

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Strong winds and gales, from southeast, shifting to northwest, mild, clearing and turning colder at night.

Washington, Feb. 25—Forecast: Northern New England—Cloudy, colder Friday; Saturday fair; westerly gales.

Toronto, Feb. 25—The disturbance is now centered over New England and rain and snow have fallen in Quebec and rain has been fairly general in the Maritime Provinces. The weather has turned colder in Ontario while in the western provinces there has been very little change.

	Min.	Max.
Prince Rupert	34	53
Vancouver	42	48
Kamloops	40	52
Calgary	10	22
Edmonton	12	24
Medicine Hat	10	22
Battleford	10	22
Moose Jaw	16	24
Winnipeg	12	22
Port Arthur	12	24
London	31	36
Toronto	21	36
Kingston	28	36
Ottawa	26	34
Montreal	32	36
St. John	31	36
Halifax	34	46

*—Below zero.

Around the City

Military Drill for Police.

All the policemen who were off duty yesterday afternoon assembled in central station for drill. The men were instructed by one of the instructors from the 26th Battalion, who gave them a short address before he put them through the different movements. These drills will take place three times a week, the men on night duty will drill in the afternoon, and the day men will drill in the evenings.

Entertained Soldiers.

The young people of the Carleton Methodist Church entertained about fifty members of the Army Service Corps last evening. A fine supper was provided for members of the corps and their wives and families. The affair proved most enjoyable. Since the Army Service Corps was mobilized entertainments have been given at the Carleton Methodist Church every Thursday evening, which have been much appreciated, but the entertainment last evening was of a special character.

Carpenter-Hanson.

A quiet wedding took place last evening at the home of Rev. A. J. Archibald, when Mary Eliza Currier, daughter of Mr. Currier, son of S. A. Carpenter of Manawagonish Road, was united in marriage to Miss Mary Hanson, of St. John. Rev. Mr. Archibald performed the ceremony, which took place in the presence of a few friends. The bride carried a bouquet of roses and looked charming. After the ceremony the happy couple drove to the groom's home on the Manawagonish Road, where they will reside.

HALIFAX SHOWS SIGNS OF CIVIC IMPROVEMENT; BUSINESS VERY GOOD

"Government work in connection with the provision of terminal facilities is being carried on at Halifax, and business conditions there appear to be very good," said R. E. Armstrong, secretary of the Board of Trade, who returned yesterday from the sister city where he attended a meeting of the Rotary Club.

"Halifax has made considerable strides recently," he added. "The appearance of many of the principal streets shows evidence of progress. Today Halifax has many well-kept streets, which make a contrast with the conditions which prevailed years ago. I was much pleased with what I saw of Halifax."

"Good progress is being made with the work of providing new terminals for the I. C. R. When this work is completed Halifax will have facilities of which any Canadian city might be proud."

PERSONAL.

Willard McDuffin came in on the Boston express last evening to attend the funeral of his father, Captain John McDuffin, whose death occurred Wednesday night.

W. B. Hamford of the C. P. R. freight department, returned to the city on the Boston express last evening.

WEDDINGS.

Gribble-Curry.

A quiet wedding took place last evening at 8 o'clock when Mary Eliza Currier of East St. John became the wife of Wilfrid Gribble, also of East St. John. The ceremony was performed by Rev. William Wallace Malcolm at the home of Alice Taylor. Both the bride and bridegroom have many friends in the city who wish them every happiness.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Elinor Crothers.

The death of Mrs. Elinor Crothers, widow of Captain Thomas Crothers, took place yesterday at the home of her son-in-law, T. H. Estabrook, Mount Pleasant. She was born in Fredericton April 11, 1832. She is survived by three sons, W. W. Crothers and A. E. Crothers, Bristol, Conn., and P. B. Crothers, Nelson, B. C., and two daughters, Mrs. Russia Williams, Bagotown, N. B., and Mrs. T. H. Estabrook, of this city.

The burial will be at Upper Gagetown on Saturday.

COMMISSIONERS APPROVED NEW BREAD BY-LAW

Loaves must weigh pound and a half — Vacant lots in the city — Policemen's pay.

The amendment to the by-law fixing the size of loaves of bread at not less than one and one-half pounds was adopted by the city commissioners at the meeting yesterday afternoon. Commissioner McLellan answered the arguments as presented by bakers at a previous meeting. He said that the statement had been made that the bakers were paying \$9.25 for flour when the majority of them had contracts carrying over to October, by which they paid only \$8.75 a barrel. He had four loaves of wrapped bread in the council chamber and pointed out that all were in excess of the weight marked on the package. He referred to the remark of one baker who said that if the weight had to be increased to one pound eight ounces instead of one pound and six ounces the pans would have to be changed, but he felt that the four loaves of bread which all weighed over a pound and a half were evidence that the size of the loaf could be increased the necessary amount without hurting the appearance of the loaf.

Mayor Frink reported that so far 508 vacant lots had been found in the city outside of Stanley, Leona, Lansdowne and Dufferin wards. He also thought something should be done to arrange for automobiles to pay some revenue to the city.

Other routine matters were discussed. Mayor Frink, Commissioners Russell, Potts, Wigmore and McLellan with the common clerk were present. The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the special meeting were read and approved.

A letter from the chairman of the assessors asking for plans of the big city properties was filed, but Mayor Frink explained that this information would be available for the assessors when the bill approved at the last meeting became law.

A letter was received from John McCarthy, Simonds, who had charge of a wandering horse for several months. He asked for compensation for its keep. The letter was referred to the commissioner of public safety. Commissioner McLellan did not think the horse was very valuable.

The New Brunswick Telephone Co., Ltd., was given authority to place a pole in Canterbury street. Commissioner Wigmore thought poles were to be eliminated as far as possible.

Commissioner Potts then asked for a bond issue to cover the cost of a lath, a boiler and a chimney at the asphalt plant. The total cost was \$1,400. Several of the commissioners objected to the bond issue because the money for these articles had been included in the estimate, but were later cut to meet the wishes of citizens. It was also considered impractical to bond for machinery.

Commissioner Potts said that bills were coming into his department which were contracted before he was commissioner.

The matter was finally put to the meeting and lost with only Commissioners Potts and Wigmore in favor of the issue of bonds.

Commissioner McLellan then took up the second reading of the by-law for the regulation of the sale of bread and explained his reasons for having it passed. He dealt fully with the arguments advanced by the bakers at a previous meeting and went into the details of the manufacture of bread.

The total bread made by the bakers was 15,000 loaves a day. The average profit was said to be about \$2.50 per barrel of four made up. The average number of loaves from a barrel was from 130 to 140, according to the size of the loaves.

By reference to an advertisement in a Toronto newspaper it was shown that one pound and a half loaves were selling for six cents in Toronto, while the same sized loaf was nine cents here. Twelve cents was the price there for a three pound loaf.

Commissioner Russell thought the present law was good enough.

The council then went into a committee of the whole to hear Charles Stevens and Frederick Hyatt of the proposed change in the by-law.

Mayor Frink thought the bakers might be heard again, but on motion of Commissioner McLellan, seconded by Commissioner Potts the by-law was passed and ordained.

Commissioner Russell asked if the by-law would be carried out and Commissioner McLellan said he would guarantee it would.

Commissioner McLellan was authorized to pay \$2 a day to a mounted policeman. The court sergeant's pay was fixed at \$2.50. The constable referred to the case of Sergeant Baxter, who was reduced to a position of patrolman. He said there was no provision for Mr. Baxter as a sergeant, but if he had been able to have done the strenuous work of sergeant he would have been kept in that position.

The by-law relating to the rental and occupancy of sidewalks was read for the second time. Mayor Frink will look into the matter of automobile revenue.

The meeting then adjourned.

FIRST DISPLAY OF SPRING HATS AT M. R. A.'S.

The ladies will be interested in seeing these first of the spring styles to be shown in the Millinery Salon, commencing this morning. There will be a number of tailored hats for ladies and misses' street wear in a variety of interesting trimming effects, also a collection of untrimmed hats, representing some of the most striking of the new shapes.

SALE OF SCOTCH MADRAS MUSLINS AT M. R. A.'S.

These are Scotch Madras Muslins to sell at regular prices, from eighteen to twenty-five cents a yard. They are white and cream, some with scalloped borders, widths 30, 36, 45 inches. Sale price per yard, fifteen cents. Sale will start this morning at 9 o'clock, in the Currier Department, second floor.

CARAQUET IN PORT AFTER ROUGH PASSAGE

Royal Mail Steam Packet liner arrives two days late — Heavy weather caused delay.

The Royal Mail Steam Packet steamship Caraquet arrived in port yesterday afternoon about four o'clock from Demerara and the West Indies, being two days late. The ship docked at the Atlantic Fisheries wharf where she landed her passengers and commenced discharging 250 tons of sugar. The Caraquet is in charge of Captain W. H. Latham who has replaced Captain Smith, who was in command when the ship was in port on previous voyages. The delay on arriving this time was on account of extremely bad weather, in fact the steamer had the roughest voyage she had experienced since she has been on this route. Heavy head gales and high seas were encountered for three days after leaving Bermuda, but no damage was done. The passenger list was divided into 15 first, 22 second and 20 third class. Among the saloon passengers were naval officers who are returning to England from the West Indies station, they are as follows: Chief Armourer H. A. Gurvey, Fleet Paymaster K. S. Hay, Lieutenant A. H. W. Landon, Staff Surgeon F. C. Robinson, Chief Writer F. Rowe, Engineer Lieutenant Commander G. B. White. Other passengers were: E. P. Armstrong, Miss M. Armstrong, B. H. H. Brinkman, Gunner H. C. Blocknell, R.N., A. F. Bromley, S. W. Burns, F. Buckley, R. Ballantyne, Rev. J. Combes, I. Corporal H. O. Clarke, J. Corrigan, A. H. Driver, D. L. Dudley, Pte. E. A. Foster, R.M.L.I., J. Farrell, James Hillis, Miss A. Hillis, Miss B. Hillis, Miss M. Healy, J. Johnson, F. Kearney, J. Knowlton, R. W. McKelvie, R. Richardson, Ship's Steward B. Ridge, S. J. Steed, M. J. Sullivan, S. M. Smith, W. Saunders, Mrs. Wallis and child.

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FELL THIRTY FEET IN ELEVATOR SHAFT AND ESCAPED INJURY

Fortune was smiling on William Morris in his adventure in the Globe building.

Yesterday afternoon about 4.30 o'clock William Morris of this city entered the Globe building on Prince William street, opened a door and walked into the elevator shaft, falling to the bottom, a distance of nearly thirty feet. Fortunately for Morris he did not fall on the steel bumper at the bottom of the shaft or he might have been killed. In falling he missed striking it but a couple of inches. The fall did not badly injure Morris, for as soon as he reached the bottom he screamed for assistance. Some men about the building lifted him out of the shaft, the ambulance was summoned and the man was conveyed to the General Public Hospital. On examination it was found that no bones were broken but he was suffering from shock and some bruising. He is expected to be about again in a short time.

INHUMAN BROTHER STORY IS BARED IN POLICE COURT CASE

One of the worst cases heard in the police court for a long time was brought to light yesterday. Two girls, one belonging to this city and a companion who claims Amherst, N. S., as her home, were in court charged with wandering about Charlotte street after midnight not giving a satisfactory account of themselves, and with being street-walkers. They were remanded to jail. It was learned that the St. John girl has a brother who is a member of the 36th Battalion and this brother, with three other soldiers, was in the company of his sister and her Nova Scotia companion nearly all Wednesday night. They were trying to make arrangements to start out all night, but the brother with the other soldiers were unable to charter a team from one of the stables when the St. John girl said she knew where to get a conveyance, and went to a garage to procure an automobile, but was unable to do so. Finally they managed to charter a team near the King Square and decided to go outside of the city. The brother left his sister in the company of the other girl and two soldiers, while he made them good night and proceeded to the barracks. Deputy Chief Jenkins, however, was looking about at the time and taking the two girls from the soldiers locked them up in a cell in the central station.

Higher Prices.

Prices for woolen goods of every description are advancing rapidly, and it is believed now that by fall one will be paying fifty per cent. more for woolen goods than they can be purchased for at the present time. F. A. Dyke and Co. have just received a large shipment of coarser serges which they price that they would charge for these if they bought them today would be 90 cents, but they purpose selling them at the old price, 65 cents per yard. This is a good heavy serge, pure wool and fast dye. They are also showing a lot of ladies serge skirts ready-to-wear at \$2.25 each. They are worth \$3.50 each, but the reason of the low price is that they bought a clearing line from a manufacturer and got a large discount.

PARK HOTEL, KING SQUARE.

MR. HAZEN HELPS THE INDUSTRIES IN THIS CITY

Another Large Contract to Keep the Factory Wheels Turning and the Workmen Busy.

Through the representation of Hon. J. D. Hazen, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, the Portland Rolling Mills has been awarded a large contract for supplying steel to the Intercolonial Railway. The order will keep the mill going for some time. This is only one of the industries in St. John to be given contracts through Hon. Mr. Hazen. At the present time H. Horton and Son are engaged on a contract for saddles and other leather goods for the army. Enough work has been secured to keep their staff employed night and day for several months.

The Phoenix Foundry has also received a large order for shrapnel cases. Orders enough to keep the foundry going night and day till the middle of the summer have been received.

T. McAvity & Sons, Ltd., have also been given contracts for supplying brass plugs for the shells. Other factories in St. John have been kept going by contracts that were received through Hon. Mr. Hazen.

MAY ENTER ACTION FOR FALSE ARREST

Hugh McCarthy may seek damages for being taken into custody by special Police Officers.

Hugh McCarthy has retained legal counsel for the purpose of taking action against two special police officers for false arrest. McCarthy was arrested about 7.30 o'clock on Wednesday evening the 17th inst., while walking along Charlotte street, near the Consumers Coal Company premises. He says he was held up by Special Officer Elliott and charged with buying liquor for a soldier. Elliott called Special Officer Moran and the two, taking McCarthy in custody, marched him to the British street lock-up and placed him in a cell. He remained in the cell until about eleven o'clock when he was bundled into the patrol wagon in company with a woman prisoner and was taken to Central Station and handed over to Policeman Kane. The latter was just about to place McCarthy in a cell when Sgt. Staples saw him and ordered Kane to allow the prisoner to go. McCarthy says he has been unable to get any satisfaction regarding the matter from the heads of the police department and has retained Francis Kerr for the purpose of taking an action for damages.

PATRIOTIC DAY PLANS NOW NEARLY COMPLETE

Everything Points to Success on Saturday—Workers Have Busy Time.

The arrangements for Patriotic Day are now nearly complete, only a few matters of detail remaining to be dealt with. The Royal Standard Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire have been very busy during the past few days in order to ensure that the occasion may be a complete success. Mrs. R. Atherton Smith, regent of the chapter, and those associated with her, entertain no doubt that the day will be one long to be remembered, both on account of the patriotic motives that have instigated the movement and of the good financial results that are sure to be the outcome.

Already the idea of displaying flags has taken hold of the citizens; in many of the stores, and in private houses, the initial steps have been taken to make the display worthy of the occasion. Mrs. George McAvity, convener of the flag committee, Mrs. J. F. Harding, of the sewing committee, Mrs. Alex. Wilson and Mrs. T. E. G. Armstrong, of the refreshment committee and their associates are all busy with the work in hand, and hope to give the bank committee, of which Mrs. H. A. McKenna is convener, plenty to do. The arrangements for Fairville and the district remain in the hands of Mrs. J. H. Allingham and an efficient staff of helpers.

Attention! Flag!

At the meeting held last night by the Royal Standard, I. O. D. E., Mrs. George McAvity, convener of the flag committee, reported the demand for the Allies' flags so great that the supply in St. John had been exhausted. All orders already booked for the Allies' flags would have to be cancelled, unless the purchaser would consent to having four Union Jacks at the same price. Orders will be filled and delivered. If not satisfactory the money paid to the different captains of the ward will be returned. A large consignment from Upper Canada is expected today and it received all orders will be filled as first promised.

THE DAWN OF SPRING.

The Marr Millinery Co., Ltd., is showing today, Friday, advanced styles in Spring headwear, as Miss Driscoll and Miss King have returned from New York. Ladies will see the finest assortment of Spring hats ever shown. New hats will be added daily as they come from the manufacturers.



MAGNOLIA ANTIFRICTION METAL

Is preferred for the better class of work where an Antifriction Metal is required, being noted for its durability and all round high quality standard.

W. H. THORNE & CO., LIMITED
Market Square and King Street

Macaulay Bros. & Co., King Street, St. John, N. B.
Our Stores Open 8.30 a. m.; Close 6 p. m. Each Evening During January, February, March.

Dainty New Dresses for Street or House Wear

Our stock of pretty Wool Dresses for street or house wear has recently been reinforced by a large assortment of handsome new models.

These beautiful garments are made of fine All-Wool Serges, in various up-to-date styles such as the military effects, which are braided down the front, with pleated skirt and satin girdle, low neck and long sleeves; also several other dainty styles, which are braid trimmed. Some are finished with white pique collars and other accessories. The colors are Tan, Brown, Copenhagen, Navy or Black.

Price Range from \$4.50 to \$15.00 each

MACAULAY BROS. & CO.

GENUINE BARGAINS WILL BE FOUND
In Our Windows for the Next Few Days

We have just received a large shipment of Aluminium Tea Kettles and are offering great bargains while they last.

Aluminum Tea Kettles
Our special price for a limited number, \$2.10 and \$2.35 ea.

The finish is the natural finish of the metal.
Retains heat longer than any other tea kettle.

SEE OUR WINDOW

Emerson & Fisher Ltd.

STORES OPEN AT 9 A.M. AND CLOSE EVERY DAY IN THE WEEK AT 6 O'CLOCK.

First Display of Spring Hats
For Ladies, Misses and Children

Commencing this morning there will be a first showing of Spring Hats for Ladies, Misses and Children. There will be an interesting collection of simply Trimmed Hats for street wear, also Untrimmed Hats in various of the new shapes. Come and look them over.

MILLINERY SALON—SECOND FLOOR.

FEBRUARY SALE OF CLOTHING WILL END ON SATURDAY
Here Are Bargains in BOYS' FANCY SUITS
COMMENCING THIS MORNING

The February Sale of Clothing will end Saturday night at 6 o'clock, so that only a short time remains in which to take advantage of the opportunity to save money on fashionable garments for both men and boys.

Mothers who have boys to outfit with fancy suits will find the following offerings especially desirable. Made of strong and durable cloths in best appearing styles and perfectly tailored, these suits are exceptional values at the special figures.

Boys' Russian and Fanny Suits, Serges and Tweed mixtures in brown greys, navy; military and sailor collars with braid trimmings. Ages 3 to 6 years.

\$3.75 Suits, Sale price	\$3.00	\$5.50 Suits, Sale price	\$4.40
4.00 Suits, Sale price	3.20	6.00 Suits, Sale price	4.80
\$5.25 Suits, Sale price		\$4.20	

Boys' Sailor Suits, a small quantity only, in Fancy Tweeds and Serges, browns, greys and navy. All sizes in the lot, from 6 to 10 years, and marked very low for clearance. Sale prices range from \$1.90 to \$6.40

BOYS' CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

SALE OF SCOTCH MADRAS MUSLINS
COMMENCING THIS MORNING

These Scotch Madras Muslins will be suitable for dining-room, bedroom or bathroom curtains or would be just the thing to use later at the summer home. They are in white and cream, some with scalloped borders, conventional designs; widths 30, 36 and 45 inches. Regular 18 cents to 25 cents per yard. Sale price, per yard

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CURTAIN DEPARTMENT—SECOND FLOOR.

Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited