

THE WEATHER

Toronto, May 25.—Pressure is relatively high along the British Columbia and United States Pacific coasts, but on the continent generally it is below the normal. Showers have occurred locally in Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and in Seattle. Rainstormed in the Western Provinces the weather continues warm.

St. John	44	56
Prince Rupert	40	48
Vancouver	45	58
Edmonton	46	70
Battleford	40	60
Prince Albert	44	74
Winnipeg	44	80
White River	40	72
London	44	57
Toronto	44	63
Ottawa	44	58
Montreal	44	56
Quebec	44	40
Halifax	44	52

Maritime—Fresh to strong winds, unsettled with showers. Northern New England—Cloudy and somewhat warmer. Thursday, Friday partly cloudy. Moderate variable winds, mostly north.

AROUND THE CITY

FALLS BRIDGE AGAIN.
Hon. C. W. Robinson has notified the mayor that the government would meet here on June 2 and would be ready to receive a delegation in connection with the bridge over the falls.

ENQUIRY FROM SEATTLE.
The Board of Trade yesterday received from Seattle a request for photos of waterfront and industrial activities of St. John. The request will be complied with.

SHIPPING SUGGESTIONS.
Yesterday there was received at the Board of Trade copies of a bulletin on the wrapping and shipping of goods, prepared and issued by the great Traffic Association of Canada. Those interested may obtain copies from the board.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE.
Confirmation took place in the St. John Stone Church last evening, when a class of ten candidates were presented to Bishop Richardson by the Rev. Canon Khoury. The bishop made a very fitting address to the candidates at the close of the service.

LETTER OF THANKS.
The Mayor has received a letter of thanks from Commander Hugh S. England, of H. M. S. Valerian, which was in part last week. The commander also asked to have the appreciation of the officers and crew extended to President Armstrong and the officials of the Navy League for the hospitality shown. The letter was dated from Halifax, May 22.

HAS BEEN SUSPENDED.
As a result of a collision Tuesday between one of the city buses and a farmer's cart in Union street, James Dever, the driver of the street wagon, was suspended yesterday morning by Commissioner Thornton pending an investigation. The commissioner said that the department has orders not to use Carmarthen street for fire vehicles.

FIGHTING SALMON.
Some excellent catches of salmon have been made recently from the waters of a lake situated on the property of "Sandy" Crawford, Loch Lomond road. H. R. McEldon and wife "whipped" the lake for the first of the week and made a good catch. The salmon there are full of fight and provide plenty of fun for the fishermen.

WORK FOR STEEL MEN.
Sydney, N. S., May 25.—Steady work from now until the middle of September will be provided for the workmen of the Sydney steel mills, if the reported order for forty thousand tons of rails from the Canadian National Railway to the Dominion Steel Corporation goes through. Up to now today, however, local officials of the steel company had received no confirmation of the big order. The press despatches yesterday and today. The plant has been working two and three days a week since last November.

SUGGESTS NEW ROUTE.
No decision was reached at the conference held yesterday between the city commissioners, representatives of the West Side Improvement League and the New Brunswick Power Co., re the removal of the rails from Queen Square, West. B. W. Thomson asked for a couple of days to lay the matter before the directors. He also suggested a new route for the west side which would give a ten minute service from the ferry up Rodney street, along Ledlow, Tower and Lancaster streets to Dufferin row or Clifton street and then along Lancaster avenue to the bridge. This would put the whole of the west side into one circuit instead of two as at present.

REMOVE TAX ON FLOUR, BRAN AND MIDDINGS

Packages of Less Than 49 Pounds Exempt—Tax on Lumber Raised.

The sales tax of 3 per cent. which has been up to the present, on flour, bran and middlings in any quantity is removed on packages of less than 49 pounds. This will remove a lot of work and worry from the retailers who up to the present have had to make sales tax returns.

On the other hand it is understood that the sales tax on lumber has been raised from one per cent. to three per cent., and that the manufacturer pays the tax to the government, and the three per cent. is added to the price of the lumber to the subsequent dealer. Much work is thus eliminated both for the lumbermen and the consumers.

Work Being Done At Courtenay Bay

Operations Being Carried on—Project Will Be Completed by Winter of 1922.

The excitement over the work on the Courtenay Bay development caused successive outbreaks of enthusiasm when it was commenced in 1912 and every blast of rock and every ton of earth that the citizens saw taken out gave them visions of the marvelous being done and led them to think the great work was only the task of a week and after that time St. John would come into her merited position as one of the great marine centres of the world.

Come Criticism.
The numerous disturbing circumstances that co-operated to thwart the rapid completion of the accepted plans also caused the citizens to lose some interest in the matter and incidentally gave an opportunity for some criticism of certain phases of the matter and sometimes their criticism was not strictly constructive.

However the work has been steadily going on with some delays and the assurance was given yesterday that if no untoward circumstances intervened the ends of the dispositions made, and being made, the project will be completed by the winter of 1922.

Dry Dock and Breakwater.
The work of excavating for the dry dock is now near completion and since the rock taken from it is being put on the break-water progress on one must be accommodated to progress on the other. Since the two are being constructed at the same time their completion will also materialize at the same time which will be in about three months. Not only is work being done in those directions but the hydraulic dredge "Tornado" commenced work on Monday and in three weeks will complete the work on the reclamation area. This area comprises about thirty-five acres and is the site of the proposed shops and the ship repair plant.

Concrete Construction.
In a very short time considerable activity will be injected in the work. Preparations are being made for the actual concrete construction which will commence by the middle of the summer. With that end in view rock crushing will commence next week and gravel will have to be obtained for the concrete. No source from which to obtain the gravel has yet been decided on but several sites are being examined. The contractors propose to put in the foundation and five hundred feet of the total of six hundred feet of the north side of the dry dock this season. This work will require about 20,000 yards of concrete and will make easily possible the completion of the dock next year.

The Dredging.
After the dredging of the reclamation area has been finished the dredging of the channel will be completed. About one hundred and seventy-five men are now being employed by the contractors and the taking on of more and the expansion and completion of the plans depend almost entirely on the estimate of one million dollars now before the House of Commons for the continuance of this scheme. If this estimate goes through there is no doubt that the interior of the contractors as outlined above will be rapidly put in process of formation. That it will go through is optimistically believed by not only those immediately connected with the purpose for which it will be expended, but by the public at large. If the wish to economize prevails in the councils of the legislators nothing else can happen but the closing down of the work until such time as money is more plentiful and the postponement of the plans now ready for being materialized.

Much Activity At Fair Vale

The Suburbanites Hard at Work Making Grounds Beautiful.

The suburbanites of Fair Vale have pretty nearly all been settled in that thriving little village now for the season of 1921, and great expectations are looked forward to in the line of sport, etc. Already the boys are getting their hands and arms in trim for the baseball season.

The fair sex as well as the masculine are getting down to real hard work laying out their lawns and preparing the grounds for the planting of vegetables and flowers, and a general overhauling of their bungalows, which, when the season gets a little more advanced, will make it, if not the most, at least one of the ideal suburban spots in New Brunswick.

Already the members of the Fair Vale Outing Club are beginning to make plans for summer pleasure; there is no doubt but that the customary Saturday evening dances will be held, and at the annual meeting of the club, which will be held this evening, at least a partial programme will be drawn up for the summer's pastimes.

This being the second birthday of the Fair Vale Outing Club the members while feeling justly proud of the standing the club has put their village in feel sure that the pinnacle of their exertions have not as yet been anywhere near reached, and are determined to advance it a few more rods to the fore this season.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION.
The Board of Public Utilities yesterday granted the Bathurst Electric Light Co. permission to reduce its rate. Today they will meet in St. John.

ELECTRIC RAILWAY MEN DELIVER THEIR ULTIMATUM

Decline to Work for Company After Expiration of Their Agreement on June 14th Unless They Receive Same Rate of Wages as Now—New Schedule and Conditions.

Representatives of the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway and Electric Workers' local called on the manager of the New Brunswick Power Company yesterday and served notice that their members declined to work further for the New Brunswick Power Co. after the expiry of their working agreement on June 14th, unless they received the same rate of wages they are getting at the present time, no On Man cars, and as Manager Thomson interprets it, an agreement leaving the control of the company's affairs more or less in the hands of the union. It was the union's ultimatum delivered with emphasis.

After receiving the ultimatum of the workers' Manager Thomson informed the union representatives that the company would from now on deal with its employees direct, and that the company is posting in their various buildings a notice to employees to the effect that after June 14th the wages will be approximately 20 per cent. less than they have been the past year; that the company intends to operate the One Man car when it considers it practicable and advisable; that the present employees will get the preference of re-employment, but, after the 10th of June, the superintendent of each department will accept anyone applying for work whom he considers capable of performing the duties required, whether the employee has previously been connected with the company or not.

Has Many Applications.
General Manager Thomson states that the company has already had many applications for positions. They have come from people in the city and from out of town and claim, and he does not anticipate any difficulty in filling up the ranks as he regards the wages offered as fair and equitable. With the introduction of the One Man car the company believes it can dispense with fifty motormen or conductors and it, therefore, does not anticipate any trouble in getting its cars operated.

Wage Scale and Conditions.
The following are the wage scales for the various departments and conditions required:

Motormen and Conductors.
For the first six months—39c. per hour.
For the second six months—41c. per hour.
After the first year—42c. per hour.
After the second year—44c. per hour.
One Man car operation—5c. per hour extra.
Snow work and training students—4c. per hour extra.
For the department the day's work shall be, as nearly as practicable, nine hours, to be arranged to the best advantage in runs of not less than eight and not more than nine and a half hours, to be completed in twelve consecutive hours, except that not more than 20 per cent. of the total runs may be completed in twelve consecutive hours, and not more than fourteen consecutive hours.

The time of the day's work shall be computed to the nearest ten minutes, and each man to be paid for the time he works.

Linemen.
Sub-foreman—56c. per hour.
Linemen—47c. per hour.
Groundmen—30c. to 36c. per hour.
Trimmers—38c. to 42c. per hour.
Chaufeur—38c. per hour.
The day's work to be nine hours.

Trackmen.
Sub-foreman (when working as sub-foreman)—42c. per hour.
Track and Hillmen—38c. per hour.
Arc welders (when working)—50c. per hour.

Mechanical Department.
Machinists—58c. per hour.
Carpenters—53c. per hour.
Painters—52c. per hour.
Blacksmiths—58c. per hour.
For this department, eight hours will constitute a day's work.

Power House Employees.
First Engineer—54c. per hour.
Engineers—40c. per hour.
Dynamo Tenders—50c. per hour.
 Oilers—46c. per hour.
Boilermen—50c. per hour.
Firemen—46c. per hour.
Repairmen—39c. to 50c. per hour.
Day's work placed at nine hours.

Car Barn Employees.
Day Foreman—58c. per hour.
Night Foreman—46c. per hour.
Pitmen—44c. per hour.
Nightmen (West)—38c. per hour.
Cleaners (8 hours)—37.50 per week.
Cleaners (9 hours)—39c. to 36c. per hour.

Nine hours for day men. Night men in West St. John will work twelve hours for a day.

Gas Works Employees.
Meter Repairer—39c. per hour.
Meter Setter—38c. per hour.
Firemen—40c. per hour.
Yard Foreman—38c. per hour.
Yardmen—38c. per hour.
Streetmen—38c. per hour.
Stabblers—31c. per hour.
Teamsters—31c. to 36c. per hour.
Nine hours for a day, excepting firemen, from whom 12 hours are required.

Further Conditions.
All employees are required to carry out the instructions issued from time to time by the general manager or superintendent of the department, who will have control over all employees in that department—to hire, suspend or discharge. Employees dissatisfied with the superintendent's decision may appeal to the general manager.

Between date and June 10th, the superintendent will receive applications for employment in this department after June 14th, giving preference to those first applying out of the present department employees, provided such employees are, in his opinion, capable of the duties required.

On motion of Commissioner Thornton a bill of \$500 for the motor car for No. 1 Hook and Ladder, used to pump air for the new ladder truck, was ordered paid.

Commissioner Thornton moved that the proposed amendments of the "Opium and Drug Act," suggested by the Vancouver city council, be endorsed and writs to that effect be sent to the Minister of Justice and the Federal members, Hon. Mr. Wigmore and S. E. Elkin.

The action of Commissioner Bullock in returning the deposit of Mr. McGrath, because the town planning regulations would not permit of the erection of a two family house, was confirmed.

Commissioner Thornton called attention to the need for a new police patrol and moved that the commissioner of public works be authorized to purchase a combination patrol and ambulance at a cost not to exceed \$4,000, to be paid for by a five-year bond issue of five-year bonds.

On motion of Commissioner Prink he was given authority to act in the matter of acceptance of a tender for asphalt. He said he might perhaps split the order between the two firms who made the offer as to price.

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NEW MEMBERS FOR THE CANADIAN CLUB

At noon yesterday a meeting of the Canadian Club executive was held in the Board of School Trustees office with Vice-President Dr. E. J. Ryan in the chair. After usual business had been transacted the following new members were elected:

Wm. R. Walsh, J. H. Cohan, O. S. Dykeman, Chas. McConnell, D. A. Porter, Wm. Kerr, G. K. Shields, Charles Carter, F. J. Nisbett, H. W. Parker, A. H. Stammers, F. S. Mealey, A. S. Belyea, Arthur Carter, W. C. Panjory, J. R. Wood, L. McT. Ritchie, J. W. Flewelling, W. J. Brown, J. R. Gale, B. H. Jordan, J. M. Belyea, A. C. Gregory, R. A. Macaulay, J. M. Donovan, L. F. Gard, A. L. Hoyt, R. J. Murphy, R. E. Smith, M. W. Marsh, J. B. Jones.

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Special meeting in the Board of Trade rooms 4 o'clock this afternoon to hear report of delegates to the Canadian Good Roads' Convention.

CLIFTON HOUSE, ALL MEALS 60C.

Mrs. George MacAlpine, Gagetown, who was called to the city on account of the serious illness of her brother, J. Henry Perkins, is the guest of Mrs. Mrs. W. H. MacBride, 81 Westworth street.

G. S. Mayes arrived home yesterday from a business trip to Montreal, New York and Boston.

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