

# Parish Assessments in York County for Ensuing Year

**Support of Poor Chief Item in Several Parishes—Douglas Pays Highest Total Under That Head—Twenty Patients in Provincial Hospital at Public Expense from the Parishes—The Municipal Home Project Supported by Parishes With the Heaviest Bills for Support of Poor.**

The assessments for parish purposes passed by the Municipal Council of York County for the fourteen parishes of the county at the annual meeting last week follow. The lists show that support of the poor is the chief item in each parish with Stanley Douglas, Southampton, North Lake, and St. Marys with particularly heavy assessments for that purpose. Needless to say the agitation for a municipal home came largely from the parishes with the heavy poor bills. The second largest item is Support of Patients at the Provincial Hospital. Twenty are at that institution at the public expense from the various parishes.

**Kingsclear**  
Support of Poor ..... \$600  
Patients in Prov. Hospital ..... 104  
Parish Clerk ..... 8  
Assessors to be paid four per cent.

**Stanley**  
Support of Poor ..... \$775  
Patients in Prov. Hospital ..... 104  
Parish indebtedness ..... 1  
Parish Clerk ..... 5

**Canterbury**  
Support of Poor ..... \$651  
Patients in Prov. Hospital ..... 156  
Parish Clerk ..... 6  
District Clerk ..... 3  
Assessors to be paid four per cent.

**Bright**  
Support of Poor ..... \$200  
Patients in Prov. Hospital ..... 52  
Parish Clerk ..... 4  
Assessors to be paid five per cent.

**Manners Sutton**  
Support of Poor ..... \$450  
Patients in Prov. Hospital ..... 52  
Parish Clerk ..... 5  
District Clerks ..... 5  
Assessors to be paid five per cent.

**North Lake**  
Support of Poor ..... \$800  
Parish Clerk ..... 5  
Assessors to be paid five per cent.

**Southampton**  
Support of Poor ..... \$1000  
Patients in Prov. Hospital ..... 104  
Parish clerk and election expenses ..... 26

Assessors to be paid four per cent.  
**Dumfries**  
Support of Poor ..... \$325  
Patients in Prov. Hospital ..... 104  
Parish Clerk ..... 5  
Assessors to be paid five per cent.

**Queensbury**  
Support of Poor ..... \$350  
Patients in Prov. Hospital ..... 52  
Parish Clerk ..... 6  
District Clerks ..... 4  
Assessors to be paid five per cent.

**New Maryland**  
Support of Poor ..... \$100  
Parish Clerk ..... 4  
Assessors to be paid five per cent.

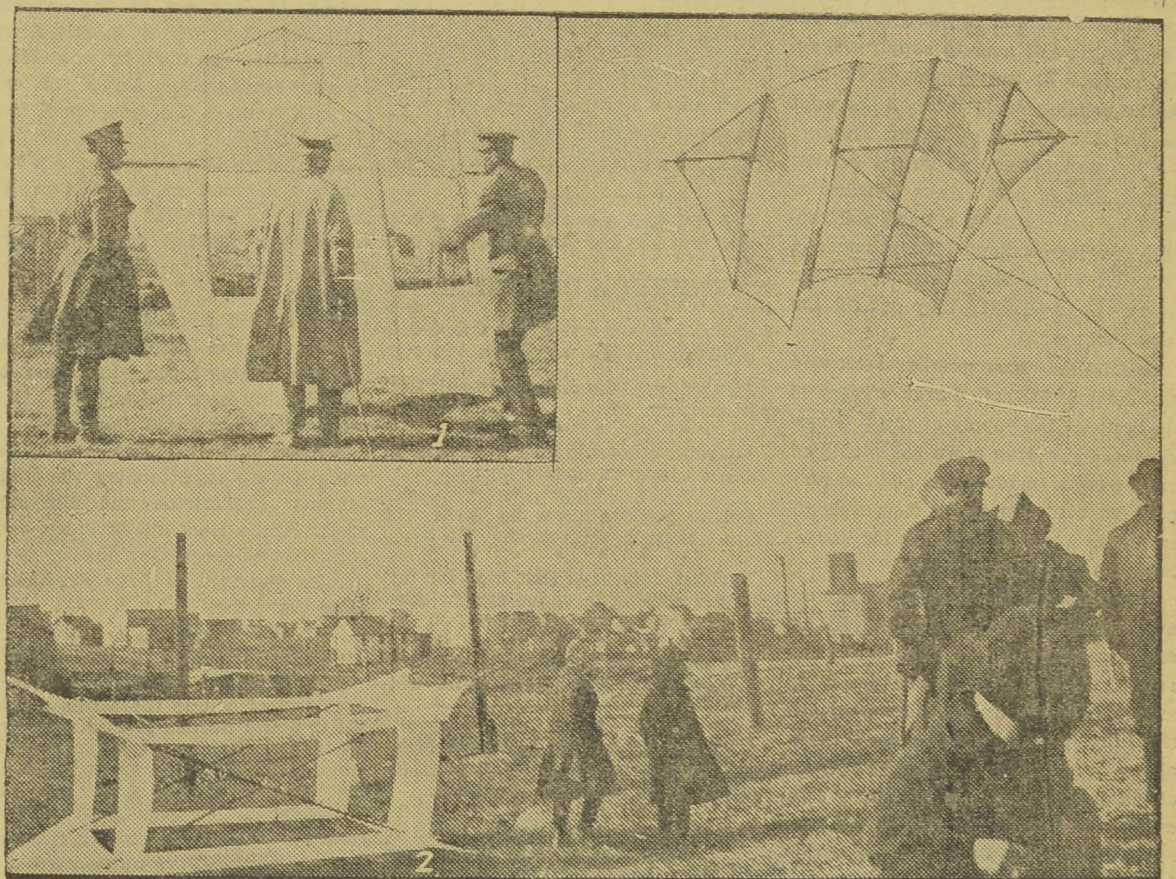
**McAdam**  
Support of Poor ..... \$100  
Parish Clerk ..... 6  
Assessors to be paid five per cent.

**St. Mary's**  
Support of Poor ..... \$1000  
Patients in Prov. Hospital ..... 52  
Parish Indebtedness ..... 100  
Parish Clerk ..... 6  
District Clerks (each \$2) ..... 10  
Assessors to be paid five per cent.

**Prince William**  
Support of Poor ..... \$50  
Patients in Prov. Hospital ..... 52  
Parish clerk ..... 6  
Assessors to be paid five per cent.

**Douglas**  
Support of Poor ..... \$2100  
Patients in Prov. Hospital ..... 208  
Parish Indebtedness ..... 400  
Parish Clerk ..... 10  
Assessors to be paid four per cent.

## PREPARING FOR TRANS-ATLANTIC FLYING



(1) Lieut. Harris (on right) explaining Crown kite to St John officers.  
(2) Starting large Crown kite—box kite resting on the left.

In future days when one takes a casual flight across the Atlantic, in a Detroit flying flivver, the success of the trip can be credited to the British Air Ministry in general, the meteorological in particular and Lieut. Guy Harris, F.R.M.S., R.A.F., specifically.

Lieut. Harris arrived in St. John recently, the only passenger on board the Canadian Pacific Steamship Montcalm. He is the commander of the Atlantic upper air investigation expedition which under the control of the Royal Air Ministry will chart every air current across the Atlantic as sure and safe as the water pathway. Weather news bureaus will also be inaugurated to furnish up-to-the-second information regarding all aerial conditions.

A representative of the press visited the vessel and examined the special apparatus with which she was fitted for the experiments. At first sight it seems to be simple enough, for it consists only of winches, fire box kites, and a meteorograph, but the meteorograph is itself a complicated and intricate instrument, and kite-flying for scientific purposes is not quite the schoolboy fun that many people imagine it to be. The kites used are of three types, and the largest of these, which measures roughly 8 ft. by 6 ft., exerts a pull in a strong wind sufficient to strain the holding power of four men.

Besides the box kite there is a crown kite, 16 feet long and 12 feet high, with a main plane and two keels; the keel kite is smaller and is used mostly as a pilot kite to assist the others up.

There are two winches, one placed on the fore-deck for use when the wind is aft, and the other for use when the wind is ahead or abeam, is to be sent off on the gun platform in the stern of the ship. By these means the mooring cables which are of fine steel wire very similar to marine sounding cable will be kept clear of rigging and derricks whatever may be the angle from the ship at which the kite is flying.

When the soundings are taken two kites are attached to the cable and a pilot of light make and 400 feet behind it one of the bigger box kites carrying meteorograph. The air sur-

roundings vary in layers upwards, and soundings can be taken up to a height of four or five miles. The meteorograph, a comparatively small instrument combining three devices in one, records at the same time, by pen points marking a chart on a revolving drum, the humidity of the air, atmospheric pressure, and the speed of the wind, all factors of the utmost importance in the consideration of flight.

If the soundings experiments made from the Montcalm are successful a number of ships will be fitted forth with similar gear to that which she is to carry. Soundings in great numbers will be taken, and the information obtained will be distributed by wireless from ship to ship, and to stations in London, Lisbon, the Azores, and Newfoundland. There is also to be an immediate station on a battleship cruising on a definite area between Newfoundland and the Azores. These are the points at which it has already been decided by the ministry to establish ports of call for cross Atlantic air traffic. At each there will be repair shops, spare parts, stores, and petrol for refueling the aeroplanes. The type of machine to be used will be a "flying boat" and thus when the proposed method of gathering news about weather conditions is in full working order, and when in a month's time official cross Atlantic flight by aeroplane begins, as it is hoped it will, pilots will be able to have their machines overhauled to "refill," and to learn the latest tidings of weather ahead at five halts on the journey. Thus the Air Ministry is reducing the risks of flight to a minimum.

It was at first proposed that these atmospheric readings should be made using balloons of the type employed by the Meteorological office in carrying out daily readings over land, but there are many objections to flying balloons from ships. The kite which is made of fine linen stretched between bamboos is strong and serviceable, and can be folded away for storage in a very small place. It is also cheap to make and quickly turned out. It may be remarked that the officer stationed at Lisbon is to be allowed full use of the observatory there for gathering weather news. The official view is

that the prospects for cross Atlantic flights by aeroplane are entirely favourable, and it is hoped to make the journey without touching the Azores. Early news of conditions ahead will have the greatest influence on the success of the venture.

Lieut. Harris said that there were many difficulties experienced in the kite flying at sea, but thanks to the valuable assistance of Captain Hamilton and other members of the ship's staff everything worked out remarkably well. It is a far different thing, he stated, to fly a monster kite from a moving, lurching ship than it is from the steady ground. It is very difficult to get the kite away from the ship, and for a long time he had to puzzle out a method of getting the recording instruments up to the kite after the ascent had been successfully made. To the best of his knowledge, kites had been flown from ships only once before, and that long before the present war. During the voyage across he had made several altitude flights of 7,800 feet, and many over 6,000 feet.

The air service mentioned above, he added, will be used and charted for every sea and will cover a service of airships and the larger heavier-than-air craft, as well as 'planes. His records made during the voyage across are in rough shape and of course nothing can be published regarding the trip until the official reports have been passed through the ministry at London. But, he added, "I am very well pleased with the results obtained and I can state without qualification that the expedition, so far, has been most successful."

Mr. Harris is a fellow of the Royal Meteorological Society, and has been engaged in scientific pursuits for the past 18 years, making his first experiments when but a mere lad. He had been engaged in scientific kite-flying several years before the war broke out, and his services were keenly appreciated by the air service.

For three years he has been attached to the Royal Naval Air Service operating around the British Isles and Dunkirk in anti-submarine work. It has been frequently stated that there never has been a ship attacked by the German U-boats while it was conveyed by a flyer.



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## SOCIALISTS NOW MASTERS OF SITUATION

Brussels, Belgium, Jan. 10.—Travelers from Germany arriving here bring reports that the German government has been overthrown, the Socialists are masters of the situation, and a general strike has been declared in territory not occupied by the Allies.

There always seems to be a coal shortage when you're cold, an ice shortage when you're sweltering, and your shoestring breaks only when you are in a hurry.

## NEW COURSES IN EVENING CLASSES

**1. GENERAL EDUCATION**  
Under Mr. Patterson. Especially for those with little education who wish to get more.

**2. PLAIN SEWING**  
Under Miss Gillis. Especially for those with little or no experience in sewing who wish to learn plain sewing and the making of simple garments.

**INDUSTRIAL STITCHING**  
This course fits for a position in the shops. Last term's students entered at higher pay than any other beginners. There are also a few vacancies in the other departments.

Register with the Secretary, Mr. C. A. SAMPSON, at once so as to be ready to start Monday night.

## ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE ACCOUNTS PASSED—CITY'S SHARE OF EXPENSE \$3,437.76—DETAIL

The Administration of Justice Accounts for the County of York, as presented to the Municipal Council of York shows a total of \$10,190.72, of which the City of Fredericton pays one-third, \$3,679.76. With fifty dollars added for copying and revising lists, the city's share is \$3,729.20. A credit deduction, however, brings the total share for the city to \$3,437.46.

The report presented to the Municipal Council and adopted by it was as follows:  
To the Warden and County Council of the Municipality of York:

Your committee appointed to meet with a committee from the City Council for the purpose of adjusting the Administration of Justice account for the year 1919, beg leave to report as follows:

|  | City's Share | County's Share | Total       |
|--|--------------|----------------|-------------|
| Account for Constables .....                   | \$ 74.00     | \$ 148.00      | \$ 222.00   |
| Court House .....                              | 2,124.96     | 4,149.93       | 6,274.89    |
| Gaol .....                                     | 719.38       | 719.38         | 1,438.76    |
| Miscellaneous .....                            | 449.25       | 898.50         | 1,347.75    |
| Postages .....                                 | 10.88        | 21.77          | 32.65       |
| Salaries .....                                 | 20.00        | 40.00          | 60.00       |
| Sheriff .....                                  | 125.00       | 250.00         | 375.00      |
| Juries .....                                   | 56.43        | 85.34          | 141.77      |
| Witnesses .....                                | 99.30        | 198.60         | 297.90      |
| Copying and revising voters' lists, 1919 ..... | \$3,679.20   | \$6,511.52     | \$10,190.72 |
| Less .....                                     | 50.00        |                |             |
|  | \$3,729.20   |                |             |
| Credit—  |              |                |             |
| Surplus fees, Record Office .....              | 283.41       | 566.84         | 850.25      |
| Clerk County Court, Stenog. fees .....         | 8.33         | 16.67          | 25.00       |
|  | \$291.74     | \$583.51       | \$875.25    |
| Total amount of Fredericton's share .....      |              |                | \$3,729.20  |
| Less .....                                     |              |                | 291.74      |
|  |              |                | \$3,437.46  |

Respectfully submitted,  
FRED SEYMOUR, Chairman.  
JOHN T. CHRISTIE  
ROBT. H. GRAHAM  
TYLER KITCHEN  
WM. McMULLIN  
W. P. LAWSON

A Paris scientist claims woman is the backbone of the human species. We hear a great deal about the yellow peril and the red peril, but the blue devil peril is the most intimate of those new backless Paris gowns. of all.