THE WEATHER

Toronto, Feb. 14.—A depression appears to be developing tonight in the lower Mississippi Valley, otherwise pressure is everywhere well above the normal. The weather has been fair in all portions of the Dominion, and for the most part moderately cold.

St. John	0	30
Dawson	*28	*14
Prince Rupert	16	34
Victoria	32	40
Vancouver	32	40
Kamloops	*10	8
Calgary	*6	18
Edmonton	2	10
Battleford	*4	6
Prince Albert	*16	2
Moose Jaw	*18	7
Saskatoon	*19	4
Regina	*28	8
Winnipeg	*20	4
Port Arthur	*20	6
White River	*36	14
Parry Sound	2	18
London	8	26
Toronto	14	28
Kingston	6	22
Ottawa	*8	16
Montreal	*1	22
Halifax	6	24

Forecast.

*—Below zero.

Maritime—Fair and generally cold.

Northern New England — Snow Wednesday and probably Thursday; warmer Wednesday, increasing northeast and east winds, becoming strong and probably reaching gale force over south portion.

AROUND THE CITY

ASK MAYOR'S CO-OPERATION

Mayor Schofield yesterday received a letter from those in charge of the New Brunswick Skating championships, to be held at Moncton, asking for his co-operation in making the meet a success.

VISITING WOODSTOCK.

R. E. Armstrong, secretary of the Board of Trade, left for Woodstock yesterday morning to attend the annual dinner of the Board of Trade of that town, which was held last night. R. Fraser Armstrong, son of Mr. Armstrong, is town manager for Woodstock.

LEFT FOR WEST INDIES

G. Clifford McAvity left the city last night, for Halifax, from which port he will sail today on the steamer Canadian Fisher for the West Indies. Mr. McAvity is making the trip as one of a delegation from the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, who are going to the West Indies to study conditions there, and to introduce Canadian goods on the West Indies market.

LONGSHOREMAN INJURED

Langford Coram, a longshoreman, of 29 Brittain street, had his leg and right foot injured while working at the West Side docks yesterday afternoon. He was admitted to the General Public Hospital at 5.15 and it was reported at the hospital last evening that it was believed that the man's right foot was broken, and that an X-ray examination would be taken this morning to determine whether it was or not.

MAYOR DENIES RUMOR

Mayor Schofield said yesterday it had been called to his attention that rumors were going the rounds that he was a heavy stockholder in the New Brunswick Power Co., and he wished to give it an unqualified denial. He did not hold any stock in the company, nor was he acting in their behalf in the matter of hydro. His only object was to make the best bargain for the citizens, in order that they might get the full benefit of any reduction in the price of electric current.

DISCUSSED HYDRO OFFER.

Mayor Schofield and the city commissioners met Premier Foster and members of the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission, yesterday morning in the office of the mayor and discussed the offer made the city by the Hydro Commission in connection with the former taking over the current from Musquash. Some of the figures in the Ross report were gone over and compared with figures already possessed by the Power Commission. After the meeting the mayor announced that the Premier had shown a willingness to meet the city and he thought there would be little difficulty in arriving at an equitable agreement.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

The following property transfers have been recorded recently in St John:

J. H. Bowes to E. M. Bowes, property in Simonds.

Mary E. Collins and husband to J. F. Warnock, property in Lancaster.

G. T. Kane to Maud K. Morrell, property in Carmarthen street.

New Brunswick Power Company to J. A. Pugsley, property in Simonds.

Royal Trust Company to Purity Ice Cream Company, property in Jack Avenue.

Tisdale Properties Limited to W. W. Graves, property in Tisdale Place.

WILLIS L. O. L. FAIR OPENED

The fair being held by Willis L. O. L. No. 70, was opened in the new Orange Hall, Fairville, last evening. There was a fair crowd in attendance but the opening was marred somewhat by the lights going out and leaving the hall in darkness for nearly an hour. The door prize, a pair of blankets, was won by ticket No. 1836 and owner may obtain them on application to the committee in charge. Tonight the door prize will be a load of coal, donated by the Nelson Coal Co. and it is expected there will be a large attendance.

Local Police Team Took Examination

Col. Chas. A. Hodgetts, of St. John Ambulance Assn. Conducted Final in the First Aid Class.

Yesterday afternoon in the band rooms at the court house, Col. Charles A. Hodgetts, Director-General of the St. John Ambulance Association, conducted the final examinations of one team from the local police force for the Lord Shaughnessy police trophy, awarded for efficiency in first aid. This class was instructed by John Redfern and is practically the same class as went up for examination last year. Col. Hodgetts expressed great satisfaction at the demonstration of efficiency displayed yesterday, by the members of the team.

At 4.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, Col. Hodgetts addressed a meeting of the employees of the N. B. Telephone Company, regarding first aid work and home nursing, his audience displaying evident interest in his remarks. The Telephone Company have a team entered for the examinations which are being conducted by the director-general at the present time.

Provincial Gov't Sends Out S.O.S. Call

Liberal Party Clans Gather Here Today to Discuss "Whys and Wherefors."

The Provincial Government has sent out an S.O.S. call, and there will be a gathering of the Clans here today to talk over matters in general and the proposed "booze legislation" in particular. The Government is facing an even worse deficit than it reported for the past year, and the need for more revenue to provid the "Honorable Peter" with money to spend—where it will do the most good—on the roads and bridges of the province, and it is understood the Premier favors passing some amendments to the Prohibition Act, under which the Government can establish "bureaus" for the sale of liquors to all and sundry, the profit to go into the pot.

This proposition does not meet with favor from all the members of the Government party in the House, it being freely reported that at least three of them will refuse to support any amendment which will tend to let down the bars restricting the sale of liquor for beverage purposes. It is said the remier will put up the argument that the only other course to pursue is direct taxation, for "Peter" must have the money no matter from whence it comes.

Milk Pasteurization Given Consideration

Delegation from Dairymen's Assn. Appear Before Board of Health in Protest.

The views of the United Dairymen's Association, as expressed by their delegates, J. N. Killey, Clifford Clayton and Councillor Jeremiah Donovan concerning the pasteurization of the city's milk supply, was heard by the Board of Health at a special meeting yesterday afternoon.

The dairymen expressed themselves as totally opposed to the erection of one central pasteurization plant, and to the pasteurization of milk as well, which, they claimed, robbed it of much of its natural richness. They also claimed that the general public was opposed to pasteurization, and that it was necessary, for, if milk was delivered pure and clean to the consumer, pasteurization was fluncecessary.

The delegation appeared before the board with the impression that the board had determined on pacteurization, but were informed that this was not the case. What the board desired was the views of all parties concerned on the best method of improving the milk supply of the city. They were also told that no hasty legislation would be enacted, but that public opinion was desired.

The board had, for the past three years, been trying to improve the quality of the city's milk supply, and yet recent examinations showed that eighty per cent of the city's milk supply was not up to standard. The board agreed with the dealers that if clean milk was supplied there would be no need for pasteurization, but, as matters stood at present, the supply was not what it should be.

The infant mortality rate in St. John was a cause of grave apprehension, in view of the fact that, from figures supplied by the Victorian Order of Nurses, it was shown that the death rate was largely with those bottle fed babies who were fed with milk that had not been pasteurized. The breast fed babies were the healthiest, and those fed with pasteurized milk next.

The board, in conclusion, informed the delegation that no action would be taken until all the facts bearing on the case had been adduced.

ENTERTAINED MISSION CIRCLE

The Hirjawa Mission Circle of Centenary church enterta ned the Mission Circle of Portland street church last evening at the Centenary parsonage the programme dealing with mission work in India. Miss Faith Henderson and Mrs. W. C. Amland were in charge of the programme, which proved most interesting. At the conclusion of the formal programme a social hour was spent in games and music. Before breaking up, dainty refreshments were served by Mrs. H. G. Fulton.

Met With District Health Physicians

Dr. Robert E. Wodside, Secretary of Canadian Assn. of Prevention of Tuberculosis, Discussed Important Plans.

Dr. Robert E. Wodeside, Secretary of The Canadian Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis, was in the city yesterday at the request of Hon. Dr. Roberts, Minister of Health, to meet district health physicians, Drs. Melvin and Warwick, and Drs. Farris and Carmichael of the two hospitals in the Province for the treatment of tubercular cases. They discussed the question of establishing a Canadian diagnostic clinic and particularly its application to this Province, and to consider a programme arranged for the Congress to be held here June 6, 7, 8 and 9 of the Canadian Health Association and Canadian Association for Prevention of Tuberculosis.

Dr. Wodeside was present at a meeting of the local Tuberculosis Association, held in the Dispensary yesterday afternoon, at which details of a week of intensive work "in case finding," to be initiated in this city during the first week of April, were discussed by Drs. Wodeside, Farris and Carmichael, and the advantages to accrue to the city, as the result of such work, were emphasized. The physicians congratulated the local society upon initiating such an undertaking here. The finding of cases in any community, says Dr. Wodeside, and especially finding them early enough in the disease, is known to be the important factor in a successful campaign leading to the reduction of tuberculosis.

In Framingham, Mass., in 1916 the death rate was 120 per 100,000, and, as the result of instituting proper and efficient agencies for directing tuberculosis, and properly educating the public in caring for them, the mortality in that city had been reduced to 40 per 100,000, said Dr. Wodeside. This is most encouraging with such a concrete example of what can be done.

Hon. Dr. Roberts entertained Drs. Wodside, Farris, Carmichael, Melvin and Warwick at the Union Club in the evening, when they discussed co-operative schemes and details for the programme in June.

The local officers are hopefully impressed with the suitability of plans, as outlined, for giving public health nurses, already stationed throughout the Province by the Provincial Board of Health, thanks to the financial assistance of the Canadian Red Cross, the necessary coo-peration and facilities for making a success of the tuberculosis branch of the nurse's activities.

Dr. Wodeside is the successor to Dr. Porter, well known in this city, and the local association is very enthusiastic over he work he is doing. He has had extensive experience in tubercular work, especially in connection with the Provincial Board of Health of Ontario.

Unusual Case Before Police Magistrate

Miller and Phinney, Alleged Authors of Threatening Letters to Dr. White, in Court.

A case of an unusual nature was dealt with in the police court yesterday morning, when Clifford Phinney and Seldon Miller appeared before the magistrate, charged with acting together and sending letters to Dr. W. W. White, threatening his life if the sum of $1,000 was not paid over according to instructions contained in the letters. Miller pleaded guilty and Phinney not guilty to the charge.

The only evidence taken yesterday was that of Dr. White. He said that he had received a letter in the morning mail on Feb. 7, instructing him to send $1,000 to Belyea's fruit store on Coburg street, on Thursday at 4 o'clock, or he would be shot and killed. The package of money was to be addressed to Joseph Flynn and the doctor was warned not to communicate with the police. He placed the letter in the hands of Sergeant Detective Power and did not send the money as directed. On Friday morning he received a second letter telling him that his dealings with the police were known to the writer and warning him that a man had been hired to shoot him if the money were not paid before 4 o'clock on Monday. After consulting with the detective department, he made up a decoy package in an envelope sealed with red wax and sent it to the store as directed. Cross-examined the witness said that he had never seen the defendants to know them, and knew of no reason why they should demand money from him. He identified all the letters in connection with the transaction.

The case was postponed for further evidence. E. S. Ritchie appeared for Miller.

The preliminary hearing of John Perry and Matthew Friars, charged with the theft of a car owned by John A. Pugsley was resumed in the police court yesterday morning. Policeman Garnett testified that, since giving evidence at the last hearing, he had visited Mr. Pugsley's garage and there saw a car resembling the one he had seen coming out of the George warehouse on the morning of Jan. 9.

Policeman Gibb said that he saw a car going along Main street, on the morning of Jan. 9, travelling at a great rate of speed in the direction of Indiantown. He had later visited Mr. Pugsley's garage and there saw a car resembling the one he had seen on Main street. The case was postponed until Friday morning. J. A. Barry and H. J. Henneberry appeared for the defendants.

Three men pleaded guilty to charges of being drunk and were remanded to jail. One of the men said that he had paid $6 to a girl for the liquor he had drunk.

Lecture Delivered By Judge Carleton

"Matilda, Countess of Tuscany," Proved Very Interesting Subject to Large Audience Last Evening.

The high standard of excellence set by the Catholic Women's League in the series of lectures that have been delivered under their auspices this winter, was worthily maintained last evening by His Honor, Judge J. L. Carleton, of Woodstock, who took as his subject "Matilda, Countess of Tuscany," and for a space of over an hour carried his hearers with him in fancy through the troubleous times and warlike days which were experienced by the noble lady in championing the cause of Holy Mother Church against the attacks of the German kings of the middle ages.

Mrs. D. P. Chisholm, president of the Catholic Women's League, presided at the meeting, and introducing the speaker of the evening to the audience made gracious reference to the enviable reputation he has acquired a one of the foremost speakers of the province.

In addition to the lecture Captain Gerald Furlong was heard in two pleasing vocal solos, "Norah" and "The Gipsy Trail." He was accompanied by his sister, Mrs. Marie Furlong Coleman. The captain is possessed of a rich and powerful voice of a pleasing sympathetic tone, and was warmly applauded in both his numbers.

At the close of the lecture a vote of thanks, moved by Mrs. James Murray in a most eloquent manner, and ably seconded by Miss Annie Gosnell, was passed unanimously ad extended to the lecturer by the chair.

Judge Carleton, in the course of his remarks, said that Matilda, Countess of Tuscany, was born in Florence, the capital of Tuscany, in 1046, and was the daughter of Geoffrey, Count of Tuscany, and his wife the Countess Beatrice.

As the subject of the lecture had gone down in history as the defender of the Papacy, Judge Carleton said it might be well to outline briefly the manner in which the Pope was elected in those days. The first system which began with Saint Peter, was for the Pope to name his successor, and this continued up to the eleventh century, when the Cardinals began to elect the Popes, or rather to nominate them, as the Pope selected by them was then submitted to the citizens of Rome, and elected by them by popular vote. The German kings, however, forced one of the Popes to acknowledge their right to veto the appointment of the Pope.

This was the condition of affairs when Matilda at the early age of sixteen lead an army of her countrymen against the army of the German king, Henry IV., who, having vetoed the Pope chosen by the cardinals was marching on Rome to set up another Pope named by him.

The Pope championed by Matilda, Gregory VII., was deposed by Henry, who was thereupon excommunicated by Gregory. The licentious life of their king, coupled with his treatment of the Pope, led his people to forsake their allegiance to him and he was obliged to yield submission to the Pope. Later he reorganized his army, set up an anti-Pope Clement III., and had Clement crown him king in Rome. Matilda marched to Rome, defeated Henry and set Gregory again on the throne of Peter.

Henry's son rebelled against him, and was championed by Matilda, this drew upon her the wrath of Henry and Tuscany was ravaged by his armies, but Matilda, courageously defended her land, and succeeded in defeating him. Henry V. then succeeded his father and made peace with Matilda and from that time till her death no German king meddled with the Papacy. She died in 1115 and was buried at Mantua. During her life she championed the cause of ten Pontiffs.

HARRIERS' CLUB SKATING PARTY

The Y.M.C.A. Harriers' Club enjoyed a very pleasant skating party on Lily Lake last night. Some twenty-five couples were in attendance, and set out with the original intention of skating in the Victoria rink, but when the electrics failed they fell back on the moonlight, and kept on to the lake. After several hours of skating the party returned to the Y.M.C.A. where folk dancing was indulged in to music furnished by an Edison supplied through the kindness of W. H. Thorne & Co.

DEMENTED BOY

A young boy called at the central police station last evening and inquired if there was any one there would shoot him. None of the officers volunteered to oblige him. As a result of the doctor's examination the boy will be sent to the provincial hospital this morning.

LAKE PLACID RACES AT IMPERIAL TODAY

Imperial Theatre has got the Lake Placid championship races today, not only the Diamond Trophy events, but the silver cup series in which Garnett competed. Views of the crowd, the officials and the St. John delegation will also be shown. The same Pathe operator who took the St. John pictures was on the scene at Lake Placid, courteously assisted by Frank I. McCafferty, of St. John, who represented the Imperial management in selecting the subject matter.

Don't miss the Queen Esther pageant at the Opera House, Monday and Tuesday, February 20 and 21. Exchange seat sale begins on Thursday at 10 a.m.

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Greater Part of City In Darkness

Loss of Circulating Water at Power House Left Streets, Dwellings and Institutions Dark.

Back to the days of our grandfathers insofar as light was concerned, was the experience of the city dwellers last night for a time, when the electric lights failed to function and the streets, institutions and homes which use that method of illumination were suddenly plunged into Stygian darkness.

About 7.45 the lights and power failed all over the city, the cause given at the power house being a loss of the circulating water, but they were unable to say what caused the loss of water, but it is supposed the pipe leading from the harbor to the power house had become choked with seaweed or some other like substance. The lights in the greater part of the city proper and West Side were out until 8.30, but some circuits in the centre of the city were only out for about ten minutes.

At the General Public Hospital they were without lights for about three-quarters of an hour. A number of lamps and candles were placed in commission and some gas jets were lighted in the halls. Fortunately there was nothing doing in the operating room, and no serious inconvenience was suffered. At a number of the other public institutions they had a like experience and had to bring into use candles and oil lamps until the electric current had been turned on again.

The ice cream parlors and candy stores had to light up with candles, and some who did not have the candles shut up shop for the night. The theatres were lucky, as they only lost the light for about fifteen minutes.

The street cars were not affected, and it was a strange sight to see them running through streets dark as midnight on a cloudy night.

Adila Temple Valentine Dance

Large Attendance at Pythian Castle Last Night Greatly Enjoyed the Affair.

The Valentine dance given by Adila Temple, No. 157, D.O.K.K., last night at Castle Hall, Union Street, was the most largely attended of any of the Pythian dances so far given this winter. The decorations of the hall and supper room were in keeping with the date of the dance, hearts and cupids being in evidence everywhere. The members of the Temple all wore the blue fez of the order and each lady as she entered the ball room was presented with a paper fez, trimmed with hearts.

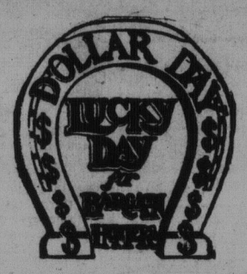
About one hundred and twenty-five couples were present. Music for the programme of eighteen numbers and extras, was supplied by Jones' Orchestra. A running supper was served in the lodge room downstairs by a most efficient committee.

Those in charge were J. H. Kelly, chairman; W. A. Simonds, J. G. Henderson, H. G. Youngclaus, H. M. Akerley, Mrs. J. H. Kelly, Mrs. W. A. Simonds, Mrs. H. M. Akerley, Mrs. L. E. Whittaker, Miss Marion Mann.

WOMEN'S HOSPITAL AID

Annual meeting of Women's Hospital Aid in Board of Trade rooms, Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Executive at 2.30.

Clifton House, all meals 60c.



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Kindergarten Tag Day Successful

Response by Citizens to Appeal Most Generous — Over Two Thousand Dollars Collected.

Yesterday the annual tag day for the Free Kindergarten Association was held and the response to the appeal made was most generous, last night with the returns not complete there being about $2,000 in sight and the ladies in charge expressed themselves as delighted with the results of their appeal for funds for this very important work.

Over two hundred workers were on hand at the four for starting, and they made a complete canvass of the business section of the city and a partial canvass of the residences. As each worker completed the canvass of her district the banks were taken to the headquarters, Church of England Institute, and turned over to the finance committee who counted the money and placed it in the Bank of Nova Scotia, Charlotte street. The bank was kept open all evening to receive belated returns and the ladies feel very grateful to the management for their kindness in this regard. Luncheon was provided for the workers at the Institute.

Mrs. A. W. Estey was general convenor with the following committee:

Kings, Mrs. E. B. Nixon; Queens, Mrs. R. D. Worden; Dukes, Mrs. George Robinson; Sydney, Miss K. Sturdee; Victoria, Mrs F. A. Dykeman; Wellington, Miss Greta Lova; Dufferin, Mrs. S. K. Smith; Lorne and Lansdowne, Mrs. Usher Miller; Prince, Mrs. A. W. Estey; East St. John, Mrs. Simpson; Glen Falls, Mrs. G. F. Cuthbertson; West Side, Mrs. W. E. Waring; Fairville, Mrs. Fred. Goodspeed

Rothesay, Rothesay Chapter, I.O. D.E.

Bank committee — Mrs. Charles Flewelling, Mrs. George Poole, Mrs. George Stubbs, Mrs. William Lockhart, Mrs. E. R. Taylor, Mrs. W. Nicholas.

Tag committee—Mrs. H. C. Wetmore, convenor.

Refreshments—Mrs. John Bullock, Mrs. Frank Hatheway.

Finance committee—Mrs. J. W. Flewwelling, Mrs. E. R. Taylor, Mrs. G. C. Poole, Mrs. George Stubbs.

PERSONALS

Senator F. B. Black of Sackville was registered at the Royal Hotel yesterday.

R. O'Leary of Richibucto was among those registered at the Royal yesterday.

Fred Magee of Port Elgin was at the Royal yesterday.

Irving R. Todd of Milltown was in the city yesterday and was registered at the Royal.

Charles J. Morrissy of Newcastle was registered at the Victoria yesterday.

P. J. Veniot of Bathurst was among those who registered at the Victoria yesterday.

J. S. Martin of Chatham was at the Victoria yesterday.