

THE WEATHER. Maritime—Strong northeasterly to northerly winds; snow and sleet. Toronto, April 21.—The depression mentioned last night is now centered off Sable Island, causing moderate gales and a snowfall over the greater portion of the maritime provinces. Local showers have occurred in southern Ontario today, and very warm conditions prevail in Saskatchewan and Alberta. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Kamloops—44, 70. Calgary—30, 74. Edmonton—36, 67. Battleford—38, 76. Prince Albert—28, 72. Moose Jaw—29, 74. Qu'Appelle—38, 68. Winnipeg—30, 64. Pelly Sound—32, 54. London—38, 53. Toronto—38, 51. Ottawa—38, 50. Montreal—32, 44. Quebec—42, 44. St. John—32, 34. Halifax—34, 36. Gulf—Northeast, fair, no decided change in temperature.

AROUND THE CITY. Exmouth Street Church. Rev. W. W. Brewer, pastor of Exmouth street church, will preach Sunday evening. Britain Had Nearly 600. At five o'clock yesterday afternoon the C. P. R. steamer Empress of Britain left Saint John for Liverpool via Halifax. The steamer had a large general cargo and 591 passengers. There were 101 first class, 124 second and 266 third class. The A. E. Hamilton Creditors. A meeting of the creditors of the A. E. Hamilton Co., Ltd., was held yesterday, but the only thing done was to appoint a committee to look into the affairs of the company with instructions to report at a meeting to be held in the Board of Trade rooms next Wednesday afternoon. Gospel Temperance Meeting. The last of the series of the Gospel meetings held under the auspices of the Granite Rock Division, Sons of Temperance, West Side, will be held on Sunday evening, Rev. Mr. Johnston, of Dipper Harbor, will be the speaker and there will be special music. The public are invited.

Remanded for Assault. Yesterday afternoon in the police court a man named Johnston was charged with using abusive language to street car conductors George M. Beatty and Hiram Rathburne. He pleaded not guilty and was remanded to jail until this morning at ten o'clock. King's Daughters to Meet. On Monday next at 7.30 p. m. the annual meeting of the King's Daughters will be held at the guild. Reports from the circles and committees will be presented. The retiring president will give her address and reports will be received from the recording secretary and the treasurer. Five members will be elected to the executive. The evening will close with a social half hour and refreshments. Lectures in Socialists' Hall. Moses Baritz, of Manchester, Eng., will deliver a lecture on the economical interpretation of art, at the Socialist hall, Mill street, Sunday evening, at 8.15. On Sunday afternoon he will speak in the same hall on Politics, Ancient and Modern, showing how the control of political power was the dominant factor in shaping the destiny of nations. The lecture in the evening will present the socialist view of art, as opposed to that of Tolstoy.

RUSH OF SETTLERS TO PROVINCE EXPECTED. Every Steamship Coming Out for the Next Few Weeks will have Passengers for New Brunswick. In addition to the party of new settlers brought out by Mr. Bowder, practically all the boats coming to St. John and Halifax for the next few weeks will have parties for this province. Owing to the rush to Canada this season the New Brunswick office in London has experienced great difficulty in securing passages for all the parties who wanted to come out this spring. One great difficulty in getting men for this province has been the fact that booking agents in different parts of Great Britain are directly interested in booking men for the far west, because they get a percentage of the price of the tickets they sell, and the farther west they send a man, the more money they get. Mr. Bowder is of the opinion that this difficulty would be overcome if the farmers of this province who are in need of men would get in the habit of writing to the London office, giving a description of the men they want and guaranteeing to give employment to the men sent them at a stated rate of wages. This would enable the N. B. London office to interest the booking agents in New Brunswick by giving them a chance to advertise that they had positions for a certain number of men—such position as might be assigned to them to fill. "All these booking agents," added Mr. Bowder, "are very glad to advertise that they can guarantee a man a situation in any part of Canada. And they dare not advertise positions unless they have orders, because some of the rival booking agents are always likely to ask Obed Smith, of the Dominion immigration office, to investigate, and if the booker can not produce the order for the situation which he has been advertising Mr. Smith is almost certain to take measures to have his license revoked."

Mr. and Mrs. James G. Armstrong, 128 St. James street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Harriette Young, to Laurence N. Cochran, Calgary, Alta., formerly of this city.

THE SURRENDER OF HATTIE LEDBLAND'S MISSION. Girl Accused of Murder of Clarence Glover, of Cambridge, was Examined Before John Kerr, K. C., Commissioner Appointed in Contest to Break Murdered Man's Will.

Counsel for both sides in the Glover will case arrived in the city yesterday morning, and during the afternoon and evening were occupied taking the evidence of Hattie LeBlanc, who, with her father, arrived in the city on Thursday. The evidence was taken before John Kerr, K. C., who had been appointed commissioner for the purpose, and the sessions were private. Hon. Edward P. Barry, counsel for the four brothers, who are trying to break the will, and Melvin W. Johnston, who successfully defended Hattie in the will case, reached here yesterday morning on the Boston express. Samuel D. Elmore, who is supporting the will made in Mrs. Glover's favor, was on the same train; but he was apparently not on friendly terms with the other legal lights. An atmosphere of mystery pervaded the proceedings here yesterday. Mr. Johnston, who came here with the object of guarding Hattie's interests was not allowed to be present at the examination conducted before Commissioner Kerr by the opposing counsel, Messrs. Barry and Elmore, though his stenographer was sworn in as interpreter, and also acted as stenographer. At eleven o'clock last evening "Lawrence Smith," of Boston, who came here to meet Hattie and her father and keep the reporters away, said the examination was still in progress, and he was very indignant at the hardship being imposed on his "little girl." Then he said that if he was called up in half an hour he would be able to put the reporter in communication with Mr. Johnston or Mr. Barry, but when the reporter called the party had left the Royal and the telephone number which Mr. Smith told the reporter to call in event of

ST. JOHN PEOPLE WERE MUCH DISAPPOINTED ON HARBOR BRIDGE CONFERENCE TODAY. Members of Provincial Government will Meet Representatives of C. P. R. and Street Railway on Bridge Project.

About all St. John got out of the first visit of the flagship of the Canadian navy was a case of measles. When Admiral Kingsmill, and Mr. J. G. Desbarats, the Deputy Minister of Marine, arrived from Ottawa yesterday, they went immediately aboard the Niobe, and shortly after the Mayor received a wireless message stating that it was their intention to sail for Halifax during the afternoon. During the morning Commander McDonald and a number of officers landed at Rega's Point, and the commander, in company with C. H. Flood, agent of the Marine Department, paid a visit to the Mayor, and informed him of the situation in view of the rough weather he would not expect him to return the compliment. The Niobe sailed last evening, much to the disappointment of the citizens who had hoped they would be given an opportunity to inspect her. It was rumored on the street that the reason for her sudden departure was that Halifax wanted her for St. George's Day and that in such a case St. John had to take a back seat. Mr. Flood, when seen last evening said he had not been informed why she left, but he was sure the Admiral had more important business than going to Halifax to attend the ceremonies in connection with St. George's Day. It is understood the Niobe will return here later and spend some time in this port.

Y.M.C.A. BIBLE CLASSES HELD PLEASANT DINNER. Enjoyable Banquet with Novel Features, Held in Y.M.C.A. Rooms Last Night—100 Boys Present.

The boys' Bible classes of the Y. M. C. A. closed last night. The event was marked by a pleasant dinner in the Y. M. C. A. rooms. More than 100 boys were present. T. H. Moore, acting as chairman during the evening. There were ten tables, each occupied by a separate group. The decorations had been left entirely to the groups and the various tables were decorated in a manner emblematic of the animal after which the group was named. Awards for the most original decoration were made at the conclusion of the feast, the Big Bear group capturing the prize.

Following the banquet an enjoyable literary and musical programme was carried out in which those taking part were: C. LeRoy Moore, D. Lingley, Roscoe Bond, Willis Jones, Frank Withers, S. Irvine, Ron. Edwards. Addresses were given by Willis Jones and W. C. Cross, the former speaking on the Bible work of the boys' division, while the latter took as the theme for his remarks, the value of Bible study. The banquet terminated with the singing of My Own Canadian Home, and God Save The King.

Lumbermen Want Warm Weather. Hon. John Morrissey, commissioner of public works, was at the Royal yesterday. Speaking of matters on the Miramichi he said the lumber cut during the winter had been large, but that the prospects for stream driving were not so good. There was not enough freshet to take the ice out of river, and it drifted back and forth with the tide. However, there was plenty of snow in the woods, and a spell of warm weather would doubtless fill up the streams and give the lumbermen a chance to get their logs down the river.

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