

LOCAL NEWS

Union of Municipalities

The annual meeting of the Union of New Brunswick Municipalities has been postponed until October, the date to be announced later.

Magistrate's Bills Paid.

The bills of the police magistrate which were held up by the County Council some time ago were passed in committee last night.

At the Gaiety Today.

Francis X. Bushman and Beverly Bayne in the Metro wonderplay "In the Diplomatic Service," and Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Drew in a new Metro comedy.

Confirmation at St. Anthony's.

His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc of St. John, will confirm a large class at St. Anthony's church, Devon, on Thursday.

Seriously Ill.

Mr. John T. Clark, an aged and respected citizen is critically ill at his home on Charlotte street. It is not expected that he can survive many hours.

On Motor Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cain, Miss Margaret Feeney, Miss Beatrice Cain accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. John Hillis of St. John motored to Woodstock and spent Labor Day.

Flour Goes Down

The welcome news came over the wires this morning that bread flour had declined 90 cents a barrel. The retail price of best brands is now \$13.05 per barrel.

Balance Ordered Paid

Mr. J. Mal. Chappell was before the City Council last night in connection with his bill for concrete work which had been held up before. After a lengthy explanation the bill was ordered paid.

Clearing Off the Debt.

At high mass at St. Anthony's church, Devon on Sunday, Rev. Father Murphy, the pastor, announced that the Tay Creek church was clear of debt and that St. Anthony's church would be clear by October 1st.

At St. Paul's

Rev. J. S. Sutherland occupied the pulpit of St. Paul's Church at both services on Sunday morning. The Rev. gentleman some weeks ago underwent a serious operation in Montreal and is slowly regaining his health. His numerous friends are pleased to see him around again.

Against C. N. R. Deal

A communication from the Single Tax Association of Canada received by the City Council, urging strong opposition to the proposal concerning the taking over of the Canadian Northern Railway was discussed by the city council in committee last night. Regardless of political leanings the aldermen who spoke were opposed to the proposal.

Sidewalk Repairs Wanted

The asphalt sidewalks in various parts of the city are much in need of repairs. Ald. Baxter made a plea for Aberdeen Street between York and Westmorland Streets at last night's City Council meeting. He was informed by Ald. McLellan, chairman of the Street Committee that the supply of asphalt for repairs had been exhausted. An effort will be made to effect temporary repairs.

Renewing Old Acquaintances

Sergt. Major G. P. Black of St. John spent the week-end and holiday in Fredericton being a member of a motor-boat party which made the trip from St. John last week. Sergt. Major Black renewed old acquaintances and during his stay here was a guest at the Barker House. He recently was invalided from France where he had served two months with No. 2 Machine Gun Corps.

City's Claim Repudiated.

At tonight's meeting of the City Council Ald. McLellan will present the reply of Agricultural Society, No. 34 to the communication of the city asking for recognition of the city's claim upon the Fredericton Exhibition property in return for financial assistance given. The reply of the Agricultural Society repudiates the claim of the city on every possible ground including the one that the officers of the society whose names are on the agreement had no power to make it and that the agreement was not properly drawn.

Death at Springhill.

William D. Rainsford of Springhill, an aged and highly respected resident of that place, passed away Monday, at the age of eighty-eight years. The deceased was the last son of the late Capt. Charles Rainsford of the 104th New Brunswick Regt., which performed such meritorious service in the War of 1812. He was unmarried. The funeral will take place Wednesday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Shewen conducting the service at St. Peter's church, Springhill. Mr. Henry B. Rainsford of Fredericton, is a cousin.

Makes Vigorous Kick.

Mr. W. W. Hubbard, superintendent of the Dominion Experimental Station in this city has made a vigorous kick to the City Council with regard to the conditions in King's ward in which the Experimental Station is located. The road from the station to the C. G. R. crossing he characterizes as a daily and nightly insult to the people of the section. He also charges the Fraser Limited leaves obstructions in the road at night and has encroached upon the highway by the laying of a railway. Mr. Hubbard threatens to pay no more taxes unless conditions improve.

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REVALUATION OF CITY PROPERTY FOR ASSESSMENT

Chief Assessor Sterling Asks for It—City Council Considering—Expert May be Secured.

A revaluation of property in Fredericton for the purposes of assessment probably will be carried out this autumn. Mr. A. A. Sterling, Chief Assessor, brought the matter to the attention of the City Council last night at the committee meeting. He pointed out that the last revaluation had been made in September, 1899, and that in the period of eighteen years which had intervened, many changes had taken place in Fredericton. The board of assessors, it is true, had the power to add to valuations and to make new ones, but it would be much more satisfactory to have a general revaluation in fact, it had become necessary that such a revaluation be made.

Mr. Sterling said that his own services in the matter, of course, would be given without cost to the city. Messrs. H. C. Mackey and Peter Farrell, the other two assessors, he believed, would act for a period of say forty days at a salary of five dollars per day each. The cost would not be more than four or five hundred dollars and he knew that the city would be amply repaid for the expenditure.

Later in the meeting discussion on the matter took place, and Ald. Reid suggested that an expert be secured from some appraisal company to assist in the revaluation, either working with the local men or after them. An expert could perform the work very rapidly and more efficiently than men not accustomed to the work.

The suggestion was received with favor and Ald. Reid will procure the

JAS. M. FOWLER WOUNDED, LEFT LEG AMPUTATED

Serving in France with Well-Known Western Battalion Son of Late J. D. Fowler Other Casualties.

Private James M. Fowler of this city, is reported from Ottawa as admitted to the 22nd General Hospital at Camieres, France, August 21 with gunshot wound in the left leg which was amputated as a result. Private Fowler enlisted at the Swift Current, Sask., with the 209th Battalion in which he ranked as Company Sergt. Major. Just before leaving Canada he spent some time in Fredericton visiting his relatives. He was transferred to the 10th Battalion in France, reverting to the ranks. The last letter from him on August 10th stated that he was acting non-commissioned officer.

Private Fowler is a son of the late James D. Fowler of Fredericton. His mother is living in this city, also his sister, Mrs. G. H. Clark. His wife and child also are here. Mrs. Fowler formerly was Miss Nell White.

The wounded soldier prior to enlisting had an adventurous life. He spent four years in the Argentine as a ranch foreman. Later he was three years in the Western States and still later in the Canadian West, as ranchman and cowboy.

Other Casualties.

Other casualties reported in the recent lists are P. J. Murray of Fredericton Junction, killed in action, E. M. Heustis of Jemseg, and H. W. Seeley of Fredericton, wounded.

addresses of available men from some of the appraisal companies.

Government Meeting.

The monthly meeting of the Provincial Government will be held here tomorrow evening.

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