

THE WEATHER.

Forecasts
Maritime—Mostly cloudy and mild, some light local snow or rain.

Toronto, Feb. 17—Light snow has fallen in some parts of northern Ontario, but the weather over the Dominion today has been mostly fair and mild.

Temperatures.

Place	Min.	Max.
Dawson	.. 11	.. 12
Victoria	.. 42	.. 48
Vancouver	.. 40	.. 44
Calgary	.. 28	.. 48
Edmonton	.. 24	.. 46
Medicine Hat	.. 26	.. 46
Battleford	.. 32	.. 38
Prince Albert	.. 26	.. 36
Winnipeg	.. 10	.. 38
Port Arthur	.. 18	.. 44
Parry Sound	.. 30	.. 36
London	.. 28	.. 38
Toronto	.. 32	.. 44
Kiasston	.. 30	.. 40
Ottawa	.. 26	.. 34
Montreal	.. 24	.. 32
Quebec	.. 18	.. 30
St. John	.. 22	.. 32
Halifax	.. 3	.. 32

—Below zero.

Around the City

Sugar Prices Soar.
There was an advance yesterday of ten cents per one hundred pounds in all grades of sugar.

Acting Disgracefully.
A drunk, who was incapable of giving his name to the police last night, was arrested on Union street by Policeman Rankine, for being intoxicated and acting disgracefully.

Many Drunks.
The police members to arrest a great number of drunks about the city during a week. The officers made ten arrests last night and half the number were common drunks.

New County Treasurer in Office.
The new county treasurer has been sworn in and is now in charge of the office. B. J. Dowling has been appointed to fill the position of assistant to the commissioner of harbors on the west side.

Sleigh Drive Enjoyed.
The club members, and Sunday school teachers of St. James' church, enjoyed a sleigh drive last evening. A large four horse sleigh was engaged and the outing proved to be a very happy event.

Returns to New York.
Harry McClasky, who was called to St. John by the serious illness of his father, A. McClasky, Douglas Avenue, left last night for his home in New York as his father was much improved in health.

St. John River Commission.
John Keeffe returned last night from Fredericton where he had been attending a meeting of the St. John River Commission. He said they had finished their labors and the signed report would be forwarded immediately to their respective governments.

Clam Bake Enjoyed.
There was a large attendance of the members of King Edward Lodge No. 20, P. A. B. B., in their hall, Gullford street, West St. John, last night. The occasion was a clam bake and entertainment. The evening was greatly enjoyed by all present.

Created a Disturbance.
Robert Sample and Henry Moad, sailors from one of the steamships in port, were last night given in charge of Policemen Armstrong and Winter, for creating a disturbance in the Imperial Theatre. The men were intoxicated.

Crucifix Found.
Frank Furlong, driver for the fire department chief, found a crucifix in the Old Burying Ground yesterday afternoon and handed it to the officer in charge at police headquarters where the owner can receive it on application.

Drunk and Resisting.
Late yesterday afternoon a man, whose name had not been learned by the police at a late hour last night, was arrested on Union street by Sergeant Scott with Patrolmen Donohue and Rankine. The prisoner is charged with being drunk and resisting the officers.

Our Trade With France.
A communication has been received from the Hon. Sir George Foster by the secretary of the Board of Trade, asking them to appoint a delegate to attend a conference in Ottawa on the 24th of February. The subject to be discussed is the advisability of sending a party of business men to France after the war is over with the idea of increasing the trade between the two countries.

A. O. H. Anniversary.
No. 1 Division of the A. O. H., celebrated their 23rd anniversary last evening in their hall on Union street. President George J. McDermott occupied the chair and opened the meeting with a short address. He was followed by Rev. Dr. O'Reilly, who lectured on "Monastic Ireland." Short addresses were delivered by Rev. M. O'Brien, C. J. McLaughlin and M. P. Howland. The celebration was a success, and was largely attended by members of the order, who enjoyed, besides the lecture, piano solos by Miss McMillan, and songs by Miss Jean McMillan.

CANADA'S FIRST CONTINGENT THE BIGGEST THING IN THIS WAR, SAYS REV. DR. CUTTEN

Prompt Organization and Despatch of 33,000 Men Set World Wondering—Tennyson Smith Also at Last Night's Recruiting Meeting.

The recruiting meeting last night at the Germain street room was one of the largest yet held in the city. An excellent program of music and speeches was provided and Chairman Tennyson Smith had plenty of snuff for everybody. A detachment of the 115th, headed by the drum corps of the 69th, marched from the armory to the Grand Union Hotel where they were joined by the party of snuff at present in the city. From there they marched up town and around to the room on Germain street.

The speakers of the evening were Rev. Dr. G. B. Cutten, president of Acadia College; Tennyson Smith, the noted temperance campaigner; Magistrate Ritchie and Sgt. Reid of the 115th. H. V. MacKinnon presided at the piano and P. C. Johnson gave auto harp selections. During the evening the following sang: Mrs. Tennyson Smith, John T. Kelley, Joseph Murdoch and Seaman Carmody and Gilles. John Salmon gave a recitation.

Sgt. Reid was the first speaker. He said we were privileged to come to the meeting and feel safe because of the fact that the navy was on the job and had kept the enemy from our shores. No tribute was too great to be paid to the navy for the work they had done. He referred to the fact that out of 407 letters sent out to young business men in regard to the formation of a business man's platoon only four had thought it worth while to reply. And yet the greatest business proposition today for the men of the Empire was to finish the war.

Tennyson Smith.
Tennyson Smith was the next speaker. He said he had spent about fourteen months in the military camps in England fighting the drink, not drunk because every soldier knew just as well as he did that it was a disgrace to get drunk but the drink when that was gone there would be no drunkenness and during the time he was among the soldiers over 18,000 had signed the pledge.

He sometimes felt inclined to envy the young men the opportunity they had today, not of dying for their country. He did not like that idea, but of living for their country and they surely had a country worth living for. Some of the boys would, of course, die for the country but they had the satisfaction of knowing that they fought and died in a righteous cause. The nation was behind the boys in khaki in this war.

The evidence was down in black and white that this was not a war of Britain's seeking but rather a war forced on the Empire by honor. In the South African war there were some who questioned whether England was in the right or not but there was no such question about the present war. The majority of the people honored and respected the boys who were doing their bit, there were some few exceptions and he told of one woman who visited a watering place in England when she found the soldiers there complained and said she would not have come had she known they were there. He said he would make the people of that class black the soldiers' boots and wash their clothes if they were good enough to fight for the safety of the country and to protect the homes of the land they were good enough to associate with.

Nation Behind the Soldiers.
The nation was behind the troops and he believed that God was behind the nation and the outcome of the conflict would be victory for the allied forces. While they were preparing to

MISSIONARY BANQUET IN ST. LUKE'S CHURCH

The men of the Laymen's Missionary Movement of St. Luke's church, held their annual banquet in the church rooms last night. There were about one hundred men present and the affair was greatly enjoyed by all. The banquet was served at 6.30 o'clock, and Rev. H. P. McKim presided. During his remarks the rector stated that at present there were 118 men from St. Luke's who had enlisted for overseas duty.

The principal speaker of the evening was Rev. Dr. J. A. Morrison, of the First Presbyterian church, Carleton Place. Dr. Morrison gave a very able address taking for his subject "The Life of David Livingstone." A vote of thanks was tendered the speaker on motion of W. Smith, seconded by J. Craft. A vote of thanks to the committee in charge of the banquet was moved by M. Holly, and seconded by T. E. Robinson; R. A. Stelzer, the chairman of the committee, responded. A vote of thanks to the ladies who supplied the good things for the banquet was moved by Rev. H. V. Martin and seconded by V. Scott.

The banquet was one of the most successful ever given by the church members, and many were the complimentary remarks passed on the excellent manner in which Rev. Dr. Morrison portrayed the life of David Livingstone.

MRS. E. A. SMITH RE-ELECTED AS CHAPTER HEAD

Annual Meeting of Royal Standard Chapter Daughters of the Empire Held Last Evening.

The annual meeting of the Royal Standard Chapter, Daughters of the Empire, was held last night at the residence of Mrs. Alexander Wilson, Queen Square. The treasurer, Mrs. H. A. McKenna, reported that during the year there passed through the treasury the sum of \$5,519, and there was a balance on hand of \$178. The secretary, Miss Travis, rendered a good report of the year's activities. It was shown that the sum of \$125 was realized from the lecture on Bulgaria recently given by Mrs. E. Atherton Smith.

The election of officers for the ensuing term was as follows: Regent, Mrs. E. Atherton Smith; first vice-regent, Mrs. C. B. Allan; second vice-regent, Mrs. T. E. G. Armstrong; secretary, Mrs. A. Pierce Crockett; treasurer, Mrs. H. B. Wallace; Echoes secretary, Miss Ethel Jarvis; standard bearer, Mrs. Alexander Wilson; councillors, Mrs. George McAvoy, Mrs. Fenwick Fraser, Mrs. J. Pope Barnes, Mrs. Daniel Mullin and Mrs. Fred Harding.

Three members were elected, viz., Mrs. Walter Gilbert, Mrs. Arthur Bowman and Mrs. J. L. Day. Plans for the celebration of King Albert's birthday on April 8th were discussed as were also plans regarding the memorial tablet for the first contingent.

THE MORALITY SQUAD MAKES MORE ARRESTS

Two Girls and One Man Taken in Last Night in Police Crusade Against Street Walking.

Despite arrests and warnings given by the police it appears that the practice of street walking by girls and women in the city has not abated much. Last night, about 10.30 o'clock, Detectives Barrett and Briggs arrested a girl named Laura Murphy, aged 20, and a soldier named Alma Michaud, aged 22. They are charged with loitering and lurking in an alley off Waterloo street.

Half an hour later Police Officer Winter arrested a girl on Charlotte street and charged her with street walking. The girl is a foreigner, known to the police as Rosa. Last night she came into prominence in police circles, when she had a man and woman, who reside on Long Wharf arrested, and charged them with stealing over three hundred dollars from her while she was asleep. The case was not made out and the prisoners were discharged, while Rosa was ordered to leave the city. She did not go out of town, however, and was seen last night later for street walking. She was sent to the Home of the Good Shepherd for a lengthy term.

Social and Dance.
A pie social and dance took place last night under the auspices of Union Jack Lodge No. 35, P. A. B. B., in the Orange hall, Simonds street. There was a large assemblage, including many of the boys wearing khaki. The principal event of the evening was the presentation of a wrist watch to John J. Howe, a member of the lodge who has recently joined the colors. The presentation was made by Commissioner Potts. A most enjoyable time was spent by all. Dancing was kept up till about midnight.

Pongee Silk Waists.
F. A. Dykeman & Co. are placing on sale another lot of these beautiful pongee silk waists. Although the price of the silk from which these are made has advanced 25 per cent, the price of this second lot of waists ready to wear will be the same as before, \$1.35. They come in sizes from 34 to 44. There is nothing that will give the wear and satisfaction that this hand woven pongee silk gives.

Dollar Day Announcement.
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Brackets .. 5 cts. pair
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