

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Moderate winds; fair and warm. Toronto, Aug. 6.—Pressure distribution has changed very little since yesterday. Fine weather has prevailed throughout Canada, with the exception of a few local showers or thunderstorms in Quebec and Nova Scotia. Temperatures have been slightly higher in Alberta and somewhat lower in Saskatchewan and Manitoba.

Zion Methodist Picnic. The Zion Methodist church picnic was held yesterday at Quispamsis. A large crowd attended and the day passed off without incident. The picnic party returned to the city about 5.30 p. m.

Up River Visitors. Mrs. J. E. Idone, of Boston left last evening for Burton, on the St. John river, where she will join her husband, Professor J. E. Idone, of the Boston conservatory of music, who is spending a short vacation there.

Mr. N. L. Brennan is President. At the annual meeting of the Maritime Funeral Directors' Association, which was held at Halifax on Thursday, Mr. N. L. Brennan of St. John was elected president of the association for the coming year.

Thrown Out But Uninjured. Yesterday afternoon while Harry B. McGehee's grocery wagon was coming down King street, the horse slipped on the car track and fell. The driver was thrown out, but fortunately he was not injured. A shaft of the wagon was broken.

Became Unmanageable. A horse owned by Mr. James Robinson became unmanageable on Main street, last evening. The driver, Mr. Robinson, managed to extricate himself before the vehicle upset however, and the animal was quieted with the help of a few bystanders.

Better Late Than Never. The confession of a young girl cleared up the mystery of the theft of various articles from the residence of Mr. Herbert Smart and Mr. Geo. Clark, on the West Side, on July 21. The girl was seen by the police in conversation with Miss Clark, who was trying to persuade her to return the stolen goods. The clue was followed and the girl on being taxed with the theft, disgorged the spoils, which consisted of three rings, some silver and a pair of ladies' gloves.

A Double Medalist. Owing to a mistake in tabulation by one of the University matriculation examiners, Miss Rosalie Waterman's marks in the mathematical subjects were placed at 156, whereas her correct marks were 109. The correction gives Miss Waterman the Parker medal for highest marks in mathematics of any St. John student. Miss Waterman, who is now visiting at Jemseg, made an excellent showing in the examination, winning both the Corporation gold and the Parker silver medals.

Narrow Escape From Drowning. Yesterday afternoon while William Higgins, a boy of 10 years, was learning to swim in Marble Cove, he got beyond his depth and sank. The cries of his companions attracted the attention of some men working on a raft nearby and one of them jumped overboard after the lad and had little difficulty in getting him ashore. He had lost consciousness, but after working with him for a few minutes, he came to and was able to proceed to his home near Victoria street. On inquiry at the house last evening it was learned that the boy was none the worse for his experience and was playing about as if nothing had happened.

St. Peter's Jubilee Celebration. Last evening at the jubilee celebration in St. Peter's church, Rev. Patrick Leonard, C. S. S. R., formerly of St. John, preached an eloquent sermon, taking for his subject The King of the True Church. After the sermon benediction was given. This evening Rev. J. Barry, C. S. S. R., will preach on The Queen of the True Church. After the sermon there will be benediction and a procession in honor of the blessed virgin. On Sunday morning at 10.30 o'clock the papal benediction will be given by His Lordship Bishop Casey. At 4 p. m. the removal of the bodies of the deceased Redemptorists from the old St. Peter's burying ground to the new vault in the rear of the church will take place. In the evening Rev. A. Wynn, C. S. S. R., will be the preacher.

Large Entry List For Annual Rifle Match. Sixty Already Received for Provincial Association Meet at Sussex Next Tuesday—Fine List of Prizes. Preparations are now well under way for the annual match of the Provincial Rifle Association which will open at Sussex next Tuesday, Aug. 10, and last four days. About sixty entries have so far come to hand, and it is expected that at least thirty more will be received. The competitors will shoot at each range from 200 yards to 900 yards inclusive. Cash prizes amounting to about \$1,300 will be awarded to the winners of the different cups and a number of other prizes consisting of guns, medals and shields, will also be presented.

Among the cups to be presented are the Donville cup, presented by Senator Donville; the McLean cup, presented by Col. H. H. McLean; the Pugsley cup, given by Hon. Wm. Pugsley; the Hazen Challenge cup, donated by Premier Hazen; silver cup, property of the association; the Coleman shield; the ladies' cup, presented to the club by the ladies of New Brunswick; and the Fowler trophy, given by Mr. George W. Fowler.

A party in charge of Captain J. S. Frost, secretary of the association, will leave on Monday for Sussex and will set up the tents and make other arrangements for the accommodation of the marksmen.

Captain Frost is confident that the meet this year will prove highly successful and the members are busy arranging details and making final preparations in connection with the meet. Visitors will be made welcome and

BOARD DECIDES TO GIVE I. C. R. OLD WATER RATES

Messrs. Tiffin and Brady Heard Yesterday With Increased Charges—Change in Effect May 1.

Messrs. E. Tiffin and F. P. Brady, of the I. C. R. Board of Management, made a trip to St. John yesterday for the purpose of conferring with the Water and Sewerage Board with regard to the increased water rates, charged against the I. C. R. since October last. After being given a hearing a resolution was passed recommending that the old rate of 10 cents per 1,000 gallons be restored for the year beginning May 1, last. This will leave the I. C. R. liable for the extra rate from October 1 last until April 30.

Mr. Brady stated he had checks with him for upwards of \$2,600 for two past quarters, made up on the old basis, and he was ready to hand these over to the city. He was referred to the Chamberlain to make arrangements.

Mr. Tiffin said the city was penalizing the I. C. R. because it was a large consumer of water. He said the plan the city proposed was to double the rate after the consumption exceeded 25,000,000 gallons, whereas they thought the rate should be reduced. At present they paid 10 cents per 1,000 gallons up to 25,000,000. Mr. Tiffin further complained that the railway had not been given any notice of the proposed increase, and first learned of it through their bill. The railway, he said, was paying more for water in St. John than in any city along the line, excepting Moncton, where the rate was 10 cents per 1,000 gallons. In Halifax it is 7 1/2 cts.

He asked if there was not a danger that the high rates would force such a large user as the I. C. R. to seek for water supply elsewhere, and so defeat the end the city has in view. The I. C. R. used from 40,000,000 to 45,000,000 gallons annually, and he feared the Water Board had not given the matter their usual careful attention. Probably they never thought the road would use 25,000,000 gallons, and so would not have to pay the increase.

Ald. Frink and others discussed the matter, and when the I. C. R. delegation had retired, the resolution referred to was carried.

An extra vote of \$100 was ordered to complete the Cedar street sewer, and the Engineer was authorized to purchase two metres for rock. The Board then adjourned.

GARBAGE RECEPTACLES EXCITE SOME CRITICISM

Painted Directions on Latest Civic Improvement a Subject of Much Interest—A Gem in English Composition.

By placing garbage receptacles at many of the principal points in the city yesterday the Works Department took a step which it is hoped will mean a distinct improvement in the appearance of the streets. Like many civic reforms however—the new ferry pay boxes for example—the innovation in some respects was open to criticism.

Each bright red iron box which by the way, was not unlike a coal scuttle standing on end, bore in large white letters the following legend, punctuated marks included:

THE PUBLIC ARE REQUESTED TO DEPOSIT ALL WASTE PAPER AND GARBAGE INTO THIS.

It was suggested by one facetious alderman that the presence of a comma in the first line might be the artist's contraction for "common people" but any explanation regarding the liberal sprinkling of periods entirely failed him. Much speculation was indulged in as to the authorities which the officials consulted in framing the expression "deposited into" but no solution was arrived at.

The impression seemed to prevail that this literary effort might possibly give visitors an erroneous idea of English "as she is written" in St. John, New Brunswick, but that it was certainly a gem in its way.

It is a melancholy fact that the only "garbage" which found a resting place in the receptacle in front of the post office yesterday was a copy of a St. John one cent evening paper.

MRS. DIAMOND FOUND DEAD ON BEDROOM FLOOR

Patrolman Ross Summoned to House in Carmarthen Street Last Evening Made Startling Discovery—No Inquest Necessary.

A woman lying with her back against a bed partly reclining on the floor with death written plainly in every feature was the sight which met the astonished gaze of Patrolman James H. Ross when he stepped into a room of the house at 303 Carmarthen street shortly after 7 o'clock last evening. The woman was Mrs. Isabella Diamond, wife of Elias Diamond. She had passed away a few minutes before while alone in the room. The alarm was given by her husband, who is old and feeble, and Amelia Frances, who lives near, told the officer soon after the latter had arrived on the beat for his night's patrol.

Mrs. Diamond was formerly Bella Nickerson, a sister of the well-known Pegleg Nickerson, at present serving a term in jail. She was married to Diamond, who is a colored man, about thirty years ago, and the couple had always lived respectably together. She was a woman who had worked hard and was somewhat broken down in health. She had not been feeling well for the last two days, but no serious result was anticipated and at the time of the sad occurrence her daughter had left her to go on an errand to Erin street. It was thought she had been seized with a severe attack and struggled up, only to fall, her head resting on the edge of the bed.

When Policeman Ross arrived he did not disturb the body, but telephoned for the coroner, Dr. D. E. Berryman. The latter arrived, and having viewed the body pronounced death due to natural causes. No inquest will be held.

Miss Jean Leich was taken to the General Public Hospital yesterday, to undergo an operation. Upon inquiry last night it was learned that the operation had been performed and that Miss Leich was doing as well as could be expected.

JULY A RECORD MONTH IN S. T. P. CONSTRUCTION.

Work On New Brunswick Sections Reached High Water Mark—\$446,970.87 Expended—Labor Market Not Well Supplied.

Figures given out yesterday by Mr. C. O. Foss, Chief Engineer of District A of the National Transcontinental Railway construction, show that the work done during the month of July was by far the largest yet accomplished. The total amount expended during the month reached the sum of \$446,970.87.

Mr. Foss, in speaking of the matter yesterday said this was a high water mark which exceeded any previous month's work and would probably not be equalled again. If the same rate of expenditure was kept up the work of construction would be completed inside of four months, as there was about \$2,000,000 available for the section.

The largest sum expended by any one contractor in New Brunswick was on the section under the supervision of the Willard Kitchen Company who are doing much of the heaviest work. Their estimate alone is \$193,075.88. The smallest sum expended was on one short section of eight miles near Chipman where the total was only \$27,580.89.

The labor market, Mr. Foss said, was none too well supplied. It was rather remarkable he thought, that it was more difficult to keep men steady at work when wages were high than when the work was scarce. The men were always looking for higher wages or else faster work if they had an idea that the contractors were hard up for men.

THIS FISH STORY COMES FROM THE MATAPEDIA

It Tells, Without Apology, of a Sussex Man's Great Presence of Mind in Trying Circumstances.

The Maritime express yesterday morning pulled into Sussex behind time, but arrived in St. John right on the spot. The cause, rather than the incident, is of interest. The Canadian Express Company unloaded two immense salmon at Sussex from the train. One was addressed to Mrs. O. R. Arnold, and the other to Mr. Manning W. Doherty, and both were prizes won from the waters of the Matapedia by Mr. Thomas, manager of the Bank of New Brunswick at Sussex.

The details of the capture of the larger of these salmon were received by The Standard last evening. It appears that Mr. Thomas, who with Mrs. Thomas and some friends, is spending a vacation on the banks of the Matapedia, had been fishing with little success for some hours and had become more or less careless in making his casts. Suddenly the line tightened with such force that the canoe was upset and the fisherman found himself in water which just took him up level with the eyes.

The water was deeper on all sides, so that it appeared for a time that Mr. Thomas would have to let the salmon go and swim for shore. It is said that the measure of a man's ability is shown by his conduct in a crisis. The hero of this tale measured up to the best of them, for in this supreme moment there flashed through his mind the idea of raising the played-out salmon above the water and thus lowering the level of the river. Action followed on the heels of the thought and both lives were saved.

Mr. Thomas' friends, it is reported, held a grand celebration on the banks of the river and crowned him king of the Matapedia.

Mr. Thomas Malcolm, the contractor for the construction of the International Railway from St. Leonards to Campbellton was in the city yesterday on his return home from Portland and other points in Maine. When Mr. Malcolm left the north, the work on the railway was progressing favorably and he expects to have the road completed about the middle of September. When the last spike on the railway is driven at St. Leonards, it will be accompanied by appropriate ceremonies to which prominent men will be invited.

Speaking to a Standard reporter, Mr. Malcolm said the rolling stock for the railway, including locomotives and passenger cars, had all been ordered and a considerable quantity was already on the ground. The prospects for traffic on the new railway look very encouraging, though the development of the new country to be opened up has hardly begun.

Mr. Malcolm spoke of the devastation worked by forest fires and said the cost of keeping the flames in check during the dry season was a very heavy item in the working expenses. The actual loss from fire, he said, on the North Shore, would not amount to very much.

OTTAWA OFFICERS HERE ON PLEASURE BENT

Three Government Employees Now Visiting the City Who Hold Responsible Positions at the Capital.

Among the tourists arriving in the city yesterday were three officials from the Government departments at Ottawa. Their visit here is entirely one of pleasure. They occupy responsible positions in their respective departments at the Capital.

Mr. Thomas Simmons, one of the number, is an engineer in the office of the Railway Commission, and is making a trip to his old home at Fredericton. He is accompanied by Mrs. Simmons.

Mr. R. F. Unlacek, an engineer in the National Transcontinental Railway, is also in the city, accompanied by his wife.

The third visitor, Mr. Robert Dunbar, is one of the official reporters for Hansard in the House of Commons, and a former newspaper man. He is accompanied by his little son, Jack. Mr. Dunbar was in St. John with the grant commissioners on the occasion of their visit here and has returned to get better acquainted with the city.

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