

THE WEATHER.

Forecast: Maritime—Strong winds and gales, northwest and west, decreasing at night; clearing and cold.

Washington, March 5.—Forecast: Northern New England—Local snow Tuesday followed by fair, easterly; north and northwest gales.

Toronto, March 5.—The disturbance which was situated last night in the south Atlantic states is now centred off the New England coast as a severe storm. It has caused heavy snowfalls from the peninsula of Ontario to the Maritime Provinces, with heavy gales in the latter.

Table with columns: Location, Min., Max. Includes Dawson, Prince Rupert, Victoria, Vancouver, Kamloops, Edmonton, Battleford, Calgary, Medicine Hat, Moose Jaw, Winnipeg, Pelly, London, Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax.

Around the City

The Bank Clearings. The St. John bank clearings for the week ending March 3 were \$1,693,458; corresponding week last year, \$1,420,111.

Rotary Club. The speaker at the Rotary Club luncheon yesterday was Lieut. Col. Cooper, O. C. of the 138th Battalion, who delivered a very interesting address on "Prohibition."

Organizing in Sackville. Officer E. N. Robertson, of the Naval Recruiting office, left yesterday afternoon for Sackville to continue organizing committees for this work.

New Lodge Rooms. King Edward Lodge No. 30, P. A. B., met last night for the first time in their new lodge rooms on Guilford street, West St. John.

Thomas Kichham's Estate. Thomas Kichham, harness-maker, who died on Jan. 10, left an estate, the probable value of which did not exceed \$3,000.

Lecture on Ireland. An interested audience attended the illustrated lecture given by Rev. T. Porter Drumm of Moncton in the schoolroom of St. Andrew's church last evening.

Mr. Winchester Again. Commissioner Fisher announced at the committee meeting of the council, yesterday, that he would today introduce a resolution in regard to street superintendent Albert Winchester.

An Interesting Lecture. Rev. John Antle gave an illustrated lecture on "The Columbian Coast Mission," last evening in the schoolroom of the Mission church on Paradise Row.

STILL ANOTHER ASPIRANT FOR POSITION IN CABINET

Mr. Currie, of Restigouche, is Seeking the Ministership of Lands and Mines—Mr. Sharpe of Kings Mentioned for Government Position at Fredericton—The Opposition Conference Will Take Place This Evening.

The big pow-wow of the oppositionists will open in this city this evening. From all parts of the province candidates, successful and defeated, will assemble in convention to select a cabinet who will conduct the affairs of the province for the present at least.

So many men are claiming positions in the new government that it has been deemed expedient to call the faithful together with a view of arriving at something equitable in the matter of distribution of the portfolios. The Standard yesterday mentioned that there were at least eighteen applicants for the six portfolios in the new government.

Mr. Currie answered the "Back to New Brunswick" call after he had left the province for other parts claiming that there were no opportunities here. Now he wants to be a minister in the government of the province which he has deserted.

Large numbers of Upper Canadian officers who have been on furlough in Canada passed through the city yesterday and expect to leave in a few days to rejoin their units at the front. A party of thirty-one Toronto young men who have been attending Toronto University are in the city, guests at the Royal Hotel.

Major A. J. Markham returned last night—Saw Service in France With Mounted Rifles. After two years absence, a part of which time was spent on the firing line in France, and the remainder in England, Major A. J. Markham, formerly circulation manager for The Standard, arrived home last night.

Major Markham left Canada in the fall of 1915 with the 6th C.M.R.'s. This unit was brigaded with the 4th and 6th C.M.R.'s and sent to the front in England. The brigade was commanded by Colonel Smart of Montreal. At a time it was found expedient to amalgamate the 5th and 6th C.M.R.'s as the brigade had been somewhat depleted in two or three engagements.

NEW SATIN STRIPED VOILES. Among the new arrivals of spring goods at F. A. Dykeman & Co's is a range of Satin Striped Voiles that are exceptionally good value.

Owing to the war many articles are being given to a greater extent than formerly. Gundry's experience shows a strong demand existing for Cigarette Cases, Signal Rings and Military Brushes.

YESTERDAY IS GRAND DAY FOR RECRUITING

Eighteen on the Roll of Honor—General News of the Local Military Unity.

Notwithstanding the inclement weather yesterday the officers and men of the 165th could be seen on the exhibition ground carrying on their regular drill.

- HONOR ROLL. Charles Green, Fredericton, N. B. Thomas Scott, Fredericton, N. B. Roy Collins, Marysville, N. B. E. Lyons, Marysville, N. B. W. G. Hache, Bathurst, N. B. R. J. Gagne, Bathurst, N. B. W. Blanchard, Bathurst, N. B. A. V. Doucette, Bathurst, N. B. Robert Crawford, Bathurst, N. B. J. Landry, Moncton, N. B. Joseph Lorette, Sackville, N. B. Pearl Sharp, Pettitcodiac, N. B. 23rd Klitties Battalion. Richard Whalley, England. George Sorenson, U. S. A. C. A. S. C. J. J. Purrough, England. J. H. Smith, Australia. C. A. Devlin, St. John, N. B. 218th Battalion. George Gordon Ferris, St. John, N. B. Machine Gun Draft.

Recruiting took on a new lease of life in St. John yesterday when eighteen men were secured for overseas service. Apparently the voluntary system has not yet failed in this province as the total number of men signing on yesterday is larger than the number who signed on a year ago Saturday.

Private Louis Dugal in City. Private Louis Dugal, son of L. A. Dugal, of Madawaska, arrived in the city yesterday, en route to his home in Edmundston, N. B. Although he had the misfortune to lose a leg, he is quite cheerful and optimistic regarding the future.

CHINESE GAMBLING CASE WAS RESUMED. Defendant Lim King Gives Evidence—Three Detectives Testify About the Raid—Case Adjourned.

The case against Lim King, charged with being the proprietor of a gambling house at 126 Mill street, was resumed in the police court yesterday afternoon. The defendant took the stand in his own behalf and testified that his real name was Lem Hong and that he formerly resided in Montreal. He was conducting the laundry on Mill street for a Chinese in Montreal who paid him the sum of seven dollars a week for his services.

MARCH BLIZZARD STOPPED ON ITS WAY UP FROM THE INDIES. A regular March blizzard visited St. John yesterday at noon. At one o'clock snow began to fall fairly heavily. Later on in the afternoon a strong northeaster sprung up and this gained in velocity during the day.

Officers' Canes, Sergeants' Canes, Swagger Sticks, Riding Crops. In the fine array of Officers' Canes, Sergeants' Canes, also Swagger Sticks, and Riding Crops, better quality and nicer finish are prominently featured.

Our March Opening Sale of New Spring Hats. has riveted the interest of the women of St. John. Every day keeps bringing New Tailored and Ready-to-Wear Hats to us.

Quality Always Our Aim. QUALITY TELLS IN A RANGE more than in anything else used in the home. When right it means PERFECT OPERATION—ECONOMY IN FUEL.

STORES OPEN AT 9 AND CLOSE AT 6 O'CLOCK. MANCHESTER ROBERTSON ALLISON LIMITED. KING ST. GERMAIN ST. AND MARKET SQUARE.

The Gossard Corset. It Laces in Front. Jap Silk Blouses. These Blouses are still popular favorites and are among the style leaders for the coming season.

WILL DEFEND TROPHY. The Brunswick Balke-Collender silver trophy will be taken to Calais for a tournament on April 24 and 25. The Black's Allies team will go to the border town to defend the prize.