

THE WEATHER

Toronto, June 6—Local thunderstorms have occurred in the western provinces but the weather is generally fair throughout the Dominion.

St. John	44	66
Dawson	38	82
Victoria	54	64
Calgary	42	82
Edmonton	48	78
Battleford	58	60
Medicine Hat	52	84
Winnipeg	48	68
Port Arthur	48	68
Quebec	42	72
Halifax	40	60

Forecast.

Maritime: light to moderate winds; fair, not much change in temperature.

Northern New England: Generally cloudy Tuesday; Wednesday fair, not much change in temperature; moderate variable winds.

AROUND THE CITY

FIRST WATERMELONS

The first watermelons of the season appeared in the city yesterday morning. The consignment was of fine class, but the prices are from \$2 to \$2.50 each.

MOTORISTS COMPLAIN

Some motorists are complaining that officers are not so careful in reporting teams who drive on the wrong side of the roads as they are about automobiles.

CALLS FOR INVESTIGATION

The discovery of three bottles hard stuff of superior quality in an ash barrel back of Doherty's saloon on Union street, has led to a demand for a "police court" explanation. The liquor was discovered by Sub-inspector Henderson.

WHO'S WHO?

The Canadian Publicity Company of Canada have started canvassing the city for the names of the eminent people who wish their names to appear in "Who's Who?" The company is represented in this city by Colonel C. H. McLean and J. Wilfred Tait who have canvassers at work interviewing persons.

CADET CORPS CAMP.

It was announced at military headquarters yesterday morning that the cadet camp would be held at Sussex from July 4 to 9 inclusive. The following corps will attend: St. John, Rothesay, Fredericton, Moncton, Saint-John, Dorchester and Sackville. On account of the shortage of funds the other corps in the province will not be able to participate, but it is reported that if sufficient funds are forthcoming for the entire provincial corps next season, those units which cannot go to camp this year will be given the preference.

AT EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE.

Rev. David Hutchinson, D. D., read a paper yesterday morning at a meeting of the Evangelical Alliance, an "Expository Preaching." The paper was listened to with attention and the writer was tendered a hearty vote of thanks. Rev. Mr. Henry, a theological student, who is stationed for the summer at St. John, was welcomed to the meeting. In the absence of the president, Rev. Jacob Healey, the chair was taken by Rev. Neil MacLachlan, collector of customs. Also present were Rev. Messrs. G. F. Dawson, S. Howard, A. L. Telford, J. H. Jenner, Isaac Brindley, E. E. Styles, S. F. Heustis, D. D., and J. C. B. Appel.

Dangerous Fires

Raging In Forests

Houses at Spruce Lake Were in Danger—Fires Raging in Other Sections.

Motorists who drove in the direction of Spruce Lake early last evening returned to the city with reports of a large conflagration. There was some excuse for the statement, as the fire burning in that district covered an area of one hundred acres and was accompanied by a heavy smoke, and as darkness fell, became quite spectacular.

Fortunately the fires were not of a destructive nature financially. They were set with a government permit by John O'Regan who adopted this means to clear a portion of his farm. The wind which rose during the night gave cause for some slight anxiety as it was thought that if it freshened the houses at Spruce Lake owned by Mr. O'Regan, by David McDermott, caretaker of the water works, and the Seren Mill House might be in danger.

Forty Acres

Another fire which broke out at eleven in the morning burned over between thirty and forty acres of timber land owned by J. M. Donovan at Silver Falls. Some valuable timber fell prey to its flames and considerable loss was experienced by Mr. Donovan. There was no means of fighting the fire, but it died down by night time and had practically burned itself out.

Sandy Point

A third fire on the old Pederson property at Sandy Point sprang up during the day and it died away by night. It was confined mostly to undergrowth and little loss will follow although the burned over land will present a very unsightly spectacle for some time. This fire had been burning from the 24th of May until the last rain storm, which completely drenched it. It sprang up again Sunday, however, and to all appearances it would seem that it had been deliberately kindled.

Lumber Market

At Very Low Ebb

Prices Now Prevailing Twenty-Five Per Cent. Lower Than Last Year.

The lumber market at present is very quiet, the prices prevailing now are 25 per cent. lower than those of this time last year with no market. Many logs are on the river banks, browed up along the shore and lying in the woods, as there is no money in sawing at the present state of affairs. Many small lumbermen who operated last winter find themselves up against it and cannot unload their stocks at any price. This is not only true of the small operators but also of a few of the larger ones who put men in the woods last winter, gambling on the outcome of the market this spring.

Many of the men who formerly worked at lumbering in the winter are now peeling pulp, but this market is also very quiet at present. A certain amount of lumber is moving but the great majority of it is for government contracts. Many of the lumbermen who formerly chose this means of livelihood are now anxious for employment at any price. In many cases the lumber companies have laid off their staff and are sitting tight waiting for the tide to turn and the proposed building programmes to materialize, and their stocks to move, on which action depends the living of many not now employed.

Rotary Club Hears

Railways Discussed

H. A. Powell, K. C. Gives Members An Enlightening Discussion on Ry. Situation

At the Rotary Club luncheon held at Bond's yesterday noon, H. A. Powell, K. C., was the speaker. Mr. Powell spoke on the railway situation in Canada, and in part said that the announcement of the minister of railways that the Government railway system of Canada had a deficit of about seventy million dollars on its last year's operations, started the country from coast to coast. While in 1895 the revenues of Canada, including the returns from the railways and all other sources approximated thirty-eight million dollars, and in this past year it shows a deficit of almost twice that amount, has a very disquieting effect coming on top of our enormous increase in public debt owing to the war.

The Intercolonial

The Intercolonial Railway was operated from 1876 to 1895 and showed a few years of the red ink; but after the purchase of the Drummond Railway in 1898, the government began the purchase of branch lines, beginning with the Canadian Eastern and ending with the acquisition of the Gloucester Railway, the taking over of these branch lines involving a very large increased expenditure both in capital and amount of wages, and these additions, it was pointed out, were one of the chief causes of the enormous deficit with which we are faced. The second cause is the acquisition of the Grand Trunk Pacific and the Canadian Northern Railways. Parts of these roads encroach on one another's territories and involve unnecessary cost and waste of material.

Another Factor

Also another factor, one that predominates in our own province are the miles of abandoned track about 100 miles of which we have in New Brunswick. Also in this province are examples of different railways paralleling one another. The Valley Railway parallels the C. P. R. at different points between Westfield and Fredericton and yet is from ten to twenty miles longer and built to the construction of an expensive trunk line when the cheapest construction, if any, were needed.

Third Factor

The third main factor is the increase of wages resulting from the adoption of the McCauley schedule of wages in the United States during the war. Some of the wages received by trainmen during the war were equal to three times the income paid college professors.

In concluding, Mr. Powell spoke of the labor unions in the old country and said that over five million people were affiliated with them and told of the difficulties they had to overcome to make livings for themselves and their families. But today, apparently, the stand of Great Britain's workmen is embarrassing the rest of his fellow citizens from him. When the war came upon us we had our labor problems, but in our hour of peril the labor question and all questions were cast aside and we arose as one and overthrew the foe.

GENERAL AGENT

COMING TO ST. JOHN

Ed. C. Warner of Sells Floto Circus Will Confer With City Fathers.

Acting upon information received in the city yesterday W. B. Naylor, general press representative of the Sells Floto circus got into telephone communication with Ed. C. Warner, the general agent of the circus in Montreal, and Mr. Warner will at once leave that city for St. John to confer with city commissioner Frink regarding the possibility of the circus showing upon the recently purchased Shamrock grounds on Monday, June 20th. There can be no question that many people would take in the circus if it gave its performances on this side of the water and a much larger crowd would be handled far easier.

The question will be settled immediately after Mr. Warner has seen the grounds and had his talk with the commissioners.

By-Law Regulating

Restaurant Stalls

Will be Given Its First Reading at Today's Session of City Council.

The first reading of the by-law regarding stalls in restaurants will be given at the meeting of the City Council this afternoon. Following is the by-law:

A law respecting "restaurants" in the City of Saint John.

Be it ordained by the City of Saint John in Common Council convened as follows:

1. The term "restaurant" when used in this by-law shall include eating houses and every description of place where food is supplied to the public other than a recognized hotel.
2. From and after thirty days from the passing of this by-law the use of stalls or other devices in any restaurant within the city by which persons may be screened from observation is strictly prohibited.
3. The owner or proprietor of any public restaurant who shall offend against this by-law shall be liable for every such offence to a penalty of twenty dollars, and in the case of a continuing offence to a further penalty of ten dollars for each day during which such offence shall be committed after the first conviction for the first offence.
4. The Chief of Police or any police officer, may at any time enter any such restaurant for the purpose of inspecting the same and ascertaining whether the provisions of this by-law are being carried out.
5. All fines, penalties and forfeitures imposed by this law shall and may be sued for, prosecuted and recovered with costs, in the name of the Chamberlain of the City of Saint John for the time being, before the Police Magistrate of the City of Saint John or sitting Magistrate at the Police Office in said city, as provided by the laws of this province, to be held and applied according to law and charter of the city; or by action of debt in any court of competent jurisdiction; and shall be levied by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the person upon whom the penalty shall be imposed; and for want of goods and chattels whereon to levy, the person shall be committed to the common goal of the City and County of Saint John for the term of twenty days.

Want To Transmit

Power Across City

West Side is to Get New Sewers — Gathering Plant for Brussels Street.

Commissioner Jones was authorized to go ahead with the construction of three sewers, Commissioner Frink to purchase supplies and equipment for the paving of Brussels street, an application for laying conduits received from the New Brunswick telephone Co., one from the York and Cornwall Cotton Mills for permission to transmit power from the Courtenay Bay power house to a fishing pier and one from the marine and fisheries department for land on which to extend the fish hatchery, at the meeting of the council yesterday morning in committee.

A communication from the department of marine and fisheries asking the city to grant and warrant for the extension of the ponds at the fish hatchery was referred to the commissioner of water and sewerage for a report.

Commissioner Jones reported that no renewals would be required on the Marsh Road at the present time, but suggested the building of a concrete conduit to carry the mains where the railway tracks across them near the one mile house. He will bring in a report showing the cost of the conduit.

New Sewers For Carleton.

Commissioner Jones was given authority yesterday to proceed with laying of sewers in Clarence street, West, at an estimated cost of \$750; Water street, West, cost \$600 and German street, West, cost \$400 all to be done by day work and paid for by bond issue.

Commissioner Frink presented a request from the New Brunswick Telephone Co. for permission to lay conduits in Duke street from Charlotte to Carmarthen, Carmarthen street from Duke to Queen, Haymarket Square from Brussels to Erin and from Erin to a point in Rothesay Avenue about 350 feet beyond the junction of Thorne Avenue and Rothesay Avenue. He referred to the commissioning of public works and road engineer for report.

Commissioner Frink moved that in view of the DeBury estate having expressed a willingness to deed to the city the street known as Metcalf street extension the engineer be requested to prepare plans for submission to the council and that the commissioner of public works be authorized to purchase from C. H. Dexter 20,000 granite paving blocks for use in Douglas Avenue.

STILL ALARM.

The fire department was called out at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon on a still alarm for a slight blaze in Fowler's Axe Factory, City road. Little damage was done.

SOMEWHAT BOISTEROUS

A party of laborers bound for the hydraulic work at Musquash became somewhat boisterous in the Imperial Cafe, King Square last evening and started a small disturbance. A hurry call was sent in for the strong arm squad, and things soon quieted down when Police Sergeant McLoose and Patrolman McElhenney appeared on the scene.

CRICKET MATCH

St. John Cricket Club will play a team from the R.M.S.P. Caraque on Barrack Green this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The St. John team is selected from the following players: Stegman (captain); King, Paritt, Young, Hawkins, Moffat, Davy, Keble, Wines, Richards, Parry, Heath and Kozinski.

Hospital Board

Conduct Business

Satisfactory Account Regarding Linen—Hospital is Not at Present Overcrowded.

A most satisfactory account of the linen at the General Public Hospital was given before the Board at their meeting yesterday afternoon. Miss Jessie Sandall reported that not a piece of linen is missing and although there has been some natural wear and tear the articles worn out have been replaced. The commissioners expressed themselves as much pleased with the improvement in the system of looking after the linen of the institution. The report of the Dietitian Miss Hinton was also satisfactory.

In the absence of M. E. Agar Joseph O'Brien presided. The report of the secretary, Dr. Hedden superintendent of the Hospital was taken up by a section and some matters of routine decided upon. Bills were passed.

On motion it was decided to pay the architect for expenses incurred in connection with the preparation of plans for a cottage to house nurses detailed for the epidemic. The epidemic and its cleaning or enlarging was dismissed at length.

Two old boilers have been removed from the Hospital and it was decided to fill the places where they stood with stone and concrete.

It was stated that the Hospital is not at present overcrowded, some 115 patients being in the institution. J. King Kelly was appointed to act in place of M. E. Agar on the committee appointed some time ago to arrange for emergency lighting in the Hospital.

Commissioners present were Joseph O'Brien, Hon. Dr. Roberts, Dr. G. R. J. Crawford, Colonel McMillan, Mrs. J. Verrier McMillan, J. King Kelly, W. E. Emerson.

One Prisoner With

Very Poor Memory

Got Liquor from Stranger for Unknown Friend—Prisoner Forfeited \$200.

"Was there a policeman on the Clinton corner?" "There was a letter box and a pole, and a lot of things, all mixed up, so I couldn't say, Your Honor." I got the liquor on Waterloo street from a stranger, and I was taking it to a friend, but I don't know his name," such was the evidence of Louis B. Christie, who, after pleading guilty to having liquor in his possession, the police court yesterday, was called on by the prosecutor, in the case of Charles Wetmore, of Mill street, charged with supplying the liquor.

An Early Hour Party.

Christie said he saw Wetmore with a party in the Star Cafe at some time after 1 o'clock Sunday morning, and that when he saw him go home in his car he hired a taxi and went down to see him about a fishing trip. Previous to that he had been on Waterloo street and bought a bottle of whiskey from a man at the Richmond street corner for \$5. He did not have a parcel when he went into Wetmore's nor when he came out. After he returned to the taxi he was arrested. He told the policeman he would assume all responsibility for the bottle of liquor found in the car.

Taxi Driver.

Fred Glynn, taxi driver, stated he was hired by the previous witnesses to take him down to Mill street, and his fare got out. Later he returned and a policeman stopped the car and put him under arrest. It was not till then that he noticed the parcel on the rear seat. Postponed till this afternoon at 2:30. Both Wetmore and Christie were remanded to jail. The magistrate told Wetmore he would let him out on a \$200 deposit, if he could raise the sum.

Forfeited \$200.

Harry Quinn, charged with having liquor in his possession failed to appear and forfeited a \$200 deposit. The forfeiture drew forth some derogatory remarks from the magistrate, who wondered how people could be such fools as to make a man so rich selling "rot gut" that he could let the \$200 go with a shrug, and the determination to "make up for it in the back shop before night."

W. M. Ryan conducted the prosecution in all the liquor cases. They were all undefended.

Gustave Langbein, the former secretary-treasurer of the Longshoremen's union, charged with the theft of money from his employer, was further remanded, as were three other prisoners.

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(Clothing Shop, Second Floor.)

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FROM BANGOR, ME. TO HAMPTON, K. C.

Two tourists, travelling light, who walked all the way from Bangor, Me., received a free trip on the C. N. R. yesterday as far as Hampton, and the Kings county jail. The two travellers it is alleged, passed at Oak Point long enough to borrow a salt case left in an unoccupied motor car. The owner, Mr. Moore, of Jerusalem, Kings county, advised Constable Perkins of his loss, and the officer overtook the hikers, walking along with the bag, at Woodman's Point. He arrested the pair and gave them a ride as far as the local lockup Saturday night, and then finished off the tour yesterday, when the trip was completed in the suburban town.

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CLIFTON HOUSE. ALL MEALS 60C.

Daniel Mullin, K.C., left last evening for Fredericton, where he will attend the Court of Appeal.

CUSTOMS ACT CHANGES.

C. B. Lockhart, collector of customs has received the following notice:—

Ottawa, June 4, 21.

Collector of Customs and Excise, St. John, N. B.

Change in customs act effective on and after sixth instant provides that no reduction shall be allowed in excess of fifty per cent. of value of proclaimed currencies and that when rates of exchange are adverse to Canada value for duty shall be computed at premium of exchange. In determining such value local bank rate of exchange at date of shipment may be taken.

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