The Weather Moderately Cold: Snow

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ONE CENT

## OUT WHOLE CITY BLOCK MAY REACH

F. A. Dykeman Co., Woolworth Co., Robert PRINCE SETTLES DOWN McAfee, C. A. Conlon, Victoria Hotel and Gray & Ritchey Suffer Heavily

**BLIZZARD HAMPERS WORK OF FIREMEN** 

Origin of Fire, Which Started at 4 O'clock This Morning, Is So Far Unknown; Fire Department Still Fighting Smoldering Ruins at Noon; Businesses Insured

THE general dry goods and women's outfitting establishment of F. W. Daniel & Company, Limited, situated at Saint John's principal business corner, Charlotte and King streets, was burned out this morning in a 3-alarm blaze that started at 4 o'clock,—a fierce attack, which for more than two hours threatened to lay waste a stretch of valuable business properties on the King street slope and the large dry goods house of F. A. Dykeman & Company, adjoining on the Charlotte street side. The loss is variously estimated through fire and water, in all the buildings affected, at Palace with the United Press, stated that the Prince during from \$100,000 to \$150,000 although even approximate estimates months had changed from a debonair, care-free man about town, to a studious were not certain in the chaos of this morning's conditions.

FIREMAN OVERCOME

RONALD W. CURRIE, a mem

third alarm, was overcome by smoke

early this forenoon and after first aid at The Ross Drug Co., King

street, was taken to his home, No

250 City Road. He was all right again this afternoon and wanted to get back to the scene of the fire.

F. W. Daniel, president of the burned-out business told .The Times-Star today that he had approximately \$100,000 on his building and contents. F. A. Dykeman, whose damage is chiefly from stock-laden flooded cellars and seepage through walls, is in Montreal and no estimated of his loss could be secured. C. L. Laing, manager of F. W. Woolworth & Company, Limited, five-Woolworth & Company, Limited, hve-and-ten cent store, reports the deluged state of the vast cellar space of his business where \$25,000 worth of stock is drenched and floating about. There is water damage to the exposed-stock on the counters on the large shop floor as well. Robert McAfee, barber in the Daniel building basement will have to be completely refitted. He carries some Vaughan.

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A SORRY SIGHT.

A ramble through the place affected by today's blaze presents many sorry sights. The Daniel structure is burned by today's blaze presents many sorry sights. The Daniel structure is burned by today down, though the floor of tanks, as it were, through cellar to cellar into adjoining buildings even as far buildings of the second storey seemed to be holding all right at 1 o'clock this afternoon. However every vestige of stock within in the four walls of these buildings is hardly recognizable in its original buildings are to profit for the year of \$19,658. In 1924 there was a net loss of \$1,780. Current assets, exclusive of investments in and advances to other companies, totalling \$1,198,220, amount to \$1,493,311, against current liabilities of \$1,493,311, against current liabilities of \$1,366,733, leaving net working in the four walls of these buildings is hardly recognizable in its original adeficit of \$26,660 at the end of 1924.

Up to noon hour today Fire Chief the structure would have to be reconstructed. Only two years ago the Daniel building striving to smother out the last gasp of the fire which imbedded itself in the debris. The tied-bedded itself in the structure would have to be reconstructed. Only two years ago the Daniel stores were modernly equipped with stock cabinets and up-to-date installations and the whole was considered the structure would have to be reconstructed. Only two years ago the Daniel stores were modernly equipped with stock cabinets and up-to-date installations and the whole was considered. up condition of the street railway traffic caused by the hervy snow, slush and engines during the early morning was relieved in the vicinity of 11 o'clock by sweepers, scrapers and a large crew of N. B. Power Company workmen, under the general superintendence of Hazen McLean. Linemen from the two electric corporations in the quarters of their tenants, the the telephone company were at the telephone company morning was relieved in the vicinity

Fire Chief Vaughan, who arrived on the scene shortly after the first apparatus, because his car was stalled in a snow bank, states his aim at once was to defeat the gale that threatened to sweep the fire down King street. He felt more comfortable about the Dykeman property which was not affected by the gusty storm so four pumping engines were mostly devoted to check the blaze back of the burning building, next the Victoria Hotel corridor and the Conlon studio. That this prompt decision was a wise one the scene shortly after the first apparatus, because his car was stalled in a snow bank, states his aim at once was first noticed by Policeman W. H. Quinn, who pulled hook No. 73, at the historic Breeze's Corner, a signal from which location always causes apprehension among business men, the fire department and insurance offices. Though the storm was raging at its height at this hour, 3.30 o'clock, neighbors, awakened by the bell, peered from their windows and saw the top of the Daniel building alight. It was but a matter of minutes before the windows were licked clear. this prompt decision was a wise one and effectively carried out was the gratuitous testimony of a group of insurance men who witnessed the fight throughout the early morning. The only damage done to the adjoining of the surface of the windows were licked clear of glass by the fire within, and in 10 minutes flames were shooting through the roof.

Canadian Press
OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 11.—Conservatives will be the chief speakers in the House today, during continued discussion of the Sutherland amendment to the address. Liberals, according to properties, as before mentioned, was that consequent upon the flood of water barring a slight burning in a mattress storage room of the Victoria Hotel, which blaze was promptly smothered. District Chief Hamilton Centinued on page 2 column 3.

"Hardy Annual." By SIDNEY J. WILLIAMS,

Copyright 1926 by United Press ONDON, Feb. 11.—The Prince of Wales, one of the few

serious heir-apparent. No longer do dancing and revues form an important

REPORT REFLECTS ber of No. 4 Fire Station, one of the men called to the fire by the

> ment Shows Increase in **Operating Profits**

FORESIGHT REWARDED. Chief Vaughan said his city-centre

cupies Morning Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Nichol, who

men from the two electric corporations, and the relephone company were at noon time working in a survey of the interruptions to their service through ice-laden wires, breaks, entanglements, etc.

ORIGIN FIRE UNKNOWN.

Nobody seems to know how the fire began. A theory that it may have originated in the furnace room and crept through the elevator shaft to a point of contact on the top floor was not considered a probable one by Walter McBay, mechanical superinted if each proposed in the Canal and the relephone company were at noon time working in a survey of the interruptions to their service through its elevator shaft to a rolling and papeal from a judgment of Mr. Justice Grimmer. Chief Justice Barry of the Kings Bench Division sat in place of Judge Grimmer. This case hes, been in the considered a probable one by Walter McBay, mechanical superinted life and previously walter McBay, mechanical superinted the furnace room and risk. The Daniel & Company, Limited. He said that every safeguard had been taken against such a risk. The Daniel building had suffered from the suffered as millar fire thirteen years aged in the case of South Branch Fishing club service is suggested by Dr. Miller as a means of reaching the patients while recovery is possible. He points out that even apart from the suffering into the mindure of August, it is unlikely that his wish can be doubt the chancery appeal in the case of South Branch Fishing Club ys Linited Press.

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P. W. Thomson Matter Oc-

Tonight is Discounted By Ottawa

dividing on the amendment tonight, but this is slated today to be unlikely unless some of the speeches are called off.

TO SERIOUS BUSINESS OF AN HEIR-APPARENT

Changes From Debonair Man-About-Town to Serious Student of State and Industrial Problems-Pending Engagement to Princess Astrid Called

becoming King.

part of the daily program of the Prince. Instead, the interests of the state, the industrial problems of Great Britain, the functioning of charities and hospitals,

BETTER CONDITIONS

**Bathurst Company Annual State** 

MONTREAL, Feb. 11-The annual, eport of the Bathurst Company, Lim-

form. The plate glass front on the street windows of the second storey are still intact, but a builder stated

United Press Staff Correspondent.

The question of marriage is a moot

point. It was pointed out that the Prince had been so busy during his

Now that the whole empire has had an opportunity to see the Prince, his thoughts should turn to matrimony if

moot point.

His rumored pending engagement to
Princess Astrid of Sweden was termed
a "hardy annual." His friend stated
flatly there was no vestige of truth in

he that falls. He has been confident from the quality of his horses that he could take the most formidable of

best horses often sidestep.

The Prince is not "faddy" in eating but partakes lightly.

Theatre-going is a favorite relaxation but the legislative drama has as much hold on him as the light revue. Nowadays he often reads late into the night, preferring short stories and biographies.

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. II—In his report on the activities of the Nova Scotia Sanatorium, Kentville, N. S., ward in the Atlantic ocean, whipped huge seas and drove coastwise ships the sale of umps where riders unable to buy the

ographies.

He would like to make a trip yearly to his Canadian ranch at High River, Alberta, but as his engagement books are already full to the middle of Aug-

GENEVA, Feb. 11-Geneva is not Mother of Six, Alone, Rescues

principle is non-interference in the domestic affairs of any country.

Ship Wrecked Talk of Amendment in House On Sable Isle

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 11-The steamer Harald Casper, bound from an English port to New York, grounded on the south side of Sable Island, near Eastiight, during the night and was this morning breaking in two and rapidly filing. Captain Harkans and his crew of 27 men reached shore safely in the ship's boat be-

Official Admits Increased Smuggling

SNAPSHOT of the scene of this morning's fire, head of King street, showing the partially destroyed Daniel building and the water-soaked structures adjoining on both sides. The picture was taken in a snowsmoke and steam of the smouldering ruins, about 11 o'clock.

Scene of This Morning's Big Fire

British Dominion tours that the Northeast U. S. Storm Takes Toll ceed forthwith to prosecute in cases of thought of marriage had been side. of 16 Lives; Snowbound 24 Hours officers in the customs' department and there had been 67 special preventive

> Yarmouth Steamer Held Up By Storm

Special to The Times-Star.

Dr. A. F. Miller Reports 56 Per Cent. of N. S. Cases Almost Helpless Canadian Press

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 11-In his

WOULD EXTEND CLINICS.

The fire was discovered by Mrs. Etters alone in the house with her six ed fifty seconds. The centre of the dischildren. She was able to get two of turbance was estimated six thousand the children out on a porch roof, but was unable to re-enter the house to reach the other children.

Bonspiel On North Shore Is Begun

Special to The Times-Star. NEWCASTLE, N. B., Feb. 11.—The annual North Shore curling bonspiel comprising rinks from Campbellton, Dalhousie, Bathurst, Chatham and Newcastle started at 9 o'clock this morning. Skip Thibodeau of Bathurst was victorious over skip Gifford of Newcastle 13-10 and skip Jordan of Chatham beat out skip McKinnon of Dalhousie 11-7. No 2 rink from Campbellton then took on No. 2 of Newbellton then took on No. 2 of New-censorship. It adds that infringement affection often leads to matrimony," castle and No. 2 of Chatham, No. 2 of the order will result in severe pun-

Bitter Cold Follows On Public Reception

Heel of Second Big

A storm in Chicago, already spent, took three lives. SUNSHINE IN WEST.

While the east struggled through the snowdrifts today, Colorado, Montana and Wyoming were basking in a warm sunshine.
The storm, now headed northeast

torium for treatment in an advanced public buildings were turned over to and almost hopeless stage of tuber-hundreds of persons unable to reach

with instructions to get Villa's head at any cost. Villa's head, the newspaper adds, has been shipped to Chicago.

CALGARY, Feb. 11-Farmers are Magistrate Upholds

Calgary Farmers

NEWS CENSORED

Reported Differences is Slight After Conference Held Last

FREDERICTON, N. B., Feb. 11-1 The conciliation board considering the Minto coal miners' strike adjourned d public buildings were turned over to hindreds of persons unable to reach their homes. Several smaller towns were cut off from the outside world by the drifts.

conference until after midnight endear-oring to reach a basis of settlement. Each side finally presented an offer, and the difference between the two is so slight that it is believed acceptance by both sides is in sight. Both sides will report next week to the board. E. C. Atkinson, M. P. P., interested himself in bringing the two parties

> Australia Grants Aid To Prospectors

Canadian Press yia Reuter's MELBOURNE, Feb. 11 — Both houses of Parliament today, passed a bill providing that the sum of £40,000 be devoted to the encouragement of Another bill permitting British ships under certain conditions to carry inter-state passengers, was also passed. Labor members strenuously opposed

Registers 'Quake Germany Proposes Reduction of Taxes

Canadian Press BERLIN, Feb. 11-Dr. Peter Reinhold, Minister of Finance, introduc-ing the budget in the Reichstag, dedistant.

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Theatre "Petting"

NEW YORK, Feb. 11-According to censorship. It adds that infringement affection often leads to matrimony,"

R. R. Farrow Says Prohibition Intensifies Law Breaking

EXTRA MEN HIRED

Hon. R. B. Bennett Demands Records of All Seizure Cases in 1924-25

Canadian Press OTTAWA, Feb. 11-Under examination by Mr. Hon. Georges Boivin, Minister of Customs, R. R. the department in respect to seizures Commons this morning. Various forms the last session of parliament to pro-

There were 104 regular preventive Hon. R. B. Bennett asked for in

Awaits Heroic Crew police as preventive officers. Mr. Farrow said that police were being used more in the west than formerly.

Mr. Bennett asked for a record of all the seizure cases which had arisen in Canada in 1924 and 1925, where the cases arose and what ultimate action had been taken. Mr. Farrow intimated that that

would involve considerable work.

"We've got to have them. I intend to get to the bottom of this if it takes all my life, let that be clear," declared SMUGGLING CENTRES

Answering Mr. Bennett, Mr. Farrow said that Rock Island was the centre Ontario, Niagara rans, which sarnia were the worst points.

Soo was easier to watch and petty Asked if prohibition in the United States had intensified the smuggling evil, Mr. Farrow said "Yes." D. M. Kennedy, of Peace River, asked if there had been an increase in smuggling in 1924 and 1925, necessitating the

The Weather

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storm which is not so severe as that of last week, is now centred near Yarmouth, N. S., and gales with heavy snow have prevailed in the Maritimes. The weather con-tinues cold from Ontario eastward FORECASTS:

Moderately Cold, Snow. MARITIME-Strong winds and moderate gales, shifting to north-west, moderately cold with occa-sional light snow today and Fri-

NEW ENGLAND-Fair and continued cold tonight. Friday fair with slowly rising temperature, Considerably warmer Saturday; diminishing northwest and north winds becoming variable Friday.

Temperatures. TORONTO, Feb. 11, 1926. Highest during Calgary ...

St. John's,