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THE FIRE LOSS HEAVY IN KINGSTON DURING THE YEAR 1914.

Fire Chief Armstrong Submitted His Annual Report At Final Meeting of Committee—Work of the Department Most Satisfactory.

At the final meeting of the Fire and Light committee, held on Thursday afternoon, Fire Chief James Armstrong submitted a report dealing with the fire losses of the year, and the work of the department. Following are extracts from his report:

To date the department has responded to ninety-six calls for fire, and four for the pulmotor. Three of the fire calls were for fires in the village of Portmouth. The loss by fire within the city limits has been exceedingly large, owing to one at the Davis & Son's Tannery on August 9th. Leaving this fire out, the loss has been \$27,837.30 on which there has been paid insurance of \$25,555.35, leaving an uninsured loss of \$2,281.95 with insurance carried on the property endangered of \$776,650, or with the Tannery loss the total will be \$222,837.30 loss with insurance of \$1,126,650. R. H. Toye's loss is not included in this.

The most serious fires of the year were as follows: Jan. 22nd Anglo-American hotel; March, 31st, J. R. B. Gage's grocery store; April 6th, north wing of the House of Providence; April 14th, Standard publishing company; Aug. 9th, A. Davis & Son's tannery; Nov. 24th, Tug Shanley; Dec. 13th, R. Toye's wholesale. The above fires caused a loss of \$213,456.20 leaving a loss of \$3,381.16 in the other eighty-eight calls.

Work Of Pulmotor.

Since the pulmotor has been placed in the care of the fire department four calls have been received for its use. In the first, after working for over five hours over a case where a boy had been electrocuted, it was found impossible to resuscitate him. The second call was for a supposed drowning case, and the machine was not required. The third was a case of asphyxiation by gas, and owing to the length of time that had elapsed it was decided after fifteen minutes working of the machine, that life was extinct. The fourth call was for a case where a patient had collapsed under an operation. In this case he was revived after about fifteen minutes work and I understand that it was used throughout the operation.

"While I have stated before," said the chief in his report "that the department will not shirk any duty or responsibility, yet I feel that in view of the fact that on Tuesday last a call for fire and a call for the pulmotor were received at the same time and that answering the pulmotor call delayed to a considerable extent the work of the machine, that life was extinguished. The fourth call was for a case where a patient had collapsed under an operation. In this case he was revived after about fifteen minutes work and I understand that it was used throughout the operation."

"That the work of the department has been satisfactory to the citizens generally, has been evident by the many expressions of appreciation and in a number of cases donations which have been received. I beg leave to report the receipt of a cheque from A. Davis & Son for \$100 which has been divided equally among the members of the department.

Several breaches of discipline occurred during the year, and in a number of cases were punished by reprimanding the offender. Three serious cases were dealt with as follows: For being under the influence of liquor, a member had his weekly leave of absence cancelled for two months. This being a second offence, (this year) and for a third offence was dismissed from the department on Dec. 13th. In another case for striking an officer, the offender was suspended for seven days without pay.

Three members of the department have volunteered for services overseas with the second contingent. Two under the first resolution of council and one under the amended resolution adopted Nov 9th, while another member has been on duty with the 14th regiment since Oct. 1st.

With the addition of four men to the department, early in the year, No. 1 station was assigned districts where they only responded on a first alarm leaving No. 2 station apparatus to respond to all calls. This arrangement has given better and much needed protection to the central portion of the city, and at no time during the year has it been necessary to send in a second call for a fire beyond the district where No. 1 station apparatus responds. Fifty-two calls were responded to by the sections from No. 2 station alone.

System Out Of Date.

"With three exceptions the apparatus in use by the department is in good condition. The condition of the Chatham steamer is well known. The line wagon will need new wheels and shafts, and as to the exercise sleigh used at No. 1 station the least said is the soonest mended. It is a disgrace to the department, and should be replaced. Regarding the fire alarm system, it is only by constant care that it is kept in working condition, owing to the lines being on the electric light poles at numerous places throughout the city. The system is both out of date, unreliable and costly in operation of the battery. To replace the present gravity system, with a modern storage battery, would cost about \$1,500, with an annual cost of upkeep of about \$35 while the present system costs over \$200 per year, for battery supplies.

"Gentlemen, in severing our relations as a committee and as chief of the department, I desire to thank you for the kindness and support during the year. To the chairman especially my thanks are due. He has been at all times accessible, and ready to render all assistance in everything looking to the best interest of the department and has kept himself informed as to all its workings, being present at most of the serious fires during his term, and in a number of other cases along with myself investigated the cause of the fire and the condition of the building afterwards."

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REV. THOMAS MORDEN.

A Former Winnipegger, Dies in Picton, Ont.

Winnipeg Free Press. The Rev. Thomas E. Morden, B.A., who was for more than thirty years connected with the editorial department of the Manitoba Free Press, died on Sunday, Dec. 13, at the residence of his widowed sister, Mrs. Dr. Clapp, at Picton, Ont. Mr. Morden had been in ill health for several years. He was stricken with apoplexy in the year 1910 while engaged in his work as a reporter in Winnipeg. From this seizure he never fully recovered. He removed to Toronto in 1912, where Mrs. Morden died a year ago. From Toronto he removed to Picton, Ont., where the end came peacefully some days ago.

Mr. Morden was one of the old-time residents of Winnipeg, and was widely known in this city for three decades. During this entire period, although not in active religious work, he was closely identified with the Methodist church, of which he was a member. He became a probationer for the ministry of that church in 1871, and first came to Winnipeg in 1877 to do work as a teacher in what was then known as the Wesleyan Institute. This institution did not continue its work and Mr. Morden returned to the east. In 1879 he came to Winnipeg to stay. At that time a paper had been started here known as the Daily Times, and on this paper Mr. Morden went to work. In 1880 an opposition paper known as the Tribune, with G. H. Ham as editor, was started, and he transferred his allegiance to this new venture. In 1881 he accepted a position with the Free Press and continued in the service of this paper until 1912.

It would be impossible to speak too highly of the purity and nobility of Mr. Morden's character. In the thirty years of his life in this city he exemplified all that is best in Christian teaching. Of no one could it be said more truthfully than of him that through his career he wore the white flower of a blameless life.

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LIVE STOCK MARKET.

The Prices Paid At the Union Stock Yards.

Union Stock Yards, Toronto, Dec. 18.—Receipts were moderate and yet too many. 41 cars, 234 cattle, 1094 hogs, 320 sheep and lambs, 19 calves.

Cattle.—There was a little more life in trade and that was all. One "baby beef" steer, 755 lbs., sold at \$8, that 10 days ago would have brought \$9 per cwt. Choice butcher's steers, \$7.25 to \$7.50; good butcher's steers, \$6.75 to \$7; medium butcher's steers, \$6 to \$6.25; common butcher's steers, \$7.15 to \$7.50; common butcher's heifers, \$6.50 to \$6.75; choice cows, \$6.25 to \$6.50; good cows, \$5.50 to \$5.75;anners, \$3.50 to \$4.25; bulls, \$4.10 to \$5.50.

Feeders and stockers.—Market unchanged with few feeders changing hands. Choice steers, \$6.25 to \$6.50; medium steers, \$5.75 to \$6.25; stockers, \$4 to \$5.50.

Milkers and springers.—Few were offered and sold at \$40 to \$90 each, but sold at \$65 to \$80 each.

Calves.—Market scarce with scarcely any offered. Choice veal, \$9 to \$9.50; common, \$4; good, \$8 to \$8.50.

Sheep and lambs.—Market quiet. Prices steady. Sheep, \$5 to \$5.75; rams, \$2 to \$4; lambs, choice ewes and wethers, \$8 to \$8.25; heavy, \$6.75 to \$7.50.

Hogs.—Over 2000 were on sale, and prices remained firm. Selected, red and watered \$7.25 and \$6.90 f.o.b. cars, and \$7.50 weighed off cars.

Cattle Thieves For Penitentiary.

W. I. Rombough and W. Simser, two sheriffs from Cornwall brought two thieves on Thursday night to spend terms in Portsmouth penitentiary. The two prisoners were father and son, who owned a good farm near Cornwall. Not contented with fifteen head of cattle of their own they plundered the farm of another resident farmer, stealing five animals. The same cattle they sold, but before they had disposed of the fifth cow their thieving was found out and a complaint laid against them. The cattle thieves were each given a sentence of four years in penitentiary.

The Mother And The Sleigh.

The bare spots on the sidewalks are quite a problem for the mother with the little sleigh. One lady was seen to pass over them without any trouble. A closer investigation disclosed a lucky combination of wheels and runners. Coming to a bare spot the push down on the handles brings the wheels into use. One mother was heard to remark that the next thing would be a little gasoline engine.

Prejudiced.

Howard—Who was it that said, "Give me the man who sings at his work?" Mrs. Howard—Somebody who had n't lived in the next apartment to one.

Much injustice is done because of a mistaken sense of justice.

PROBS.—Higher temperature; light snow some places to-night and Saturday.



Last Call for Christmas. 35 WINTER COATS \$3.98. In sizes 16, 18, 36 and 38, very special for one rush hour, 35 of this season's smartest styles, priced up to \$12.00—from 9.30 to 10.30 a.m. 1000 PAIRS FRENCH KID GLOVES. In beautiful gift boxes \$1.00 pair. In all the newest shadings and regularly sold for \$1.25. 300 LADIES' SILK SCARFS. In beautiful soft colorings, reg. \$1.50, for \$1.00. Ladies' Hand Bags—just 60 in all, the very smartest styles, in colors black, tan and grey, regularly sold at 75c and 90c, for 50c and 60c. BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS NECKWEAR. The greatest assortment in Kingston of smart up-to-the-minute styles await you here, all very specially priced at 25c, 35c, 50c and 75c for to-morrow.

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KILLED ENTIRE FAMILY.

Pitiful Incidents Reported as Result Of German Raid Yesterday. Hartlepool, England, Dec. 18.—Pitiful incidents of many kinds are reported as the result of Wednesday's raid by German warships. None of the towns affected, it seems, suffered so severely as this, where the list of injured is large. Dead, 55; injured, 115, is the latest estimate.

One whole family was killed, the father, mother and six children losing their lives. A shell struck their house and demolished it. The dead at Scarborough include six women. At Scarborough there were 18 killed, eight women and three children among them. At Whitby two were killed and two wounded, and seven were killed and a like number wounded among the military at West Hartlepool.

Two hundred yards from the Grand hotel, on the ocean front, a shell killed 15 of a group of 16, who were watching the German ships. The other member of the group, a schoolboy, had his arm cut. In all, 490 shells landed in Hartlepool, and it is believed the damage to property will be fully four or five millions.

The gas works was struck by some of the German shells, and great damage done. The engine works of the Richardson, Westgarth company were completely demolished, and seven men working there were killed. Many ships were lying in the yards here, and hardly one of them escaped damage of some kind. The local newspaper here had its plant demolished, a shell landing in the composing room.

It is learned that the raid has caused a raise in the bombardment insurance rates at Liverpool on buildings in coast towns. The rates varied from 30 to 40 shillings per cent. in view of the rush of orders it was impossible to fix a uniform rate. Insurance against bombardment and air attacks on London was quoted at ten shillings per cent. A pathetic incident occurred when John Hall, a justice of the peace and ex-alderman, was killed as he was dressing. The same shell killed his little grandchild. A postman named Alfred Beale, had his head blown off while on his rounds. One woman was killed on the doorstep of a hotel, where she had gone to use the telephone. Shells at Scarborough, which exploded on the road, made holes in which a stage coach could be hidden.

Major Durham Is Ninety-Four. Major James H. Durham, well known as a lecturer, author and veteran of the Mexican and civil wars celebrated his ninety-fourth anniversary on Thursday at his home in Cape Vincent. From a period of sickness that threatened to take away one of the best men of northern New York, he is now enjoying fair health. Major Durham is considered a wonderful mind that remains as clear as ever despite his great age.

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