

THE WEATHER.

Maritime - Moderate winds, mostly fair and rather cold with a few local snow flurries.
Washington, March 16. Forecast: Northern New England - Fair in west, cloudy in east Wednesday; Thursday probably fair. Fresh, possibly strong northeast, shifting to northwest winds.
Toronto, March 16. - The weather today has been quite mild throughout the western provinces, and cold from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces. Light snow has fallen in parts of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

Temperatures.

Table with 3 columns: Location, Min., Max.
Prinsep Rupert 44 48
Victoria 42 54
Vancouver 42 54
Calgary 38 48
Edmonton 28 48
Medicine Hat 28 46
Moose Jaw 30 44
Winnipeg 22 42
Port Arthur 14 26
Perry Sound 10 30
Toronto 20 30
Kingston 13 38
Ottawa 16 30
Montreal 20 26
St. John 8 26
Halifax 20 34

Around the City

Death of Bright Child.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Terris of the City Road will sympathize with them in the death of City Vincent, their six-year-old son who died yesterday. The boy had been ill for some time and was a bright little fellow who was beloved by all who knew him. The funeral will take place from his late residence on Thursday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

\$1,600 for N. B. Ward.

Mrs. E. Atherton Smith has received the sum of \$100 from the Red Cross Society of Newcastle, N. B., as a contribution towards the equipment of the New Brunswick ward in the Canadian base hospital. This makes \$1,600 received by the regent of the Royal Standard Chapter, Daughters of Empire for this purpose. The money will be sent to Col. Shillington.

Bungalow Tea a Success.

The tea and sale in the Bungalow yesterday afternoon, in aid of the Associated Charities proved highly successful, and the members of the Monday Club, under whose auspices the sale was conducted, realized \$250. About 175 people were present and tables were well patronized. A painted tray, donated by Mrs. Holly was won by Mrs. Armstrong. A painted dish was won by Miss Coyle. Mrs. E. L. Rising was a ham by guessing nearest to its correct weight.

Fainted in Crowd.

A young woman, who was one of the large crowd at the depot last night bidding farewell to the soldier boys, was the cause of no little excitement. She was seen to be holding a few parcels and anxiously looking for one of the soldiers. An officer approached her and enquired if she was looking for one of the soldiers. She gave the name of the soldier. She was then informed that the person she was enquiring for was not among those who were going away but had been left on Partridge Island. She then went into hysterics and fell on the station floor, screaming. A number of men present picked her up and carried her into the Dominion Express rooms and it was some time before she calmed down and was able to leave the depot. The excitement is thought to have been the cause of her becoming ill.

YOUNGSTER HAS A CLOSE CALL

Four year old Thomas Lasker had wonderful escape when hit by Street Car.

Little Thomas Lasker, the four year old son of Fred B. Lasker of 319 German street had a narrow escape from death about four o'clock yesterday afternoon in British street. The little fellow was playing on the sidewalk at the corner of British and German street with other children. For some reason he left the sidewalk and attempted to run across the street. He went directly in front of a street car and before the motorman could stop the car the child was knocked down. There were several persons who witnessed the accident. The child rolled under the fender of the car and before the motorman could bring the heavy car to a stop brought up against the trucks. It was felt certain by witnesses that the little fellow had been killed. There was a rush to his assistance and among the first to arrive was the boy's mother. The boy was pulled out from underneath the car and handed to his mother, who rushed to her home, which is but a short distance from the scene of the accident. The little fellow was crying and badly frightened, but an examination showed the only injuries received were a bruise on the forehead, a slight scratch on the side of the face and a slight bruise on the left wrist. Dr. Kelly and Dr. Case, who had been summoned, arrived at the home quickly and after an examination found only the injuries mentioned above.

James F. Nuse of the North End, returned yesterday from a three months' trip to the west, including a visit to the Panama Exposition.

A HEARTY SEND OFF FOR MEN WHO WILL GARRISON HALIFAX

Thousands of Citizens. Bid our Soldier Boys God-speed - Seventy-five of our Artillery men will be stationed in Halifax.

Thousands of St. John citizens united in giving the boys of the Artillery unit, which will do garrison duty in Halifax, a rousing send off last evening. When the detachment landed at Reed's Point, from Partridge Island, the wharves and every point of vantage were crowded to the limit. As soon as the soldiers started for the station the crowd formed in line too and accompanied the soldiers through the streets. The attitude of the crowd showed that the people of St. John were behind the boys in their work for the Empire and there was every assurance that the people left at home would also do their share in looking after those dependent on the soldiers.

The detachment landed at Reed's Point shortly after ten o'clock and their friends were given an opportunity of saying good bye. A guard of honor from the 6th Mounted Rifles headed the procession with Mayor Frink in the van. St. Mary's band furnished the music and the route was through Prince William, Duke, Charlotte, King, Dock and Mill streets to the station. Captain Chaplain W. O. Raymond also accompanied the boys through the streets.

There was no speech making but the send off was hearty and there was no stint of cheering all along the route of march.

On arrival in the station the crowd completely filled the train shed and there was little opportunity for friends of the soldiers to get near them. Many were successful in giving a handshake, however. Many women were in the crowd and they were as enthusiastic as the men in the heartiness of the send off. One car attached to the Halifax express was reserved for the soldiers.

The detachment from St. John will take up work in the garrison at Halifax. The men and officers were recruited here to take the place of men sent to the front from Halifax. They have been stationed on Partridge Island since they were enlisted. The following is the roll of the detachment:
Nominal roll of Halifax detachment - Captain, L. T. Allen; Lieut. J. A. Bruce; Lieut. H. A. West; Coy. S. M. W. Tynes; Coy. P. L. A. E. Speidicht; trumpeters, Geo. Ricketts and A. Ricketts.
Section One - Sergt. F. A. Fullerton; Corp. P. V. N. Dunham; Bomb. G. R. Johnston; G. J. Walsh; W. Smith, F. Chisholm, G. G. Lathan, J. Nelson, A. J. Nesbitt, W. Osborne, John Andrews, H. Williams, J. C. Todd, A. E. Emery, C. Tonge, W. Vincent, W. Murphy.
Section Two - Sergt. F. H. Peacock; Corp. T. D. Owens; Bomb. J. P. Dempsey; G. B. Vincent, L. Campbell, W. Colwell, E. Lord, P. Manning, J. Howell, M. Thibodeau, A. Craft, John Pike, P. Carroll, S. P. Lanyon, G. R. Brown, H. Keirstead, W. R. Nelson.
Section Three - Sergt. J. H. Hazlewood; Corp. John Williams; Bomb. Nell Sopher; G. F. Pike, F. Moore, O. Nunnell, R. Cobham, C. Noel, B. Melvin, E. Weddleton, S. Maxwell, M. Hines, H. Danaher, H. Saloman, F. Black, R. Currie, T. McQuarrie.
Section Four - Sergt. E. Penney; Corp. M. Cliley; Bomb. F. Foklin; G. W. Mudge, J. Marshall, F. Patterson, G. Patterson, H. Boyer, W. Dent, J. McCormick, J. Flewelling, R. Cameron, H. Murphy, J. Arsenault, P. Fagan, P. Kane, J. White.

TORONTO'S ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

No personality assessment is made in Ontario cities - Incomes in Toronto up to \$1,500 are exempt.

The Commissioner of Assessments of Toronto, Mr. Jas. C. Forman, in a letter to the St. John Board of Trade on the subject of Toronto's assessment system, says: "Respecting your enquiry, the revenue of the city is derived from different sources, and in the copy of the estimates of the City of Toronto for 1914, page 91, which was sent you by the Mayor, you will see a full statement of the revenues of the city. "This statement includes water works revenue, rentals of city property, liquor licenses, general city licenses, market fees, weigh house fees, police court fines, street railway revenue, civic car lines revenue, provincial government fees, local improvements, street area rentals, bath fees, industrial exhibition association, building permit fees, jail farm, garages, public halls, abattoir, and several others.

"In Ontario all real property is assessable at its actual value. "As to income assessment, every head of a family, or a person assessed as a householder in Toronto, is exempt up to \$1,500, a non-householder up to \$600. Where a person whose income from all sources, that is, interest in mortgages, bank stock, etc., does not exceed \$400, an exemption up to this amount is allowed. "Business assessment is based on the value of the premises occupied for business done, at a percentage of value varying from 2 1/2 per cent. for a retailer, up to 150 per cent. for a distiller.

"We have no personality assessment in this city, or, for that matter, in the Province of Ontario. We have, as you will see from what has been said, but taxation on real estate, income and business. "The general tax rate of Toronto for the year 1914, was 19 1/4 mills in the dollar. "The population of the city of Toronto, as returned by the Assessors, for the year 1914, is 445,976." Commissioner Forman has also forwarded his annual report for 1914 in which the total amount of assessment for the year 1915, as returned by the assessors, is placed at \$76,444,250 while the total amount of assessment for the year 1914, as finally revised, is \$513,380,984 - an increase for 1915 of \$63,063,536. This increase with percentage is made up as follows: land, \$21,838,157, or 12.2-10 per cent.; buildings, \$23,899,126, or 13.23-100 per cent.; business assessments, \$3,027,018, or 18.56-100 per cent.

STYLISH SKIRTS The new skirt has a slight flare to it with one or more clusters of pleats, but the very newest thing that has come out is a skirt showing a little silk braid, with a neat cluster of box pleats on one side, and trimmed with a little ornament on the hip. This skirt is shown at F. A. Dykeman & Co.'s store in serge, bedford cord and black and white plaid. It is the newest idea that the creators of fashion have produced, and the price within the reach of all. They run from \$4.25 to \$5.75. The serge skirts without the braid, are shown at from \$2.98 to \$5.50 in all sizes.

WOULD BUILD HOUSES FOR WORKINGMEN

Commissioner Potts submits Civic Housing scheme - Will be discussed at special meeting.

A scheme for the city to undertake the building of working men's houses was introduced at the meeting of the city commissioners yesterday afternoon by Commissioner Potts. The idea was set forth in a resolution for the preparation of a bill to be presented for approval by the legislature. The scheme met with general approval but it was thought the matter should be more fully discussed and the matter will be taken up at a special meeting of the city commissioners on Thursday afternoon.

The resolution as introduced by Commissioner Potts was as follows: Resolved, That a bill be prepared by the Recorder and that it be forwarded to the Legislature for enactment during the present session, amending the Act of Assembly 63 Vic. Cap. 59 intitled "An Act to authorize the City of Saint John to enter upon and take for public purposes any private property that is required for public uses" so as to provide that in addition to the purposes for which the said city is by said act empowered to appropriate private property, it be empowered to appropriate for the purposes of erecting thereon houses for working men, such act to provide however that in no case shall the city pay or be assessed for any land so expropriated an amount greater than the assessed valuation thereon.

And Further Resolved, That the city in addition to the power of expropriating and acquiring such lands as aforesaid, be empowered to erect houses suitable as houses for working men, and for the purposes of defraying the cost thereof as well as that of the lands expropriated, the Common Council be authorized to issue debentures under the provisions of the Act of Assembly 62 Vic. Cap. 27 Sec. 29, the term of such debentures not however to exceed ten years.

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PERSONAL Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. McIlhenny and little daughter Maxine, and Miss Marion McGoldrick have returned from Bermuda via New York.

DR. MCKEANON RECOMMENDED FOR MODERATOR

Principal of Halifax College choice of St. John Presbytery for next General Assembly - Rev. J. A. MacKeigan, new Moderator of local Presbytery.

At the meeting of the St. John Presbytery yesterday afternoon commissioners to the general assembly were chosen as follows: Ministers by rotation, Rev. James Calhoun, Rev. T. J. Harrison and Rev. T. A. Mitchell; ministers by election, Rev. J. H. MacVicar, Rev. James Ross and Rev. J. H. A. Anderson, with Rev. E. B. Wylie, Rev. G. Pringle, Rev. J. H. MacKeigan, Rev. J. J. Miller, Dr. J. A. Morrison and Rev. T. P. Drumm as substitutes; elders, Judge Forbes, Robert Scott, J. R. Burns, W. S. Clawson, F. R. Jack and T. W. Caldwell, with C. B. Spears, P. G. McFarlane, W. C. Whittaker, Hon. J. K. Fleming, J. A. Young, John Sinclair and Dr. W. G. King as alternates.

A report of the visitation committee providing for a plan of Presbytery visitations was adopted. This plan divides the Presbytery into three districts, not including the city of St. John, where mass meetings will be held in each church in turn to present the work of the church. The plan will be carried out under the director of the moderator, the clerk, and the convenors of home and foreign missions, augmentation, Sunday school, and systematic giving committees.

Rev. Grover Livingstone was granted an extension of leave of absence on account of illness, and his charge at Shediac will be looked after by the student supply. Rev. T. P. Drumm of Moncton was appointed interim moderator of sessions. Rev. J. H. A. Anderson's report as chaplain to the hospital was accepted, and as he did not wish to serve longer Rev. S. W. Thompson was appointed in his place. Rev. W. Malcolm was appointed to the Courtenay Bay mission for another year, and application will be made for a grant from home missions.

Principal McKinnon of Halifax was nominated as moderator of the next general assembly, and Rev. J. A. McLean of Mahone Bay, formerly of Harvey, N. B., was nominated as moderator of the Maritime Synod. A grant for the new church building at Gladwin was approved; also the application of Plaster Rock to purchase a manse and glebe.

The call of Rev. A. L. Langlois to Lunenburg was approved. Induction will take place on April 2nd at 2 p. m. Rev. W. Malcolm will preside, Rev. Gordon Dickie will address the minister and Rev. W. W. Townsend the people.

Rev. J. H. A. Anderson submitted the report of the augmentation committee and it was approved in toto. Rev. J. H. A. Anderson submitted the report of the committee on the revision of the Book of Praise, suggesting some changes in the proposed draft and the report was referred back with power to report to the general assembly. On motion of Judge Forbes and Rev. T. P. Drumm it was agreed to postpone the general assembly until this matter proceedings be shifted till the question of church union is disposed of.

At the morning session the resignation of Rev. Mr. MacVicar from St. Andrews was accepted, effective March 28. Mr. MacVicar will return to China. The election of officers for the coming year resulted in the choice of the following: Moderator, Rev. J. A. MacKeigan, St. John; clerk, Rev. Frank Balfour Woodstock; treasurer, Peter Campbell, St. John; treasurer traveling expense fund, Rev. J. H. A. Anderson, St. John.

The appointment of Rev. N. S. Mackay of Waweg to Kirkland was recommended. The appointment of George Gough as ordained missionary for Scotch Ridge for two years was recommended in the synod.

The issue of presbytery certificates to Kenneth Baird and George Scott was recommended. Rev. Wm. Mathewson was heard in a five minute address before the Presbytery adjourned. Those present were: Ministers, Rev. G. Pringle, moderator; Rev. Messrs. J. Ross, J. J. McCaskill, F. Baird, clerk, M. S. Mackay, J. H. A. Anderson, W. W. Townsend, F. W. Murray, M. H. Mannel, W. W. Malcolm, T. A. Mitchell, J. H. McVicar, J. A. MacKeigan, R. J. Millar, J. Colhoun, L. J. King, J. C. Mortimer, F. G. Mackintosh, F. W. Thompson, A. J. Langlois, J. F. Mackay, T. P. Drumm, R. Dewar, A. J. W. Bock, E. D. Hattie, Elders, R. Scott, F. T. Murphy, Hon. J. G. Forbes, W. S. Clawson and C. B. Spear.

Married 34 Years. The Willing Workers' Society of the Leinster Street Baptist Church visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Campbell last evening, and made them a presentation, the occasion being the 34th anniversary of their wedding. The presentation was made by Rev. Wellington Camp. Afterwards refreshments were served.

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Spring Millinery Opening Continued Today in Millinery Salon

Grand Opening of Spring Costumes

The Best Ideas Approved by Fashion Experts Will be Featured at This Exhibit of the New Season's Styles Commencing This Morning

There is such a diversity of suit styles this spring that every woman will desire to study the new types fully in order to be able to select later with perfect good judgment.

At this opening an extensive array of modish costumes representing discrimination, taste and careful thought in selection is to be presented; and fashion, color, variety and beauty will all claim your appreciation.

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