

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Fair at first, followed by snow or sleet; easterly gales late at night and on Saturday.
Toronto, Jan. 8.—A moderate disturbance is approaching the lake region from Ontario eastward, but in the west it has turned colder.
Minimum and maximum temperatures:
Victoria 45 44
Vancouver 32 34
Kamloops 24 32
Calgary 14 18
Edmonton 15 24
Battleford 6 16
Prince Albert 20 25
Noosejaw 4 20
Winnipeg 20 28
Port Arthur 20 40
Sarnia 20 40
Toronto 32 36
Ottawa 18 22
Montreal 15 20
Quebec 10 20
St. John 18 24
Halifax 24 32

AROUND THE CITY

Militia Men Aboard.

About one hundred military are on board the Allan Line steamer now en route to Halifax, N. S. Amongst the passengers in the saloon are Major and Mrs. Liddell, also Lieut. Col. Macdonell.

The Special Mail Train.

The C. P. R. special carrying the mails through over the Royal George reached Montreal at 22 minutes to one o'clock Thursday morning. The mail train left St. John at 10:45 Wednesday morning and was consequently 14 hrs. 23 minutes on the run.

Acknowledgement.

The management of the Seaman's Mission Society desire to acknowledge with thanks the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25) from G. O. R. Elliott, Esq., assistant marine superintendent, being part proceeds of concerts held on board the R. M. S. Empress of Ireland during last west bound voyage.

Street Cars Blocked.

Street car traffic in Mill street was held up for some time yesterday afternoon about three o'clock when the runners of two sleds became locked in the rails. Both vehicles became stalled at the same time and completely filled both tracks. Sleds and other iron bars were used to extricate the sleds.

Public Works Estimates.

A committee meeting of the City Council, attended by Commissioners Agar and McLellan and Mayor Frink was held yesterday afternoon to make a preliminary estimate of the public works and the fire department. The committee took up the different items for each service, but did nothing definite.

Chosen Friends

Council 598, Canadian Order of Chosen Friends, met last evening and elected officers, as follows:—Chas. F. Stevens, P. O. G.; Hazen C. Taylor, Exe.; Phillip McCartney, V. C. C.; G. L. Northrop, recorder and treasurer; Geo. T. Ring, prelate; Edward Dunphy, marshal; Millage Taylor, war-dent; Mrs. Emma Brown, guard; Clarence Brown, sentry. The trustees are G. L. Northrop, Phillip McCartney, S. S. Cunningham.

GEORGE OSBORNE HAD ONE LEG CUT OFF

Wheels of Freight Car Ran Over Young Man in I. C. R. Yard Yesterday.

George Osborne, aged about thirty-five years, lost his leg in an accident in the I. C. R. yard near the station house, yesterday morning. The young man, whose father during his lifetime had been employed as a carpenter for the railway had always been fond of access to the premises. This morning, while he was gathering wood in the yard a train of cars, which was standing nearby, started to move and in order to avoid it he endeavored to scramble up onto a pile of edgings which was beside the track. He slipped, however, and falling to the track had his left leg badly mangled by the cars. He was taken to the hospital where it was found necessary to amputate the limb, the operation being performed by Dr. McLarn. The young man's condition is no more serious than was to be expected and he will probably make a speedy recovery. He was not engaged in any permanent employment, doing odd jobs about the market and elsewhere and spent a considerable amount of his time about the station. He resides with his mother, Mrs. Charles Osborne, Hospital street.

At an early hour this morning Osborne was said to be resting as well as could be expected.
Sample fabric gloves of English and German manufacturers on sale at E. Dykesman & Co.'s store. About two hundred pairs of them to be sold at prices that represent a big saving. They include the Cashmere, Swede, Feltan knit, Scotch knit, and also the imitation chamois. Prices run from 15 cents a pair up to 45 cents. All sizes and all colors. They also have on sale with this lot of gloves three hundred pairs of ladies' black cashmere gloves at 15 cents a pair. They are the regular 30 cent quality, have two dome fasteners, Swede finish, warm and good wearing.

THE PRINCE WILLIAM HOTEL.

THOUSAND DOLLAR AUTO FACTORY

Dominion Motor Car Company Secures Land at Coldbrook for Construction of Large Plant—Neplin, of Rockefeller and other American Capitalists, behind Project—500 Cars a Year.

Under charter of the Dominion Motor Car Company, Limited, papers were filed in the city yesterday for the incorporation of a company to engage in the manufacturing of automobiles in the City of St. John, the said company to be incorporated at \$400,000 and to erect a plant for manufacturing purposes on a site at Coldbrook which has been purchased from the Coldbrook Realty Company of this city.
The company is no branch organization but a newly organized company first setting foot in Canada, financed largely, if not solely, by American capital and representing such mounted capitalists as P. A. Rockefeller, nephew of John D. Rockefeller, J. M. Kilburn, president of the National City Bank, F. H. Flagler and George F. Vincent, all recognized financiers of America.

The matter of operating a factory in Canada has been under consideration for some time, but it was not until Tuesday of this week that Leslie F. Bond and John A. Graham with whom was vested the authority of choosing a site decided upon St. John and completed the purchase of the Coldbrook property while negotiations for a site were underway with Montreal, Halifax and other Canadian centers.
The deal of the purchase of the property site was completed Tuesday with Sherwood Skinner acting for the automobile men when two acres of land were secured on a site near where the present Maritime Motor Company is located. The company has been incorporated in New York, but papers were filed with Sherwood Skinner in the city yesterday for the granting of a Dominion charter.

Capital Nearly All Subscribed.

Of the \$400,000 for which the company is incorporated \$300,000 has already been subscribed by American capitalists and there is a reserve treasury of \$100,000. A portion of this reserve stock will be taken over by Montreal interests, and to a Standard representative Mr. Graham stated last evening that two local men had asked to have stock in the company retained for them.

There will be no unnecessary delay in carrying out the intended plans of the company. Contract for the erection of the plant which calls for a completion of the work some time near the first of July next, has already been let to the T. A. Gillespie Company of New York, and at least within sixty days time they will have men on the ground to commence the work. The contract calls for an expenditure of \$65,000 in the erection of the plant and has been entered into with the understanding that the contracting firm refund a large sum of money for each day's delay over the time stipulated for the completion of the work.
The company will take over the present machinery of the Maritime Motor Company, estimated at \$10,000 in value, and have already placed orders with the Manning, Maxwell and Moore concern of New York for the delivery in the city of \$90,000 worth of additional machinery for use in the Coldbrook plant. This will make a complete outfit of machinery to work the plant, and with the \$65,000 to be spent in the erection of the factory will mean an expenditure of \$155,000 before a start is made in turning out the machines.

Five Hundred Cars a Year.
As from an investment standpoint the cars can be turned out in Canada more advantageous to those interested by not engaging in the manufacture of the parts, the company here will these from England and the assembling will be carried on in the local factory. The estimated output of the plant when completed is 500 cars a year. Of course it is not for a moment considered that the company will start out with turning out this number the first year, or anything like it, but after they have been fairly established here it is expected that there will be a six cylinder, self-starting machine, with electric lighting and all modern improvements, and will be constructed by three, five and six passenger designs. This will sell for the one price \$2,500, which is considered cheap for the style and quality of the machine. When fairly started the factory will employ three hundred men, and it is expected that the employment list will shortly run up to the number of a thousand. In the meantime, while the plant is being erected temporary arrangements will be made by the company here in order to have model cars out about the first of March.

The establishing of an automobile factory here by the above mentioned company is by no means an undertaking confined to the Maritime Provinces, but as Mr. Graham explained, St. John was chosen as the site in order that their purposes cheap transportation facilities than did the localities in view in Upper Canada.

When it is taken into consideration that Montreal was out strong for securing the plant, and that through the intercession of the Montreal Board of Trade special inducements were offered the company to locate in that city, the opportunities of St. John were well shown when with the entire field of Canada as their choice, Messrs. Bond and Graham selected St. John as the most suitable locality.

"It is the rapid currency and tariff bills of the Wilson administration," said Mr. Graham, "that is inducing American financiers to invest in outside countries, and I believe that there will be a heavy influx of American capital into Canada. This step is just taken by this company to get a footing into Canada, and it is difficult to tell what developments will follow."

John A. Graham, who is a mechanical engineer with a degree from Princeton University, and who formerly was associated with the Maritime Motor Company, will be general manager of the Dominion Motor Company. Leslie F. Bond will be the general sales manager.
Besides those mentioned in the above paragraph as interested in the company, two of the most prominent directors of a ten million dollar company in the States whose names divulge at present will be directors in the local concern.

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NEW BIBLES DISTRIBUTED LAST YEAR

27,000 Copies Were Given Away in This City.

BIBLE HOUSE TO BE ERECTED HERE

Subscription List is to be Opened at Once—St. John Distributing Point for Maritime Provinces.

Twenty-seven thousand copies of Scripture were distributed in St. John last year by the St. John Bible Society in its work among the local people and those passing through the port during the winter season. The gigantic proportion of the work carried on by the British and Foreign Bible Society and its offshoots was fully shown at the meeting of the St. John Bible Society in St. David's Presbyterian church last evening. The meeting last night was the celebration of the 80th anniversary of the beginning of the work of the Bible Society in New Brunswick, and peculiar interest was attached to the session on this account.

Justice McKeown, the president, was unable to be present, and Judge Forbes occupied the chair. Those on the platform with the chairman were Rev. J. A. Macdonnell, Rev. W. O. Gaetz, and Rev. R. A. Armstrong.

Judge Forbes in opening the meeting spoke of the work undertaken and carried on by the Bible Society, and pointed particularly to the good work being done in the city by the Bible women Miss Wesley and Miss Henderson on this account.

Rev. R. A. Armstrong, rector of Trinity, and Rev. W. O. Gaetz, pastor of Queen Square Methodist church, spoke. They pointed out that the Bible was now printed in nearly 500 different languages, and told of the good influences exerted by the Bible in all parts of the world.

Both speakers were very enthusiastic in their support of the Bible Society, and their words were listened to with the greatest attention. Judge Forbes announced that soon a subscription list would be opened here with the idea of erecting a Bible house in St. John as a distributing centre for the Maritime Provinces. It was thought that the new building would cost in the vicinity of \$15,000, and already there was some \$5,000 in aid for the building.

The meeting was well attended and the work of the society was highly commended by those present. At the close a vote of thanks appreciating the work of Miss Wesley and Miss Henderson was passed.

WOMEN ASSEMBLED IN ANNUAL SESSION

United Missionary Societies Elected Officers and Transacted other Business of Importance.

Mrs. W. E. McIntyre at the annual meeting of the United Missionary Societies church school room here yesterday paid a glowing tribute to the late Mrs. MacVicar, who presided at the last annual meeting. At the end of the address she sang "Forever with the Lord."

Mrs. G. A. Kuhring spoke on Woman's Work for Woman and her words were given very close attention and those present felt that this was one of the best addresses ever given for the society.

Miss Knight sang a solo and Rev. W. H. Barracough, M. A., spoke on Woman's Work in the West. Mrs. Wentworth read the "Story of Joy" in a very pleasing manner.

The officers for the coming year were elected as follows: Mrs. A. R. Melrose, president; Mrs. John McAvity and Mrs. G. A. Kuhring, vice-presidents; Mrs. J. Robinson VanWart, secretary. The executive is as follows: Episcopalian, Mrs. Davidson and Mrs. John McAvity; Methodist, Mrs. S. S. Bustin and Mrs. Hickson; Congregational, Mrs. E. W. Flewelling and Mrs. G. W. Macmillan; Christian, Mrs. J. S. Fisgior and Mrs. Walter Barnes; Baptists, Mrs. W. E. McIntyre and Mrs. J. Robinson VanWart; Presbyterian, Mrs. A. R. Melrose and Mrs. Ross.

Grand "Royal George" Concert. To mark the first appearance in St. John of the splendid entertainers and band from the C. N. R. "Royal George." The troupe have delighted home audiences in Montreal and Halifax, and nothing has been left undone to make their first concert here a great success. Seaman's Institute Hall, Monday, January 12, at eight o'clock. Admission 25 cents.

GILMOUR'S JANUARY SALE OF WINTER OVERCOATS, READY-FOR-SERVICE. No need of you wearing last winter's overcoat. If you have a fairly good overcoat, you can afford to buy another, at the prices these are selling. In fact, you cannot afford to let the opportunity go by. Dressy blacks and greys, as well as ulsters. Come in and investigate. Gilmour's, 68 King street.

The liquor license commissioners for the county of St. John will meet at the office of the inspector, E. J. Neave, 19 Dufferin Row, West St. John, at 2:30 p. m. on January 22nd to consider applications.

Ash Sifters Reduce Your Coal Bill. The Favorite, with cover, 65c. The Lowell, with cover, \$1.10. The Hustler, dustless, 5.75. Galvd. Iron Ash Barrels, \$2.50. W. H. THORNE & CO. LTD. MARKET SQUARE & KING ST.

Let It Be a Mignonette Horizontal Knabe Grand OR A Willis Upright. Rich and Dainty in Case. Superb and Sweet in Tone. WILLIS & CO., LTD. - Manufacturers - MONTREAL. LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES: WILLIS PIANO & ORGAN CO. HALIFAX AND ST. JOHN.

Snaps in Stoves. In order to make room for our spring stock of Stoves and Ranges, we have decided to give you the biggest stove bargains you have ever seen. This will be a big money-saving proposition to all who require a heating stove. Second Hand Stoves, \$6.00 Up! The early customer gets the plum—good as new. STORES WILL BE CLOSED SATURDAY EVENINGS DURING JAN. AND FEB. Emerson & Fisher Ltd.

M. R. A. Stores Close Saturday Afternoons at 6 During January, February and March. Whitewear Opening in Whitewear Dept. Free Hemming Sale in Linen Room.

Sale of Overcoats for Men and Boys. AN EXCEPTIONAL CHANCE TO SAVE ON STYLISH AND DEPENDABLE GARMENTS FOR WINTER WEAR. Commencing This Morning. MEN'S OVERCOATS—Our range comprises almost every known style, velvet and self collars, shawl and convertible collars in the various models from the dressy Chesterfield to the heavy Storm Ulster. Meltons, Tweeds, Chevots and Naps in greys, browns, blue and black, plain effects, stripes and diagonal weaves. Sale prices, each, \$8.00, \$10.00, \$11.70, \$13.45, \$14.80, \$15.30 to \$27.00. A limited number of MEN'S OVERCOATS in Tweeds. Sizes 40 to 42. Sale price \$4.50. BOYS' OVERCOATS, many with the new shawl collar, others with the popular convertible collar. Coats in half and full belt effects. Tweeds, Chevots, greys and browns in diagonals, plain effects and stripes. Ages 8 to 17. Sale prices, each, \$4.95, \$5.40, \$5.85, \$6.30, \$6.75 to \$11.70. BOYS' FANCY OVERCOATS, a good assortment of sizes at each price. Self or velvet collars in Prussian style, also shawl and convertible collars. Beaver, Naps, Chevots and Tweeds in fawns, browns, greys and blues; linings of tweeds, flannels and Italian serges. Also all-wool Blanket Coats in blue, red, brown and grey. Ages three to ten years. Sale prices, each, \$3.15, \$3.60, \$4.05, \$4.50, \$4.95 and to \$7.20. MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

Sale of Seasonable Furnishings. COMMENCING THIS MORNING. MEN'S HIGH-GRADE SHIRTS in white starched bosoms, white soft fronts, colored starched bosoms, also soft fronts, pleated fronts and soft lounge style with soft double cuffs. Wonderfully great value. Sale prices, each 89c. MEN'S SHIRTS AND DRAWERS, winter weight, all-wool, plain Scotch finished, reliable make and genuine bargain. Sale price, each 55c. MEN'S SHIRTS AND DRAWERS, heavy weight, elastic ribbed wool, very serviceable and exceptional value. Sale price, garment, 65c. BOYS' UNDERWEAR, winter weight, all-wool Scotch finished, warm and serviceable, greatly reduced. Sale prices, garment, 35c. and 40c. MEN'S SWEATERS, small lot but every one a high grade make. V shape necks and high button-up convertible collars, in grey, champagne and khaki, also some with colored trimmings. Remarkable bargains. Limited quantity in one or two of a line. Coat style and button necks, all popular colors. Also a few Buster shapes with belts and button at shoulder, for small children, in white only. These sweaters are all greatly reduced. Sale price, each, 75c. MEN'S CARDIGAN JACKETS, the old reliable cold resisting furneck and the best protection for the worker out of doors, or in warehouses and other drafty places. Sale prices, each, \$1.00. KNITTED MOTOR SCARFS in white, silver, French grey and slate color; several different kinds of styles. Unusual reductions. Sale prices, each, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75. MADE SHAPED MUFFLERS in black silk reversible, marked to less than half. Sale prices, each, 35c. and 50c. BRACES, Canadian and English makes, greatly reduced. Price, 19c. 35c. SCOTCH WOOL GLOVES, dark heathery and plain greys; closely knit, strong and extra warm. All sizes. Sale price, pair, 35c. MEN'S AND BOYS' FURNISHINGS DEPARTMENT.

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