POOR DOCUMENT

MC 2035

The Evening Times ★ Star

VOL. XVI., No. 125 | ST. JOHN, N. B., THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1920 | TWELVE PAGES—ONE CENT

HIT AGAIN BY HEAVY SNOWFALL

Record Far Beyond That of Last Winter

Large Sleighs Temporarily Take Place of Cars on the Glen Falls Route — Effect of Storm on Railways.

After establishing a cold weather record the winter of 1910-20 seems bent on making a new mark for heavy snowfall. To date approximately eighty-five inches have fallen, while during the whole of last winter only fifty-six inches fell. During this month alone fifty inches fell, and from the middle to the end of January thirty-two inches fell. During the storm yesterday seven and a half inches of snow fell, and the wind varied in velocity from thirty to forty miles an hour.

SLEIGHS TAKE PLACE OF CARS

The days of the old horse car will be recalled by many in the city through the coming of Old Dobbin into his own once again in the transfer service of the N. B. Power Co., at Glen Falls. Two large double sleighs have been engaged and the company will give an hourly service to the people along the Glen Falls route this way. This has been made necessary by the storms of late. A flooding of the tracks occurred before the storm of a week or so ago, and before the snowfall of yesterday came it had been impossible to pick out the ice, or to open the line much beyond the One Mile House.

The storm of yesterday caused a tie-up for a time in passenger service on the railways. Added to their troubles on the C. P. R., was the derailment of an express car at the Cantilever bridge and the blocking of the line which followed prevented the Montreal and Boston trains from leaving the city until about six o'clock this morning. The Montreal 4.20 train got away on time. A derailment on the C. N. R. at Norton delayed the Halifax train due at 5.35 last evening until about 11.40 p.m. The suburban train due to leave at 5.15 p.m. and the Sussex at 6.10 p.m. did not get out till about 9 o'clock. The late Halifax left about forty minutes behind schedule, while the late suburban due to leave about 10.30 p.m. did not pull out until about 11.55 o'clock. The C. N. R. due at 9.30 p.m., had the storm against it all the way to St. John and did not reach the city until about 4 o'clock this morning.

The trains were late in arriving again today, the Boston being reported five hours and the Montreal two hours late. Service on the C. N. R. was much improved. The main lines were reported all clear and men were engaged in cleaning the snow from the sidings. This was not such a difficult proceeding as in the recent storms when the tracks were coated with ice.

Street Cars

The street railway this morning was operating regular service to West St. John, regular service on the main line, red and green, one car on Fairville route, regular service on Haymarket square route and expected to have the Queen square loop line in West St. John in operation this afternoon; also service to East St. John.

Regarding Glen Falls, Mr. Hopper said that it was the intention to employ two large double teams and operate the Glen Falls service by team, teams leaving each end of the line on the hour from 7 o'clock in the morning until 7 o'clock at night, and it was expected to inaugurate this service at 1.10 o'clock this afternoon. The sleigh would leave Haymarket at 5.10 p.m., so as to enable the people through work at 5 p.m. to catch it.

Telephones

Except in their toll lines to Moncton, the storm did not greatly hamper the work of the N. B. Telephone Co. The local damage was about normal. There are still about 300 lines in the city out of order from the previous storms, but repairs are going on as rapidly as possible.

Fifty Miles an Hour.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 26—Following a dull day with rain, the wind shifting to the southwest last evening, and at 11 o'clock was blowing fifty miles an hour. There was a decided decrease in the temperature and the barometer recorded the lowest mark of the sason.

Heavy at Yarmouth.

Yarmouth, N. S., Feb. 26—Another terrific gale, accompanied by thick snow, swept over Yarmouth last night. The barometer fell to 29.4, which is one-tenth lower than the reading previous to the big blow a week ago. All along the waterfront shipping was tied up tight, and the steamer Northland, ready to sail for Boston, was held at her dock.

Boston Report.

Boston, Feb. 26—Northern New England last night struggled to emerge from a snow blanket spread by yesterday's blizzard. From Maine and New Hampshire came reports of another tie-up. Transportation lines and some towns were said to be completely snowed under.

Boston & Maine railroad officials said the conditions were the worst within their memory, the blockade extending from Revere to the Canadian border. Service over the Portland division of the railroad was practically at a standstill. Street railway companies in northern Massachusetts were also tied up and the Boston, Revere Beach & Lynn Railroad was forced to suspend service early in the afternoon. Drifting snow and frozen switches were responsible.

A pavilion at the Revere Beach summer resort crumpled under the weight

(Continued on page 2, fifth column)

NO ARRESTS.

No one was arrested last night and the police court sheet was marked "nil" this morning.

Give Us A Premier Is Cry At Ottawa

Put Names In a Hat, But Get One

What Does "Moderate Protection" Mean, is Query — Members Await Announcement of Government Policy — Parliament Opened This Afternoon.

(Special to Times.)

Ottawa, Feb. 26—From the maritime provinces to British Columbia the great majority of senators and members have arrived in Ottawa. Most are delighted to see the progress made in the new parliament buildings, though some express amazement that, in the unfinished state of the building, the use of it for parliament should not have been delayed for another session. That complaint was heard mostly two days ago but has been rapidly diminishing as every hour demonstrated the progress being made by the workers towards getting everything in shipshape.

"This may be my last session and I would like to spend it in this building," said one member frankly, and there is no doubt that this attitude and feeling has led the government to rush the work against the wishes of architect, contractor and workmen.

Your correspondent has talked with many Unionist members from east and west as to the political situation. Among those who were frankly critical of the government last session he finds still a tendency to give the union government a chance. Prominent among these are members who last session disagreed with the government on the budget, but voted with them on the promise that something would be done this session. They say that something has to be done this session and one or two said that they were waiting to find out what the government means by "moderate protection."

"What about the leadership?" this man was asked. "Well, I think we could put half a dozen names in a hat, shake them up and have some boy draw one. We would be sure to get a result that would be better than this absentee premier business. I for one will insist in caucus that we must have a premier on the job."

The Speech.

(Canadian Press.)

Ottawa, Feb. 26—The speech from the throne was as follows:

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate; Gentlemen of the House of Commons.

I congratulate you that after an enforced absence of four years, it is possible for you to assemble in your new legislative home, resting in trustful security upon the old foundations and surrounded by the picturesque and historic setting of Parliament Hill. Though not entirely completed, its noble proportions, its wide and convenient spaces, its beauty of design and chasteness of finish and its unique situation, mark it as a most striking and dignified structure, worthy of the people whose national life it will henceforth serve.

Since the last session of parliament events of importance have taken place which have brought appreciably nearer the much desired settlements of peace. Following the exchange of the final ratifications, the treaty of peace between the allied powers and Germany has been brought into full force and effect and has rendered possible the constitution of the League of Nations and the establishment by it of the various commissions and mandatories authorized by the treaty to be carried out under its direction. It is satisfactory to note that the status of Canada as a member of the league has thus been definitely fixed.

The treaty of peace with Bulgaria has been concluded, and will be submitted for your approval. Negotiations for the conclusion of treaties of peace with Hungary and Turkey are now well advanced and, if concluded in time, will be laid before you during the present session of parliament.

The first meeting of the international labor conference, in accordance with the provisions of the treaty of peace, was held in Washington in October and November of last year, and was attended by representatives of my government and of the Canadian employers and employes' organizations. It will be gratifying to learn that Canada was selected as one of the twelve governments whose countries are entitled to representation on the governing board of the international labor office.

When the remaining treaties shall have been concluded and the functions of the League of Nations and the various tribunals authorized thereby become fully operative, it is confidently hoped that the end will have been reached of the confusion and uncertainty consequent upon the long and regrettable delay in bringing into operation the provisions of the treaty and an effective beginning made in the improvement of national conditions and the adjustment of international relations which will ensure the continued blessings of peace.

The Soldiers.

The forces which Canada contributed to the war have now nearly all been returned and mostly demobilized and the great majority have resumed the avocations and again become active and important factors in civil life.

The department of soldiers' civil re-establishment and the soldiers' land settlement board continue to provide vocational training and opportunities for permanent occupation which greatly aid in the solution of the problem of readjustment, whilst the work of the labor employment bureaus and the helpful service of the Canadian patriotic association in administering the emergency fund provided by parliament, have materially assisted in solving the problem of temporary non-employment.

In the European economic field clear vision is still impossible and the unsettled state of exchange, the lack of international credits and the inflation of paper currency, combined with the scarcity of raw materials and the demoral-

(Continued on page 2, sixth column)

BEER WAR IN NEW JERSEY

Prediction of "Rum Revolution" Over Bill Passed by the Legislature.

New York, Feb. 26—Open physical warfare between the "wet" and "dry" forces in New Jersey is predicted by leaders in the prohibition movement as a result of the passage of the 3.50 per cent beer bill by the New Jersey assembly on Tuesday.

Beer will be sold in the state next week, these leaders assert, and they added that there would begin disorder and a class between federal and state authorities similar to the Iron River, Mich., "rum revolution."

Officers of the anti-saloon league of New Jersey charged that Christain W. Fiegenspan, a brewer of Newark, had $1,750,000 worth of beer ready and that large quantities of this would probably be placed on sale in New Jersey as soon as the bill is signed by Governor Edwards. The senate will vote on the measure on Monday and the bill may be ready for his signature by night.

EUROPEAN AFFAIRS

London, Feb. 26—The supreme council today was to take up President Wilson's reply on the Adriatic question, and if a rejoinder is necessary the council will attempt to formulate it immediately because the members hope to end the London session on Saturday.

Owing to the necessity of Premier Nitti's presence in Rome and the activities of other members, the council did not complete the Turkish treaty. All points have been settled in principle, but many details are being arranged. The documents probably will be left with the ambassadors' conference in Paris. It has been decided not to make public the decisions piecemeal.

WILL KEEP BRITISH FORCE AT BATUM.

Constantinople, Feb. 26—Decision to withdraw British troops from Batum, which was recently announced, has been cancelled, according to information received here.

MACKENZIE KING CONGRATULATES ASQUITH

Ottawa, Feb. 26—Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King has cabled "hearty congratulations" to Right Hon. H. H. Asquith on his victory in Paisley.

CANADIAN PITCHERS TO NEW YORK AMERICANS

New York, Feb. 26—Two Canadian rookie pitchers have joined the New York Americans. Ralph Miller, a southpaw from Regina, and Chester Murphy, a right hander, who was a member of a Winnipeg club last season. Bob Shawkey, veteran pitcher, has signed with the Yankees.

PRESIDENT COVEY SUSPENDS PLAYER.

Halifax, Feb. 26—Hugh McKinnon of the Dalhousie hockey team has been suspended by President Covey of the M. P. A. A. U. "pending investigation" of charges of professionalism preferred. The suspension of McEachren and MacNeill of the Dalhousie sextette is confirmed.

INFLUENZA REPORTS

Montreal, Feb. 25—Influenza figures for today are the lowest since February 6, being 108, with 32 deaths. Dr. S. Boucher, city medical officer, states that statistics are running this year much the sameway as they did in the 1918 epidemic, though the present outbreak is nowhere near as serious as that one.

Orilla, Ont., Feb. 26—The schools here will be re-opened next Monday, and the ban on places of amusement and general assemblages be lifted.

CONSCERATION OF THE BISHOP OF JAMAICA

New York, Feb. 26—Simple services yesterday marked the consecration of the Very Rev. William F. O'Hara of Boston as Bishop of Jamaica, British West Indies, at the Jesuit Church of St. Ignatius Loyola.

Tie Game

London, Feb. 26—(Canadian Press)—A Northern Union Cup replay between Wakefield at St. Helens yesterday resulted in a tie, two all.

Go to Newfoundland.

Halifax, Feb. 26—The Halifax G. W. V. A. hockey team will leave tomorrow night for St. John's, Nfld., to play the star team of that city.

BURIED TODAY.

The funeral of William McMonagle took place this morning from his late residence, Sheriff street to St. Peter's church where requiem high mass was celebrated by Rev. Edward Scully, C. SS. R. Interment was made in the new Catholic cemetery. Relatives were pallbearers.

The funeral of Murray C. Allen, three-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Allen, Hilyard street, was held this afternoon from his parents' residence. Service was conducted by Rev. Neil MacLauchlan and interment took place in Fernhill.

DEATH OF CHILD.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kelliher of Watson street, West Side, will sympathize with them in the loss of their little daughter, Josephine, aged five years and eleven months. Besides her parents she leaves three brothers and six sisters. The funeral will take place on Saturday afternoon from the residence of her parents.

Major Daleymple, sent to clean up liquor matters at Iron River, Michigan, was recalled by Washington to confer with the prohibition commissioner.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam, "how long before the sap will be running?"

"From the maple trees—or from the molasses hogsit?" queried Hiram.

"The maples, of course," said the reporter.

"Well," said Hiram, "they're alwus a lap or two behind the other—an' I s'pose on account o' the hard winter they may be a little late this year. Was you wantin' some maple sugar?"

"I want a change of some sort," said the reporter. "I've gone stale. My meals seem to lack flavor. My brain is befogged. I can sit and look out of the window or into the fire and not care whether the mill grinds or not. Now if I could come out to the sugar woods and drink some sap from a rock-maple—the real old sweet kind—and help you make some sugar—and boil down a pot to candy—and cool it on the snow—and wander around among the trees, with the snow about up to my knees—I think I could come back again and discuss the shortcomings of my neighbors with as much relish as ever."

"Well, sir," said Hiram, "I'll let you know when the sap's runnin' good, an' you kin git off fer a day an' come out to the Settlement. Hanner was wondern' the other night when you was comin' to see us. She's been keepin' a few things in the sullar an' the pantry that'll do you good. I've bed that tired feelin' myself afore now. Makes you kind o' feel as if you'd like to give the fust feller that spoke to you a biff on the nose. It aint unusual at this season, but we got the cure out to the Settlement. You come along an' Hanner—she'll be the doctor."

"I thank you," said the reporter. "You are as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land."

DRASTIC ACTION

Embargo on Trading in Securities From Countries Outside of Canada.

(Canadian Press.)

Toronto, Feb. 26—An embargo on trading in stocks, bonds or other securities from countries outside of Canada will go into effect today. This drastic action has been taken by the financial interests of the dominion, at the request of Sir Henry Drayton, minister of finance, in order to protect the home securities market.

Trading with American exchanges for cash will thus come to an end for the time being, though there is no restriction against buying on margins except that imposed by adverse exchange. Action was forced by the flooding of the Canadian security market with bonds and stocks from Britain, under which the sellers reaped a handsome profit owing to the premium on the Canadian dollar.

ONTARIO LUMBERMEN ON TAXATION MATTERS.

Hamilton, Ont., Feb. 26—The Ontario Retail Lumbermen's Association at its annual meeting yesterday passed a resolution calling for the abolition of the excess profits tax and supporting the income tax.

Halifax Clearings Smaller.

Halifax, Feb. 26—Bank clearings for this week were $3,750,076.45; in 1919, $4,256,132.99.

Phelix and Pherdinand

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stewart, director of meterological service.

Synopsis—The important disturbance which was south of the Bay of Fundy yesterday morning has now reached Newfoundland. It has caused another very heavy gale in the maritime provinces, attended by snow and rain. Elsewhere in Canada, except in eastern Quebec, where snow has fallen, the weather has been fair and for the most part quite cold.

Fair and Colder.

Maritime—West and northwest gales, decreasing tonight; fair and much colder today and on Friday.

Gulf and North Shore—Gales west to northwest, clearing and colder; Friday, fair and cold.

New England—Fair and continued cold tonight and on Friday; fresh west to northwest winds.

Toronto, Feb. 26—Temperatures:

Stations.	8 a. m.	Highest Yesterday.	Lowest During Night.
Prince Rupert	28	46	40
Victoria	36	50	34
Kamloops	28	*3	26
Calgary	28	30	28
Edmonton	28	32	26
Prince Albert	..	18	..
Winnipeg	*14	6	*22
White River	*20	6	*22
Sault Ste. Marie	*4	8	*6
Toronto	0	8	0
Kingston	*2	24	*4
Ottawa	*2	24	*2
Montreal	2	28	0
Quebec	6	24	6
St. John	16	28	16
Halifax	26	42	24
St. John's, Nfld.	34	36	32
Detroit	2	22	0
New York	16	36	16

*Below zero.

First Speech Likely To Be on Irish Bill

Asquith Probably Will Take Seat on Monday

Liberal Leader's Great Victory at Paisley Outstanding Subject of Comment in Motherland — Many Requests for Daughter to Run for Commons.

(Canadian Press.)

London, Feb. 26—All political questions are for the moment completely eclipsed by former Premier Asquith's triumphant return to parliament by a majority the size of which astonished everybody, including his own supporters. The result is universally recognized as a notable personal achievement, even for a statesman of Mr. Asquith's long record, while the restoration of his presence and influence in the counsels of parliament is held to be an event destined to have important consequences in the politics of Great Britain, and probably the world.

Politicians of all parties talked of nothing yesterday but the possibilities opened by his active resumption of leadership of the opposition, which, it is generally conceded, he will take over forthwith from Sir Donald MacLean, whose tenure has always been regarded as more or less temporary. It is understood that Mr. Asquith will take his seat in the house on next Monday, and he is assured a hearty ovation, if only on personal grounds, and will probably make his first speech next week during the debate on the second reading of the Irish bill.

Most newspapers heartily welcome the return of the great Liberal leader, even those which opposed him politically having good words for him. Their views as to the significance of his election, however, differ widely, it being variously declared to be due, among other things, to growing popular disgust with the coalition government, popular hostility to the Labor programme of nationalization, which Mr. Asquith emphatically condemns, and reawakening Liberalism. Among other causes submitted by the press as accounting for the former premier's big majority, is the vote cast by women, it being contended, on one hand, that women are afraid of the Labor movement, and, on the other hand, that they are irritated by the high prices which they are disposed to attribute to the present government.

Want Daughter as Member.

It is admitted that the energies of Lady Bonham-Carter, Mr. Asquith's daughter, substantially helped in gaining victory for her father, and it is announced that as a result of the revelation the election afforded her political ability, she has received seven separate invitations to become a candidate for parliament, though she has as yet accepted none of them.

THE FIGHT FOR THE PRESIDENCY

General Wood Carries Battle Into Ohio for Republican Nomination.

Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 26—Major-General Wood late yesterday formally entered Ohio to contest with United States Senator Warren G. Harding not only the choice as the Republican nominee for president, but also for Ohio's forty-eight delegates to the Chicago convention. His declaration of candidacy was filed with the secretary of state by John Price, his Ohio campaign manager.

At the same time, James R. Garfield of Cleveland also filed his declaration as a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination. Mr. Garfield's candidacy is understood to be only for the purpose of giving Wood candidates for delegates a chance to express their second choice as required by the Ohio primary law.

ALIENS HERE FOR DEPORTATION

A carload of "undesirable aliens" reached the city this morning on the early C. P. R. train from Montreal, being brought here under escort from Vernon, B. C., to be deported to Europe as has been done with the "Reds" across the border. There will be two more carloads arriving tonight or tomorrow via the C. N. R. from Kapuskasing, Ont., a large internment camp. All will be placed aboard the steamer Melita and sent across.

It was not definitely clear today whether all these people had been interned during the war, but the impression was that while some of them may have been, many of them were gathered in during the last few months in the west. Many of the aliens who represented several different nationalities were accompanied by their wives or families. Few of them appeared of the rough, uneducated type and most were quite well dressed.

WHY MINISTER IS LEAVING THE METHODIST BODY

(Canadian Press.)

Hamilton, Ont., Feb. 26—Rev. F. W. Hollinrake, who is to withdraw at the end of the present year as pastor of the Barton street Methodist church here and also from the Methodist denomination, yesterday issued a statement giving his reasons. He believes in premillenialism, which, he says, the Methodist church seeks to wipe out as a noxious weed. The church, he thinks, is too much encumbered with machinery which hampers spiritual development. He does not approve of the Methodist church's social service work. The forward movement he calls the last straw.

"The devil," Rev. Mr. Hoolinrake says, "is not alarmed at any or all drives for money, but put on a determined, prayerful drive for souls and see him show his rage."

BOARD PLANS TO COMPEL PRICE BROTHERS OBEY

Ottawa, Feb. 26—(Canadian Press)—The Board of Commerce has made through its counsel, Col. O. M. Biggar, tentative application in the exchequer court of Canada to issue a summons calling on Price Bros., Quebec newsprint manufacturers, to send one of its responsible partners to give evidence at a hearing on Saturday morning in the newsprint case.

Aime Geoffrion, K. C., counsel for Price Bros., telephoned Col. Biggar that he had advised his clients to obey the summons.

REACH PALESTINE

Band of 634 Eager Jews From South Russia Land at Jaffa.

New York, Feb. 26—A band of 634 Jews from southern Russia, who pooled every cent of their savings to charter a steamer at Odessa with the three million roubles they raised, have landed at Jaffa, in Palestine, according to a despatch made public by the Zionist organ of America. It was stated that the entire Jewish community of Jaffa greeted this, the first large group of Jews reported to have reached Palestine, as the advance guard of a "world mass" migration of Jews to the Holy Land.

QUEBEC BONSPIEL.

Quebec, Feb. 26—The field in the curling bonspiel for the Senator trophy has now narrowed down to four clubs, and three will take part in the semi-finals today at the Quebec curling rink. Only one Montreal rink has reached the semi-finals out of nine, while all the local rinks have been eliminated.

Renfrew No. 1 won by default over Sherbrooke No. 2. Sherbrooke No. 1 also lost by default to Renfrew No. 2.

U. N. B. AND ACADIA TEAMS TO PLAY TONIGHT.

Fredericton, Feb. 26—U. N. B. and Acadia will clash here tonight in the crucial game of the western section of the Intercollegiate Hockey League. Frank Brown of Moncton will be referee.

PASSENGER SHIPS TO OPERATE WITH C. G. RAILWAYS

Hon. Mr. Ballantyne and D. B. Hanna to Confer in Ottawa Next Week.

Ottawa, Feb. 26—(By Canadian Press)—Suggested plans for the construction of government passenger steamers, it is understood, are to be discussed at a conference between Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, minister of marine and fisheries, and D. B. Hanna, president of the Canadian National Railways, in Ottawa next week. For some weeks the government has had the construction of passenger ships under consideration. The type in view is the one class passenger ship of 15,000 gross tons with a speed of eighteen knots. When the programme is decided it is intended to place the orders in Canada.

Should passenger ships be built, they would be operated in connection with the Canadian Government Railways.

BRITISH CABINET IS DELVING INTO H. C. L. PROBLEM

(Canadian Press.)

London, Feb. 25—Parliamentary Under Secretary McCurdy of the food ministry announced last night that the cabinet had under consideration not only food control but the whole problem of high prices and profits. The government was endeavoring to find out the facts and place them fully and frankly before the public. He had every confidence that a policy would be found which would, without unnecessary interference, certainly without injury to the interests of British trade, provide an adequate remedy for such evils as may be disclosed.

CAILLAUX IN HIS DEFENCE.

Paris, Feb. 26—At his trial yesterday former Premier Caillaux forsook the defensive and assumed the offensive while explaining his activities in Italy.

"I swear to the members of the high court," he said, "that I had not the slightest political aim when I went to Italy. I never had a political aim throughout the war. But several times I had the belief that we must prepare for peace."

To the charge that he approached the Vatican with a request that the Central Empires be sounded as to peace, Caillaux replied.

"Never have I set foot inside the Vatican in my life."

"I was in favor of the great offensive in the spring of 1917," he said, "but I always held that it must be conducted with the utmost energy, or otherwise it would fail. I am still convinced that had the offensive been pushed with all possible means at our command we would have been successful and achieved a victorious peace."

FIGHT AT POLLS IN FREDERICTON

Ald. J. A. Reid Out for Mayoralty on Ticket With Five Candidates for Aldermen's Chairs.

(Special to Times.)

Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 26—Civic politics in Fredericton has taken on activity. It is announced that Ald. J. A. Reid has consented to be a candidate for the mayoralty on condition that a full ticket of five aldermen also be placed in the field. Alderman Reid took this action as the result of a largely signed requisition. The prospective aldermanic ticket announced as in support of Ald. Reid is:—Kings ward, Stewart Neill; Queens, George H. Clark; Carleton, W. B. McLellan; St. Ann's, Ald. F. L. Cooper; Wellington, R. B. Vandine.

The candidature of Messrs. McLellan and Vandine is not certain yet. Mr. McLellan is out of the city, but Mr. Vandine is expected to give his reply today. The entire ticket as announced is well received. Alderman Cooper is the only aldermanic candidate who has served previously at the city council.

The nomination of Alderman Reid for mayor creates a vacancy in King's ward. This will necessitate a bye-election, which it is believed will not take place at the time of the civic election, March 8. The nomination of Mr. Neill makes a contest in King's ward likely.

The nomination of Alderman Reid and a full aldermanic ticket is not the work of any fixed organization in the city, but is the result of a general desire that the city council be as strong a body as possible, as the next two years are to be important.

The mayoralty nomine is vice-president and manager of the Hartt Boot and Shoe Co. He is a native of Cookshire, Que., and came to Fredericton some fifteen years ago.

J. Stewart Neil is a member of J. S. Neill & Sons, and of Fredericton Motor Sales Ltd. G. H. Clark is with J. Clark & Son, Ltd. W. B. McLellan is a member of the Palmer McLellan Shoe Pack Company, Ltd. Ald. F. L. Cooper has been an alderman for two years; he is in the insurance business. R. V. Vandine is a boot and shoe merchant.

Chas. E. Norrad of Boiestown and Miss Gladys E. Macbean of Taymouth were married on Wednesday afternoon in the George street Baptist church by Rev. Z. L. Fash. They will make their home in Boiestown.

A delegation of school teachers has waited upon the Fredericton school trustees and asked for salary increases to date from January 1. Notice also was given that before renewing contracts teachers would press for the scale set by the N. B. Teachers' Association, which probably will be advanced twenty-five per cent.

The Department of Health received one report today concerning influenza. Grand Manan reports forty cases with fifteen convalescing.

The provincial government concluded its meeting this morning and the majority of the members left for St. John by C. P. R.

CAPT. R. A. MAJOR HAS RESIGNED

Going to Hamilton and Gives up Post With 62nd—Capt. H. G. Ashford Successor.

Much regret has been expressed by many friends about the city at the news of the resignation of Capt. R. A. Major, M. C., from the post of adjutant of the 62nd New Brunswick Battalion, which he has capably filled since its reorganization some months ago. He is expecting to remove to Hamilton, Ont., early next month to enter into business. He and Mrs. Major are very popular among the young people in the social sphere in St. John and will be greatly missed but heartiest wishes will follow them to their new home. Captain Major is a former 26th Battalion officer with a most enviable record from the other side and his removal will mean a distinct loss in militia circles in these parts.

His successor will be Capt. H. G. Ashford, also a former 26th Battalion officer, lately in Moncton with the D. S. C. R. He will be welcomed by many old friends in this city.

W. C. PITFIELD ADDED TO THE DIRECTORATE

Ottawa, Feb. 26—The Ottawa Light, Heat and Power Company, Limited, at its annual meeting elected two new directors, the new directorate containing ten names instead of eight as formerly. The two new men are W. C. Pitfield, of the Royal Securities Corporation, Montreal, and Abner Kingman, also of Montreal.

Asked as to the reason for the addition of these two men, officials of the company said that a considerable portion of the stock of the company is held in Montreal, and it was thought desirable to give this stock representation.

STRIKE TIES UP MANY TRANSATLANTIC SHIPS.

Buenos Aires, Feb. 26—Forty transatlantic steamers and hundreds of coastal boats are still held up by the strike of tugboat crews. Half a million tons of cereals for export are stored in port warehouses. The shipping companies have put the responsibility up to the government, but no settlement is in sight.

BANK CLEARINGS

St. John bank clearings for this week were $2,791,244; last year, $2,198,316; in 1918, $1,876,139.