

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Moderate southerly to westerly winds, fine and warm. Toronto, Aug. 14.—Since Saturday except for scattered thunder showers in the west and on Lake Superior the weather in Canada has been fine and from Manitoba westward very warm. Washington, Aug. 14.—Since Saturday night there were a few scattered showers in portions of Southern Pennsylvania and Southern New Jersey. The weather will be generally fair Monday and Tuesday in the East. Temperatures will be seasonable. Forecast for New England, partly cloudy, Monday and Tuesday, light variable winds.

AROUND THE CITY

Visiting Automobilists Here. An automobile party composed of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Conable, Miss Constable and J. H. McCracken of New York, arrived in a big Daimler touring car Saturday afternoon and are registered at the Royal.

Special Committee Will Meet. The special committee appointed on motion of Ald. Jones and Wignore to conduct an investigation into the administration of the various services under the control of the Board of Public Works, will meet at four o'clock this afternoon.

Queen Anne Cottage Withdrawn. The Queen Anne cottage and adjoining lands on the corner of Hazen and Coburg streets owned by Mrs. Harry W. deForest, was withdrawn from sale by F. L. Potts at Chubb's Corner on Saturday noon. The highest bid was \$11,700.

Buried Yesterday. The funeral of David Lowell took place at 2.30 yesterday afternoon from his late residence, Moot Street, to the church of the Holy Trinity, Rockland road, where services were read by Rev. Father J. J. Walsh. Interment was made in the new Catholic cemetery.

A Poor Apple Crop. G. A. Morris of Upper Clarence, N. S., in a letter to J. Willard Smith, says: "The apple crop is quite a failure. I hear of orchards that are generally good for one to two hundred barrels yielding scarcely enough for home use—say five or ten barrels. Mr. Morris adds that the barrel makers will have a lot of stock to carry over."

Tenders Were Laid Over. A special meeting of the Building Committee of the Board of School Trustees was held on Saturday with M. Coll in the chair. Tenders for the erection of a school building on the Weldon lot were opened, but, after some discussion, were laid over for further consideration at a later meeting to be called by the chairman.

Mission Work in India. Rev. I. C. Archibald, a returned missionary from India, preached in the Tabernacle Baptist church yesterday morning on his work in India. Mrs. Archibald took the evening service and gave an interesting account of women's work in the eastern colony. Mr. and Mrs. Archibald expect soon to return to their mission.

The St. Stephen Bank. The first announcement to come from the committee managing affairs at the St. Stephen bank is to the effect that today checks will be mailed to all depositors for 33 1-3 per cent. of their deposits, an announcement that is heard with much pleasure by the community. The "ante" is larger than depositors were expecting at this time.

Will Remain in Glace Bay. The Presbyterian Witness says: A rumor having reached the congregation of Knox Church, Glace Bay, that their pastor, Rev. D. N. MacRae, Ph. D., might be persuaded by another congregation to leave them, a meeting and representative deputation met with him, on returning from his vacation, with the result that Dr. MacRae remains with his congregation.

Socialists Criticize Library. The Socialists are indignant because the public library has been closed nearly a month undergoing repairs and painting. They say that in any other city one part of the building would be painted at a time, so that it would not be necessary to close the whole building to the public. They also think the library authorities should have a new up-to-date catalogue arranged, printed, and made available to the public for the sum of 10 cents.

Rev. J. H. Gibbs Says Farewell. Rev. J. H. Gibbs, for some time the efficient pastor of St. Phillips A. M. E. church, Queen St., preached his farewell sermon to a large congregation last evening. He came from Bermuda in 1909 and has been very successful in his pastorate here. Mr. Gibbs was the host of Bishop Derrick, head of the Eastern Division of the church during the Maritime Convention held here last year and was transferred by the conference meeting at Yarmouth this year.

Back from Sussex. Among those who have returned to the city from the P. R. A. meet at Sussex last week, or who are expected today are: Col. J. E. Humphrey, D. O. C., Col. H. H. McLean, president of the association; Col. J. L. McAvity, Major H. Perley, Major J. S. Frost, Sergt. Major Lamb, Sergt. J. S. Downey and E. F. Gladwin of the 62nd regiment; James Donnelly, Lt. L. A. Langstroth, G. F. Fletcher, B. Conley, F. A. Dunston and E. R. Murray of the St. J. R. A.; Major J. D. E. McKelvie of the Hussars; W. J. Costes, A. L. McIntosh, Sergt. I. F. Archibald, Lt. C. Dunfield and Corp. O. J. Dick, of the 3rd R. C. A.; Capt. James Manning, R. O.; Sergt. J. A. Sullivan, O. S. C. N. J. Morrison, Sergt. London, J. McIntyre and F. Wilkins.

Goes to South Africa. The St. Croix Courier says: Calvin McLean of St. John, who has a second home in St. Stephen with Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Carson, left us this week, to sail from Montreal August 27th enroute to South Africa. In the class of graduating engineers at McGill college this year, Mr. McLean stood second, and through that achievement he has secured a very desirable position with the great Consolidated Mines Co. of South Africa, where he will be employed for the next three years. He is a young man of many excellent qualities and has a host of friends here whose best wishes will follow him.

STANLEY WARREN DROWNED IN THE HARBOR SATURDAY

Sailor on Schooner Lulu Porter Fell Overboard and Drowned Within Few Feet of His Companions—Little Girl Saw Man's Hand Above Water and Told Police.

Yet another victim was added to the season's long list of drowning fatalities Saturday evening, when Stanley Warren, a young sailor fell from the deck of the schooner Lucia Porter lying at Walker's wharf, and found a grave in the waters of the harbor.

Young Warren's death is of a mysterious nature. Unable to swim he perished under the very eyes of a half dozen shipmates, who were unable to bear his pitiful cries for help. How he fell into the water nobody seems to know. That he lost his balance and fell backwards is merely a matter of conjecture.

He was of a mild retiring disposition, and no one on board seemed to know much of his past. Although signed on the schooner articles as belonging to Bangor, Maine, Warren, it is said, belongs to Goggin Mines, Nova Scotia, where he has relatives. It was about 6 o'clock Saturday evening when the accident occurred.

The schooner's Witch Hazel and Lucia Porter are lying side by side at the wharf. Scarcely five minutes before 6 o'clock Warren was talking to Fred Saben, a shipmate. He started to go forward. About a minute later Saben heard a splash. He went to the side of the schooner and looked over, but did not see anything. Believing that Warren had gone down into the forecastle, he did not make any further inquiries.

Shortly after this, Sergeant Baxter, who was doing duty on Market Square was accosted by seven-year-old Caro-

line Millar, who lives on Walker's wharf, who told the officer that a man was drowned off a schooner at the wharf.

Little Girl Saw His Hand.

In reply to questions the little girl stated that she was playing about the wharf when she heard a splash and then saw a man's hand sticking out of the water. The hand remained in sight for but a few minutes, and then sank below the surface. The child had become frightened at the sight and forgetting to tell any of the crew, started in search of someone on shore to tell her story. Sergeant Baxter immediately went to the schooner and made inquiries about the matter, and it was soon discovered that Warren was missing.

The tide was running strongly at the time and it is feared that the unfortunate young sailor was carried down the harbor. At low tide Officers Sheehan and Ross conducted a search for the body, but no trace of it could be found.

Before signing on the Lucia Porter about two months ago, Warren stayed for some time at Nelson's sailors' boarding house, on Water street. Mr. Nelson said last night that Warren belonged to Goggin, N. S. He was of a sober, industrious disposition, and was about 24 years old.

Captain Sprague said that Warren was not addicted to drink, and bore an excellent character in every way. A search for the body will be continued today.

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U. S. IMMIGRATION COMMISSIONER HERE ON INSPECTION TRIP

COMMISSIONER KEEFE IS GETTING ACQUAINTED

Thinks U.S. Immigration Rules Might be Revised With Benefit to All Concerned—They are Not Always Fair.

Daniel J. Keefe, United States Commissioner General of Immigration, arrived in St. John on Saturday, coming up from Boston on the Eastern Steamship Company's boat.

Mr. Keefe is making his first official visit to this port in the course of a tour of inspection which includes the ports of entry on the Canadian border as far west as Niagara, and also in Nova Scotia.

Merely Getting Acquainted. To a reporter the Commissioner General said his visit here had no special significance. His object was merely to make himself better acquainted with the work of U. S. immigration officials stationed in Canadian ports of entry, and along the border.

Mr. Keefe stated in his next report to the Washington government, he intended to recommend the adoption of more stringent immigration laws, especially in the matter of physical tests. The English and Irish immigrants of the present, he said, compared rather unfavorably as regards physical development with those who came over a few years ago, while the percentage of illiteracy among the immigrants from southern Europe was becoming steadily greater.

Last year, he said, 1,940,000 aliens arrived in the States, and the indications were that this figure would be exceeded this year. A large percentage of these immigrants were of the laboring class, and went principally to work in the mines, on the railways and in the cities. "About the only farmers we get," he added, "come from Scandinavia, Denmark, Holland, Belgium, or the British Isles."

Americans Moving West. "There is a big movement of population towards the land in the west, but it is mainly a movement of native Americans. The great majority of immigrants do not have sufficient money on arrival to take them out west, buy a farm, and procure enough machinery to start farming operations on a profitable basis."

WOULD ORGANIZE AN INDEPENDENT LABOR PARTY IN ST. JOHN

SOCIALISTS DISCUSSED IT LAST EVENING.

Speakers at Sunday Night Meeting Were Caustic in Criticism of Canadian Conditions.

At the meeting of the Socialists last evening, the question of organizing a labor party in St. John along the lines of the Labor Representation Committee in England was discussed. J. W. Eastwood was the principal speaker. He referred to the movement on foot to reorganize the Trades and Labor Council and stated that an effort should be made to organize a labor party also. All over Canada and the United States the workers were waking up, and in addition to the usual agencies for advancing their interests were organizing a labor party, such as now exists in England, Australia and other countries. Much dissatisfaction existed with the old middle class parties, because they usually ignored the interests of the workers.

Should Change Representation. Continuing he said the workers should no more think of sending their employers to parliament to represent them, but to appoint their own business agents of their trade unions. Whenever the interests of the employers as a class, were threatened, they united their ranks and raised the cry that trouble was being engineered by foreign agitators. When the printers were on strike in St. John the papers affected blamed the trouble on the foreign unions, and straightway brought in foreigners to break the strike and take the bread out of the mouths of native workers and their families.

As regards class representation, the speaker said that the supposed evil of this was all too apparent. In Ottawa the workers had only one representative. In St. John the property qualification kept them out of the city council. It was rather an anomaly that a worker was qualified to be prime minister of Canada, but could not become a member of the city council of St. John.

He said it was asserted that the workers would not pull together in political matters, but, considering what the Irish peasants in the Land League who had not the advantages enjoyed by the workers here had done to cripple the power of the landlords, the workers here ought to be able to organize and follow along a definite programme.

"Live in Rookeries." J. S. Taylor was the next speaker. He said that before he came to Canada he had no idea that people here had to live in rookeries. He was greatly surprised to find that there were in Canadian cities tenements such as the public authorities in England would tear down, as being a menace to the health of the people. He thought everybody in Canada had a home with garden round it. At the same time, though there was a lack of good houses for the workers in this city, many people were looking around for work. That the day workers were not put to work building houses showed that there was something wrong.

Another thing that had surprised him was that there were poor people in Canada. Why this should be the case in a country of great natural resources was hard to understand. The clergymen usually held that was no concern of theirs, as their business was with the souls of men. Socialism alone had a satisfactory answer to the question, why are the people poor in the midst of plenty?

Various speakers favored the idea of organizing an independent labor party in St. John.

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