

THE WEATHER.

Forecast: Maritime - Light to moderate winds, fine, stationary or a little higher temperature.
Washington, Sept. 1 - Forecast: Northern New England - Fair Thursday and probably Friday; moderate to fresh north to northeast winds.
Toronto, Sept. 1 - The weather has been fair throughout the Donalco, except that a few scattered showers have occurred in the western provinces.
Temperatures.
Min. Max.
Dawson 38 64
Prince Rupert 48 68
Victoria 52 68
Vancouver 56 68
Calgary 50 74
Edmonton 46 72
Battleford 50 76
Medicine Hat 56 76
Regina 52 77
Minnedosa 44 74
Winnipeg 50 76
Port Arthur 50 84
Parry Sound 52 74
London 43 73
Toronto 49 77
Kingston 54 68
Ottawa 44 72
Montreal 48 74
Quebec 44 70
St. John 50 66
Halifax 56 72

NEW PHASE IN DISPUTE BETWEEN CITY AND ST. JOHN RAILWAY CO.; MIDNIGHT ACTION ON MAIN ST.

Commissioner Potts Puts Street Department Employees to Work Tearing Up Tracks and Filling Space With Concrete—Contends Street Railway Company Has Not Brought Rails to Street Level as Ordered, so He Takes Aggressive Steps—Likely to be Lively Time Today—The Correspondence in the Case and the Court's Decision.

The St. John Street Railway Company is once more up against a serious proposition with the city of St. John, and during the last hours of last night, and early this morning city employees were busily engaged in tearing up the car tracks on Main street and filling in the space with an old block of concrete.

F. L. Potts, Commissioner of Public Works, was present superintending the work, and there were only a few onlookers; these were persons whose business happened to keep them out late.

When asked early this morning what reason he had for tearing up the track and filling in the same, Commissioner Potts, in reply to a Standard reporter, said he had given the Street Railway Company plenty of time to bring the Main street rails on the south track up with a level with the street, as they had not complied with the city's request within the time allotted to them there was nothing left for him to do but to lift the rails and fill in the space with a solid block of concrete. He claimed he was perfectly within his rights in the interest of the city in taking the action he did, and will continue the work.

The commissioner said the rails on the south track, from a distance of forty feet west of Douglas Avenue, as far along Main street as Kenesedy street, were below the level of the street, and as the Street Railway Company had failed to comply with the request to raise the rails to the street level it was his intention to remove these rails and fill in the space.

Active Operations. Waiting until eleven o'clock last night, when practically all the traffic on the street had finished, Commissioner Potts, with about forty or fifty workmen, a steam engine and a concrete mixer, appeared on the scene.

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Railway Commission Head Here. Sir H. L. Dreyton, chairman of the Canadian Railway Commission, accompanied by his wife and two daughters, passed through the city yesterday in his private car Acadia on his way home to Ottawa from St. Andrews, where he and his family have been spending the summer. He arrived in the city at noon on the C.P.R. and left again at 6:10 o'clock in his car attached to the Maritime express. While in St. John the party were the guests of F. R. Taylor, K. C., to a delightful sail on the Kennebecasis on the yacht Dahinda.

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letter in reference to the bringing of your tracks to the proper grade along this section, as the street is going to be brought to the proper grade and it will be necessary that your tracks first be brought up to conform with same. It must be patent with your company that the public have been very patient with reference to conditions in this locality and I can assure you that their patience is about reached the limit as has this department also.

Awaiting your early reply, I am Respectfully yours, COMMISSIONER P. W. D.

August 31, 1915. H. M. Hopper, Esq., Manager St. John Street Railway, City.

Dear Sir—You have finished grading on the north rail from Douglas Ave. to Adelaide street and it will be necessary for you to place your tracks to the street grade from Adelaide street to Kennedy street. It seems to me you are desirous of holding back work in this section and if your present methods are continued it bids fair to hold railway traffic up on Main street for the balance of the season. The concrete we lay now from Douglas Ave. to Adelaide street will require at least 10 days to set and if you delay until we finish that work before bringing your tracks to grade further it will require another ten days for that section and so on.

Your company can understand this street is going to be built and brought to the proper grade established by the Engineer of the Public Works Dept. and the sooner you realize this and proceed with your work the better it will be for the interest of the company you are representing. Trusting that

you will have your immediate attention.

Respectfully yours, COMMISSIONER P. W. D.

August 23rd, 1915. F. L. Potts, Esq., Commissioner of Public Works, St. John, N. B. Dear Sir—I beg to acknowledge receipt of your several letters of August 21st, and beg to advise you that you seem to be under a misapprehension respecting the duties between this company and the city, and would suggest that you consult your Solicitor. Yours very respectfully, THE SAINT JOHN RY. CO., H. M. HOPPER, Gen. Man.

The Street View of It. In a recent action brought against the city by the street railway a section of the judgment delivered by Judge McLeod is as follows:

"The company must keep its rails at a grade determined by the city and to do so it must provide a foundation sufficient for that purpose. The city has a right to alter the grades of the streets and when the city does alter the grades the company must restore its tracks to a level with the grade so fixed by the city and it must supply a foundation sufficient to keep its tracks at the grade fixed by the city. The Act on these matters seems to me plain and clear. It provides distinctly that the company must lay its tracks level with the surface of the street; that it must from time to time conform to the grades of the various streets, and to do that it must of course have a foundation sufficient to keep it level with the grades of the street, but we do not think that the city itself can determine what that foundation will be."

Around the City

Steamship Item. Furness liner "Caterino" arrived at Halifax 11:30 this morning.

The Sicilian at London. Allan Line Sicilian arrived at London at five a.m. on Wednesday.

Half-holiday Extended. The Thursday half-holiday amongst the merchants and their employees in West St. John will, it is said, be generally observed during the present month.

Bon Fire Extinguished. Policeman "Nell" extinguished a bon fire on Albert street last evening at 8:25 o'clock and again at 9:20 o'clock. The bon fire was started by a crowd of boys in honor of the wedding of one of the residents.

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ORPHANS HAD A GALA DAY

N. B. Automobile Association Gave Annual Outing to Children from Orphanages—Visited Moose Carnival.

The annual outing of the Protestant and Catholic orphans of St. John, given by the New Brunswick Automobile Association was held yesterday afternoon. Over two hundred boys and girls from the Protestant Orphans' Home, the Cliff street and Silver Falls orphans' homes were present. Those from the Wiggins' Home were not present, as they were in the country. Thirty-seven autos were used for the outing. They went to the homes at 1:30 and assembled at King street east at 2 o'clock.

The cars used were owned by T. P. Rogan, W. H. Thorne, B. E. Gallagher, W. B. Tennant, R. Dowling Paterson, W. E. McIntyre, F. Estabrooks, F. B. White, C. H. Peters, J. D. Hazen, Senator Jones, Geo. E. Barbour, J. Culnan, C. B. Lockhart, Bishop LeBlanc, W. G. Smith, Harry G. Weeks, F. E. Sayre, Albert Hoar, W. T. Estabrooks, Walker Gilbert, F. Beattie, H. C. Mott, I. G. Crosby, Fred Tritts, W. A. Simonds, T. J. McPherson, G. H. Lounsbury, Percy M. Rising, F. A. Dykeman, W. E. Leonard, J. S. Gregory, H. C. Mayes, John E. Wilson, F. A. Peters, Norton Griffiths Co., and Geo. Waring.

Leaving King street east at two o'clock, headed by President T. P. Rogan, of the New Brunswick Automobile Association, and Chief of Police Simpson, the orphans were taken for a ride through the principal streets of the city, and through Fairville as far as the South Bay Road, and in the Manawagonish Road, returning to the city and arriving at the armory about 3 o'clock. The cars were left in the armory and the party were then the guests of the management of the Moose Carnival who showed them every attention, and all amusements were thrown open to them. The children greatly enjoyed the animal show, and the merry-go-round and for two hours were delighted with the carnival attractions.

Then, at five o'clock, all the kiddies were again placed in the cars and driven back to their homes. The police department is to be congratulated on the excellent manner in which they cared for the children. Chief Simpson had men stationed on the different street corners to give the right of way to the lengthy procession of autos through the city streets. The heartfelt thanks of the Automobile Association is extended to the management of the carnival, and also to Walter Allison for flags, F. E. Williams for peanuts, the Corona Candy Co. for candy.

The whole afternoon was one of pure enjoyment for all concerned and everything went without a hitch or accident.

ADDRESS ON SOLDIERS' FIELD COMFORTS

Miss Jean Arnoldi to Speak This Afternoon Under Auspices of Women's Canadian Club.

Miss Jean Arnoldi, who was to have given an address last evening in Stone church schoolroom before the Women's Canadian Club, unfortunately missed train connection from Moncton to St. John, and arrived too late for the engagement. The subject chosen was soldiers' field comforts. Many will be glad to know, however, that the address will be given this afternoon in the schoolroom at 2:30. The Women's Canadian Club invites all members of patriotic societies, and their friends, irrespective of sex, to be present.

Miss Arnoldi, with Miss Plummer, has been in charge of a commission administering the field comforts department of the Canadian soldiers in Europe. These ladies spent last winter at Salisbury Plain, Wiltshire, later proceeding to Shorncliffe, Kent, where they were occupied in the same way. Miss Arnoldi will sail on September 8 to resume her work after completing a series of lectures in various parts of Canada. Miss Arnoldi is a brilliant speaker with a gift of being able to appeal convincingly to women, young and old, to do their share in ministering to the comfort of the soldiers overseas.

Will Practise in St. John. I. W. N. Baker, M. D., formerly of Woodstock, N. B., who has been actively engaged in the practise of medicine for thirty years, the last fifteen of which have been devoted exclusively to diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat, has moved into the house lately occupied by Dr. Wm. A. Christie, 55 Waterloo street, where he will continue the work of his specialty. His numerous friends wish him every success.

Fancy Jacquard Silks. F. A. Dykeman and Co. are having a sale of dress silks which are suitable for full dresses or separate waists. They are very stylish silks made in Japan and are of a Jacquard nature. Stripe effects with very neat foulard patterns. This is a good wearing silk, is 27 inches wide and comes in the popular colors. The regular price is 75 cts. a yard but a large purchase at a favorable price enables them to sell it at 39 cts. a yard.

The Hampton Tennis Club will hold a patriotic fair on the court house grounds at Hampton, on Labor Day, Monday, September 6th, in aid of the Patriotic Fund. W. C. T. U. Convention. The annual convention of the N. B. and P. E. I. W. C. T. U. will be held in St. James' Hall, Newcastle, September 7, 8, 9th. Mrs. Margaret Hyslop, Dominion Organizer, will be the speaker and assist in the work of the convention. Mrs. Margaret MacWha is president, Mrs. L. R. Hetherington, corresponding secretary.

Popular Autumn Novelties in Ladies' Leather Handbags. In the select assemblage of Ladies' Handbags, which awaits your inspection in the Leather Goods Section of our King street store, are embraced the most recent designs on which Fashion has set her seal of approval. All the most popular materials are represented, including Green Seal, Pin Seal and Morocco. Our Handbag display of this year is particularly attractive, all being beautifully finished, nicely lined, and fitted with firm, durable clasps. Prices range from \$1.00 to \$8.75. W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD. MARKET SQUARE AND KING STREET

Macaulay Bros. & Co., King Street, St. John, N. B. Commencing Saturday, Sept. 4, our stores will be open until 10 p.m.; open at 8 p.m.; close 6 p.m., excepting Sat. This is the Day. We Commence Selling a Fine Collection of Latest Cut and Material in LADIES' WINTER COATS At \$8.00 for choice of the range. New Stock of Lace, Dress Nets, Allover Nets. Just now we supply all the dainty narrow laces for fancy work and underwear trimmings. See on Third Floor—One of the largest assortments of Trunks, Handbags, Dress Suit Cases. Best grades, every size, lowest prices for quality. MACAULAY BROS. & CO.

Are You Ready? Shooting Season Opens In a Few Days. We can help you to get your share. Our stock of guns, rifles and ammunition includes all the best makes. REMINGTON, IVER JOHNSON, HARRINGTON AND RICHARDSON AND STEVENS SHOT GUNS, REMINGTON, ROSS, MARLIN AND STEVENS RIFLES. U. M. C., DOMINION AND ELY AMUNITION. Gun Cleaners, Cartridge Belts, Cartridge Vests, Gun and Rifle Cartridges, Game Bags, Hunting Knives, Thermos Bottles, Game Traps, Revolvers, Collapsible Cups. Emerson & Fisher Ltd.

Opening of Ladies' and Misses' Fall Coats and Costumes Continued This Morning. IN COSTUME DEPARTMENT—SECOND FLOOR.

SALE OF Slightly Defective SCRIMS COMMENCING THIS MORNING. A chance to get curtain materials and make considerable saving. The scrims are slightly defective but desirable in appearance an quality and offered at bargain prices to clear. All 36 in. wide. SCRIMS, in white, cream, beige with hemstitched and drawnwork borders. 17c to 20 values Sale price, yard 12c. SCRIMS, white and cream grounds, hemstitched with narrow floral borders in pink and blue. Sale price, yard 15c. SCRIMS, extra fine, white and beige grounds with narrow floral borders in pink, blue and yellow. Sale price, yard 20c. CURTAIN DEPARTMENT—SECOND FLOOR.

The Columbia Cuffturn Shirt. Has Proven a Practical Success and Wearers Are Delighted With the Extra Service Afforded. The Cuffturn idea is an innovation that doubles the value of the attached cuff shirt. It is as simple as it is ingenious and makes no difference in appearance from the regulation attached cuff shirt, but is much more convenient. Simply a turn gives an immediate change and the cuff soiled but a moment before is once more clean and the shirt ready for any occasion. Columbia Cuffturn Shirts afford twice the usual shirt service and are offered in Soft Fronts, Pleated Fronts and Semi-Starched Bosoms w. th starched cuffs, also in the Soft Lounge style. Sizes 14 to 17. Each from \$1.25 to \$2.25. MEN'S FURNISHINGS DEPARTMENT. Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited