

THE DAILY MAIL

Published every afternoon (except Sunday) at 327-329 Queen Street, Fredericton, by
THE MAIL PRINTING COMPANY.
 Subscription Price, \$4 per year, by carrier; \$2 per year by mail.
 Telephone 67.

TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 1918.

TAXES PILING UP.

The statement of customs receipts for the port of Fredericton covering a period of ten years tells an interesting story. For the year 1908-09 the total amount collected in duties was \$54,457.53. Four years later it had grown to \$85,587.38. It was in August 1914 that hell broke loose in Europe, and since that time customs receipts at this port have been growing by leaps and bounds, and for the year just ended reached the enormous sum of \$162,304.31. These figures show that the people of Fredericton and vicinity are paying \$2 in customs taxation, where they paid \$1 ten years ago. It is no longer a question as to whether or not the consumer pays the duty; at least the consumer has no doubt on the subject.

There has been some increase in population in Fredericton and vicinity during the last decade, but it has fallen a long way short of keeping pace with the increase in taxation. For the present year the citizens of Fredericton must pay a municipal tax aggregating \$150,000. This amount certainly looks large, but it is really \$12,304 less than the sum collected here last year by means of the customs house. While the customs taxation has trebled in ten years, civic taxation seems to have kept well up in the race.

A TRIBUTE TO MOTHERS.

As a model of patriotism to the mothers of America, this letter by Mrs. M. E. Jenkins, of Holladay, Tenn., to Major Whitman, in charge of the base hospital at Camp Upton, has been posted by order of Brig. General Evans, commanding, upon all bulletin boards of the camp:

"Allow me, as one who has lived until now I am an old woman, to express to you my thanks and appreciation for your many courtesies to me as mother of Sergeant Major William B. Jenkins. I had hoped my boy would get his chance in France, but it was not to be, so I am as submissive to his death as if he had died in the trenches in Europe.
 "Please accept my thanks for all your kindness and to any of his comrades that were with him in his sickness. With a sad heart I dictate these lines, but with a quickening pulse and accelerated being I look forward to the day when victory shall come to the brave boys who are giving their lives for our beloved land. I shall ever love a soldier boy. May God's blessing be on you!"

In commenting on the above the New York World says: "However long the war, whatever its outcome, this letter will remain a document in the American life, a proof of the American spirit. From Camp Upton's bulletins it will go for wider usefulness to the scrapbooks of mothers and sisters and sweethearts throughout the country. Death no more stays its hand when great numbers of young men are gathered together in camps for training than it would among the same men at home. Even when 'a chance in France' is vouchsafed them, as in General Pershing's command, deaths from disease have as yet been four times as many as those from combat. The hundreds, by now thousands, of men who have died since the war began, in camps or on the sea, have as truly served as those who have felt the thrill of the fight and heard the crash of shells. The service and sacrifice of mothers to the cause a mother best can tell."

Christian Science Monitor: In connection with the coming "bone dry" Canada, some curious stories are afloat as to the amount of intoxicating liquors on hand in that country. It is stated that there is enough liquor in Montreal to last three years, and that it is impossible to estimate the amount stored in private houses. Tales are current of people who, anticipating prohibition legislation, stocked their cellars with liquor sufficient to last indefinitely, and that, in order to obtain the necessary capital, some house holders willingly mortgaged their

homes. But temperance reformers are jubilant, nevertheless.

London Daily News: Let the nation know the facts—the facts which are known to the enemy, and even those which are not known, if it is more important that we should know them than that the enemy should not know them. If the life-line is in danger it is the concern of the nation. It will respond to candor and plain dealing. It is because those qualities have been lacking that we have to face the present disquieting situation. If the public is made to see and understand the naked facts, it will not be slow to act. The policy of concealment has wrought harm enough. Let us try daylight.

Toronto Star: "The Dominion Government will divide \$280,000 among the provinces to be used to speed up production," says the Hamilton Times. Of course every little helps; but suppose this money were divided equally among the provinces, each would get about \$31,000 "to help speed up production." How much speeding would that purchase in the vast province of Ontario? Would it pay for the gasoline used in Toronto on a fine day, or equal the receipts of the movies for an hour in the afternoon? We are not objecting, we are but trying to bring the production campaign into perspective.

The German casualties in the great battle being fought on the western front are estimated as being between 275,000 and 300,000.

Through Our Sieve

Most girls' idea of Easter music is the squeak from a new pair of shoes.

It is called "daylight saving," when in reality it is daylight using, isn't it?

That's the way we're credited with saving wheat, beef and bacon in this city.

Probably the rooster gets pretty sore at hearing it constantly called "hen-house," but the name goes.

These are great days for the pig—so many generous souls vitally interested in his welfare.

It will take more than setting forward the clock to root some men out of bed at 5 o'clock in the morning.

Everything is divided equally in this world. In Russia the Germans are getting the booty and the Russians are getting the boot.

John Barleycorn has had rather a tough time of it during the past year, but he seems to have delivered the goods before April Fool's Day.

When you come across a piece of paper with queer drawings upon it, you may be wrong in thinking you have found a map of fortifications made by a German spy. It will likely prove to be the plans of someone's war garden.

Pig-Keeping

(Continued from page 8.) and said that this question had come before the Labor Council and that he had heard the dissonance. It had been thought advisable to direct the attention of the Board of Health to the matter and the same communication had been sent to that body.

Ald. Walker was opposed to granting any permission to keep pigs in the populated part of the city. There would be grave danger.

The motion was carried.

Home Gardens and Queen's Square.

A letter from Dr. Kierstead concerning the encouragement of Home Gardens was read. It was decided that it would not be necessary for the City Council to act in this matter as every householder who could get land would cultivate it. It was deemed advisable however, to divide Queen's Square into allotments to be cultivated by the citizens who might so wish. It was stated that applications for land in that square had been received from Messrs. Albert Kilburn, George Lockhart and William Fisher. The matter of dividing the square into lots for cultivation was referred to the Street Committee.

The land cultivated last year by the Retail Merchants' Association will be taken this year by the Labor Council. That body already has secured fertilizer.

The Legislature.

The Legislature will resume business tonight at 8.30 after the Easter adjournment. The auditor general's report is now ready and it is expected that the budget will be brought down before the end of the week.

Mr. J. F. Sweeney of Toronto, is in the city.

NEW COUNCIL HAS BUT THREE OLD MEMBERS

MARYSVILLE ELECTIONS WERE HELD YESTERDAY

Councillors Sloat, Finnamore, Stephenson and MacPherson Successful in Contested Wards.

Marysville, Apr. 2. — The annual civic elections passed off very quietly yesterday. A comparatively large vote was polled. There were three-cornered contests in wards No. 2 and 4, which resulted as follows: Ward No. 2, Coun. Chas. Finnamore 150, George R. Sloat 174, and ex-Coun. N. E. Stewart 70. Ward No. 4, Coun. Harry Stephenson 177, J. W. MacPherson 176, Fraser Saunders 38.

The personnel of the new council is now as follows: Mayor, Jesse Stafford. Councillors: Ward No. 1, Thos. McDowell and P. G. Long. Ward No. 2, George R. Sloat and Chas. Finnamore. Ward No. 3, William Wister and Marvin Minue. Ward No. 4, Harry Stephenson and J. W. MacPherson. There are only three members of the old board who will be members of the council for the ensuing year, namely, Mayor Jesse Stafford and Couns. Stephenson and Finnamore. The citizens are looking for good results from the regime of the new council and if they measure up to the standard of the retiring one they will doubtless fulfill the expectations of their supporters. The late council completed its term of office with a very creditable showing. In no department was there any great lack of efficiency and the financial showing was very satisfactory. The new council is composed of a very capable body of men and that the interests of the town will be carefully safeguarded is a foregone conclusion.

Mrs. H. A. Gailey has returned from a visit to Milltown.

Mr. William Everett returned to Minto this morning after a few days spent at his home here.

Mr. Fraser Saunders has returned from Minto where he was engaged in his duties in connection with the enforcement of the Prohibition Act.

Miss Grace Steeves has returned to resume her duties on the teaching staff of the school at Ripples after spending the Easter vacation with relatives here.

Baseball Already.

The men of the Central Ontario Regiment Draft, now quartered at the Exhibition Buildings, amuse themselves as best they can of late by playing baseball. At the last game played, the Scarerows defeated the Wireless in a nine inning game by the score of 9-8. At times the soldiers find it very disagreeable in "sliding home."

Wounded With Railway Troops.

The casualty list today contains the name of D. D. McAleese, of Fredericton Junction, who has been wounded while serving with railway troops.

Late William McGahey.

The body of the late William McGahey who died at his former home, Portland, Me., last Saturday, arrived here today at noon, accompanied by the mother of the deceased, Mrs. Edward McGahey, and Mr. Jack McGahey, a brother. The remains were taken to St. Dunstan's church where service was held by Rev. Father Carney. Interment was made at the Hermitage.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children
 In Use For Over 30 Years

Always bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Ritchie*



PROTECT YOUR FURS

and Winter Clothing of All Kinds by using MOTH BALLS generously when you are packing them away for summer.

There's no better preventive for moths, bugs of all kinds, than moth balls, and the new stock is recommended on account of its freshness.

STAPLES' PHARMACY

ALONZO STAPLES, Prop.
 Agency for Miller Standard Rubber Goods.

Discretion is now the better part of buying Hosiery.
 We have just received our stock of

Holeproof Hosiery

For Women and Children, in Cotton, Lisle and Silk

Lisle, 6 pairs in a box, guaranteed for six months, \$4.00 box.

Silk, 3 pairs in box, guaranteed for three months, \$4.50 box.

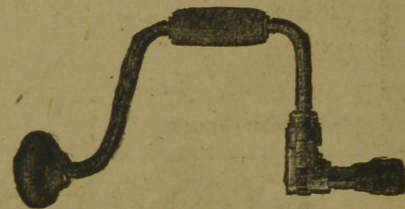
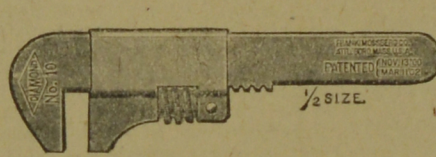
Luxete and Adanac Hose in all colors, 50 to \$1.35 pair.

The best stocking for children is "Holey Tearer." See them at the Hosiery counter.

John J. Weddall & Son

Just to Hand—Pure Linen Emb. Handkerchiefs, All White and All Colors. These are hand-worked and extra good value.

Mechanic's Tools



For Carpenters, Machinists, Masons.

All tools guaranteed.

Call and look over our line.

R. Chestnut & Sons

PLUMBERS AND HEATERS

THE HARDWARE PEOPLE

WHOLESALE

RETAIL

This Store will close at 6 p.m. Every Saturday during January, February and March.

Have Your Job Printing Done At Home

The Mail now has every facility for turning out High Class Job Printing work and there is no longer any reason why manufacturers, merchants and others should send their orders out of town.

Give us a trial order and be convinced.

We have a new office and up-to-date machinery, all run by electric power, and can turn out work promptly and efficiently. If you have a job of printing call up No. 67 and we will do the rest.

The Mail Printing Co

327-329 Queen Street, Up Town