

THE WEATHER. Toronto, Feb. 23.—The depression which was over Lake Superior last night now covers the lower St. Lawrence Valley, while pressure remains highest over the Middle Pacific States. Moderate snow falls have occurred in many parts of Ontario and Quebec and rain is falling tonight in the Maritime Provinces. In the West the weather has been fair and in Alberta and Saskatchewan very mild.

AROUND THE CITY. CHIEF SMITH ILL. Chief of Police Smith was confined to his home yesterday with a severe cold.

FOR FIREMEN'S FUND. Chief Blake has received from W. C. Marce the sum of \$25 for the Firemen's Relief Fund.

LEFT FOR OTTAWA. Mayor Schofield and Commissioner Bullock left last night for Ottawa. Commissioner Frink will be acting mayor while His Worship is away.

ATTENDED BANQUET. R. B. Armstrong, secretary for the St. John Board of Trade, returned yesterday from Bathurst where he was one of the speakers at the Bathurst Board of Trade banquet.

SIGN OF SPRING. A sign of spring? There is certainly one in the city of St. John. In the windows of the stores the box of garden seeds has made its appearance once more.

CANCEL ONE TRAIN. Beginning Monday one of the express trains now running between here and Centerville on the Valley Railway will be discontinued. That means an express train service every other day on the road.

FEBRUARY BUTTERFLY. Miss Deborah Miller, of Millford, discovered a fully developed butterfly, flying about her living room last evening. She described the harbinger of spring as a very beautiful specimen with brilliant yellow wings dotted with black.

CASE DISMISSED. A charge of driving on the wrong side of Douglas Avenue and of exceeding the speed limit was dismissed against W. E. Guter in the police court yesterday, after a satisfactory explanation had been given by the magistrate.

WAS ENTERTAINED. Dr. Murray MacLaren invited some of the city physicians to meet Dr. H. L. Paddon of the Grenfell Mission at luncheon at his home yesterday. Dr. Walker also entertained Dr. Paddon at dinner yesterday at his residence, 156 Princess street.

TO APPEAL CASE. Dr. J. B. M. Baxter returned yesterday from Dalhousie where he has been the last week in connection with the Restigouche election hearing. The decision of Judge Barry went against the clients of Dr. Baxter, who will appeal the case to the Supreme Court.

BOYS HAD GOOD TIME. The East End Boys' Club had a jolly time at the Y. M. C. A. last night, under the direction of W. E. Haley and Miss Heffer. They enjoyed four reels of pictures, games and relays on the floor of the "gym," after which they plunged into the swimming tank, where they cavorted under the watchful eyes of Messrs. Morton and McEwan.

YESTERDAY'S STORM. Yesterday afternoon and evening's rain left little signs of snow on the city streets. The total precipitation of both snow and rain amounted to one-tenth of an inch and was accompanied by a strong breeze which grew into a moderate gale, blowing from the southeast. The highest temperature amounted up to 38 degrees, the lowest 14. Walking conditions were not at all as bad as they would have been had the street department not removed the large quantity of snow they did during the week.

SLEIGH DRIVE AND PRESENTATION. A. G. Day, of Adelaide street entertained his friends to a sleigh drive last night. A large party of ladies and gentlemen proceeded to John Tongue's residence on the Black River Road, where they enjoyed a chicken supper, following which an enjoyable time was spent in music and dancing. During the evening William H. White, on behalf of those assembled, presented Mr. Day with a Metcham pipe and the gift was received with a brief acknowledgement by the presenter. After spending a delightful time, the party returned to the city shortly after midnight.

Would-Be Thieves Use The Revolver

Six of Them Attempt to Burglarize Westfield Store—Frightened off by Proprietor. An attempt was made to pilfer the general store of W. E. Corbett, Westfield, early Wednesday morning. Mr. Corbett, who lives just across the street from the store, was awakened about two o'clock in the morning by the sound of breaking glass. Looking from his window he saw that someone had broken into his store. He quickly jumped into his clothing, and rushing from the house gave an alarm. The would-be thieves, there were six of them, finding they were detected, rushed to the rear of the store, broke open a door and made their escape down the track.

At Woodman's Point. The six men in the party went down the track a short way and then crossed the ice, going in the direction of Woodman's Point. They are supposed to have spent yesterday at one of the summer cottages there, as they were not seen about during the day.

An effort was made by Mr. Corbett to get off on the trail of the gang yesterday, but he failed to secure them, and up to a late hour last night there had been no one in search of them.

They gained admittance to the store by cutting around the casing of the glass in the store door. It was the crash of the glass to the floor that awakened Mr. Corbett and cut short the plans of the night prowlers. They were frightened off before they had time to steal any goods, and only secured fifty pennies.

Minnedosa Met With Rough Weather

From Liverpool to St. John With 1,250 Passengers—Theatrical Troupe Aboard. The C. P. O. S. liner Minnedosa, U. G. Webster, R.D., R.N.R., commander, arrived in port, docking at 10.30 Wednesday morning, from Liverpool. The Minnedosa brought 492 cabin and 749 third-class passengers, 2,000 tons of general cargo, besides several thousand bags of mail.

The greater portion of the passengers aboard were returning Canadians. The entire cabin list, with one exception, was made up of British or Scandinavian. Among those on the Minnedosa were Major-General H. M. Elliott, Halifax; W. Flood and I. Wilkinson, Woodstock; N. B. H. W. Heana, St. John; W. A. Pickup, Annapolis; W. J. Rayner, Summerside.

Theatrical Troupe Aboard. The Percy Hutchinson Theatrical Company, London, arrived on the liner and are here for a series of engagements on the Trans-Canada Theatre circuit. The manager informed the Standard that the theatrical business in England was swinging ahead with great strides now, and had they not been under contract to be in Canada at this time they would never have thought of leaving England. The London theatres are crowded to capacity, he said, and the public are continually seeking the theatre for a few hours of pleasure and recreation to help them forget some of their serious troubles for a time.

Rough Weather. The liner encountered considerable rough weather on her voyage, and one day of the trip battled a heavy gale with mountainous seas breaking over the ship, causing some discomfort to passengers.

The Minnedosa's Concert Troupe and Jazz Band, already famous in this city, gave one of their popular concerts aboard ship Tuesday night, which was heartily enjoyed by the passengers and highly complimented on by some of them at the Immigration sheds yesterday.

Three Special Trains. Three special trains were sent out by the C. P. R. yesterday afternoon for the accommodation of the ship's passengers. The first left with cabin passengers for Montreal and Toronto;

the second for Western Canadian points, and the third with steerage passengers for various destinations in Western Canada. There were very few for the States.

Proceedings Over Their Daughter. Habeas corpus proceedings in the matter of Horsemans vs. Horsemans were up for hearing yesterday before His Honor Chief Justice McKeown here. John F. H. Teed applied for an order allowing Mrs. Inez Horsemans to have the custody of her child, Dorothy, nine years of age. The little girl was brought to court by her father, Sprague Horsemans. The attorney for the father opposed the granting of such an order. On account of the absence of the court stenographer, Mr. Leonard, at Dalhousie, where the Restigouche election decision was to be given, the viva voce hearing was allowed to stand for ten days. In the interval the child will be in the custody of the mother.

This was opposed by the father's attorney, but the ruling was sustained, and mother and child left the court together and later took the train to Moncton.

TOMORROW'S BIG RECITAL. Centenary Hall. Rhona Lloyd Winter, violinist and vocalist; Max McKeown, tenor; and a magnificent programme. Tickets at Ross Drug Co. and at door.

MARRIED 31 YEARS. Waterborough, N. B., Feb. 23.—Mr. and Mrs. Wiggins are receiving congratulations of their friends in honor of the thirty-first anniversary of their wedding. They were married in Boston in 1890 and when they came here they arrived in the train on the Central Railway and landed at Partridge Valley, and were among the first who came to the end of the rail, as they were only laid that far at the time.

The Misses Montgomery Campbell of Fredericton are registered at the Royal.

Mr. J. S. Neil, N. B. Neil, F. L. Morrison and A. J. Faust of Fredericton spent yesterday in the city. Henry F. Morrisey returned yesterday from Bear River, N. S., where he has been on business connected with the Marine Department.

Still Enjoying Georgia's Cargo

Many Interesting Stories Told of Way Brandies Disappeared from Ship. The results following the pilfering from the Georgia's cargo of fine French brandy at the West Side, Saturday, are still in evidence. The battery has already been posted, through the press, of the speed with which cases of the thirst quenchers disappeared when the cargo was being unloaded. It was well cached and is being drawn on as there is felt the need of stimulants to brace up the lagging spirits of the workmen.

Stories Now Breaking. Many interesting stories of the raid on the wet goods are now coming to light. It is said that one man, not a professor on the staff of St. Michael's College for the purpose, handed a few to some favored friends and then beat it.

Left On Wharf. Another story is to the effect that one of the shed workers quietly lifted a half dozen cases of the "O. B. Joyful," placed them in plain view on the wharf where they remained until such a time as he could secure a motor boat to remove the goods to a spot for his own convenience.

They all agree it has been a grand and glorious week with everybody tipsy, and the Georgia due today.

Witnessed Stirling Times In Cork City. Miss Elizabeth B. O'Driscoll of Cork University College in City.

Miss Elizabeth B. O'Driscoll, M.A., recently on the staff of the University College of Cork, Ireland, arrived in the city yesterday morning on the C. P. O. S. "Minnedosa." She is the guest of her uncle, Capt. A. J. Mulcahy, West Side, for a few days before proceeding to Toronto, where she will become a professor on the staff of St. Michael's College for the next two years. During the time the young professor has been associated with the Irish University, she has witnessed stirring times in the old city of Cork, where trouble between the Republican authorities of the city and the Crown forces are almost of daily occurrence. Life in that city has been very strenuous between the activities of the two parties culminating in the burning of the heart of the city a couple of months ago.

There will be a public meeting at the Opera House this evening, starting at nine o'clock, to discuss the merits of the objections to Daylight Saving. Some good speakers on both sides of the question will be present. Everybody is invited and an interesting debate is assured.

Imported Nottingham Curtains Much Underpriced. This is the time of year when the need of fresh clean new curtains on the windows becomes specially noticeable—What a wonderful difference they make too, certainly well worth their little cost, helping as they do to banish the thought of winter and welcoming the cheery sunshine of spring. The F. A. Dykeman Co. are showing a very nice assortment of just the kind most needed. The popular Nottingham lace curtains in pretty designs and of course at prices far less than last year.

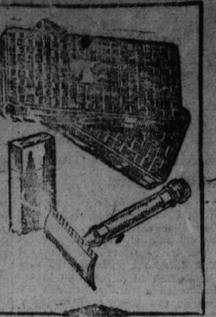
NOTICE. A mass meeting under the auspices of the Trades and Labor Council will be held in the Opera House on Thursday evening on the question of daylight saving and unemployment. Meeting called at 9.15 sharp. F. A. CAMPBELL.

DON'T FORGET. Musicals, Centenary Hall Thursday evening. Rhona Lloyd Winter violinist and vocalist. R. Max McCarty dramatic tenor. Tickets, The Photographic Salon Ltd.

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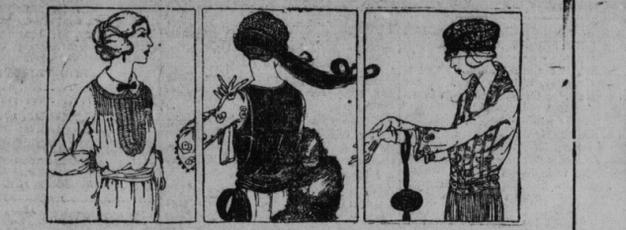
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Fashioned of georgette crepe, taffeta, crepe-de-chine and messaline. Wonderful bargains Only \$5.75 each

These blouses are the result of a very lucky purchase. Every model is fresh and new and in one of the smartest styles of the new season. In the assortment will be found Overblouses with becoming round necks and short sleeves. These are plain or handsomely embroidered with silk or wool. Some have smart little tieback sashes. For those who prefer tailored models there are plain blouses, neatly tucked and fashioned with convertible collars. The colors include brown, maize, sand, navy, grey, burgundy, orchid, sky, also black and white. You haven't seen a blouse bargain to equal this in a long time. It will certainly pay you to be on hand early while the choosing is good. Sale begins Thursday morning in blouse section, second floor. Blouses are in the styles one would expect to find in models two and three times the price! All sizes, from 34 in. to 42 in.

Friday Ends Our Annual Free Hemming Sale

Hundreds of thrifty people have responded to the call of lowered prices offered during this important yearly event. For the last two days we are offering as a final attraction A Big Sale of All Pure Linen Table Cloths

This is a wonderful chance for the Summer bride to secure some worth while bargains on beautiful linens. Every cloth has been marked at a very substantial reduction. Linens are of excellent quality. Early comers will find splendid opportunity for choice. Pure Linen Table Cloths, 2 yd. size. Sale prices \$3.95 to \$15.00 2 1/2 yd. size, sale prices \$5.95 to \$24.00 A few larger sized cloths priced in proportion. (Sale in Linen Room, Ground Floor.)

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Hebrews Hear An Interesting Address

Rev. J. Hunter Boyd addressed an interested audience at the Jewish Synagogue last evening at a meeting held under the auspices of the Young Men's Hebrew Association. Mr. Boyd showed a number of excellent views of Czechoslovakia describing the festivities held to celebrate the Freedom of the nation and the inauguration of President Masaryk. The speaker laid special emphasis on the physical training given to the young people of the country and held that physical fitness, mental alertness and good news would go a long way to make any nation great. National pride of this country were played by Miss Beattie Comben. B. L. Amdur presided and introduced the speaker. A collection was taken for the Hebrew Emigration Fund.

COUNTY HOUSING-BOARD NEW HOUSES TO RENT

The County Housing Board are now in a position to rent, subject to sale, their newly completed houses containing all modern improvements on McKeil St., Fairville, at \$30 per month, and also those on Champlain St., West St. John, at \$40 per month. There have been many enquiries for these convenient and comfortable homes, so if you want to rent one, with perhaps the desire to buy later on, now is your opportunity. Apply to Thos. K. Sweeney, Secretary, Phone M. 1107. 109 Prince William Street.

BLACK PONY COATS - At Special Prices

Table with 3 columns: Price, Description, and Original Price. Row 1: \$98.00 Self trimmed, Seal trimmed were \$125.00. Row 2: \$110.00 Seal trimmed, Seal trimmed were \$150.00. Row 3: \$135.00 Coon or Opossum trimmed, Coon or Opossum trimmed were \$175.00. Row 4: \$145.00 Coon or Opossum trimmed, Coon or Opossum trimmed were \$200.00. Row 5: \$145.00 Grey Squirrel or Taupa Squirrel trimmed, Grey Squirrel or Taupa Squirrel trimmed were \$200.00.

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