

THE WEATHER.

Forecast—Moderate winds, mostly east and south; fine and moderately warm.

Washington, May 23—Northern New England—Fair Monday, Tuesday showers. Moderate south winds.

Toronto, May 23—Pressure is about normal tonight over the Great Lakes and lowest over the Pacific states. A few scattered thunder showers have occurred in Saskatchewan and Alberta; otherwise in Canada the weather has been fair.

Temperatures.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	48	66
Kamloops	50	70
Edmonton	44	68
Regina	42	71
Prince Albert	35	62
Medicine Hat	52	78
Moose Jaw	45	77
Winnipeg	44	70
Port Arthur	44	66
Perry Sound	40	56
London	49	70
Toronto	50	60
Ottawa	52	64
Quebec	46	70
Halifax	48	72

Around the City

Wanted.

Kitchen girl. Apply Royal Hotel.

Twenty-three Deaths Last Week—Reports to Secretary Burns of the Board of Health showed twenty-three deaths in the city during the week ending May 22.

Activity at Union Depot

There was more than ordinary activity at the Union Depot on Saturday caused by the large number of persons going to outside points for the holiday, while the incoming trains were well filled with former local people who plan to spend the holiday here.

Presented With Watch

The St. John Trades and Labor Council held a special session at the Odd Fellows' Hall, Union street, Sunday afternoon when President J. L. Sugrue on behalf of the council presented a wrist watch as a token of esteem and regard to F. Hyatt, late secretary of the council who is now serving with D. Company, 55th Battalion, Canadian Infantry at Sussex, having previously served twelve years with the Imperial forces.

Queen Hotel Transferred

Among the important real estate deals of last week was the sale of the Queen Hotel business by Miss Annie Ward. The business was transferred to Mrs. Margaret Hatfield. Miss Ward has made many friends since she took over the hotel about three years ago, who will regret to see her leave. Mrs. Hatfield is well known in this city and also has a number of friends who wish her success in her new undertaking. The freehold property, 151 Queen street, a single family house, 30x100, was sold for A. Rutherford Wilber to Mrs. Margaret Stanton. F. X. McElroy has purchased a summer cottage at Red Head, which was owned by Mrs. Marie Carritte.

POUR CONCRETE FOR BRIDGE

The first concrete for the floor of the new bridge at the Reversing Falls was poured on Saturday, and it is expected that next Saturday will see the floor completed. A. R. C. Clark & Son, have the contract for the work. They started placing the forms two weeks ago and have made remarkable progress.

The concrete is mixed at the western end of the bridge and by means of a huge crane hoisted a hopper from which it is loaded into cars, which run on tracks over the bridge. The intention is to have the bridge ready for traffic by August, and Messrs. Clark are rushing their part of the work.

PERSONAL.

Miss Marion Rundle of Newcastle, a student at the University of New Brunswick, is visiting her sister, Miss Alice Rundle, of Duke street.

Herbert O'Neill, accountant for O'Leary and Montgomery at Richboro, arrived in the city on Saturday afternoon, to spend the holiday at his home here.

James H. Crockett, managing editor of the Gleaner, returned to Fredericton on Saturday, after a business trip to this city.

Miss Jean Connelly, daughter of Robert Connelly of Salmon River, has arrived home after completing a successful course at the Ladies' College, Halifax.

Miss Marie Ready is visiting friends in Boston and New York.

Mrs. D. A. Morrison and Miss Curry of this city who have been in Amherst spending a few days are now in Wolfville, where they will attend the closing exercises of Baptist college.

GEN. HUGHES HERE TODAY.

Word was received in the city last evening that Major General Sam Hughes will arrive in St. John this morning from Moncton. It is not known definitely whether he will inspect the 26th Battalion or the other units in the city but at any rate his visit is of short duration and he will probably leave for Fredericton on the same day.

CONSTRUCTION CORPS PLANS BIG FIELD DAY

Excellent programme of sports will be carried out with Major A. T. Lafrenre in charge.

Elaborate preparations have been made by the officers and members of the Construction Corps for the celebration of Victoria Day. There will be attractions galore and a grand day of amusement seems assured. Orders have been issued for the battalion to parade to the grounds at Cedar Hill at nine o'clock this morning. Colonel C. W. T. Ramsey will be in command and with him there will be the full staff of officers.

Commencing at ten o'clock a programme of sports will be carried out with Major A. T. Lafrenre in charge. A large amount of friendly rivalry has developed among the members of the different companies and keen competition is expected. The events include the following: One mile run, 100 yards dash, putting shot, standing broad jump, passing the caber, a popular Scotch game; three-legged race, hop, step and jump; three quick jumps, quarter mile run, 100 yards sack race, one mile relay, tug of war. The members of the construction company have accepted a challenge for a tug of war with the members of the Norton Griffith company staff. Rifle exercises, a baseball and a football match have also been arranged, while the sports will be concluded with the chasing of two greasy pigs. Three prizes have been provided for each event while a loving cup will be presented to the company making the highest aggregate number of points. A band from the city, as well as the company's buglers and drum corps will be in attendance.

An assembly dance will be held by the corps this evening at eight o'clock in the Immigration Hall, West End. Over 500 invitations have been issued and an enjoyable evening is being looked forward to. The corps have an enviable reputation as entertainers and everything is being done to make this evening's assembly even more enjoyable than the previous function. The dance programme comprises twenty-five numbers including extras. The dance is under the patronage of Mayor Frink and Mrs. Frink, Col. J. L. McAvity and Mrs. McAvity, Mrs. W. A. Ramsey, mother of Col. Ramsey and others. To accommodate those in attendance special trips of the ferry have been arranged to leave the West End floats at one, two and three o'clock a.m. on Tuesday.

Horse Runs Away

A horse belonging to Edward Hogan ran away in Waterloo street on Saturday but was captured before doing any damage.

Chimney Fire.

The fire department was called to White street early Saturday evening for a fire in a chimney. The blaze was soon extinguished.

Log Drive Abandoned.

The large drive of the Pejescoot Lumber Company has been temporarily abandoned on account of unfavorable weather conditions. The drive, however, is now in safe waters.

Open Cars Running.

The open street cars were in evidence yesterday for the first time this season. The travel to Seaside Park was very heavy, and indicated that the Park is still a popular resort with local residents.

Sergeant Nuttall Transferred.

John J. Nuttall of this city has received word that his son, Sergt. Jack Nuttall had been transferred from the 12th Battalion to the 10th Battalion, and is now fighting in the trenches at the front. Sergt. Nuttall was a member of the first contingent, and shortly after his arrival in England was made instructor in bayonet. He lately resigned this position to go to the front. Mr. Nuttall has a younger son, George Nuttall serving with the Canadian forces at the front.

Police Make Arrests.

Two arrests were made by the police on Saturday in connection with burglaries. Lewis Cameron, aged 27, was arrested Saturday by one of the city detectives and Special Officer McBride on the charge of stealing carpenter tools from the premises of H. L. Coates of City Road. The goods were missed on May 5. John McGowan was also taken in charge by the police on Saturday and is charged with stealing \$2 the property of William Lloyd.

Street Work Progressing.

City Commissioner Potts said last night that the work of street repaving in West St. John was progressing favorably. In Rodney street he hoped to have a good roadway and sidewalk constructed. While in the United States he had learned of several methods of construction water bound macadam roadway and one of these methods would likely be tried here. On account of the restriction caused by the war he would have to go slow this year, but eventually he hoped to have the streets of Carleton placed in good shape.

Mr. Fred Hillman is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hillman of Woodstock.

NEWS OF PROMINENT ST. JOHN MEN ON ATTITUDE OF ITALY

Major Frink says "It will aid British Navy"—"Will close another avenue of imports to Germany and Austria"—Says Hon. J. B. M. Baxter.

"Italy has declared war on Austria."

This news, probably the most important announcement since the entrance of Great Britain into the European war when the neutrality of Belgium was violated by the German Hun, was received with great satisfaction by the people of St. John. That the action of the Italian people in making a formal declaration of war against her former allies is convincing proof that Great Britain and those associated with her in this great war have a just cause is the unanimous opinion of the people of this city.

Italy's entrance into the war has been considered inevitable for several days past, and it was just a question of the time when the formal declaration would be made. Interesting developments will no doubt follow this action on the part of the Italian people. That Germany and Austria will concentrate a great force in a desperate attempt to defeat Italy at the outset is the opinion of several men of St. John, who point out that while fully confident of the ultimate success too much must not be expected at once.

The Standard prints this morning brief interviews with several of St. John's foremost citizens. Their impressions of the action of Germany go to show that immeasurable strength will be brought to the side of the Allies. Italy's large standing army, it is pointed out, will be put at once into vigorous operations, while the Italian fleet is expected to play an important part in the naval engagements. One citizen expressed to The Standard his opinion that Italy's action would be followed by a declaration of war by several Balkan states against the Germans, while another citizen believes that Germany will be suing for peace within three months. One thing is certain and that is that even greater interest than has previously been manifested by the citizens of St. John in the conduct of the war will follow the developments, particularly of the next few weeks, in view of Italy's action.

A striking feature of The Standard's chat with the representative citizens interviewed was the optimism displayed by all as to the ultimate success of the war. All were confident that the day was not far distant when the British cause would triumph over the enemy, and it furthermore was the belief that Italy's aggressiveness would bring the conflict to a happy termination sooner than might be expected.

The Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, Attorney General, said.

"The most important thing to my mind is that Italy's entrance into the war closes another avenue of imports to Germany and Austria. We may not be surprised to hear in the early stages of the campaign of Italian reverses, as no doubt a tremendous attempt will be made to punish Italy at the outset."

SOLDIERS ATTEND CHURCH.

The military organizations attended divine services in several city churches yesterday. The weather conditions were ideal and many citizens viewed the parades through the streets. The regimental bands and several city bands assisted in the marches. Detachments from the 26th Battalion went to St. Paul's the Cathedral, St. John's Presbyterian, Zion Methodist and Leinster street Baptist churches.

The Railway Construction corps returned early Sunday morning from their night in the open. Several heavy showers took much from the pleasure of the outing and the men were thoroughly drenched when they reached their quarters at Christopher's Park. The men were out in the vicinity of Spruce Lake.

On Saturday they carried on extensive manoeuvres, which included four sham battles. The corps will have a general day of sports today.

STREET CARS CRASH ON KING ST. HILL, PASSENGER IS HURT

Street car 128 refused to submit to the control of its brakes Saturday afternoon, as it was going up King street and began to slip backwards down the hill. Car 84 was immediately behind. When its motorman saw the other car coming he immediately reversed his power and there was a race to the foot of the hill. Car 128 gained and near the foot of the hill bumped 84. Several windows were broken and one passenger had his nose badly cut by flying glass. Several people in the cars jumped out before the speed became excessive. No one suffered seriously.

In Lancaster Saturday afternoon, a ferry car jumped the rails at Tilton's corner but was able to get back again under her own power.

Yesterday afternoon street car service to Seaside Park was greatly hindered when a car trolley ran off track near the entrance to the Provincial Hospital, due to spreading rails. No one was injured and traffic was resumed after a delay of a half hour.

Funeral Today.

The funeral of William F. Brown will take place from his late residence, Lancaster Heights, Tuesday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

On the northern frontier she will probably be in an attitude of defence, but should be well high impregnable on this side. The short distance from Italy to the Dardanelles should render her able to quickly show a large army into the fighting lines in Gallipoli. Success in that quarter will be one of the great turning points of the war."

C. B. Lockhart, M. L. A., said: "My impression is that the entrance of Italy into the war will serve to strengthen the allies to an immeasurable extent. Their navy will be of great assistance, while the military operations of the Italian army will be necessary to take away a large part of the enemy's army from the east and west. Austria will have to look out for attacks from the southern border. I believe that the action of Germany will shortly be followed by a declaration of war by several of the Balkan states. I do not think it will be long before Roumania, Greece and Albania will go to war on the side of the allies. And if they do, they surely ought to be able to do Austria and Germany up pretty quick."

Hon. John E. Wilson, M. L. A., president of the executive council: "The news that Italy has declared war should be a welcome announcement to the Canadian people. When the fact is taken into consideration that Italy was a former ally of Germany it seems to me to be an irrefutable argument of the justice of the allies' cause. It must be remembered that Italy took this stand because she claimed she was not committed to assist Germany in an aggressive war. Their stand goes to show that the reports of German viciousness and barbarism in connection with the conduct of this war are true. I sincerely trust that with the added strength that Italy will undoubtedly bring to the side of the allies that the war will soon be prosecuted to a happy termination from the British view point."

Mr. Philip Grannen, M. L. A., said: "I am very pleased to hear that Italy has entered the war on the side of the allies. She is a powerful nation, and while we must not expect too much at the outset, her action is bound to have a material effect towards bringing victory to Britain and her allies. Further important developments along the lines of other nations taking up arms with the allies may be the result of Italy's action. Italy's fleet should be of great assistance in the Dardanelles, and with the operations of her immense army, coupled with the activity of the allies it should not surprise me if Germany and Austria would sue for peace within three months."

Dr. Thomas Walker said: "There can be no doubt of the fact that Italy will bring great strength to the side of the allies. The fact that she is taking this stand is proof positive of the justice of England's cause."

ST. ANDREWS CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY

The 131st anniversary of St. Andrew's Church was celebrated yesterday, in that church, at both morning and evening services. Rev. Prof. Falconer, of Pine Hill College, Halifax, conducted the services. In the morning, Prof. Falconer took as his text the first verse of the 12th chapter of Hebrews, the race of life. He treated the subject in two ways, first by the inspiration and heroic example of the past; secondly, equipment for life by laying aside every weight and the need for discipline which in the end would bring the goal of life looking unto Jesus.

In the evening Prof. Falconer took his text from the 12th verse of the 60th chapter of Isaiah, the nation that shall not serve me shall perish. The Old Testament makes a good deal of the individuality of nations and today we are apt to forget in the interest of the individual, the individuality of the nation. In the duty to self and truth to the past, we recognize the heritage of England and pass it on unimpaired for the future. We should be proud of the conquest of the British Empire which have been unmarred by any outrageous massacre. All has been used for the benefit of the conquered nation. We are proud of our contribution to literature, science, industry, social progress and Christianizing of the world. This heritage we must faithfully guard by means of liberty without which a nation cannot live, and guard itself.

Special music marked the anniversary services and the anthem "Seek Ye the Lord" was rendered in the evening, also a quartette and duet by Mrs. McNeill, Mrs. Dr. Curran, Mr. Guy, Mr. C. A. Munroe, Mr. Bowman. It was expected that Dr. Keelman, of Edinburgh, would be here for the anniversary, but he was unable to come as he is at present with his Majesty's forces in France as chaplain.

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