

THE WEATHER.

Toronto, March 18.—The weather has been fair today in nearly all parts of the Dominion; comparatively mild in Ontario and the West, and moderately cold in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces. A moderate disturbance is centered tonight over Iowa, moving eastward.

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| Prince Rupert | 44 | 38 |
| Vancouver | 33 | 30 |
| Calgary | 14 | 42 |
| Edmonton | 8 | 38 |
| Montreal | 3 | 44 |
| Saskatoon | 1 | 38 |
| Regina | 1 | 38 |
| Winnipeg | 0 | 34 |
| Port Arthur | 0 | 3 |
| Parry Sound | 10 | 30 |
| London | 24 | 40 |
| Toronto | 22 | 38 |
| Kingston | 18 | 34 |
| Ottawa | 14 | 30 |
| Montréal | 14 | 30 |
| Quebec | 6 | 26 |
| St. John | 20 | 24 |
| Halifax | 20 | 24 |

—below zero.

Forecast.

Maritime—Decreasing northwest and west winds; fair and moderately cold.

Northern New England—Fair Friday, warmer in New Hampshire and Vermont; Saturday snow or rain and warmer.

AROUND THE CITY

COLLECTION AT CATHEDRAL.

It was announced yesterday that the collection taken in the Cathedral on St. Patrick's day in aid of the Catholic orphans amounted to \$421.65.

SALES THIS MORNING.

The C. P. O. S. Line's Minnetonka will sail this morning about 10:50 o'clock for Liverpool with 600 passengers, general cargo and mails. Of the 500 passengers 200 are cabin.

BUSINESS TAKEN OVER.

Allen McIntyre has completed arrangements for the taking over of the grocery business conducted for many years by the late W. J. Dalton and since his death by Mrs. Dalton.

ARBITRATION BOARD.

A. H. Wetmore, G. E. Barbour and C. H. Peters have been chosen a board of arbitration to decide on all differences between the city and the N. B. Power Company except the rate base.

THE POLICE COURT.

In the police court yesterday Fred Mahoney and William Wilson were remanded on the charge of not giving a satisfactory account of themselves in a Charlotte street alley Wednesday night.

HAS DIPHTHERIA.

Eston Grossman, who was arrested a few days ago on a serious charge, the latter remanded to the county jail, was taken to the isolation hospital on Wednesday with diphtheria on the orders of Dr. Baxter, jail physician.

TONIGHT'S SMOKER.

The Commercial Club entertainment committee has everything arranged for the great smoker to be held at the G. W. V. A. hall this evening. Boxing, motion pictures, specialties from the Opera House, and the Young Adams Company are among the features.

ANOTHER CANDIDATE.

Hugh H. McLaughlin, the well-known insurance man, made definite announcement of his intention to be a candidate for commissioner in the coming civic elections. Mr. McLaughlin, previous to establishing himself in the insurance business, was for fifteen years in the assessors' office.

VIOLATIONS REPORTED.

Chief Game Warden L. A. Gazon, Fredericton, announces that six violations of the game laws had been reported to him from Gloucester, Restigouche, Albert and Carleton counties. The offences consist of the shooting of deer in close season and the offenders will be given hearings in the near future.

A NEW INDUSTRY.

A new building has just been completed in Thorne avenue, which means a new industry for St. John, the manufacture of springs of various kinds, for automobiles. It is being established by a St. John man, Joseph E. Armstrong. He has erected the building sixty feet by twenty-five and is equipping it with modern machinery and plans to commence operations in the manufacture of springs, their repair and repair of automobile accessories about the first week in April.

THE PRIZE WINNERS.

There was a large attendance at the Prentice Boys' fair in their hall on Gullford street, West St. John last evening. The following are the prize winners:

Bean board, cut glass dish, Mrs. Cairns; Devil among the Tailors, silver biscuit dish, A. Duffy; Flood Gates, silver knife and fork, W. Davis; Air Gun, silver cake dish, M. Knox; Ten Pins, carving set, B. Thompson; Excelsior safety razor, F. E. Kirkpatrick; Bagatelle, clock, Mr. Anderson.

Tonight the door prize will be a six months' admission ticket to the Empire theatre in the West End.

TEAMSTERS AND CHAUFFEURS.

There was a large attendance of members at the regular meeting of the Teamsters and Chauffeurs' Union No. 681, held in their room O'Connell's Hall, Union street, last evening. President Winchester was in the chair and a number of new members were initiated. During the evening W. F. Hatheway addressed the members along labor lines, and Mr. Legere, a delegate to the Federation of Labor convention, held recently in Fredericton, gave an address, telling the members some of the things accomplished.

Come to the great Going-out-of-Business Sale. Open till 10:30 p.m.—King Square Sales Co.

Biggest values ever—King Square Sales Company.

CANADIAN CLUB MEMBERS HEAR INTERESTING ADDRESS

Lieut.-Colonel Worden Was Guest of Honor at Luncheon Last Evening—Veteran of the Boer War and of Great European Conflict Tells of Experience While in Command of a Picked Force.

The Canadian Club luncheon at Bond's last evening was largely attended and it need scarcely be stated that every member present congratulated himself on the presence of a guest from the lips of one of the very heroes of the gallant "Hush, hush" army itself the stirring march of that mystery column as it made its way from Bagdad up the valley of the Tigris to Baku on the Caspian Sea.

Sir Douglas Hazen, the president of the club, in introducing the guest of the evening, Lieut.-Colonel Worden, said that the district could proudly claim him as one of their own, as he was born in Bayswater. When the Boer War broke out the colonel was in New York but he returned to Canada and went over to fight the Boer. The great war found him in Vancouver where he gave up a lucrative position and again took up arms for the Empire, after a distinguished record as O. C. of one of the Canadian battalions he was chosen by the British War Office to command the picked force of whom the club would now hear.

Colonel Worden in beginning his address thanked the club for the honor they had conferred upon him, one which he assured them he much appreciated. The reason of the expedition whose story he was to relate was organized for a two fold purpose one was to guard the important oil fields of Baku, the other to get behind the Turk and draw off Allenby's front. The men of the force were a body of picked men selected by the Imperial government from the troops in France and were for the most part Colonials. In total ignorance of their destination prior to being sent away. They were informed by General Robertson that they were going on the most dangerous expedition of the war, as a sacrifice party, he then bade them goodbye.

The party was sent to Southern France where they were joined by troops who had been engaged in Alpine fighting in Italy, from there they went to Alexandria and the Suez where some Palestine and Galipoli troops joined and finally they landed on the shores of the Persian Gulf. The authorities there knew nothing of them and they were called "Hush, hush" party. Sailing up the river Tigris they arrived at Bagdad, a town of bastards and inhabited by citizens of nine different nations, amongst which were Persians, Chaldeans, Assyrians, Armenians and Jews. The chief article for sale seemed Persian rugs, those selling for \$50 there, commanded \$7,000 in New York.

Leaving Bagdad the column continued on their way up the valley, through a country over which the Russians and Turks had already twice fought their way. It was absolutely barren. No food was to be had and the water was very scarce. The marches had to be arranged so as to reach a water hole each night, and because of the scarcity of food, only small bodies could march at the one time. The march was so intense that all the marching was done at night time, and during all the march the troops were constantly being sniped at by tribesmen from the neighboring hills.

The column marched for three months, on one day, notwithstanding

Annual Banquet Held Last Evening

Y. M. A. of Germain Street Baptist Church Dined at Bell's—Round of Toasts and Addresses Enjoyed.

A lecture on good health and a lot of good cheer were the features at the annual banquet of the Y. M. A. of the Germain Street Baptist Church, held at Bell's last evening, with P. M. Simms in the chair.

Dr. H. L. Abramson gave an interesting address on the public health movement, both as carried on by the Board of Health and such organizations as the Society for Prevention of Tuberculosis, and said the increasing interest augured important results in the near future. Apart from the enlarging activities of medical science, the social phases of the public health problem were receiving attention, as was shown by the demand for better housing, improved streets, and general sanitation, and also for hygienic protection of foodstuffs. Community effort to make the city a better place to live in was destined to be a factor of greater importance in the promotion of public health, which meant increased efficiency and a better citizenship.

After the toast to the King, R. C. Field proposed Our Association, pointing out that though the association started with only about ten members, it held its first annual banquet with a membership of 100. P. M. Simms, responding, spoke of the objects of the association, and its general effort in creating interest in church work. Frank Lewis proposed The Returned Men, and L. G. Creighton, responding, described the feelings of the soldiers returning home, and resuming their part in peaceful functions. E. J. Alexander proposed Our Teacher, and W. C. Cross responded with an interesting speech, which was much appreciated. Rev. S. E. Poole and E. S. Fisher also gave interesting addresses. During the evening Dr. P. L. Bonnell led the boys in an interesting programme of songs, and David Thompson rendered some musical selections and told a number of Scotch stories.

FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH.

Today is the Feast of St. Joseph, Patron Saint of the Catholic church and a holy day. All Catholics throughout the world will observe St. Joseph's Day in a most devout manner.

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Factory Inspector Notes Expansion

John Kenney Looks for Decided Industrial Expansion in the Province—Many Plants Enlarged or Erected.

John Kenney, the factory inspector, notes a decided industrial expansion in the Province. Many New Brunswick firms have recently enlarged their plants, or erected new plants in different parts of the Province. This is a strong evidence of the enterprise of our manufacturers as well as of the fact that N. B. products are finding a large market. At St. Stephen, George Bess, have made important additions to their plant, and providing housing accommodation for 100 girls. The Canadian Cottons Ltd., of Milltown have made additions to their plant, during the year which will increase their output by one-third. At Moncton, the J. A. Marvin have recently put up a three storey concrete structure with a floor space of 57,000 feet, and will increase the number of their employees by 20 per cent. J. A. Humphrey & Son of Moncton, have also erected a new woolen mill, which will enable the company to increase its output by fifty per cent. The Miramichi Company is erecting a new lumber mill at Douglastown, and the Fraser Company of Edmundston in addition to their pulp and paper enterprises are starting two new lumber mills which will employ 250 men. There are now about 150 portable lumber mills in the province, and these are increasing.

SPRING OPENING AT F. A. DYKEMAN'S, TODAY AND TOMORROW.

Those who love the new and beautiful in dress will find much of interest in a visit to the store today. Tailored Suits in infinite variety, clever snappy styles with just the right amount of swag, are shown at from \$40.00 to \$50.00. Beautiful Dresses in exquisite combinations of Satin and Georgette Crepe come strikingly simple in design, others elaborately embroidered or trimmed with beads, but all a perfect expression of the vogue of today. Separate skirts in gorgeous plaids and winsome waists in profusion are features in this, the annual Spring fashion exhibit.

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Rush of Traffic Is Expected

Shipping People Think Large Amount of Freight Will Come East During Closing Weeks of Winter Navigation.

Expectation of a rush of traffic during the closing weeks of winter navigation is entertained by the shipping people. The violent storms have interfered with railway traffic very materially, and the situation at intervals has been that ships have been waiting for the railways to bring freight here. Unless there is a big increase of traffic before the ships shift to the St. Lawrence, the volume of business will not be as large as last winter, for while at one time there were a couple of thousand cars waiting for ships at others the railways have not been able to move freight here fast enough to give the ships quick dispatch.

In addition to a succession of storms of unusual severity the railways this winter have had to contend with a certain amount of car shortage, due to the fact that the American railways have a large number of Canadian cars in their possession, and the storms interfered very much with their return.

A local shipping man said yesterday that while the longshoremen had a fair amount of employment so far this winter, they had not been as steadily employed as last winter.

Traffic conditions here are said, however, to have been much better than in Great Britain. It is reported that over 1,000 ships have been held up in the ports of the West Coast of Great Britain for two weeks or a month. Part of the delay has been due to the inadequacy of port facilities, and part to the inability of the railways to move the freight accumulating on the docks.

Preparations for

Montreal Shipping

Opening of Navigation Now Considered About One Month Distant—Some Changes in Berthing Allotments—Wharfage Area Increased.

Preparations are already under way for the opening of navigation in the Port of Montreal, which is now considered to be about one month distant, and the work of opening up the sheds and putting the complete equipment of the harbor in condition, for the summer's activities will shortly commence.

The harbor is still covered with considerable ice, over which is a rapidly melting mantle of snow, through which heavy cracks in the ice can be discerned, forecasting a speedy dissolution under the action of rain and sun.

Some changes in berthing allotments will be made this year, and the wharfage area will be increased during the season by the completion of the new sheds at the Victoria Pier, which will be numbered 7, 18, and 19. The shed allotment during the coming season will be as follows:

Canard Line—Sheds 2, 3, and 5 for London and Bristol services, and Anchor Dominion Line to Glasgow. Shed No. 11 for Cairn line to Mediterranean, Newcastle and Leith.

White Star Dominion Line—Sheds 4 and 6 for Liverpool and Bristol services.

Canadian Pacific Ocean Services—Sheds 7, 8, 9, and 10 for Liverpool, London, Glasgow, Southampton, Harve and Antwerp services.

Canadian Government Merchant Marine—Sheds 12, 14 and 25 and later 24, after Canada Steamship Lines have resumed to sheds 13 and 15. Services to South America, United Kingdom, Newfoundland and West Indies.

McLean-Kennedy—Sheds 13 and 15 for Huelva, London, Dublin and Houston Line to South America. Furness Withy Company—Sheds 16 and 17 when completed. Services to Hull, London, Manchester and Antwerp.

Canada Steamship Lines—Shed 24, later to sheds 18 and 19. River steamers and Praecada line to France. Hudson Bay Company—Shed 44 for Hudson Bay and Labrador steamers. Elder, Dempster Company—Shed 45 for South and West Africa services. Canadian National Steamship Company—Shed 46 for Australia and New Zealand services.

Marine Navigation Company of Canada—Shed 47 for St. Nazaire, France service, and later for Brazil service.

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A WARNING.

The number of seats available for the organ recital in St. David's Presbyterian church, Thursday evening, March 18th, are limited, being 1,008, and those wishing to hear this inspiring musical treat by Mr. J. H. Shearer, should apply as quickly as possible at E. G. Neilson & Co., King street; Gray & Ritchie, King street; F. W. Munro, Main street; Lockhart & Ritchie, Prince William street, and H. J. Dick, Charlotte street.

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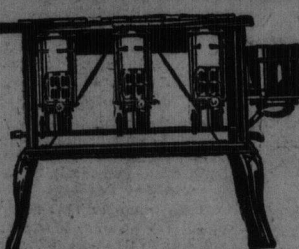
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