

THE WEATHER.

Forecast: Maritime—Moderate variable winds; fair and warm today, local showers at night.

Washington, June 28.—Forecast: Northern New England—Showers and thunder storms Friday; Saturday fair.

Toronto, June 28.—A shallow depression is centred to-night over Michigan and another one of more importance covers Alberta. A few showers have occurred today over Lake Erie and the western portion of Lake Ontario, and a thunder storm is reported from Port Arthur, otherwise the weather in Canada has been everywhere fine and warm.

Table with columns: Temperature, Min., Max. Rows include Kamloops, Calgary, Battleford, Regina, Saskatoon, Medicine Hat, Moose Jaw, Winnipeg, Port Arthur, Parry Sound, London, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax.

Around the City

St. John Bank Clearings. Bank clearings for the week ending June 28, 1917, \$1,665,080, corresponding period last year, \$1,665,080.

Seven Recruits Arrive. Seven recruits for the Field Ambulance unit arrived on the Boston express last night and were met by Major May, Capt. McVey and Sergt. T. D. Popham.

A True Bill. In the supreme court yesterday Chief Justice McKeown presiding, the case of Hughes and O'Brien, two plumbers, charged with setting fire to property of W. J. Crawford on Loch Lomond Road, was given to the grand jury which returned a true bill against both defendants.

Won Governor-General's Medal. Congratulations to Miss Christina O'Leary, daughter of Colonel Richard O'Leary of Richibucto, who won the Governor-General's medal on her graduation from Mt. St. Vincent's Academy, Halifax. Miss Christina is the second member of the popular colonel's family to win this coveted honor, his daughter, Miss Kathleen, winning it in 1912.

Excursion From Amherst. A large number of the colored residents of Amherst arrived in the city on an excursion and all enjoyed themselves thoroughly. Members of St. Philip's church met the excursionists and assisted in making them comfortable for the visitors while in the city. A social was held in St. James street hall and the party returned to Amherst on the Halifax express last night. The young men and women made merry with dancing in the train shed before the train pulled out.

For the Priesthood. His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc will elevate three young men to the priesthood in the Cathedral this morning at eight o'clock. The ordinands will be Rev. Arthur P. Allen of St. John; Rev. Desire T. Allan of St. Marys, Kent county; and Rev. Vital LeBlanc of St. Josephs, Memramook. They have been for several years students at Holy Heart Seminary, Halifax, where the minor orders have been conferred.

The Examinations. On Tuesday next the examinations for Normal School entrance, college matriculation and High School leaving are to take place at fifteen centres throughout the province. Eight hundred and forty-six are to write the Normal School entrance, 172 the matriculation and 23 the High School leaving. At the presentation centre for Normal School entrance 50 will write the first class, 75 the second class, 10 third class, and 7 for superior license; 25 will also write the matriculation examinations.

The Fish Market. The fish market is well supplied this week and prices on some varieties are a little easier. Shad is getting scarcer, but the prices on this fish are still moderate, selling for 35c. to 50c. each. Salmon is easier and is priced at 25c. a cut for the large variety and 16c. each for the small. Haddock and cod are priced at 12c. and 14c. per pound; halibut, 25c. a pound; mackerel, 10c. to 30c. a pound; gaspereaux, 3c. each; hussels, 15c. a pound; fennel haddie, 10c. a pound; kippers, 4c. each; lobsters, 10c. to 50c. each; clams, 25c. a quart.

Canadian Imperial League. A very enthusiastic meeting of the Canadian Imperial League was held last evening in the league rooms on Prince William street with H. L. McGowan, vice-president, presiding. The Cuban consul, Caesar A. Barranco, was present and he delivered a patriotic address that won the admiration of those present. He spoke in warm terms of the loyalty and the patriotism of the people of Canada to the motherland and referred to the sacrifices and heroism of Canadians in the present war. Addresses were also given by B. L. Grew and David Higwell. A women's society is to be formed in connection with the league and incorporation papers for the league are expected soon.

AUTO TO SEAVIEW HOUSE. LORNEVILLE, AND RETURN EVERY EVENING. Car leaves Fairville Garage Sunday and Monday at nine a.m., eleven a.m., and 2.30 p.m. Return each evening. Return fare \$1.25. Phone West 450.

GRANT AND HORNE TO BUILD TWO LARGE WOODEN SHIPS FOR THE MUNITIONS BOARD

Important Announcement Made Last Evening by H. C. Schofield—200 Men Likely to Be Immediately Employed—Contracts Only Mark Inception of New Industry Which Has Big Possibilities.

Grant & Horne have been awarded the contract for the building of two large wooden ships for the Imperial Munitions Board and constructional work will commence at once in this city. Such was the announcement of the most important that has been made here for a long time—which H. C. Schofield made to the press last evening. Mr. Schofield, who has been representing the munitions board in the transaction, was advised last evening by Col. W. I. Gear, the director of shipbuilding for the board, that the local firm had been given the contract. Mr. Schofield, responding to an inquiry from The Standard, said that the present contract would probably be only the inception of this industry in St. John, as it was well within the range of possibilities that other contracts would follow in view of the scarcity of tonnage, but future contracts were of course contingent on the war continuing. The Standard reporter met Mr. Schofield and H. E. Armstrong, secretary of the Board of Trade, at the board rooms last evening and learned the details of the contract. The new ships will be of wooden hulls, fitted with engines, the hulls being constructed by Grant & Horne, while the engines will be supplied by the munitions board. The dimensions of the new crafts will be: 250 ft. long; 43.6 ft. beam; 25 ft. depth. They will have a loading capacity of about 3,000 tons and a speed of about 9 1/2 knots. Some delay has been occasioned in the awarding of the contract, principally due to the technical points involved. The new crafts were required to come up to the requirements of Lloyd's Registry of Shipping, at which office they will be registered as British ships. The practical result of the awarding of the contract for the new ships to Grant & Horne will mean the immediate employment of 200 men on the work, providing of course that number of labor can be secured. The materials for both ships will be assembled at the same time. St. John citizens generally will welcome the important news of the contract coming to this city. Grant & Horne, the successful tenderers, have already undertaken the establishment of shipyards near the Peters' tannery at Courtenay Bay. Both members of the firm are men of keen business instincts and thoroughly capable of carrying out their contracts in an eminently satisfactory manner. Mr. Grant has had considerable experience in harbor constructional work, while his firm among other contracts carried out the work at the McAvity plant, the Atlantic Sugar Refinery and the Algonquin Hotel, St. Andrews.

SOLDIER BOYS ARE HEARD FROM AGAIN

Letters from Lieut. Travis and Gunner James A. O'Leary—The Excellent Work of the 4th Siege Battery.

A letter received in the city from Lieut. F. P. J. Travis gives the information that he is now at the front with the 87th Canadian Grenadier Guards, a Montreal unit, which has done splendid work at the front. Lieut. Travis crossed to England a few months ago with an imperial draft, and after taking a successful course in advanced infantry training proceeded to France. His transfer to the 87th Battalion has only lately taken place. Lieut. Travis reports having met the members of the 4th Siege Battery in France and he pays tribute to the valiant work of the battery. He had the pleasure of taking dinner with the battery.

A brother of Lieut. Travis is Gunner Clarence Travis, who went across with No. 4 Siege Battery, but was taken seriously ill in England. He spent a considerable time in hospitals, but has now sufficiently recovered to take a position with the Canadian Ordnance Corps at Ashford, Eng. Word was also received in the city from Gunner James A. O'Leary, who writes from 'somewhere in France' that he is enjoying the life immensely. Gunner O'Leary is a Halifax boy who enlisted with the 8th Siege Battery in this city. While in St. John he made a large number of friends. Upon his arrival in England, Gunner O'Leary took advantage of the first opportunity to proceed to France, going with a reinforcement draft.

PRESENTATION TO THE 8TH FIELD AMBULANCE

A most delightful entertainment was given at the barracks of the 8th Field Ambulance on the West Side yesterday afternoon. The occasion was the presentation of a bugle to the unit by Mrs. William McVey, wife of the officer in command of the 8th Field Ambulance. Representatives of several patriotic societies had been invited to attend. The mascot of the 8th—a bulldog, "Sport"—decorated with red, white and blue ribbon and wearing the Red Crosses of the unit, came in for his full share of admiration. With the National Anthem and cheers for the popular officers of the unit, for Capt. Kuhring and Major Frost and officers of the 62nd, the enjoyable afternoon came to an end and all present voted it a most pleasant affair.

"CROSS-COUNTRY FOX CHASE" IN TOWNS OF NEW BRUNSWICK

Conditions for Fugitive's Capture: The St. John Standard Pays Rewards when Captures Admitted by Fox, made capturing to conditions. Ten Dollars each in Fredericton, Woodstock, St. Stephen, Sussex and Moncton. Five Dollars in any other New Brunswick town. Capture admitted by Fox only to resident of town where caught. 1st—Lay Hands on Him. 2nd—Say the name of the Fox. The St. John Standard's Fugitive. Who do you deny it? 3rd—Present Fox with copy of The St. John Standard of date.

Take a Spin Out of Town of an Evening. Enjoy Summer Days in the Country. Brantford and Imperial Bicycles. Why stay in the city, with its noise, and dust and smoke, these lovely summer evenings and Saturday afternoons, when "Brantford" and "Imperial" Bicycles, so easily within reach, will enable you to get away from it all and furnish hours of keen delight and healthful exercise. "Brantford" and "Imperial" Bicycles are of the light, strong, smooth-running type, made in Canada, especially for Canadian roads. Our lines include: "Brantford" Men's, \$44.00; "Imperial" for Men and Boys, \$38.00; "Brantford" for Ladies, \$40.00. SPORTING DEPARTMENT—SECOND FLOOR where you will also find a FULL LINE OF BICYCLE ACCESSORIES. Market Square - - W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD. - - King Street.

GREAT SALE SUMMER HATS. Last week we made a special purchase of over 200 dozen Midsummer Hats. Now we are selling them at less than wholesale prices, Panama Hats, White Hats, Black Hats, Colored Hats, Trimmed Hats, Dress Hats, Sport Hats, Outing Hats, Mourning Hats, Children's Hats, all being sold at very low prices during this sale. Marr Millinery Co., Limited.

If Strength, Style and Durability Count. When making your hammock selection you should see our particularly large range of these goods—Something to suit any fancy—at moderate prices. Couch Hammocks, (The hammock for the veranda) \$11.50; Couch Hammocks (With stand and canopy) \$15.00; Hammocks, \$1.75 to \$3.00; Croquet Sets, \$1.10 to \$4.00; Window Screens, Screen Doors, Garden Tools, Lawn Mowers, Etc. Emerson & Fisher Ltd.

Special Sale of BOYS' SUITS For Today and Saturday. Today We Will Offer the Balance of Our Boys' Double-Breasted Plain Coat Suits With Bloomer Pants. Splendid for Holiday Wear. Strong, Serviceable Tweeds and Worsteds in Good Shades of Medium and Light Greys and Brown. Only a Few Dark Colorings. Well-Made Garments from Our Best Clothing Manufacturers. Sizes to fit boys from 13 to 17 years. Regardless of Former Prices They Will Be Marked at \$3.50 and \$4.00 a Suit FOR TODAY AND SATURDAY. See them and realize the good values they are. BOYS' CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

MANCHESTER ROBERTSON ALLISON. Special Feature. RIBBONS For School Closing. Hair Bows and Sash Ribbons in Taffeta or Gro-Grain Silk, 4 1/2 to 6 in., 15c to 50c. yard; Dorothy Dainty Ribbons, Embroidered Self-Colors, Pink, Sky and White. Two widths to match, for Hair Bow and Sash, 5 in., 55c. to 80c. yard; 7 1/2 in., 80c. to \$1.50 yard; Moire Silk Ribbons, White, Black, and Colors, 5 in., 40c. yard; Fancy Ribbons in Stripes, Checks, and Plaids, 5 to 7 in., 40c. to 75c. yard; Ribbons for School and Class Colors in the different combinations. Velvet Ribbons—All widths. ANNEX.

Manchestera Robertson Allison, Limited. CLEARANCE OF RAINCOATS AT HALF PRICE. Broken lines of Paramatta raincoats left after the season's selling, being cleared at one-half of regular prices, \$4.25, \$5, \$6, \$7.50. Colors, brown, olive, Oxford gray and black. Military Cape Coats, khaki included, \$6, and \$7.50. Gilmours, 68 King street. A Special Feature. COME early to the Opera House every afternoon and evening this week, an opportunity will be afforded lovers of real music. The new Edison, Mr. Thomas A. Edison's latest invention will play before the performance and during the serial. The Re-Creations on the new Edison are indistinguishable from the original. An Added Attraction. Special added attraction at the Opera House every afternoon and evening this week. Mr. Thomas A. Edison's latest invention, "The New Edison" will play before the performance and during the serial picture. Re-creations of the world's great artists, vocal and instrumental, will be played. Don't fail to hear the instrument the New York World has termed the Phonograph of the Soul. CARS TO HIRE. Special rates to persons living in suburban homes having missed their train. Call West 490, or night call West 474. Fairville Garage, George A. Clark, manager. Have you been interested in G DRY'S MODERN EYE ROOM? It is divided from the rest of the store, giving absolute privacy. It is equipped with modern instruments and is shaded to allow for the use of the microscope and ophthalmoscope. The direct examinations by these instruments is of immense advantage. Special attention also given to prescription work. Mrs. Annie L. Bailey, of the Mount-real teaching staff, returned home to spend her summer vacation.

MARRIAGES. EDGAR WALKER—At the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Walker, Norton, Kings Co., on June 27, their daughter, Nets Irene, and Albert Arthur Edgar, Rev. B. H. Hopkins officiating.