

THE WEATHER

Toronto, Feb. 24.—Forecast is now high throughout the greater portion of the continent. The weather has been fair in all portions of the Dominion. Moderately cold from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces, while in the Western Provinces the temperature has risen considerably.

St. John	20
Prince Rupert	22
Victoria	30
Vancouver	40
Kamloops	20
Edmonton	20
Winnipeg	10
Regina	10
Saskatoon	10
Winnipeg	10
Port Arthur	20
White River	20
Parry Sound	10
London	20
Toronto	20
Kingsford	20
Ottawa	20
Montreal	20
Quebec	20
Halifax	20

Below zero.

Forecast.

Maritime—Moderate winds, fine and moderately cold.

AROUND THE CITY

VISITING HALIFAX
A number of C. P. R. men left last evening for Halifax where they will meet the C. P. R. staff in that city in a number of events, including hockey and bowling.

WESTFIELD ACCIDENT
Joseph Condon was conveyed from the Boston train to the General Public Hospital last evening to be treated for a broken ankle, incurred while working in Corbett's mill at Westfield yesterday morning.

HAS GIVEN MUCH WORK
The water and sewerage department have provided work for about 150 men during the last three months. This is about 100 in excess of the number usually employed at this time of year. In the vicinity of \$30,000 has been paid out in wages, about twice as much as last year.

READY FOR CALLERS
Mayor Schofield announced yesterday that while he did not propose to try and answer all the letters appearing in the press his office was open from 10 o'clock in the morning until 5 or 6 in the afternoon and he was always ready to impart such information as he was in possession of to any caller. He also stated that when the vote on hydro was taken it would not be behind closed doors.

WORK IS NEEDED
Mayor Schofield stated yesterday that more orders were needed to keep the Memorial Workshop busy and the manager would be glad to hear of any jobs which they could undertake. There has been a change in the management, L. R. Rees, not being in charge at the present time. Those employed in the shops are given cards signed by the mayor and only those are genuine dated February 23.

TO RECEIVE MEDAL
An interesting event will take place on Monday evening next at Trinity Church school room, when John Peacock of the Mission church troop of Boy Scouts will be presented with a life saving medal. The deed for which the medal is to be presented was performed some months ago. Young Peacock jumped into the water and rescued a lad who had tried to jump into a motor launch but missed and fell into the water.

INTERESTING CASE
A case involving a claim for commission amounting to \$2,400, brought by William G. Pugsley, of Ottawa, against Harry Carson, was heard before Mr. Justice Crockett in chambers on Thursday. Judgment in the case was reserved. The matter dates back to 1918, and has to do with certain sales of scrap, formerly Ross rifles and Ross rifle equipment. Dr. F. R. Taylor, K. C., appeared in the interests of the plaintiff, and J. H. A. L. Fairweather for the defendant.

NOT SERIOUSLY HURT
The many friends of M. V. Paddock, one of the city's prominent druggists, will be pleased to learn that he is improving from the effects of the injuries received when he was knocked down by a motor car on Charlotte street, near North Market street, at about 10:30 Thursday evening. Mr. Paddock stated last evening that he had been as much to blame as the driver of the car, and was glad that he had escaped with nothing more serious than a bad shaking up and a few bruises.

PERSONALS

Charles R. Hason, of Montreal, hand-writing expert in connection with the Nevins will case, left for his home last evening on the Montreal train.

J. W. Brantley, of Chatham, was in the city yesterday and was registered at the Royal.

W. P. Jones, K. C., of Woodstock, was among those who registered at the Royal yesterday.

A. Alcorn, of Blackville, was a visitor in the city and was registered at the Royal.

J. R. McAnley of Lower Millsbrook was a guest at the Victoria yesterday.

R. H. Hanson, M. P., and Mrs. Hanson, Fredericton, are in the city today.

G. A. Whitaker, Adelaide street, has returned home after a business trip through the middle west.

Miss Mary Shaw of Berwick, N. S., is a guest of Dr. and Mrs. I. W. N. Baker, 65 Waterford street.

Friends of James Barry, inspector of weights and measures in the Customs House, will regret to learn that he is ill. His condition yesterday, however, was said to be improving.

Inspectors Made Find At Main St. Resort

Secure Jar of "Essence of Barbed Wire," Cans, Kegs and Flavoring Extracts.

The liquor inspectors visited a place on Main street yesterday and secured a jar of "essence of barbed wire" freshly drawn from the vat, and with an odor that would make the atmosphere of a country slaughter house sweet perfume in comparison. They also secured a quantity of cans and kegs, indicating to them that the stuff was manufactured at some still, not yet located, and brought to the Main street resort bottled and sent to the "kill 'em quick" trade.

The officers also secured several vials of coloring and flavoring extracts. The proprietor was out when the inspectors called and gave his place the once over. He will be called upon some other day and given a chance to explain the why and wherefore of his conduct, and the right of possession of the contraband goods.

Busy Session of Magistrate's Court

Miller and Phinney Case Postponed to Tuesday—Breaking and Entering Case.

In the police court yesterday afternoon, the case against Edmond Miller and Clifford Phinney, charged with sending threatening letters to Dr. W. W. White demanding from him the sum of \$1,000, was resumed. Evidence for the prosecution was given by a young lad named Stanley Perry, in connection with the delivery of the sealed packet containing the pieces of blank paper, to the address set out in letters.

Mrs. Gertrude Whyte, a clerk in Day's fruit store on Coburg street, testified regarding the delivery of the packet to the store. She also said that it was called for on the date in question by Phinney, whom she identified in court.

The hearing was postponed for further evidence until next Tuesday, Dr. J. B. M. Baxter, K. C., appeared in the interests of Dr. White, and E. B. Ritchie for the defence.

The case for the prosecution against the three men, Stafford, Lavine and Dayes, charged with breaking and entering a section shanty on the property of the C. N. R., was continued yesterday afternoon. Only one witness was called, and the case was postponed for further evidence. Calvin Marney, section foreman of the C. N. R., testified regarding the condition of the shanty on the night of Feb. 14 and the following morning. He said that there was evidence of the shanty's having been broken into. He did not know any of the accused, and had not given them any permission to enter the shanty.

Walter Bell failed to put in an appearance yesterday afternoon, after he had been warned to appear to answer to a charge of obstructing prohibition officers in the discharge of their duty. W. M. Ryan for the prosecution said that a summons would be issued for Bell.

During the hearing of the case against William Traford, charged with the theft of seven pieces of chamois from the St. John Window Cleaning Co., the defendant contended, yesterday morning, that the charge was purely an attempt to frame him, the motive arising from business rivalry. He claimed absolute innocence, and stated that on various occasions he had heard members of the company threaten "to put him on the hog" by some means.

Three witnesses gave evidence in the case. Mike Small and William Cruikshank said that they were present when Officer Saunders found chamois in the defendant's bed, but they had nothing to do with putting them there. Fred Cashwell also said that he had nothing to do with putting the chamois in the bed, and that he had taken no parcels home with him on the day that the theft is alleged to have taken place. The Magistrate told the defendant that he would have to send him up for trial on the evidence given. G. H. Mersereau appeared for the defence.

Two witnesses were heard yesterday morning in the case of Edward Ritchie, charged with the theft of \$46.55 on Thursday night from a lady at one of the dancing academies in the city. The woman testified that she was one of a committee in charge of a dance being held at the time in question. She said that she had \$46.55, realised from the sale of tickets, in a handbag, which she left in the kitchen of the dance hall at 9 o'clock.

About 9:45 o'clock she went into the kitchen and found the bag open and only \$2.45 in the bag. The witness said that she had seen the defendant at the dance, and with the ticket taker, in which the latter told her of Ritchie's coming into the hall without a ticket. The latter had said that he left his ticket home and would give it in the next morning. He gave the name of Ned Furlong, Gerfain street. This concluded the evidence for the morning, and the case was postponed.

PROBATE COURT.
In the estate of Miss Betta Cromwell, probated at \$1,875 personally, letters testamentary have been granted to her brother, to whom the estate is left. M. B. Jones was probator.

In the estate of James Scott, probated at \$944 personally, letters of administration have been granted to the Canada Permanent Trust Co. D. Mallin, K. C., was probator.

In the estate of Mrs. Miss J. Payne, probated at \$1,200 realty and \$1,000 personally, letters of administration have been granted to her son, Ernest B. MacDonald. C. F. Sanford was probator.

Saw Smoke And Pulled The Hook

False Alarm Brought Firemen to Corner of Paradise Row and Millidge Street.

The fire department was called out at 7:30 o'clock last night for a false alarm, sounded from box 154, corner of Paradise Row and Millidge street. A passerby, seeing smoke coming out of the upper flat of Chamberlain's house, at the corner of the Row and Bond's Alley, and knowing the flat to be unoccupied, was led to believe the place was on fire and pulled the hook. It is believed that the smoke had escaped from a stove on the lower floor, which is used as a storehouse for coffins by the Chamberlain Undertaking Parlor. The Chamberlain house was one of those gutted by fire at the time of the big fire which destroyed Hawker's drug store, and several adjoining buildings at the corner of Paradise Row and Mill street two years ago last January. It has never been placed in repair since as it was one of the buildings appropriated for the proposed new union depot.

Life Underwriters Enjoyed Banquet

Interesting Paper Read to Members by R. C. Cruikshank—Discussion Followed.

The regular meeting of the local branch of the Life Underwriters' Association of Canada, was held last evening at Bond's, J. M. Deen, president, in the chair. The members sat down at 8:30 to a banquet served in the style of the good things to eat, indulged in a hearty sing, led by Fred Gilman, with Mr. Belyea at the piano.

After the business to come before the meeting had been dealt with, a very interesting paper was read by R. C. Cruikshank. He outlined many of the convincing arguments which might be used to clinch sales, and made several suggestions which might be useful in getting more business. An open discussion took place, participated in by nearly all present. A few remarks by the President brought the gathering to a close and the boys went out determined to link up every underwriter in the city with the association.

Local Skating Ace Agreeably Surprised

Was Presented With Substantial and Highly Appreciated Gifts Last Night.

Charlie Gorman, St. John's amateur speed skating ace, was agreeably surprised last night, when he was asked to call at the store of Charles Bailie, King street, and there, in the presence of a large number of his personal friends and admirers, made the recipient of a substantial and highly appreciated gift, consisting of a steam wardrobe trunk, a Wolsey dressing gown and a Wolsey sport sweater.

The presentation was made by Charles Bailie, who is an ardent enthusiast of good clean sport, and a great friend and supporter of Gorman. Mr. Bailie, in a brief and happy address, expressed the gathering's appreciation and admiration of Charlie's efforts in bringing renown to this city in the skating world, and expressed the opinion that next year the local boy would do even greater things than had been accomplished by him during the past winter. The local skater was completely taken by surprise by the nature of the occasion, and feelingly made response, expressing his appreciation of the substantial generosity of his friends and their kindness in thinking of him in the way they had.

Among those present at the time was Miss Gladys Robinson, international women's champion skater, and a great friend of Gorman. Miss Robinson made a few remarks apropos of the occasion, and, among other things, described skating as one of the greatest sports in the world, and expressed the hope that Charlie would do even greater things in the future than in any he had ever competed in.

Most Successful Social Function

Students of Modern Business College Enjoyed Evening of Dancing at Studio.

One of the most successful functions of the season was the Modern Business College dance, which was held last night in the Studio. About 150 people took advantage of the occasion afforded to enjoy the lengthy programme of dances to the excellent music of the Studio orchestra.

The party was chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. George J. Smith and the committee in charge of the arrangements consisted with the affair included Mrs. Lucille Wilson, Miss Jean Calkin, and Miss Maurie Wisely, Fred Strong and Edgar Priestland.

The success of the evening was due, in a great measure, to the untiring efforts and unstinted generosity of George J. Smith, principal of the college. At the close of the evening's programme a very hearty vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. Smith for his liberality and his efforts in assisting the committee in promoting the dance.

Hospital Committee Spends Busy Month

Soldiers in Lancaster and East St. John Hospitals Well Looked After.

The monthly meeting of the Hospital Committee of the Red Cross was held yesterday morning at the depot, Prince William street. Mrs. E. R. Taylor was in the chair. The report of the treasurer showed expenditures for the month of \$873.45 and a balance on hand at the end of the month of \$225.55.

Mrs. Lawrence reported between 100 and 115 men at Lancaster during the month. There had been two deaths and the funerals had been attended by members of the Red Cross. Mrs. W. F. Bonnell reported 13 men in the soldiers ward at East St. John, with two deaths during the month.

Mrs. J. H. Doody reported for the "drives committee" that in January 36 men had been out and for February 37, six cars being supplied each month. Mrs. Forrester reported that no demands had been made on the follow up committee during the month and she was asked to act as convener of this committee in the absence of Mrs. L. P. D. Tilley, who is visiting England.

Indents for extra comforts for the men at Lancaster and East St. John were read and on motion the committee ordered that they be supplied; Mrs. W. F. Bonnell read lists of supplies sent during January and February to hospitals from Red Cross. These included apples, tobacco, cigarettes, sweaters and socks.

Before the conclusion of the meeting the convener, Mrs. Taylor, spoke of the death of Mr. Roxborough, a brother of the treasurer, and Mrs. Anglin was asked to convey to Mrs. Scott the vote of sympathy moved by Mrs. Forrester and seconded by Mrs. Doody.

Those present were Mrs. E. R. Taylor, Mrs. J. V. Anglin, Mrs. W. F. Bonnell, Mrs. H. Lawrence, Mrs. F. B. Ellis, Mrs. W. H. Shaw, Mrs. J. H. Doody, Mrs. Forrester, Mrs. E. T. Sturden, Mrs. G. Ernest Barbour, Miss Ethel Hansen Jarvis.

Discussed Sunday School Problems

Workers in Conference Last Evening—Teachers Secure Valuable Hints from Gathering.

A general discussion of Sunday school problems took place at the Sunday School Workers' Conference, held in the Waterloo street Baptist church last evening. Much useful information was imparted to the large number of teachers and officers of the school present, and several steps taken for the improvement of the Sunday school. The president of the conference, and pastor of the church, Rev. J. A. Swetnam, was in the chair. The conferences have proved beneficial to all participating therein, and at the next gathering in March Miss Agnes Pooley, teacher of the young ladies' class, will prepare a special paper for discussion.

Clifton House, all meals 60c.

Care of Feeble Minded Problem

Most Interesting Paper, Dealing With Subject, Before Local Council of Women.

The members of the Local Council of Women heard a most interesting and instructive address, yesterday afternoon, on the subject of care for the feeble minded, delivered by Dr. Mabel Hanington.

In beginning her address, Dr. Hanington said, by the term feeble minded she did not mean those who were slow to learn, but did eventually arrive at full normal adult development, but those who never arrived at that stage, and never would, no matter how much and what kind of teaching was employed. Neither did she mean nervous or insane cases. The class to which she was referring might be said to have been born with a paralyzed mind.

This class fell into three groups. The first was the idiot, they were babies in mind and never advanced in thought beyond three years of age. They were very seldom a menace to the community.

The second was the imbecile. This class had an intelligence up to five years of age. They had the child's propensity to mischief and with the bodily capacity to carry out their intentions and were a real danger in many cases.

The third class was the largest. They were called morons and had the intelligence of a child from 5 to 12 years of age. These were the real danger of society. They went out into the world with the body of an adult and the mind of a child and the physical control of a child. Their lack of reasoning capacity was very apt to lead them into all sorts of wrong acts, and two thirds of the delinquency in the country was traceable to this group.

Among the girls of this group, the great danger was illegitimate marriage, and she gave an instance of one institution in which out of 110 unmarried mothers, 92 were mentally defective.

Dealing with local conditions, she said that while no expert survey had been made, it was estimated that in the public schools there was about 110 instances of whom 53 might be called as feeble minded and 53 as probably in the same class.

She dealt with this class, she advocated special classes in the day schools, taught by specially trained teachers, and an institution for those whom it was not safe to allow out in society at large.

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ated special classes in the day schools, taught by specially trained teachers, and an institution for those whom it was not safe to allow out in society at large.

In order to eliminate, as far as possible, the feeble minded from the land, she advocated some sort of legislation to segregate those who were sub-normal and prevent them from bringing children into the world.

A vote of thanks, moved by Mrs. R. A. Sinclair, and seconded by Mrs. T. Tennant, was passed and announced to the speaker by Mrs. Raymond.