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POTATO PRICES.

The Quebec Telegraph in an article dealing with profiteers and middlemen, offers this interesting comment:

"Concerning potatoes—a potato famine? Not a bit. Mr. Hanna has suddenly learned that we have potatoes in superabundance, that the Canadian crop of this year exceeds that of last year by twenty million bushels, and although this is the situation throughout the country, many persons are denying themselves potatoes because they feel that the price is prohibitive. The problem, Mr. Hanna says, is not how to economize the supply of potatoes, but how to increase the consumption so that none will be wasted. An increased consumption of potatoes help to reduce the amount of white flour, beef and bacon used in Canada. If increased consumption is Mr. Hanna's only problem, it is easily solved. All he needs to do is to see that potatoes are offered at a fair price. If there is a surplus of potatoes, then, according to the laws of supply and demand there should be a low price. Mr. Hanna has a tremendous respect for the laws of supply and demand, so that it will now be a congenial task for him to see that these laws are not interfered with by the profiteers in the case of potatoes. If potatoes are held by middlemen, and allowed to rot as they did last year, the plenitude of the supply will avail us nothing."

The Halifax Chronicle says: "The Ogilvie Flour Company is another concern that is doing pretty well, thank you. It has declared a bonus of 15 per cent. on the common stock along with the regular dividend of 2½ per cent. for the final quarter of the year ending August last. A year ago, with the corresponding quarterly declaration, a bonus of four per cent was declared. That supplemented the regular dividend of 8 per cent., giving shareholders 12 per cent. for the year. For the past year, with the regular dividend of 10 per cent., shareholders will receive 25 per cent. in all." The dividend in 1903 and for some years afterward was seven per cent. In 1908 there was a stock dividend of 100 per cent. In 1915 the net profits were \$5.18 and in 1916 they were \$5.37 after a provision for two years' war tax. Many will agree with the Toronto Star that a little conscription of wealth would do no harm to this prosperous concern."

Announcement of the dissolution of the Canadian Parliament from last Saturday was made at Ottawa yesterday. The late Parliament was elected on September 21st, 1911, over six years ago, and was therefore the longest in the history of Canada. It was extended for one year but would have expired on October 6th. No date for the general election has yet been fixed, but it is likely to take place in January. There is great political activity at Ottawa, and many Tory politicians, realizing that their party stands a poor chance of being returned to power, are frantically pressing their claims for appointment to office. Already a large number have been provided for.

It was on May 18th last that Premier Borden announced that compulsory military service was immediately necessary in order that Canada could provide reinforcements for the boys at the front. Now it is announced that the first draft will be called for on October 13th. Although compulsion was immediately necessary in May last, it has taken the government five months to get the machinery ready to put it into force.

It will be generally admitted that Colonel C. C. Balentyne, the millionaire paint man, who has become Minister of Public Works in the Borden cabinet, is a big improvement on his predecessor in office, the Hon. Bob Rogers.

Should the rumor that Sir Wilfrid Laurier is to retire from the leadership of the Liberal party be well founded, it will be necessary for the Tory campaign committee to prepare a new batch of cartoons and campaign literature.

Lord Northcliffe and Lord Reading

are in Ottawa conferring with the authorities with a view to securing co-ordination of war efforts. Lord Reading was formerly known as Sir Rufus Isaacs and was once attorney general of Great Britain.

Premier Borden is still hunting about for Liberals to join his cabinet, with the hope that it may be saved from defeat. Mr. Hugh Guthrie, who has represented South Wellington, Ont., as a Liberal for some years, has joined the cabinet as Solicitor General.

The electors of Quebec city voted the saloon out of business yesterday by a majority of 3,251, with some returns yet to come in. The campaign was a vigorous one, the clergy taking an active part in behalf of temperance. The petition which has been endorsed calls for the enforcement of the Scott Act.

Rev. W. C. Prescott, in an address at London, Ont., a short time ago, handed this bouquet to the Borden government: "Nothing more diabolical has ever been written, than the story of conditions as they are in Canada today—the story of graft and fraud and profiteering."

Through Our Sieve

An exchequer court, it appears, is not a place where you play checkers.

Anyway, what does the majority of us know about any court?

Some of us might have gone on supposing an exchequer court was some kind of a bridge party.

Judging by the number of autos lined up in front of the court house, the legal profession must be enjoying prosperity.

Isn't it about time for Secretary of State Lansing to uncover another Hun plot?

To the making of cabinets there is no end, and most of them fall to pieces the day after they are made.

Anyway, the men who are not taken into the cabinet will not have to dodge their friends who want jobs.

Descriptions of the styles at social events and entertainments do not enthrall those whose hearts are in the war.

Alleged "Independent" Conservative newspapers have put their "independence" in cold storage until after the election.

Win-the-war is not the proper name for one political party; but it is the best of mottoes for all parties.

The suggestion that all men may have to drill comes with a shock to those whose waist measurement mocks the silhouette styles.

HAPPENINGS IN MARYSVILLE

Marysville, Oct. 5—The death occurred at an early hour this morning of Miss Violet Allen eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Allen. The deceased had been a sufferer from tuberculosis for several months and death was not expected. She is survived by her parents, two sisters and one brother. Arrangements for the funeral have not yet been made but will be announced later.

Coun. M. V. Dennison has returned from Boston where he has been visiting relatives for the past few weeks.

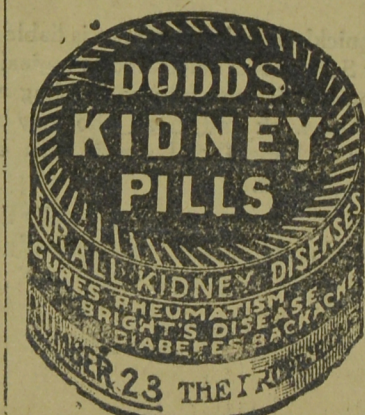
Mr. Fred Youmans returned to his home at St. John last evening after a brief visit to relatives here.

Mrs. Thomas Flanagan, and daughters Bernadine, Madeline, and Maude are visiting relatives at Blackville.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Wheeler, and son Lewis, and Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Forbes arrived here this week by auto from Milltown and are visiting relatives.

Mrs. F. Foley of Woodstock, and formerly of this town paid a visit to friends here recently.

October 25th has been set aside as a special tag day, the proceeds to be



BOARD OF TRADE PASSED TWO RESOLUTIONS

Claims of Fredericton for the Quartering of Troops Pressed—C. G. R. Train Service Dealt With.

The Fredericton Board of Trade and City Council at a joint meeting held last night in the Board of Trade offices, passed a resolution calling attention to the suitability of Fredericton for the quartering of troops during the winter months. A resolution was passed also, relative to the C. G. R. train service, and the decision was reached to oppose the application of the New Brunswick Telephone Co. for curtailment of the hours during which the rate for night messages may be charged.

Those present were Mayor Mitchell, President J. S. Neill, Ald. Jos. Walker, Ald. J. A. Reid, Ald. F. H. Everett, J. Walter MacKay, J. J. Weddall, G. N. C. Hawkins, Howard Rogers, C. H. Burt, J. T. Jennings, G. Y. Dibblee, W. S. Thomas, R. H. Simonds.

To Oppose Telephone Application.
The following committee was appointed to oppose the application of the N. B. Telephone Co. before the Public Utilities Commission: Messrs. Dibblee, Jennings and Weddall.

C. G. R. Train Service.
After a discussion on the service on the C. G. R. and the reported impending changes, the following resolution was passed on the motion of Mr. Weddall, seconded by Mr. Jennings:

"That this Board express its appreciation of the present train service on the Canada Eastern Branch of the Canadian Government Railways to the management of the C. G. R., and trust that no change will be made in the service."

Quartering of Troops.
At the joint meeting of the City Council and Board of Trade the following resolution was carried unanimously:

"That the president of the Board be appointed to act with His Worship the Mayor in the matter of bringing to the attention of the Military authorities the many advantages that the city offers as a military depot, as demonstrated by the experience of last winter, the city being able to furnish comfortable accommodation for upwards of eight hundred men, and, further resolved, that a copy of this resolution be placed in the hands of the Federal member for this county."

OPEN VERDICT OF MURDER.
(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Montreal, Oct. 5.—An open verdict of murder was found by a coroner's jury yesterday in the case of Frank Hanes, who died in the General Hospital from three bullet wounds in his body, and a recommendation that the provincial police continue the search for the unknown murderer was included in the verdict.

Receiving Congratulations.
Mr. and Mrs. Judson Arnold are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby boy at their home in Marysville.

PRESENTATION THIS MORNING

(Continued from page 1.)
very young man in 1871. He made reference to all the heads of department under whom he had served in the forty-six years which had intervened.

At the close of Col. Loggie's remarks His Honor drew attention of the younger people present to the fact that the best method of securing long life and long service was to avoid worry.

devoted to the relief of widows and orphans of sailors of the British Navy who have lost their lives since the commencement of the war. As the cause is a most worthy one it is anticipated that the response to the request for assistance from the Navy League of Canada will be very generous, on the part of the citizens of this town.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Manzer and son Harold attended the funeral of Mr. Manzer's mother Mrs. David Manzer which took place at Nashwaak Village yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. G. S. Stevens (formerly Miss Laura Likely) of St. John is visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Eno.

Coun. Jesse Stafford has received word that his son Gunner George Stafford who enlisted at St. John with a Siege Battery shortly after the outbreak of war will soon return to Canada and will be engaged in instruction work for a time. Gunner Stafford is now taking a special training course for this purpose in England. He was in the thick of the fighting at the Dardanelles and has been wounded.

Rev. Dr. Hazlewood of Toronto, President of the Social Service branch of the Methodist Church of Canada will occupy the pulpit at the evening service of the Gibson Memorial Methodist Church on Sunday next.

Mr. J. T. Chisholm has returned from New Glasgow, N. S., where he has been engaged as Shell Inspector.

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Kenn.....	37½
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