

THE WEATHER

Toronto, Aug. 26.—A shallow depression which was last night over Minnesota, has since moved across Ontario, causing a moderate rain and heavy thunderstorms in the lake region, to the west the weather has been fair and cool.

Minimum and maximum temperatures—Victoria, 48, 68; Kamloops 50, 70; Edmonton 38, 64; Battleford 42, 68; Moosejaw 40, 63; Winnipeg 42, 66; Port Arthur 50, 62; Toronto 54, 78; Kingston 62, 72; Ottawa 54, 70; Montreal 54, 70; Quebec 45, 70; St. John 48, 62; Halifax 44, 68.

Lower Lawrence—Strong winds or moderate gales, southerly shifting to westerly and northwesterly; showers clearing at night.

MARITIME—Strong winds or moderate gales, southerly shifting to westerly and northwesterly; showers clearing at night.

AROUND THE CITY

Violet Day, Monday, Sept. 2nd.

Ferry Traffic Heavy.

Owing to the fact that the suspension bridge was closed for traffic last evening to enable the contractor to proceed with repairs, the ferry did a big business, carrying a much larger number of passengers than usual. Some criticism has been directed against the contractor because he did not have notices posted up in the city informing the people that the bridge would be closed in the evening.

Permits For New Pupils.

When the schools opened yesterday the school authorities had issued 850 permits to new pupils. This is about the number issued for the term last year, and as it is not unusual for the permits for the term to be all taken up before Labor Day, it is believed that the number of permits for the current year will be somewhat in excess of last year, showing that the ambitions of the 1917 club of which nothing has been heard lately, are still in the ring, though not looking up as brightly as might be expected.

Good Word for Picture Shows.

At the meeting of the socialists on Market Square last evening, Comrade Taylor said Mr. Hopper, secretary of the street railway, came with the socialist classification of workers, who were the only useful people on the face of the earth, and a sea captain from one of the ships in port said that the moving picture shows though condemned by the puritans had decreased drunkenness at least 10 per cent. He knew because nowadays his crew visited the picture shows instead of bar rooms and usually got aboard sober.

THE COURTEENAY BAY CONTRACTORS WILL DO OWN DREDGING

Norton Griffiths Company Form Subsidiary Company to Do this Part of Work—Quicker and Cheaper.

It is understood that the Norton Griffiths Company in order to facilitate the work of dredging in Courtenay Bay have decided to undertake this part of their contract without subcontracting to other contractors. A subsidiary company to be known as the Norton Griffiths Dredging Company has been formed for this purpose. The firm will employ a large plant and do the dredging themselves.

It is expected that dredging will be started within a month or six weeks. New dredges of the most up-to-date type are being built which will handle the spoil more expeditiously and at cheaper rate than any plant on this side of the Atlantic.

DR. PARKIN IN CITY, WILL GO TO COAST

Rhodes' Scholarship Administrator Leave After Attending Dedicatory Services in Cathedral.

Dr. Geo. R. Parkin, administrator of the Rhodes scholarship fund, who has been in Fredericton attending the services incident to the dedication of the renovated cathedral, arrived in the city yesterday, and stopped over night at the Prince William Hotel. To a reporter he expressed an emphatic disinclination to be interviewed, saying that he had just finished a strenuous six months of labor, and that so much had been said or written about political affairs in England, that it must be a hackneyed subject. Dr. Parkin intends to make a trip across Canada for the purpose of looking into some matters connected with the details of the organization of the Rhodes scholarships. After his trip he will spend some days in Washington where he will hold examinations in connection with the scholarship. He will visit various cities in the United States, and hopes to pay another visit to the city of St. John next autumn, when he expects to be prepared to discuss with any reporters who may happen around, such live questions as Imperialism, and the suffragette movement.

Dr. Parkin intends to bring out in the fall a book dealing with the Rhodes scholarship organization, its results so far in fulfilling the purposes intended, and his experience as an administrator of the scholarship fund. The volume will be a sort of hand book to the scholarship movement, and should prove of considerable interest, as Dr. Parkin is an impartialist of note and may be trusted to bring out the most significant effects of the Rhodes scholarship in relation to the problem of Empire development.

DISASTROUS FIRE IN WATERLOO ST. BRUSSELS ST. LAST NIGHT

John E. Wilson's Foundry, The Canada Brush Company's Plant, McGrath's Department Store, Daley's Soda Water Factory and Other Buildings Burned—Loss will Easily Reach \$50,000.

Fire which broke out last night at 11.30 o'clock in the John E. Wilson foundry on Brussels street caused damage to the extent of \$50,000. As a result of the fire, the whole wooden block occupied by the Wilson foundry, The Canada Brush Company, Michael McGrath's department store and William Daley's soda water factory was left a heap of smouldering ruins.

A large three storey tenement adjoining the foundry building was badly gutted, a number of wooden buildings in the rear of the premises were either wiped out or gutted, and the occupants had a narrow escape from perishing in the flames. Outside of the fact that the fire started in the foundry, little could be learned of its origin so suddenly did it burst through the walls.

The fire is the worst which has visited Brussels street in years, and that the whole block from Clarence street to Brunswick was not wiped out was due to absence of wind. Had a breeze of even moderate volume been blowing for the first hour the fire was in progress, the damage would have been much larger. Providentially, however, only a slight wind was blowing, and this fact coupled with the persistent efforts of the firemen kept the flames from spreading to the adjoining buildings.

A Mass of Flames.

When the first sign of the fire was discovered an alarm was sent in from Box 15. On arriving at the scene the firemen found the building a mass of flames. Huge tongues of fire licked the adjoining buildings; volumes of flame were shooting heavenward, and the intense heat bent over the neighborhood of the fire a very inferno into which the firemen could penetrate only with the greatest difficulty.

A second alarm was immediately rung in, but for over an hour it appeared an impossible task to save the buildings in the rear and adjoining. From Brussels street to Erin street the flames stretched like a wall. A dozen streams of water were quickly playing on the fire, but despite the struggles of the fire fighters the battle with the destructive element waged fiercely, with the odds greatly in favor of the fire.

From the tenement houses near the burning buildings the occupants escaped in scant clothing. What household effects could be gathered were removed, through the assistance of spectators, children were carried beyond danger, and the occupants of the houses gathered on the sidewalk to watch the destruction of their homes.

A Great Reflection.

Everything that goes to make a fire sensational was in evidence. From nearly every section of the city the reflection of the flames was visible. Dense volumes of smoke rolled over the town, carrying in their wake showers of sparks. For over an hour residents as far away as Waterloo street were threatened, as the sparks from the fire settled on the roofs. A couple of incident flames were arrested on Waterloo street, and for hours residents in that section having requisitioned every available fire engine, stood guard on the roofs of their dwellings. For nearly three hours the fire resisted every effort of the firemen. Although a dozen lines of hose played on the flames, so great a headway had the fire made that very little effect was visible. About half past two, however, nature took a hand in the unequal struggle, and an electrical storm which had been brewing for an hour burst with all its fury.

A torrential rain beat down upon

WORK IS BOOMING AT EXHIBITION; ALL READY BY SATURDAY

Grounds and Buildings a Scene of Great Activity—The Pike to be Larger than Ever.

The Ferris wheel is going up. And the Merry-go-round is ready to have the horses attached. Tomorrow the Ocean Wave affair arrives and then the mechanical city will be put together.

After that the Diving Girls get into town, followed by Aviator Metach and his monoplane; likewise the balloonist Prof. Bonnet.

And so on as the week draws to a close. On its closing day the Greater St. John Exhibition will have an auspicious opening. The formalities are all settled upon and before bedtime Saturday night the best show this city has boasted will be on its way to success.

Everything is activity and bustle at the buildings. Manager Porter spent the greater part of yesterday walking about with exhibitors straightening out trivial difficulties about spaces and seeing that the regulations of the association were not being overstepped. On the grounds it was a bit of a puzzle for a while finding room for all the side attractions. Special care was taken not to have

the flames, and rendered the fire impossible to do further damage. Had the rain come sooner a considerable amount of damage would have been prevented. Its arrival, however, facilitated the work of the firemen, and saved the buildings in the immediate neighborhood from total loss.

\$50,000 Loss.

The entire damage wrought by the fire will reach the \$50,000 mark. The wooden block in which the Wilson foundry and other industrial concerns were located, is nothing but a mass of charred and smouldering ruins. In the rear were a number of smaller wooden houses which are so badly gutted as to be of little value.

The large three tenement house immediately adjoining the foundry on Brussels street, although not entirely destroyed, is badly gutted by fire and water. In addition to the damage from the loss of the buildings themselves, the damage resulting from destruction of stock, machinery stored in the Wilson building at the time of the fire will reach the thousands.

In addition to the stock in the J. E. Wilson factory, and which is great, the Canada Brush Company stock was valued at about \$20,000. Michael McGrath, who kept a large departmental store in the block, is also a heavy loser. At the time of the fire he carried a large assortment of goods, consisting of furniture, crockery, etc. Of all this only the accessories were rescued. William Daley's entire stock and equipment for the manufacture of soda water was destroyed, and the loss incurred will be great, as he had no insurance on the stock. It could not be ascertained this morning the amount of insurance carried by Mr. Wilson or the others, but it is understood that they will lose a heavy sum. The fire was still smouldering at the hour of going to press.

Young Lawyer Prevents Looting.

While the fire was at its height and the salvage men were hastily removing the household effects from the menaced residences, a rising young lawyer, an incident that illustrates some hidden phases in the legal character. Being a well known young man, this particular rising young barrister was assisting the salvage men to remove the household goods of a poor family on Erin street. While so engaged, a stranger with an aggressive air came in, grabbed a bag of the most valuable articles he could see, and remarking that it was a good time to appropriate valuables on the part of business men who are generally disposed to consider themselves as not being exposed to very serious dangers in the daily routine of their occupations. The best accident policies are sold at Frank R. Fairweather's, 12 Canterbury street, St. John, N. B., Phone, Main 652. Insurance, etc.

The rising young barrister prides himself on his knowledge of human character, and his ability to draw conclusions from definite premises. So when he heard the stranger insinuate his intention to appropriate what he had found, he jumped at the suspicion that the stranger contemplated robbing the unfortunate victims of the flames. So his legal mind was worked up with indignation, and picking up a stove lifter, he followed the stranger until it became apparent that he was walking off with his spoils farther than was necessary. "Bring that stuff back here," said the rising young lawyer, in commanding tones. "Go chase yourself," said the stranger. "I'll make it my business," said the rising young lawyer. And forthwith he struck the stranger over the head with the stove lifter, and made him see more stars than there were in the air at that time, which is saying a good deal.

The stranger dropped his plunder, and to avoid another collision with the stove lifter, made off in a great hurry.

Any of the lofty tents or flagpoles in the track of the aeroplanes, which is to make its flights from the grounds in front of the grandstand, starting near the Agricultural Building. There fore there will be what might be called a "clear track" between the Main Buildings and the centre of the grounds. Jack Breen, proprietor of the Pike interests is also a busy man and as his concessionaries arrive by boat and train he struggles to find them all a good location.

The redoubtable Billy Taylor, veteran of a score of exhibitions almost, never had the grounds or buildings in better shape. The old Barrack Green looks like a well-kept preserve and a wealthy man with his green sward and white woodwork. In the three big interiors the festooning and draping is magnificent, and electric lights glisten among this display of gay colors the most festive of fair breaks upon the eyes. St. John's persistence in the matter of exhibitions is simply a refining process in which each succeeding show grows better, prettier, and on the whole, more elaborate. It is the lesson of the greatest tutor, experience.

Little remains to be said of the show to open on Saturday, except that it is going to be a comprehensive exposition of the natural resources, the manufactures, the arts of this grand Canada of ours. In the display of the good fortune of the St. John Exhibition Association to put under contract. The conquest of the air will be witnessed in Eastern Canada for the first time, as far as propelled craft is concerned, and in addition the old-fashioned gas balloon will make the over-thrilling parachute drop will be brought into play for the sake of the "ohs" and the "ahs" that it invariably brings forth. A platform show in front of the grandstand, a very spectacular at night in addition to the usual display of mixed pyrotechnics, a Pike that "you can tell your mind to," and so on ad infinitum will make the holiday character of the Ex-

MARITIME LADIES GOLF COMPETITION OPENED YESTERDAY

Much Interest in Yesterday's Play—Excellent Golf Watched by Large Gallery—Drawings for Today.

The Maritime ladies golf championships were opened yesterday when the golfers were greeted by fine weather and an excellent course.

The quality championship round was played and the players followed over the course by a large gathering. Miss Bauld was the best of the day negotiating the round in 90.

This morning there is to be a driving contest beginning at 10.30 and the Second Consolation is also to be played. For this afternoon the First Consolation is scheduled, and also those who qualified in the championship rounds will play off. The qualifying scores yesterday were:

Miss Bauld	90
Miss Stetson	96
Mrs. Morris	98
Mrs. Bonnyman	100
Mrs. Handsomebody	101
Miss Hare	103
Miss Muriel Robertson	104
Mrs. Chandler	106
Miss H. S. Smith	107
Miss Skinner	108
Miss Christie	110
Mrs. Flemming	110
Mrs. Maddison	112
Mrs. Cook	112
Mrs. Rhodes	112
Miss Barker	115

The drawings for this contest today are:

Miss Bauld vs Mrs. Morris.
Mrs. Bonnyman vs Miss Stetson.
Miss Barker vs Mrs. Handsomebody.
Miss Muriel Robertson vs Mrs. Chandler.
Mrs. Cook vs Miss Flemming.
Mrs. Rhodes vs Miss Skinner.
Miss Christie vs Miss H. S. Smith.
Miss Hare vs Mrs. Maddison.
The drawings for the First Consolation are:

Mrs. E. A. Smith vs Miss Hare.
Mrs. H. C. Schofield vs Miss Vroom.
Miss Mary Robertson vs Miss Shannon.

Miss Parks vs Mrs. McLaughlin.
Miss Warner vs Mrs. Campbell.
Mrs. Lefair vs Mrs. Hyndman.
Miss S. R. McLaren vs Miss Black.
Mrs. Dawson vs Mrs. Thomas.

The drawings for the Second Consolation are:

Miss Magee vs Mrs. Crowe.
Mrs. Dickie vs Miss Stair.
Miss McIlvren vs Mrs. Wilkinson.
Mrs. Alward vs Mrs. Barnas.

Live Wires and Accident Insurance.

A. T. Smith, president of the First State Bank of Middleboro, Ky., was killed by touching an uninsulated electric wire in his store, as reported by The Financial Age. We do not know whether Mr. Smith had accident insurance or not, but in death under circumstances which may be duplicated in almost any business plant is a strong argument in favor of accident insurance on the part of business men who are generally disposed to consider themselves as not being exposed to very serious dangers in the daily routine of their occupations. The best accident policies are sold at Frank R. Fairweather's, 12 Canterbury street, St. John, N. B., Phone, Main 652. Insurance, etc.

Fall Dress Materials.

Now is the time to do your fall sewing and those who buy early will get the pick of the new stock. F. A. Dyke and Co., are proud to say that they have a selection of these goods direct from first hands, that will rank among the very best of the season. Materials to be shown are mostly of the whipcord and serge weaves while Venetians range from 75 cents to \$2. Serges from 35 cents to \$1.50, and Venetians from 59 cents to \$2. They are showing some very nice cloaking, the texture of which is of a soft comfortable nature and will give good service. The prices range from \$1 to \$3 a yard.

The Marr Millinery Co. will hold their autumn millinery opening today, (Tuesday) and following days, and as usual, are the first to interest their customers with what is new in millinery and the assortment certainly shows evidence of their efforts to give the ladies of St. John the latest and most up-to-date millinery goods. Miss Gallagher, Miss Driscoll and Miss King have been in New York during the month of August attending the openings and buying for their firm. This will insure getting the latest of everything in the millinery line.

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WANTED—Laborers to work on the new automobile factory Coldbrook. Apply at the office of A. R. C. Clark and Son, Ferry building.

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Wanted.

Kitchen boy and kitchen girl wanted at the Royal Hotel.

WANTED—Bell boy, Apply Royal Hotel.

hibition a sure big hit. Then of course there will be the autumn, the lovely horses, the weeny pigs, the fancy poultry and pet stock, and oil painting, and so on ad infinitum will make the holiday character of the Ex-

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