

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Easterly to northerly winds and moderately cold with occasional snow.

Starts Campaign With Sensational Charges

Ex-Ald. Douglas McArthur, Alleges Corruption In Civic Affairs At Public Meeting Last Evening—Unable To Secure Chairman Or Additional Speakers, He Plays Lone Hand—Lengthy Discussion On Waterworks Extension.

Ex-Ald Douglas McArthur opened his campaign for the mayoralty at a public meeting last evening in Keith's assembly rooms. It was attended by fifty or sixty electors.

He then criticized the actions of the present board of aldermen and said that the business was being done was the thought of how their course would effect the elections in April.

Mr. McArthur then discussed the waterworks extension and denied having any interest in the contractors. He believed that the press was right in holding that any alderman should not be a contractor.

Mr. Henry Wilnot, of Oromocto, one of the members of the St. John Valley Railway Co., was in the city yesterday on business.

Mr. Wilnot was of the opinion that the letter read by Mr. Carvell from Sir Wilfrid Laurier which stated that the Dominion government would operate the road and pay the company or local government 40 per cent of the gross earnings.

The cost of constructing a road up to the standard of the G. T. P., as suggested by Mr. Pugsey, he pointed out, would be exorbitant and he thought prohibitive.

Miss Rankine, of 210 Germain St., is visiting in Truro, the guest of Mrs. Ryland Archibald.

AROUND THE CITY

Delayed on Maine Central. The incoming Boston train was nearly three hours late in reaching the city last evening.

Hand Badly Crushed. James M. Driscoll, a C. P. R. cooper, met with a painful accident yesterday afternoon.

A. O. H. Assembly. Members of A. O. H. Division No. 1 held the last of the series of assemblies in their rooms last evening.

Seamen's Mission Bean Supper. All arrangements have been made by the ladies' auxiliary of the Seamen's Mission for the bean supper which will be served by them this evening.

Slaughter House Returns. At a meeting of the slaughter house commissioners yesterday the following returns for January were reported:

A Correction. The figures given in an interview with Mr. R. O'Leary in The Standard yesterday morning, with reference to the expenditure on the municipal wharf at Richibucto were incorrect.

Property Transfer. Col. H. H. McLean has purchased from Mr. Ed. Bates the property on Horsfield street next his own residence.

Reformation in Turkey. Among the passengers on the outgoing Boston train last evening was Antoine Zayar, an aged Turk who is on his way to visit relatives in Portland Me.

Anti-Drink Demonstration. A united Anti-Drink demonstration will be given in Tabernacle Church tomorrow afternoon.

Reception to St. James' Rector. The congregation of St. James' Church, Broad street, held a reception last evening to receive their new rector, Rev. E. J. Cody.

Silver Wedding Celebrated. Mr. and Mrs. Jas. W. Morrow, of Motcalf street, were given a pleasant surprise last evening when a number of their friends called on them and Mr. James Williams on behalf of those present presented Mr. and Mrs. Morrow with a handsome silver tea service on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of their wedding.

Strained Knee on Princess Street. While on the way to the East Side ferry boats last evening about 10.15 o'clock Mrs. Sheridan, of 42 Ludlow street, Carleton, slipped near the foot of Princess street, and injured her left leg.

From Musical America. Lisa Lehmann's "Alice in Wonderland" was sung for the first time in America at a concert given on January the 6th, under the direction of James S. Ford, at the Trinity school house, St. John.

Books

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EMPRESS IN PORT WITH PASSENGERS AND OVERSEAS MAIL Big C. P. R. Liner Arrived Last Evening—Presentation To Wm. Webber, Former Purser On Voyage.

ART EXHIBIT WILL BE A FEATURE OF DOMINION FAIR Preparations For Advertising Campaign Now Well Advanced—Booklet To Be Issued. At a conference held yesterday afternoon between Mr. H. J. P. Good, manager of the Dominion Exhibition, and Mr. Walter H. Golding, the publicity man, plans for advertising the big fair were discussed and arrangements made for the issue of an attractive booklet summing up the advantages of a visit to St. John and the exhibition.

Various small news snippets and advertisements on the far left margin, including mentions of 'The Standard' and local events.