

THE WEATHER.

Gulf and Maritime—Fresh west to northwest winds; fair, stationary or a little higher temperature. Toronto, May 3.—Fine warm weather has been general in the western provinces today, while in Ontario and the east it has been generally fair but cool.

AROUND THE CITY

Old Testament Literature. The class in Old Testament literature will meet in Centenary church this evening.

Gaspereaux Fishing Good. The gaspereaux fishing in the harbor is reported as being fairly good and the fishermen are receiving 80 cents a hundred for their catch.

Military Veterans to Meet. The monthly meeting of the N. B. Military Veterans' Association will be held in their rooms in the Market Building at 8 o'clock this evening.

Council Meets Friday. A special meeting of the common council will be held tomorrow afternoon to consider the ferry question, and the Hydro-Electric Company's plans.

Found Ill in Street. About 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon Policeman Gosselin found Charles Stewart lying in a fit on the sidewalk and after he had sufficiently recovered, he was assisted to his home on Leinster street.

He Had Money To Burn. Yesterday morning Policeman O'Neill arrested an intoxicated man on Charlotte street and when searched at central station the prisoner was found to have no less than \$208.23 in his pockets.

Trades and Labor Council. A meeting of the trades and labor council will be held this evening. It is understood the delegates will deal with the strike situation, the attack of the board of trade on the tax on workmen entering the city and competing with ratepayers.

Fire in Orphanage. At 5:45 o'clock yesterday afternoon an alarm of fire was sent in from box 43 for a blaze in one of the rooms in the first story of the Protestant Orphan Asylum, Britain street. The blaze which caused about \$50 damage was soon extinguished by No. 1 chemical.

Boy Fell in a Fit. Yesterday morning at 11:30 o'clock Robert Coffey, 14 years of age, fell in a fit on the corner of Mill and North streets. He was taken into P. O'Neil's saloon and attended by Dr. T. Lannan. He was afterwards removed to his home on Brook street in the ambulance.

Taken Ill in the South. John Willet of this city was a passenger on board the steamer Oruro which arrived at Halifax last Monday from Bermuda. Mr. Willet while taking a trip south was taken ill and went to a hospital at Bermuda. His many friends will be glad to know that he is home again much improved in health.

BIG TOURIST BUSINESS EXPECTED THIS SEASON

Large Number of Inquiries Made at Tourist Association Offices—Expect Many Visitors from Western States.

That St. John and the province in general will have a large influx of tourists this season is evidenced by the numerous inquiries which are being received by the New Brunswick Tourist Association, and the advertising campaign which the association has carried on through the medium of advertising agencies has begun to show pleasing results. The Sportsman Show at which the Tourist Association was represented, has served to bring the province into greater prominence, and in consequence a large number of tourists have written the association relative to routes, rates and other details.

A noteworthy feature in the communications recently received by the secretary of the association is the popularity of this province as an ideal pleasure resort with greater advantages for hunting and fishing than any other part of the world.

The work of preparing the city booklet issued by the association annually, is in progress, but as the steamship and other transportation lines have not as yet issued their information for the tourist season, the booklet will not be completed for a few weeks.

Charcoal is cheaper and better than kindling to light a fire.

The Saint John Business College has temporary quarters in the Congregational church, waiting the completion of the Bell building.

A real money saving white lawn waist opportunity occurs at F. A. Dykeman and Co.'s store Thursday morning.

Fine Display of Plumes. St. John ladies should not fail to see the special display of Beautiful Black Willow Plumes for dress hats at Marie's today, as advertised on page 2. The big anniversary sale of silk ribbons, jewelry and barettes continues until Saturday evening.

Teamsters' Union To Meet. The regular meeting of the teamsters' union will be held this evening in the rooms in the Opera House. All members are requested to attend.

W. H. Thorne left for Montreal last night. Mrs. Ethel Forbes and infant son left for her home in Calgary last night.

HOW THE STRIKES ARE PROGRESSING

Eighteen Carpenters Still Out, Though Some Contractors have Conceded the Advance. The Mud Carriers Difficulty.

A meeting of the carpenters' union was held last evening at which nearly every member of the union was present, and everybody seemed to be satisfied with the progress of the strike so far. It was reported that J. Medley Belyea had agreed to concede the advance, and had asked his men to return to work today. It was said that other contractors had called at the hall during the day and expressed their willingness to pay the union rate as soon as they got busy. Four of the strikers went to work yesterday with contractors who have conceded the advance.

Nine applications for membership were received, and several candidates initiated. Organizer John E. Potts, who has been assisting the union in its efforts to increase wages, leaves for Bangor this morning. He said he was well satisfied with the result of the struggle, and had no doubt that the 13 men now on strike would be at work in a few days. "The Brotherhood will look after them anyway," he added, "and we can find them work in other cities if they want to leave."

The union decided to send a communication to the Minister of Labor, notifying him that the union rate of wages for carpenters in St. John is \$3.00 a day, and asking him to see that the fair wage officer recognizes that fact when making up the schedules of wages on government contracts in this locality.

The next meeting of the union will be held on Tuesday evening. A special meeting of the Building Trades' Council will be held in the Bricklayers' hall on Brussels street on Friday afternoon to consider what action the joint trades might take in event of the strike being prolonged.

A meeting of the hodcarriers and building laborers was held last evening. It was held quite a number of the members of the union were on strike, but as some of the bigger contractors had already conceded the demand for \$2.00 a day, and the other branches of the building trades were refusing to work on jobs where non-union laborers were employed, the feeling was that the men would win out. Contractor Sullivan, who is building the Armory, is still holding out, but as it is understood that he will not be able to get union masons when he needs them, unless he employs union labor on the excavation work, it is believed he will give in.

Organizer Potts advised the men to follow the example of the unions in Boston, and make things merry for the politicians until the government contractor paid the union rate of wages.

JOHN E. POTTS MAKES COMMENTS ON ST. JOHN

Poor Building Laws, Poor Housing Conditions, and a Boosters' Club which Boosts Along Wrong Lines.

"St. John has evidently not learned much from the big fire of 1877," said John E. Potts, organizer of the Brotherhood of Carpenters, member of the city building commission of Boston, and also of the Hospital Commission of the same city. "I have noticed buildings being put up here that the building commission of Boston would tear down as a menace to public safety. If a fire once gets a good start in the North End or in some other sections of the city, the people will pay a dear price for their civic incompetence or apathy."

"What the city authorities or public generally are thinking of, I can't imagine. Your building regulations must be mighty antiquated. Many parts of the city have been built up on the penny-wise, pound-foolish policy. The fire-risks are enormous, the underwriters must be asleep. If they were not, they would have wakened your city council years ago, and had the building by-laws up to date. I wonder if there is a practical carpenter on your board of fire underwriters. "Your authorities must be asleep. Otherwise they would be finishing up their do in other places to assure better housing accommodation for the workers. I am told that about 120 persons die of tuberculosis in the city every year. Each life is probably worth \$5,000—a loss of \$600,000 a year. "My experience on the building commission and the housing commission of Boston has convinced me that to solve the problem of tuberculosis you must solve the problem of satisfactory housing accommodation. In Boston, our hospital commission is spending \$5,000,000 on a sanitarium for consumptive patients, but I think the building commission is doing the most effective work towards the stamping out of this plague. And the churches are backing us up along both lines of work. The clergymen have a tremendous power for good if they only use it. But they should recognize that most our troubles spring from the unsatisfactory economic environment which man has created for himself."

"Everybody is talking about making St. John a bigger and better city," explained the reporter. "Mostly talk and printers' ink, isn't it," said Mr. Potts. "I've heard of your boosters' club, and I'm told it has given some people an excessive boost rents and prices. But what else have they boomed? The condition of the building trades is an infallible index to a city's prosperity, and the building trades have had a poorer winter than for some years past."

"Why don't your boosters boom the city into taking hold of the electric power question. Then you might get rates that would induce manufacturers to come here. Why should you repeat the experience of other cities with competing private companies? Municipal ownership is the only solution of the franchise question, and up-to-date cities which have not already got control of their franchise are only waiting for a chance to do so."

SHIP LABORERS ADOPT MEMBERS' CARD SYSTEM

Important Change Put Into Effect at Meeting of Ship Laborers Association Last Night—Officers Elected.

There was a big attendance at the annual meeting of the Old Ship Laborers' Association held in their hall on Water street last evening. The reports of the officers and the executive committee showed that the association had enjoyed a prosperous year and the members testified their satisfaction in reflecting the president and practically all the men who held office last year.

About the most important matter dealt with by the meeting was the question of instituting the card system which has been advocated by the executive for some time. The system which the meeting decided to adopt is a modification of that in force in other ports.

The union will issue three months' cards which all workers will be required to carry, and the cards for each quarter of the year will be of a different color. The object of the card system is to assist the business agent in keeping the men in good standing, as the card will only be issued to those whose dues are paid up.

The officers elected for the year follow: President, John Montague; senior vice-president, Homer Fritch; junior vice-president, Wm. Reardon; financial secretary, Haza; Downey; treasurer, David Daley; sergeant-at-arms, Robert Barry; business agent, M. P. Donovan. The annual executive committee was also elected.

ST. JOSEPH'S YOUNG MEN HOLD ANNUAL DINNER

Enjoyable Function was Held Last Night in White's Restaurant—Presentation to John Pauley a Feature.

The Young Men's Society of St. Joseph held their dinner in White's last night, and it was a brilliant affair. The tables were very prettily decorated, and the menu served was excellent.

NURSES HOSTS AT AN ENJOYABLE FUNCTION

Tea and Fancy Sale Given by Graduate Nurses in Private Hospital, Yesterday, a Successful Affair.

The tea and fancy sale given by the Graduate Nurses' Association at the Private Hospital yesterday afternoon and evening, was an enjoyable event, and a successful one, as well. The tea and sale was attended by a large number and much favorable criticism was heard as to the decorations. The tea room was decorated in blue, the dining room in blue and white, and the candy and fancy tables in red, white and blue. Following the tea and sale the nurses and their friends enjoyed a short programme of dancing.

Mrs. George Fleming and Mrs. Minnie Armstrong poured tea and coffee; Miss Nellie Graham and Miss Murdoch were in charge of the candy table, and the following nurses served: Georgia Collins, Mary McKinney, Charlotte Poole, Jennie Finley, Frances O'Keefe, Jennie Burpee, Frances Jenkins, Kate Holt, Nella Wilson, Emma Mitchell, May Duke, E. P. Hegan, Evelyn Freeman, Frances May, Catherine Tait and Gertrude Williams.

The proceeds of the tea and sale which were most satisfactory, will be used for the nurses' sick benevolent fund.

Negroes Arrive From West Indies. The four married schooners A. F. Davidson, Captain Richards, arrived yesterday from Turk's Island, British West Indies, with a cargo of salt. St. John hotels for immigrants the Bermuda negroes who are going to Glace Bay, N. S., to work in the coal mines.

Card of Thanks. Miss Armstrong, of Fredericton, wishes to thank the Ladies' Aid of the St. John Hospital for Incumbents, the lady visitors to the home and the matron and nurses for the many kindnesses, thoughtful acts and loving care bestowed upon her sister, Miss Florence Armstrong, while an inmate of the institution, making the closing years of her life bright and happy.

Painless Dentistry. Teeth filled or extracted free of pain by the celebrated "HALL METHOD." All branches of dental work done in the most skillful manner. BOSTON DENTAL PARLORS, 57 Main Street, Tel. 553. DR. J. D. MAHER, Proprietor.

NEW BRUNSWICK'S GREATEST SHOE HOUSE.

An Exceptional Bargain IN Women's Fine Boots. Our buyer succeeded in obtaining from an American manufacturer a line of Women's Patent Button Boots, Dull Kid Tops, Low Vamps, Cuban Heels, High Box Toes.

made on one of the newest 1911 shaped lasts. There are 300 pairs in the lot and ordinarily they would be a snap at \$3.00, but as an advertisement we are going to sell this one lot at \$1.98 a Pair.

Waterbury & Rising, King Street, Mill Street, Union Street. Three Stores.

Bay Window Lenses. This is the way one man described his Toric lenses: "Looking through my Toric lenses is just like looking out of a bay window as compared with an ordinary flat lens."

L. L. Sharpe & Son, Jewellers and Opticians, ST. KING STREET, ST. JOHN, N. B.

The Latest Model Golding Jobber. has just been installed in our printing department, which, with many new type faces, we have added during the last month will enable us to still further fill your requirements for good printing.

C. H. Flewelling, ENGRAVER AND PRINTER, 85 1-2 Prince William Street.

GARDEN TOOLS IN SETS For Children and Adults. Now is the time to get your garden ready. Don't be handicapped by poor tools. Three Piece Sets, Prices 20c, 50c, \$1.75. Rake, Hoe and Spade. Four Piece Sets, 35c and 50c. Spading Forks, Spades, Hand Weeders, Trowels, etc. W. H. Thorne & Co., Limited. Market Square and King Street, St. John, N. B.

DYKEMAN'S A Real Money Saving White Lawn Waist Opportunity. ABOUT 200 OF THEM TO GO ON SALE AT PRICES THAT DO NOT REPRESENT THE COST OF THE LAWN AND EMBROIDERY IN THESE WAISTS. Some of them are slightly soiled and mused from frequent handling, but others are perfectly fresh. No. 1 LOT AT 25 cents. These are made from good lawn, lace trimmed and tucked. No. 2 LOT AT 50 Cents. This lot contains waists that are worth as high as \$1.00, handsomely embroidered fronts with tucked back and fancy sleeves. No. 3 LOT 18 89 Cents, includes waists worth up to \$1.50. Very handsomely trimmed, some of them with allover fronts. The waists at this price are made from fine Persian lawns. No. 4 LOT PRICED \$1.10 and contains waists worth \$2.00. They are made from very fine sheer lawns with embroidered front and sleeves, the back is trimmed in many cases with lace insertion and tuckings. No. 5 LOT AT \$1.49. Waists in this lot that are actually worth \$3.00. Very handsome allover embroidered fronts, trimmed back and sleeves. At the commencement of the Sale you will find the sizes all well assorted, so anyone can be fitted at almost any price you want to pay. F. A. Dykeman & Co., 59 Charlotte St.

BASEBALL GOODS. We carry a complete assortment of the celebrated REACH baseball goods which we should be glad to have every baseball player in the city see. Balls, Bats, Masks, Gloves, Body Protectors, Shoe Plates, etc. "Reach" Quality is the Highest. EMERSON & FISHER, Ltd., 25 Germain Street, PHONE MAIN 87.

New Spring Suits With Plenty of Dash and Excellent Quality to Recommend Them. The Special satisfaction in buying clothes here is in knowing in advance that you're getting top good fabrics, authentic styles, perfect tailoring and a dollar's worth of value for every dollar you pay. It's principally a matter of try-on here, a front, side and back view in the mirror usually settles the question. The pattern and quality of material, the style and tailoring of M. R. A. Suits for Spring will please the most refined and cultured tastes. The price range is broad enough to cover every requirement. You will find your suit somewhere from \$10.00 to \$32.00. Come in and look the swell new models over. CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

NEMO WEEK. Have you called at The Corset Dept. to have the Nemo advantages explained? Wonderfully comfortable are Nemo Corsets—Permit us to tell you why. Gloves of the Best Makes In All Shades and Styles For Spring. You may place absolute reliance in the gloves we sell. The very best makers are represented in our offerings and the assortments are exceeded in size and variety by no other store in this territory. Here are some excellent values taken at random:— At \$1.00 pair, French Kid Gloves, two fasteners, black, white, tans, browns, greys. At \$1.00 pair, Chamois Gloves, in white and natural. At \$1.50 pair, Dent's Cape, two dome, tans. At \$1.00 pair, Cape Gloves, one fastener, Dent's and Perrin's make, tan shades. At \$1.10 pair, Chamois Gloves, one dome, white and natural. At \$1.20 pair, French Kid Gloves, two fasteners, black, white, tans, browns, greys. At \$1.25 pair, Dent's Cape Gloves, one dome tans, Dent's Mocha Gloves, two fasteners, black, tans, greys. Dent's for boys, one dome, tans. At \$1.35 pair, Perrin's French Kid, two fasteners, black, white, black, white, tans. Reynier Suede, two dome, pique sewn, black, tans, greys. At \$1.75 pair, Reynier Cheyrette, one dome, P. X. M. black, tan and grey. Reynier Suede, heavy, one dome, black and grey. At \$2.00 pair, Antelope, two dome, grey. Boys' Cape Gloves, sizes 0 to 2, tans, per pair 65c. At \$1.60 pair, Reynier French Kid, pique sewn, two domes, white, white with black points. At \$1.75 pair, Reynier Cheyrette, one dome, P. X. M. black, tan and grey. Reynier Suede, heavy, one dome, black and grey. At \$2.00 pair, Antelope, two dome, grey. Boys' Cape Gloves, sizes 0 to 2, tans, per pair 65c. MANCHESTER ROBERTSON ALLISON, LTD. GLOVE DEPARTMENT.