

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Moderate to fresh west and north winds, fair, becoming colder.

Washington, Jan. 20.—Forecast: Northern New England—Fair and colder Thursday; Friday fair.

Toronto, Jan. 20.—An area of high pressure accompanied by much warmer temperature has set in over Manitoba from the northward, and is now spreading towards Ontario and Quebec. The weather is fine throughout the Dominion.

Temperatures.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	46	48
Vancouver	34	38
Kamloops	16	22
Calgary	28	30
Winnipeg	14	16
Fort Arthur	4	6
Parry Sound	14	14
Toronto	17	30
Kinston	20	28
Ottawa	18	20
Montreal	22	28
Quebec	24	28
Halifax	32	46
St. John	34	44

*Below zero.

Around the City

Articles Found.

The police report finding three keys on King street, and a bunch of keys on Main street, which the owners can receive on application at the central police station. It is also reported that there are dangerous holes in the sidewalks on the east side of Adelaide street and on Brussels street.

DR. H. C. WETMORE GUEST OF HONOR Dinner in His Honor in Bond's Last Evening.

Dr. H. C. Wetmore was the guest of honor at a complimentary dinner tendered him by the dentists of the city last evening in Bond's Cafe. Dr. Wetmore, who is retiring from active practice, had been closely connected with the dental society. Dr. Wetmore attained a high place in the profession. The honor bestowed upon him last evening was only a fitting tribute to his ability and worth.

About twenty dentists were present, and Dr. Sawaya, president of the St. John Dental Society, was chairman. Letters of regret were received from Dr. McAvenny, Dr. F. C. Bonnell and Dr. G. O. Hannab.

After the dinner had been disposed of an excellent series of toasts were honored. Our guest was proposed by Dr. F. A. Godsoe, and Dr. Wetmore replied. Dr. Percival Bonnell sang a solo. The toast to the New Brunswick Dental Society was proposed by Dr. W. P. Broderick and Dr. Sawaya replied. Dr. J. C. Leonard was heard in a vocal selection.

Dr. G. F. Sanction next asked the gathering to drink to the health of the Ladies. Dr. Percival Bonnell, Dr. Dewar and Dr. J. C. Leonard replied. Our Soldiers at the front was next honored at the suggestion of Dr. A. H. Merrill; Dr. J. M. Masee and Dr. James Manning replied. Dr. F. A. Godsoe proposed the health of the city dentists, and in reply Dr. Otto Nase, Dr. Harry Nase and Dr. G. F. Gorman spoke. The gathering broke up with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

Dr. H. C. Wetmore is now deputy receiver-general for this district, and has charge of the local branch of the Dominion Savings Bank.

The menu was as follows:

- Oyster Cocktail.
- Spanish Olives
- Purée of Tomato, art. Croutons
- Boiled Fillet of Sole, King's Sauce
- Pommes de terre
- Roast Turkey, Cranberry Sauce,
- Dressing, Brown Sauce and
- Creamed Potatoes, French Peas
- Creamed Asparagus on Toast.
- Waldorf Salad, Whipped Cream,
- Lobster Salad, en Mayonnaise
- English Plum Pudding, Dr. F. A. a la Vanilla Hard Sauce
- Maderia Jelly, Whipped Cream
- Celery, McLaren's Imperial Cheese,
- Cream Sodas,
- Confectionery, Ice Cream,
- Sponge Fingers,
- Coffee.

ARMENIAN REFUGEES STARVING

Boston, Jan. 20.—The condition of 100,000 Armenians, who have migrated from Turkish territory to Russian Trans-Caucasia, is described as deplorable, in a cablegram from the central committee for Armenian relief, at Tiflis, received today by Miran Sevastyan, chairman of the Armenian National Defence Committee. The message was authorized by Catholicos Souranlian, Primate of the Armenian church, and bore the signature of Bishop Mesrop.

"As a result of the war with Turkey, about 100,000 Armenians have migrated to the Caucasus to save themselves. The situation is extremely deplorable. Many are dying of cold and hunger. In order to save our people from ruin great assistance is necessary. In the name of these martyrs we beg you to organize for collections of money. Ad-dress: Director of Bank of Commerce, Tiflis."

ESTIMATES SUBMITTED AGAIN BY CITY COMMISSIONERS

Still Some \$13,000 Above Last Year—Commissioners Cut Many Items and Cut Out All Grants as Passed Before—Some Salaries.

Another shave in the estimates was made yesterday afternoon by the city commissioners, so that the assessment as it appears now is about \$13,000 more than last year. The commissioners were in private session during the greater part of yesterday and about four o'clock a meeting of the council was held when the new schedule of estimates was submitted and passed.

It was pointed out by the commissioners that the citizens had demanded the cut and their wishes had been complied with. It was said that the people would have to put up with the inconveniences caused by the curtailment of the estimates, but it was decided to make no grants this year and the whole list as approved at a previous meeting was struck out.

The chief increase was in the matter of interest. Commissioner Russell pointed out that last year there were surpluses to cover a portion of the interest but this year practically the whole amount had to be in the assessment.

Commissioner McLellan said the people must take the responsibility for the curtailment in the departments. His total estimates were \$104,34 less than last year. He was providing for two desk men. Fire and police protection were essential in the city and should a big conflagration sweep the city the people would have to bear the responsibility.

It was decided to make the salary of George Blake, the fire chief, \$1,200, Beverley Stevens, a clerk in the public safety department, to receive \$1,200, and the \$500 for the superannuation allowance of W. W. Clark was approved. C. H. Stiles had his salary reduced from \$2,000 to \$1,000. An order was passed that the strength of the police force be fifty men instead of forty-five as at present.

The proper legislation to make the assessment legal will be sent to the legislature at its next session.

The estimates as sanctioned for this year and those of last year are as follows:

	1915	1914
Police	\$ 63,022.66	\$ 62,467.53
Fire	77,625.00	77,625.00
Ferry	5,288.70	6,120.00
Streets	113,781.00	109,293.00
Light	33,036.27	35,696.00
Sewerage Main	10,200.00	16,320.00
Hydrants	7,140.00	10,200.00
Libraries	5,712.00	5,712.00
Exhibitions	612.00	512.00
Schools	176,332.31	186,571.70
Int. and Sinking Fund for Debentures	62,832.10	28,638.31
Totals	\$544,588.57	\$531,501.00
Increase over last year	\$12,997.57	

The city's portion of the county taxes has not yet been submitted but whatever increase was made, a portion of it will be added to the city liabilities for the year.

When the estimates had been passed.

Commissioner Russell asked the Mayor to say something for he had got the commission into the trouble. His words said the people had made a demand for the cut in the estimates and that they must not exceed those of last year. Any deficiencies that might result in any of the departments on account of lack of money must be charged up to the citizens. He felt there would be applications made for money for different purposes and he believed some of the men who had asked for the cut would be asking for money that some work be done. The high standard of service usually demanded by the public might not be given but for the people themselves would have to take the responsibility.

Commissioner McLellan believed that fire and police protection were the best assets the city could have. He felt that the cut might be a proper one as far as the citizens were concerned, but he believed that had the assessors done their duty in a proper manner, the middle class man, for whom the appeal had been made would only be paying about half of the amount he is charged for taxes now. He said that many of those who had asked for a cut in the estimates had been afraid that the assessors might get out and they would have to pay more. The laxity of the assessors was responsible for present conditions in the assessment. He openly condemned the present taxation system and the manner in which the assessors did their duty. The assessor wanted to sit in their offices for there were some people of whom they were afraid and he felt that the present system of taxation and assessment would have to be revised soon and he felt that if no one else offered the best possible proposition himself. He said the department needed the extra money and it would be only a matter of a few weeks when the citizens would be demanding that streets be fixed up and other improvements made.

Commissioner Wigmore felt that his department needed as much money as last year but he was willing to submit to the popular view and cut his estimates as far as possible.

Commissioner Russell said his department could be carried on for the money mentioned but there would have to be curtailment in repairs and other lines. He felt that the wishes of the people should be met.

Commissioner Post said he would give the public the best possible service for the money available and would do his best to keep the streets in as good condition as possible.

On motion of the Commissioner of Harbors, Ferries and Public Lands, it was decided to sell to George W. Barnes the lot fronting on the northern side of Duke street, in Duke's ward, and numbered 746, for the sum of \$500. As soon as the deed is paid over the deed will be given.

The meeting then adjourned.

MAJOR M'AVITY PROMOTED TO BRIGADE MAJOR

His appointment to important position is very popular one—Recruiting for Mounted Rifles proceeding satisfactorily.

Major Malcolm McAvity has been appointed to the important position of Brigade Major of the 5th Canadian Brigade for overseas service, which includes the New Brunswick battalion, the Nova Scotia battalion, the 24th Victoria Rifles of Montreal, and the 22nd battalion raised in the Province of Quebec, and made up of French Canadian. Col. Landry of Quebec will be the commanding officer of the brigade.

Major McAvity was the recipient yesterday of many hearty congratulations on his appointment. His new position carries with it large responsibilities, as it makes him chief executive officer of the staff of the Brigadier-General.

Another popular appointment announced yesterday was that of Major Colin McIntosh of the 25th N. B. Dragoons at Fredericton Junction, to the position of paymaster to the 6th regiment of Canadian Mounted Rifles.

Major McLellan who will command a squadron of the mounted rifles is receiving large numbers of applications from volunteers who wish to join his squadron.

It is interesting to note that all but three of the officers of the 28th Dragoons have volunteered for foreign service. When the war broke out the regiment had about 350 men on its rolls. Of this number 200 have already volunteered for overseas service. It is said that few regiments have made a better showing in this respect than the Dragoons.

Yesterday the 26th battalion was busily occupied with routine drill in the morning, and in the afternoon went for a route march. The men are now well up in inside work, and are ready for an extensive course of field work. Officers of the regiments are much pleased with the way the boys have taken to their work, and the keen interest they show in everything pertaining to their duties. All the boys are above the average intelligence and pick up the details of their work very quickly. The rapid progress they have already made has been very encouraging, and the officers and men are determined that the regiment will be in first class shape by the time they reach England.

APPLES SOLD TO CONSUMER FOR \$1.25 A BBL.

How Ottawa Supplied the People With Winter Apples at Low Price—Government Advertising Campaign Was Great Success.

"In Ottawa last fall an association backed by the city council was able to deliver winter apples to the consumer's cellar at \$1.25 per barrel, and at the same time paid the fruit grower more than they were getting from the commission men," said Dr. Johnston, Commissioner of the Dominion Fruit Department, who was in the city yesterday on his way to attend the N. S. Fruit Growers' annual convention.

"The apples were transported from 200 to 300 miles to the Capital," he added. "They were placed in bags instead of barrels, but were delivered to the consumer in excellent condition. The apples were of a good quality too. Any community in Canada could do as was done in Ottawa, deliver to the consumer 140 pounds of apples in bags, the equivalent of a barrel, at \$1.25. No doubt next year the experiment will be tried in a number of cities."

Mr. Johnston stated that as a result of the government's advertising campaign on behalf of the apple growers the consumption of apples in Canada was increased nearly seventy-five per cent, and that the fruit growers were able to dispose of practically all their crop, when they believed they would have a heavy loss on account of the war. At the present time Canadian apples are bringing good prices. Shipments of apples to England have been fairly large in spite of the war.

Lost Logs at Salmon River.

Councillor Smith of St. Martins, who has been in the city for a few days, received word yesterday that the dam at Burgess Brook had gone out, and that E. A. Lowe had lost about \$1,000 worth of logs.

WIFE OF BOB FITZ GETS DIVORCE.

Chicago, Jan. 20.—Mrs. Julia Fitzsimmons today obtained a divorce from Robert Fitzsimmons, formerly the world's champion heavyweight pugilist. She charged cruelty.

PARK HOTEL, KING SQUARE.

GENERAL SALE OF "DOOZE" AT THE CENTRAL

Police Had House-cleaning Day Yesterday—An Interesting Process—Some Changes Planned.

There was much activity about central police station yesterday afternoon and from the janitor with a squad of prisoners assisting him in cleaning up, to the head officer by the Building Inspector, and the Liquor License Inspector, all were busy. In fact the old dusty guard room was indeed a place of much interest.

The first city official to pay his respects to the Chief of Police, and the Deputy Chief, was Building Inspector Carleton. He made a careful examination of the beams and pillars supporting the guard room ceiling and the court room floor, and when he finished looking about he remarked that it would be all right to tear away a section of the wall. It could be easily seen that some extensive remodeling of the old station is in the minds of the Safety Department. It has been hinted that the intention is to make a change at the rear of the guard room. There is at present off the guard room a hall leading to a pair of stairs, constituting a rear entrance to the court room. Off this hall there is a small room, used as an office for the janitor; there is still another room used for the storing of different articles including liquor seized from people selling illegally, and some taken from drunks when arrested and never called for by the prisoners. The janitor had barely left the building when the next caller of note, was Liquor Inspector John B. Jones. He was not closeted with the chiefs very long until he gave word to the building inspector that he would like to be obtained from the magistrate, and the annual cleaning out of the police station wine room could commence. Now this is a very important function in the police station once a year. First of all the janitor gets the assistance of three prisoners from the jail to assist him in removing articles from the "wine room," and the officers are very watchful that no prisoner gets a chance to have a small "crack" at either the cased goods or the inferior gin taken from prisoners. At all events the liquor is removed from the room, and a few gallons of a few gallons of all kinds of booze, from beer to wine. It is sorted and the goods gathered in on raids, in most cases bottles with seals unbroken, are placed to one side. This is assessed as the "good stuff." The other assortment of "chain lightning" is gathered from prisoners in all shapes and colors of bottles, and is called the "bad stuff"; this last material is almost unbearable, and it seems as if to convey that the liquor is of the cheapest kind, and not fit for medicine.

When good and bad have been well assorted the patrolman on call duty at the station is called on and is appointed the chief executioner of the bad stuff. With a grim determined look on his face the officer grasps a couple of bottles and hastens to the bath room and after he has made many trips in silence he uncorks the growlers and pours the bad stuff into the sink. The atmosphere for a time is almost unbearable, and it seems a wonder that the officer is not suffocated.

When the bad liquor is poured away and destroyed, the head officials then look after the "good booze." A person interested in the purchase of this line makes his appearance and if his offer is thought reasonable he becomes the owner after he has paid the price. It happened yesterday afternoon that the good stuff brought a revenue of thirty-five dollars, and this money will be handed over to some charitable institution. In this manner the city government will not be guilty of selling liquor without a license.

Corduroy Velvet.

Perhaps one of the most serviceable and satisfactory materials that you can buy for an outside garment is corduroy velvet. It is a material that looks well, wears well, and with all it is very stylish at the present time. It can be had in any 37 inch quality, in all shades at F. A. Dykeman & Co.'s at 55 cents a yard. This is considerable less than it is sold for at other stores.

"The Only Son," Scored a Big HIT

When the enterprising father became neglectful of his loving wife and a lively child, in matters worse, a supposedly good-for-nothing son rose to the occasion and straightened out the family tangle. How he schemed, how he labored, how he outgeneraled his obdurate father and stuck to his mother, finally effecting a most heart-easing reconciliation, made rich pictorial entertainment for many at the Imperial yesterday. The W. Ross, proved the stage star indeed, his performance was faultless and the whole Jesse L. Lasky company supported him with unusual strength. The direct piece was extensively staged, California scenes being used in the out-of-doors. "The Only Son" will be concluded with this afternoon and evening's showing—2 p. m., 3.30, 7 and 8.30. Boxes by phone.

Hens Pay Best When Rightly Fed and Cared For

The proper feeding of chicks and hens plays a vitally important part in successful poultry raising.

We have spared neither time nor effort in securing the BEST POULTRY FOODS that the market offers, and which we have on sale at the following prices:

- Developing Food—Makes fine table poultry, in 100 lb. bags . . . \$3.00 each
- Scratching Food—Great for half-grown chicks, in 100 lb. bags, \$3.00 each
- Laying Mash, in 100 lb. bags . . . \$3.00 each
- Growing Mash, in 100 lb. bags . . . \$3.50 each
- Alfalfa, especially good, 100 lb. . . . \$3.35 each
- Fertile Egg Mash, 100 lb. bags . . . \$3.30 each
- Beef Scraps—No pork or fat used to add weight, 100 lb. bags . . . \$4.25 each
- Granulated Bone, in 100 lb. bags . . . \$3.75 each
- Ground Bone, in 100 lb. bags . . . \$3.75 each
- Crushed Oyster Shells, in 100 lb. bags . . . \$1.00 each
- Egg Food, 42 oz. bags 35c each
- Crystal Grit, in 100 lb. bags \$1.00 each
- Charcoal, in 40 lb. bags \$1.00 each

W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD. --- Market Square and King Street

Macaulay Bros. & Co., King Street, St. John, N. B.

Our Stores Open 8.30 a. m.; Close 6 p. m. Each Evening During January, February, March.

Great January Sale of Tablecloths and Napkins Today, Thursday, and Following Days

You can easily save during this great sale 75 to 1.25 on every tablecloth you buy, and 50c. to 1.25 on each dozen of Napkins purchased.

The reason why these goods are being offered at such extremely low prices is that we have once again been fortunate in procuring the slightly imperfect stock of one of the leading Belfast manufacturers.

These Tablecloths and Napkins while being considered faulty by the maker, and are consequently reduced in price, show for themselves that what is known as an imperfection in the factory does not by any means detract from the appearance or wearing qualities of these Napkins.

If you wish to purchase Tablecloths and Napkins at about one-third regular prices, we invite you to call and examine this stock during Our Great January Sale.

NAPKINS 22 x 22 inches . . . \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.00, \$3.50 a dozen

TABLECLOTHS, size 72 x 72 inches . . . \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.40, \$2.60, \$2.80, \$3.50 each

TABLECLOTHS, size 72 x 90 inches . . . \$2.20, \$2.25, \$2.60, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.00, \$3.65, \$3.75, \$4.50 each

TABLECLOTHS, size 72 x 108 inches . . . \$2.60, \$2.75, \$3.60, \$3.75, \$4.25, \$4.50, \$5.25 each

TABLECLOTHS, size 81 x 81 inches . . . \$4.00, \$5.00, \$5.25, \$6.00 each

TABLECLOTHS, size 90 x 90 inches . . . \$4.75, \$5.25, \$6.00, \$7.00 each

The above sale takes place in our linen department during our Free Hemming Sale.

MACAULAY BROS. & CO.

Pearl GRANITE WARE Diamond White

The largest assortment of Granite Iron Ware carried in our city.

- TEA POTS 30c. to 85c. each
- COFFEE POTS 30c. to 85c. each
- DOUBLE BOILERS 45c. to \$1.50 each
- STOVE POTS 60c. to 85c. each
- SAUCE PANS 12c. to \$1.00 each
- PUDDING PANS 12c. to 35c. each

Pie Plates, Sugar Bowls, Butter Dishes, Mugs, Cups, Saucers, Roast Pans, Etc

Emerson & Fisher Ltd.

STORES OPEN AT 9 A.M. AND CLOSE EVERY DAY IN THE WEEK AT 6 O'CLOCK.

Bargains at Free Hemming Sale in Linen Room

The Great Reduction Sale of Colored Velveteens

At 60c, 75c and \$1.00 a yard Continued Today

IN DRESS GOODS DEPT.—GROUND FLOOR.

Sale of White Lawn and Organdie Blouse Waists

Commencing This Morning

It will require just a glance at these dainty Lawn and Organdie Blouses to see that they are most extraordinary value at this low sale price.

They are made with low flat hemstitched collar and are plain with hemstitching, also with tucks and all showing the new vest effect. These blouses are trimmed with colored crystal buttons and are with both three-quarter and full length sleeves. Sizes from 34 to 40.

Sale price, each **89c**

WASH DEPARTMENT—SECOND FLOOR.

SALE OF... Children's Stockinette Overalls

Commencing This Morning

CHILDREN'S STOCKINETTE OVERALLS in white, red, brown and black.

Sale price. Per pair, only **50c**

HOSIERY DEPT.—ANNEX

Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited