

A GREAT STORM.

Railway Trains Delayed and High Roads Badly Drifted Up.

Experience of Passengers Who Came in From Montreal on the C. P. R.

The heavy snow storm and north-east gales of Monday and Tuesday night were followed on Tuesday by clearing weather, to the joy of the residents of St. John, who awoke to find the streets deep with snow, the street car tracks a foot or so below the surface, and stores and residences banked with large drifts. At times the wind had during the night reached a velocity of 40 miles an hour, the average temperature during the storm was 16 degrees above, the lowest 6 degrees, and the highest 12.65. The street railway company made spasmodic efforts to clear up a portion of its tracks yesterday, and had by midnight got the road open from the north end to Prince William street, but it has some work yet to do before the whole round-town circuit is in open order.

The city street department went to work with a will yesterday morning, and being, unlike the street railway company, fully prepared for overcoming such storms, made more commendable progress in putting the principal streets in a condition for travel. The railways suffered most of all, and reports from all parts of the province were to the effect that the storm had been one of the severest experienced for years. All trains on the I. C. P. R. were delayed and schedule time was an impossibility. No attempt was made by the C. P. R. to send out trains during the day, but a special was despatched to Montreal last night. The road between St. John and Halifax was not as badly affected as other parts of the I. C. P. R.

The C. P. R. train from Montreal which was due here at noon yesterday did not arrive till about 10 o'clock last night. The passengers who came all the way through report having undergone rather an unusual experience. They never saw as much snow before, or rather as much of it piled up along a line of railway. The train left Montreal at 7.50 p. m., and was expected to get along all right till it reached Megantic, which is some ten miles to the westward of Sherbrooke. Then a heavy snow storm was encountered, which increased as the train moved along. It was about two hours late in reaching Megantic. At this place a blizzard prevailed, and the snow was drifting about in such a way that it was next to impossible to distinguish a person a couple of feet distant. A snow plow had been sent out from Megantic shortly before the train reached that place, and the train moved along after it, hauled by two large compound locomotives. The snow removed by the snow plow had filled in again by the time No. 3 came along, and the run was one fraught with difficulties all through. When Haleb, which is some thirty miles this side of Megantic, was reached, the locomotives stopped to take in water. Here the push bar which connected the two engines was broken, and a delay necessarily occurred. In the meantime the opening made by the snow plow above mentioned had been filled up again. Another plow despatched from McAdams came along, and No. 3 resumed its way to St. John. The train which left St. John Monday afternoon for Montreal was passed at Long Pond. This train had had quite a time of it getting through the drifts. No. 9 was detained two hours at Long Pond. The passengers were given a good breakfast at Greenville Junction. All went well till the train arrived at Wolford, where a train from Halifax, with the people who came out on the steamer Labrador, was met. This special got stuck in the snow, and the result was a further detention of an hour and a half for No. 9. The passengers from whom a Sun reporter obtained the above story say the fall of snow between St. John and Montreal must have been in the vicinity of two feet. Drifts which reached well up in the car windows were frequently seen.

A depth from Colais last night reported snow drifts 25 feet high on country roads just outside that city. No mails had reached the place for 48 hours. The Washington County railway suffered a washout near Machias on Monday night that caused a suspension of traffic to the eastward. Reports from all parts of this province say the country roads are badly drifted, and that most of the scheduled meetings called for the balance of the week cannot materialize. It is felt that the storm will materially cut down Saturday's vote in remote country districts, and will prevent many persons in the lumber camps from getting out to the polls.

NO. 10 DOWNING STREET. One of Most Famous Houses in London and Its Diplomatic Occupants. (Pearson's Weekly.) Although Great Britain is to some extent indebted to nature for the position she occupies today, still its wealth and prosperity are largely due to the industry and high qualities of the race, and the conditions of society, which, favoring the growth of a leisured class, have ever furnished a goodly supply of statesmen to safeguard the interests of the realm. "I cannot praise Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery too highly," writes Mrs. Mary A. Seay, of Washington Co., Va. "My friends gave me up as dying of consumption, but I made a trial of your medicine, and I am now as well as ever. I had tried four bottles of the 'Golden Medical Discovery' and have now no more need to take medicine of any kind. I recommend your medicine to all my friends who are afflicted with 'Golden Medical Discovery' and 'Pleasant Pellets' to my friends with a full belief in their efficiency."

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THE BRIDGE OF SIGHS. (Mr. E. M. G. S. Sully.) I stand on a bridge—a bridge of steel. The river beneath me lies: 'Tis spanned forever—for we or weal, But to me 'tis a bridge of sighs.

WEDDING, OH, WEDDING! Oh where, oh where have the old girls gone? Oh where, oh where can they be? With their hair and their eyes 'glist' protection, oh, 'tis a sight to see! And hurra for the bride they called free!

A MISPLACED TRAIL. A little busy said, "Mother, dear, May I go out to play?" The son is bright, the hair is clear, "Oh mother, don't say nay!"

HALIFAX. Civic Committees Decide to Exempt New Industries From Taxation. Arrival of the Manchester City—Terrible Experience of the Newfoundland Steamer.

LOOK ABOVE. If, in the hurrying tide of strife The weary, toiling march of life, Some angry hand with passion rife, Deal on thy striking heart a blow— Then smile and look above, For God is Love.

BRITISH POLITICAL LIGHTNING CHANGES. German papers note that the American press is less violent in its denunciation of Germany and the emperor of late. The change is attributed by them to English influence. The theory is that the American papers look upon the world in general through spectacles provided for them by Fleet street. The Germans nevertheless profess to be amused when our papers fail to adopt themselves rapidly enough to the lightning changes which modern British politics demand.—Literary Digest (New York).

ASTHMA GASPS. The wheezing and straggling of those who are victims of asthma are promptly relieved by a few doses of Dr. Chase's Syrup of Limes and Turpentine. WHITE'S COVE. Getting Out Firwood and Ice—Much Sickness in the Place. WHITE'S COVE, QUEENS CO., Feb. 11.—A well attended social ball last night realized a sum of money towards finishing the interior of the hall by Mrs. English. John R. Dunn and Harry Woods visited this place yesterday in the interest of the liberal cause, and were received with a hearty welcome.

SOFT AND MUSICAL. The Turkish language is said by scholars to be the softest and most musical language of modern times, being better adapted to the purpose of musical notation and recitation than even the Italian, French and English.

THE BOSTON. All Railway Traffic in New York Was First Time Street Car Service of Removal BOSTON, Feb. 17.—The fact that New York City, Massachusetts, have been compelled to have heavy snow falls of ten or twenty inches, those who have seen to equip the snow moving machine of great storms of yesterday found. Blockades have everywhere found frequent and heavy snow falls, with eighteen to twenty inches of snow, and the snow moving machine of great storms of yesterday found. Notwithstanding great New England New Haven, the Boston and New York, the snow moving machine of great storms of yesterday found. The road office suburban traffic today, and that thing practically done, on the road was unusable during the morning. The Boston and New York, the snow moving machine of great storms of yesterday found. Over the suburbs were running regular one, free the road of field by tomorrow be some hours in service to Albany. Near Albany, the snow moving machine of great storms of yesterday found. However, there on one or two there were no. The Fitchburg Junction, and the snow moving machine of great storms of yesterday found. The Maine heavy snow fall of the ordinary storm. NEW YORK. Sides and ways slowly started snow this morning of 1898 had came. There sky, but under snow on the high in many. Meanwhile, the snow moving machine of great storms of yesterday found. The snow moving machine of great storms of yesterday found. The snow moving machine of great storms of yesterday found.