

THE WEATHER

Toronto, June 6.—The general pressure distribution shows little change. Weather has been decidedly cool and showery in most districts of Alberta and Saskatchewan and much cooler weather with local rains has been prevalent in Manitoba. Weather is fair and warm in Eastern Canada.

St. John	50	64
Dawson	40	70
Victoria	60	78
Vancouver	53	66
Calgary	52	64
Edmonton	50	64
Battleford	43	50
Prince Albert	43	50
Moose Jaw	50	67
Saskatoon	50	64
Regina	50	64
Winnipeg	46	56
Port Arthur	50	66
White River	55	71
Pelly Sound	57	82
London	57	87
Toronto	60	80
Kingston	60	72
Ottawa	60	78
Montreal	62	78
Quebec	62	78
Halifax	60	74

Forecast

Maritime—Moderate to fresh southwest and west winds, showers in most localities but partly fair; stationary or higher temperatures.

Northern New England—Partly cloudy with rain showers Wednesday and Thursday; moderate south and southwest winds.

AROUND THE CITY

FEWER LICENSES
A total of 790 dog licenses have been issued to date. Last year about 1,200 licenses were recorded.

DIED IN EDINBURGH.
A cablegram has been received by D. W. Ledingham from G. M. Brew, of the Furness, Withy office staff, announcing the death of Mr. Brew's mother at her home in Edinburgh. Mr. Brew has been at Edinburgh since last April.

SYDNEY STREET DUMP
Notwithstanding the city's orders to the contrary, Commissioner Frink reports that the area at the foot of Sydney street, is still being used as a dump. The city has offered the site of the dump to the Dominion Government for reclamation purposes provided a sea wall be built, but the offer has not yet been accepted.

AWAITING PAYMENT
The federal government is still awaiting the certificate promised by the provincial government in reference to excess costs of work by the city for the relief of the unemployed, and until that certificate is forthcoming Ottawa will not pay over the sum of \$2,000 due the department of public works. Commissioner Frink advised yesterday. Money is also due the water and sewerage and harbor departments on account of excess costs.

ATTEND CONSECRATION
His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc is expected to leave for Quebec today to attend the consecration of Mr. Marie John Julian Leventoux, of the Bulet order recently appointed vicar apostolic of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, with headquarters at Seven Islands. Bishop Patrick Chassan, of Chatham was the former vicar apostolic, prior to his promotion to the Bishop of Chatham diocese. His Eminence Cardinal Beaudry officiated at the consecration which will take place next Sunday. Bishop Chassan, as well as Bishop LeBlanc will be present.

GOLDEN WEDDING
Many friends gathered at the summer home of Mr. and Mrs. John H. McRobbie at Pandemonia on Monday to celebrate the golden anniversary of their marriage, which took place on June 5, 1872. Rev. R. J. Cameron officiating, in St. John. Mr. and Mrs. McRobbie have eight children, all of whom are living, and six of whom were present at the celebration. There were also several relatives from Lynn and Haverhill, Mass., and Williamstown, Conn., and Mauderville, N. B. A number of relatives and friends from the city also visited Mr. and Mrs. McRobbie.

AGREEABLE SURPRISE
Rev. Dr. S. S. Poole and Mrs. Poole were given an agreeable surprise and tangible evidence of appreciation in an informal celebration of their twentieth wedding anniversary, held at the parsonage, Germain street, on Monday evening, under the auspices of the ladies of the congregation and the Philathea class of the Germain street Baptist church, of which Rev. Dr. Poole is pastor. The surprise party was attended by a large number of the men and ladies of the congregation and the event was commemorated in a gift of a dinner set in Limoges china by the congregation. Informal luncheon was served.

FAIR VALE WANTS HYDRO
At a meeting in the Fair Vale Club house, Monday night, E. S. Carter addressed the suburbanites on the proposed establishment of a hydro-electric district at Fair Vale and the adjacent territory, including Quispamsis. G. H. Burnett presiding. A committee was appointed to co-operate with representatives from Quispamsis and other centres, in the matter. The committee is composed of E. S. Carter, E. W. Long, George Bishop, R. Emery, H. J. Machum and Lewis Tapley, with power to add. A vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. Carter for his explanation at the close of the meeting and the committee was instructed to approach the residents of Quispamsis to see if they would join in the movement to organize an electric light district.

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PUBLIC HEALTH OF NATION IS ITS GREATEST ASSET

Meeting in St. Vincent's Auditorium Presided Over by Lieut.-Governor Pugsley—Addresses by Mayor McLellan, Hon. Dr. Roberts, Dr. Frankwood Williams and Dr. C. J. Hastings, of Startling Importance.

That the public health of any nation is, that nation's greatest asset, and that the time has come when people must realize and are realizing the great need of prevention rather than curing disease, in order that the standard of the nation, from a health standpoint, can be placed on the proper level, were some of the arguments advanced in the addresses, which brought home to the large audience, who almost filled St. Vincent's spacious auditorium, at the public meeting, held last evening in connection with the Canadian Public Health Congress, facts and principles of such startling importance as to cause those present to take a new interest in the efforts of the C. P. H. A. who delivered the addresses, with an undivided interest, on every address.

The meeting was presided over by His Honor Lieut.-Governor Pugsley, who introduced the speakers of the evening. Others on the platform were Hon. Dr. W. F. Roberts, president of the C. P. H. A., who delivered the address, Dr. Frankwood Williams, Dr. C. J. Hastings, director of the national committee for mental hygiene; Dr. G. J. Hastings, medical health officer of Toronto; His Worship Mayor McLellan; Dr. Bernard L. Wyatt, director health services, Laurentide Co., Grand Mere, Que.; and Major William Vassie, M. C. The chairman, read a telegram from Col. Murray MacLaren, M. P., wishing the delegates the best of success for the congress. During the course of the evening, songs were rendered in a most sympathetic manner by Miss Blenda Thomson.

Lieut.-Governor Pugsley, in rising to open the meeting, Lieut.-Governor Pugsley expressed himself as being strongly in favor of the public health movement that had been inaugurated in Canada, and was being carried on with such excellent results, due in a great measure to the efforts of the C. P. H. A. The campaign of education for the preserving of human life, he considered one of the most important and far-reaching steps ever taken in the history of the nation. He paid tribute to Hon. Dr. Roberts, who has taken such an active interest in this movement for better health; and also to Dr. Hastings, whose fame along these lines is well established. The chairman extended a hearty welcome to Dr. Williams, of New York making reference to the fight which the United States and Canada were making shoulder to shoulder against the decrease of the standard of public health, and paid a tribute to the excellence of the work achieved by Dr. Williams in his sphere of endeavor.

Mayor McLellan said that it was seldom that he was afforded the opportunity of addressing and welcoming such an illustrious assembly, an association seeking to preserve Canada's greatest asset, her public health. He said that no nation should permit of any dullness of its vision in realizing that public health was its greatest asset, and that an increase of activity along these lines was essential in order that people might realize that their health was of more value than their property. The campaign of public health should be supported both financially and by properly administration. He paid a tribute to the delegates, men and women of sterling worth and fixed integrity, whose ideal service to humanity, should be an inspiration to all of us. The speaker said that it was a great honor to extend the word of welcome to them, his only regret being that the city was not able to entertain them for the congress, which he hoped would be most successful.

Hon. Dr. Roberts, president of the C. P. H. A., in delivering the annual address, took occasion to thank the city of St. John for the honor of having its co-operation, and also Dr. William Warwick and the efficient committee of ladies and gentlemen of this city, who had made the arrangements in connection with the programme of the congress. In his formal address, he called attention to the great necessity for public health, mentioning the keynote that to cure a disease of the past to prevent is the demand of the present. This century was the one in which the principle of public health had come into its own, the great value entering taking place at the time of the recent war, and later on the occasion of the influenza epidemic. War and pestilence had but lifted the veil from what had obtained for centuries, and now all provinces, states and nations were rallying to the cause of a better standard of public health.

The speaker said that he hoped the public health requirements of tomorrow would contain something regarding parental selection, and mentioned the fact that the want of scientific care of mothers at childbirth was alarming the medical authorities, on account of the disastrous results attending such circumstances. He spoke of the steps taken in the right direction by the care of children in the schools, the purification of water and milk, and the fact that the health campaign was doing great work in regulating life and disease. He cited instances of the latter in the fact that smallpox had been practically abolished, there had been a reduction of diphtheria, scarlet fever and typhoid, and strides had been made in combating tuberculosis and venereal disease; but there remained yet much to be accomplished. He also said that the public health nurse was a very important factor in the campaign, for her service and ability to educate the public to healthful living.

The speaker advanced the idea, with regard to the financial side of the campaign, of having one day a year set aside to be known as public health day, when organizations all over Canada should assist in the usual manner in raising funds for the cause, suggesting that the Red Cross should be the organization of such a campaign.

Dr. Frankwood Williams, in an able and masterly address, Dr. Frankwood Williams of New York,

speaking of mental hygiene, presented an exposition of the strides made in the United States in connection with this problem and outlined some phases of the situation, which proved of consuming interest to his hearers. He made the startling statement that, in the United States there were as many beds for the insane in the hospitals as for all other diseases combined, and that 70 per cent of all the hospitals in the United States with a capacity of over 500, were insane hospitals.

Some of the patients in these hospitals, who were suffering from mental and nervous diseases, recovered and returned to business and social life, but the great majority do not. The reason for the latter case was, first, the patients have to be so frantically mad that a lay judge can see it and will send them there for—not treatment—but care and to protect others; and secondly, the hospitals have not had the proper facilities for the treatment of these patients.

The speaker said that the authorities were trying to rectify these conditions and that many patients could go to the hospitals for advice and treatment, without having to wait for a judge to send them there when they were practically incurable. An effort has been made in the United States to raise the standard of care, the hospitals being better staffed and better equipped so that those suffering from nervous and mental diseases can secure the proper treatment before it becomes necessary to admit them as insane patients.

Dr. Williams dealt forcibly with the problem of the feeble-minded and the problem of the delinquents. He said that authorities were not convinced today that all mental defects were hereditary, stating that 50 per cent were not due to this cause. The campaign for curing the feeble-minded had been recently mapped out as follows: First, identification of the feeble-minded child; second, centralization of the cases; third, education of the children in special schools; fourth, wise supervision to determine the nature of the disease; and fifth, segregation of those who, having received all the instruction, were of such a character as must be taken out of the community. This campaign began in Sing Sing prison two years ago, and it has been found that 60 per cent of those admitted to the institution were suffering from mental and nervous diseases. Special clinics have been introduced to study these cases to see what is the best thing to be done with these so-called criminals.

Dr. C. J. Hastings, of Toronto, speaking on "The Role played by Pure Milk in Public Health," brought a message which was strikingly impressive on his audience. In opening his remarks, he quoted Disraeli as having stated, 75 years ago, that public health is the happiness of the people. Lloyd George, in 1918, said, had Great Britain looked after the health of the nation properly during the 25 years preceding this campaign, she would have put 1,000,000 men in the field during the war. Therefore too much emphasis cannot be laid on the importance of public health, and pure milk and pure milk were essential in this connection. If we want a nation that is physically fit, we must start early, and we must start with pure milk.

The speaker said that milk was the most valuable article of food we possessed. It can be used as a substitute for other foods, but other foods can be used as a substitute for milk. There was a tendency to look upon milk as a frill, but it was far from that; it was absolutely indispensable to children, and it was the only food which contained all three vitamins. Every child up to the age of 16 should drink a quart of milk a day, and one of the most important subjects of education in the child's life should be the value of milk.

Milk as sold in the average way had been responsible for more deaths than any other article of food, on account of contamination from communicable diseases. Since the campaign for clean milk had been instituted in Toronto in 1911, there had been 2,000 less deaths per annum in that city. He advised the people of this province to demand clean milk, free from barnyard contamination, made clear of bacteria by scientific pasteurization.

BLASTING ACCIDENT
John Joseph, of 55 Brunswick street suffered a bad cut on the side of the face, and another over the eye, when struck by a flying section of rock, while working near some blasting operations on the old Hazen estate near the One Mile House yesterday. The accident was said to be due to the man's neglecting to move far enough away from the blasting zone. The accident occurred at about 8 o'clock in the morning. Joseph was taken to the General Public Hospital shortly afterwards, and is reported to be resting as comfortably as he can be expected, and with chances of recovery good.

INVESTIGATING FIRES
Hugh H. McLellan, fire marshal for New Brunswick, has just completed a tour of the North Shore, after holding investigations of fires at 17th Street, Black Point, Baddeck, Bellefleur, and Campbellton and Chatham. In the latter town he discussed better fire protection with the town council.

Common Council Regular Meeting

Tax on Cheques by Government Discussed—Delay on Action of Land Sale to Orphans' Home.

A considerable amount of business was transacted at the meeting of the City Council yesterday afternoon, among other matters discussed being the tax on cheques by the Government which was characterized by the mayor as the biggest steal for the banks ever put over. It was decided to delay action on the sale of land to the Protestant Orphans' Home until a definite assurance had been received that the valuation of the lots would be taken off by the Lancaster assessors when making up the city tax bill. Commissioner Thornton gave notice that he would move for the repeal of the by-law recently passed, which allowed an increase in the height of buildings in fire district No. 2 as the fire underwriters had reported that it would mean an increase in rates. Commissioner Wigmore reported that an automobile in his department had been destroyed by fire and was given authority to purchase a new one. An application for exemption from taxation on the proposed arena in North End was received and a communication in regard to the payment of the Federal portion of the excess cost of work done during the winter to relieve unemployment.

Mayor McLellan presided and Commissioners Wigmore, Thornton, Frink and Bullock were present. The Commissioner of Finance and Public Affairs reported payments for the month of May last amounting to \$74,836.73 and recommended payment of the following departmental accounts:

Treasury department, \$574.73; Public safety department, \$2,783.76; Public works department, \$156.62; Water and sewerage department, \$4,093.85; Harbors, ferries and public lands department, \$2,378.05. Adopted.

The committee of the whole recommended that W. E. A. Lawton be notified that under the present building law his request in connection with the "Harding property" could not be granted; that the "Gore Lot" at Bedford be leased to Daniel E. Campbell at \$25 per year; that a lot of land at Milford be leased to A. J. J. Muller for garden purposes at \$15 per year; that 13.6 acres in the Town Planning area, Park Place, Lancaster, be sold to the New Brunswick Orphans' Home for the sum of \$2,500, on condition that the buildings be completed in two years; that the commissioner of public safety be authorized to make necessary repairs to the exhibition building; and that a by-law be passed providing for a lower top wharfage on salt and fire brick. The report was taken up section by section and adopted with the exception of the section dealing with the sale of land to the Protestant Orphans' Home.

Commissioner Bullock said he had been instructed to make the terms for the completion of the buildings three years instead of two and reported that he had been informed by the county secretary that the Lancaster council had given assurance that they would have the valuation of these lots taken of the city's valuation for taxation purposes by the parish.

Commissioner Thornton said he did not think a little delay would matter very much and he moved this section be referred back for further consideration and information. This was seconded by Commissioner Frink and carried.

The by-law providing for the relocation in top wharfage on salt and fire brick was read and passed and ordained.

A petition from the property owners of Horsfield street, asking for the paving of that street under the Local Improvement Act, was read and on motion of Commissioner Frink it was decided to undertake the work at a cost of \$3,500, the work to be paid for by bond issue, the work to be done by the public works department.

A communication from the New Brunswick Board of Fire Underwriters, to the effect that the height of buildings in fire district No. 2 was raised there would be an increase in rates, was read and Commissioner Thornton said in view of the communication he must give notice that he would move for the repeal of the by-law, recently passed, as he did not intend to give insurance men any excuse to raise the rates. Mayor McLellan remarked that he was gathering information and expected soon to start the citizens after a reduction of 25 cents which had been promised when the Loch Lomond extension was made, but never given to the people.

A telegram from Ottawa in connection with the payment of the Federal part of the excess cost of work done last winter to relieve unemployment, was read and Commissioner Frink said the matter had been taken up with the Provincial Premier and he had promised to pass the necessary order. It was stated the amount of excess was about \$5,000 and of this the Federal Government paid one-half, the city and province dividing the other half. The communication was ordered received.

A telegram from the secretary of the Union of Canadian Municipalities, stating that a delegation was going to Ottawa on June 8 to interview the Minister of Finance in regard to the tax on cheques and asking the council to send a representative was read and occasioned considerable discussion.

Commissioner Frink moved that the telegram be received and the sender notified that the city council was well aware of the fact that the government needed money to carry on with and thought the matter of criticism of their acts should be left to the legislators in parliament.

Mayor McLellan characterized the tax as the biggest steal for the banks ever put over. He said every man who was paid by cheque and that included the employees of every big corporation had to pay the toll to that extent for it was sure the corporations were not going to lose it.

Commissioner Frink could not get a second to his first motion and he moved that Mr. Shibley be notified that the common council had not received any protests from citizens of St. John and until such time as they did not action would be taken.

Commissioner Thornton expressed

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the opinion that the telegram should be acknowledged and the Union advised that the council could not send a delegate at the present time.

Mayor McLellan moved in amendment that the communication be received, the sender notified that the council was not in favor of the tax on cheques as imposed by the finance minister, as they did not think it applicable to those who could more readily pay any extra taxes required by the government of Canada. This was seconded by Commissioner Thornton and carried. Commissioners Frink and Bullock voting nay.

An application from G. H. Feeney to be appointed city sign writer was received and filed.

A communication from F. G. Finley and Joseph Monger, asking for exemption from taxation on the proposed skating arena in North End was referred to the mayor for a report.

A communication from the Board of Railway Commissioners, containing notice that the time for beginning the work of placing an overhead crossing at the western end of Douglas Avenue had been extended to October 1 was received and filed.

An application from the Fort Motor Co. for permission to install a 100-gallon gasoline tank under the sidewalk on Clarence street was referred to the commissioner of public works for a report.

On motion of Commissioner Thornton the tender to B. H. Williamson of \$200 for the paving of No. 6 fire station was accepted.

Commissioner Frink moved that the tender of B. Mooney and Sons to supply 1,875 lineal feet of curbing at \$1.25 for straight and \$1.65 for circular be accepted. Carried.

Commissioner Wigmore reported that one of the automobiles belonging to his department had been burned during the morning and he was given authority to purchase a new one at a cost not to exceed \$3,000. The accident happened at Lake Lettmer and there was \$1,500 insurance on the car.

Communication was read from J. King Kelley, K. C., county secretary, to his department had been assured from the councillors of the parish of Lancaster that they would see that the valuation of the city lands for taxable purposes, was reduced by the value of the land granted the Protestant Orphans' Home and stating that the building of the new Home would

be exempt from taxation. This was referred to the committee of the whole.

TOURIST ASSN. ISSUES BOOKLET

The new Tourist booklet, issued by the Tourist Association, has made its appearance and is a most attractive publication. It deals with the entire province, setting forth many points of interest to the tourist and what he may expect in the way of hunting and fishing. A splendid road map is one of the features, which will appeal to the motorist. There is also a copy of the game laws of the province, as well as a list of the hotels and golf courses. The book is nicely illustrated with views of provincial scenery.

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Dr. Frank Boyaner has moved his office from 74 Germain street to 11 Germain street, between King and Union.