decided to draw up a by-law, embodying the principles outlined in the above letter, and forward it to the New Brunswick Board of Fire Underwriters for approval. The council also decided to appoint a committee to draw up the new by-law.

On moving the above resolution, Councilor McDonald remarked: "We have had no success, now let us prevent a repetition."

Before adjourning the council formally dismissed Policeman Yerxa from the local force. Policeman Yerxa left here yesterday for St. John.

Lost \$3,000 in Fire.

A story has leaked out here about an old gentleman who had \$3,000 in gold hoarded up in his home, lost every cent of it in the fire. This same old gentleman lost heavily in a bank failure some years ago and he shrank from depositing money in the banks ever since.

More Contributions.

Cash contributions received yesterday towards the relief fund were: Kingsbury Brothers Co., Montreal, \$100; William Barr, Hutchinson, street, Montreal, \$50; Baie Verte Division, \$20; Labor Council, Fredericton, \$40; Milton (N. S.), \$25; Dr. J. V. Anglin, St. John, \$25; R. A. Lajoie, Keganaw (Ont.), \$25; J. L. LaPointe, Keganaw (Ont.), \$25; James Goldie Co., Guelph, \$25; James Robertson, Ottawa, \$100; A. P. Gardner, Boston, \$100; E. C. Whitney, Ottawa, \$70; William Varwick, St. John, \$100.

It has been decided that Toronto contributed \$2,000 instead of \$1,000, as previously mentioned.

Everyone in stricken Campbellton tonight are either sleeping under canvas or in wooden shacks. A "The Sentinel" which was providing the only hotel accommodation offered in the town, discarded her guest list this afternoon and will leave here on her regular run tomorrow morning at 5 o'clock.

The Presbyterians purchased a lot here this morning for building purposes, at a cost of \$4,500.

James Reid, M. P. for Restigouche, has sent the following telegram from Ottawa: "Have seen deputy minister of railways. Plans will be ready tomorrow for land required by railway."

Those Who Contributed Supplies.

Citizens of Bathurst, one car of provisions and other contributions.

Citizens of Dalhousie, motor boat load of provisions.

Citizens of Newcastle, car of provisions.

Citizens of Moncton, two cars of provisions.

Citizens of St. John, one car of provisions.

Citizens of Fredericton, part of a car of provisions.

Citizens of Amherst, one car provisions.

T. Eaton Co., one carload of clothing, value \$1,000.

R. Tardiff, Percy (P. Q.), box of clothing.

Woman's Council, St. John, large shipment clothing.

Citizens of St. Andrews, eleven cases supplies.

Citizens of Andover and Perth, box of building and supplies.

Citizens of Moncton, 200 leaves of hay.

James M. Aird, Montreal, 200 leaves of hay.

Burroughs, Welcome & Co., Montreal, drugs, etc.

H. E. Bond & Co., Toronto, shipment of clothing.

Sumner Company, Moncton, two cases cooking utensils.

Slingsby Manufacturing Co., Brantford, one case blankets.

Mrs. Joseph H. Trices, president Grace Mission Band, Bloomfield, Kings county, one case clothing.

Mrs. D. P. Wetmore, Clifton (N. B.), case supplies.

O. H. Warwick & Co., St. John, 600 each of cups, saucers and plates.

Chas. W. Ford, Sackville (N. B.), ten cases supplies.

suffering and poverty during the winter months.

The more the relief committee ponder over the situation the more they become impressed with the fact. Every day they see people returning, all of whom will have to be given some assistance, however small, to make a new start.

The relief supplies are running short and in a very few days there will not be sufficient on hand to supply the cases of immediate want.

Praise for St. John.

The city of St. John has responded nobly, and as a prominent member of the relief committee said yesterday: "Her generosity in this hour of need will ever be coupled with the memory of the fire—a greater calamity than that which was never known in the history of Canada."

In order to prevent a further spread of contagious diseases, local doctors spent all this forenoon fumigating the tents where the measles and diphtheria had broken out. The sunshine which has been supplying an abundance of warmth and comfort during the past two days is aiding materially in preventing an increase in sickness of the kind.

The building committee yesterday received numerous applications for assistance. Many filled in the charts which have been prepared, showing not only the extent of their losses but how they are at present situated.

Letters from outsiders wishing to secure servant girls have been coming in so frequently that Mayor Murray has asked to have it published that there are no domestics to hire in Campbellton. The fact is, said his worship, that mostly all the domestics or servants who were in the town previous to the fire had either had their homes in either Restigouche or Bonaventure counties. Since the fire they have all returned to their homes.

Among the contributions received yesterday was one from the editor of a newspaper in California, a former resident of the town, who left here in his childhood days. In his letter of sympathy, he stated that he would do his little part to secure aid from his adopted state.

Contributions Yesterday.

The following is the list of contributions received today: Mrs. P. G. Ross, Mountain street, Montreal, \$5; Moses Harris, Hebron (N. S.), \$5; John McCallum, Barabois (Que.), \$4; L. R. Rawlings, Montreal, \$5; Edwin Legale, Paspheiac, and Mrs. A. B. Foster, \$10 each; Mrs. J. N. Fish, Trafalgar (Ont.), \$5; James Friel, Dorchester, \$5; Rufus Curry, Windsor (N. S.), \$100; F. B. Biggar, Parkdale, Toronto, \$5; J. A. Guilmet, St. J. \$5; H. H. Stewart, Westmount, \$5; W. J. Hoyt, Bridgeton, \$5; J. W. J. Hanna, provincial secretary, will not be renewed.

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Reports Show a Gain in Membership—
Next Year's Meeting in Yarmouth.

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ST. JOHN MAN GETS A NICE PROMOTION

John Kane Chief Trade Instructor at
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Word came to the city on Monday to the effect that John Kane, formerly of Carleton but for some time instructor in stone cutting at Dorchester penitentiary, had been promoted to be chief trade instructor at the institution.

Friends in St. John will be pleased to learn of Mr. Kane's success. He was for years in the stone cutting business in Waterbury, where he was a member of the City Council.

Was St. John Man Drowned?

A despatch from Shellwood (Sas.), July 29, states that a man named Carr, whose home is said to be in this city, had been drowned in the North Saskatchewan river near Shellwood. He was the cook for a party of about twenty persons, and nothing had been heard of him since.

A St. John man named Fred Carr, a plumber, went to reside in that locality some time ago.

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F. B. Carvell and James Reid, M. P.'s, Thos. Malcolm and Judge McLatchy asked for a federal grant of \$5,000 for fifteen years. This with the proposed provincial grant of \$5,000 per year for fifteen years will relieve the town of the task of meeting interest on bonded debt.

The delegates pointed out that the whole of the town's property had been destroyed, and that the town was unable either to meet the interest of the existing debt or raise a further loan to re-establish civic works.

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