

## News Briefs

**SIDEWALK PAVING ADVANCING**  
The laying of sidewalk on King St. between Regent and St. John streets has been completed and work is advancing now on Winslow and Shore streets, which are also included in the large sidewalk paving program recently authorized by the City Council.

**MAY SOLEMNIZE MARRIAGE**  
Rev. Stanley Francis Steeves, of Saint John, a clergyman of the United Church of Canada, and Rev. Philip M. DeLong, Coldstream, Carleton Co., a United Baptist clergyman, have been registered to solemnize marriage in New Brunswick, according to an announcement made in today's issue of the Royal Gazette.

**TESTED SIREN**  
The Devon fire department last evening conducted tests for the carrying power of the fire siren which was purchased by the town a couple of years ago. The range of the big horn seems to be quite satisfactory, the alarm easily carrying to South Devon. The siren was also heard by many in this city, and at first it was believed that the call was made for fire.

**CABINET MEETS**  
A meeting of the provincial cabinet is scheduled to be held here tonight, according to a statement made by J. Bacon Dickson, clerk of the executive council and deputy attorney general. Hon. Dr. A. P. Patterson, Minister of Education, Federal and Municipal Relations, was in the city this morning, while other members of the government are expected to arrive later in the day. Hon. A. A. Dysart, K.C., Premier and Minister of Public Works, is expected to fly here from Edmundston this afternoon, accompanied by Hon. F. W. Pirie, Minister of Lands and Mines, in the latter's plane.

**NEW COMPANY FORMED**  
A new company, termed the Eastern Molasses Corporation, Ltd., has been incorporated at Moncton in accordance with the N. B. Companies Act, it was announced in today's issue of the Royal Gazette. The new company has a capital stock of \$5,000 divided into 50 shares of \$100 each, and will have its headquarters at Chartersville, Westmorland County. The powers of the new company are numerous, among them being power to deal in many kinds of food products, and cotton, and in general to carry on any business which might be allied with the main business of dealing in food products. The members of the company are Jacob Selick, Vaughan G. Barnett and Louis H. Selick, all of Moncton.

## Funeral Mrs. Chesley Estey, Durham, Was Largely Attended

A large number of friends and relatives attended the funeral of Mrs. Dora A. Estey, which took place yesterday afternoon from her home in Durham. The wife of Chesley Estey she had been a lifelong resident of the district, and was well known. Rev. Mr. Cole conducted the service at the home at two o'clock, assisted by Rev. Mr. Lyons. Following the service at the home the procession moved to the United Church of Canada, Durham, where service was held. Interment was made at Lower Durham.

The pall-bearers were Dell Estey, Donald Estey, Morley Estey and Nelson Banks.

## TODAY'S MARKET

The market in Phoenix Square this morning was much smaller than usual, only one side of the Square being filled. Several products took a jump in price, butter and veal being notable. Demand was not heavy on most products, and trading rather sluggish. Prices on most products remained stable with last week. The prevailing prices were:

Parasols, 10c per bunch  
Celery, 10c per head.  
Eating apples, 25c. per peck.  
Cooking apples, 20c per peck  
Crabapples, 35c. per peck  
Tomatoes, 25c. per basket  
Green tomatoes, 20c per pk.  
Cucumbers, 10c. per dozen.  
Pickling cucumbers, 50c. per peck  
Dill, 10c. bunch.  
Peas, 35c. per qt.  
Peppers, 2 for 5c.  
Squash, 2c. per lb.  
Pumpkin, 2c per lb.  
Potatoes, 20c. per pk.  
Cabbage, 5c per head  
Turnips, 5c. each.  
Onions, 5c per bunch.  
Carrots, 5c per bunch  
Beets, 5c per bunch.  
Cauliflowers, 10c each.  
Butter, 32c. to 35c. per pound.  
Eggs, 35c. per dozen  
Chicken, 35c per pound.  
Pork, 12c and 14c per lb.  
Lamb, 15c and 20c per lb.  
Veal, 7c and 14c per pound  
Beef, 7c and 10c per pound.  
Wood, \$7.00 and \$8.00 per cord.

## FIRE PREVENTION WEEK TO BEGIN ON MONDAY OCT. 4

Eight Outside Departments to be Represented Here

**Parade Planned**  
**Elaborate Program For week, Following Order of Gov.-General**

A large body of representatives from eight visiting fire departments will be present in the city for the church parade to the Christ Church Cathedral on Sunday afternoon, which is a preliminary to the Fire Prevention week activities which begin on Monday, Oct. 4. Representatives of the Sussex, Calais, St. Stephen, Woodstock, Milltown, Woodland, Maine; Devon and Oromocto fire departments are expected in the city on Sunday morning to take part in the parade. The route of the parade has not been decided upon yet, as final details are being arranged at the present time. The firemen will first parade to the Cenotaph however, and then to the Church. Very Rev. Dean W. H. Moorhead will officiate at the service. The parade will be led by the Knights of Pythias Band.

The program for fire prevention week, which this year was set beginning Oct. 4 by order of His Excellency, Baron Tweedsmuir, will in general follow the program outlined in the proclamation.

**To Inspect Fire Hazards**  
The members of the fire departments will inspect possible fire hazards, and urge an inspection of all buildings, and the removal by the owners of rubbish which may constitute a hazard.

It is understood that lectures dealing with fire prevention will be broadcast, and that the theatres will show pictures released by the Dominion Government in the interest of fire prevention. It is also expected that the local firemen will conduct exhibition fire drills with full equipment, as part of the program.

## GRAND JURY RETURNS FOUR TRUE BILLS

**Finds Against Phillips, McFadden, Devernet, Griffiths yesterday**

**Coughlin Freed**

**Petit Jury Chosen and Sworn In After Defense Challenges**

After lengthy deliberation of three hours and 35 minutes, the Grand Jury yesterday afternoon brought in true bills in all but one of the cases before it on the September docket of the York County Circuit Court which is now sitting, with Mr. Justice C. D. Richards presiding. No bill was found in the case of Rex vs. William Coughlin, who was sent up on a charge of having care and control of a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor. True bills were found against Wilfred Phillips on two counts of bigamy, and against Kenneth Griffiths of Keswick and Frank Devernet, both of whom are charged with having care and control of a car while intoxicated, and William McFadden who is charged with having carnal knowledge of a girl without her consent, she not being his wife.

Following the verdicts of the Grand Jury, Phillips was arraigned and pleaded not guilty to both charges. The first was laid by Myrtle R. Phillips, alleged second wife of the accused, and the second charge by Constable L. B. Matchett, R.Q.M.P. Several challenges were made by the defence before a jury was chosen and sworn. A. C. Sutton, Fredericton, was the first name drawn. Other jurors are: Robert Hay, Canterbury Station; Fred W. Leslie of this city; Roy Merrill, Marysville; Edgar Schriver, Pinder; Harry Manuel, Hawshaw; Guy Davidson, Lower Southampton; James Robbin, Cross Creek; Fred McBain, Taymouth; Marshall McLaggan, Nashwaak Bridge; Fred Bennet, Cross Creek and Allen Grey, Prince William.

Before adjourning the court, the matter of allowing Phillips his freedom on his bond came up. It was allowed that he be released on recognition, to appear in court today at ten a.m. when the court resumed.

**SUPERVISING EXAMINATIONS**  
G. L. Miller, chief forester for the province, left yesterday for Campbellton to supervise the examinations for scalers licenses which are being conducted there today. The examinations are being held in the St. Louis Hotel.

## Acrimonious Exchange Features Opening of Local Bigamy Case

**First Wife of Wilfred Phillips Testifies As Crown Witness; Tells of Wish of Accused to Get Divorce; Hearing of Witnesses Continued This Afternoon**

A constant barrage of objections was levelled at Crown Prosecutor A. R. Murray by Hon. Dr. R. B. Hanson, defense attorney, as the first witness for the prosecution, Mrs. Hildred Iris McLean Phillips, spent the entire morning in the witness box at the York County Circuit Court on the first day of The King vs. Wilfred Phillips. The packed court room paid close attention as the Crown opened its case against Phillips, who is charged with bigamy on two counts.

Mrs. Phillips, who is the so-called "first wife" of the accused, told the story of her connection with the accused from the time of their courtship in 1917, through the time when they separated and she obtained an American divorce, until the present day. The morning was featured by two acrimonious exchanges between the opposing attorneys, in which references to personalities as well as legal points were made.

Being called as first witness by Crown Prosecutor A. R. Murray, Mrs. Hildred McLean Phillips stated that she is a dental nurse at Woodstock, where she was born.

**Married in 1918**  
According to her testimony, she met the accused in that town in 1917. They were married a year later, on Sept. 25, 1918, at Woodstock by Rev. Joseph Wilson, who died three months after performing the ceremony.

The marriage certificate was shown in court by Mr. Murray, upon which were the signatures of Mrs. Phillips, the accused and two witnesses, Mrs. Ruby X. Gentle, and the mother of the witness, Mrs. McLean.

Hon. Dr. R. B. Hanson, attorney for the accused, here objected strenuously to the examination as it was being conducted by Mr. Murray.

The document was offered in evidence, over the objections of Mr. Hanson.

**Witness Cross-Examined**  
The witness was cross examined by Mr. Hanson, who repeated his objections, stating that the handwriting in the body of the document and that in the signature, of the officiating clergyman, Rev. Joseph Wilson, was not the same. The witness had previously testified that all the writing in the body of the document, with the exception of the signatures of the parties to the marriage contract, and the two witnesses, was that of Rev. Mr. Wilson.

**Accused of Prompting**  
At the request of Mr. Murray Mrs. Phillips gave a detailed description of the ceremony. Mr. Hanson objected accusing the Crown Prosecutor of prompting the witness when the latter barrister asked the witness if she and the accused had lived together "as man and wife." Mr. Justice Richards allowed the question to stand.

The witness gave a detailed account of where she and her husband had lived up to 1926, when they decided to separate. At that time they were living at Woodstock.

After their separation the witness went to live with her mother, she stated. Subsequently she suffered a nervous breakdown, she stated, and went to Vancouver, and from there to Seattle, Wash., where she remained for eight months.

**Received Three Letters**  
On question by the Crown Prosecutor, the witness stated that she received three letters from the accused during the time she was in Seattle. Mr. Hanson objected to the question of Mr. Murray as to whether the witness knew where her husband was, or where the letters were mailed from.

The witness reached into her handbag, producing one of the letters. Mr. Hanson stated that the postmark does not necessarily prove the whereabouts of the accused. The witness identified the letters as being from the accused. In his handwriting, Mr. Hanson again objected as Mr. Murray offered the letter and envelope in evidence, basing his objection on the grounds that the letter was not relevant, that it contained no date line, and the postmark was illegible. Mr. Justice Richards accepted both the letter and the envelope as evidence.

**Didn't Want to Remarry**  
The accused, while urging the witness, his wife, to get a divorce or at least separation papers, in the letter which was read to the jury, denied any wish to remarry at that time.

**According to the witness, she returned to Woodstock from Seattle in June 1927. In September she went to Connecticut and from there to Augusta, Maine, where her health broke down. She returned to Woodstock in March, 1928, she said.**

The witness stated that she saw her husband, the accused in the Post Office at Woodstock, for the first time since their separation. On the occasion they had a conversation, in which the accused expressed a wish to "regain his freedom." After Mr. Hanson had registered his objection the witness continued, stating that the accused said he wanted a divorce. (Continued on Page Five)

## Four New Cases Raise Infantile Total For N. B. to 109

The total number of infantile paralysis cases reported in New Brunswick since the outbreak of the disease now stands at 109, four new cases having been reported to the provincial Department of Health and Labor since press time yesterday. No new cases had been reported up to noon today.

Of the four new cases reported after press time yesterday afternoon, two are at Saint John, one in Saint John County outside of the city limits, and one at Fair Vale, Kings County. The total for Saint John City is now 73.

## HIGH PRICE OF FIREWOOD WILL HELP FARMERS

**Greatest Scarcity In Many Years Because of Higher Pay in Other Work**

That seasoned firewood will sell at a premium on the local market in the coming months, is the belief of farmers from the surrounding district according to statements made today. Seasoned fire wood has not been so scarce in many years as it is this fall, they stated, due to the small amount of wood cut last winter.

The underlying cause is in the fact that teams last winter could earn \$80 per month in the woods, while men were also in demand and working at the highest scale of wages in years. A great percentage from the country districts were thus employed, while the employment of the teams for hauling pulpwood also took its toll from wood cutting activities and increased the shortage this year.

Another reason for the scarcity of wood on the market is believed to be the number of trucks which last fall were hauling wood into the city, which are now employed on road paving projects and other works.

**Believe Less to be Cut**  
It was also intimated that there is a possibility of even less fire wood being cut this coming winter than last, the prospects of work in the lumber woods again being good. This will jump the price of green wood, they stated, benefitting the farmers who do not go to the lumber woods.

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Speaks at Session of School of Theology Here This Mning

**Modern Missionaries**

**Dr. W. G. Watson Speaks on "Early Sacrifices In Israel"**

"That the Canadian ministry as a whole is more endowed with the missionary spirit than that of any other nation in the world," was in effect the statement made this morning by Rev. Dr. Ian MacKinnon in his address before the Theology School which is being held in Fraser Memorial Hall. Dr. MacKinnon described the characteristics of a missionary, and pointed out that in the Canadian ministry these are especially marked. Also on this morning's program was a lecture by Rev. Dr. W. G. Watson of "Early Sacrifices in Israel," and the devotional period which was led by Rev. Trevor Davies, D.D. Dr. Watson's address also included the story of recent discoveries in Syria which may throw a new light on the construing of the Old Testament.

**Traced Canadian Missions**  
Dr. MacKinnon attributed the learning of the Canadian ministry toward the missionary spirit to the fact that Canada is a frontier country. He traced the missionary spirit down from the early days of Canada, mentioning the Jesuit martyrs and other missionaries. He spoke also of the missionaries of the present day who are working on the Labrador and northern frontiers.

Interesting was the fact that the first missionary sent out from one of the British Colonies was sent out from the Maritimes, being Rev. John Geddies, of the Presbyterian Church, Pictou, N. S., in 1845.

Speaking further of the missionary spirit, Dr. MacKinnon stated that a missionary must have sympathy, fellowship, understanding, adaptability, and the ability to live with the people and become identified with them. "The Canadians," he stated "seem to have all these features."

**Farmer Finds Tablets**  
Dr. Watson dealt to some length with the discovery of the Ras Shamra tablets in Syria. A farmer plowing in his garden dug up a tablet, and notified the French authorities. Excavations were made on the spot, and a temple was discovered. Near the temple was a school with a library containing many tablets.

These tablets, which were made of pressed clay, were inscribed in cuneiform writing of an earlier character than was formerly known, being an early Hebrew. The writings are of the type of the Psalms of the Old Testament, and it is believed will change the views of many on some parts of that book.

The school continued this afternoon with lectures by Rev. Dr. J. W. Falconer, and Rev. Dr. Davies. The subject of Dr. Falconer's address was "Recent Studies in Parables," while Dr. Davies spoke on "Influence of Literature upon a Preacher's Style."

It is the belief of many of the farmers that because of the scarcity, those who do cut wood will experience the most prosperous winter in many years in meeting the acute demand for the product.

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