

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Fresh westerly winds; cloudy and milder, with local snow flurries.

Washington Forecast.

Washington, Jan. 7.—Northern New England: Unsettled Thursday and Friday, probably local snows, except generally fair Thursday in New Hampshire and Vermont; moderate winds.

Toronto, Jan. 7.—Shallow barometric depressions are at present passing rapidly across Northern Canada. The weather continues moderately cold in the Maritime Provinces, and unseasonably mild everywhere west of Quebec. There are now indications of cold weather setting in over the western provinces.

Temperatures.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	42	46
Vancouver	42	48
Kamloops	32	40
Edmonton	18	24
Calgary	28	32
Battleford	24	34
Winnipeg	28	41
Port Arthur	26	30
Perry Sound	26	32
London	28	32
Toronto	30	36
Kingston	30	36
Ottawa	16	32
Montreal	20	30
Quebec	10	28
St. John	10	38
Halifax	16	32

AROUND THE CITY

Art Club Tonight.

Art Club, Peel street. Regular meeting. Lecture by Rev. Miles Howland on Murillo, illustrated with views. Music, refreshments.

Competition Ends Saturday.

The competition for designs for Board of Trade letter heads closes on Saturday. Quite a number of designs have been submitted so far.

Capture of Salonika.

A number of local Greek tobaccoists, fruit dealers, etc., closed their places of business yesterday in honor of the holiday in commemoration of the capture of Salonika from Turkey, a year ago yesterday.

Ship's Officer Taken Ill.

While the government steamer Lansdowne was proceeding towards Quaco Lodge yesterday the third officer was taken suddenly ill and the ship returned to St. John. Medical assistance was summoned and after examination Mr. Holder was pronounced to be suffering from an attack of paralysis. He is now undergoing treatment in the hospital.

Fish Through Ice.

A number of the members of the Allan Line staff went out to the Kennebecasis yesterday and had a pleasant time fishing through the ice. In the party were Mr. Hartley, Mr. Windsor, B. Bloomfield, Murray Stackhouse, H. Brew, H. Wade and J. Levin. They landed a fine lot of hake and cod. Mr. Hartley was the most successful, having caught a fine fish weighing nine pounds.

West Side Bible Society.

The annual meeting of the West Side Bible Society was held last evening. Officers' reports were of an encouraging character. The society during the year raised about \$200, which marks a record. Rev. R. P. McKim and Rev. W. H. Barracough were present and delivered interesting addresses. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, W. D. Baskin; Vice-presidents, the resident Protestant clergymen; Secretary-treasurer, Enoch Thompson. The society hopes for a successful year in 1914.

PERSONAL.

Mr. S. L. Peters, Gazette, Dominion fruit inspector, is in the city inspecting apples being shipped on the trans-Atlantic line. Mr. Peters is in the party with Mr. Hartley, Mr. Windsor, B. Bloomfield, Murray Stackhouse, H. Brew, H. Wade and J. Levin. They landed a fine lot of hake and cod. Mr. Hartley was the most successful, having caught a fine fish weighing nine pounds.

ENJOYABLE WHIST AND DANCE LAST NIGHT DREW CROWD

Under auspices of the Bohemian Club Recently Organized—Large Number Attended.

A very enjoyable whist and dance was held in the Keith Assembly Rooms last evening, under the auspices of the Bohemian Club. The attendance was large, as was expected, and all present had a thoroughly pleasant evening.

An efficient committee of young ladies served refreshments during the evening. The chaperones were Mrs. C. J. Kane, Mrs. J. F. Gleason, Mrs. H. Regan, Mrs. F. J. Fitzpatrick. On the social committee were G. F. Cunningham, W. L. McMahon, G. Flood, W. E. McGuire, W. J. Nugent and J. Morrissey conducted the affair in a manner which could not be improved upon, and this was largely responsible for the great success attached to the function last evening.

Straight whist was played in the early evening, and then a nicely arranged programme of dances was enjoyed in the ball room.

Only three days left for you to secure a \$2.00 or \$2.50 soft hat for \$1.37 at Ward & Cronin's, Charlotte street.

STANDARD AUTO PARTY HOME FROM HARD MID-WINTER CRIP

Cold Weather, Snow and Ice Retarded Progress of Voyageurs—Halifax Sent Back Greetings to Mayor and Citizens—Cold Weather all the way.

The Maritime Slinger Six mid-winter automobile trip from St. John to Halifax and return, under the auspices of the Standard, ended yesterday, when the party with the car arrived in this city on the steamer Yarmouth from Digby. O. L. White, J. H. Pullen and Harry Ervin, who made up the party, were completely worn out by the hardships met on the journey. The extreme cold, the hard work of shovelling snow and cutting ice and pulling the car through snow drifts all told on the travellers and they were ready to go to bed early last night.

The success of the venture was in a great part due to the good work of O. L. White, who handled the car, and his fellow passengers, who were often called upon to get out and dig in order to make any progress at all. Several times the members of the first maritime mid-winter automobile trip between St. John and Halifax thought that they would have to turn back. Their experience in the Fox Creek district of New Brunswick was enough to discourage any party, but the party stuck to it and finally won out.

On several occasions during the cold nights, the glare of the car lamps fell upon rabbits, which paused to watch the four-eyed monster, but they scampered away before the car closed in on them. Many partridge were seen flying over the roadway during the day and they appeared as much surprised as members of the party.

The adventure has been finished and there is any person who has an idea that the trip was not a very trying ordeal there is the chance for him to hit the road and try for himself to break the trail from St. John to Halifax.

The party encountered practically no snow in Nova Scotia. Mayor Blithe of Halifax being out of the city on the arrival of the auto party the letter of greetings from Mayor Frink was delivered to Deputy Mayor Powell.

Dr. Mathers, president of the Nova Scotia Automobile Association, with Premier Murray greeted the party at the Halifax Hotel. President Mathers received greetings from President T. P. Regan of the N. B. A. also from Mr. Fairweather, representing the automobilists of Sussex. The replies to Mayor Frink and to President Regan were brought back to St. John and delivered on arrival. The reply to Mr. Fairweather is practical, by the same as that to President Regan. The greetings from Halifax are as follows:—

Mayor's Office, Halifax, N. S., Jan. 5th, 1914.
His Worship the Mayor,
St. John, N. B.
Your Worship:
We highly appreciate the opportunity of exchanging greetings at this time, through the aid of special messenger. We thank you on behalf of the citizens of Halifax for your kindly thoughtfulness and desire to express reciprocal sentiments towards your good self and the people of St. John. Your messenger laid before us many expressions of good will submitted to his care by the chief executives of the different municipalities through which he journeyed, and we take advantage of these presents to acknowledge receipt of them and to return our warmest felicitations and best wishes for health, happiness and prosperity to all for the New Year.

Your reference to the transportation of these messages by motor car in contrast with former modes of transportation lead one's mind to dwell with wonder at the magical strides which have been made in recent years and to speculate almost with awe as to the possible developments which may unfold in the near future.

With regard to the relationship between St. John and Halifax touched upon in your esteemed favor, rejoice with you that the true feelings of the peoples of the two cities are not always faithfully depicted in public print, and that any differences which may appear to exist between the sister cities as to their beauties, accomplishments or advantages are more talked about by others than by themselves. There are great opportunities opening out for both St. John and Halifax. There is not only room for both but great need for both. For both our best wishes are joined in all sincerity.

On behalf of the corporation and citizens of Halifax,
WILLIAM R. POWELL, Deputy-Mayor,
L. FRED MONAGHAN, City Clerk.

Halifax, N. S., 5th Jan., 1913.
New Brunswick Automobile Association, St. John, N. B.

Gentlemen:
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