

## THE WEATHER.

**Forecast.**  
Maritime—A few local snowfalls or flurries, partly fair, rising temperatures.  
Washington, March 20—Forecast: Northern New England—Local rains or snows Wednesday; Thursday, fair, moderate south and west winds.  
Toronto, March 20—Light snow has fallen today in Ottawa and St. Lawrence valleys. Elsewhere in Canada the weather has been fair.

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	1	30
Prince Rupert	30	38
Victoria	38	42
Vancouver	36	42
Kamloops	30	40
Edmonton	18	32
Prince Albert	20	38
Regina	1	31
Moose Jaw	10	39
Winnipeg	13	36
London	25	44
Toronto	24	44
Ottawa	6	13
Montreal	8	24
Quebec	2	18
St. John	4	26
Halifax	10	30
Below zero.		

## Around the City

**Y. M. C. A. Notes.**  
The regular Tuesday night supper and talk was given last evening in the Y. M. C. A. H. A. Porter gave an instructive talk on "Principles and Functions of Government."

**St. David's Brotherhood.**  
The Brotherhood of St. David's Presbyterian church held a very interesting meeting last evening at which Captain Johnson and Captain Pribyl, both of the 18th Battalion, entertained with songs, and Pte. Sharpe gave a piano solo. L. E. Armstrong presided as chairman.

**Pulpwood Here.**  
The steamer Empress last night unloaded about eighty tons of wood pulp for the manufacturing purposes in the state of Maine. The cargo was shipped from Windsor, Nova Scotia. As it lay on the wharf last night it resembled bundles of cordage ready for exportation. It will be loaded into cars today for the consignees in Maine.

**Primecrest Property.**  
M. G. Teed, acting for the Eastern Trust Company, made an application to Mr. Justice Grimmer yesterday to foreclose the mortgage of Primecrest Farms, Limited, and sell the property. His Honor granted the application and ordered that tenders be asked and submitted to the court. A. H. Hamilton was present for Primecrest and G. H. V. Delyea as assignee.

**The Boys' Club.**  
A splendid entertainment was given by members of the Canadian Buffs at the Boys' Club last night and among those who took part were Capt. Presby, instructor; Corp. Louis and Corp. James, solos and choruses, with Mrs. W. C. Good as pianist; Corp. Bennett, readings, and A. M. Belding who gave a description of the Falkland Islands' naval battle. Mrs. W. C. Good presided and W. P. M. Nobles was present during the evening.

**Law School Lectures.**  
J. King Kelley completed his course of lectures on bills and notes last night at the King's College Law School for this term. The lectures from the first were marked by a large attendance. The course is one of the most practical given at any of the colleges in the Dominion, and no doubt it will prove of great value to the students in their practice. Besides the regular lectures on the subject Mr. Kelley took several of the leading cases, which have been decided in England, America and Canada, and discussed the different points brought out with the pupils. It is probable that the examination on this important branch of the legal profession will be held this week.

**Boston Boat Delayed.**  
The Boston boat, which was due to arrive last night, did not reach port at her usual time and great anxiety was felt for the safety of the passengers as the weather outside was somewhat thick. A dispatch from Bostonport about eight o'clock, however, announced the fact that the steamer was being held there on account of the weather. It is likely that she will proceed on her way this morning. Among the passengers on the North Star are the crew of the ill-fated schooner Harry W. Haynes, which foundered sixty miles west of Portland, Me. The weather had not moderated outside up until midnight, but it is probable that today will see it somewhat finer. The ship arrived safely on schedule time.

**The City Mission.**  
A mass meeting of the visitors from the various churches of the city, who will be engaged today in the home visitation throughout St. John, was held in three central churches last evening. Those from the North End congregation met in St. Matthew's Presbyterian church with Rev. Nell McLaughlin in charge. In the district north of Union street the meeting was held in St. John's (Stone) church school room, with Rev. J. H. A. Anderson in charge. The south end meeting was held in Centenary church school room with Rev. D. J. MacPherson in charge. Addresses were given outlining the general work of visitation, and giving instructions and details. Much interest was shown and the visitors have organized ready to begin their work this afternoon. The visitors will meet at their own churches before going out. It is hoped that the whole city will be covered today.

**Many People.**  
are asking for another auction sale in wall paper. We will have another sale today, Wednesday, the 21st, at 10 a. m. Dr. McArthur, at King St.

## REQUIRE MORE ROOM FOR THE WAR PATIENTS

Dr. Walker Announces That Old Government House at Fredericton Will Be Used As 'Annex to the Parks' Convalescent Home.

Dr. Thomas Walker, the local representative of the Dominion Hospital Commission, returned yesterday from Montreal and Ottawa, where he had gone in connection with matters relative to the affairs of the commission in this city. He told a reporter that he had given evidence at Montreal before the committee of the House of Commons investigating the matter of the treatment of the returned soldiers. Dr. Walker emphasized the fact before the committee that the administration of the St. John branch of the service was greatly handicapped by reason of the fact that it was necessary to transact the business through the B division with headquarters at Halifax. He recommended that a separate unit be established for this province. This recommendation will likely be adopted by the committee and it will come before the House along with the other recommendations of the committee of inquiry.

At Ottawa Dr. Walker interviewed Sir James Lougheed and Col. Thompson in an endeavor to have the government purchase the Wiggins Orphan School building in this city to be used as a convalescent home. It was proposed to use this building as an annex to the Parks Convalescent Home, the present home being inadequate to meet the increasing demands. The representatives of the government stated that they were adverse to the purchase of buildings for hospital purposes owing to the great expense entailed. However, it is absolutely necessary that more room shall be found for convalescent cases, and Dr. Walker said last evening that as soon as the Killis Battalion went overseas the old Government House at Fredericton would be used to meet the overflow from the present home.

According to Dr. Walker, the work of placing the cots in the new discharge hospital at the armory will be started in a few days, and the hospital will probably be ready for occupation early in April. Dr. Walker said he had no announcement to make in regard to the composition of the staff at the discharge hospital, but he presumed that the matter was in the hands of Col. G. H. A. Robinson, secretary of the Returned Soldiers' Association, who accompanied Dr. Walker to Montreal and Ottawa, remained over at the capital to attend a meeting of the secretaries of the Returned Soldiers' Associations from the various provinces of the Dominion.

## UNPRECEDENTED DEMAND FOR WAR LOAN

That Subscriptions in New Brunswick Will Run Into the Millions is Prediction of Local Brokers.

"So far as New Brunswick investors are concerned the third Dominion war loan will be an unprecedented success," said a local broker to The Standard yesterday. He added that the success which had attended the opening days of the loan last week had been considerably surpassed and that everything pointed to the over-subscription of the issue. While it is practically impossible to form a fair idea of the amount of subscriptions in the province, brokers report that the figures will run into the millions. Investors, large and small, have given willingly of their means to the government for war purposes, and generally the people of New Brunswick are manifesting much enthusiasm over the success of the loan.

## NO TENDERS FOR THE PURCHASE OF ENGINE

Absence of Two Commissioners Made it Impossible to Get Quorum for Yesterday's Meeting of Council.

No tenders were received at city hall for the purchase of the old stationary engine at the asphalt plant, and it has been decided to place the engine with E. Leonard & Sons, Ltd. for sale on a commission basis. No storage charge will be made during the period from the present time until the sale is effected. The regular meeting of the city council was scheduled to take place yesterday afternoon at three o'clock. The absence of two of the commissioners made it impossible to secure a quorum and the mayor postponed the meeting until tomorrow afternoon at three o'clock. The officials of the public works department were active again yesterday in their work of cleaning up the city streets.

Band and good ice at Victoria Rink tonight.

## ENGINEERS GOT THREE YESTERDAY

Day's Recruiting Return, was However, Disappointing—General News Notes of the Local Units.

**HONOR ROLL.**  
J. Edgar Carney, Oromocto, N. B.  
Rosa A. Perley, St. John.  
David E. Swim, St. John.  
—Canadian Engineers.

The Canadian Engineers received all the men who signed on in St. John yesterday. Several applications were rejected on account of some physical disability. It was the most discouraging day in recruiting circles for some months.

**Will Move to Quarters.**  
The machine gun draft will soon be moving into new quarters. Sergeant Steele last night informed The Standard that the number of men secured for the machine gun draft is thirty-seven. The number required to bring the draft up to full strength is fifty-four. A communication from the officer in charge of the Machine Gun School in Halifax, stated that ten men who are taking the course in Halifax are expected to stand well up in the class when the examinations take place. The officer also requested that ten more be sent to Halifax to take the course. Lieut. Scammell is to inspect the men today or tomorrow and pick out those to go to Halifax. There still is a vacancy in the draft for seventeen men.

**Left for Toronto.**  
Lieutenant George T. Walsh of the Banan Battalion left last night for Toronto. He will be away until the first of the week. The work of recruiting for the Banan Battalion will be carried on by Sergeant Haley who has replaced Sergeant O'Rourke.

**Reports for Duty.**  
Captain (Dr.) A. M. Covert of Canine, Nova Scotia, reported to the 16th Field Ambulance Corps yesterday. Dr. Covert surrendered a lucrative and extensive practice in Nova Scotia in order that he might accompany the 16th Field Ambulance Corps overseas. The inoculation and vaccination of the men of the unit was completed yesterday and now every member of the unit is ready to proceed overseas. Judging by recent activities at the ambulance headquarters their stay in the city is limited. The unit took several men on strength yesterday.

**At Headquarters.**  
Up to last night headquarters had received no word concerning the mobilization of the local militia units. Many members of the 62nd Battalion are already in England and it is doubtful if more than one hundred men are available.

**Recruits Will Arrive Today.**  
Several men who have been signed on in different parts of the province for the Siege Battery are expected to arrive in the city tonight. Yesterday the regular routine work was carried on. Sergeant Major Whitfield is making rapid progress in instructing the Composite Battery in artillery.

**Funeral Held Yesterday.**  
The funeral of Private Dick of the 18th, who passed away on Monday at the Military Hospital, was held yesterday afternoon at the Union Depot. The remains, in charge of a member of the battalion, left on the 2 o'clock train for Oakville, Ontario, Company "B," of which the deceased was member, acted as escort. Major Watts was in charge of the detachment, which was headed by the regimental band.

**Military Notes.**  
Mrs. Hubert Saunders of Gouda Point has received word from Ottawa notifying her that her son, Pte. Ernest Walter Saunders, who has been missing since June 3rd, has been given up for dead. The School of Bayonet Fighting which has been in progress in Halifax for six weeks, has been closed and the students will leave for the 16th Battalion are expected to arrive in the city tonight. The list of Y. M. C. A. secretaries soon leaving for overseas includes the name of T. H. Hutchison, formerly general secretary in St. John, but was later transferred to Vancouver.

**Spring Cleaning Days.**  
In connection with house cleaning, there will be thinking and planning for window fixings. Go straight to J. A. Dykeman & Co.'s where you will be helped in your problem by finding a very large assortment of curtains, curtain rods, curtain muslins, marquisettes and curtains ready to put up, in white, ecru and buff. They are showing these goods suitable for parlor, dining-room, hall or bedroom, and the prices are not any higher than they were one year ago, as this firm contracted for these goods with the manufacturer at that time. They are therefore selling them at one-third less than the present market prices.

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## I.C.D. SHED WAS GUTTED LAST NIGHT

Transfer Freight Warehouse of Canadian Government Railway Considerably Damaged by Fire.

About 8.30 o'clock last evening an alarm from Box 154 called the fire department out to a blaze in the government railway warehouse, near the site where the large elevator was burned nearly three years ago. The warehouse, which is rather large, did not hold much freight as it has been used as a transfer warehouse. The cause of the fire was not known last night, but when the firemen arrived on the scene the interior was ablaze, and at first it looked as if the entire structure would be a total loss. The smoke that issued from the building was very dense and, at first, proved hard for the firemen who wished to enter the building. A few excellent streams of water were soon playing on the fire and effective work was done. It was nearly an hour before the firemen had the fire under control on account of it having had a good start before it was discovered. The warehouse was pretty badly gutted, the walls and partitions of offices being burned, as well as a few large holes in the roof. The building had a quantity of transfer freight in it, and this was either badly damaged or destroyed, but the amount of goods lost was not as large as might be found in one of the warehouses that is used regularly for quick shipments. At the start the fire was so alarming that persons residing in the close vicinity commenced to move their goods, and a number of horses were moved from stables. Five carloads of new Overland automobiles which were on a track near the warehouse were not in any manner affected. The firemen were able to leave the scene about 10.45 o'clock.

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**HEALTH BOARD COMPLETE NEW REGULATIONS**  
Important Session of Health Men in the City Yesterday To Cope with Diseases That May Prevail After the War.

Dr. B. M. Mullin of Fredericton, secretary of the Provincial Board of Health, was in the city yesterday in attendance at a meeting of a special committee of the board appointed to revise and consolidate the regulations with respect to contagious diseases, quarantine and fumigation. The committee was in session at the Royal Hotel during the afternoon and until a late hour last evening. The doctor said that the committee had completed its work and had recommended several important changes for the consideration of the full board, which he expected would convene in a few weeks. The committee also discussed the matter of making provision to cope with disease not now common to the province which might be brought in by the province by the large number of immigrants who are expected after the war. This matter will also engage the attention of the full board at its next meeting.

**THE TELEGRAPH "IN WRONG" AGAIN**

Canterbury Street Liar Yesterday Reported Dr. matic Performances Which Did Not Occur.

The young men and maidens who have been faithfully rehearsing for the production of the drama "A Fisherman's Luck" in St. Peter's Hall, must have been "ticked to death" yesterday morning when they read in the Telegraph that the performance as staged on Monday evening was a decided success. The Telegraph, referring to the production said yesterday morning: "A very large audience assembled in St. Peter's hall when the Young Men's Association of St. Peter's parish presented the drama, 'A Fisherman's Luck.' It was a pretty little story, very interesting and affording opportunity for good work. The piece was exceptionally well presented and that it was appreciated was shown by the generous applause bestowed."

This is "good stuff," the only difficulty about it being that the performance did not take place, being postponed on account of the illness of one of the participants. There are two ways of publishing a newspaper. One is to go after the news when it occurs; the other is to edit in a newspaper office and "fake" it. The Telegraph apparently adopts the latter course.

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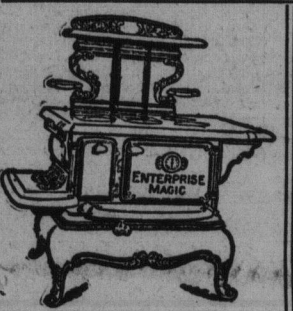
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UPPER CANADIAN HOUSE TO HAVE A LOCAL BRANCH

L. Krant of the Peabody Sales Corporation Ltd., of Walkerville, Ont., is in the city in connection with the plans of the company to establish a local branch. He said that he had completed arrangements for the opening of a stock room and warehouse in the Dearborn building in order to supply the trade in the Maritime Provinces. The branch will be opened about April 15th. Asked as to the prospects for the

company establishing a manufacturing plant here, Mr. Krant said that the matter had not been definitely decided upon, but he intimated that if there was a sufficient volume of business it would be the policy of the company to manufacture in this city.

**Presentation To Miss Dickson.**  
Last evening in the Sunday school room of the St. John (Stone) church Miss Elizabeth Dickson was made the recipient of a beautiful silver brooch, beautifully engraved. The presentation was made by Miss Manning on behalf of her many friends who desired to make manifest the friendship and appreciation they entertain for her company. Miss Dickson is soon to leave for Massachusetts to enter a hospital to train for a nurse. She will be greatly missed by a large circle of friends. As a member of

the Y. W. P. A. she has always been very active in the work of the society, and was one of the first to volunteer to assist in filling the places of the boys of the Imperial Theatre staff, who enlisted for overseas service.

**Wall Paper Sale.**  
Another wall paper auction sale today, Wednesday, 21st, 10 a. m. for those who were not able to attend the last one at Dr. McArthur's, 84 King St.

**Inquest Unnecessary.**  
Dr. W. F. Roberts, coroner, has decided that an inquest into the circumstances surrounding the death of George Nelson is not necessary.

**Auction Sale.**  
of wall paper at Dr. McArthur's, 84 King street, this Wednesday morning, at 10 o'clock, March 21, 1917.