

## HAY CROP BELOW THE AVERAGE ALL OVER PROVINCE

### EASTERN SECTION HAS BEST HAY FIELDS

Average to Poor in York Co.—Grain Crops Everywhere Look Well—Berry Season Longer.

The cutting of hay has become quite general in Carleton County. The crop is generally below the average. The cold dry weather of June, accompanied by several frosts, was responsible for the lack of growth. In the northern counties reports indicate a very poor hay crop. Some reports state that old meadows are hardly worth cutting. In the eastern section, the crop is later and will be helped some by recent rains. In the southern counties and York, the crop varies from average to poor, according to whether the meadow is new or old.

#### Grain Looks Well

Grain crops generally have a good color and promise well at present. With a few good rains when the crop is heading and filling, there should be a good average crop. Pastures are good and recent rains will hold them for a time longer. Cattle are generally in good condition.

#### Berry Season Lengthened

The season for the strawberry crop has been lengthened by the rains. Prices have advanced considerably during the past week.

#### Won Silk Quilt

The silk quilt donated to the Firemen's Festival, was won by Mrs. Thomas Hayes of North Devon. No. 177 was the winning ticket.

#### Repairing Tarvia Pavement

City Engineer McDowell has begun the work of repairing the tarvia pavement of Queen street between St. John and Regent Streets the pavement was widened to some extent. Repairs also have been made in other places.

#### Coveted Honor

A coveted honor has come to Miss Anna Nicholson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Nicholson, St. Stephen, during the week, in the form of the British Royal Red Cross, a handsome decoration in itself and awarded for "meritorious service" while serving as a nurse on the battlefields of France.

#### Veterans' Band at Tracey

The brass band of the Fredericton Branch, G. W. V. A. went to Tracey this morning to play at the Orange-men's demonstration and picnic there. There was a short parade and the picnic followed. There is a large attendance. All sections of Sunbury County are represented and there also are many present from Fredericton and other places in York County.

#### Band Concert Tomorrow

The Fredericton Brass Band will deliver a band concert at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at Wilmot Park with the following program. O Canada, March, Pestas, Brophy; Overture, Le Diademe, Herman; Hungarian Dance No. 7, Brahms; March, Our Country First, Fleet; Sacred Fantasia, Morning Light, Barnhouse; Descriptive, Forge in the Forest, Michaelis; March Rock of Ages, Hall; Hymn, Vesper; God Save the King, Bandmaster, G. H. Offen.

#### Death at Keswick

The death occurred yesterday at Keswick of James Wright a well known citizen of that community. The deceased was seventy nine years of age and is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Woodford Merrithew, Mrs. C. A. Bueley and Mrs. George Colter of Keswick and by three sons, Washburn, Edward and James Wright of Boston. Service will be held at 11 o'clock Sunday morning at the Baptist church, Keswick, by Rev. Mr. Brown. The deceased was a member of the Masonic Lodge, the Foresters, and the Orange Lodge.

#### To Erect a Garage

Mr. R. L. Phillips of this city has purchased from Mr. F. A. Good, the Sypher property in Campbell street near Phoenix Square. The deal was closed today and it is the intention of Mr. Phillips to erect on the property a garage and service station for his large and growing business. Being in the centre of the city and close to the City Hall market the stand is looked upon as one of the most desirable in the city for the purpose required. Mr. Phillips now carries on repair work at his garage on Smythe street, but the business has outgrown the facilities at his disposal.

#### Protestant Orphanage

The canvass for funds for the N. B. Protestant Home for children which is soon to be established in St. John should meet with a generous response tomorrow in the churches of the city a reference to this institution will be made from the various pulpits. The Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons endorsed the institution by official resolution at the last meeting in St. John in April last. The Grand Lodge of the Loyal Orange Association is actively supporting the establishment of this institution and the subordinate lodges throughout the province are promoting various methods of obtaining funds. Subordinate lodges of the Knights of Pythias and Independent Order of Oddfellows throughout the province have also taken the matter up and are promoting arrangements to assist in this laudable cause.

## SIR J. D. HAZEN RUMORED TO BE CABINET STOCK

### SHUFFLE IN ST. JOHN FEDERAL SEATS POSSIBLE

Dearth of Cabinet Material in New Brunswick Tory Ranks Makes His Recall to Politics Likely.

Along with the rumor that Hon. F. B. Carvell will shortly retire from the Dominion cabinet comes another to the effect that Sir Douglas Hazen will retire from the post of Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of New Brunswick and reenter political life. It will be remembered that when Sir Douglas went out of the government in November 1917 Hon. Mr. Carvell went in, and the knowing ones declare that this order will be reversed next time. It is a pretty well understood fact that Sir Douglas was a much surprised man when he received an invitation from Sir Robert Borden to hand over his portfolio and quit the cabinet but as a loyal party man he felt that there was nothing for him but to obey orders. He gave up the cabinet office which he had held for six years and while it was reported at the time that he would be sent to Washington as a sort of Canadian ambassador, the position did not materialize and a little later he accepted the appointment of Chief Justice with the honor of knighthood thrown in.

#### Extreme Tories Not Satisfied

While the extreme Tory element in this province accepted Union Government by way of Hobson's choice, they have never been very enthusiastic over the appointment of Hon. Mr. Carvell to the cabinet. They have no particular love for that minister and are hopeful that the reports in circulation that he is shortly to withdraw from the cabinet are well founded. They want him to get out and he cannot quit too soon to please them.

#### Dearth of Material

Since the patriotic potato scandal cast its devastating blight over the Tory party there has been quite a dearth of material for successful leadership, and men with an eye to the future of the old party have been doing some looking around. They have been casting their eyes in the direction of the present Chief Justice and are hopeful that they can persuade him to withdraw from his honorable and dignified position and reenter the stormy arena of politics. It is said that a proposal that the Chief Justice take over the leadership of the Provincial Opposition in the Legislature was made some time ago but failed to receive very earnest consideration and had to be abandoned. Now the story is that one of the Unionist mem-

## F. B. EDGCOMBE CITY'S LARGEST RATEPAYER

### TAX BILLS ARE NOW BEING PREPARED

With Firm Account Separate, Maritime Electric Co. Has Distinction—Tax Collection.

The payment of city taxes soon will be the chief concern of citizens and the bills for the various ratepayers are now being made out. City Marshall James Roberts as before, is to perform the duty of serving the notices. As there are 1904 polls and many non-residents and business firms in addition the service will take some time. It is probable that by the end of next week the tax bills all will be made out.

#### Enviably Honor

As in 1918 Mr. Fred B. Edgcombe has the distinction of being the ratepayer with the largest tax bill. This is made up by his individual taxes and those of the firm of F. B. Edgcombe & Co. If those accounts are considered separately the largest taxpayer in the city is the Maritime Electric Company.

#### Usual Arrangements

The arrangements for the payment of taxes will be as usual. Discounts of five percent will be allowed on taxes paid on or before August 21st. After that date interest at the rate of one half per cent per month will be added to taxes in arrears. Since that interest has been charged the payment of taxes during the discount period has been greatly accelerated.

#### Good Staff at Sussex

The Rural Science School which opened this week at Sussex has upwards of forty school teachers in attendance. There were about thirty present at the opening which was attended by Mr. E. P. Bradt, Deputy Minister of Agriculture of the Province. A four weeks' course will be given by Prof. Wheelock of Acadia University, Wolfville, N. S., instructor in physics, Prof. D. W. Hamilton of Macdonald College, Ste. Anne de Bellevue, Que., in agricultural chemistry, Mr. Macintosh curator of the Natural History Museum at St. John, in natural history, Mr. A. C. Gorham, Director of Elementary Agricultural Education for New Brunswick, in gardening.

Members for St. John-Albert will be appointed to the St. John Harbor Commission, and when Hon. Mr. Carvell withdraws from the cabinet Sir Douglas Hazen will succeed him and will seek election in St. John. This is the plan which the Tory bosses are said to have framed up, but of course something may happen to prevent it from being carried out in its entirety.

## FACTORY QUOTED PRICES

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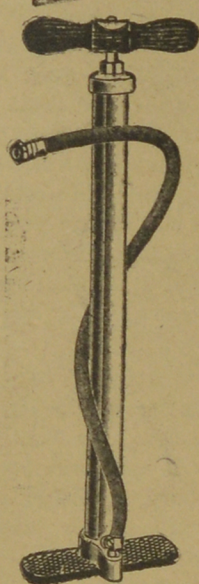
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An officer will be at the Dominion Provincial Employment Service Office, 68 York Street, Fredericton, N.B., from July 14th to July 18th, for the purpose of engaging recruits.

Applicants must be between the ages of eighteen and forty, and unmarried. Minimum height, 5 feet 8 inches; minimum chest measurement, 36 inches; Maximum weight 175 pounds.

Term of engagement, 3 years.  
A. A. McLEAN, Comptroller.  
Ottawa, 8th July, 1919.