

THE WEATHER.

Toronto, Feb. 24.—Pressure is low over the Maritime Provinces and in the northwestern portion of the continent and remains high over the Middle Pacific States. A few light local snow falls are reported over Lake Superior. Elsewhere the weather has been fair, colder in Ontario and Quebec, and continued mutually mild in the Western Provinces.

St. John	23	42
Prince Rupert	44	46
Vancouver	42	54
Calgary	34	60
Prince Albert	24	40
Medicine Hat	30	56
Winnipeg	11	20
White River	11	20
London	13	24
Toronto	7	20
Ottawa	2	14
Montreal	6	16
Quebec	6	16
Halifax	34	36

Below zero.

Forecast.

Maritime. Fresh, strong northerly to westerly winds, fair and cold.

Northern New England.—Fair Friday, Saturday cloudy, not much change in temperature; fresh northwest and north winds.

AROUND THE CITY

CONDITION SATISFACTORY.

Chief Inspector Hawthorne, Frederickton, arrived in the City last night and will spend the day here. He reports everything as working satisfactorily in his department with very little complaint received from taxpayers.

LUMBER OUTLOOK BETTER.

Elwood Burt, a prominent lumberman of Fredericton, was in the City yesterday. Mr. Burt reports the American market as picking up and the outlook as a little more encouraging to the trade.

THOSE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE.

All persons whose names were on the civic list in the election of 1920 are entitled to vote on Monday, whether their taxes are paid or not.

NO MEETING HELD.

Owing to the absence from the City of Mayor Schofield and Commissioner Bullock no meeting of the City Council was held yesterday.

ACCIDENT AT SAND POINT.

Ernest Stackhouse had his finger cut while working on the Bollingbrook yesterday morning. The injured member was dressed at the emergency hospital.

OLD-FASHIONED CONCERT.

A very successful Old-fashioned Concert was held at St. Phil's church last evening. A fine programme was given, which was enjoyed by a large audience.

STRAND WINNERS.

About three hundred persons attended a masquerade held at the Strand last evening. Prizes were won by J. Leo Shaw, "Jiggs," and Miss Julia Teomus, "Maggie." Some very nice costumes were worn.

STILL MORE HIKERS.

Earl Wells and Calder Lucas, who are hikers from Halifax with Vancouver, B. C., arrived in the city yesterday morning. They were met by the field's signature in their book and are continuing on their long journey.

THEATRE PARTY.

About thirty-five members of the Y. M. C. A. Business Boys' Club and their young lady friends enjoyed a theatre party at the Imperial last night. Following the show they returned to the "Y." for a social time. The party was arranged by H. A. Morton and chaperoned by Mrs. N. S. MacLennan.

LAMP EXPLODED.

The fire department responded to an alarm from box 133 on Millidge avenue at 9:05 o'clock last evening on account of a lamp exploding in the residence of Wm. J. Lemon. Slight damage was done and the services of the fire men were not needed.

BREAK INTO COTTAGE.

The gang that attempted to burglarize the Carbox store at Westfield Tuesday night has been busy at Woodman's Point. The summer cottage of Charles McDonald was broken into yesterday and property to the value of \$100 were stolen. Officers have been sent out to round up the party.

MR. KENSIT ARRIVES.

H. E. N. Kensit, the expert engaged by the city to determine the cost of generating power from coal by the New Brunswick Power Co., arrived in the city yesterday at noon. In the afternoon, with C. O. Foss and K. H. Smith, he had an interview with the Acting Mayor, in which the whole situation was outlined.

COMMERCIAL CLUB.

Matters of interest will no doubt be discussed at regular meeting of the Commercial Club to be held in the St. W. V. A. rooms this evening. The Club room on Prince William Street is loaned to different organizations who are to talk over the matter of the plebiscite on Monday next. It is in no connection with the Commercial Club meeting.

VALENTINE PARTY.

The members of the Westfield Fellowship held a very enjoyable Valentine party last Friday at the home of Mrs. J. W. Ryan, Hilldale. About forty were present, most of whom came in fancy dress. After several games and contests were played, the costumes were judged by Mr. and Mrs. Ryan. The ladies' prizes were given to Mrs. MacLennan and Miss Annie Gilliland, and the gentlemen to Mr. Smart and Mr. Holding. In the contest Miss Walters and Miss MacLennan were winners. The success of the evening was largely due to Miss D. Finley and Miss Doris Ryan.

Labor Questions Were Discussed

Lockouts Considered, Political Objects Set Forth and Daylight Saving Opposed.

A large crowd gathered at the Opera House in response to a call issued by the Trades and Labor Council last night to hear a discussion of the day-light saving question, which is again to be settled by a plebiscite. There were only three speakers on the programme, and their discussions took in a wide range, daylight receiving its share of consideration along with baseball diamonds and political questions of import.

Against Scheme

The gathering assembled at 8.20 with President F. A. Campbell of the council in the chair. He briefly outlined the purpose of the meeting and told the audience that Labor organizations had been active the past two years in trying to impress upon the city council the advisability of having a plebiscite on the question of daylight saving, but they had been turned down. They have, however, made their influence felt and a plebiscite has been called for Monday next to settle for once and all the question. Labor, he said, was against it, and would use its influence to kill the project. But labor, he said, would gracefully abide by the majority will of the voters, and if daylight saving is carried, they will accept it without a murmur.

He thought it quite proper, as their general organizer was present, to say a few words from him on labor questions, especially as there were local labor troubles now attracting considerable attention. He introduced William Barclay.

Labor's Object

Mr. Barclay launched into a review of things political and reviewed the past labor organizations were taking in the world affairs today. He said that politicians today were unable to successfully grapple with problems, and so that fact there could be attributed much of the unrest and unemployment in the world. Their chief ambition, he declared, was to assist the rich to get richer by acting in such a way as to push wages down at the expense of the laborer.

Profiteers Responsible

He took exception to the charge made by some that labor was responsible for the increased prices in commodities. He cited sugar and shoe quoting statistics to show that labor was responsible for a very small percentage of the increase in these commodities, more than fifteen per cent, while the increase to the consumer had been increased several hundred per cent. The responsibility for the great increase, he declared, rested on the capitalists of industry.

Local Matters

Referring to the labor troubles here, he declared an economic slavery was existing. In the garment workers' strike, he said girls had been forced to the street because they would not permit employers to dictate wages and conditions of work. They were refused work in one shop because they were locked out from another. This, he declared, was a rotten condition and one that encouraged white slavery.

Men Ill-treated

He eulogized the Maritime Mail Workers for the "lock-out" which they had caused. Prior to December 30th this company and its men had always talked over their difficulties and adjusted them harmoniously. Now the company will not meet the men, collectively, he said, but will take each one as he appears for work and tell him what he must work for. This, he declared, was more economic slavery.

Leads to Revolution

"They are endeavoring to destroy the trade union movement," he said, "and they will not be able to succeed, as the movement was born in the hearts of the people and has reached the present form through evolution. Those who attempt to buck against the laws of evolution will bring on revolution. Such acts," he said, "were bolshevistic."

Discrimination Urged

He called upon all present to use their influence to help young men from entering the employ of the Maritime Mail Company, as they were only taking bread from the children of the old employees when they accepted jobs there.

He also argued for mothers' pensions and minimum wage for women. Labor's object, he said, was to produce a higher type of humanity, and the public was morally bound to assist in accomplishing that aim.

Mr. Tighe's Appeal

J. T. Tighe, president of N. B. Labor Federation, made an eloquent appeal for public support in behalf of the employees of the city who were now "locked out" by their employers. He referred to these workers as taxpayers with families. "If the public cut idly by and allowed these firms to act in an arbitrary way, import foreigners to take the jobs of the men now deprived of work, then it meant," he said, "that families would have to leave the city. He told of labor's aims to secure legislation for the benefit of the laboring class, emphasizing the special need of mothers' pensions and a minimum wage for women. He thought it time to get for the east that legislation which would make life sweeter and better for the laboring class.

In closing the meeting, Mr. Campbell came back to the Daylight Saving question. He said that those who wanted it were the ones interested in sports, or had automobiles for a long evening's trip. He regarded the arguments put forth for Daylight Saving as a farce. Those supporting it are the ones who have facilities at their command for enjoying it, but it is of no use to labor men. It imposed a hardship upon them and they didn't want it. He urged everyone to get out and beat the scheme on Monday next.

New Boy Scout Troop Organized

Walter W. Allingham, Returned Soldier, is Scout Master in West St. John.

A new Boy Scout troop has sprung into existence in West St. John. It was organized in the school room of the First Presbyterian church last evening, and is to be known as the Fourth St. John Troop. Walter W. Allingham, who recently received a medal from the militia department in token of his mention in despatches overseas, will be the scout master. The troop is comprised of five patrol: the Bull Dogs, Beavers, Kangaroos, Wolves and Moose.

Forty-three boys were present at last night's organization meeting where much enthusiasm prevailed. They ranged in age from twelve to eighteen years, amongst them being an old member of the First New Westminister troop of B. C. Keith Young, who towered above his companions in his 6 foot 3 of proud young manhood.

Meeting Opened.

The meeting was opened by the Rev. Dr. J. A. Morrison, who recited the Lord's Prayer, following which David Allen introduced the Rev. Moorehouse Leaside, of Knox church, who was present with several scouts of his troop to assist in the organizing of the new troop. Mr. Leaside addressed the boys briefly pointing out the ideals of every scout and the object of the movement.

Following his remarks the boys proceeded to organize and select their patrol leaders. Thursday night at 7.30, it was chosen as the hour of a weekly rendezvous to be held in the church school room.

Eclectic Reading Club Meeting

Reading on "Great Benefactors" Enjoyed at Home of H. C. Schofield.

A number of well chosen readings on the subject "Great Benefactors" were given last evening at the February meeting of the Eclectic Reading Club. Members were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Schofield. The programme was in charge of Mrs. Alward and the following readings were given:—Instruction, Mrs. Alward; Paper on The Rockefeller Foundation, by Richard Hooper, read by Alfred Morley; Dr. Bernard, Mrs. Heber Vroom; Andrew Carnegie, Mrs. Neales; Lord Kelvin, Dr. H. S. Bridges; Lord Lister, Mrs. Alward.

Dr. Padden's Address.

At the close of the programme Rev. Canon Padden, who presided, asked Dr. H. L. Padden, of the Grenfell Mission to speak. Dr. Padden gave a few instances of the honorarium side of life in Labrador in several well told stories. He then voiced his gratitude for all that had been done for the cause of the Grenfell Mission in St. John, stating that he was fortunate in having formed a committee to look after the work with Miss Frances Stetson and Mrs. Heber Vroom as conveners.

The programme was an excellent one, and the entire evening most enjoyable.

ARGUMENT HEARD.

Before His Honor Chief Justice Hazen yesterday morning, argument was heard on a habeas corpus application in the matter of Michael Hoffman, detained here by the immigration authorities under order P. G. 23. This order relates to the demand for a thorough ticket from the place of residence of the immigrant to his destination in Canada. It was argued that in the case of Hoffman this was an impossibility, as no through ticket could be purchased in Ukraine, where he came from, and objection was also taken in regard to the form and effect of the order. Hoffman landed here on the Minnedosa on January 19, and has since been detained. Dr. F. R. Taylor, K. C., appeared for the immigration authorities, and W. A. Rose for Hoffman. A decision will be given on Monday.

BUSINESS PICKING UP.

Laura Walsh and Etta DeLong, said to be under 20 years of age, were arrested on Pond street at 130 this morning as they were unable to give a satisfactory account of themselves. A lad 9 years old was given into the custody of the police at 1.30 last night on charge of lying and lurking about an establishment on Prince William street. Five men sought protection at the Police Station last night.

CLIFTON HOUSE, ALL MEALS 60C.

CALL EARLY FOR BOXES.

In connection with plebiscite on daylight saving, Common Clerk Wardrop would like all the commissionaires to call at city hall and get their boxes before Saturday at noon.

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The Editor of the St. John Standard: Sir—The Postmaster has enquired for two St. John men by the name of Charles and James Ritson, whose father was a brother of Edward Ritson, who met Joseph D. Ritson down Boston harbor some fifty-seven (57) years ago, and who is now living at 127 Round Lake avenue, Mechanicsville, Saratoga County, New York. Any information will be thankfully received by the Postmaster.

COUNTY HOUSING BOARD NEW HOUSES TO RENT

The County Housing Board are now in a position to rent, subject to sale, their newly completed houses containing all modern improvements on McKeil St., Fairville, at \$30 per month, and also those on Champlain St., West St. John, at \$40 per month.

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Special Honors For Cabotia's Cargo

Sandy MacDonald Aboard and Uniformed Committee Present to Give Him Attention.

The S. S. Cabotia is in port and is some freighter, and to many people its coming is of more importance than Daylight Saving. Some recall with great pleasure and the smacking of lips the occasion of the Cabotia's last visit here. She brought some forty odd thousand cases of whiskey then. Some of that whiskey never reached the consumers. It mysteriously disappeared from ship's hold or shed, and those on the inside of the "mystic circle" touched the high spots for a time after.

Light Cargo

The Cabotia hasn't such a big load of "general cargo" this trip. The cargo is largely in tin looking cases labeled "Sandy MacDonald." "Sandy" is no stranger in these parts, and many people went down to No. 7 shed yesterday to have a look at "Sandy" or lampshade. There were many official persons on the outside of the shed and within who wouldn't permit "Sandy's" friends to get within hand-clapping reach. Those official chairs are mighty fussy and wouldn't allow anyone to hang around in "Sandy's" vicinity. "Sandy" was in a hurry to reach his destination, they said, which is Montreal, but would be returning soon to cheer up things for those who wanted to meet him.

Special Honors

Special honors are being paid the Cabotia cargo this trip. Many gentlemen in brass buttons are hovering about watching every move of box, bundle and person. If one wants to get into shed No. 7, one must show a certificate of good character and a copy of his church attendance card. Should one wish to go aboard the Cabotia to see a friend or lampshade, a good-looking ship, one must be prepared to answer all sorts of questions in a manner satisfactory to the "blue-jackets" on duty. Of some importance is the Cabotia and her cargo.

Sleeping At Seamen's Institute

Eleven Men Sent Back from England Being Cared for—Another Instance.

Eleven of the twelve men sent back from England who arrived on the Minnedosa are sleeping at the Seamen's Institute, one having been provided for by the D. S. C. R., as he came under their department. His board is being paid at a city hotel. The others are being cared for at the Institute. Capt. A. J. Mulcahy is endeavoring to arrange transportation for the men.

To show some of the difficulties of obtaining employment it was reported that five men were wanted as firemen on a vessel sailing shortly. Five men from the Institute applied, only to be told that they were needed to take the ship over to Halifax and there would be dismissed. The wages they would earn would not pay for passage back to St. John, and they would be worse off in Halifax than they are at present in St. John, as regards getting berths on ships.

Nottingham Curtains Much Underpriced

Where is the housekeeper who does not love to see fresh, clean, new curtains on the windows? What a difference they make, too, in the appearance of the whole house, especially at a time when spring is in the air. And at the prices now being asked it is cheaper to buy new ones than to have the old ones done up. The F. A. Nottingham Co. has just received a big shipment of Nottingham Lace Curtains that will be sure to please, the designs are pretty and the prices range from \$1.98 to \$4.95 pair.

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