

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—From northwest-ly and westerly winds; cold-er, with some light snow falls or flurries.

Toronto, Dec. 18.—Colder weather has set in today over Alberta and Saskatchewan, and also in Ontario and Quebec.

Table with 2 columns: Location and Temperature. Includes entries for Toronto, Montreal, Quebec, etc.

AROUND THE CITY

Key Found—Officer O'Leary found a key on Brussels street yesterday afternoon.

A Gold Ring Found.—A gold ring found yesterday by William Harrington at the corner of Douglas Avenue and Main street.

Reminders of New Year.—The Standard has received excellent calendars from F. S. Purdy, Wall street; John Masee, Germain street;

Milk To The States.—For some time large shipments of fresh milk have been going from this city to Boston.

Fighter Arrested.—The baggage room of the Union Depot was the scene of a short but violent fight yesterday afternoon.

For Friday's Dinner.—The retail fish market today shows a marked improvement over the previous week, but the supply is still limited.

PERSONAL.

Miss Audrey Ross arrived home yesterday from the University of Mount Allison to spend the Christmas vacation.

Mrs. John H. Owen of Eastport, Maine, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Jane Proctor, 224 Brussels street.

Miss Alice Campbell, of Sackville, is a guest of Miss Wheaton, Duke street.

Miss M. Linsley, who is studying at Mount Allison, is home to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Linsley.

St. Andrews Beacon, visited St. Andrews' friends on his way to his former home in St. John.

Ernest Gantner is home from Montreal for the Christmas holidays.

H. L. Grant, the inspector of agencies of the Great Life Company, arrived in the city yesterday on a business trip.

William B. Howard, district passenger agent, C. P. R., and a staff of C. P. R. officials, left last evening for Halifax.

Among the arrivals on the Boston train last evening was Florence O'Neil who for the past few weeks has been visiting relatives in Bath, Maine.

Florence McIntyre who has been attending the Provisional Normal School, arrived in the city last evening to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents in the city.

John Mooney and Thomas Gorman, who has been attending the University of New Brunswick, were among the students arriving home last evening.

Charles Malcom has returned from Mount Allison to spend Christmas with his parents in the city.

MOTION TO PURCHASE FIRE APPARATUS VOTED DOWN

Petition of King Street Merchants for New Equipment Turned Down in Council—Mayor Frink Says that He Can't be Coerced.

At the meeting of the city council yesterday a petition signed by Manchester Robertson Allison, W. H. Thorne & Co., T. McAvity & Co., Brock & Patterson, Macaulay Bros, Emerson & Fisher, Raymond and Doherty and others was read, praying the city to procure additional fire-lighting apparatus of the most up-to-date description.

CONSTRUCTION OF PIERS NEAR BALLAST WHARF DISCUSSED

Plans Submitted to Council Show the Possibility of Using Slip and Building Additional Accommodation to Relieve Congestion on Harbor Front.

An important matter was brought to the attention of the City Council, yesterday afternoon by Mayor Frink, when he urged the desirability of requesting the Dominion Government to take measures to provide for the construction of deep water berths north of the sugar refinery.

PASTOR OF CALVIN CHURCH INDUCTED

Rev. F. W. Thompson Assumed Charge Last Evening—Large Congregation Present at the Ceremony.

The Presbyterian of St. John met in Calvin Presbyterian Church last evening when in the presence of a large attendance of people Rev. F. W. Thompson was inducted to the pastoral charge of that congregation.

An Exceptional Case.—Mrs. Silliphant, an aged widow who resides with her son-in-law, Harry McLeod, on King street, West End, is remarkably well for her age as she has passed her ninetieth birthday.

PROPOSAL OF TECHNICAL SCHOOL HERE

Trades and Labor Council Endorses Idea—Should not be Mere Trade School—Officers Nominated.

At the meeting of the Trades and Labor Council last evening the principal matter under discussion was the advisability of establishing technical schools in St. John.

CONSERVATIVE ASS'N COMPLETES EXECUTIVE

Meeting Held Last Night to Select Twenty-five Additional Members to Make Full Complement.

The ward chairmen and the president of the St. John Conservative Club, North End Conservative Club, and R. L. Borden Club, met yesterday and elected twenty-five additional members, completing the executive of the Conservative Association for the city and county of St. John.

HUSBAND LOOKS IN TRAIN FOR HIS WIFE

Expected She and Companion would leave City Last Night, but they Failed to Appear at Depot.

A weary and heart broken husband waited anxiously last evening at the Union depot until the departure of the Halifax train, and earnestly sought the assistance of the police in an effort to locate his missing wife.

QUEEN'S RINK OPENS TOMORROW

Season tickets for the Queen's rink make the best Xmas gift for any boy or girl. The advance sale this year is the biggest yet and those who have not already secured them should do so at once.

Drawing Instruments FOR STUDENTS. Make Appropriate Xmas Gifts. Our Stock is Now Complete. For students of Technical Schools and draughtsmen.

LET YOUR XMAS GIFT Be a Mignonette Horizontal Knabe Grand Or a Willis Upright. Rich and Dainty in Case. Selected Product of both factories for the Holidays.

BRASS AND COPPER Gifts. BRASS AND COPPER GOODS being most popular at the present time, make these goods very acceptable gifts.

Specials for Men This Morning. Bargains Good Only from 9 a. m. to 12 Noon in Men's Furnishings Department. GET the morning shopping habit until Christmas is over and you'll not only make your own task easier but also enable our Salesforce to better serve you.

Ladies' Blouses for Christmas Gifts. STRIPED SILK BLOUSES in Copenhagen and white, vest of white satin, white net yoke and collar, piping of cerise satin.

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