

THE WEATHER

Forecast
Maritime—Fair at first, followed by southerly and easterly gales, with rain.

Toronto, Jan. 12.—The depression which was in the Mississippi Valley last night has moved quickly to the lake region. Snow and rain have occurred in Ontario, while in other parts of the Dominion the weather has been fair. Extreme cold continues in the western provinces.

Temperatures

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	24	3
Calgary	25	10
Edmonton	40	14
Winnipeg	40	50
London	22	48
Toronto	17	39
Ottawa	4	36
Montreal	3	18
Quebec	3	18
St. John	20	30
Halifax	26	30

Below zero.

Around the City

U. N. B. Alumni.
The annual meeting of the U.N.B. Alumni will be held tomorrow evening in the Equity Court rooms at eight o'clock. Reports for the year will be received and officers elected.

Synod Committees.
The different Synod committees are meeting today and tomorrow preparing for the annual meeting of the Synod the first of February in Fredericton. The mission board will hold its meeting tonight.

Commissioner Misquoted.
Last evening Commissioner McLellan stated that he was greatly surprised to see in both evening papers he had been misrepresented in regard to the lighting of King square by permanent lamps. The papers quoted him as saying that this would mean a capital expenditure of \$25,000. The Commissioner says the facts are, that he placed the figure at twenty-five hundred dollars, not twenty-five thousand, and furthermore that, owing to the war, he would not suggest that expenditure.

Want Ferry Transfers Continued.
The St. John Railway Company having ceased to issue transfers via the ferry now that there is a through car service by the new bridge, the question has been raised as to how far the company is justified in making the change. It is thought that the old system of issuing ferry transfers should be continued as being convenient to many for the service between the western and eastern sides of the harbor, and it is intimated that legislation may, if necessary, be sought providing for the continuance of the old system.

Knights of Pythias.
New Brunswick Lodge No. 1, Knights of Pythias, installed officers last night as follows:—T. E. Robinson, chancellor-commanding; Arthur S. Belyea, vice-chancellor; R. Allan Christie, prelate; Otty R. Black, master of work; James Moulton, keeper of records and seals; B. L. Sheppard, master of finance; E. E. Thomas, master of exchequer; Harry A. Talbot, master at arms; R. D. Cozgin, inner guard; H. L. Alexander, outer guard; Otty R. Black, retiring chancellor-commander. The reports of the different officers showed the lodge to be in a flourishing condition and a very enjoyable evening was spent by all present.

PERSONAL.
D. Arnold Fox left last night for Woodstock.

B. F. Smith, M. L. A. of East Florenceville, arrived in the city yesterday and registered at the Victoria.

Fred. B. Edgcombe of Fredericton was a guest at the Royal yesterday.

Hon. A. S. White of Sussex was a visitor to the city yesterday, registering at the Royal.

Hon. D. V. Landry, Mrs. Landry and their daughters, Misses Hiberie and Germaine, have gone to Selby, Que., where the young ladies are attending the convent.

Miss Melanson, daughter of O. M. Melanson, M. L. A. of Shediac, and Miss Bourque, daughter of Dr. Bourque of Richibucto, have left their homes to resume their studies at the Selby convent.

Capt. McKenzie of Moncton is at the Victoria.

J. L. Chisholm of Halifax and J. G. Gillespie of Truro were at the Victoria last evening.

Rev. R. J. Coughlan, of Johnville, is visiting relatives in the city.

Friends of Joseph Kiernan, Spar Cove road, will regret to learn that he is confined to his home with a severe attack of la grippe.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sealy will leave next week to spend a month in the south.

Stock-Taking Sale.
At the stock-taking sale now being held at F. A. Dykeman & Co.'s you can buy ladies' flannellette Kimonos at 49 cents, \$1.10, \$1.65, and Velour Kimonos at \$2.25, \$2.50 and \$2.98. They also have a lot of Flannellette Dressing Jackets which they are selling at 39 cents each, and Japanese Short Kimonos at 75 cents, the former price was just double.

Good foe at the Victoria tonight.
Men's race on Monday night between the 5th and 6th band at the Victoria. Come and see the fun.

SERIOUS POTATO SHORTAGE IN CANADA AND THE U. S.

Prices are steadily advancing on both sides of line—Importations from Ireland talked of in Boston where tubers sell at \$4.12 wholesale.

A number of the large cities in Canada and the United States fear a potato famine during the next two months, and there is a pronounced bull market in consequence. In St. John the supply is only fair, with some wholesalers asking as high as \$3 a barrel. Up the river and in Aroostook county the producers are getting \$3 a barrel, and at some points the farmers have declined even that price and have succeeded in getting \$3.10.

The rise in the price of potatoes was predicted recently by E. F. Smith, M. L. A., of East Florenceville, who was at the Victoria yesterday. Mr. Smith after visiting a number of the leading markets and examining conditions had no hesitation in telling his constituents that prices were bound to go higher.

In Montreal potatoes are quoted on the cars at \$1.70 and \$1.80 per two bushel bag, or at about \$2.70 a barrel. Boston is probably harder hit by the potato scarcity than any other city. There, dealers predict that the tubers will sell shortly at 50 cents a peck, retail, or at the rate of from \$5 to \$6 a barrel—almost unprecedented prices that city has found it cannot be fully supplied by New Brunswick, Maine or Vermont, and is considering the possibility of obtaining shipments from abroad. The wholesale price on the

NEW RECRUITING ROOMS ARE FORMALLY OPENED

First meeting in Germain Street Quarters proved successful—Three more names on Roll of Honor.

ROLL OF HONOR.
Frank C. Golding, Duke street.
Walter G. Noyles, St. James' street.
Charles A. Cardiff, Grand Falls, N. B.

The recruiting meetings were resumed last night in the new quarters, Germain street, there was a large number of men present and the first meeting was a success in every way. M. E. Azar acted as chairman, M. Morris sang and P. C. Johnson gave a selection on the autoharp. R. S. Coupe acted as accompanist.
Rev. R. J. Haughton was the first speaker. In opening he congratulated the committee on the splendid quarters they had obtained for the work of recruiting. There was just one subject for consideration by men today—the call of the British Empire and the answer Canada and more particularly New Brunswick would make to that call. It was the call of an urgent necessity the Empire was engaged in the mightiest struggle the world has ever seen for liberty and humanity against a bitter foe and now was the time for every man to consider his attitude to the present situation. Germany had long been determined to dominate and conquer the world, there could be no peace or liberty if the German theory that might is right was allowed to prevail. The sooner everybody did his duty the sooner the war would end. He closed with an original poem.
A sailor who was in the audience then sang a song.
Rev. F. S. Porter was called on and said the same spirit which is in the jolly tars is what is going to win this fight for us. The Kaiser had a bigger proposition on his hands than he had expected and he believed if the truth were known bigger than he wanted. The Premier of Canada had promised half a million men. The share of New Brunswick would be about ten thousand and they would have to be gotten in about eight months which meant an average of about forty per day. He believed that once the men were convinced of the actual need there would be no trouble in getting them, and he was sure Saint John would do its share.
Everything is at stake, Germany means to destroy civilization as we have known it for the last century. Germany will stop at nothing to gain her purpose which is to be the dominating power of the world. The Germans had their chemists at work trying to produce cholera bacilli to spread among the Allied armies but they would not succeed.
Donald Munro, of Woodstock, was the next speaker. He referred to the commission which had been appointed to look after returned soldiers and assist them to get employment of which he was secretary and said he found the employers of labor very willing to co-operate with him in his work. He made a strong appeal to every fit man to get in uniform, and thus hasten the end of this awful war.

REDUCTION IN N. B. TIMBER LANDS FIGURE IN PROVINCE IN BIG DEAL

Conditions at headquarters of St. John River are favorable for operations. One-third interest in \$500,000 Property in Maine and this Province changes hands.

Intelligence from the lumbering regions indicates that conditions are ideal and operations are in full swing. Along the upper St. John waters and in Maine there is just the right depth of snow. The swamps are well filled with water and are frozen hard.

The lumber cut on the Miramichi and Restigouche rivers will be about seventy-five per cent of the amount cut last season. Operators on the upper St. John waters will take out from fifty to sixty per cent. of last year's cut, but small operators in the southern part of the province will take out only about twenty-five per cent.

In Nova Scotia, particularly in Cumberland county, the cut will be somewhat less than the average, but will be larger than anticipated at the beginning of the season. Many of the Nova Scotia lumbermen have disposed of their stock on hand during the past few months.

INTERESTS OF ST. JOHN IN SAFE HANDS

Hon. Mr. Hazen sends hopeful telegram to President F. L. Potts, of Conservative Club.

"The interests of St. John and New Brunswick will not be overlooked," was a statement made by Hon. J. Douglas Hazen in a telegram received yesterday by President F. L. Potts of the Conservative Club of this city. The Minister of Marine's telegram follows: Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 12, 1916. F. L. Potts, President, Conservative Club, St. John, N. B.
Please accept my thanks for telegram which you sent on behalf of members of the St. John Conservative Club. It appreciates very much indeed their expression of continued confidence in me as their representative and ask you to assure them that even though Canada's business at present time is to make war and all other interests have to be rendered subservient to that great issue that the interests of St. John and New Brunswick will not be overlooked. The development of our port and the great business being done this year must be extremely gratifying to every citizen with the exception of the few who are blinded by partisan considerations.
J. D. HAZEN.

SOLDIER ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF THEFT

Fred O'Dell taken into custody for stealing from St. Clair McKiel's store.

Fred O'Dell, a soldier, was arrested last evening by County Policeman Saunders and the military police, on a warrant issued by Magistrate Adams of the county, charging him with theft from St. Clair McKiel of Goldbrook. From what could be learned last night O'Dell is suspected of having entered McKiel's grocery store at Goldbrook some time ago and stole in the vicinity of sixty dollars from the cash register.
The city police have laid an additional charge against O'Dell, that of damaging cell fixtures to the extent of ten dollars.
The prisoner is no stranger in police circles having been arrested several times under different charges.

PRIVATE CHARLES CHASE WRITES FROM FRONT

"The sooner the boys enlist the quicker 'twill be over", says soldier doing his bit.

Mrs. E. W. Chase, of 132 Hawthorne avenue, has received a couple of interesting letters from her son Charles, who is on active service "somewhere in France." In part Private Chase writes that he is in the very best of health and continues: "I suppose Gordon Nuttall is home by this time, I felt very sorry the last time that I saw poor Gordon as we were great chums. I have received the bundles of papers all right and was very glad to get them so I could read the news from home."
"The weather is not too bad out here although we have had plenty of rain and mud. Up till today (December 20th) we have not had any snow and it is not cold. I have written to Monte, and am expecting to hear from him soon. This year you will have two away, but you need not mind because it is for a good cause and the sooner the young men enlist the quicker this old war will be over."

Another letter, dated December 27th, states that he hopes that his mother and the family had a Merry Christmas: "We had a fine dinner this Christmas. Turkey, plum pudding, oranges and all kinds of good things, it just reminded me of home. I am in good health and can't kick about the way things are going under the circumstances."
"The weather is bad at present, plenty of rain but no snow. I received the parcel with the socks in it and it was a welcome gift, socks are needed, for as long as a fellow has dry feet he is comfortable."
"Wishing you a happy New Year, and remember me to my friends, I remain,
"Your loving son," "CHARLES."

The mill at Oldtown is a box plant, employing 330 men.
The logs cut on the 18,000 acres in this province have been sent down the St. John river and sawed on this side of the line. The deal is of considerable interest to St. John lumber manufacturers and timber land owners.

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