

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Moderate south-westerly winds; fair and warm.

Toronto, July 15—An important disturbance now centered in Manitoba is now likely to move eastward and cause unsettled weather in Ontario and Quebec during Friday and Saturday. The weather today has been fine and decidedly warm from Manitoba eastward to the Maritime Provinces, and cooler and showery in the western provinces.

Temperatures.	Min.	Max.
Victoria	54	63
Vancouver	58	74
Kamloops	52	76
Edmonton	54	60
Calgary	54	64
Moose Jaw	56	74
Regina	54	73
Winnipeg	70	90
Fort Arthur	58	80
Parry Sound	64	90
Ottawa	64	86
Montreal	66	88
Quebec	64	88
St. John	52	66
Halifax	58	82

Washington Forecast:
Washington, July 15—Northern New England—Part cloudy Thursday and Friday.

AROUND THE CITY

Contracts Let.

The Deputy Minister of Trade and Commerce has wired to the Board of Trade, in response to an enquiry from the board secretary, that the contracts for the steamers Brunswick, Ruby L. and Margareville had been sent to the contractors.

City Council.

A meeting of the city commission has been called for this afternoon at three o'clock. It is expected that the resolution to change the bylaw relating to the penalty for ringing false alarms will be read for the second time. Other matters of a routine nature will come up.

Strawberries Plentiful

Small fruit growers in the province appear to have raised good crops of strawberries this year and large quantities are coming into the city. Yesterday nearly 20,000 boxes of strawberries were brought in. This probably establishes a record for any day's receipt of strawberries in St. John.

New Hotel.

That the project to establish a new hotel on King Square is assured of success, was the statement of C. H. Cahan, Jr., who has been in the city for a few days. The hotel, which is the Hotel Imperial has been underwritten, a considerable block of stock has been taken up, and arrangements have been made to offer stock to the public next Monday.

Carpenters Meet

The Carpenters and Joiners' Union held a large meeting in their hall in the Odd Fellows' building last evening. President J. C. Watters of the Trades and Labor Congress was present and delivered an address on the work of the trade congress and spoke of some of the matters which would be brought before the labor convention to be held here in September.

Tentative Programme

William Cruikshank, secretary to the Lieutenant-Governor, was in the city yesterday in consultation with the secretary of the Board of Trade in regard to the arrangements for the entertainment of the members of the Dominion Royal Commission who are coming here in August. A tentative programme was agreed on and will be submitted to the deputy minister of trade and commerce for approval.

Successful Picnic

The Anglican and Presbyterian Sunday schools held a joint picnic in the Log Cabin Fishing Club's grounds at Upper Loch Lomond yesterday. Rev. Cecil W. Follet, Anglican rector, Guy Hunter, Howard Indebear, William Jordan and William J. Johnston were the committee in charge of the sports. A substantial number of pledges by a local politician in aid of the new rectory. Among those present were H. W. Woods, M. L. A. and G. Earle Logan.

Former Fredericton Pastor

On Saturday, July 11th, Rev. A. A. Rideout of Dorchester, Mass., was the guest of the Orangemen of Connecticut at their celebration at South Manchester. More than two thousand were present. The Hartford Daily Times in its account of the day says: "Rev. A. A. Rideout spoke on The Battle of the Boyne; its meaning and message. He handled the subject in a masterly manner. Cheers and applause continuously greeted his remarks." Rev. Mr. Rideout was formerly pastor of the George street Baptist church, Fredericton.

Community Council.

The housing problem will be the chief matter for discussion at the meeting of the community council in the High School auditorium this evening. The meeting will be open to all citizens and addresses will be delivered by W. F. Burditt, James L. Sugrue, Mayor Frink and F. Nell Brodie. The different aspects of the question will be discussed, and it is expected that some practical steps will be taken to solve the housing problem in St. John.

Log Driving Company

A meeting of the directors of the St. John River Log Driving Company was held here yesterday with J. Fraser Gregory in the chair. Most of the business before the meeting was of a routine nature. Tentative reports submitted indicated that the plan of rafting logs on the St. John River in accordance with methods which have been employed in the Miramichi would show a considerable saving in operating costs, but it was said that the definite results of the experiment would not be known until the close of the season. Large quantities of logs are being rafted to St. John this season, and the company will continue rafting operations till September.

ESTABLISHED
TAX RECORD
THIS YEAR

When discount period closed last night \$600,125.52 was paid in—
Hard work at City Hall.

The citizens of St. John have responded nobly to the call for taxes and a greater number than ever before took advantage of the opportunity to secure the five per cent. discount. Up to last night the total of \$600,125.52 was paid in at city hall. During the last three days the rush at the Chamberlain's office was very great and 4,125 persons paid up in that time the sum of \$409,041.06 as compared with 3,599 persons and \$368,161.14 during the same period last year.

The following table shows the figures of last year compared with this:

	1913.	1914.
Amount paid in	\$568,237.50	\$600,125.52
Number paying	3,512	4,125
Special lic.	\$11,200.00	\$13,450.00

Included in the amount for last year was that received by mail and post marked up to date of close of discount period. It is expected that several thousand dollars more will be received by mail within the next twenty-four hours.

The Chamberlain and his assistants have had a strenuous week. The staff has been on duty night and day during the greater part of that period and there was a general feeling of relief among the clerks when the last row of figures was filed away last night.

Duncan G. Langley, the City Chamberlain, said last night that his staff had been handicapped on account of lack of room. The large crowd that assembled during the last three days could not be handled to advantage on account of the form of the Chamberlain's office. It was thought that a room with at least two doors should be provided so that a line could be formed and the taxpayers could then pass in one door and out the other thus preventing confusion as well as facilitating the work of the staff. The men engaged with the Chamberlain in the work of collection of the taxes and making out the necessary receipts were: D. R. Willet, cashier; James E. Toole, first clerk; Geo. McKenney, second clerk; A. G. McMillin, third clerk; Samuel Cooper, fourth clerk; D. Gordon Willet acted as assistant clerk during the last week.

INSPECT THE
NEW WHARVES

Mayor Frink and Commissioners Wigmore and Russell greatly pleased with progress.

Mayor Frink and Commissioners Wigmore and Russell visited the West Side wharves Tuesday afternoon. The new wharf, which is under construction was the chief point of interest and this was given a critical inspection by the commissioners, who expressed themselves as well pleased with the progress being made by the Maritime Dredging and Construction Co., Ltd. The commissioners viewed the water side of the new structure from a gasoline boat and afterwards went up on the big pier and made a close examination of the progress.

It was found that 500 feet of wharf was ready for the filling and that 800 feet of crib was in place ready for the concrete. Other cribs were under construction and four more would likely be sunk within the next few weeks. The finished wharf construction presented a fine appearance. The concrete had been finished up smooth and had every appearance of durability. The commissioners found that nearly four hundred men were at work and that the plant was going to capacity at all times. Three reclamation plans were at work and everywhere was a rush, which showed the evident desire of the contractors to have everything in readiness for the opening of the winterport business this fall.

NO RAIN YESTERDAY

Yesterday was St. Swithun's (or St. Swithun's) Day. No doubt many of those who place credence in the old myth that rain on that day will be followed by a wet period of forty successive days turned their eyes anxiously skyward for weather indications. Well, it didn't rain, that is to say in St. John, so we are in for forty days' fair weather, according to the ancient rhyme which says:

Small Fire.

Just after the firemen arrived at Haymarket square yesterday afternoon and the funeral of the late Frank E. O'Leary passed through the ranks an alarm was sent in from box 231 at No. 4 Station, City Road. The firemen whose duty it is to attend to alarms in that section of the city responded, while others paraded to King street east and disbanded. The fire was in some clothing in a room at S. H. Sherwood's residence 63 Garden street, and the damage done was slight.

THE PRINCE WILLIAM HOTEL.
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SCENE AT FUNERAL
OF OFFICER O'LEARY

Policemen McNamee, Ross, Sullivan, Clark, Kane and Armstrong placing body in hearse after the service in St. John the Baptist church.—By The Standard staff photographer.

Dentists Enjoy Good
Time at Milledgeville

Motor Boat Trip, Water Sports and Banquet prove unqualified success—Canoe racers met disaster—Presentation to Dr. F. A. Godsoe.

Finishing the business of the convention yesterday morning the New Brunswick dentists devoted the rest of the day to pleasure, having water sports at Milledgeville in the afternoon and a dinner in the R. K. Y. C. house in the evening. At half past one the dentists with their wives went for a sail on the harbor in motor boats, and after taking in the sights of the winter port went through the Revere Falls and landed at the R. K. Y. C. house in the evening. The entertainment committee put on an interesting programme of water sports, the contests being for prizes offered by the various supply houses. A canoe race which caused considerable excitement was run off, the victors being Dr. F. C. Bonnell, of St. John; Mr. Bell, of Halifax. One of the spectacular features of this race was the upset of a canoe operated by Dr. Stanley B. Smith, of St. John and Mr. Webb, of Halifax. They tried to round the turning boat too abruptly, with the result that they were precipitated into the water. Both were good swimmers however, and they suffered no harm.

A dingy race in which there were quite a number of the contestants was won by Dr. H. C. Wetmore, of St. John, and Mr. Webb, of Halifax. A tilting contest was also on the programme causing a great deal of amusement. The victors in this contest were Dr. Otto Nase and Mr. Day.

Enjoy Dinner.

In the evening a sumptuous repast was served in the Yacht Club house by caterer Bond. About sixty-five persons, including thirty ladies, were present at the dinner. Dr. F. A. Godsoe, of St. John, acted as toast master. Their appetites whetted by the water sports the dentists and their better halves did full justice to the bill of fare and the postprandial proceedings were of a very interesting nature. After the toast to the King, the toast master proposed the Canadian Dental Association, and Dr. F. W. Barbour, of Fredericton, the newly elected president of the Canadian Association, responded in a capital little speech. The New Brunswick Dental Society was then proposed, and responded to a felicitous manner by W. P. Bonnell, of St. John, the new president. The toast to the learned professions was responded to by H. C. Wetmore.

O'LEARY FORGAVE
HIS MURDERER

Policeman O'Leary, before he passed away on Monday morning, is said to have requested that Commissioner McLellan take care of his mother. He also said he forgave Braman for shooting him. The young man had during the early morning taken a turn for the worse and it was seen that his life was fast ebbing away. He became gradually weaker but rallied for a short time and made the request as stated above, following this up with the statement that he forgave young Braman for shooting him down.

Fishermen Doing Well

Line fishermen in the Bay of Fundy are doing well this season but herring are scarce.

SYRIANS INTERESTED
IN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

The Syrian Protective Association having expressed a wish that the community council would send some one to their rooms in Brunswick street to explain the objects of the council, A. M. Belding and Rev. W. H. Barraclough went there last night and gave full information on the subject. Those present were much pleased with what they heard.

A plantation song well rendered by Rev. Mr. Barraclough delighted those present and the Syrians sang some of their own hymns. It was stated that three men of the Syrian colony had been helping in the supervision of the playgrounds in the vicinity. Louis Corey thanked Messrs. Belding and Barraclough for attending and said that most of his people had come here to make the city their home and were anxious to do everything in their power to forward the interests of the community.

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