

ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR INDEMNITY

BILL EXPECTED TO BE PUT THROUGH

Pharmaceutical Society Delegation Here Today — Act Being Amended—Prorogation Saturday.

It is reported on good authority that before the session of the legislature ends a bill will be introduced for the increase of sessional indemnity to one thousand dollars. It has been five hundred dollars for many years. Last year there was discussion on the matter of increase and it was stated that there was an understanding that there was to be an increase to eight hundred dollars. An extra indemnity of one hundred dollars was voted for last year. Both sides of the House are favorable to the increase.

Prorogation Saturday. There seems to be no obstacle in the way of prorogation on Saturday at the present time. The House has made rapid progress recently and will keep up its rapid rate.

Pharmaceutical Delegation. A delegation from the Pharmaceutical Society of New Brunswick is here today to go before the committee on Law Practice and Procedure of the Legislature in connection with legislation which is being promoted for the purpose of preventing unregistered druggists from dispensing medicines. A hearing is being given this afternoon.

Municipalities Committee. The Municipalities Committee this morning considered the bill to enable the Parish of Lancaster to assess for recreation purposes and decided to recommend the bill.

Grass Fire Today. A grass fire near the C. P. R. station this morning, a fence was partially burned. Firemen soon extinguished it.

Judgments Tomorrow. The supreme court is expected to deliver a number of judgments tomorrow. It is likely that the list will include the divorce case of FitzRandolph vs. FitzRandolph.

With Livestock Division. Leslie Woods, a recent graduate of Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, has been appointed to assist F. W. Walsh in the Livestock Division of the Provincial Department of Agriculture.

Withdrawal S. S. Empress. For the purpose of undergoing annual overhaul, the steamer Empress between St. John and Digby will be withdrawn from service from May 3rd to 8th inclusive resuming service from St. John, Monday, May 10th.

Created a Stir. The male members of "C" class of the Fredericton High School created a stir yesterday by appearing in school bedecked in overalls. A general laugh was invoked from both teachers and students.

Government Caucus. A caucus of government supporters in the Legislature was held last evening after the close of the session, continuing after midnight. It is understood that government legislation and a proposal to increase the sessional indemnity was under consideration.

Letters of Administration. Letters of administration were granted April 20th for the estate of the late Nancy Crowley of Manners-Sutton. The total probate value of the estate is \$800, there being no real estate. The administrator is Cornelius E. Crowley and G. T. Feeney of this city proctor. There was no will.

Influenza at Riley Brook. The Department of Health of the Province has been informed of about seventy cases of influenza at Riley Brook, Victoria County. A number of cases were reported from that place a few days ago. Dr. J. A. Wade, D. M. H. O., visited Riley Brook. Miss Thomas a nurse sent by the Department is still there.

Returned From Boston. Merton Dunphy of Devon who has been in Boston for several months following a severe operation which was performed there, has returned to his home. Prior to his departure he was taking the course under the D. S. C. R. His health is much improved and he expects to resume the course. Mr. Dunphy went overseas with the 236th McLean Highlanders.

Will Meet at Truro. The Maritime Provinces Branch of the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada is to meet in special session at Truro on Wednesday the 28th inst., for the purpose of considering the situation of athletes at present not in good standing with the organization. Athletic associations in this vicinity are urged to send delegates to the meeting as a matter is one of great importance.

Pythian Meeting. There was a largely attended meeting of Fredericton Lodge No. 6 Knights of Pythias at Castle Hall last evening on which occasion three pages were advanced to the rank of esquire. The degree work was very impressive. There will be a special meeting Friday night commencing at 7.30 when five pages will be advanced in the noble order. On Tuesday, May 18th it is expected that a degree team from the St. John lodge will be in Fredericton and put on the third rank work.

VARIETY OF MATTERS BEFORE BOARD OF TRADE

FEDERAL MEMBER WIRED RE MILITARY UNIT

C. N. R. Authorities Asked Concerning Canada Eastern Improvements—Press Party.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Board of Trade was held last night. Those present were Mayor Reid and Messrs. Weddall, C. F. Chestnut, J. T. Jennings, Brooks, MacLeod, Lamont, Campbell, Hanson, Slipp, Neill, Hodge, Simonds and Dr. C. E. Jones. A telegram from H. F. McLeod, M. P. dated the 18th ult. at Ottawa regarding the establishment of a permanent military unit in this city was received. On motion it was decided to send the following communication to him: "No further word received from you since your telegram of March 18th in regard to establishment of military unit in this city. Can you not give us some definite information in this matter. Citizens anxious; City Council, Board of Trade and Commercial Club prepared to send delegates to Ottawa to take this matter up with Department. Reply at once."

A communication of the Board dated the 9th inst. to the Minister of Labor at Ottawa was read with reference to continuing the Government Employment office at Fredericton; as was the reply of the minister on the 12th inst.

A communication from the Acting Prime Minister dated Feb. 23rd was read with regard to the provision for a street railway on the new railway bridge to be erected over the St. John river.

American Press Delegates. With reference to the proposed visit of the American Press Association a telegram had been received from A. H. Lindsay of the C. N. R. at Moncton and was read to the meeting.

The Secretary was directed to call a meeting of the committee at the earliest possible moment and to find out from the Premier when it would be convenient for him to attend the meeting.

C. N. R. Matters

It was moved by Mr. Hodge and seconded by Jas. S. Neill that a letter be written by Mr. Barnhill regarding the survey of the proposed line of railway from Napudogan to Stanley, the survey of which was completed a few weeks ago; also regarding improvements on the Canada Eastern Branch at Fredericton; and that they also write to the St. John Board of Trade for information regarding Harbour Matters in connection with the increase of facilities for handling ocean traffic. This motion was carried.

Mr. Hodge brought up the matter of the rumored removal of the D.S.C.R. hospital in this city to St. John. On motion a telegram was directed to be sent to H. F. McLeod, M. P. at Ot-

LONDON OFFICE OF AGENT GEN. WAS DISCUSSED

SHOULD BE EXPANDED OR SHOULD BE ABOLISHED

Public Accounts Committee Had Item of \$4,836 Before It—European Export Trade Important.

The Public Accounts Committee of the Legislature this morning devoted attention to the question of maintaining the office of the Agent-General of New Brunswick in London. The matter came up with the item of \$4,836 expenses for the office.

Mr. Magee's Opinion. Mr. Magee the chairman said that the office either should be closed or the work should be expanded so that it would amount to something. The office was small and on a back street. In his opinion New Brunswick should go after the export trade of Great Britain and also the continent. The natural products and the manufactured articles of this province should be on exhibition in London at all times.

Mr. Michaud agreed with Mr. Magee and said also that New Brunswick did not take sufficient advantage of the Federal office. Better representation was needed. The exporters of the province might organize and assist the government in this matter. The Canadian commission at Paris on a visit last year had expressed surprise that New Brunswick used his office so little.

Resolutions covering the matters were adopted by the committee.

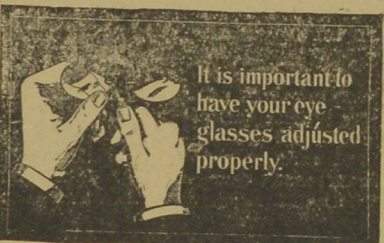
A Genial M. P. P. Hon. F. J. Sweeney, the genial and witty member for Westmorland yesterday received the hearty congratulations of his fellow members on his 55th birthday. He was made the recipient of a nice bouquet and other suitable gifts in honor of the event. This lawyer-farmer-bachelor-member of the House is always in good humor and enjoys the esteem of both parties in the House. It is their universal wish that his shadow, which always looms large, will never grow less.

tawa, suggesting that he see the Minister regarding the matter and that he resist any change, as a removal would be a serious loss to Fredericton. It would be more reasonable to move the St. John patients here.

It was moved by Mr. Hodre and seconded by Mr. Slipp that the Board ask the City Council to provide better lighting on Queen Street from Westmorland street to St. John Street, and that the sidewalk of Queen street be repaired. This motion was carried.

R. B. Hanson who was delegated to go to Ottawa re the Excess Profits Tax gave a very clear report of the interview with the Minister of Finance.

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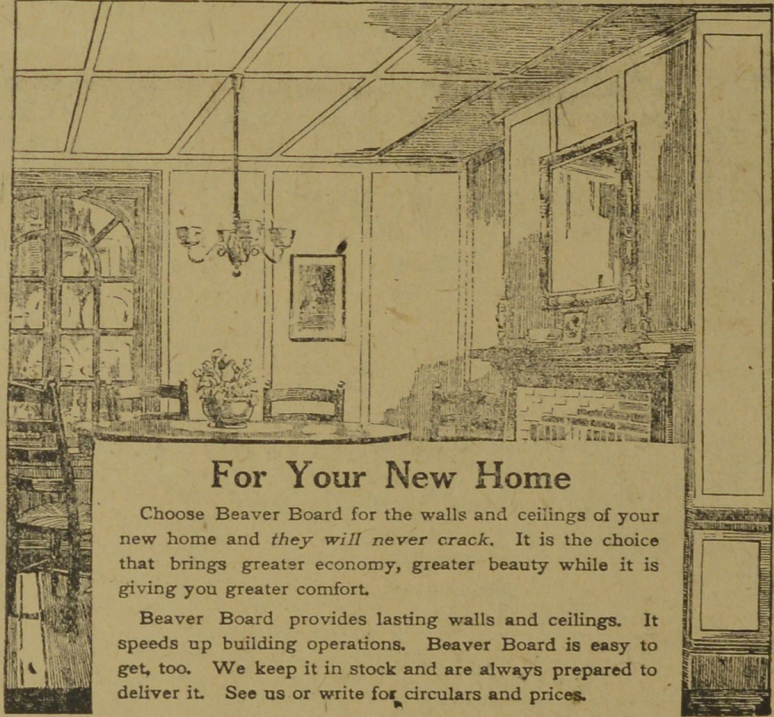
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