

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Fair and warm. Toronto, July 6.—The weather has been generally fine and warm throughout Canada, but some thunderstorms have occurred in New Ontario and Northern Alberta.

AROUND THE CITY

Highest Tide for Month. The tide in the harbor rose 27 feet 8 inches yesterday, the highest for the month.

Tasco Sails. The wrecking tug Tasco, which came here from Connecticut to raise the sunken tug Pejepscot, sailed on her return last evening.

The King's Daughters. The quarterly meeting of the St. John branch and city union of the International Order of the King's Daughters and Sons, will be held on Friday, at 3 p. m.

Will Wed Today. A wedding in which a large number of young people are interested, will be solemnized this afternoon.

Landing Stage at Reed's Point. The construction of the new landing stage at Reed's Point for the convenience of the Eastern Steamship Company is not proceeding as rapidly as expected by the city authorities.

Pejepscot in Dunn's Slip. The wrecking tug Tasco towed the tug Pejepscot into Dunn's slip, West Side, yesterday, for temporary repairs, after which she will be taken to Hilyard's blocks to be fixed up, preparatory to being towed to Bath, Me., to be placed on the Maine blocks.

\$120,000 Paid in Taxes Yesterday. There was another big rush for tax receipts at the city chamberlain's rain counter yesterday. More than 1,500 citizens paid in their taxes and about \$120,000 were added to the city's treasury.

Death of Frank Hollis. The death of Frank Hollis, of Rockland Road, a widely known and much respected citizen, occurred last evening. Mr. Hollis had been ill for the past two years and his death was not unexpected.

Died in the Hospital. George P. Cowie, a well known resident of the Parish of Lancaster, died at the general public hospital, on Tuesday evening, after a brief illness. Mr. Cowie was 67 years of age and had been engaged as an engineer in several of the city mills.

Departmental Examinations. Examinations of candidates for normal school entrance were opened yesterday when the candidates wrote papers on arithmetic, natural science and algebra.

Swear Allegiance To New King. The oath of allegiance to King George the Fifth was administered to Chief Clark and the entire police force by Chief Justice Barker yesterday afternoon.

A Wild Rumer. Jack Johnson, the big smoke, who administered the sleep poke to Jim Jeffries, in Reno, on Monday night, must have a number of friends in this centre of civilization and culture.

Assorted Jelly Gum Drops, made by Stahl, of Boston, at White's, King street.

LOCAL AGENTS OF WESTERN FLOUR MILLS RECEIVE WORD TO ADVANCE PRICES OF FLOUR

Wheat Crop in United States Badly Damaged by Prolonged Drought--Canadian Situation is Not So Bad, but All Indications are That Flour Will Climb.

Flour went up 20 cents in St. John yesterday. In the morning the local agents of the Manitoba mills received orders to advance the price of flour 20 cents per barrel, and shortly after noon the agents of the Ontario milling companies received orders to the same effect.

It is believed that this action was taken as a result of the persistent reports that the wheat crop this year will not turn out very well.

It is reported that as a result of the prolonged drought during June, 50 per cent of the crop in Dakota has been burned up, and that in Canada, particularly in the southern wheat belt, the effect of the dry weather has been to burn up a lesser percentage of the crop.

On July 1 copious rains were reported in many of the wheat bearing districts, but it is believed that the rain came too late to be of much service. The following telegrams received by W. Frank Hatheway & Co., from their correspondents in different parts of the west will be of interest:

"Winnipeg, June 30.—North and Central Manitoba crops slightly damaged by heat and drought; north and south Dakota in bad shape, fifty per cent. damaged. Unless we have good rain, all over northwest at once wheat will likely advance."

"Brandon, Man., June 30.—Think damage is only in Southern Manitoba, and Southern Alberta, north, middle and west big crops. Damage apparently exaggerated, general rain last night."

"Moosomin, Sask., June 30.—Crops badly damaged in many districts during past ten days, dry weather and hot winds; but copious rains today will greatly improve the condition; if rain is general think wheat might reach 90 again."

"Regina, Sask., June 30.—In four sections; wheat affected by heat, and generally in need of good rain; prospects only fair; cannot say as to effect on sight."

"Winnipeg, June 30.—Made thorough investigation, and my opinion as well as others is that wheat will not go back to 90 cents this year; in fact tendency is that it will go still higher. Manitoba crop is greatly damaged as well as eastern Saskatchewan and southern Alberta."

"Winnipeg, July 1.—Reports are conflicting; south and south western Manitoba seriously damaged; Alberta and Saskatchewan also damaged, but not to so great an extent. Do not think any possibility of more than half crop if that. Some rain last night, but too late to save burned out districts."

"Norden, Manitoba, June 30.—Severe heat apparently over, good rain prospects, better chances for fair crop."

It is probable that auto buses will soon be seen in the streets of St. John. Mr. Seelye proposes to secure an auto car for handling the summer traffic to Millidgeville and other parties are talking of procuring cars for taking visitors on sight-seeing tours of the city and environs, especially during the exhibition week.

At present there about 100 owners of automobiles in St. John, but the number is increasing rapidly. The automobiles of the city represent an investment of between \$150,000 and \$200,000, which would seem to indicate that many people have more money to spend on amusements than the tax assessors and aldermen suppose.

Growth of Auto Business. Canadians are spending over \$2,000,000 a year on automobiles and increasing their expenditure at about 200 per cent. every year. It is estimated that there are about 6,000 owners of automobiles in Canada; that many citizens whose incomes are able to stand a drain of from one to two thousand dollars every couple of years for the satisfaction they get out of motor cars. A dozen years ago there was not an automobile owned in Canada.

There are now about one dozen manufacturers of motor cars in Canada, and recently an automobile branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association was organized. Most of the automobile manufacturers in Canada are branches of American firms, and the bulk of their work consists in putting the cars together. These firms employ 3,500 men and are capitalized at \$10,000,000.

I.C.R. READY TO HAND OVER BALLAST WHARF. No Word Yet from Mr. Durant, Says Mr. Tiffin—Big Tourist Travel Expected This Summer.

F. P. Brady and E. Tiffin, I. C. R. commissioners, arrived in the city last evening. Asked whether they had come to hold a conference with D. McNicoll, general manager of the C. P. R., Mr. Tiffin stated that he did not know Mr. McNicoll was coming to St. John until he arrived here, and that so far as he knew there were no matters at issue between the two railways to be discussed at the present time.

"There's nothing new in connection with the I. C. R.," he said. "The railway is doing good business this summer both in the freight and passenger line. The indications are that the tourist traffic this summer is going to be large, and we expect that there will be a heavy passenger traffic during the Dominion Exhibition at St. John."

"When are you going to hand over the property at the Ballast wharf to Mr. Durant?" "As soon as he wants it," was the reply. "We haven't heard from him for some time, and don't know when he will start to build his sugar refinery."

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