

WOMEN WILL BE TAXED ON THEIR INCOMES

**CITY ASSESSORS DECIDE
THAT COURSE OF ACTION**

**No Opposition in City Council
—Extension of Civic Franchise to Follow—Some
Big Salaries.**

The Board of Assessors of Fredericton are to make a new departure and assess all women residents in the city on their income in the same manner that men are assessed and have been assessed for many years. The Assessment Act makes no distinction between the sexes in the matter of income taxation but by some tacit understanding income tax never has been required of women. A few years ago tax bills were sent to some women known to have large incomes but no notice was taken of them and the matter of collection never was pressed. The Board of Assessors however has decided to proceed along the line indicated, allowing exemption on three hundred dollars only as in the case of men. No opposition to this has developed in the City Council. Civic franchise for women is expected to follow this move.

Civic taxation on income for women is the direct result of the extension of the provincial franchise to them. The supporters of prohibition who urged women to register, arguing that registration would not be followed by taxation are now called upon to do some explaining.

Chief Assessor's Statement

Chief Assessor A. A. Sterling drew the attention of the City Council to the matter last night. He said that with women taking the prominent part they did in public affairs and earning in some cases salaries far in excess of

G. W. V. A. Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the G.W.V.A. was held last evening at the rooms Queen Street. Only routine business was transacted and fifteen new members were added to the strength of the Association.

To Attend Ontario Institute

Miss Hazel McCain Supervisor of the Women's Institutes in the Province is leaving this evening to attend the Ontario Provincial Institute. After the Ontario Institute she will attend the Federal Institute.

Increased Jurymen's Fees

The City Council last night in committee endorsed the resolution of the Municipal Council of York County increasing the fees of jurymen to three dollars per day. The same fees are for both petit and grand jurymen.

Funeral This Afternoon

The funeral of the late Miss Ruby Josephine Davidson took place this afternoon and was very largely attended. Service was conducted at the late home and at the Baptist Church by Rev. H. H. Ferguson and interment was made at Sunnybank Cemetery.

To Discontinue Meter

It transpires that although the wiring on the fences of the military properties in Queen Street is so defective that the lights cannot be used without danger, the city has been paying meter rent since exhibition week. The meter is to be removed at once.

City Hall Needs Repairs

The City Hall is in need of repairs. The cornice is defective in places and several of the stone window-frames have become minus mortar. The portico-roof leaks and some of the large stones forming the top have become loose and dangerous. Repairs are to be made.

Insurance Premium Paid

The City Council again has decided to pay the fifty-dollar premium for insurance on the Exhibition Buildings. At last night's committee meeting Ald McKay seconded by Ald Barker moved that the amount be paid. Ald Campbell opposed but received no support although in previous years there have been opposition to this payment and lengthy discussions concerning the subject.

Tannery Refuse Plugs Sewer

It was reported to the City Council last night by City Engineer MacDowell that the sewer in the vicinity of the factory of The John Palmer Company had become plugged by refuse from the vats of that company's tannery, hair, flesh, etc. from the hides, as well as lime used in tanning having collected in the manholes. This is due to the fact that a sieve required to be over the sewer-inlet being out of place. This matter will be considered at the same time as the company's application for extension and alteration of its concessions.

APPLY FOR USE OF PART OF MILITARY HOSP.

**WOULD SOLVE PROBLEM
OF VICTORIA HOSPITAL**

Institution May Purchase Portion of Military Hospital Equipment—Bequest Received.

The secretary of the trustees of Victoria Public Hospital in this city is about to open negotiations with the Militia Department for the temporary use of a portion of the New Brunswick Military Hospital in this city, which is to be vacated by the military on or about November 11th. This will be for the purpose of relieving congestion in the Victoria Hospital. The trustees also will negotiate for the purchase of a portion of the equipment of the Military Hospital.

The meeting of the Hospital Board was held yesterday.

The agenda was opened with a statement of expenditures for October and this required large figures to indicate the amount.

From the report of the superintendent it was shown that seventy-eight patients received treatment during the surgical and three medical. There were no deaths in October. The number receiving treatment at close of the month had shrunk considerably.

Donations

The hospital, the patients, and the nurses were not forgotten in October. Nurses and patients were remembered with fruit by Mr. W. Perkins; Mrs. Robert Aiken four jars of jelly; Mrs. and Miss Brown sent five dollars for the nurses table; Mr. J.S. Neill apples and native pears; Dr. McGrath, pickles; Mrs. (Dr.) Currie, of Cambridge, Mass. for hospital use, a stereoscopic clinic, and White's physiological manikin, which will be a great help to the students while studying anatomy.

Probationer's Class

According to the superintendent a class of probationers has just passed that ordeal and she speaks well of their work and recommends that they receive their caps. Those in the class are Miss McDonald, North Devon; Miss Jewett, Keswick; Miss Upton, Mungerville; Miss Comley, Campbellton. Class pins of attractive design have at last arrived and the first to receive them are Misses Sweeney and

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O'CONNOR SAYS BOARD WILL GIVE RULING RE MILK

**GAVE REPLY TO LETTER
FROM MAYOR HANSON**

No Decision re "Spread" of 5 Cents per Quart—Sugar Distribution Not Under Control.

The Board of Commerce according to a letter received by Mayor Hanson from Mr. W. F. O'Connor Assistant Chief Commissioner, is to meet shortly at Ottawa and reach a joint decision concerning the price of milk. This is due to the numerous complaints which have reached the Board from all parts of Canada.

This reply from Mr. O'Connor is to a letter sent by His Worship October 27th pointing out that the price of milk in Fredericton might go to sixteen cents per quart and stating that fourteen cents per quart would be a fair price here.

No Control Over Sugar

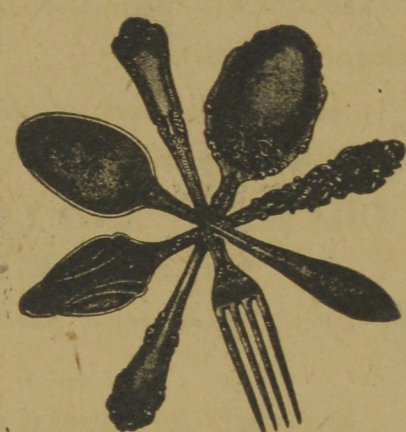
His Worship also mentioned the sugar situation to Mr. O'Connor but the reply has been that the Board of Commerce has no control over the distribution of food-stuffs but that the Board is able to announce that all export licenses have been cancelled with a few exceptions.

Mr. O'Connor's Letter

The letter of Mr. O'Connor to His Worship as read to the City Council in Committee last night was as follows:

There have been so many complaints received of late concerning the cost and price of milk that it seems to me that this Board will have to confer as a body and communicate its joint conclusions. The chairman of the Board is not in Ottawa but will be here in a few days whereafter you will hear from us.

"You refer to a spread of five cents authorized by the Canada Food Board. That Board is not now in existence. The policy which the Board of Commerce has adopted is that the reasonableness of a spread depends entirely upon the circumstances in a particular place. In Ottawa for instance the spread is only three cents. In most places this would not be nearly sufficient. In some places a five cent spread is fair—in some other places five cents would not be sufficient. It all depends upon the actual cost with a fair profit added."



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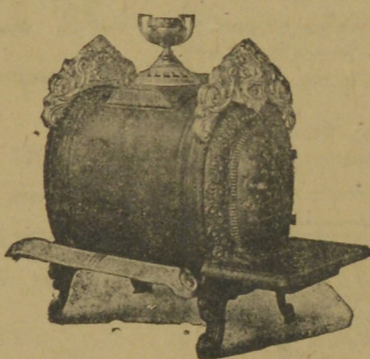
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