

THE WEATHER.

Toronto, Jan. 27.—The disturbance centered over Ontario Saturday morning is now centered over Virginia, while the pressure is high over most of the Dominion. Light snow precipitation has occurred today in Alberta, Ontario and the Maritime Provinces, elsewhere in the Dominion the weather is generally fair and colder.

Prince Rupert	34	42
Victoria	35	43
Calgary	38	46
Edmonton	38	46
Saskatoon	38	46
Winnipeg	38	46
White River	38	46
Parry Sound	38	46
Toronto	38	46
Ottawa	38	46
Montreal	38	46
Quebec	38	46
Halifax	38	46

—Below zero.

Forecast.

Maritime—Westerly to northerly winds increasing to moderate gales, cloudy with light snow, becoming colder.

Northern—New England—Cloudy and colder; probably snow Monday; Tuesday fair; strong north to east winds, probably gales.

AROUND THE CITY

TO REPAIR HULL.
The Canadian Importer, of the C. M. M. fleet, was pulled into market also yesterday to undergo repairs on her hull.

SPOKE AT HAMPTON.
Rev. F. S. Dowling, of St. Andrew's Church spoke yesterday at Hampton and Robson's churches making addresses upon foreign work.

CHILD DEAD.
Friends of Mr. and Mrs. George Ramsay, 190 City Road, will regret to hear of the death of their infant son, Harry, which took place Saturday. The funeral will be held on Monday afternoon from his parents' residence.

SOUTH END CARNIVAL.
The South End League will hold a carnival, free for all skaters, on Friday night, next, when prizes will be awarded for ladies and gentlemen. Music for the occasion will be furnished by the Phonograph Company 25 King Square.

SUNDAY IDEAL DAY.
Yesterday was an ideal day for promenaders. The weather being mild and inviting, many people taking advantage of it to enjoy long hikes, others taking to the ice fields for a skate, while some enjoyed the sleighing.

TO ATTEND CONVENTION.
Stanley C. Webb, A.M.E.I.C., manager of the Webb Electric Co. left Saturday for Toronto to attend the convention of the Engineering Institute of Canada. While there he will visit different manufacturing plants in that vicinity.

TEACHERS TO INTERCEDE.
The school teachers of the city will send a delegation to City Hall this morning to urge the members of the Council to vote the \$16,345 asked for the school board in addition to what they are legally allowed to assess for, in order that they may get the increase in salary promised them.

SOME LODGING HOUSES!
Five drunks were arrested by the police on Saturday and five protectionists received shelter. Sunday the drunks were reduced to one solitary specimen of the race, and twelve protectionists sought refuge at the city's two ostro-motels. Total for the week ends: Drunks, 6; protectionists, 17.

BOYS' CLUB OPENING.
The opening of the Boys' Club in 4th St. Y.M.C.A. building, which will take place Thursday evening. A feature of the programme will be the presentation of the Spaulding cup to the Pirates, and pins to the members of the Atlantic, winners of the Junior League. A large attendance is expected.

SATURDAY'S MARKET.
In the city market Saturday morning the following prices were quoted: Beef, 30c to 35c; lamb, 18c to 20c; butter, 90c to 70c; eggs, 75c to 80c; potatoes, 65c; turnips, 35c; parsnips, 60c; carrots, 55c; beets, 65c; apples, 45c to 60c a peck; cherries, 35c to 50c a pair; lettuce, 8c; cabbage, 7c; squash, 7c a pound, and cranberries, 30c a quart.

VITAL STATISTICS.
There were nineteen deaths in the city last week from the following causes: Pneumonia, two; bronchitis, two; Burns, scalding, erysipelas, prematurity, convulsions, myocarditis, septicaemia, encephalitis, malnutrition, cancer of stomach, carcinoma of colon, arterio-sclerosis, pernicious anaemia, pulmonary tuberculosis, cardiac decompensation, one each.

Seven marriages were solemnized in the city during the last week. For the same period there were twenty-two births—twelve boys and ten girls.

MANY PROTECTIONISTS.
The twenty-five protectionists of varied nationalities who sought shelter in the police station Friday night were again given the freedom of the city on the opening of the police court Saturday morning.

Harold Simon, Arthur David and Albert H. Cairns, were before the police court Saturday morning charged with being slowpokes on board the S. S. Canadian Importer. They were remanded until the afternoon. One of the men said he came from Sackville, N. B., but when he was questioned he did not know anything about the town or any of the prominent citizens.

Two men charged with drunkenness landed quietly and were arraigned.

Shipwrecked Crew Reaches St. John

Six Sailors on Way Back to Newfoundland After Losing Schooner Near Azores.

A party of six shipwrecked men arrived at the St. John's Maritime Society from Boston. Their history is as follows: The Emma Bellardus of St. John's, Nfld., bound for Portland, Me., was wrecked on November 24, 1905, 1200 miles west of the Azores. Captain, mate and five men got ashore on the island of Corta in their own boat. They were sent to St. Michael's and boarded the Dutch steamer, Briz, for Providence, R. I. From there they were transported to Boston by the British Vice-consul, and from Boston to this port. They leave for home today. They are Captain Moody, Mate Harvey and Seaman Green, Geo. Buck, Jay, Genest.

Two Alarm Fire Calls The Brigade

Starr's Coal Plant Scene of Serious Outbreak Late Saturday Night.

A two alarm fire, at 11:29 p.m. Saturday, called the firemen to the corner of Spry and Union streets for a well developed blaze in Starr's coal office. The fire started in the main office on the ground floor and quickly worked to a rear office on the same floor and to an unoccupied room on the second floor, directly over the main office of the Starr Coal Co. The flames in this room broke forth with an explosion that blew out the windows and caused the crowd that gathered to duck for safety, as the flames shot forth and a huge volume of dense smoke rolled out, blinding fire-fighters and others within range.

Dense Smoke
The smoke from the fire was exceptionally dense and proved a serious handicap to the firemen. A half dozen lines of hose were laid to drown out the blaze.

The fire was confined to the three rooms mentioned, the greater part of the damage being done by smoke and water.

Incendiary Origin
Mr. Frost, who occupied the third floor, where he conducted his hardware and distributing business, reports that fire did not reach his place, and what damage he suffered was very slight and caused mostly by smoke.

Mr. Frank Starr, when seen last night, said he believed the fire was of incendiary origin. He said that wires in the building, he says, are in conditio, and it was very improbable that the fire could start from defective wiring. It was impossible for him to form an estimate of the damage done until appraisers had gone over the building. The office fixtures, adding machines, typewriters, etc., were ruined, as well as the numerous files of invoices and other papers which were not in the safe.

The insurance, he said, was ample to cover all losses.

Trans-Continent Hiker in the City

Young Man Tramping from Halifax to Vancouver—Out to Establish Record.

Charles Burkman, who is on the coast to coast hike, leaving Halifax January 27, breezes into the city about four o'clock Saturday afternoon, head erect, chest out and going strong. His stroll on Saturday was from Hampton to this city, a distance of twenty-four miles which he covered in six hours. Mr. Burkman was not at all fatigued from his day's efforts. He proceeded to doll up, and became a prominent figure at the Strand in the evening, where he proved as fancy a stepper as he is a pedestrian.

After a Record
Mr. Burkman is on the hike from Halifax to Vancouver with the object of establishing a new record in a transcontinental hike. The record, established some years ago, was approximately twelve months. Mr. Burkman, however, he keeps up the present rate of travel, will be able to accomplish the feat slightly under six months. So far he has been able to negotiate on the average twenty-two miles a day, and these were taken easily, there being no forced walks on any day he has been out. A partner who started with him from Halifax dropped out at Patick and now Burkman goes it alone and unimpeded.

For Good Sport
"There is no wager on this hike, nor is it being done by the young pedestrian with any hope of reward. It is being done purely for good sportsmanship. To defray the expenses of the trip he is selling a post card bearing his photograph and setting forth what he is out to accomplish."

He carried with him a letter of greetings from the mayor of Halifax to the mayor of Vancouver. In each town or city he enters he secures in a book carried for that purpose the signature of the mayor and also an impress of the municipal seal.

Leaves Here This Morning
Mr. Burkman will leave here this morning at 10 o'clock, starting from the Union depot, and plans to make Wolford for the night. Tuesday night he plans to be at Fredericton Junction, and Harvey Wednesday night, and Thursday at Vancouver.

He is following the line of the C. P. R. rails, as he finds a better walking trail, where the snowplows have broken out a good, hard surface.

So far on his journey the young pedestrian has suffered no ill-effects from his journey, and his feet have not developed any tenderness. Mr. Burkman is a clean cut, athletic-looking man. Modest in demeanor and of a retiring nature, he impresses all who meet him here as being of the make-up that accomplishes what he goes after.

Eloquent Sermon In First Presbyterian

"Footprints of Pessimist in Philosophy, Literature, the Church and Political Life."

Speaking in the First Presbyterian Church yesterday morning, Rev. Dr. John Archibald Morrison delivered a most eloquent sermon on the subject, "The Footprints of the Pessimist in Philosophy, Literature, the Church and Political Life." In the course of his remarks which formed one of the finest sermons preached in the First Presbyterian Church, Dr. Morrison voiced a strong plea for religion as a cure of the world's ills.

In his definition of pessimism, the speaker drew the attention of the boys and the girls, of which there were many present, by tracing the word to its Latin derivation, and showed that the pessimist was one who regarded the present state of existence as essentially evil. After tracing the course of philosophic pessimism, and drawing attention to the marks of its presence in literature and politics, and at times even in the Church itself, Dr. Morrison went on to show that as a philosophy of life, whether for the individual or for the world, it did its deplorable work, not only in the world, but in the Church itself.

The war and after conditions of unrest in the world, however, taught him that the only Gospel that had power to save the world from its ills was that of the Gospel of Christ. To Dr. Morrison, it was evident that the Mr. Klosser of the story represented in his radicalism, the best that modern pessimism could offer for the evils that affect the world today, and by this man's theories he opposed the Gospel of Him who declared "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life."

Y.W.C.A. Annual Membership Social

Three Hundred and Fifty Girls Present at Recreational Centre—Excellent Programme.

The deep interest taken in the Y.W.C.A. was evidenced by the large attendance at the annual membership social held at the Recreational Centre King street east on Saturday evening when three hundred and fifty girls were present. All arrangements were in charge of Mrs. Z. Cowan, president of the membership committee who received the guests. Great credit is due Mrs. Cowan for planning so delightful an evening.

Mrs. John A. McArthur, president, welcomed the guests and announced the numbers on the programme. Miss Tapscott, general secretary, gave a bright, interesting address on what the "Y" means to members and the benefits to be derived from the association. Miss Littlefield's class of senior business girls, thirty in number, gave an exhibition of gymnastics which was highly praised by the audience. Mr. Charlton, Montreal, showed a number of slides descriptive of Y.W.C.A. camp life.

The programme included: Piano solo, Mrs. Rayworth; piano duet, Misses Hunt and Poole; vocal solo, Master Victor Rezan; solo, Mrs. Blake Ferris; violin solo, Bruce Hold; vocal solo, Miss Stella McKay; Mrs. T. Milton Barnes; Mrs. A. O. Hines acted as accompanists. While the entire programme was an excellent one, special mention must be made of Mrs. Blake Ferris' solo, which was very beautiful.

Refreshments were served by the "Gym" girls in gym costume. Ladies assisting Mrs. Cowan were Mrs. Bertram Smith, Mrs. Prime, Mrs. F. B. Fisher, Mrs. Hill, Mrs. A. O. Barnham, Mrs. Trentowsky, Mrs. A. B. Fowler, Mrs. J. J. Gordon.

Outdoor Skating Certainly Booming

It is an excellent sign of the times when outdoor sports are being taken up with enthusiasm. The toboggan slide at Rockwood Park has filled a long felt want, and every day parties of girls and boys are enjoying healthful, fresh air amusements. On Saturday whole families may be seen going down the slide and arriving back at the top of the hill, rosy and all ready for another rush down.

The first time down the slide provides somewhat of a thrill for the older members of the party as well as for the youngster, who is being introduced to the swift descent. Some of the tiny ones are good sports and do not want to leave, even when the afternoon is nearly over.

Skating Enjoyed
Skating shows signs of coming into its own, and the open air rinks at East and South Ends are proving very popular, as well as rinks on the Lake. There is talk on reviving the days of the Monday Evening Skating Club when competitions in walking used to be held and skating was looked upon as an art. It is proposed to gather some of those most devoted to figure skating and walking and hold some meetings at which new styles would be practiced. There are in St. John a number of excellent skaters, and it is a pity that this graceful sport should be allowed to drop entirely from the list of amusements.

Rev. I. Brindley Receives Call

Congregation of Ludlow St. Baptist Church Held Special Meeting Last Evening.

The congregation of the Ludlow street Baptist church assembled in a special meeting following the regular evening service last night, and extended a call to the Rev. I. Brindley, to accept the pastorate left vacant by the death of the Rev. W. R. Robinson.

The meeting was largely attended, and the call was extended after an unanimous vote had been taken. Mr. Brindley has accepted the call and will shortly assume office. He is an Englishman by birth and has only been in this country for a few months.

POPULAR YOUNG MAN DIES SUDDENLY

The many friends of George Arthur McLennan will learn with deepest regret of his death, which occurred at the General Public Hospital at 12:30 o'clock this morning of meningitis.

This popular young man was connected with the J. A. Pugsley Co., Ltd., and was taken ill at his home, 363 Prince street, West St. John. He was removed to a hospital that evening and his sudden death will be learned with a shock by a wide circle of friends. He leaves to mourn his father, James C. C. McLennan, merchant tailor in West St. John, also one brother, Fred, at home. The family have the deepest sympathy of the community, as he was only a few days ago removed to a hospital. Mrs. Herbert Dickson, died suddenly.

FORMERLY PASTOR IN FAIRVILLE

Rev. A. M. Hill, Ph. D., who is in St. John in the interests of the Brotherhood Movement, which he is maritime secretary, was formerly minister of St. Columba church, Fairville. For the past twelve years he has been stationed at Yarmouth, N. S. Dr. Hill hopes to have a strong federation formed in St. John. There are organizations of Brotherhood in the large cities of Canada. Dr. Hill goes to Amherst from St. John.

All members and those interested in the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire are invited to attend the quarterly meeting of the Provincial Chapter, Monday afternoon, at 2:30 in the German street Baptist Institute.

QUAKE CANNON DEAD

Quaker, Jan. 26.—Mr. Quaker, L. J. Cannon, died suddenly at his home here at an early hour this morning.

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