THE WEATHER.

Toronto, Dec. 13.—The disturbance which was over Nebraska last night is now centred just west of Lake Michigan with much increased intensity, indicating gales and rain in the lake region. The weather has been fair today with moderate temperature from the Ottawa Valley, eastward also in the Western Provinces.

St. John	28	30
Dawson	*30	*16
Victoria	38	42
Kamloops	34	34
Calgary	12	40
Edmonton	2	30
Prince Albert	18	22
Moose Jaw	7	36
Saskatoon	9	20
Regina	4	45
White River	30	40
Toronto	34	45
Ottawa	16	38
Montreal	20	28
Quebec	22	32
Halifax	32	42

*—Below zero.

Forecast.

Maritime—East and southeast winds, increasing to gales by night with rain in most places.

Northern New England — Rain and warmer Tuesday; Wednesday cloudy and colder; increased southeast and southwest winds, probably reaching gale and shifting to southwest.

AROUND THE CITY

ROTARY CLUB.

The Rotary Club yesterday heard two addresses on Rotary Principles which were thoroughly enjoyed by the large number present. R. G. Schofield presided.

BROKE WINDOWS

Two boys, aged three and four years, broke several windows in West St. John Sunday, includig plate glass in the store of Mrs. Sophia Long and valued at $170.

LEAVING FOR HOME

Letters from Mrs. Clair Gilmour announce that she will sail for home on the S.S. Empress of France, leaving Liverpool tomorrow. Recently Mrs. Gilmour and her son had the novel experience of a two hour aeroplane flight from Paris to London.

LEFT FOR MEMRAMCOOK

His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc left yesterday for Memramcook, where he will officiate at the administration of the Sacrament of Confirmation this morning. From there he will proceed to Halifax to attend the ceremonies in connection with the centenary of St. Mary's Cathdral. The papal delegate, Mgr. Pietro di Maria, of Ottawa, and all the bishops of the maritime provinces will attend.

BOARD OF TRADE COUNCIL.

At a meeting held at noon yesterday the organization of the board of trade council was completed with the following results: President, W. F. Burditt; Vice-President, G. E. Barbour; members of council, W. S. Allan, M. E. Agar, R. B. Emerson, H. W. Frink, J. A. Grant, D. W. Ledingham, W. H. Lugsden, C. P. Humphrey, H. W. Rising, H. C. Schofield, L. W. Simms, G. L. Warwick, A. H. Wetmore, Hon. W. H. Thorne and J. Hunter White.

HAS FORWARDED MONEY

C. B. Allan, treasurer of the Provincial Red Cross Society has forwarded $5,000 of the funds collected for the British War Relief Appeal to Toronto. Almost $12,000 will be the entire amount sent from this Province. A letter was received from Dr. William Robertson, Toronto, asking how much New Brunswick had on hand, and asking that the money be forwarded immediately.

TAG DAY CONVENERS

The conveners for the city wards in connection with the tag day under the auspices of the Ukrainian Orphans' Relief Committee are as follows: Sydney ward, Mrs. A. Hart; Dufferin, Mrs. B. Jacobson; Victoria, Mrs. M. Grossweiner; Lansdowne, Mrs. I. Ellman; Wellington, Mrs. J. Tanzman; Lorne, Mrs. M. Budovitch; Queens, Mrs. Max Ross; Kings, Mrs. J. Goldman; Dukes, Mrs. Sererski; Prince, Mrs. W. Webber. For the West Side: Mrs. E. J. Waring. Mrs. M. Goldman, who will be in charge of the refreshment committee, will be assisted by Mrs. Levine, Mrs. J. Cohen and Mrs. F. Levine.

THE WEEKLY MEETING

The weekly meeting of the Methodist ministers of the city took place yesterday morning in Centenary church. The following arrangements were made for services in the Old Ladies' Home during January: January 12, Rev. N. MacLauchlan; January 19, Rev. H. A. Goodwin; January 26, Rev. G. F. Dawson. It was decided to have a meeting of all the Methodist churches in the city on Christmas Day in Exmouth street church. Rev. E. E. Styles will be the preacher.

There was a discussion with regard to the relationship between the Wesleyan and he Christian Guardian. Rev. J. Heaney gave notice of motion at the first meeting in January for the amalgamation of the two papers.

Rev. S. Howard gave a report of his work as chaplain to the winter port.

Those present were: Rev. J. B. Gough, Rev. H. A. Goodwin, Rev. N. MacLauchlan, Rev. G. F. Dawson, Rev. J. Heaney, Rev. Dr. F. S. Huestis, Rev. Thomas Marshall, Rev. S. Howard, Rev. E. E. Styles, Rev. H. B. Clarke.

THE POLICE COURT

In the police court yesterday the preliminary examination of Richard Kane and James Coveney was continued, the defendants being charged with stealing $350 from the mails.

J. T. Quinn, sub-postmaster, and Mrs. Quinn gave evidence. The case was adjourned until Friday morning.

Thomas Parks was fined $200 for having liquor in his possession other than his private dwelling.

Five drunks pleaded guilty and were remanded.

Johnson Charged With Stealing

Accused Pleaded Not Guilty After Admitting Theft of Articles from S.S. Empress

The preliminary hearing of Hugh Johnson, charged with stealing a camera, auto clock and flashlight, from the S.S. Empress was resumed in the police court yesterday afternoon. The accused pleaded not guilty.

H. H. McLean, Jr., who appeared for the C. P R., stated on the opening of the case that the accused had submitted a voluntary statement acknowledging that he did steal a camera, auto clock and flash light, after being warned by Detective Biddescombe and Inspector Graham, of the C P. R., that such a statement might be used against him on his trial. Later he accompanied the officers to pawn shops in the city where he stated he had disposed of the articles.

Admitted Theft.

Detective Biddescombe stated that he had gone to the Empress on her arrival at the D. A. R. wharf last Wednesday and assisted Inspector Graham to take the accused to the lockup.

There the officers examined him and warned him that anything he might say would be used in evidence against him. Johnson then stated that he had stolen a flashlight some three months ago from the Empress on a trip to Digby. Sometime before that he had taken a camera and an auto clock. All the articles were disposed of in second hand stores in St. Jorn. Later he accompanied the officers to the stores of H. Gilbert and Max Schester entries he had signed in the books. On July 31 at Gilbert's for a camera, and at Schecter's for an auto clock. The signatures in the books closely resembled the signature to the voluntary statement of the accused.

Baggage Robbed.

Arthur S. Godsoe, musical merchandise dealer, stated that he crossed the bay on the Empress on September 24th. He had two suit cases with him which he checked to Digby. On his arrival there he found that a camera, flashlight and wearing apparel to the value of $75 had been stolen.

A flashlight found by Inspector Graham in the room of the accused was identified by Mr. Godsoe as one of the missing articles. The identification was made through repairs made by the witness to the interior of the lamp.

The case was adjourned until Friday noon.

EMPRESS OF BRITAIN CONCERT ENJOYED

Large Attendance at Seamen's Institute Delighted With Excellent Programme.

Before an audience which crowded the hall of the Seamen's Institute to the doors last night, the members of the crew of the Empress of Britain had an entertainment concert which was of a highly talented nature.

The programme consisting of two parts, was as follows:

Selection ..... S. Heaton
Vocalist ..... T. Sherman
Comedian ..... J. Lingley
Comedy—Messrs. Gilbert and Warner
Soprano ..... Mrs. Silk
Entertainer ..... J. Gardner
Coon deleanttor ..... C. Forshaw
Dainty Comedienne ..... F. Huxley
Vocalist ..... W. Smith
Juggling Parson ..... C. Jones
Song and Dance ..... T. Reeves
The Impossibles ..... Rick and Brake
Vocalist ..... T. Sherman
The Mons Star ..... F. Huxley
Deep Sea Comedian ..... T. M. Gilbert
Sight Comedian ..... C. Forshaw

Walter Brindle, of the Seamen's Institute, presided throughout the entertainment.

Y. M. C. A. LEADERS' CORPS' MEETING

At the weekly meeting of the Y. M. C. A. Leaders Corps last evening it was decided that the local leaders would journey to Fredericton during the month of January and assist in the organizing of a Leaders Corps at the Capital's "Y."

Efforts will also be made to secure a basketball match with the U. N. B. quintette. As the local leaders' corps possesses some of the best basketball material in the city, the college boys will have to look to their laurels.

ST. JOHN LODGE ELECTED OFFICERS

St. John Lodge No. 30, Knights of Pythias, held a well attended meeting last night at Castle Hall, Temple Bldg, at which Henry M. Akerley, Acting Chancellor Commander, presided.

The usual routine business was transacted; and the following officers were elected: Geo. C. Cosman, C. C.; H. W. Broomfield, V. C.; E. O. Heans, P.; A. L. Dikeman, M. of W.; E. S. Watters, K. of R. and S. and M. of F.; W. H. White, M. of E.; R. P. Seely, M. at A.; G. B. Lemmon, I. G.; W. S. Lipsett, O. G.; J. C. Mitchell, Trustee.

COMFORTS CIRCLE MADE DONATIONS

Having received a very satisfactory report from a pantry sale held recently, the Comfort Circle of The King's Daughters, at their meeting yesterday made the following donations: $10 to the Free Kindergarten Association; $5 to the Associated Charities; $5 to a needy family; $5 to Mrs. Robinson, supervisor of Free Kindergartens for use where it is needed, and $3 for flowers to be sent sick members. Twenty-four flannel garments were also voted to be given to Mrs. Robinson to be distributed among poorly clad children.

Tickets for the Children's Festival were given out to members.

Happy Reunion of Father and Daughter

Miss Clari Hartman, Red Cross Nurse, Tells of Conditions in Transylvania.

The most excited and happiest man among the persons who met the passengers of the steamer Scotian yesterday morning was Aladar Hartman, President of the Hartman Shawl Company, of Cleveland, who came to St. John to meet his daughter, Miss Clari Hartman. No daughter ever received a more joyful welcome, and when he saw her for the first time within the last fourteen years he threw his arms around his daughter's neck and fondly kissed her. The story is a very interesting one.

Hungarian Lieutenant.

Twenty-two years ago Mr. Hartman held rank of Lieutenant in the Hungarian army, and a fewyears later was married. As the result of this marriage there was one daughter, Clari, and when she was only four years of age the mother after several years of illness died. The father upon the death of his wife decided to come to America, and left his daughter with very rich relatives living at Nagyvarad, Hungary.

Arriving in the United States in 1906, he went to reside in Cleveland, Ohio, where he obtained employment as a salesman with a distillery company. He continued in this occupation until the advent of prohibition, when he formed the Hartman Shawl Company, of which he is now President. Success has crowned his efforts, and he is now in a very comfortable way financially.

The daughter continued to live with her relatives at Nagyvarad, and in 1916 joined the American Red Cross. Miss Hartman served as a Red Cross nurse continuously from that date until the signing of the Armistice, and only the dirth of steamship passenger service from Belgium prevented her from reaching her father about six months earlier.

Situation in Transylvania.

According to Miss Hartman, the situation in Transylvania, which part of Hungary was taken by Roumania after the cessation of hostilities, is appalling. In her native city of Nagyvarad, which is now under Roumanian rule, men, women and children are walking the streets seeking and begging for food. Clothing is sadly lacking, and money is practically valueless, as the citizens prefer to receive food or clothing in payment The inhabitants of Transylvania are strongly opposed to Roumanian rule; and she stated that the universities have been taken over by the authorities, Hungarian professors ousted and Roumanian educationalists are now in charge.

Plants Closed Down.

Practically all the industrial plants have been closed down, and the government has rationed and commandeered foodstuffs from farmers and others. After the war in the neighborhood of 2,000 people sailed from America to their former homes in that part of Hungary now under Roumanian rule; but, due to the conditions existing there, have returned to United States.

All males living in Roumania between the ages of 20 and 30 inclusive are compelled to do military service, declared Miss Hartman. Many of the Hungarians who formerly practised their professions are now following very minor occupations. For instance, a former leading physician is now conducting a shoe shine parlor, and many who are lawyers by profession, are now working in factories. The population of Hungary has been depleted by about 12,000,000 since the war began in August, 1914.

In Central Europe.

The situation in Central Europe has reached such a state that thousands of Checko-Slovaks, Jugos Slovaks and others are desirous of coming to Canada and the Unuited States. She also said that many people are now located at Antwerp waiting to obtain passage to America.

Mr. Hartman and his daughter left yesterday afternoon for Cleveland, Ohio, where they have made plans to spend a most joyful Christmas.

Operate Mines Early In Spring

Reorganization Recently of North American Antimony Smelting Company.

It is expected that the mines of the North American Antimony Smelting Company, located at Lake George in York County, will be in full operation during the early spring. There has recently been a reorganization of the company and the stock has been on sale in Boston and New York with flattering results.

There are many stock holders in the vicinity who have confidence in their investment and believe pleasing profits are to accrue from the operation of the mine. A chemical plant for the manufacture of golden and crimson sulphides, in great demand by the rubber trade, will be established. It is understood the company will go extensively into the sulphides as the demand is far in excess of the present day supply.

PARISIAN DRAMA A TREMENDOUS HIT—ON AGAIN TODAY AT IMPERIAL

"The Devil's Pass Key," a richly mounted and trenchant depiction of social and intellectual life in Paris—the heart of Europe—gave St. John people a glimpse of the inner circles of big-city living at the Imperial last night and made a profound impression. It is being repeated today and tomorrow. The 35c. orchestra scale is in force for this engagement with 25c. and 15c. at the matinees.

Police Officers Complete Course

Twenty-Four City Stalwarts Examined by Dr. S. Bridges and Sgt.-Major Redfern.

Twenty-four members of the police force completed their course for the St. John Ambulance Association's first aid certificate in the Police Court room last evening. Dr. Stanley Bridges conducted the examination, assisted by Sergeant-Major Redfern, the results of which will be made known in a short time. Some seventeen policemen have already been awarded certificates and practically the entire police court have now qualified for it. It is now proposed to conduct classes for the benefit of the city firemen, street railway employes and the staffs of the different industrial plants of the city.

Are Tax Dodgers Sailing From Here?

Heavy Exodus of Travellers from United States Being Held up at Border.

Americans, believed to be on their way to sail from St. John to foreign countries, and who could not show receipted bills for income taxes, were held up at Detroit Sunday, as they were about to board a C. P. R. train, and forced to settle up.

Heavy Exodus

The heavy exodus of travellers from Detroit to Montreal, as well as from New England points to St. John, is traced to the sailing from this port of the Empress of Britain tomorrow, the Empress of France on December 20th, and the Victorian on December 24th.

For some time, according to information given out here last night, U. S Federal authorities have been aware that many aliens returning to their homes were evading the paying of their income tax and getting away by some underground system. Sunday's Detroit raid revealed the plan.

A Heavy Traffic

This traffic, according to the American Consul here, is obtaining vast proportions, and is being enlarged by hundreds of aliens of home-goers from Northwestern States who, by crossing the Detroit river, escape the critical government examination which greets every alien passenger at the New York docks.

Will Be Questioned

It is learned that every passenger ticketed from the United States to St. John, especially if he comes under the category of an alien, in the future will be thoroughly questioned before the train crosses the "boundary line" to see if he is a tax-dodger seeking a passage to a foreign land on a boat from this port.

RAID ON LONG WHARF GARAGE

Liquor Inspectors Hopkins, Journeay and Henderson swooped down on N. Jacobson's garage on Long Wharf yesterday afternoon and were successful in seizing 51 square faces of gin and one bottle of whiskey. There were a number of men around but on the officers approach there was some tall old "rushin' "and no one remained to greet them.

M. Jacobson will be called upon to account for the location of the wet goods today.

WILL CARRY FULL CARGOES

Nagle & Wigmore will clear two ships this week for foreign ports, each carrying a full cargo. The C. P. O. S. liners Melita and Corsican, clearing last week with only half of cargo capacity filled. Shipping agencies declare there is nothing to encourage a belief that there will be any particular rush of cargoes through here this season.

ARRANGEMENTS ARE NOW SATISFACTORY

Shipping Interests Have Agreed to Schedule Accepted by C. P. R.

H. H. Johnston, organizer for the Railway and Steamship Clerks, arrived here from Montreal yesterday, where he was in conference with Shipping Companies over the wage schedule and working conditions here. He reports that the shipping interests agreed to the schedule accepted by the C. P. R., and that everything is now satisfactory to all parties concerned.

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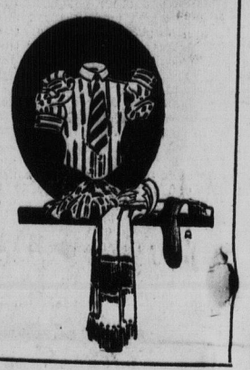

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