

PEAK OF FLU EPIDEMIC IN PROVINCE PAST

**NO REPORTS RECEIVED
BY DEPT. SINCE SATURDAY**

**Madawaska Sub-District Sent
Particularly Good Report—
Conditions in Cities
Improving.**

The peak of the slight influenza epidemic which occurred in various parts of New Brunswick during the winter is apparently past. The Department of Health has received no reports since Saturday morning of any cases of influenza, the last reported being at Pennfield, Charlotte County.

Madawaska County

A report from Madawaska County gives that sub-district an excellent standing in matter of health. Small-pox which occurred at various places in that county is cleared up and influenza has not assumed any great proportions.

Cities Improved Greatly

The condition of Moncton and St. John as far as influenza is regarded, is greatly improved. The peak of the epidemic in both places was passed some time ago and the number of cases is rapidly diminishing.



His Honour the Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Pugsley will be at home at the Queen Hotel on the afternoon of Thursday, the eleventh of March, from four to six o'clock.

R. S. BARKER,
Official Secretary.
Fredericton, N. B.,
March 8th, 1920.

Entertained Students

Mrs. J. S. Scott entertained a number of U. N. B. students very pleasantly at her home on Charlotte Street last evening. Dancing was the principal amusement.

N. B. Federation of Labor

The New Brunswick Federation of Labor will open its annual session here Wednesday morning and will sit on the two days following. The sessions will be held at the Labor Hall, Regent Street.

Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Jewett announce the engagement of their youngest daughter Edna Beatrice to George B. Alexander of Moose Jaw, Sask. Mr. Alexander is the son of Colonel and Mrs. T. L. Alexander, Fredericton Junction. The wedding is to take place early next month.

Invited to Woodstock.

Rev. M. E. Conron, pastor of Zion church St. John has been invited to Woodstock at the close of the present church year, and Rev. S. Howard, now in Woodstock, has been invited to St. John. Both have accepted subject to the approval of the conference stationing committee. Rev. Mr. Howard once was stationed in Fredericton.

To Play in St. Stephen

The Fredericton Curling Club Monday night decided to send three or four rinks to St. Stephen to play a return match there Thursday. Skips will be elected tonight. Last night A. S. McFarlane defeated R. B. VanDine in the Managing Committee series 17 to 9. In the same series L. C. Macnutt skipping G. C. McDowell's rink defeated J. E. Page 16 to 15.

Vaudeville in April

As announced in The Mail Saturday F. G. Spencer Limited will put on a one-day's bill of vaudeville at the Opera House beginning April 6th. Owing to heavy expense the admission will be higher than for the picture shows. There will be five turns in the bill and they will be of good class, the same as many Fredericton people have seen at the Strand Theatre in Halifax. The bill will be the same as is shown at the Scollay Square Olympia and Washington Street Olympia, Boston.

Death at Keswick

The death of Charles L. Merrithew took place early this morning at his home at Keswick, after a short illness. The deceased was sixty-nine years of age and was a well known farmer of Keswick. He is survived by four brothers, James, Sanford, Jacob and Jesse H. all of Keswick; and three sisters Mrs. Wellesley Smith of this city and the Misses Katherine and Mary Merrithew at home. The funeral will take place Thursday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Jones conducting the services. Interment will be made at the Pickard Burying Ground, Keswick.

MOVE TOWARD RETURN OF THE REGULARS

**YORK COMMERCIAL CLUB
CONSIDERED THE MATTER**

**Permanent Quarters for Club
Possibility for Near Future
—Protest Against
Signals.**

The York Commercial Club at its regular meeting Monday night took action toward having Canadian permanent troops stationed here as they were before the war. A committee of three composed of Harry A. Smith, R. W. McLellan and Col. W. J. Osborne was appointed to get in touch with the Fredericton Board of Trade and the City Council, and arrange for the three bodies to cooperate in bringing the matter to the attention of the Dominion Government, through Col. H. F. McLeod, M. P.

C. N. R. Automatic Signals

The automatic signals at the C. N. R. crossings on George and Charlotte streets came in for bitter criticism from members who reside in that vicinity. These devices although installed at the request of residents of the locality as safeguards were termed nuisances because of the frequency of short-circuiting and continuous ringing, particularly at night. The matter was referred to the Transportation Committee.

Matter of Club Quarters

The question of club quarters of a permanent character was discussed. The special committee on that matter reported and it is considered possible that the Commercial Club will have its own home in the near future. The details are not yet completed and no announcement of the property in view is made.

Freight Rate Percentage Increase

Ald. J. Stewart Neill for the Transportation Committee, reported upon the conference held by the committee and the Transportation Committee of the Board of Trade with two representatives of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association. Representations were to be made to get better terms for the Maritime Provinces in the matter of railway freight rates and to have the percentage increase done away with.

Machine Gun Company

Major F. deL. Clements who will command the York County company of the New Brunswick Machine Gun Battalion. He described the organization and the desire to raise three batteries in Fredericton, Devon and Marysville. On motion the Commercial Club endorsed the scheme of organization and promised support.

MEMBERS OF GOVERNMENT HAVE ARRIVED

**OTHERS EXPECTED FOR
MEETING WEDNESDAY**

**Stated That Speaker will be
Present at Opening—Pre-
parations Now Well
Advanced.**

Hon. J. P. Byrne, Attorney General and Hon. P. J. Veniot, Minister of Public Works, have arrived here, the advance guard of members of the Provincial Executive which will be in session here Wednesday in preparation for the opening of the legislative session. Others are to arrive tonight.

Speaker to Attend

It is stated today that illness will not prevent Hon. J. E. Hetherington Speaker of the House from being present at the opening on Thursday, the Speaker having recovered from an indisposition.

Preparations at the House

At the House the usual preparations are under way. Some six hundred invitations to attend the opening proceedings have been issued by Clerk J. M. Keefe. A large proportion of that number it is thought will be accepted making the attendance of spectators on the floor of the chamber large.

An extra force of snow shovellers has been at work widening the paths on the sidewalks about the Parliament Buildings, the snow plows cutting very narrow paths on account of the remarkably heavy snowfall. The positions of the guard-of-honor, band and artillery party also have been cleared of snow.

More Men for the Guard

More men are needed for the guard-of-honor which is being issued with clothing and equipment at the armory Carleton street, each evening.

Telegraph Arrangements

The Western Union Telegraph office stated today that that company would have no operator at the House this year contrary to custom. The C. P. R. office will be in the same place as last year and the official report will be handled through it. The personnel of the staff is not yet known.

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