

THE WEATHER.

Forecast.
Maritime—Light to moderate winds, fair and mild.
Washington, Mar. 30.—Forecast: Northern New England—Fair Friday and Saturday; northerly winds.
Toronto, Mar. 30.—Except for some local showers in British Columbia the weather today has been fair and mild over the Dominion.

Temperatures.

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	8	40
Victoria	40	52
Vancouver	42	50
Kamloops	38	50
Calgary	16	52
Medicine Hat	22	56
Edmonton	23	52
Battleford	16	42
Prince Albert	12	40
Winnipeg	39	40
Port Arthur	32	46
Perry Sound	36	36
London	39	60
Toronto	40	53
Kingston	30	53
Ottawa	28	52
Montreal	34	54
Quebec	39	44
St. John	32	52
Halifax	34	56

Around the City

Go to Investigate Fire.

Capt. P. Boucher, who has been in the city since Campbellton to hold a court of inquiry into a fire in one of the buildings in charge of the militia there. He will reach Campbellton today.

Hard Coal May Advance.

Because of higher wages paid this season to the anthracite coal miners and because of the railroad congestion and shortage of tonnage an advance in the price of hard coal is predicted by handlers. President Clark of the New England Dealers' Association figures on \$8 a ton retail for Boston and at least \$9 at places more remote from the direct transportation lines.

Glorious Spring Day.

Grouchy persons were compelled to take a day off yesterday, for the atmosphere was so mild and balmy that most of the citizens were smiles. The day was the most perfect March day known in years, and was even superior to Wednesday. The temperature was in the fifties and on some of the streets there was a steady procession of young mothers, nurses, babies, perambulators and go-carts.

Herring Fishermen Lucky.

The herring fishermen of the Bay of Fundy and Passamaquoddy Bay have caught large quantities of fish this week and the markets have been well supplied. Five hundred hogheads of the fish have thus far been taken by New Brunswick fishermen to the Eastport factories. The herring have been selling at from \$5 to \$8 a hoghead at the Canadian wharves. Connors Brothers' sardine factory at Black's Harbor, Charlotte Co., was opened this week.

Some Price for Crustaceans.

Fishermen in Grand Manan and vicinity have been getting as high as 50 cents a pound for lobsters out of their boats. Two thousand live lobsters were sold in Grand Manan the two days at prices averaging these figures. The Maine lobster steamers are preparing for their annual run to the Nova Scotia coast, where the stormy weather of February and March drove the traps adrift. In Boston lobsters in the cafes have sold for more than \$2 each, according to size.

Boy Scouts Meet.

Members of the St. James' Church Boy Scout Troop met at their headquarters last night, and had a most interesting and instructive evening. After they had been given a most beneficial course in physical drill, valuable instructions in first aid held their attention, at the conclusion of which they were allowed to have games and recreation. The Rev. H. A. Cody was present during part of the time, and the boys were under the care of A. H. Ellis, their scoutmaster.

The Isolation Hospital.

A special meeting of the Board of Health was convened yesterday in order to prepare plans for the erection of a new isolation hospital to replace the structure destroyed by fire last Monday morning. It is the intention of the board to rebuild on the old site, and a meeting of the board will take place on Tuesday evening to discuss the erection of the new hospital. The board have engaged the services of an architect who will submit the plan at the meeting on Tuesday next.

A Hotel Change.

Thomas B. Reynolds, who as manager of the Royal Hotel for the past few years, has become one of the best known and most deservedly popular hotel men in the Maritime Provinces, and George Fitch, for years also connected with the Royal, will jointly take over the Clifton House tomorrow, April 1st. Messrs. Reynolds and Fitch will go to their new property today and get everything in thorough shape for their patrons. The Clifton has long occupied a unique position in St. John as a leading family hotel and has built up a select and particularly desirable clientele. Under the new ownership and management it promises to become even more popular in the future than in the past.

HEAVY DEMAND FOR VESSELS OF ALL KINDS

Yards Getting Busy in Canada and United States—Record Breaking Freight Rates.

A tremendous ship-building boom is in progress throughout Canada and the United States, and it is expected that more vessels will be built by December 31 than in any year for a quarter of a century. The United States yards have sufficient contracts to keep them busy for three years. In that country there are at present 252 vessels of more than 1,000 tons, exclusive of war ships, under construction. The boom has struck the Great Lakes. Cleveland claims 46 vessels, costing over \$8,000,000, contracted for, and 30 more under negotiation. Toledo has contracts for 30,000 aggregate tonnage; Michigan yards will launch 100,000 tonnage in 1916, and Chicago has some big freighters building. Eighty vessels of 500,000 tonnage have been laid on keels this year, and Cleveland is negotiating to build 28,300 ton Italian freighters.

Boom Strikes Maine.

Seasonally high rates of freight have caused a revival of shipbuilding in Maine, and in several coast towns yards that have been idle for years are now being operated or made ready for new construction. At Camden, R. L. Bean will build six four-masted schooners, each to be equipped with gas engine, the fleet to cost about \$800,000. It is said that these vessels are to be built for foreign account.

At Machias agents of a New York concern have bought a tract of land on the harbor front and will build there several good-sized schooners. Several schooners will be built at Rockland, one at Rockport and two or more at Milbridge, while at Bath there is considerable resumption of building.

The chief difficulties in the way of a general revival of the industry are the high prices of southern pine and oak, and the scarcity of vessels for the transportation of these materials to Maine ports. It is thought that native spruce may be used for frames, as is often done in Nova Scotia. At the freight rates now prevailing in the offshore trade, and also in the coastwise coal trade, a vessel can pay for herself in a round voyage or two, and these rates doubtless will continue while the war lasts.

Nova Scotia Also Busy.

A large three-masted schooner is being built at Liverpool, N. S., by James S. Gardner, and several others are under construction at other Nova Scotia ports. As an example of the high freight rates, it may be mentioned that the schooner Adonis has been chartered to carry lumber from St. John to a British port for \$19,000. Vessels which sold for \$5,000 a few years ago cannot be purchased today for less than \$20,000.

Parsonsboro lumber shippers have purchased three schooners and are negotiating for others. A Weymouth, N. S., man has bought a three-masted schooner, for the United States lumber trade. The schooner Harry Miller was recently chartered to carry loads to New York from St. John at 90 cents, an unheard of figure.

Newfoundland Wants Vessels.

Newfoundland interest have sent agents to Canada and the United States to purchase sailing vessels for the fishing trade. These vessels will carry fish to Mediterranean ports and bring back cargoes of salt and wine. The scarcity of vessels and the high freight rates have resulted in a novelty which has broken all records. The barge Pooling Sheer, formerly the bark of the same name, which has been used in the coal carrying trade during the past few years, is being changed back to her original rig. Never before has a barge been restored to a sailing vessel. The owners of the Pooling Sheer are the Coastwise Trading Company, which paid \$42,000 for her, and they will receive more than that on her first charter.

In 1915 the tonnage of Canadian register was 1,291,566. In 1905 it had grown to 1,291,866. By 1908 it had dropped to \$26,776, and in 1906 to \$99,925. Now it is again on the increase and according to the latest figures is \$29,891, an increase of 50 per cent.

New Corduroy Velveteens.

The much wanted shades of new corduroy velveteens have been received at P. A. Dykeman & Co.'s. These come in the small and large cords and the new shades of white, garnet, black, blue, brown, mahogany brown, fawn, sage blue, rosea green, purple, navy and cream. This firm have been very fortunate in securing these goods as they are very scarce. The prices of these are very moderate, ranging from 65 cts. upwards. They have one very fine piece of cream corduroy 37 inches wide at \$1.55. This is washable and very suitable for ladies' coats.

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STAFF NAMED FOR HOSPITAL FOR SOLDIERS

It Will be Opened in Evangelical Home in Few Days

Names of Those Appointed—Another Parade on Sunday—How Soldiers Spent Yesterday.

It is understood that Lieut. J. H. Evans of Moncton will, in a day or two, receive the official notification of his appointment to the command of the 6th Depot Battery of Field Artillery at Woodstock.

The necessary alterations have been completed at the Evangelical Home, and it is expected that it will be opened as a military hospital in the course of a day or two. It is understood that the staff will be made up as follows: Medical officer in charge, Capt. T. E. Bishop, M. D., with Capt. L. M. Curran, M. D., J. McCarthy, M. D. and J. H. Allingham, M. D., as assistants. The nursing staff is expected to comprise the following: Matron, Miss M. G. Williams; nursing sisters, Miss A. Burns, Miss R. Kingston, Mrs. N. G. Foss, Miss Beale E. Gaskin and Miss Gertrude Wilson.

It is expected that another garrison church parade will be held on Sunday, this time to some of the East and South End churches. Three men passed the examination and signed on at the recruiting room yesterday. Two of these did not wish their names given. Wilson Huey, Hampford, Lunenburg Co., N. S., was the third man.

115th.

Yesterday morning was spent in routine work by the men of the 115th. In the afternoon they were out on a route march. When they came down King street to the music of the bugle band every man was in his place and a great many people were heard to remark how nicely the boys looked, and expressed the opinion that they would, with but little more practice, be as good a marching battalion as any. Eighteen men were taken on the march, and the new standards at 1,025. Today the orderly officer will be Lieut. Price, the officers of the guard will be Lieuts. Clarkson and Dever. The usual routine work will be gone through.

140th.

Yesterday was spent by the men of the 140th in their ordinary round of duties. Sixteen men were added to the strength of the battalion, which is now close to full strength. Today the officer of the day will be Lieut. G. Q. Dowling and the morning will be spent in routine work. In the afternoon the most popular parade on the whole list will take place and the men will be very glad to interview the paymaster. This is the one parade from which no one is absent if it can be avoided. In the evening the second of the concerts by the men for the men will be held in Carleton City Hall and there will be something doing all the time.

60th.

The men of the 60th have been spending their time in the more advanced work and yesterday was no exception. In the morning they had bomb throwing and musketry exercise. In the afternoon A and B Companies were out on a route march. Today the whole battalion will be out all day on the march, starting from the armory at eight o'clock in the morning, and returning at five o'clock in the afternoon. Lieut.-Col. Danesau and Major Halls are expected home at noon today and they will bring with them a draft of ninety men. On Saturday morning a grand muster parade will be held and every man belonging to the battalion will be there to answer to his name.

BOY STOLE FROM HIS EMPLOYERS

Police Officers Clear Up Mysterious Thefts from Emerson & Fisher's Establishment.

It was recently reported to the detective department at police headquarters that some articles were missing from the store of Emerson & Fisher, German street. Detectives Barrett and Briggs were not long in clearing the case up, and last night placed a boy under arrest on suspicion of stealing. The youngster had only been in the firm's employ for a couple of weeks, and the officers visited the boy's home at Waterloo street last night, with the result that they recovered one new revolver, a bag of cartridges, a jack-knife, a new rule, three boxes of small candles, and a watch. The boy will be dealt with in the juvenile court after he appears in the police court today.

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WILL SELECT COMMITTEE OF ONE HUNDRED

Temperance Men Decide to Follow Ontario Method in Local Prohibition Campaign.

An interesting and enthusiastic meeting of a representative body of temperance workers of the city was held last evening in the Y. M. C. A. room to hear the report of the sub-committee, which was appointed at the meeting held in the Congregational church school room on March 3rd, to nominate one hundred citizens to carry out the prohibition campaign to be inaugurated in the Province of New Brunswick in the immediate future.

The committee appointed at the last conference included Rev. F. S. Porter, Rev. H. Johnston, Rev. R. J. Haughton, C. F. McTavish and J. Willet. The meeting was called to order by E. N. Stockford and the nominating committee submitted a number of names as members of the board of one hundred, which were the subject of comment. The members of the nominating committee in reading the names of those with whom they had conversed stated that all were heartily in sympathy with the movement, and would be glad to assist in any way.

W. Smith stated that the work needed more than sympathetic members in order to accomplish the desired result. Continuing he said, "We want men who will put their shoulder to the plow; men who will work vigorously in order that this city may be liberated from the sale of liquor."

Rev. R. J. Haughton read the resolution presented at the meeting held in the Congregational church at the conclusion of Tennyson Smith's campaign, which reads as follows:

"Resolved, That we pledge our hearty support to the provincial branch of the Dominion Alliance in its efforts to render the liquor business illegal. That the time has come for the temperance people of New Brunswick to act, irrespective of political and religious affiliation, and to act vigorously and courageously. That the resolutions passed by the citizens' committee be appointed with power to add to their numbers, to co-operate with the local temperance organizations for a provincial temperance campaign. After an animated discussion as to whether the committee of one hundred should follow the lines drafted by the Dominion Alliance or to carry on the work according to the method used so successfully in Ontario, the following resolution was read and unanimously adopted:

"Moved that this citizens meeting ratify the resolutions passed by the previous meeting, and that we organize a citizens' committee of one hundred, having as its aim the suppression of the legal sale of liquor in St. John. Owing to pressure of other business the committee appointed at the last meeting thought it prudent to elect a new nominating committee who could devote more time to the solicitation of members for the board of one hundred.

On motion the old committee was discharged and a new nominating committee named with instructions to report back to the general committee at the next meeting which will be held on April 13th.

The general opinion of those present was that action should be taken immediately and the entire temperance movement crystallized into one unified body, with one aim and object in view, viz. the destruction of the liquor business in New Brunswick.

The members appointed on the committee to interview one hundred or more citizens before the assembly of the next meeting were:—A. A. Wilson, Dr. J. H. Manning, D. C. Clark, J. W. Willet, F. Daniel and E. N. Stockford.

PERSONAL.

Harry McDonald of Shediac was a guest of the Dufferin last night. J. A. Freeze of Sussex was at the Dufferin yesterday.

Reid McManus of Moncton was at the Royal yesterday. W. F. Ferguson and George K. Ferguson of Moncton were at the Dufferin yesterday.

R. D. Richardson of Chipman was at the Royal yesterday. J. D. Irving of Buctouche was a guest of the Royal last evening.

C. H. Read of Amherst was at the Royal yesterday. C. F. Rogers and B. F. Jones of Grand Bay were guests of the Victoria yesterday.

Dr. Vincent Jackman of Oromocto was at the Royal last evening. Scott D. Guphill, M. L. A., of Grand Manan, was at the Victoria yesterday. Joseph Oldham and Mrs. Oldham of Woodstock were at the Victoria yesterday.

N. R. Mills and Mrs. Mills, of Moncton, were at the Victoria yesterday. S. E. Vaughan of St. Martins was a guest of the Victoria yesterday. D. A. Seaman, trackmaster of Moncton, was at the Victoria yesterday.

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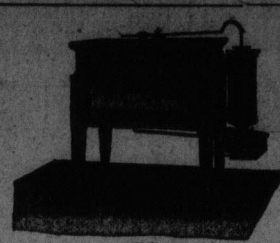
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