

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Moderate to fresh northwest, shifting to south-west winds, fine and milder. Toronto, April 4.—The depression which was off the middle Atlantic coast on Saturday has since passed over the Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland, accompanied by gales and snow and rain. The weather has been very fine today in Ontario and Quebec, and more or less showery in the west.

Around the City

A Life Taken. Early Sunday morning the police were called to John Glynn's stable on Dorchester street to shoot a horse that was unfit for use.

Dangerous Hole in Street. The police report a dangerous hole in Paradise Row near Dorchester street extension, which needs immediate attention from the street department.

Drunk and Destructive. William McAndrews was arrested on Saturday evening and charged with being drunk and breaking windows in John Paterson's house on the West-Portland road.

Two Weeks. Hon. George J. Clark, premier of the province, is at the Royal. He expects the legislature will be in session two weeks longer.

Gloves and Mitts Sold. A man's fur glove, a woman's glove and a small pair of mittens were found on the street Saturday by the police. The owners can secure the same on application at the police headquarters.

Mystic Shrines. The local council of Mystic Shrines have elected W. J. McElvarty of the post office staff as delegate to Imperial Council in place of the late R. LeBaron Thompson.

Fourteen New Members. In Main street Baptist church yesterday morning ten candidates were baptized and in the evening fourteen new members were received into the church. A special Easter musical programme was carried out at the evening service.

Little Wanderer Found. A lost child was found by the police on Charlotte street Saturday afternoon and taken to police headquarters for safety. After remaining at the station for some time it was called for by its mother, Mrs. Edward Cobham, Market Place, West St. John.

Appointed Shell Inspector. Leo J. Gallagher has received the appointment of inspector of shells being manufactured in this city for the Imperial government, having on Saturday received word from headquarters to that effect. Mr. Gallagher is most capable for the position and will start in one his new duties this morning.

May Round Up Bulgarians. Now that Bulgaria has invaded Serbia it will mean extra work for the St. John police force as well as the police in other sections of Canada. The St. John force will likely start in today rounding up all the Bulgarians in the city and causing them to call at headquarters to register, as has already been done with the Germans, Austrians and Turks in the city.

Maggie Miller at Work. The ferry steamer Maggie Miller made her first trip of the season Saturday. She left Somerville in the morning at eight o'clock and brought a few passengers to Millidgeville. Owing to some ice still holding along the shore near her regular landing place she was unable to carry teams. She made a return trip in the afternoon. The ice is still holding between Bayswater and Somerville and it will be a few days yet before she will be able to reach Bayswater.

A Musical Drink. John Bates had a musical jag on Charlotte street Saturday evening, and was the cause of attracting the attention of hundreds of people who stuck around to watch his actions. Bates became suddenly delighted with the music as it squeaked from John Cook's hand organ and immediately started in to dance in front of the organ. He would perhaps have danced for a much longer time had he not been arrested and charged with drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

Successful Meeting. The Gardiner's Creek Conservative Club held a successful open meeting in their hall on Saturday evening when addresses were delivered by T. E. Carson, M. L. A., and other speakers. There was a large attendance and the audience was deeply interested in the proceedings. At the close of the meeting refreshments were served. The club at Gardiner's Creek, although but a young organization, has an active membership of young men, and is doing a good work along its chosen lines.

WILL HOLD SOCKS' DAY ON APRIL 21ST

Red Cross Society gives right-of-way to Royal Standard Chapter. Daughters of Empire—Prizes for best knitters.

The Royal Standard Chapter, Daughters of Empire, have obtained the right of way in the matter of holding a "Socks Day" in New Brunswick on April 21st. Yesterday Mayor Frink received the following wire from the headquarters of the Red Cross Society in Toronto.

"Replying to your wire. The Red Cross Society will waive their call for April 20th as requested. Extremely sorry conflict of dates. Best wishes for success of the day of the Royal Standard Chapter.

(Signed) "NOWELL MARSHALL." Much satisfaction is felt over the action of the Red Cross Society in giving the Royal Standard Chapter the right of way, as the Royal Standard was in the van in taking up the matter of organizing a soldiers' socks day in this province.

Speaking to a reporter last evening Mrs. E. Atherton Smith, regent of the Royal Standard Chapter, said the idea of holding a socks' day had aroused great interest, and that she had no doubt there would be a generous response from every city, town and hamlet in the province.

"One of the most insistent demands from Red Cross officers at the front is the cry for socks for our brave defenders," added the regent, "and those who try to realize the conditions in the trenches will understand that this demand will be constant. For this reason we hope every woman and every girl in the province will send in socks to be shipped to the soldiers in the trenches. We believe New Brunswick will rise to the occasion, and make a splendid donation of socks for our brave boys. Every mother and every daughter will consider it a privilege and a duty to knit socks for the defenders of their King and Empire. We know it is not necessary to offer inducements to them, but we will give prizes to the knitters of the best socks. These prizes will not be valuable intrinsically, but we feel they will be cherished as souvenirs. A committee of six competent ladies have undertaken to act as judges.

"Every pair of socks should have the name of the donor attached to them. I hope the donors will also write nice cheery letters to the boys at the front and attach them to the socks."

REV. DR. CAMPBELL IN CITY CHURCHES Preached in St. Andrew's and St. Stephen's churches yesterday.

Rev. Dr. Campbell of Sackville was the preacher in St. Stephen's church last evening. He preached an eloquent sermon on appropriate Easter subjects and advanced from the fact of Christ's resurrection strong arguments in favor of the immortality of humanity. Principals of natural justice, said the preacher, precluded the possibility that the end of man was the grave. It was inconceivable that Dives should ride in his chariot to the end of his days while Lazarus should never rise above his state of poverty. Nero, the unspeakable tyrant of Rome, who revelled in luxury during his earthly days must surely have had to face a reckoning in the hereafter. Christ had descended into the grave and grappled with death and had risen victorious on the third day and ever since that time Christians had continued to observe one out of the fifty-two Sabbaths in the year with special solemnity as the anniversary of this great occasion for humanity. With the resurrection of Christ man obtained his assurance that the grave was not the end.

Special music was rendered and the communion table was decorated with Easter lilies.

In the morning Rev. Dr. Campbell occupied the pulpit of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church.

FISH INSPECTION ACT Notice is hereby given that Mr. J. J. Cowie of the Department of Marine and Fisheries will meet the fishermen, fish merchants and others concerned at eight o'clock Monday evening, April 5th in the Temperance Hall, West End, for the purpose of making clear to them the requirements of the above named act and the regulations governing the work of inspection and branding.

G. J. DESBARATS, Deputy Minister of Naval Service.

FERNHILL CEMETERY COMPANY Annual meeting lot holders Fernhill Cemetery Company, Board of Trade rooms, Monday, April 5th, at four p.m.

SNOW AND GOLD WEATHER STOP EASTER SHOW

Straw hats and other Easter finery not in evidence yesterday—Low temperature.

The women of St. John were disappointed yesterday for on account of the unfavorable weather conditions straw hats and other Easter finery had, to a great extent, to be left at home. However, many of the men, who had new togery, appeared out in it.

St. John has been usually noted for its fine millinery display on Easter Sunday, but many who enjoy the exhibition, were doomed to disappointment yesterday for the eight inches of snow that fell during Saturday night and which was blown about by a fierce wind yesterday made summer finery out of the question. Last year the weather man did not portion out to St. John anything like ideal conditions for Easter either and there was some talk yesterday among the women folk of having another day for the inauguration of summer wearing apparel and straw hats.

During Saturday the conditions of the atmosphere foretold disturbances of some kind, but citizens generally were rather surprised when early in the evening snow began to fall and there was still greater surprise yesterday morning when it was found that about ten inches of the "beautiful" covered the city. The snow was of the light, feathery style and a raw wind helped to blow it about and make conditions in the open quite unpleasant.

During Saturday night the snow storm was at its height and the street cars met considerable difficulty. The snow when it hit the trolley wire froze and the progress of the street cars was marked by a grand display of illuminations.

There was a slight fall of snow yesterday morning, but the weather cleared considerably during the morning but a raw wind was in evidence until evening. In the evening the temperature became cooler.

Taking it all together Easter in St. John was not a success, when viewed from the standpoint of the woman with a new hat or the man with a new suit of clothes.

VIOLET DAY CAMPAIGN WAS BIG SUCCESS One man paid \$200 for a violet, and one lady \$30 for cup of coffee—Expect proceeds will be larger than last year.

All St. John wore violets on Saturday in honor of the ladies who instituted the campaign to raise money to support the public playgrounds. How much money was realized will not be known till the boxes are opened today, but the ladies, who had charge of the campaign, expect the sum will exceed the amount obtained last year, when nearly a thousand dollars was collected. One man who did not want his name made known paid \$200 for a violet, and W. E. Earle contributed \$50. There were three donations of \$25 each, one being by Mrs. C. F. Woodman. There were several \$10 contributions, and a considerable number of \$5 bills were handed the sellers of the violets.

At noon a lady walked into the headquarters of the campaign in the Knights of Columbus Hall, and asked for a cup of coffee, and before leaving she handed over a \$5 bill as payment for coffee; again about five o'clock another lady visited the headquarters, asked for a cup of coffee, and paid \$30 for it. Evidently the ladies in charge of the refreshments knew how to make good coffee.

Over 300 young ladies were engaged in the campaign. They worked hard, and everywhere met with a generous response from the people. By noon twenty thousand violets had been disposed, and a committee of ladies had to prepare more bunches.

The general convenor, Mrs. G. L. Wetmore, and her staff of assistants were at the headquarters all day and were kept very busy. At noon luncheon was served the workers by a committee headed by Mrs. J. H. Bullock and Mrs. W. B. Tennant, and coffee was provided during the afternoon. W. B. Tennant and C. D. Howard assisted at headquarters.

James E. Wetmore, manager of the Globe Laundry, Moncton, spent yesterday in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Case, Kennedy street.

A NEW LINER IN PORT FOR FIRST TIME

C.P.R. Steamship Metagama arrived yesterday on her maiden voyage to St. John.

The C.P.R. steamship Metagama, Captain G. S. Webster, R.N.R., arrived at her dock Sand Point yesterday afternoon at two o'clock on her maiden voyage from Liverpool via Halifax. Pilot Joseph Doherty, came round from Halifax on board the ship, as did Captain Walsh, the C.P.R. marine superintendent. The ship left Liverpool on Friday, March 26th and had good weather all the way out to Halifax arriving at the latter port Saturday morning, with 684 passengers. Of this number 238 were cabin and 446 third class. At Halifax there were landed 61 cabin and 215 third class passengers.

She made a good run around to St. John despite the bad storm Saturday night and yesterday morning and arrived off Partridge Island about seven o'clock yesterday morning and anchored until the afternoon when the pilot thought it proper to dock. The 418 passengers who disembarked here yesterday afternoon were en route to Upper Canada with the exception of 26 who are bound for United States ports.

There was one passenger on the ship who landed at Sand Point, however, who came across the Atlantic and from whom no passage money was received. It was a baby boy born in the third class apartments, five days after the ship sailed from Liverpool. The mother and infant were doing well when the ship arrived in port.

Among the passengers was Henry Crawford, the tinmith, who resides on Brunswick street. Mr. Crawford left St. John last December and had a most enjoyable time touring England, Ireland and Scotland. While in England he took occasion to visit the Canadian soldiers at Salisbury Plain before they went to France and had the pleasure of meeting a number of the St. John boys who he says were all looking fine and seemed anxious to get to the front.

The Metagama is a fine looking steamship, being a sister ship to the Missanable, and will carry one class of cabin and stowage passengers, and has room for 520 of the former and 1,200 of the latter. The accommodation afforded by the public rooms and the state rooms are the best of their kind, and the stowage thoroughly comfortable. The heating and ventilating is on the thermo-tank system, whereby the air is changed eight times each hour. The refrigerating plant is capable of making 300 pounds of ice every eight hours.

The Metagama was successfully launched on the Clyde Nov. 19, being the fourth C.P.R. ship launched on the Clyde last year—a record not likely to be broken by any shipping company engaged in Canadian or United States trade and it speaks well for the C.P.R.'s enterprise. The Metagama, like the Missanable, is 520 feet long by 61 feet wide, has a dead weight capacity of 7,950 tons, an approximate cargo capacity of 6,000 tons and is of about 13,000 tons gross register. She has six complete steel decks, and, to ensure safety, her hull is subdivided by water-tight doors and bulkheads so as to be capable of floating with three compartments open to the sea. She is equipped with Babcock & Wilcox patent davits which enable the lifeboats to be launched from either side. She also carries Murray's patent nested lifeboats but no collapsible boats, and there is sufficient room in the boats for all the passengers and crew.

The Metagama is scheduled to sail from here for Liverpool on Friday next. In addition to Captain Webster her other officers are: H. L. Walcott, chief officer; E. Knight, chief engineer; W. H. Poval, purser; E. W. Longden, surgeon; A. W. Gaede, chief steward.

PERSONAL Friends of Arthur E. Cox will be pleased to learn that he is rapidly recovering after a serious operation. Mr. Cox is in the infirmary but expects to be able to leave that institution this week.

Mrs. H. T. Parlee of Auburn, N. S., and daughter Miss Ruth, are guests of Mrs. W. A. McGinley, Mecklenburg street.

George W. Fowler to Speak The North End Conservative Club is planning for a big meeting on the evening of April 12th, when George W. Fowler, M. P., for Kings-Albert, will deliver an address dealing with the political questions of the day. The public are invited to attend. Mr. Fowler is one of the most interesting speakers in the Canadian House of Commons, and is thoroughly well qualified to deal with his subject.

WAISTS Another big express shipment of those dollar waists that F. A. Dyke and Co. have been selling so many of have been received by them. They are made from the finest Swiss lawn with embroidery organdy collar, and some have the picoted edge collar and cuffs with embroidery front. These waists are admired by everyone and are said to be the prettiest that are shown in the city.

Keep Your Bread and Cake Soft and Moist. No pantry is complete without good air-tight boxes in which bread and cake may be placed to keep them soft, moist and clean. We have secured a line of TIN BREAD AND CAKE BOXES that will at once appeal to housewives as being both practical and attractive, and we want you to see them. Our Bread and Cake Boxes are well made from good material; the lids fit snugly and are held firmly in place by a strong fastening which admits of the use of a padlock. They are shown in two finishes—white enamel and gold with gloss surface—and have rounded edges and corners which makes them very easy to handle. Each Cake Box is provided with a shelf, thus avoiding the necessity of placing one loaf upon another.

Prices: CAKE BOXES White Enamel Finish Small \$1.50, Medium \$1.70, Large \$2.00 BREAD BOXES White Enamel Finish Small 95c, Medium \$1.25, Large \$1.50. W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD. - Market Square and King St.

Macaulay Bros. & Co., King Street, St. John, N. B. Stores Open at 8 a. m., Closes at 6 p. m. Saturday night at 10 o'clock. MANY looking for French and British Wool Dress Material, Coat and Costume Cloth, such as Fine Serges, Gaberdines, Broadcloth and Fancy Mixtures, have the impression that there is shortage in the importation this season. As regards our stock, which has been personally selected, there is no shortage, but on the other hand a complete stock now larger or better assorted for material or colors. There is no doubt but that deliveries of stock from the manufacturers will be slow and limited during the coming month. We therefore suggest that those who are contemplating a new dress, coat or skirt and costume, or any garment requiring wool fabrics to buy NOW, as a choice of color and many fabrics new in stock will not be found later in the season. Extra good values as our wool fabrics are at last season's prices. Out-of-town buyers can by sending their request have samples of any black or colored wool material sent them by return mail. Please state the color and material desired; or for skirt, costume, coat or one-piece dress.

Enterprise Stoves and Ranges They Always Please. Sold On An Iron-Bound Guarantee. For upwards of thirty years we have sold "Enterprise" Stoves and Ranges. During these years there have been more of these stoves sold in St. John than any other make—each year sees an increase in sales. Why? Because They Always Give Satisfaction. STOVES FOR ANY PLACE AND EVERY PLACE. Emerson & Fisher Ltd.

Bargain Sale of Curtain Materials. Attractive Scrims, White and Madras Muslins and Curtain Nets at Great Value Prices COMMENCING THIS MORNING. This is the season of the year when housekeepers will appreciate the chance of securing dainty curtain materials especially when they represent such tempting bargains as do these at the reduced prices. The fabrics are entirely up-to-date, attractive in decorative possibilities and in perfect condition. Colored Border Scrims in pink, green, yellow and blue, 36 to 40 inches wide. Sale prices, per yard 12c, 15c, 20c, 25c. Scrims, Hemstitched and Drawwork Borders, cream, white and ecru. 36 to 40 inches wide. Sale prices, per yard 13c to 25c. Madras Muslins, white and cream, floral and conventional designs, 30 to 45 inches wide. Sale prices, per yard 13c to 25c. Curtain Nets, white and cream, stripes and squares, 40 to 45 inches wide. Sale prices, per yard 20c to 25c. White Muslins, frilled and plain, 25 to 50 inches wide. Sale prices, per yard 10c, 12c, 15c, 20c. CURTAIN DEPARTMENT—SECOND FLOOR.

New Ribbons for Spring. Taffeta Silk Ribbons in plain green, red, blue, pink, sand, putty, grey, brown, mauve, purple, gold, black, white, etc. Widths 1 to 6 inches. Yard 5c to 60c. Fancy Silk Ribbons in narrow widths for millinery purposes and in wider widths for girdles, sashes, etc. Beautiful color combinations, in checks, stripes, plaids and floral effects. Per yard 15c to \$1.20. Dorothy Dainty Sash and Hair Ribbons to match; brocaded effects, in white, sky, pink, yellow, etc. Yard 90c to \$1.70. Velvet Ribbons for millinery; all widths, in this season's prevailing shades. Yard 6c to 43c. Bargain Ribbons, plain and fancy colored effects, in wide and narrow widths. Special, per yard 5c, 10c, 15c, 25c. Corsage Bouquets in Violets, Pansies, Roses, Camellias, etc. Each bouquet, 25c to \$2.40. RIBBON DEPARTMENT—ANNEX. Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited