

THE WEATHER. Maritime—Light to moderate winds fair and warm. Toronto, Aug. 19.—In the Maritime Provinces showers have prevailed today, but from New Brunswick to the Pacific the weather has been fine and in the west very warm.

AROUND THE CITY Sunday Services. Exmouth street Methodist church, Rev. W. W. Brewer pastor, 9.45 p.m. class meeting; 11 a.m., preaching, Rev. W. W. Brewer; 2.30 p.m., Sunday school and pastor's Bible class; 7 p.m., preaching, Rev. W. W. Brewer.

Printers Outing. The members of the Typographical Union of the city will enjoy an outing to Newcomb's today. They will drive out to this popular resort in the afternoon. Games of all kinds including baseball will be indulged in and the return will be made at a later hour in the evening.

Garden Party in Aid of Campbellton Fire Sufferers. A very successful garden party was held on the grounds of Mrs. Bonnell at Kotepec station, on Wednesday afternoon and evening. The grounds were beautifully decorated, also the several booths with lemonade, candy and lemonade. The suburbanites and residents both spared no pains in their endeavor to make the undertaking a success and they were well pleased at the close to find they had netted \$50. Tea was served on the grounds, after which a gramophone concert was listened to by the large and enthusiastic audience. Fireworks were in evidence all through the evening and were supplied by Mr. J. Herbert Smith. The proceeds will be forwarded tomorrow to the mayor of Campbellton.

Repairs To County Court House. At a meeting of the building committee of the municipality held in the county court house yesterday afternoon, the contracts for repairs to the court house were awarded as follows: Painting, J. H. Pullen, \$245; Electric lighting, Frank E. Jones \$228.80; Masonry, J. H. Burley \$165; carpenter work, E. W. Green \$100. The question of installing a new steel ceiling was not decided upon, and the matter was left in the hands of a committee composed of County Secretary J. King Kelly, Councillor McGoldrick and Architect Neil Brodie. The work upon the other contracts will be commenced immediately. The section of the building to undergo repairs are the court room; sheriff's office, barristers' rooms and judge's halls.

THE N. B. FARMER HAS MANY ADVANTAGES W. W. Hubbard, Secretary of Agriculture, Has Something to Say About E. A. Schofield's Statement to Commission.

W. W. Hubbard, secretary of agriculture, was in town yesterday. "I see," said he, "that E. A. Schofield has appeared before the royal commission and tried to knock the farming proposition in this province. No doubt as a strictly commercial proposition farming is not in it with a gold mine. But Mr. Schofield overlooks the fact that a farm renders very important services that are not usually taken into the account. The farmer has his house free of rent, he gets practically all his provisions for a much smaller expenditure of effort than any other laboring man, he usually has a team to carry him around when he wants to go anywhere. If he lived in a city or town he could not get these services for \$600 or \$700 a year. "The dairy farmers of this province have something to learn. At present they do not make the profits they should because they send too much money to Ontario for milked. One farmer I know saved \$50 last year by putting in ten acres of corn which he fed to his cattle in lieu of milked."

MELBA REFUSES TO SING In Any Other Building in St. John Save the Opera House—Seating Capacity Increased.

For many days it has been quite evident to Mr. Spencer, who is bringing Madame Melba to St. John, that there would be difficulty in accommodating in the Opera House the thousands in St. John and throughout the provinces who are anxious to hear a Melba concert, which, for many years has been regarded—even in the world's greatest centres, as representing the very acme of social and musical heights. For this reason Mr. Spencer has been endeavoring to secure means of accommodating the enormous patronage which Melba will create. The diva's representative who was in the city Saturday was shown the Victoria rink, which will accommodate 5000, with a view to making a change, but Mr. Shipman expressed the opinion that Madame would probably refuse to sing even after entering the building, owing to the lack of good acoustic properties. Arrangements have therefore been made to increase the Opera House capacity by adding 100 chairs to the main floor and 250 on the stage. Of course all prospective patrons will be delighted with this announcement, as the Opera House is noted for its acoustic perfection. Remember the date is Saturday, September 3rd, and the plan will open Tuesday morning, the 30th inst.

Those attending the big blueberry picnic and Foresters' excursion at Welsford on the 27th inst., will be glad to know that the ladies of the Church of England of Petersville are preparing to provide meals for all. Good food together with good music furnished by the City Cornet band assured a pleasant time to all.

COUNCELLOR MA'ULEY REPLIES TO ANONYMOUS LETTER IN TELEGRAPH

Statements Made in Criticism of a Millstream Bridge and Roads in That District Proven to be False—Mr. McAuley Furnishes the Facts of the Case.

To the Editor of The Standard: Sir:—I notice in the Telegraph of August 17 a letter written by a supposed-to-be well known man from Kings County expressing his ideas of the Hazen road law, and giving as he claims the opinion of the general public regarding the failure of the Hazen government to carry out its promises. He refers to a photograph which the Telegraph published of one of the bridges under the Hazen road law and also to a bridge over the Millstream, a distance of two miles from Apchaqui, which he says is a disgrace to be seen in any civilized country and just kept in a state of dilapidation to give one of the local government's supporters a place to get off some of his rotten lumber. He goes on to say that \$4,000 was being spent to accommodate two or three people on a back road. Now, sir, I can prove to you that the writer has falsified the truth by making such statements. He dare not sign his name to the letter as he has written. If goods are genuine they will always have a label on them with the name of the manufacturer.

Hazen Road Law a Success. 1st—The Hazen road law is generally believed to be a success by all fair minded men, as it gives the right to all who prefer doing their statute labor in lieu of paying a road tax, which in many cases, especially in the rural districts, is more acceptable, and in case they pay their taxes the money is to be expended in the districts they reside in. 2nd—When the Hazen Govt. came into power the roads and bridges were in a state practically speaking, impassable. Such is not the case now, as all through this province you will find for miles in many of our country districts, the bushes all skirled back and the old ditches that had been filled up, over grown with shrubbery for the past 10 or 15 years of the Pugsley-Tweedie combinations, which practically left the roads impassable. The people of this province have been, and are being congratulated daily upon the marked improvement of their highways by the American tourists who we are glad to say, have visited this province very much this season. I find in travelling over Kings county that there are ten miles of new turnpike now for every one mile there was four years ago. All that is necessary is to view the roads and bridges in our province to notice a

decided improvement. The people are well satisfied to fall in line with the better conditions that have come to them through a better government in the past two years. These are not hide bound partisans always murmuring and looking back over the past as if sorry that prosperity has come to our province. Incorrect Statements in Telegraph 3rd—I want to say to the writer that his statement is incorrect regarding the Millstream bridge. It is true that the bridge is old, but it is kept in good repair and the work is done by the order of the chief commissioner of public works. As to the statement the writer makes about the rotten lumber, that is false, and he dare not sign his name to such a statement. The repairs made are open for inspection by any officer sent here by the chief commissioner of public works. 4th—The statement re the Lester bridge is incorrect as that structure has not cost \$4,000. I would also point out that it is on a main thoroughfare from English Settlement via Colina to the town of Sussex and not on a back road. The structure in and will be a credit to the Hazen government. Had the old government erected such structures and repaired the roads and bridges generally through this province perhaps they would not have fallen such a deadly prey into the hands of Hon. J. D. Hazen. Now, going back to the Lester bridge over the Millstream, I feel safe in saying that it is and will be when completed a credit to any government. The substructure and concrete work were done under the management of Mr. H. C. Cag; and the wood structure under the management of Mr. Peter Campbell of Hampton, and to my mind the work has every appearance of a master mechanic's job. The work is under inspection and will speak for itself. Now, sir, I trust that the Telegraph will kindly copy this letter, so that the writer of the letter published in that paper and dated at Lower Millstream, N. B., Aug. 15, will have a chance to read for himself. I would judge from his letter that he does not read The Standard. If so, I would advise him to read wholesome literature in the future. Thanking you for the space you have given me, I am, yours truly, J. E. MA'ULEY, Lower Millstream, Kings County.

FORMER ST. JOHN MAN DIED IN OHIO CITY

Richard A. Dickson Passed Away Yesterday in Youngstown, Ohio—News of Death Came as Shock. Scarcely half an hour after this had received a letter from her husband who was in good health Mrs. Richard A. Dickson had the sad news conveyed to her by telegram that he had passed away suddenly in Youngstown Ohio yesterday. Mr. Dickson was a former resident of this city having lived on Douglas avenue and his death will be heard with sincere regret by a wide circle of friends. He left St. John about 7 years ago and located in Elmyra, Ohio. Some weeks ago his wife accompanied by her two daughters visited his mother Mrs. John Nixon, 321 Charlotte street, West End. Some day's ago she received a letter from Mr. Dickson stating that he had not been feeling well and had taken a run out to Youngstown. Yesterday at noon she received another letter saying that he was improved and intended returning to Youngstown in a few days. Not half an hour had elapsed when she was handed a message containing the sad news that he had died suddenly in Youngstown yesterday morning. The deceased was a member of Union Lodge No. 2, Knights of Pythias of this city and arrangements have been made by them to have the body brought to St. John for burial. The remains will arrive here in a few days and burial will be held from the residence of Mrs. Nixon, 321 Charlotte street, West End. Before leaving the city Mr. Dixon was in the employ of the Portland Rolling Mills a miller with the firm of I. and E. Burpee.

EVERY MAN A CARPENTER IN CAMPBELLTON TODAY

R. R. Shives Says Residents of Burned Town are Busy Erecting Shelters Before Winter Comes. R. R. Shives of the Shives Lumber Co., Campbellton was in the city last evening. Speaking with The Standard about the present conditions in Campbellton, Mr. Shives said that although within the past few weeks things had generally improved, still there was much to accomplish and outsiders could form no conception of the real state of affairs. The people, however, were cheerful, born of an indomitable spirit, and determination to rebuild their city on a bigger and better scale. One of the great problems confronting them at present, was the difficulty in securing lumber. The working class street

CONTRACT AWARDED FOR THE WELDON LOT SCHOOL

Buildings Committee of School Board Met Yesterday Afternoon—New School Will be One of City's Best. At a meeting of the building committee of the school board held yesterday afternoon the contract for the erection of the new school on the Weldon lot was awarded to B. Mooney & Sons. The prices for the different contracts and the contractors are as follows:—Masonry:—B. Mooney & Sons, \$22,194. Carpenter work:—R. J. Green, \$13,500. Steel beams, fire escapes, galvanized iron, and steel ceilings, John E. Wilson, \$5,115. Steam heating and wiring, J. H. Doody, \$3,574. Painting, J. H. Pullen, \$1,440. The work of erecting the building will be commenced immediately, and yesterday afternoon the ground was staked off. H. H. Mott is the architect of the building, which will be one of the most up-to-date schools in the city. The tenders call for the completion of the work by October 30th. It will be of three story, brick and stone, and will contain eight class rooms, with cloak rooms and assembly hall. Each room will be fitted up with the latest improvements. It will be heated by steam throughout, and will be one of the finest public school buildings in the city. were without money to buy, and the relief committee are being kept busy giving orders for certain amounts of lumber. Every man is a carpenter at present, many people doing their own work, and from dawn till dusk the song of the hammer can be heard. In the majority of instances, small structures are being erected which will shelter families for the coming winter, after which houses will be erected on a more pretentious scale. The relief committee were doing a great work towards aiding the people in every way. Asked whether his company had decided to rebuild, Mr. Shives said that although it was altogether probable, still, they had not as yet reached any decision. He had no doubt whatever that they would be in operation again next year, but they had not completed any plans for the coming fall.

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