THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Fine, fresh to strong northeasterly winds; showers in Nova Scotia, but mostly fair and cool.

Toronto, April 29—The depression which has been hovering over the middle Atlantic coast for the past few days, is now moving northeastward, and the area spreading over Ontario and Quebec. The weather has been fine and a little cooler today over the greater part of Ontario and Quebec, while showers have been quite general in the maritime provinces. It has been warm in Manitoba but co'd and unsettled fartehr west.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	34	58
Vancouver	34	58
Kamloops	36	52
Calgary	26	34
Edmonton	22	34
Battleford	30	44
Prince Albert	30	42
Q'Appelle	32	46
Winnipeg	50	75
Port Arthur	30	32
Parry Sound	34	56
London	37	63
Toronto	42	59
Kingston	40	56
Ottawa	38	56
Montreal	42	54
Quebec	40	54
St. John	44	48
Halifax	44	70

Washington Forecast.

New England—Fair Wednesday and Thursday, slowly rising temperature; moderate north winds.

AROUND THE CITY

Will Employ 1,000 Men.

It is reported that the McAvity foundry which, it is expected, will be erected on the Marsh Road, will employ 1,000 hands.

Kane's Corner Extension.

It is understood that the St. John Railway Company contemplate having the extension to Kane's Corner completed by May 24th, and not by next fall as reported. The company has about forty men on the job now and has no reason for delay as all the material is on the ground now.

Extended Every Effort to Save Men.

Captain Williams of the tug Muskallonge called at The Standard office last evening and stated that in the report of the inquest it had not been stated that a number of witnesses had given evidence that he had done all in his power to rescue the unfortunate men who were in the water at the time of the Negrotown Point drowning accident.

Lost a Toe.

Shortly after one o'clock yesterday afternoon George Connors, a C.P.R. brakeman employed in the Sand Point yards, was severely injured. He was at work between two cars when one of his feet was caught and injured so badly that it was found necessary to amputate one of his big toes in the Emergency Hospital. Connors will be laid off work for some time.

The First Open Air Concert.

The members of the Sons of England Band held a meeting last night at which they decided to postpone the free concert which they had intended giving on the King Edward bandstand, King Square, on Monday night next. The reason given for the postponement is that the Artillery Band will give their annual concert in the Opera House on Monday night and when the Sons of England picked that night for their open air concert they overlooked the Opera House concert. It was decided to give the concert on the square Tuesday night instead of Monday.

Band Opens New Quarters.

The Sons of England band opened their new quarters on St. James street last night most successfully. There were many of their friends present and the band rendered a choice programme during the evening. Commissioner Wigmore gave an address in which he congratulated the organization on its rapid advancement in the musical line and said he felt assured it would soon become one of the leading bands in the provinces. He also expressed the regrets of the Mayor and the other commissioners who were unable to be present. Solos and recitations were given by some of the crew of the steamer Empress of Ireland and refreshments were served. At the close of the programme the band rendered music for dancing and a most enjoyable time was spent by all.

Junk Stealing Case in Court.

Arthur Doyle and Joseph Connell, two youths charged with breaking into a Pond street junk store and stealing junk were before the Police Magistrate yesterday afternoon and were represented by E. S. Ritchie.

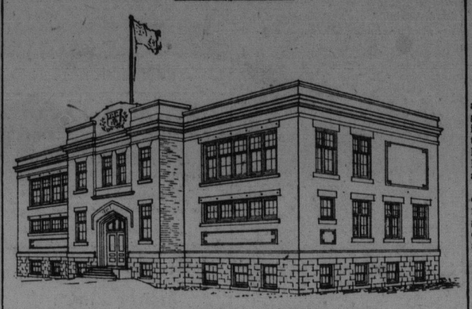
Joseph Neeley was the only witness examined and stated that he had been visited by Deputy Chief Jenkins, who requested him to talk about the case. Witness said he met Doyle on the morning of the 22nd inst. on Pond street and asked if he did not have Connell's long black coat on the night before. On asking where Connell was the night before, Doyle replied he was in that vicinity. Witness told Doyle he had better watch out as the police knew of the break and that Policeman O'Neill was forcing him (witness), hard, and that he would have to tell him what he knew. He advised Doyle to get away. The case was adjourned until this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

MARTELLO HOTEL TAKEN OFF MARKET

F. L. Potts, at Chubb's Corner yesterday, offered for sale the property known as the government isolation hospital situate on St. John street, Carleton, near the City Line, formerly the Martello Hotel. The terms were $5,000 down and the remainder of purchase money in three instalments. The property is said to have cost about $25,000. Bidding was slow and it seemed quite apparent that no one wanted a hospital, although the property is an excellent one. It was withdrawn at $11,000.

THE FISHER SCHOOL IS A CREDIT TO THE PROVINCE

Contract Awarded Yesterday for Splendid Woodstock Building Devoted to Technical and Agricultural Education — Made Possible Through Generous Gift of Late L. P. Fisher, of Woodstock.



THE FISHER VOCATIONAL SCHOOL, WOODSTOCK, N. B.

This building, the contract for which was yesterday awarded to J. I. Ryan of Fredericton is provided for out of funds left by the late Lewis P. Fisher in the hands of his trustees, Messrs Allison B. Connell and F. Herbert J. Dibblee, to the Town of Woodstock for the erection of a technical school, and while departments for that purpose are fully provided for the building is arranged for carrying on as well the agricultural education of the people of Woodstock and its vicinity, rendered possible by the educational policy in that line of the Flemming government materially assisted by the educational grants recently instituted by the government at Ottawa.

The building is 103 feet long, with a depth of 53 feet. Through the centre, on the ground floor of the building, from front to back runs a wide hall On the left is the manual training department with its work room, drafting room, stock room and teachers' office.

On the right is the domestic science department, containing cooking school model kitchen, laundry, sewing room and ladies' cloak room.

In the basement, under the domestic science department, is a lecture hall where the government's travelling lecturers may address an audience of 300 people, or demonstrate cattle judging, etc, it being easily possible to bring horses or cattle to the platform by means of the inclined plane which takes the place of the usual basement stairs. Under the manual training department is a large room provided with flues and ventilators, where blacksmithing and concrete work will be demonstrated. At the rear of the smithy is located the fuel and steam boilers. Toilets for men and women are also provided in the basement.

The upper floor is divided into a number of class rooms, where a commercial department will be accommodated together with departments for analysis of soils, seed testing, biological museum, etc.

The building will have a flat gravel roof behind parapets. The exterior will be laid up with pressed brick. The window sills, lintels, basement walls, stoop, etc., are of concrete.

H. M. Clark, one of Fredericton's best known builders, will have charge of the woodwork. Joseph Pichel, of Woodstock, will install the heating and plumbing. H. D. Baird of the same place will attend to the electric wiring, etc, and the sheet metal and structural work will be supplied by J. E. Wilson, Ltd., of St. John.

MICHAEL CONNOLLY TELLS OF CONSTRUCTION OF NEW WHARF

Work is being Carried on as Quickly as Possible and will be Completed in Time Limit — Contract was not Awarded Soon Enough but Present Government is not Responsible for Delay.

"Do you need any pressure to make you hurry with the work of constructing the new wharf?" Michael Connolly was asked yesterday.

"We are as anxious as anybody to finish our contract," said Mr. Connolly. "And if we have ordinary luck we will finish our part of the work within the time set by our contract. We would have been glad to have completed the work in a shorter time than our contract specifies.

"The trouble is that the contract was not let soon enough. We did not get the contract until a year ago last December. That was too late in the season to arrange to send men into the woods to strip the bark from the hemlocks, and give the trees time to dry out, so they could be floated down the rivers.

"Last year we had to pick up timber wherever we could. If we could have got all we wanted we would have done just about twice as much work as we did.

Delay in Timber.

"Last fall we gave out contracts for all the timber needed to complete the work. But there has been delay in delivering it this spring, because, as you know, the lumber operators have had difficulty getting out their drives. But now the mills are getting in operation and we hope in a short time to have all the timber we need. We have constructed one crib this spring, and will have it ready to sink in a few days.

"We have 600 lineal feet of cribs in place, and about 400 more will be sunk shortly. Altogether we have to place 2,100 feet of cribs.

"Every low tide we are at work preparing the sub-structure for the concrete top on the cribs sunk last year. We can put on the concrete superstructure in a short time, as we have the best plant available for this purpose."

No Scarcity of Men.

"Have you had any trouble getting men for the work?"

"None at all," answered Mr. Connolly. "There are plenty of men available. As soon as we get the timber we will put on a much larger force, but there are plenty of men."

"What about the complaint that the work is not being carried on as fast as the city used to build wharves?"

"I built the first deep water wharf on the West Side," said Mr. Connolly. "It was easier to get timber then than now. You know this country is getting somewhat denuded of large spruce and hemlock.

"Years ago when I was building wharves here I told the city councillors that St. John needed wharves about as fast as they could be built. I know that several more lines would be coming here if they had satisfactory accommodation."

"Will the new wharf be available next winter?"

"As to that I can't say. With ordinary luck we will finish our part of the contract but we have nothing to do with filling in behind the cribs. The Maritime Dredging Company has that contract. Even if the wharf is completed, the south side would not be a safe berth, being too much exposed. There will be a 300 foot extension of the C. P. R. wharf, which will make a good berth. In fine weather the south side could be used."

"Could the work on another pier be carried forward this summer sufficiently to provide protection for the south side of the wharf you are building?"

"Possibly; but I don't think you could get the timber for the cribs. You might get southern pine, but that would be very expensive."

"St. John will be a great port," added Mr. Connolly, and the work of providing more facilities cannot be proceeded with too fast. The West Side channel should be closed up and more new piers got underway as soon as possible. When the present wharf is completed and properly protected, it will greatly facilitate the handling of traffic."

The Dredging Work.

Manning W. Doherty, manager of the Maritime Dredging Company, when interviewed yesterday said his company expected to finish the work of filling in behind the new wharf side-walls by the end of September or the early part of October.

"It's a pretty big job isn't it?" he was asked.

"We have to fill in about one million cubic yards but we are constructing a special plant to handle the work. We have already done quite a lot of filling in."

"Will it be possible to build sheds on the filled in area this fall?"

"Yes, the filling-in will be nearly all gravel, and it will settle and become solid almost at once So far as our part of the contract is concerned, there will be no occasion for delay, barring serious accidents to our plant. We will have the filling in practically finished in the latter part of September, and will complete the work just as soon as the last portion of the quay wall is built."

Government Did Not Delay.

As a matter of history it may be recalled that tenders for the wharf now under construction were called for by the Liberal government, which however, did not award a contract. The present government was elected in the latter part of September and sworn in some weeks later. Having many matters left to them as a legacy from the old government, it is creditable to their enterprise that they let the contract for the new wharf in December, instead of calling for new tenders.

Concert.

The patriotic concert which was given in the Fairville Baptist church on Monday night will be repeated tonight in the South Bay Hall. Boston train will stop both ways. Proceeds to go towards making improvements in the South Bay hall.

Rodney Wharf Work.

The St. John Street Railway has started work in connection with the provision of safeguards on Rodney wharf. Most of the posts have been put up and it won't take long to put up the railings.

GOVERNMENTS' AGRICULTURAL POLICY GOOD

H. P. Timmerman Says Estabment of Experimental Farms is of Great Value to the Farmers.

A high tribute was paid to the agricultural policy of the Dominion government in the matter of establishing experimental farms throughout the country, by H. P. Timmerman, Industrial Commissioner of the C. P. R., who arrived in the city yesterday and is registered at the Royal.

To the Standard Mr. Timmerman expressed the opinion that the experimental farm policies, both of the government and of the C. P. R., were doing great work towards advancing agriculture. Of the farm at Fredericton, in which the Dominion and Provincial governments are interested Mr. Timmerman said that it was already the mecca of many farmers who wished to learn the latest improvements. This policy of helping the farmers is extremely beneficial, adding not only to the general wealth of Canada but particularly to the provinces in which the policy is followed out.

The Farming Special which was sent throughout the Dominion last year, was especially prolific of good results and this year it is the intention to follow up the advantage with a wide scheme, embracing a course of instruction not only to those near the railroad but to those who are not on the direct line of communication. What this scheme will be, in the exact details, Mr. Timmerman was not sure, but in his opinion a train of cars somewhat similar to last year's would be sent out, but the policy of instruction would differ considerably. Instead of remaining at each stop but a few hours, the train would be placed on a siding and held for twenty-four hours, during which time the farmers near the road would not only be reached but the instructors could secure teams and drive through the country giving advice to all. It is also the intention to split the train up, and it is probable that several colleges on wheels will be on the road at once.

When speaking of the development planned by the C. P. R. here, Mr. Timmerman said that the necessary equipment to meet all requirements would be kept up.

Of late the Industrial Department has been receiving notices from several parties of influential Britishers to the effect that they will visit Canada in the near future, and travel across the continent studying conditions with a view to investing and in some cases to settle on the land.

Somewhat to the surprise of the Department, a notice has been received from a party of one hundred German capitalists who intend coming to Canada this summer. They will probably land at Halifax and visit all the important centres between that port and Victoria. It is understood that they will spend some time in St. John.

Another party due to arrive this summer will inspect the coal fields near Minto, and it is expected that this visit will do much to boom the coal industry in that district.

Mr. Timmerman, in his position of Industrial Commissioner of the C. P. R. is constantly in close touch with all the commercial enterprises as well as with the farming industry, and it could be seen from the general tenor of his remarks that a great era of prosperity has come to Canada, and New Brunswick is slated to receive a generous share.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT TO SAND POINT WORKMAN

Thomas Graham Crushed Beneath Heavy Case of Glass — Internally Injured and Taken to the Hospital.

Yesterday afternoon about two o'clock Thomas Graham, who resides on Queen street, West End, was so badly injured while at work in one of the sheds at Sand Point, that it is feared he will die. With a number of other laborers, Graham was at work on some heavy cases of plate glass that had been discharged from the C.P.R. steamer Mount Temple. One of the cases toppled over and crushed him underneath. Willing hands quickly removed the case which pinned the unfortunate man to the warehouse floor and he was placed on a stretcher and hastened to the Emergency Hospital, where first aid was rendered. The ambulance was summoned and the man was conveyed to the General Public Hospital.

Graham received severe injuries to his ribs, had one of his arms broken and is badly injured internally. Reports from the hospital at a late hour last night were that he was resting as easily as could be expected but that his condition was serious. He is a married man and has several daughters.

The crowd still keeps on coming to F. A. Dykeman & Co's store and they are continuing their fire sale to oblige them. There is a reason why the same customers come back. Bargains galore in every department. Everything reduced mussed or smoked, but the main portion of their stock is so slightly damaged that it is imperceptible. Children's dresses, a big lot of them worth $2.00 and $2.25 each are on sale at $1.19 and $1.39, sizes 6 to 16, made from American Galareas, sailor style with silk emblem and necktie, fine wash goods, excellent colors. Taffara silk underskirts worth $4.00, on sale at $2.71.

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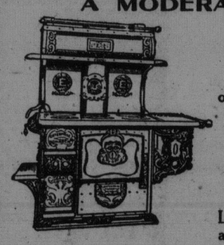

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