

## THE WEATHER.

Forecasts.  
Maritime—Strong winds or moderate gales from southwest and west, clearing and mild.

Toronto, Dec. 5.—A moderate disturbance is moving eastward across Quebec, while pressure is now highest over the central portion of the continent. The weather has been mild and showery from Ontario eastward, with strong westerly winds on the Great Lakes. In the west it has been fair and comparatively mild.

## Temperatures.

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	30	20
Prince Rupert	32	34
Victoria	34	38
Vancouver	34	38
Kamloops	26	28
Calgary	14	28
Edmonton	22	40
Medicine Hat	22	40
Regina	12	26
Battleford	14	34
Saskatoon	11	30
Prince Albert	20	40
Winnipeg	32	40
Port Arthur	38	44
Parry Sound	40	45
Toronto	40	45
Kingston	44	48
Ottawa	34	48
Montreal	34	48
Quebec	26	48
St. John	36	48
Halifax	30	52

\*—Below zero.

## Around the City

## Meet in Moncton.

The Order of Railway Telegraphers will meet in session at Moncton today when some important business is to be transacted.

## V. M. C. I.

J. Harry Cohan has been appointed permanent general secretary of the Young Men's Catholic Institute. Committee, Allan Asar, William Magee, P. J. Fitzpatrick, John McDonnell, Joseph Kennedy.

## Extension of Time.

The Board of Railway Commissioners have advised the Board of Trade that they have extended the time for the diversion of the highway at Sagawac by the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. until the 1st of June, 1917.

## Had Plenty of Money.

A man who is a stranger to the city was arrested on King street last night by Police Constable Melnash, charged with being drunk and acting disorderly. When searched at police headquarters the prisoner was found to have in his pockets twenty-two one pound notes and a quantity of silver money, also two long necks of Scotch whiskey.

## Had a Long Walk.

Calvin Hanson, the seventy-six year old man who was arrested Monday night on the charge of vagrancy, was before the Police Court yesterday when it was ordered that he be sent back to Buctouche, where he claimed he came from. The old man, who is bent with age, stated that he walked all the way from Buctouche to St. John. He said that he carried a couple of old tins with him and at times would cook a meal on the roadside; on cold nights he stopped in camps. What he was looking for was work and said he was told that if he came to St. John he could secure something to do. The old man is unfit for hard work and arrangements are being made to send him back to Buctouche, where it is expected he will be cared for.

## Flour Cheaper.

A further drop in the price of flour took place yesterday, the jobbing quotations being \$10.60 for Manitoba and \$9.65 for Ontario. These prices compare favorably from the consumer's viewpoint, with those prevailing during the past few weeks. On November 24 the prices asked for and obtained were \$11.50 for Manitoba and \$10.55 for Ontario. Last Friday the figures were \$11.20 and \$10.25 respectively, so that it will be seen that since November 24 there has been a reduction in price of 90c. per barrel for both grades.

## A Gain in Ferry Traffic.

The ferry made a good showing for the month of November, the total receipts being a few dollars in advance of the corresponding month last year. There was a decrease in the number of passengers carried but the increase in the number of three-cent fares brought the receipts up to about the same amount. More single teams crossed the harbor this year than last but there was a decrease in the number of double teams, the receipts, however were slightly larger for this year.

The figures for the month are as follows:

	1916.	1915.
Passengers	1916.	1915.
1 cent fare	\$380.46	\$ 421.11
1 1/2 cent fare	990.39	1,090.70
3 cent fare	1,159.23	1,018.91
Single teams		
@ 6 cents	480.18	440.63
Double teams		
@ 12 cents	127.56	142.80
	\$3,137.82	\$3,114.20
Increase for 1916	\$23.62	

## PERSONAL.

Captain George Lent, Freeport, N. S., and daughter are visiting at Mrs. Carrie Houlston's, 262 Union street. J. D. Palmer, of Fredericton, was in the city yesterday.

## MILK PRODUCERS NOW JUMP IN TO BOOST PRICES TO 48 CENTS PER CAN; AN ICE-CREAM BOYCOTT

City Dealers Must Pay Six Cents per Quart, Beginning on Monday—Council Ratifies Resolution That Present Retail Prices Are Excessive.

Fairville Started General Milk Boycott Yesterday While Local Council of Women Decided That Ice-cream is a Luxury to be Used Sparingly, if at all, While Present High Prices Persist.

Ten cent milk has probably come to stay in St. John, as the producers at a meeting held yesterday in Sussex decided to raise the price to 48 cents per can, commencing next Monday. The city council yesterday passed the resolution adopted at Monday's committee meeting, and decided to prepare a set of questions to submit to the dealers, and the Women's Council practically declared a boycott on ice cream.

A largely attended meeting of the Milk and Cream Producers' Union of Kings County was held yesterday afternoon at Sussex, and after considerable discussion over the increased price of feeds and labor, it was unanimously decided that in the opinion of the meeting it was desirable in the interests of the milk producers and to stimulate the production of milk, to increase the price to six cents per quart or 48 cents per can, beginning Monday next.

It was also decided to form an association along the lines of the Nova Scotia organization and to take out papers of incorporation.

## A Municipal Milk Plant.

There was some mention made at the meeting that a proposal had been made to the city to operate a municipal milk plant, but the matter had been turned down. The mayor was asked last night in regard to this and said that no offer had been made to his knowledge to the city by the producers in regard to the city operating a municipal milk plant. The only time he had heard the matter mentioned was one morning, when the president of the Kings County Milk and Cream Producers' Union was in his office, he (the president) had remarked that the city ought to go into the milk business, and supply the citizens themselves in order to cut out the middleman's profit, and give the

people cheaper milk. The mayor had not regarded the suggestion as an offer from the producers to enter into arrangements with the city in this matter, and had not thought of it again until his attention was called to the statement made at the meeting in Sussex yesterday.

Council Passes Resolution. The city council yesterday passed the resolution declaring its belief that the price of milk was excessive in this city, and it was decided to have each member of the council prepare a set of questions to be submitted to the dealers and at the Thursday meeting of the council make up from the questions prepared by each member, a number, which the common clerk would send to the milk dealers in the city, and ask from them answers to under oath or affirmation.

What Milk Costs Elsewhere. The common clerk also read the following prices of milk in other cities, he having at the request of the mayor sent telegrams asking for the information. The prices submitted were as follows:

Quebec, Ont.—8 and 9 cents per quart.  
Quebec—12 cents per quart.  
Montreal—6 cents per qt.; 10 cents qt.  
Hamilton, Ont.—9 cents per qt.  
London, Ont.—9 cents per qt.  
Kingston, Ont.—9 cents per qt.  
Halifax—10 cents per qt.  
Toronto—13 pint tickets for \$1.

## A Boycott on Ice Cream.

The Women's Council at their meeting yesterday practically declared a boycott on ice cream during the duration of the war, placing it in the luxury class, and suggested that in order to release for distribution the large quantity of milk used in its manufacture, the women of St. John abstain from its use.

## FAIRVILLE PEOPLE VIGOROUSLY OPPOSED TO TEN CENT MILK, INSTITUTE A BOYCOTT

The people of Fairville are up in the air over the milk question, and are attacking it in a manner which promises to produce rather important results. Following the lead of milk dealers in St. John, the majority of the dealers in Fairville and vicinity have, during the past few days, been increasing their prices, until they have now reached the ten cent figure. In the past and as late as a few months ago, milk was delivered at retail at seven cents per quart. During the early autumn an increase of one cent per quart was made by some of the dealers, while others continued to sell at the old figure. But seeing that St. John dealers are getting much better prices than those in Fairville did not want to be left out in the cold, and they insisted that they might as well get as much as the city dealers. In the parish the retailers are also the producers. Most of them sell the milk which they raise on their own farms. There are no middlemen, and the cost of distribution, because of the fact that no freight rates are to be paid and no middleman can get a profit, are considerably lower than in St. John. It is openly stated by some of the dealers there that they can continue to sell milk at eight cents per quart if necessary and make good money.

As a result of the increase which has come into effect during the last

couple of days, action has been taken by at least one organization. It is unfortunate for Fairville that there is no local governing party corresponding to the city council which can take action in this matter, and it has therefore fallen upon local societies to interfere. The Ladies' Aid of the Baptist church, under the presidency of Mrs. Harry Carr, has interested itself and instituted a boycott. As a result of meetings and a thorough discussion of the situation members of this body have resolved to cut out milk in so far as possible, and they believe that this will mean a material reduction in the consumption.

Other parties not connected with this organization, have also interested themselves in the matter, and there has been an interchange of views on the subject with the result that many people have decided to curtail along this line of expenditure and to use just as little fresh milk as possible. The statement is made that one milk dealer as a result of yesterday's campaign lost twelve customers in one street. This milk situation is the principal topic of conversation in Fairville today. A great deal of interest is manifested on all sides, and the people are out against high prices with a determination to win. Many of them are arranging to use condensed milk for ordinary purposes, buying only enough fresh milk for the children and for purposes where condensed milk is not suitable.

## NEWFOUNDLAND LAD IN CITY YESTERDAY WAS IN DARDANELLES

Badly battered and bruised, wounded in the chin, missing a jaw bone and suffering from a bullet wound in the back, a broken collar bone and the left arm partly disabled, the result of fighting for the flag of Empire at the Dardanelles, under Sir Ian Hamilton, and later under General Murray, Joseph Daymond of the 1st Battalion, in company with six other men from Newfoundland, passed through the city yesterday en route for their homes. The party arrived on the Scotian.

The young soldier who has spent nearly two years in the war, told The Standard last night that the Turks are much cleaner fighters than the Germans. He stated that the artillery used at the Dardanelles was not as heavy or as powerful as that in use on the western front. "It was at Suvla Bay where I received my baptism of fire and it was a real baptism," said the soldier. "But as fast as the warships tumbled down the strong fort-

resses of the Turks and before we could land and make any headway they had the forts reconstructed or had dug themselves in so that they could pick us off without us seeing them. It is some undertaking to clean up the Turks at the Dardanelles, but I think it can be done."

Speaking of the western front, he said that the Allies were gradually pushing the Germans back, and the artillery used by the British was now superior to that on which the Germans have depended so much. He was in the grand offensive on July 1st. He said that out of five battalions, which numbered at the time 900, only sixty of them came through the scrap. "It was awful to see your comrades dropping all around you, but we had been ordered to take the trench, and we knew that it had to be accomplished. The Germans had their guns levelled at the barbed wire openings through which the men had to pass and as soon as our men climbed over the parapet and attempted to pass through the openings they were shot down."

The party left last night for Newfoundland. Gundry's \$18.00 Gold-filled Bracelet Watch is the best thing on the market for a Xmas present. 17 jewels, 14 kt. gold-filled case with the best expansion bracelet made in America. The only thing cheap about it is the price. Every watch guaranteed.

## BENJ. FISH FOUND DEAD LAST NIGHT

Body of Well Known Brussels Street Man Discovered in Alleyway off North St.—Heart Trouble Caused Death.

"There's a man dead in an alley off North street," was the message flashed over the wires to police headquarters last night at 9:13 o'clock. The ghastly find was made by George Capen, of 37 North street, who lives over the building under which the body of Benjamin Fish, of 187 Brussels street, was discovered. The body, when viewed by a standard reporter, was lying at the side of the building. The unfortunate man had apparently been supporting himself by the side of the house when he was overtaken by a sudden attack of heart trouble. His hat was clutched in his right hand, and he was lying on his back with the right arm extended. As soon as the body was discovered no time was lost in communicating with the police. Detectives Barrett and Briggs were immediately dispatched to the scene. Soon afterwards the coroner, W. F. Roberts, arrived and by the aid of flashlights supplied by the detectives, viewed the body. He announced that an inquest was unnecessary.

The story of the finding of the body as related by George Capen was as follows: "Mrs. Capen and I were returning from the Opera House and as we turned up North street from Mill I noticed a man, not the deceased, evidently under the influence of liquor walk into the alley, which is under the house. I went upstairs with Mrs. Capen, but thought I had better take a look in the alley before going to bed to see just where the party went. On my way into the alley my foot brought up with something on the ground and I stumbled. There was a boy passing, so I called him in and we looked at the body together. I asked him if he knew who he was and he said 'No.' I then went in search of the police who shortly afterwards arrived."

"What about the man whom you saw going into the alley?" asked the reporter. "He did not go very far into the alley, if he went in at all, because I was upstairs only a few minutes and when I came down he had gone." Coroner Roberts, after he had viewed the body, told The Standard that he would judge the man had been dead for about an hour and an inquest would not be necessary.

The body was removed to the undertaking rooms of Geo. A. Chamberlain and later to the home of the deceased at 187 Brussels street. When the reporter arrived at the home of the bereaved family they had received a meagre account of the death of the father. Three of the boys are in khaki, one in the 26th Battalion in France, another, Corp. Harry, in the Army Service Corps in active service, and still another, Frank, a member of the 104th, in England. The only son not in khaki is residing at Parry Sound, Ontario.

The deceased in addition to the sons leaves a wife and three daughters, Mrs. H. H. Hughes of Calgary and Mrs. Wallace White of Toronto, and Miss Harriet at home.

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A CLEVER CONCEIT. With each purchase Gundry's is enclosing a combination of Christmas cards and stickers so very handy in doing up a gift parcel. This consists of a nice card for the address, a gum label of the "Don't open till Xmas" variety, and two Xmas stickers for closing the parcel. These do not represent much value but they save you trouble and are just as nice as you can buy in a book store.

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Miss Mulken, of London, Ont., niece of L. Mulken, divisional freight agent of the C. P. R., who has been visiting in the city, left last evening for Boston.

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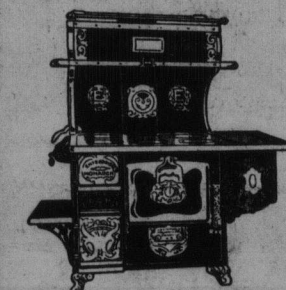
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