

## NO TENDERS FOR PAVING CITY STREETS

PERIOD FOR TENDERS  
EXPIRED ON SATURDAY

City Council to Consider Matter Tonight—Matter of Establishing a Seaplane Station Also.

The period for the receiving of tenders for the paving of streets in Fredericton expired at noon Saturday but not one tender was received. There is little chance of tenders being delayed in the mail as up to noon today nothing was reported at the City Hall.

The City Council will consider this matter tonight when the regular committee meeting will be held for August. There was criticism of slow progress with the city doing its own paving under City Engineer McDowell and also an expression of opinion that the work could be done more economically by contract. It was stated at a special meeting of the City Council at which the matter was discussed that there were more than one contractor ready to tender. They have not come to the scratch, however, and it looks as if the city will have to continue its own work.

### Air Station Proposition

The City Council tonight also will consider the matter of establishing a station for sea planes. The Board of Trade has forwarded the regulations of the Air Board to the City Council for its information. Col. Leckie at the time of the flight of the two hydroplanes from Halifax to Lake St. John, Quebec, was well impressed with the advantages of this city.

### Geddes in Maine

Sir Auckland Geddes, British Ambassador at Washington, has arranged to spend the remainder of the summer at Dark Harbor, Islesboro, Penobscot Bay, eastern Maine.

### In the Police Court

One drunk was arrested on Saturday night but was allowed to go on deposit. Two young men were taken in this morning for a like offence, and will probably come up before Police Magistrate Limerick tomorrow morning. They were arrested in a pool parlor on Queen Street.

### Made a Big Hit

The two special trains carrying the Imperial Press party, went to Woodstock over the Valley Railway, leaving here late in the afternoon. The trains were somewhat more classy than the ordinary passenger trains and naturally made the people along the route sit up and take notice.

### On Motor Trip

A party composed of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Olive, Miss Olive and Mr. and Mrs. Barteau of Truro, N. S., arrived here on Saturday by auto and registered at the Barker House. They left yesterday for Woodstock and plan to return tomorrow. They will spend a few days touring the province.

### Death of Child

At an early hour on Sunday morning the death occurred of the young son of Mr. and Mrs. John Tierney at their home on Marysville Road. Besides the parents the deceased is survived by one brother. The funeral took place at 10 o'clock this morning interment being made at Sunny Bank Cemetery.

### Revenue Stamp Punch

According to an announcement made by the inland revenue department at Ottawa, the collection of the new tax by means of revenue stamps started yesterday. After much consideration it was finally decided that the most effective system of collecting the tax is by means of a ticket punch and punches are to be supplied by the department to merchants at cost price.

### Home After Long Absence

Rev. Alexander B. Murray, formerly rector of Westfield, who has been absent from the province for about ten years, arrived this week to spend a month. At present he is visiting his old home near Shediac. Rev. Mr. Murray was rector of Stanley, York county, for many years, and later went to Westfield. He is now rector of the Parish in the diocese of Albany, N. Y.

### Veteran Took Part

Uncle Henry Braithwaite, the veteran big game hunter of this city was on hand Saturday on the invitation of Mayor Reid to assist in the welcome to the Empire press delegates. He motored to the Douglas boom with three of the visitors and was delighted to find that one of them was well acquainted with Lord Hawke and Sir Robert Harvey, noted old country sportsmen who had hunted big game with Mr. Braithwaite. The visitors were greatly interested with the graphic stories of big game hunting and fishing which the veteran guide handed out to them.

### Week-End Motorists

As usual the city was visited by a number of week-end motorists in spite of unfavorable weather Saturday. At the Barker House were Mr. and Mrs. Louis E. Page, Charlotte Page, Ralph Score of Winchester, Mass.; J. E. Brown, G. R. Crosby, W. E. Dennings, W. George, St. John; Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Jones, Miss Harriet H. Jones and Leon Barker of Bangor, Me.; Percy E. Holmes, Sam Holmes, Miss Greta Holmes, Miss Nora Hannan of Doaktown; F. T. Mullin and wife, Mrs. A. Mullin, Miss G. Mullin, Miss M. McGoldrick, D. Corkery of St. John; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Parlee, Miss Frances Parlee and Miss Norma Parlee of St. John.

## A. J. MILES OF DEVON MET WITH SEVERE LOSS

LIGHTNING BURNED  
HIS BARN AND STOCK

Martins Killed by Bolt at John A. Campbell's, Kingsclear—Several Places in the City Struck.

An electrical storm, the most severe of this year and equalling any which has been experienced in some years, passed over this section of the province Saturday afternoon. Many assert that there were two storms which approached at an angle and met in this vicinity.

The most serious damage was done at the farm of Albert Miles, Devon, the barn being struck and set afire instantly. The building with several head of livestock, hay and other property was destroyed, the loss being about five thousand dollars. Several other places in and about Fredericton were struck with more or less damage.

### Fire in Devon

The barn of Mr. Miles was set afire by the bolt which was accompanied by the heaviest peal of thunder. The train from Norton on the Fredericton & Grand Lake Railway, was standing waiting for a clear line through the South Devon yard of the C. N. R. and members of its crew saw the lightning strike the cupola of the building and the flames burst out shortly afterward. The owner was not at home, but soon was notified of the fire and an alarm was sounded on the C.N.R. roundhouse whistle and others. The train-crew of the Norton train and others rushed to the building and removed an automobile, wagons and other property. The livestock could not be removed and perished in the rapidly spreading flames. A bull, a milk cow and a colt were burned to death, and twenty-five tons of hay were destroyed. This had been gathered but a short time. The Devon Fire Department responded to the alarm and prevented the flames from spreading to the dwelling, which stood a few feet away from the burning building. Mr. Miles carried insurance on the barn, but not enough to meet the cost of construction of a new building. The fire attracted hundreds from Devon, Fredericton and elsewhere.

### Other Places Struck

Christchurch Cathedral, which was burned a few years ago, after being struck by lightning, was struck during the storm and one of the arms of the cross on the steeple damaged and a lightning rod broken. At about the same time the residence of Stanley Douglass at the corner of Landsdowne Street and Waterloo Row, was struck and its interior considerably damaged. The current appeared to follow an iron pipe or the damage would have been greater. Children were playing in the house at the time. The residence of Ford Delong, York Street, also was struck and damaged. The same occurred at the residence of the Misses McConaghey, Carleton Street, and the residence of Ludloy Malloy, whose

## EXPERTS ARE BACK FROM THE NORTH COUNTIES

DRS. WM. STEWART AND  
W. J. MORSE WITH THEM

Noted American Authorities on Potato Culture—Cause of Potato Seed Failure Not Yet Determined.

A party of experts who had been inspecting potato-fields in Aroostook county, Maine, and in northern New Brunswick, arrived here today. In the party were Dr. William Stewart of Washington, D. C., head of the Potato Division of the United States Department of Agriculture, Dr. W. J. Morse of Orono, Me., Maine State Plant Pathologist and professor at the Maine State University, G. C. Cunningham of Fredericton Plant Pathologist of the Dominion Department of Agriculture and E. P. Bradt and A. G. Turney of the New Brunswick Department of Agriculture.

The Americans were met at Presque Isle and the party went through Aroostook County later coming to Victoria County and thence down the St. John River to Fredericton.

### Potatoes Have Missed

The condition which caused the investigation is the missing of potatoes on an extensive scale. Maine had this trouble last year and again this. New Brunswick experienced it this year for the first time. Impure fertilizer has been blamed by some as the cause of this trouble in Victoria and Carleton Counties. Analyses of fertilizer samples have been made at Ottawa in all but one case. No injurious substance has been reported. A definite cause of the failure of the seed has not been stated yet and it is possible that it is due to a combination of circumstances—seed not in good condition, fertilizer not properly applied and prolonged drought in the early part of the summer.

The American experts are registered at the Barker House. W. S. Blair and Mrs. Blair of Kentville also are with the party.

### Seriously Ill

Mr. John W. Canber, an old and respected farmer of Kingsclear, is seriously ill and not expected to recover.

### New Power-Boat

H. G. Chestnut, manager of the Chestnut Canoe Co. has put a new speed boat in the water, Alpha II. The new boat is just six inches shorter than the original Alpha and is equipped with a forty-horse power Red Bird engine with an electric starter. The new craft should do, with her power and build, over fifteen miles per hour.

wife and child were affected by the bolt.

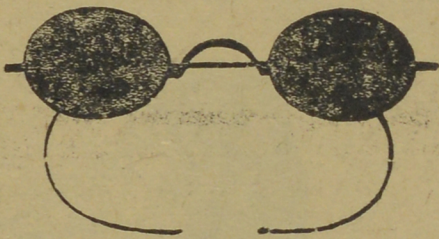
### Damage in Kingsclear

In Kingsclear a bolt struck outbuildings on the farm of John A. Campbell, ex-M. P. P. The ridge-board was torn off a hog-house and a bird-house placed for the accommodation of martins was struck. Twenty of the birds were killed by the lightning.

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