

THE WEATHER.

Forecasts. Maritime-Moderate winds, fair and moderately cold. Washington, Jan. 28-Northern New England-Overcast and warmer Monday; probably followed by rain Monday night and Tuesday; moderate easterly to southerly winds. Toronto, Jan. 28-The weather today has been fair throughout the Dominion. In the western provinces it is again becoming extremely cold, while from the Great Lakes eastward there is a general tendency towards higher temperatures. Temperatures. Min. Max. Dawson 42 8 Prince Rupert 14 14 Victoria 30 34 Vancouver 30 34 Calgary 20 14 Medicine Hat 12 10 Battleford 14 4 Prince Albert 14 4 Winnipeg 1 12 Parry Sound 12 16 London 3 27 Toronto 14 28 Kingston 4 10 Ottawa 1 10 Montreal 2 11 Quebec 10 10 Halifax 8 14 -Below zero.

Around the City

Bonds Purchased. The Campbellton Town Council, on Wednesday, accepted the offer of \$8,000 made by J. M. Robinson & Sons, St. John, for \$36,000 five per cent. bonds.

House Slightly Damaged. The fire department responded to an alarm from box 154 Saturday morning, for a slight fire in a Southwark street tenement.

Knights of Columbus. There will be an exemplification of the first degree Knights of Columbus on Thursday evening in their rooms, Coburg street. There is a large class of candidates.

Candlemas Day. Friday, February 2nd, being the Feast of the Purification of the Virgin Mary, and Candlemas Day in the Roman Catholic Church, special masses will be held in the city churches for the blessing of the candles.

Property Not Sold. At Chubb's Corner, Saturday, Auctioneer T. T. Lantallum offered for sale the freestone brick dwelling No. 125 and 127 Leinster street, owned by Henry Dolan. The property was withdrawn at \$5,800.

Conservative Club Meeting. A meeting of the St. John Conservative Club will be held in their rooms, Market building, on Monday evening. Addresses will be delivered by F. L. Potts and H. W. Wismore. All members are requested to be present and bring their friends.

Sick in Hospital. Mrs. F. M. Mott, of Kingston, Kings county, has received a letter from her son, Hamilton Cochrane, written on Oct. 3th, in which he states he is in No. 1 Southern General Hospital, but is recovering. He left Canada with the 1st contingent and has seen much service on the western front.

Disorderly House Raided. About six o'clock Saturday afternoon Detectives Barrett and Duncan made a call on a Brunswick street house and arrested Samuel Albert and Louise Albert, on the charge of being the keepers of a disorderly house; they also arrested Alice Vaughan, and the woman is charged with being an inmate of the said house.

Has Knit 200 Pairs of Socks. Mrs. Alexander Fraser, City Road, although in her 57th year, has certainly done her bit in the way of providing comforts for the soldier boys who are fighting in France and Flanders. Since the beginning of the war she has knitted 200 pairs of socks which have gone to the boys. This is a record of which a much younger lady might well be proud, and is an exceptional record for a lady of her advanced age.

Owing to the war many articles are being given to a greater extent than formerly. Gundry's experience shows a strong demand existing for clearance cases, sashet rings and military brushes. A grand selection of these articles is always kept in stock. The famous wrist watch is also shown in many styles.

Band and good ice at Victoria Rink tonight.

Open New Y. M. C. I. Today. Formal opening of Young Men's Catholic Institute, Cliff street, today. It will be thrown open between one and six o'clock in the afternoon for inspection and all ladies and gentlemen of the city are invited to come. The evening is for members and each one may bring a male friend. Selections by City Cornet Band, exhibitions in gymnasium, bowling alley, swimming pool, addresses and musical and literary entertainment. Programme will open at 7.45 o'clock sharp. A big occasion.

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FRASER LTD. WILL ERECT BIG PULP AND PAPER MILL AT EDMUNDSTON, MAD. COUNTY

Realization Immense Possibilities for This Industry in New Brunswick Successful Lumbermen Undertake Erection of Gigantic Plant—New Era of Development for Upper Section of Province—Cabano Offered a \$50,000 Bonus and Other Generous Concessions.

Every Desirable Point in Province Has Put Forward Strong Claims for Important New Industry—Edmundston's Natural Advantages, Its Proximity to Timber Properties and Excellent Railway Facilities Proved Determining Factor—Vast Number of Employees in New Enterprise of Fraser, Ltd.

Fraser, Ltd., the big Canadian lumbering concern, with headquarters at Fredericton, have decided on the erection of an immense pulp and paper plant at Edmundston, Madawaska County. The project, one of the biggest industrial enterprises ever undertaken in the history of New Brunswick as it represents an investment of several million dollars, involving an initial expenditure of at least \$2,000,000. The fact that such successful business men behind the enterprise ensures its success. The operation of the new plant, affording as it will employment to a vast number of people, will mark a new era in the industrial life of the province. The decision of Fraser Ltd. to undertake the erection and operation of such a gigantic plant has one outstanding feature and that is the confidence which these big lumbermen are displaying in the possibilities of New Brunswick. That the province affords striking opportunities for the manufacture of pulp and paper has been believed for some time and the practical step taken by Fraser, Ltd. after a most exhaustive investigation, is proof positive of the possibilities of New Brunswick along these lines. The announcement of the decision of Fraser, Ltd. to establish the new industry at Edmundston was made on Saturday. There is no doubt of the authenticity of the announcement, and operations will be commenced within a short time on the erection of the new plant. That the company had under consideration the possibilities of a pulp and paper mill in this province for some little time past has been generally known, the announcement having been made in The Standard some weeks ago. Interest in the investigations of the company was province-wide, while proposals to establish the plant there came from points outside the province. It is known that the advantages of Fredericton, Edmundston, Campbellton, Chatham and Newcastle as well as other points, were placed before the representatives of the company who were engaged in gathering information. Each point had strong points to place before the consideration of the company with respect to its natural advantages, proximity to timber lands, railway facilities, etc., while each point was also prepared to give substantial concessions to the enterprising business men who were looking for the most desirable and advantageous site. From Cabano, Quebec, came an offer of a bonus of no less than \$50,000 in addition to an almost perpetual exemption from taxes. But Edmundston from the standpoint of Fraser's extensive business here seemed to the company to be the logical point for the location of the new plant. It was practically in the centre of the company's ten lumber mills in this province and Quebec. It had the necessary timber supply nearby, and it had adequate railway facilities to handle the heavy shipments of pulp and paper that will be made by the company when the mill is in operation. The terms under which the Fraser, Ltd. are establishing their new plant at Edmundston were related to The Standard on Saturday: "The people of New Brunswick will be delighted to learn that Edmundston is on the eve of a great business boom. I think I violate no confidence when I tell you that Messrs. Fraser, Ltd. have decided upon Edmundston for the location of their immense pulp and paper mill. That will mean an almost immediate expenditure of at least \$2,000,000 on the buildings and plant, and on the erection of a large number of houses for the employees of the great new industry." "This was the statement made by J. E. Michaud of Edmundston to The Standard just before he left for his upriver home. Continuing, Mr. Michaud said: "The final decision of the Messrs. Fraser to locate this great industry at Edmundston did not come to our people as a real surprise. Some years ago after they had acquired the Marché properties they save the people of Edmundston to understand that if the town provided proper water and lighting facilities they (the Fraser, Ltd.) might reasonably be expected to do something along large lines for Edmundston, and they are about to do it. Although our population is little more, if any, than 2,000, we accepted the suggestion that they had made in a businesslike way, installing a light and water system costing about \$165,000. For some time past we had a pretty good idea that the industry which Messrs. Fraser had nearly promised us was a pulp and paper one, but we were aware of the fact that we had strong competitors in various other sections of this province as well as Quebec, Campbellton, in Restigouche County, made a very strong bid and so did Cabano, Quebec. Indeed we have reason to believe that Cabano was willing to give what might be called a perpetual exemption

from taxes to the Fraser, Ltd. Frederickton for a time seemed to be impressed with the idea that the pulp and paper mill would go to the celestial city, but for the past few weeks the board of Trade of that city appeared to be convinced that the industry was going elsewhere. "Some few weeks ago a representative of the Fraser, Ltd. appeared before the Edmundston town council and as a result of the statements made the council agreed to place the valuation of the pulp and paper plant at \$100,000 for assessment purposes for a period of twenty years; to assess the buildings for the employees at sixty per cent. of their actual cost and to furnish any spare power to the company at a rate of \$15 per horse power. These proposals were agreeable to the company and just before I left home a few days ago, J. M. Stevens, K. C., of Stevens and Lawson, told me that he had received word to take over the options on lands to the value of some hundred thousand dollars. These lands will be required for the plant and for the buildings in which the employees and their families will reside. "Of course the announcement that this great firm is establishing such an important addition to their business at Edmundston is delightful news to the people of that place and to the whole county. Without saying a word against any other centre, Edmundston had many advantages over all other locations. The town has the several big railway systems, including the C. P. R., the Transcontinental and the Temiscouata Railways immediately at hand; the harbor and Anse-au-Loup is just directly on the other side of the river. Then again Edmundston is really in the centre of the present ten lumbering propositions of the Fraser, Ltd. Many of their extensive holdings are in the immediate vicinity and some of their large properties are not very far from it. "Work on the pulp and paper mill and the other buildings no doubt will be commenced early in the spring. We are counting upon doubling our population as a result of this new industry within a year, and level-headed business men of Madawaska County see a probable increase within the next five years in the population of Edmundston equal to at least three or four times its present size," concluded Mr. Michaud. It is a fact worthy of mention that the mounted men of the province are prepared to invest their wealth in New Brunswick industries. Messrs. Archibald Fraser and Donald Fraser are the big men of Fraser, Ltd., succeeding their father, the late Donald Fraser who with the co-operation of the sons built up one of the most successful lumbering businesses in the entire east. Archibald Fraser, the driving force in the business management of the concern, is well known in St. John. The many local friends of this stable concern will wish them every success in the operation of the important industry which they have decided to establish in their native province.

Thirteen men were secured in the city for the week-end. Of this number twelve signed up with the 257th Railway Construction Battalion. This battalion has signed up more men for the week ending Saturday, Jan. 27th, than any other unit in the city. Praise for Fredericton Officer From General Benson—The Klitties to Absorb the 234th—Other Military News. Captain Turner, quartermaster of the special service companies in the Maritime Provinces, with headquarters at Halifax, was in the city yesterday morning on his return from Fredericton, where he was on an inspection tour. The captain did not reach the city until nearly two o'clock, the Boston train being delayed about five miles from Fairville on account of an accident on the line. One hundred and ninety-two recruits who are either under age or unable to pass the doctor will arrive in the city shortly from England and will be placed by Captain Turner with the 62nd Company at West St. John. Major General Benson, who was in Fredericton last week on an inspection tour, expresses himself as highly pleased with the manner in which the barracks are kept in Fredericton. He found the quarters at Fredericton the best with one exception that he had inspected in his whole career. This is a deserved tribute to the work of the officers of the 234th Battalion particularly to the efforts of Captain J. Douglas Black, the former Fredericton newspaper man, who is the quartermaster and in charge of this branch of the work. "There is more truth than poetry in The Standard's statement that the Klitties would absorb the 234th Battalion from Upper Canada," said a high military official yesterday in referring to the published report in this newspaper. The officials expect that the amalgamation will take place at an early date.

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THIRTEEN ON ROLL OF HONOR IN TWO DAYS

Recruiting Again Shows a Boom—Military Notes of Interest Concerning Local Units.

- HONOR ROLL. Sheppard Ketch, Bathurst, N. B. J. D. Cormier, Moncton, N. B. Lloyd Hegarty, England. O. R. Thomas, Liverpool, England. W. Preston, St. John, N. B. Barney Deatreu, Campbellton, N. B. F. McKenna, St. John, N. B. Edgar Graham, St. John, N. B. Edward Morton, St. John, N. B. Barney Vautaur, Campbellton, N. B. Norman Paris, Annapolis, N. S. Lester Singer, St. John, N. B. 257th Railway Construction Battalion. James McNamee, Scotland, 236th Klitties Battalion.

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