

THE WEATHER
Toronto, Feb. 17.—Shallow depressions are situated over Lake Superior and in British Columbia, and pressure is now highest along the United States Atlantic coast. The weather is fine and very cold from the Ottawa Valley to the Maritime Provinces, while over the Gulf of St. Lawrence the temperature is rising attended by a few snow flurries.

AROUND THE CITY
"WORK-A-Lot" GLASS
The "Work-a-lot" class of Main street Baptist church, held an apron show last evening at the home of the teacher, Mrs. David Hutchinson.

THANKS HOSPITAL
In view of the kind attention and courteous treatment he received while a patient at the General Public Hospital when he recently underwent a serious operation, Thomas Prince, the well known railroad engineer, desires to express his thanks and appreciation to Dr. Murray MacLaren and the physicians and nurses of the hospital.

WIDENING AVENUE
Rock drilling will begin next week in connection with the widening of Millington avenue, a work which is being conducted by the Public Works Department. The trees have already been cleared off the area included in the new street lines. The rock drilling will be made with the aid of a steam drill.

MOTOR SHOW
Official permission to use the armory for the motor show was received yesterday from Ottawa and plans are now being drawn up for the spacing for exhibitors. It is expected about 70 of this year's cars will be on exhibition and from 15 to 18 accessory exhibits. Arrangements are being made to have one of the women's organizations in the city operate a tea room. The show will open on March 27 and close on April 1.

ORDER CANCELLED
The St. John Board of Trade has been advised by the Minister of Customs that the departmental circular requiring changes in renewal sales tax license numbers, to which objections had been taken by the board, has been cancelled. The Minister, in his letter, states: "I can assure you that it is not my desire that the business public should be put to any inconvenience or expense that can be avoided."

COSTLY STORMS
The city will pay dearly for the last few snow storms which visited it during the past week. According to a statement made by Commissioner Frink yesterday, more money was expended on snow removal during the last week than was necessary during all last winter. Thirty-six teams and more than 100 men were engaged yesterday in the work of snow removal, four of the gangs being taken on under the emergency scheme recently adopted by the council.

WILLIS LODGE FAIR
At the fair, held last night in Fairville under the auspices of Willis L. O. L., the door prize, which was won by Oliver Stinson, was a pair of boots, donated by the Weston Shoe Co. The prize for highest score at the bean board was won by William Stinson; at the ladies' bean board, by Miss Pearl Cooper; at the bowling alley, by K. Coug's.

ARRIVED ON MELITA
Miss Cora Hill, author and editorial writer for the Wintipeg Free Press, who was formerly prominent in the Women's Canadian Press Association, arrived in the city yesterday to take passage on the C. P. & S. Molta for England, where she will remain until June, investigating the cattle embargo in the interests of Western Canada farmers. Miss Hill, who is one of Canada's foremost special writers, is thoroughly conversant with the embargo question, having studied the situation here and reported, written and spoken in Canada on behalf of the farmers of the West. Her investigation in England will continue probably until June. She will lecture there and do general publicity work.

Clear Officers And Pilot of Steamer

Brant County Stranding Attributed to Non-Operation of Range Light at Cap Brule.

The enquiry into the stranding of the Brant County in the St. Lawrence on the night of December 1, 1921, has been concluded and the court found the entire blame to lie on the non-operation of the range light at Cap Brule.

The finding was as follows:—The court having carefully weighed the evidence adduced, finds, for the reasons mentioned in the brief analysis of the evidence, that the master and second officer of the S. S. Brant County are free from any blame for the grounding, and also exonerates Pilot Hermenegilde Lachance, on account of the casualty being due solely to the non-operation of the range light at Cap Brule.

Pythian Service Sunday Afternoon Will Observe 58th Anniversary by Attending Divine Service at Trinity Church.

The 58th anniversary of the founding of the order of Knights of Pythias, organized in Washington, on February 19, 1864, will be observed on Sunday February 19, by the usual church service, held this year in Trinity church. The members of the order, including the members of the Ladies Temple, No. 18, Pythian Sisters, will meet in the school room at 3.30 and march into the church, where the service will be conducted at 4 o'clock the preacher for the occasion being Rev. Canon Armstrong, rector of Trinity.

May Retain The Cotton Mills Here

Understood Compromise Arrived at Satisfactory to Both Company and City.

The citizens of the city, who are interested in its welfare and advancement along industrial lines, will be glad to know that arrangements have practically been completed whereby the Cornwall and York Cotton Mills will remain here as an active industry. After the session with the city council yesterday the matter was talked over by the commissioners and they submitted an offer to the Company, which has been forwarded to Montreal and is understood to be acceptable by the head office.

PERSONALS

G. S. Mayer arrived in the city yesterday after a week's business trip to Montreal. Quite an improvement in his condition was the pleasing report about John Russell yesterday. Miss Florence Tins and Miss Mary G. Simonds left yesterday afternoon for Fredericton to attend the N. B. convention. Mayor Frank Kennedy, of St. Andrews, was in the city yesterday on business. He reports prospects bright for a busy summer for his town, particularly in regard to the tourist traffic. Captain E. H. Tedford of Montreal, marine superintendent of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine, Limited, was in the city yesterday. Fredericton Gleaner, Thursday: The condition of Mr. Justice White, who was suddenly seized with illness yesterday morning, is somewhat improved today although he is still confined to his room at the Barker House. Mrs. White arrived last evening to be with her husband.

Memorial Meeting Held Yesterday

Members of W. C. T. U. Observed Anniversary of Birth of Miss Frances Willard.

The memorial meeting, held by the W. C. T. U. each year on the anniversary of the death of Miss Frances Willard, was held yesterday at the home of Mrs. Seymour, Carmarthen street. Mrs. Seymour presided and the guests were entertained with the singing of the hymn, "Labor on, spend and be spent" after which Mrs. Seymour read the 14th Psalm, known as the W. C. T. U. psalm. Mrs. Willard gave an interesting address on the life of Miss Willard, and Mrs. Ellsworth Scott, a reading on her life. Mrs. Seymour gave a reading, "Beautiful Snow" and Mrs. Ellsworth an entitled, "Whose Daughter."

Jack Frost Has City In Throttling Grasp Took Full Possession Yesterday, Making Things Disagreeable for Everyone.

Amidst the arrival in the city yesterday, was that much dreaded winter spirit, Jack Frost, who returned from his winter activities elsewhere, and completely took command of the city at an early hour in the morning. He was accompanied on his expedition by a strong, penetrating northerly wind, which travelled as high as thirty miles an hour, and caused the citizens no small discomfort when they made their appearance on the streets. As a result of the invasion, the mercury, which lately has remained well above zero, took a sudden drop, and hovered at ten degrees below during the early part of the day.

Pleased With Visit To Railroad City

Annual Dinner of Moncton Salvage Corps Attended by St. John Representative.

H. H. McEllan, Chief Fire Marshal of New Brunswick; C. R. Robinson, L. A. DEMERIS, K. J. MacRae, Captain No. 1 Salvage Co., and H. G. Tapley, Lieutenant of Fire Police and Salvage Corps, returned to the city yesterday from Moncton, where they attended the annual dinner of the Moncton Salvage Corps and Fire Police, held in the Brunswick Hotel Thursday evening. They expressed themselves as much pleased with their visit and the warm hospitality they had met with from their confederates in the railway city. In addition to the excellent banquet served, a very pleasing programme was also carried out in conjunction with an attractive toast list. Other present were: Mayor J. Fred Edgett and members of the City Council; Chief Ackman and officers of the Hose Company; Chief of Police L. S. Hutchinson, J. E. Mason, ex-Ald. Melanson, Walter Noak, Alonzo Johnson, Major W. A. McKee, Foster Keith, Capt. A. H. Lindsay, of the S. C. and F. P.; Lieut. A. H. Spence, Sec. J. John Christie, C. G. Stullis, J. R. Williams; and the following old members of the local Salvage Corps: R. P. Dickson, J. B. Nugent, T. P. Pries, F. M. Dayton, F. W. Crain, C. S. Lea, S. T. O'Brien, Capt. A. H. Lindsay acted as toastmaster, and the following toasts were honored.

Charged With Theft of Cloth From C.P.R.

Alleged to Have Been Taken While Goods Were in Transit.

As the result of the activities of C. P. R. Detectives Steves, C. F. H. Constables Costello and Ritzon, and Detective Biddiscombe and Donahue, John D. A. Willis was arrested on Thursday night on suspicion of stealing cloth, to the value of \$100, the property of the C. P. R. The theft is alleged to have taken place between Feb. 10 and 15, while the goods were in transit. The preliminary hearing of the accused was begun in the police court, yesterday morning. Evidence was given by Detective Biddiscombe to the effect that he, together with Officers Donahue, Costello and Ritzon, went to Princess St. about eight o'clock on Thursday night, and there secreted themselves in two alleysways. About fifteen minutes later, a horse and sleigh driven by the defendant, appeared on the scene. The witness ran out and stopped the horse, and searched the bottom of the sleigh, finding in it a quantity of cloth. A man, who was with the defendant, made his escape from the conveyance, and was pursued by Detective Donahue. The witness and Officer Costello drove from the defendant to the station, where another search of the sleigh revealed five pieces of cloth, which the witness identified in court. The horse and sleigh belonged to a West Side livery stable. The case was postponed until Tuesday morning for further evidence. H. H. McEllan, Jr., appeared in the interests of the C. P. R., and J. A. Barry for the defendant. George Cook, Ernest Bushman, Robert Bree, Joseph Deveau and a juvenile, who pleaded guilty, at a former hearing, to the charge of stealing coal from the C. N. E., were brought before the magistrate, yesterday morning, for sentence. The magistrate, after warning the accused that they were all liable to two years in the penitentiary, allowed them to go on suspended sentence. Ernest Doucet, who had pleaded not guilty at the first hearing, was further remanded until his case could be separately considered, in view of the fact that he had a suspended sentence hanging over him at the present time. J. M. Logan did not appear in court, something to say on the subject of charges of assaulting a man named Jones, employed on one of the Haymarket Square street cars. The complainant alleges that he went into the defendant's store to speak to him about a matter of some snow that was on the car tracks, and there received an insulting answer, and was pushed from the shop. In the police court, yesterday afternoon, the case against John Breen, charged with illegally having liquor on his premises, was further postponed.

Minister of Railways Visiting City Today

Delegation to Present City's Needs from Railroad Point of View.

Hon. W. J. Kennedy, Minister of Railways, is paying a flying visit to the city today. He will arrive at 10:45 this morning and will leave again at 1:40 this afternoon. At 11:30 this morning he will receive a city delegation at the Royal Hotel. His Worship, the Mayor and members of the Board of Trade will call on him at that hour and place before him some of the needs, from a railway point of view. Among others, they will press the city's claim for a new depot and increased terminal facilities. If time permits, it is understood they will also have something to say on the subject of a greater use of the port for the shipment of export goods and the reception of imports from other countries.

Mother Applies For Custody of Child

Habeas Corpus Proceedings Heard in Chambers Yesterday Before Chief Justice McKeown.

Evidence was heard yesterday in chambers, in the matter of habeas corpus proceedings, applied for in Fredericton this week before a full bench, and returnable yesterday morning before Chief Justice McKeown. The case has to do with the custody of a child, born from the wedding of Percy H. Coeman. In 1917, the father secured a divorce from his wife, and since that time the infant, Bernia May Coeman, has been taken care of by the father and his people. The application for custody was made by the mother. The hearing will be continued today. Daniel Mullin, K. C., is appearing for the plaintiff, and Francis Kerr for the defendant.

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Basketball Games This Afternoon
There will be two games of basketball on the Y. M. C. A. floor, this afternoon, the principal encounter being an Intercollegiate League fixture, between the St. John High School and the quintette from Fredericton High. This will be the local boys' first league game, and they are confident of taking the measure of the basket shooters from the capital.

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LODGE PORTLAND SONS OF ENGLAND
After General Business Was Conducted An Excellent Programme of Music and Addresses Was Enjoyed.

Lodge Portland 246 Sons of England with L. A. Belyas, worthy president in the chair, met in the Orange Hall, Simond street, last evening. After the general business of the lodge was transacted the following programme was carried out and greatly enjoyed by all present.

Speeches were made by the District Deputy, Brother Thomas, Brother Horne, president of New Brunswick Lodge, Brother Darby, president of Marlborough Lodge and Brother Macdonald, past president of Halifax Lodge. A violin duet was given by Messrs Colman and Cameron, which was greatly enjoyed. Brother Haisel was the pianist of the evening. Refreshments were served and a very pleasant evening brought to a close by the singing of the National Anthem in the good old S. O. E. style.

High Bridge was arrested on a warrant at his boarding house, Wine low street, West End, at five o'clock yesterday afternoon. The warrant charges him with receiving stolen goods, knowing them to be stolen, to the value of \$86, between December 16, 1921, and February 15, 1922, to wit, cloth goods the property of the C. P. R. in transit.

Clifton House, all meals 60c.