

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Moderate winds, showers and local thunderstorms, but partly fair and warm.

Toronto, Aug. 18.—Showers and thunderstorms have occurred today in southern and eastern Ontario and Quebec, and rain is settling in tonight over the Maritime Provinces. In the west the weather has been fair.

Temperatures.

Table with 3 columns: Location, Min., Max. Includes entries for Victoria, Vancouver, Kamloops, Edmonton, Calgary, Swift Current, Moose Jaw, Winnipeg, Port Arthur, Parry Sound, London, Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John.

WOMEN OF ST. JOHN PREPARE TO AID MEN BOUND TO FRONT

Red Cross Society reorganized at meeting in Prince William Hotel—Soldiers' Wives' League to take active part—Women's Canadian Club.

The division of the Red Cross Society in St. John was reorganized here yesterday afternoon at a general meeting in the Prince William Hotel. The meeting had been called by Lady Tilley and those present showed much enthusiasm for the work. The society was organized during the Boer war and proved of great benefit in supplying bandages and other materials for the soldiers at the front. Many ladies joined the organization yesterday. The fee for membership was placed at twenty-five cents until some time when more definite work is arranged. At the present time the society will provide socks for the soldiers. The officers were selected as follows:

Patroness, Mrs. Wood; honorary president, Lady Tilley; president, Mrs. Robert Thomson; second vice president, Mrs. J. H. Prink; third vice president, Mrs. Murray McLaren; fourth vice president, Mrs. D. McLellan; secretary, Miss Alice Walker; treasurer, Miss A. Armstrong. The members of the general committee are: Mrs. J. D. Hazen, Mrs. James Harding, Mrs. L. C. Allison, Mrs. H. A. McKeown, Mrs. Silas Alward, Mrs. Alex. Jardine, Mrs. L. P. D. Tilley, Mrs. Kubring, Mrs. M. W. Doherty, Mrs. J. Roy Campbell, Mrs. R. O'Brien, Mrs. James Jack, Miss Murray, Mrs. John E. Moore, Mrs. Vassie, Mrs. Guy Fitz-Randolph, Mrs. T. E. G. Armstrong, Mrs. J. V. Ellis, Mrs. Franklin Stinson, Mrs. T. McLaren, Mrs. J. F. Hardig, Mrs. J. M. Robinson, Mrs. F. W. Daniel, Mrs. A. W. Adams, Mrs. W. D. Foster, Mrs. E. R. Taylor, Mrs. F. Kenney, Mrs. John Travis, Miss Mabel Peters, Miss Eliza Peters, Mrs. H. A. Powell, Miss Lillian Hazen, Mrs. A. W. Carr, Mrs. F. S. White, Mrs. Edward Sears, Miss Annie Kaye, Mrs. D. A. Pugsley, Miss Tingley, Miss A. S. Hegan.

AROUND THE CITY

Violated Market Laws.

Special Police Officer Dawes in the country market has reported William Fitzpatrick for unlawfully occupying a stand in the market without the same being assigned to him.

Fr. Conway's Picnic.

More than three hundred went from St. John to attend Father Conway's picnic at Chipman yesterday. The City Corbett Band went along with the excursion which left here at 7.30 a. m. and returned at 11.30 p. m. All reported a very pleasant time.

Acknowledges Kindness.

Sir Alfred Bateman, president of the Dominion Royal Commission, has written to the local Board of Trade, from Charlottetown thanking the president and secretary for their labor in the preparation of evidence, and the board for kindness shown during the commission's visit to the province.

The I. O. G. T.

The forty-fourth annual session of Grand Lodge, I. O. G. T., opened yesterday at Clayton's Hall, Haymarket Square, E. N. Stockford presiding. No information as to business transacted was obtainable by a representative of The Standard, who was present to report the proceedings.

Will Retain Their Insurance.

D. M. Manks, the local secretary of the insurance department of the Knights of Pythias, received word yesterday through Dr. P. A. Godsoe, who is at present attending the session of the Supreme Lodge in Winnipeg, that all soldiers holding insurance certificates in the Knights will retain their membership and their insurance will not be affected in any way.

Taken Suddenly Ill.

David Evans, baggage master on the Pacific express, became suddenly ill while handling baggage in the Union station last evening. He fell to the floor of his car and later was removed to the General Public Hospital. He was suffering from a hemorrhage and was almost unconscious when taken to the hospital. This morning he was able to be resting quite comfortably.

PERSONAL.

H. B. Short, mayor of Digby, was in the city yesterday. Mr. G. S. Mayas was a passenger to the city yesterday on the Montreal train.

CHILDREN TO HAVE BIG DAY

Public closing exercises of Supervised Playgrounds to be carried out on Friday afternoon.

More than one thousand children, it is expected, will be present in the Shamrock grounds on Friday afternoon when the formal closing of the supervised playgrounds of the city will take place. This is the first time in the history of the movement that the children of the different grounds have united for a grand closing and particular attention has been given to the arrangement of the programme.

The children who have enjoyed the different playgrounds throughout the city will assemble in King street east and headed by a band will parade to the Shamrock grounds. In the parade will be motor trucks with different playground attractions in full swing, and it is expected that the city fathers will also be in an automobile at the head of the procession.

After reaching the Shamrock grounds each playground will have a tent of its own. These will be suitably decorated in the distinctive colors and arranged with samples of playground work. C. D. Howard, general supervisor of playgrounds, and the supervisors and assistants have had the children in training for the closing programme for some time, and it is expected that the programme will be successfully carried out. It will include drills, marches, folk dances and games. Those at the head of the playground organization have been untiring in their efforts to make the closing a success, and it is hoped that citizens in general will take advantage of the opportunity of seeing for themselves just what the playgrounds have been doing for the children of the city.

"DAN" HEYWOOD GOES TO FRONT

Popular employee of The Standard joins the Corps of Guides for active service.



PRIVATE "DAN" HEYWOOD.

Daniel Heywood, who will be one of St. John's representatives at the front with the Guides, left last evening for Hampton, where the volunteers for the Guides for foreign service will assemble and train until called upon to assemble with the other Canadian troops.

Private Heywood, who has for several years been in the employ of The Standard, has had an interesting career as a soldier of the Queen. He saw active service in South Africa, India and China during the Boer rebellion. He was a private in the Royal Artillery. He was at one time in the garrison at Halifax and also saw service at Quebec. After his discharge from the British army he went to Western Canada where he became a member of the Northwest Mounted Police and was one of the representatives of that body at the coronation of King George V. After leaving the police he came to St. John and entered the employ of The Standard. When the call for volunteers for foreign service came Private Heywood was among the first to respond. He, with one other St. John man from this city's representative in this corps. While a resident of St. John Mr. Heywood has made many friends and they will wish him the best of luck in the campaign upon which he is now entering.

The thorough man of business wants a thorough business typewriter. The Smith Premier is the latest thing. A. Milne Fraser, (J. A. Little, Mgr.), 27 Dock street, St. John, N. B.

The Last Week. For bargains that are bargains at Bassens' biggest merchandise sale at 207 Union street, Opera House block.

HARVESTERS GOING WEST

First excursion last night took about 1200 to work in Western grain fields.

The annual call for laborers for western farms met with more response yesterday than had been anticipated. Long before the first train had been scheduled to depart, that which should have left the depot at 7.30, but was not dispatched until 8.15, there was a constant stream of those who, for the time being at all events were seized with the desire to go west. About 1,100 went on the first train which consisted of ten cars, but there was an overflow, as is usually the case in these farm laborer excursions. The latter were accommodated by a train of six cars which left at 9.35.

There was no disorder, whatever, either in, or in the vicinity of the depot in the course of transportation, and it was thought by most of those who witnessed the departure of the trains with their burden of strong men and women, that nearly all were on business bent, that of gathering in the golden harvest, and nothing more.

NOT GONE TO FRONT; LIKELY TO THE WOODS

Fred Rose escapes from Prison Hard Labor Squad and is still "Among the Missing."

A couple of months ago Fred Rose was arrested on suspicion of having broken into the warehouses of Messrs. Lilley and Sons on Elm street and stealing a couple of hams. He was sent up for trial, took the Speedy Trials and was sentenced to a term in jail. For some time Rose has been employed with other prisoners on the chain gang, and yesterday morning was at excavation work on Delhi street. Getting a chance when the guards were not looking Rose made a quick escape and is still at large. The guards do not think that the prisoner has gone to the front, but have an idea that he has gone to the woods.

New Fall Coats. The large stock of new fall coats now on exhibition in the show rooms of F. A. Dykeman and Co. are worthy of an inspection by every woman in St. John. Made up in the very latest styles, and in a great variety of cloths the most particular person should find a garment here to satisfy her. Their enlarged premises give them improved facilities for displaying these goods and you will find shopping there much easier than heretofore.

Important Notice. Vassie & Co. have offered at wholesale prices the stock of homespun wool for the knitting of socks for our boys who go to the front. Ladies wishing to engage in this work can procure from the above-named firm. Anyone having "Rock Maple" socks for sale, or as donations will kindly communicate at once with the secretary of the Advisory Board, 89 Duke street, city.

OLD BARRACK GREEN SCENE OF ACTIVITY

Men of Infantry Contingent being thoroughly drilled and rapidly rounding into shape.



MAJOR FRANK MAGEE In Command on Partridge Island.

The old Barrack Green presented a warlike appearance yesterday. There were great activity in the armory. Soldiers and officers were hustling about carrying orders, recruiting officers were on duty taking care of all who wished to enlist for service, and a number of young men volunteered their services to fight for the empire if called upon to do so.

On the green, red coats, men in khaki, men in the blue and white, or the blue and red uniforms were hurrying about the white topped tents, and not infrequently were seen to be such real activity on the old Barrack Green. When not on drill the red coats, who have enlisted for the first contingent, were making their friends, and the chief topic of conversation was naturally war.

On another section of the parade ground the drill sergeants were hard at work with squads of recruits putting them through their first drill. These recruits were not in uniform and many were enlisted only yesterday. They were new to the work, but were marched back and forth, and put through the drill necessary to make them seasoned soldiers. They drilled hard and appeared very willing to learn, and for men who had never drilled before their work was very creditable.

On Partridge Island under the command of Major Magee, there are at present 137 officers and men, and like the others on the main land, they are being drilled hard for hours each day. Small squads at a time are allowed to leave of absence to come to the city and visit their friends, but when ten o'clock at night comes they board a steamer and are taken back to the island and their quarters, to start in drilling again the next day.

Every day, as the contingent under the command of Captain Sturdee is at drill on the Barrack Green, the movements of the soldiers are watched by many spectators, and while a large number of the men enlisted were formerly members of the militia, there are those who never wore uniform or stood before a drill master. They have proved scholars and are fast rounding into shape.

Many of those at the armories and at Partridge Island have seen service before with the first, second or third contingents in the Boer war. In fact some of the first to enlist at the present call went through the South African campaign from beginning to the end with Old "G" Company. They know what it is to fight, they know the integrity of everything British. The people seem to realize this fact and their pent-up feelings are given vent in thunders of genuine British applause—at times in cheering—as the great ships of war and their trusty seamen are shown upon the screen. The pictures cannot be held any longer than today. They will be shown at 2 and 3.30 in the afternoon and 7 and 8.45 at night. In addition there will be English historical tableaux from Alfred The Great's time down to the present and some royalty views. The musical features at the Keith house this change are especially enjoyable and being much commented upon.

Undesirable Ejected. Sergt. Caples was called into John Speardake's fruit store on Charlotte street, yesterday afternoon, to assist in ejecting a man who was not wanted there.

PARK HOTEL, KING SQUARE.

O-Cedar Mops and Polish advertisement. O-Cedar products have become most popular and the demand for them is steadily increasing. The mop does not spread the dust but absorbs it. The polish is splendid for all kinds of furniture. Mops, - - - - \$1.50. Polish, 25c, 50c, \$1.25, \$2.00, \$3.00. W.H. THORNE & CO. LTD. MARKET SQUARE & KING ST.

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New Fall Coats for Children. Mothers will simply be delighted with the variety and novelty of this showing which while comprising only the first offerings of the new season will give a good idea of the attractiveness of the late styles and an opportunity for early selection. Coats self-trimmed, others with plush and velvet collars, raglan, kimono and set-in sleeves, three-quarter and full length in Serges, Friezes, Nap, Teddy Bear, Curt and blanket. Cloths in light and dark greys, blues, browns, cardinal, fawn tango, purple, green, plain and stripe effects. Ages 4 to 14 years. PRICES FROM \$2.90 to \$12.00. COSTUME SECTION—SECOND FLOOR.

A Few of the New Fall Dress Goods and Suitings. Fancy Honeycomb Cloths, navy and black, purple and blue, brown and black, 44 to 52 inches wide. Yard 75 and 95c. Fancy Plaids and Tartans—38 inches wide, per yard 45c. 44 inches wide, per yard 65c to \$1.10. 50 inches wide, per yard 80c to \$2.00. 58 inches wide, per yard 70c to \$1.75. Fancy Tweed Suitings—50 inches wide, per yard 80c to \$1.25. 56 inches wide, per yard \$1.10 to \$1.65. Novelty Velvet Cloths, 50 inches wide, per yard \$1.20. Shepherd Plaids, 42 to 54 inches wide, per yard 40c to \$1.25. English Worsteds, newest shades—44 inches wide, per yard 65c, 75c, 80c. 54 inches wide, per yard 80c, \$1, \$1.20, \$1.40. 58 inches wide, per yard \$1.40 to \$2.50. Whipcords and Bedford Cords, a great variety of late colorings, 44 to 54 inches wide, per yard 65c to \$1.75. French and English Broadcloths, big range of colors, 54 inches wide, per yard \$1.50. DRESS GOODS DEPARTMENT—GROUND FLOOR.

New Velours for Bath Robes and Dressing Gowns. Velours for Bath Robes and Dressing Gowns, reversible in plain colors, blue and grey, blue and tan, red and navy, tan and green, pink and grey, also Fancy velours in red and white, pink and white, grey and white, blue and white, fawn and pink, helio and white, blue and grey, navy and red. 40 inches wide, per yd. 48c. WASH GOODS DEPARTMENT—FRONT STORE. Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited