

THE WEATHER

Toronto, April 10.—Pressure is now highest over the Great Lakes and Middle States with indications of a storm developing near the Atlantic coast. The weather today has been fine throughout the Dominion, rather cold in Ontario and Quebec, and much milder in the West.

AROUND THE CITY

NO SALE.—A three-story freehold property in Garden street belonging to the estate of the late Mrs. James Gerow was put up for sale at Chubb's Corner at noon Saturday by Auctioneer Potts, but was withdrawn at \$4,650.

RETURNS FROM CONFERENCES.—H. A. Powell, K. C., returned home Saturday from Washington where he was attending conference of the International Waterways Commission. Recently he held a conference with President Harding. The commission also held meetings in Detroit.

KING'S DAUGHTERS SERVICE.—The regular service, held by the King's Daughters on the second Sunday of the month, took place yesterday under the direction of the Lend a Hand Circle. Mrs. Edith Stevens, leader of the Circle, led the devotions.

CHARGED WITH STEALING.—A juvenile was arrested by C. N. R. Inspector Ryan at midnight Saturday for breaking and entering and stealing a quantity of tobacco, groceries and other articles from No. 2 C. N. R. freight shed, Pond Street.

NO DAMAGE DONE.—A mill alarm was rung in Saturday afternoon for a fire in the residence of George B. Oland, 135 Douglas avenue. As there was only some smoldering rubbish in the cellar the fire was quickly extinguished by the chemical from the North End fire station, and no damage was done.

ANNUAL SERVICE.—Obedience was the subject of an excellent address given by Rev. K. M. Legate at Knox church yesterday morning. The occasion was the annual service at which scholars of the Sunday school were asked to attend and worship with the older members of the congregation.

WEEK END ARRESTS.—Four drunks were arrested on Saturday. Thomas Myers was arrested for lying, lurking and trespassing on C. N. R. property. Peter Koyral was arrested for wandering and not giving a satisfactory account of himself on the C. N. R. tracks. There were no arrests made up to a late hour on Sunday night. Two protectionists were in on both nights.

PANTRY SALES.—The ladies of St. David's Church held a pantry sale in the lobby of the Imperial Theatre Saturday afternoon. Mrs. W. J. Bingham and Mrs. A. D. Malcolm were in charge assisted by several other ladies. The proceeds will be directed to the work of the St. David's Missionary Society.

VITAL STATISTICS.—Nineteen deaths were recorded in the city during the week ending Saturday, from the following causes: Pneumonia, two; convulsions, two; heart disease, two; epilepsy, one; malarial fever, one; pericarditis, one; chronic nephritis, one; agitated central hemorrhage, broncho-pneumonia, cardiac renal disease, carcinoma of axilla, premature separation of placenta, one each.

SAND POINT FIRE BOXES.—There are now ten fire alarm boxes in and about the sheds at the ocean terminals at West St. John. A rearrangement of the numbers has been made, and the boxes in that vicinity are now as follows:—

4—Union street at No. 4 shed.
5—No. 5 shed.
6—No. 6 shed.
7—No. 7 shed.
8—Between 3 and 4 sheds.
9—Between 2 and 3 sheds.
10—Between 1 and 2 sheds.
11—At No. 14 shed.
12—At No. 15 shed.
13—At No. 16 shed.

PREMIER SMUTS'S REPLY.—In reply to a letter sent to Premier Smuts, congratulating him on his recent victory in South Africa, Mayor Schofield Saturday morning received the following communication:—

Prime Minister's Office, Cape Town, S. Africa. Sir,—Mr. R. G. Maxwell duly handed your letter of the 26th January to General Smuts, who desires me to express his thanks and appreciation of the sentiments expressed therein and to convey the assurance to yourself and the citizens of St. John of his reciprocation thereof.

THEOPHILUS RHINEY, Private Secretary. To His Worship the Mayor, St. John, N. B.

Good Fishing On Southern Shore

Lewis Connors Reports Good Catches—People Waiting for Branch Railway.

Lewis Connors, of Connors Brothers, Ltd., has arrived in the city from Black's Harbor and reports good fishing along the shores of southern New Brunswick, as well as large schools of sardine making their appearance. The fishermen are continuing to make ready to build some of their boats, but at present are quite skeptical regarding building them on account of the market for their catches, as the packers in a great many cases have not yet got clear of their old stock. Some of the American factories report that they will not open until July or August, but the factories that Mr. Connors is interested in might open much sooner, one on May 1 and the other later.

Should Arrange Price

Regarding the price of fish, Mr. Connors thinks it would be wise if the West Fishermen's Union could call a meeting for the purpose of arranging a price for the season, or at least part of a season. He thinks it would be better to make one price through the season, because if one price is named for May, June and July, and after these dates a lower price was asked, it would make it very bad for the people who purchased fish for the first part of the season and would make buyers skeptical about packing during the first three months. If one price was made right through the season buyers would obtain and pack just as soon as they could get the fish, making it better for both the fishermen and the packers.

Railway Branch

Mr. Connors further states that what the people are waiting for along the southern shores is the development of the railway branch from Pennfield on the C. P. R. main line to Black's Harbor, with spurs to other points, and says he is getting enquiries from parties who are to do the surveying who wish to know if the snow is all off the ground, as they wish to get to work just as soon as possible.

Mr. Connors says that if this railway is put through, great development may be expected in Southern New Brunswick, because there is unlimited deposits there besides the fishery business. There is plenty of silica, granite, brick clay and kelp beds, the latter varying about twenty per cent potash, and there is also a good forest of pulpwood, while the railway can touch at four of the best harbors in Southern New Brunswick that are open the year round and very easy to approach from the Atlantic ocean.

Manufacturers Ready

Mr. Connors understands there are quite a number of manufacturers of these different products mentioned who are ready to start business just as soon as the railway is built, and it appears to him, the quicker the road is built the better. The road will prove a great feeder for all the islands of the Fundanagoody Bay, including Grand Manan, and will make matters easy for the American travel coming to the City of St. John via the large ferry that will be put on the route between Black's Harbor and Eastport, Me. The ferry will carry ten cars at a time, and as the distance is only ten miles, and with a fine road from Black's to St. John, a great deal of time will be saved. The road in question is partly completed and could be soon finished, making it first-class for automobiles. This source of travel, Mr. Connors thinks, would prove a boom for all kinds of trade in St. John. Mr. Connors really believes that the railway branch will become a certainty in a very short time.

Claimed Passed Worthless Cheque

Evidence in Case Where George White is Charged With Obtaining Money.

The preliminary hearing of George L. White, charged with obtaining money under false pretenses and of passing a worthless cheque, was begun before Magistrate Ritchie Saturday. Herbert Dickson testified that he had employed the accused as a salesman with a salary on commission basis. That he loaned White \$50 on one occasion, a dollar on another, and gave him a check for \$10 on another. This was after the accused led him to believe that he had an account with the Bank of Montreal in Montreal and was going to have it transferred to the St. John branch. Later the accused gave him a check for \$11 in payment for the \$16 witness had loaned him, and was given back a balance of \$5. In the meantime the \$11 check was returned by the Union Bank marked "no account" and the Bank of Montreal reported the defendant had no account with them. Witness then turned the matter over to the police. The accused was remanded.

Three drunks were charged and remanded. S. Lovina, charged with having liquor unlawfully in his possession, was adjudged guilty, and fined \$100. W. E. Guinier was reported for exceeding auto speed limited and not sounding his claxon at I. C. R. crossing, and also for failing to stop when signalled to do so by policeman. He was fined \$20.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Henderson of Lancaster Corner, West St. John, wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Annie Laura, to Arthur Frederick Adams, formerly of St. John, west, and now residing at Long Island, New York. The wedding to take place at an early date.

Mrs. Lloyd Pottier, of Weymouth, N. B., is in the city visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Henderson, Lancaster Avenue, West St. John.

Children's Aid Society Work

Conditions Make It Imperative to Take Other Children Than Those Sent by Courts

That the need of systematic work in behalf of the little ones in St. John is very great, is easily proved by the experience of any of our social workers. The Children's Aid Society is incorporated solely for the purpose of taking care of little ones committed to it by the courts and finding them foster homes. Present day conditions in the city, however, make it imperative for them to open their doors to other children for whom, in the majority of cases, no other shelter is available. There are at the present time 19 children in the Home. Not all of these have been committed to the society and there is an insistent demand upon them to take in more. During the past week applications were made for the admission of twelve children. The mothers of some of the little ones were widows. In others the father had deserted his family and the mother found herself increasingly unable to bear the burden. In one the father had to go to the hospital in East St. John leaving his wife entirely without resources so that the mother had to turn bread winner. There have been as high as thirty-five children sheltered in the Children's Aid Home at one time. These, however, taxed the available space in such a manner as was undesirable from the point of view of the health of the little ones and members of the staff.

Rosebud Day Was Successful

Workers Carried on Despite Rain Saturday—Gratifying Response for Children's Aid

Much admiration was expressed on Saturday for the energy and faithfulness to duty which prompted those responsible for Rosebud Day to carry on in spite of the rain. It is reported that the tag day will be a successful one, and a large sum was collected for Children's Aid Society. No account can be given of its results until Wednesday evening, as it is hoped that the banks may be counted on that day. Rothesay, Fairville and East St. John will hand in their banks on Tuesday.

At the Children's Home on Saturday Mrs. W. Edmund Raymond, vice-president of the Local Council of Women; Miss Alice E. Estey, Mrs. T. L. Coughlan and Mrs. H. H. Pickett were in charge of all banks and checked them by an excellent system. Mrs. E. L. Rising presided over the refreshment table. Mrs. W. B. Tennant was in charge of the refreshment committee, assisted by ladies of the Children's Aid Society. Mrs. A. C. D. Wilson did splendid work as general convenor of the wards, ably assisted by her corps of ward conveners. All taggers deserve much credit for their efforts. Mrs. J. H. Doody had charge of the automobiles and those who responded and sent their cars were Mrs. F. Gregory, Mrs. I. Ready, Miss Maher, John Pugsley, Frank Peters, Rothesay; Mrs. Corbett, E. Morrell, Mrs. Tennant, Mrs. Cor. Miss Culliver, Mrs. Wilford Campbell and Mrs. Doody herself.

Miss Alice E. Estey, treasurer, will be at the Bank of Nova Scotia, Prince William street this afternoon any time after two o'clock to receive banks not handed in Saturday.

Nothing Definite From Conference

Kensit Report on Comparative Power Costs to be Considered at Later Conference

Premier Foster, Chief Engineer C. A. Foss of the Hydro-Commission, the City Commissioners and representatives of the N. B. Power Co. met in conference Saturday afternoon to consider the Kensit report on comparative power costs. The report was given an informal discussion but nothing definite was settled upon. The government will consider the report at a private session, as will the directors of the N. B. Power Company. After the government and Power Company directors have gone over the report they will again meet the city authorities for a further conference.

Stranded Men Arrived Saturday

Ten more stranded men arrived on Saturday at the Seaman's Institute, landing in St. John from the steamer Manchester Shipper. Four of these men saw active service in Canadian Battalions, so they are ex-soldiers as well as seamen. Four of them were stranded on the continent, one in Antwerp and three in Holland, others in British ports. They were sent back to Canada by the Board of Trade and J. C. Chesley is doing what he can to secure transportation.

FOUND STOLEN CAR.

A five-passenger Ford, bearing dealer's plate No. 225, which was stolen from Hamond O. Evans, Leinster street, on Friday night, was found Saturday morning at Renfrew. The person who stole it evidently forced about a supply of "gas," and the result was that when the existing supply gave out, he was stranded.

Labor Organization In Mass Meeting

Hear Paramount Questions of Day Discussed by Two of Their Leaders.

The Opera House was crowded to capacity yesterday afternoon by men and a few women, to hear a discussion of questions, now uppermost in the minds of labor unions, by two prominent labor leaders. Advertisement about the streets Saturday night announced Bill Varley was to be the steller performer. At yesterday's meeting, J. E. Tighe shared honors with Bill Varley and set forth the aims and ambitions of organized labor in the way of securing legislation to better the workman's condition. Both speakers took occasion to rap the Standard because its editorial columns had the courage to express views contrary to those held by labor leaders. However, they regarded the standard as giving them good advertisement and hoped this paper would continue to keep it up.

J. E. Tighe.

Mr. Tighe, the first speaker told of the twenty years fight organized labor had put up to secure the Workmen's Compensation Act. After years of struggle he said the present Act was adopted. It has proven a blessing to the laboring man and now in case of injury while in the performance of his duty, the laborer is cared for and does not have to worry. The employer, he said, are satisfied over this piece of legislation which labor organizations have given the country.

Labor was now fighting for the Government to provide for Mothers' Pension. When the bread winner is taken away, a tremendous burden, he said, was placed upon the mother to keep her little flock together. Frequently the home was broken up and children placed in homes. By the aid of Mothers' Pensions she would be able to keep her family together until they were able to care for themselves. He has had assurance that the Government will grant this bit of legislation.

Employers Cause White Slavery.

He said that Labor was now trying to secure legislation providing a minimum wage for women, and also to secure representation in the Cabinet, and he claimed that women were very much underpaid, especially those employed in factories, and labor intended to right the condition. He charged that many employers were responsible for the white slavery existing, because they have failed to pay their female help enough to live on. In regard to representation in the Cabinet, he said not much encouragement had been given. He claimed labor's vote figured 85 per cent of the total vote of New Brunswick and they demanded representation and were going to have it. He declared they would get it in a battle of ballots if no other way.

The International Organizer.

Bill Varley, the much advertised attraction, was the next speaker. He started in by paying his respects to the Editor of The Standard. He gave a history of his own performances in the war, of the popularity he enjoyed in his own home town and thought he and done his part for Canada. He said as was the "walking delegate from outside" to whom The Standard referred, and he was proud of his calling.

He charged there was a combined effort being made on the part of employers to lengthen the working hours and reduce wages. He thought the employers would rob the workman of his leisure, cut him off from a little extra time with his family and subject him to servitude. They were compelled, he said, to buck labor in everything it wanted and deprive it of the exalted position it had gained the past few years and make them slave-like referred to the strike of the garment workers in this city and the discrimination employed. He charged that those who were on strike in one factory could not get employment in another factory. The machinists, he said had been on strike fourteen months, not for higher wages, but for the right of their organization. They will stick to the last, he said, despite their employers' efforts to break them up.

Maritime Nail Works.

He declared the Maritime Nail Works was in the Empire Steel merger, and it was that \$500,000,000 contract, as will the directors of the N. B. Power Company. After the government and Power Company directors have gone over the report they will again meet the city authorities for a further conference.

He urged all laboring men, organized or unorganized, to stand together in the battle against the hour day. "Let us hang together and not separately," he said. "Each of you owe an obligation to civilization, but you must first perform that obligation by fighting for your rights, and your duty is done."

Only Joking.

President F. A. Campbell said The Standard had misquoted his speech of Friday night when it credited him with saying St. John would need a larger police force, when speaking of the picketing at the Nail Works. He claimed that what he did say was: "That Portland Street was a peace-keeping artery, and he needed a great many policemen gathered and thought employment might be given to more men if they were employed as policemen to look after other parts of the City needing protection." He also

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The members of Sapphire Rebekah Lodge No. 37, I.O.O.F., are requested to attend the funeral of their late D.D. President Sister C. I. Segoe, on Tuesday, the 12th inst., at 2:30 p.m. Members of sister lodges invited to attend. By order of the N. Grand, M. J. MABEE. H. A. Powell, K. C., returned home Saturday from Washington where he was attending conference of the International Waterways Commission. Recently they held a conference with President Harding. The commission also held meetings in Detroit. Thought the City should reimburse the labor men who provided the money to send home to Montreal men who came here to work for the Maritime Nail Works and didn't stay. NOTICE. The Association of Professional Engineers of the Province of New Brunswick. All persons practicing as Professional Engineers in the Province of New Brunswick are hereby reminded that the period of grace allowed by the Engineering Profession Act, chapter 95, 1920, within which registration must be made will expire on April 24th, 1921. J. A. W. WARING, Secretary and Registrar, Box 24, St. John, N. B. Cooking in general is much the better if Borden's St. Charles or Jersey Milk "with the cream left in" is used. Pure, rich and convenient. Hugh O'Neill, all-around good sportsman and business man of Fredericton, spent Sunday in this city. CLIFTON HOUSE, ALL MEALS 60C.