

PARTRIDGES ARE NOW VERY PLENTIFUL

DRY WEATHER FAVORABLE TO THEM

Have Increased Very Rapidly
During Past Three Years
Ban May be Lifted
Next Fall.

Guides, fishermen and others who have occasion to visit the woods these days say that never in the history of the country were partridges so plentiful. The birds have been multiplying rapidly since the shooting of them was prohibited by the government a few years ago, and they are now to be found in places where few were seen a few years ago. The prolonged dry weather this season has been particularly favorable for the broods of young birds and it is said that very few of them have been destroyed. A former Fredericton man, who is now on a fishing trip to the Nepisiquit woods came on to four flocks of partridges one day recently within a space of a few yards. They actually frightened him by the noise they made and addressing the guide he said: "Have you established a henery here?" Similar stories come from nearly every other section of the province, and all remark on the tameness of the birds.

To Have Open Season

At the last session of the Legislature in amending the game laws the ban was not lifted from partridge, but the governor in council was authorized to establish a short open season on the recommendation of the Minister of Lands and Mines. While the matter has not yet been definitely decided it will probably be during the month of October or part of that month. The season will no doubt be short and the bag will be limited to a few birds a day.

The partridge is not only the finest game bird in the province but it is the only one which does not migrate to a warmer climate. All sportsmen and lovers of nature will be glad to learn that the experiment of establishing a close season has worked out so satisfactorily.

Street Cleaning at Night.

The paved streets of the city were watered and swept last night. Night work as far as street-cleaning is concerned is a pronounced success.

Picnic On Friday.

The Ladies' Aid of the George St. Baptist Church held a picnic yesterday afternoon at Wilmot Park. An enjoyable time was spent by all.

Hack and Jitney Owners

Attention is drawn to the advertisement in another column, of the City Clerk, regarding the license fee now due and payable under the bylaw recently passed by the City Council.

Returned From New York.

Mrs. J. H. Barry returned from New York today where she had been undergoing treatment. She was accompanied by her daughter Reta, who graduated a few weeks ago from a New York Hospital.

N. B. Birds Doing Well.

Mr. W. E. B. Tait of Dorchester, N. B., has a pen of Barred Rocks entered in the Dominion Egg Laying Contest now going on at Ottawa. There are fifty-four birds taking part and Mr. Tait's is in seventh place with a total of 1250 eggs.

Elm Trees Losing Leaves.

Elm trees in various parts of the city are losing their leaves which are dropping green to the ground. Some of the leaves are turning yellow. This is the effect of lack of moisture caused by the drought. Old people who remember droughts of longer duration and greater severity than that which New Brunswick has experienced this summer state that there have been summers in which the trees withered and lost practically all their leaves.

Big Apple Crop.

While the continued dry weather is causing much damage to grain and field crops the indications are that the apple yield in this section will be one of the heaviest in years. At the St. John Valley Nurseries at Burton there are some four thousand three all heavily laden and on the Hatheway farm at Kingsclear there are nearly as many and yield promises to be nearly as heavy. The Gilman orchard at Kingsclear and the Dunphy orchard at Douglas are also looking well and promise a big yield.

S. of E. Picnic, Pine Grove, Marysville, July 21, 1921.

FREDERICTON HAS THE HIGHEST RATE ON RECORD

BOARD OF ASSESSORS ANNOUNCES \$2.32

Total Increase in Valuation
More Than Seven Hundred
Thousand—Assessment
\$33,000 Greater.

The Board of Assessors of Fredericton has announced the assessment rate for the present year. The rate is \$2.32 per one hundred dollars and is the highest in the history of the city. The rate in 1921 was \$2.20 the highest up to that time.

During the year the Board of Assessors increased the valuation by \$721,452 making a total of \$10,514,310. The increases in valuation are, Real Estate, \$80,550; Personal Estate, \$276,976; Income, \$363,926.

Heavy Increase in Assessment.
The increase in assessment rate was made necessary by the heavy increase in assessment made by the City Council. The assessment for 1920 exclusive of cost of collection was \$215,000. This year the total exclusive of collection cost is \$248,000.

Assessors' Statement.

The statement issued by the Board of Assessors is as follows:—

Assessment	1921	1920
Real Estate	\$523,6700	\$515,6150
Personal Estate	299,9850	272,2874
Income	227,7760	191,3834
	\$10514310	\$9792858

Rate Inside per cent	\$2.32
Rate Outside per cent	1.90
Income without School Tax	1.62
Outside without School Tax	1.20

Valuation.—

Inside	\$10043610
Outside	470700
	\$10514310

Assessment ordered	\$248,000
Added 7 per cent	17,360

For Collection ... \$265,360

Inside	\$10043610 at \$2.32—\$233011.75
Outside	470700 at \$1.90— 8943.30

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Special Taxes—

Banks	\$7,483
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LOCAL MEN GET ROAD CONTRACT NEAR NEREPIIS

FOUR GRADE CROSSINGS WILL BE ELIMINATED

Wm. McDonald and Emery Scott of Fredericton and J. Willard McMulken of Gagetown, Contractors

B. M. Hill, Chief Highway Engineer of the Province of New Brunswick, today announced the award of contracts for highway diversion at Nerepis and Ketepec for the purpose of eliminating grade crossings on the Canadian Pacific Railway near those points.

The crossings are four in number and are on the trunk road to St. John. Gagetown Contractor.

J. Willard McMulken, of Gagetown, has been awarded the contract for the Acamac-Ketepec diversion. This is a mile and a half in length and is standard gravel construction. Work will begin at once. This contractor performed contract highway work for the province last year.

Fredericton Firm.

William McDonald and Emery Scott of Fredericton have been awarded the contract for the Nerepis diversion. This is a quarter mile in length and also of standard gravel construction. The contractors will begin work at once.

This important work has been undertaken jointly by the New Brunswick Department of Public Works, the Canadian Pacific Railway and the Railway Commission.

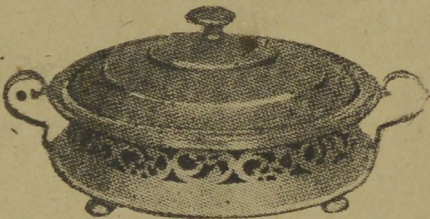
Mr. Roy Kitchen, who is teaching school in Saskatchewan has arrived here to spend his vacation.

Insurance Companies	2,569
Incorporated Com.	1,200
School Tax	1,400
2379 Polls at \$5	11,895
	\$24,547

A. A. STERLING,	
H. C. MACKEY,	
PETER FARRELL,	
Board of Assessors.	

Tax Bills Coming

Tax bills will be issued at once from the office of City Treasurer Perkins. The discount period will run to August 21 after which interest will be charged on arrears.



'Wedding Gifts'

"The bride to be" will cherish a beautiful piece of Silver or Cut Glass from our fine stock.

Some new and exclusive designs just received from the manufacturer. Prices are more reasonable in many lines.

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Outing Goods for your vacation.

Children's Dresses, Rompers, "Creepers," Bonnets Hats, etc.

Everything marked away down.

Fred B. Edgecombe Co., Ltd.

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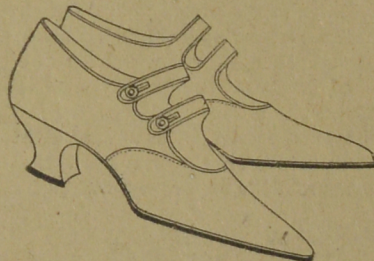
Come in and see them.

James S. Neill & Sons, Ltd.

Fredericton's Big Hardware Store

During July and August our Store Will Close at 12 p. m. Thursday and 6 P. M. Saturday.

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