

THE WEATHER.

Forecast:
Maritime—Strong winds or moderate gales from eastward at first, with rain.

Toronto, May 1—The disturbance which was centred near Chicago last night is now over Northern Ontario, causing strong winds and rain throughout the province, and also in western Quebec. In the Maritime Province and in the weather has been fair and cool.

Temperatures:

| | Min. | Max. |
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| Dawson | 28 | 44 |
| Prince Rupert | 35 | 54 |
| Victoria | 40 | 64 |
| Vancouver | 40 | 60 |
| Edmonton | 22 | 54 |
| Medicine Hat | 24 | 54 |
| Moose Jaw | 24 | 54 |
| Saskatoon | 24 | 54 |
| Prince Albert | 24 | 50 |
| Winnipeg | 28 | 48 |
| Fort Arthur | 34 | 46 |
| Parry Sound | 44 | 48 |
| Toronto | 42 | 49 |
| Kingston | 42 | 49 |
| Ottawa | 42 | 48 |
| Montreal | 42 | 50 |
| Quebec | 36 | 50 |
| St. John | 26 | 50 |
| Halifax | 30 | 50 |

Around the City

Black's Harbor Fire.
William Waitte, a farmer, residing near Black's Harbor, suffered a heavy loss Monday in the destruction by fire of his house and barn. The fire originated near the kitchen, presumably from a defective fire as the only available water supply was a bucket brigade from nearby wells it was impossible to save the buildings.

Water and Sewerage Department.
Commissioner Wigmore is busy with repairs at the present time and says the only drawback is lack of men. If he could get one hundred more he could find a use for them and would take them on. The Ungar sewer and the Adelaide street work are the two biggest jobs he has on hand at present. The specifications for the latter extension have been prepared and tenders will be called for the first of next week.

Local Pension Staff.
Miss Jessie Church, sister of Lieut. Gordon Church, has entered upon her duties as stenographer in the local pension office. Miss Church was an active worker in the V.A.D. Mrs. Geo. Scott, whose husband is at the front, is also a member of Major A. J. Markham's staff. Practically all the members of the staff throughout the Dominion have either seen service or have an immediate relative at the front.

217th Soldiers Entertained.
The Philathea Church of the German St. Baptist Church entertained about one hundred members of the 217th Battalion last night in the Brotherhood Hall. The first part of the evening was spent in games and other diversions. Several vocal and literary numbers assisted in making the evening a pleasant one. Among those taking part in the programme were members of the Bible class. Miss Ella Blissett presided at the piano. The last hour was spent in partaking of refreshments provided by the young ladies.

Board of Trade "Farm Talk"
The board of trade has invited Prof. Mitchell of the Provincial Agricultural Department, to address the next monthly meeting on the subject of "How can the business man best cooperate with the farmer to stimulate increased production in New Brunswick?" Prof. Mitchell has kindly accepted the invitation. Some practical farmers have also been invited to attend the meeting and participate in any discussion which might follow Prof. Mitchell's remarks. The meeting, which will be held at Bond's should be a profitable one.

V. M. C. I.
This afternoon will be "visiting day" at the V. M. C. I. and the members will have the opportunity of witnessing a demonstration of the proficiency in physical drill attained by the school boys' class under the direction of Professor Winston.

On next Saturday evening the Y. M. C. I. basketball team will compete with a team from the Y. M. C. A., and on the following Saturday with an aggregation from the 217th Battalion. Arrangements have been made to have photographs of the senior class in physical instruction taken on Friday and of the boys' class on Saturday afternoon.

Fishing Season Opened.
Fishing at the Little River reservoir opened yesterday, and one boat was available. The other boats are ready, but have not been delivered at the reservoir. Commissioner Wigmore said that there was still a lot of ice at Little River and that only the upper end of the reservoir was clear.

For fishing from the bank no charge will be made, but for use of the boats fifty cents per fisherman will be charged.
The minimum charge per boat will be \$1.00, so that those going out alone will have to part with a greenback. Only fish fishing will be allowed. Returned soldiers may angle and boat free of charge.

Fire in Box Car.
Smoke pouring out of the cracks of a box car standing on the track near the wharf of the Eastern Steamship Company, was the cause of a fire starting in from box 41 last night, about 8.30. Upon the arrival of the department the door of the car was opened and the contents, bales of cotton, were pulled out on the wharf. Several of the bales were on fire, while others were extremely hot and ready to break out at any time. One stream of hose was all that was required to extinguish the blaze. The origin of the fire is a mystery. It is thought to be of an incendiary nature as there could be no natural cause explainable for the outbreak. The cotton was consigned to a local firm.

THE HOTELS PROBABLE NOW

This Step Likely to Follow Fast Upon Loss of Bar Trade—The Lid on Tight Yesterday.

The lid was on tight in St. John yesterday. Of course, it is a little early to expect any of the "high sign stuff" usually follows the prohibition city, as the majority of men who are fond of liquor have a supply sufficient for at least a week. One case coming under the new act was before the magistrate yesterday, but as the informant is the only witness for the prosecution, it is likely it will be dropped.

Travelers arriving yesterday were probably the most disappointed and the way one man expressed himself when told the town had gone dry, would not look well in print. Placards, upon which the words, "to let," "closed up," "sold out," adorned the windows of the majority of the stores, formerly tenanted by liquor dealers. The total drunk list up until midnight numbers but four. This about the average number.

Besides the regular dealers in spirituous liquors, the only others who are seriously affected by the new act are the hotel men. The hotels in the city are now facing the same condition that the hotel men of Ontario have confronted for some time. The bar furnished a large part of the total revenue for the year, and its suppression naturally means a big loss in the yearly income.

The hotel men when interviewed by the Standard expressed themselves as strongly in favor of increased rates, claiming that it was the only way in which to meet the loss occasioned by the removal of the bar.

Mr. Raymond of the Royal Hotel, when asked what steps that house would take, said that as soon as the renovation of some of the rooms were completed the European plan would be established. Mr. Raymond said that something had to be done, and that was the only way out of the difficulty. He said that the revenue from the bar was a big loss to the hotel.

Mr. Dunlop of the Dufferin hotel, the standard of which it was the intention of the owners of that house to continue at the old rates for at least a month. In this way they will be able to ascertain just to what extent the income is depleted. He was not in a position to state what the next move would be in case there was a deficit, but it is likely that the rates would be raised.

M. Bohan of the Park Hotel, said the rates would have to go up. The bar was a big revenue producer. He was unable to state just what the increase would be, but he expressed himself as strongly in favor of an advance.

"I'll have to practically double my rates," said J. D. Driscoll of the Edward, when asked how the new law would affect that hotel. He said that the city would still continue to ask the regular tax, and the only way out of the matter was to increase the rates. No doubt the public would complain of the advance, but it was the only course left open to the hotel men and he meant to take it.

W. H. McQuade of the Grand Union, said that so far he had no intention of raising the rate. The Grand Union is operated on the European plan, and has been for some time, so the removal of the bar will not interfere with the other branch of the hotel.

A. M. Phillips of the Victoria, has not yet decided what steps he will take. He said the only way to overcome the loss from the bar, was to increase rates, and by doing this it might drive patronage from the house. Men who came to the city for the week-end, would not come if the rates were increased, and it would mean a material loss. He said that he would not be in a position to state just what course he would take for two or three days.

Good Amount Received.
The net receipts of the supper and fancy sale on April 17 in the Y. M. C. I. Cliff street, amounted to nearly \$480. It was managed by a number of Catholic ladies and the proceeds went to the Infants' Home, Coburg street.

BOSTON PART OF THE PARTY HAD A FEELING AGAINST ACCIDENTS

Saw U-Boat in Action—Seventy-five Men Missed Train Here and Met Other Disappointments.

Seventy-five Bostonians who arrived in this city yesterday morning on the early train from Halifax, were a decidedly disappointed lot of men. In fact some of the party met three disappointments and were none the best of humor during their enforced stay of the entire day here. The party had been overseas and are on their way to the Hub, each having been furnished with transportation to their destination by their former employers, agents for the French government.

The train from Halifax was late yesterday morning and the train for Boston did not wait, so that when the party of seventy-five reached St. John they were chagrined to find that they would have to remain here a whole day. The next disappointment many of the men met with was the pronounced drought in the third quartering establishments of the city. In other words there was "no joy" in the delegation.

New Regulations.
Then it was discovered that new immigration regulations went into effect yesterday, requiring the payment of an \$8 head tax by all desiring to cross the United States border, except citizens of the Republic. A number in the party, although they had lived in Boston for years were born in Ireland or England and had never legally become subjects of Uncle Sam. After more or less enquiry it was found that as these men had purchased their tickets before the law became effective they would have little difficulty in getting to their homes in the States. The party left town on the Boston train last evening.

The men said that conditions in France were not what they had heard and the poor people are having a difficult time so obtain sufficient nourishment to satisfy them. At the port the men were in they said it was a common sight to see aged women with old baskets go to the wharves and gather up grains of oats which had fallen from the feed bags of the horses landed from the steamer. The women also begged the men to give them pieces of wood which had been part of the horse stalls on shipboard.

On the way over from France a German submarine was sighted. She sunk one steamer. The crew of the sunken ship was rescued by a Norwegian steamer. The steamer the Bostonians was on would probably have been sunk, they think, had not a troop ship, escorted by war ships come along. The U-boat was not seen after that.

CHIEF CLERK OF WATER DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN NINETEEN YEARS ON JOB
George D. Martin Entered City Employment May 1st, 1898—Many Changes in That Time.

Congratulations to George D. Martin, chief clerk in the water and sewerage department, who yesterday entered his twentieth year as an employe of that department. In that time many changes have taken place and Mr. Martin recalled some of them while talking with a Standard representative.

When Mr. Martin entered the city employ the public works and water and sewerage were both one department and under the charge of Chipman Smith as director of public works. Dr. William Christie was chairman of the board of management, John Walker was foreman of the water department, and William Patterson foreman of the sewerage department. J. Alfred Ring was foreman on the West Side and he is still on the job. Mr. Walker is living in retirement and Mr. Patterson has passed into the beyond.

In the year 1899 a change was made and water and sewerage was made a separate department, the board of management was abolished and the water and sewerage board of the commission established and this held until 1912 when the commission form of government for the city was adopted.

PRICE OF BREAD TO ADVANCE TODAY
With flour prices reaching a high level mark, local bakers have been forced to raise the price of bread. The new price of eleven cents per loaf will become operative today. Local bakers say that owing to the heavy advances in the prices of flour they have no option but to advance the price. From twelve to thirteen cents will be the new retail price. Wholesale dealers yesterday quoted Manitoba flour at \$14.80 per barrel and Ontario at \$15.00. There has been no advance during the past two days, but further advances are considered as not improbable.

F. W. WEGENAST, PROMINENT UPPER CANADIAN LAWYER, HERE TO ADDRESS COMPENSATION BOARD, SAYS PROPAGANDA WILL FOLLOW.

That a propaganda for the prevention of accidents would follow the introduction of the new Workmen's Compensation Act in this province, was the statement made last evening to The Standard by F. W. Wegenast of Toronto, the well known Upper Canadian barrister, who comes to St. John to confer with the provincial commission now investigating the compensation acts of the provinces of the Dominion.

On the invitation of the chairman of the provincial commission, F. J. G. Knowlton, Mr. Wegenast will address a meeting at the government rooms this afternoon dealing with various phases of the compensation system. Mr. Wegenast is the solicitor of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association. He was largely responsible for the legislation which has been adopted in Ontario dealing with the compensation question and also spent considerable time in Nova Scotia, where he re-drafted the Workmen's Compensation Act in that province.

Mr. Wegenast will leave for Halifax this evening to take up the matter of a propaganda for the prevention of accidents among the industries in that province. He told a reporter that in its various ramifications the campaign would include the introduction of additional safety devices, the awakening of the employes to a realization of the advantages accruing from safety and generally other branches of efficiency. Propaganda further will include the co-operation of the employers with the administrative board in matters appertaining to the enforcement of the act.

MONTHLY MEETING OF N. H. SOCIETY
"The Weapons of Primitive Man," Subject of Evening's Discussion.

The regular monthly meeting of the Natural History Society was held last evening at the residence of Mr. Estey in the chair. W. F. Burditt was appointed a delegate to the annual general meeting of the Royal Society, which will be held in Ottawa on the 1st of the month, to represent the local society. Miss Helen Purdy was elected a junior member of the society. A large number of donations have been received by the society from various sources.

The subject for the evening's discussion was, "The Weapons of Primitive Man," and a large number of interesting specimens from the museum collection were placed on the table and helped introduce the subject. Wm. McLeod, curator, pointed out and described the evolution of weapons such as the club, spear and sword. A German gas helmet, recently sent to Mr. McLeod, was put on exhibition and it elicited much comment.

GUNNER W. C. HARPER KILLED IN ACTION

A cablegram received yesterday from Major L. W. Barker brought the sad news that Gunner W. C. Harper, a member of his battery, was killed on Monday somewhere in France. Gunner Harper was a native of Amherst, a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Harper of that town, but enlisted here as he had been working here for the past eight years with Messrs Ferguson and Page. A young man about 24 years of age, he leaves a large circle of friends who will regret to hear of his death on the field of honor. Gunner Harper is survived by his father, mother and three sisters in Amherst, and by three cousins in this city, Mrs. Frank Skinner, Mr. H. C. Page, and Mr. Clarence H. Ferguson. His mother was a sister of the late James R. Ferguson.

TOURIST ASSOCIATION WILL CONTINUE WORK

The directors of the Tourist Association met yesterday afternoon and discussed with Mayor Hayes and Freese the status of the association in its future activities. They asked that either the city or the province take up the work as a part of their regular programme, but after talking the matter over it was decided that the association should continue as at present and financial support to a greater extent was promised both by the premier and the mayor if such were found to be necessary. F. A. Dykeman and E. A. Schofield were appointed a committee to secure a secretary, and it is understood that they are negotiating with a former secretary to take up the duties.

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CURTAIN DEPARTMENT.

PERSONALS

Rev. A. L. Flemming left last night for his home in Toronto. A large number of friends were at the depot to see him off.

Rev. Ralph Sherman also left for Toronto.

George Linkletter of Moncton arrived in the city yesterday. He will be here for a few days.

Miss M. Evans left yesterday for McAdam to spend a few days with friends.

Robert Hawthorne, police constable at McAdam, was a visitor to the city yesterday.

L. Lawson of McAdam spent yesterday in St. John.

Among the passengers on the Digby boat last night were Fred Robinson, James Cripps and Edward Webber, who are in the city on business.

Miss Mary McLaughlin of Parrboro passed through the city last night en route to Fall River.

Miss Lane of Toronto, who has been in St. John in the interest of the Young Women's Christian Association, left last evening for her home in Toronto.

Mrs. Colonel Gillis arrived from the west last night and will remain in the city until her husband's battalion (217th) proceeds overseas.

Recovering at Hospital.

John Woods of Welsford, who was unable to go overseas on account of physical disabilities, arrived in St. John recently and went to work at a local shell plant. He was obliged to enter the hospital to undergo an operation for appendicitis. Latest reports from that institution state that he is recovering.

LACE CURTAINS.

If in re-curtaining your windows you feel that you want one of the large size lace curtains that have always been so popular, you will find a lot of them at F. A. Dykeman and Co.'s at one-third less than the present day prices. They are from \$1.25 per pair to \$3.75 per pair.

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