

Rabbi's Liquor Stolen While He Was Attending Wedding

Eight Cases of Whisky Removed From Mr. Phillips' Cellar

Breaking into the home of Isaac Phillips, 115 Clarence street, rabbi of the Jewish Synagogue, while he was attending a wedding, thieves made off with eight cases of whisky stored in the rabbi's cellar. The police were notified yesterday, but so far no clue to the identity of the marauders has been obtained. The rabbi left his home early in the evening being careful to lock the door.

On his return late in the evening following the nuptial ceremony, he found the liquor gone. It is believed that a skeleton key was used to gain entrance, and that the thieves were acquainted with the rabbi's home for a long time this was the first attempt made to steal the whisky. It is thought that an automobile was used in the theft, and that the entire quantity was taken at one haul, as the suspicions of neighbors would, undoubtedly, have been aroused had a number of trips been made by the thieves while performing their task of removing the liquor.

REQUIRE \$72,000 FOR CITY RELIEF

About \$7,000 In Excess of 1922 Expenditures.

MORE WIDOWS' PENSIONS

Nearly \$5,000 Extra Needed For Byron Sanatorium.

A total expenditure of \$72,000 will be necessary for the relief department this year, it is estimated. This will be partially offset by some receipts, but the taxes will be called upon for the major portion of this, at least. Last year the relief department's expenditures totalled approximately \$65,000, although the expenditures were about \$4,000 in excess of this.

Included in the estimates this year is the sum of \$25,000 for mothers' pensions. This is considerably higher than was spent last year, but the need is continually growing. The amount needed for Byron Sanatorium is also somewhat larger this year, \$25,000 being asked for it. Last year \$18,000 was set aside for this purpose. These are the main items of expense in this department. Providing coal for the poor is expected to cost \$2,000 this year, an increase of a few hundred over last year. These estimates will be considered with all the others by the Council next week.

88-Year Old

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ANGEL OF CRIMEA. Florence Nightingale was but then organizing the first nucleus of the hospital service that was to be. Soldiers of the late Great War owe much to those bearded veterans of Crimea, in Mr. Howe's opinion. Half a million more graves almost would dot the landscape of Northern France to-day had it not been for the awakening of national and world conscience through the patiently-endured sufferings of the Crimean soldier. That awakening showed the necessity of giving sick and wounded soldiers proper hospital care. But after Sebastopol there were mad days of victory. Pte. Robert Howe took part in the capture of the Russian fortress of Mamelon, in which four Muscovite general officers and great battalions of troops surrendered to the British attackers. He then went to Odessa, passing over the lately victorious fields of Alma and Inkerman. "Were you near by when the famous charge of the Light Horse Brigade was made?" Mr. Howe was asked. "No," he replied with a laugh. "I was not there, nor was I a member of that famous charge. I was a member of the connection with that misguided attack was that very few of those who went into Tennyson's 'Valley of Death' lived to tell the tale. Besides, as my discharge papers show, I was an infantryman."

SULTAN'S MEDAL. Two documents are prized by Mr. Howe beyond all his worldly possessions. One is his discharge from the British forces after 18 years' service; the other is his warrant of admission into the Honorable Company of Chelsea Old-Pensions. The discharge shows that he was discharged "at his own request" at Halifax in 1872, with a character of "Very Good." Those who know that this description means very good indeed. He had four good conduct badges and two medals.

One of these medals, as the document states, was for Crimea and was adorned with a battle clasp. The other is a special medal given by the Sultan of Turkey. Both have been made into brooches, now worn by his daughters.

Discharged soldiers of the British army are made Chelsea pensions as a reward for long and faithful service. His pension under that warrant, to continue for life, is ten pounds halfpenny daily—about 21 cents. However, Mr. Howe is in comfortable circumstances.

MARRIED 52 YEARS.

His discharge from the 60th Royal Rifles in 1872, in which unit he served during the Crimean campaign, marked the end of nearly 15 years' service with British troops stationed in North America. In Newfoundland he met a lady who is now his wife, Miss Mary M. Hunt was her name. He lost no time in bringing his romance to a happy conclusion when he left the army. He married his island sweetheart and brought her to London, where he has lived for the past 52 years, in all of which time he has been a reader of The Free Press.

Mrs. Howe is in her 77th year and the loving nurse of her husband, who has suffered from rheumatism these past few years. Joyous in their comradeship, the two approach the gates of life's sunset with Christian calm, certain of reunion beyond those gates, where there is "no more pain." Both are charter members of the Beeton Street Baptist Church.

Mrs. Howe states that when they built their first home, at what is now the corner of Price street and Hamilton road, they were some miles away from the ambitious little City of London. To-day that site has been engulfed in the city's growth. Everywhere new homes are going up and the corners are busy with district stores.

BANDITS DRIVE OFF WITH TRUCKLOAD OF GOODS WORTH \$10,000. PHILADELPHIA, March 1. — Seven bandits held up three men at Nesha-miny Falls, 20 miles northeast of the city, to-day and escaped with a motor truck containing woolen goods valued at \$10,000. The driver and his two helpers were knocked unconscious. Later fur men were arrested.

\$69,000 MORE IN CUSTOM RETURNS

Comparative Figures For Last Month and Year Ago.

TOTAL IS \$262,000

Increase In Both Excise and Sales Taxes.

An increase of \$69,453.63 is shown in the monthly report for the total collections of customs and excise duties for February over the corresponding period of last year. The figures for 1923 are \$262,000, as against \$192,546.37 for February, 1922. Customs import duties registered an increase of \$11,962.33, while the increase of customs sales was slightly larger, being \$11,471.71. The total customs increase was \$23,434.04, the amount for February of this year totalling \$159,459.91, as against \$136,025.87 for the same month in 1922. The customs import duties and the customs sales tax this year were \$118,929.06 and \$23,760.61, respectively.

The excise totals amounted to \$111,709.45, an increase of \$45,363.10 over last year's figures. The domestic excise tax was \$94,752.48, an increase of \$44,129.38, while the excise duties gained this year to the extent of \$1,192.12, the amount for the month just ended being \$16,956.67.

LITHUANIANS REOPEN ATTACKS ON THE POLES

Special Cable to The London Free Press. WARSAW, March 1.—War has again broken out between Lithuanians and Poles in the neutral zone, near Vilna. Reports reaching here to-day say the Lithuanians reopened hostilities and launched unsuccessful attacks against Polish positions at Preselaj and Swicary. The exact number of casualties is not known.

Hostilities had been suspended, pending arbitration of a long dispute over neutral territory, which the two countries are dividing. The Lithuanians have refused to agree to limitations set by the League of Nations. The Poles accuse Russia of backing the Lithuanians. The prevailing prices throughout the city are from 42 to 45 cents a pound for choice dairy butter. Creamery butter is higher at 45 to 51 cents a pound wholesale and 50 to 57 cents a pound retail.

Cut Estimates Of Board Of Health Down To \$18,300

Four Thousand Less Than First Draft and \$200 More Than Last Year.

Dr. Downham has succeeded in paring the Board of Health estimates down to \$18,300, which is still a couple of hundred in advance of the estimates of last year. These will be paried with the meeting of the board to-night. The estimates as first prepared totalled more than \$22,000. The gross cut was made in the item set aside for small-pox and epidemic, which amounted to \$1,000 in the original estimates. That sum was cut out entirely. Dr. Downham explains at any rate that if there is an epidemic the city must meet the expenses at any rate, and if there is none such the better.

BUTTER SCARCE AND PRICE HIGH

Shortage of Cream Leads To Sharp Advance In Cost.

Butter prices have soared on the local market since the latter part of last week and at present prices that are quoted are the highest that has been in the city for some time. The supply is small, which possibly is partly responsible for the advance in the price. Dairy butter has almost disappeared from the market square and only those who order their butter from the farmers in advance are able to procure their supply on the square.

Creamery butter is also rather scarce in the city at present, and buyers attribute this to the fact that there is very little in the cold storage plants at present. The export trade is also very heavy, while very little is coming into the country from other parts of the farm. Cheese prices at present are firm.

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ANXIOUS ABOUT MITCHAM FIGHT

British Government Party Afraid Minister Will Be Defeated.

INDEPENDENT GAINING

People Watching Outcome With Greatest Interest.

Special Cable to London Free Press. LONDON, March 1.—Four by-election campaigns are now being fought out in British constituencies, and the people are watching the results with the closest interest. Of these elections, that at Mitcham is the only one that is causing the Government any anxiety, for there the minister of health is fighting for his political life, and it looks at present as if he will be defeated when the poll is announced next Saturday night. Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen is facing a four-cornered fight, and in spite of the fact that he is the Government candidate, his chances of being returned seem very slim.

One thing is certain that if Sir Arthur fails this time it will be the death knell of his political career, for he will not risk another fight. Sir Arthur was badly beaten at Dudley when he refused to lift the Canadian cattle embargo was the big issue before the electorate. He made another effort, with no more success at Taunton. The previous Conservative candidate at Mitcham had a large majority, and if Sir Arthur cannot win there he cannot win anywhere.

A POOR STRATEGIST.

Yet he seems to be a very poor political strategist, for he has deliberately jeopardized his chances of success by heaving on the housing and rent questions and has thereby been the direct cause of bringing an Independent Conservative into the field, with the result that there is every likelihood that the Labor or Liberal candidate will get through. The Government is most anxious that the Labor man should not secure the seat, for it would be regarded as a defeat of a decision of an important constituency that the tide from Conservatism to Labor is ebbing rapidly.

The two Conservatives represent the two factions of the Cabinet, Sir Arthur Boscawen favoring the policy of Lord

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City News

TWO WRITS ISSUED.—Two county court writs were issued at the court-house to-day. Sciles & Roberts, Limited, are suing Edward F. Marshall, of St. Marys, for the loss of an account, while the Ontario Crockery Company allege that H. Cope Morley, of Peterborough, owes an account for \$329.95. Gladman & Standish, of St. Marys, and Sciles & Roberts, while Gibbons, Harpers & Brander issued the latter one.

TRINITY LUTHERAN.—Special Lenten services are being conducted in Trinity Lutheran Church, 477 Pall Mall street, every Tuesday evening. The pastor, Rev. M. Bruer, is speaking on some of the outstanding characters of the parishioners. In previous services he spoke of Judas and Peter. To-night's topic is "Majesty on Trial." Future topics are: "On the Via Dolorosa," "The King of the Jews," "The Dying Thief," and for Good Friday, "The Meaning of the Cross."

O. T. A. CASE LAID OVER.—The case of Nathaniel Goldberg, who faces a charge of keeping liquor for sale contrary to the O. T. A., was laid over until to-morrow morning by Police Magistrate Graydon this morning on the request of counsel for the accused. The charge was laid following a search by Inspectors Bolton and Lucas and Provincial Officer Stratton on February 20 of the premises of Mrs. Rachel Cohen, 124 Clarence street, where Goldberg boarded, when a quantity of alcohol and 25 bottles of liquor were found. One dozen of the bottles were discovered in Goldberg's bedroom.

CHOIR CONCERT.—An enjoyable concert was given last evening by the choir of Chelsea Green Presbyterian Church. The program, which was presided over by Rev. N. Miller, included numbers by Ed. Webster, baritone; Mrs. Self, contralto; Miss J. Maitland and Miss Eva Metcalfe, sopranos; Miss Jane Metcalfe, reader, and Miss K. Fowler, pianist. Several splendid anthems were sung by the choir, the tenor solo in "Seek Ye the Lord" being taken by F. Aldridge, while the solo parts in "Was There Ever Kinder Shepherd" was taken by C. Jackson. Miss Peggy Smith and Miss J. Maitland, Miss E. Symons acted as accompanist. After the program lunch was served to the choir. F. Aldridge is choir leader and Miss Peggy Smith is president of the choir.

LIFE OF ROMANOFF

PRINCE THREATENED

NEW YORK, March 1.—Search was begun by the police to-day for the writers of letters threatening the life of Prince Dmitry Michael Alexandrovich Obolenski, of Russia, whose mother was a Romanoff.

The prince, who came to the United States several months ago to seek a livelihood, has turned over to Police Commissioner Enright four letters, each bearing the signature "Agents of Free Russia," and threatening his life if he didn't leave this country by March 6.

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