

THE WEATHER

Toronto, March 14.—Disturbances are centred over the British Columbia coast, and pressure is rising rapidly in the Western Provinces. It is burning colder in the West but elsewhere in Canada the weather has been fine and very mild.

Forecast: Maritime—Fresh westerly winds; fine and quite mild. Northern New England—Generally fair Wednesday, and Thursday; somewhat colder Wednesday; fresh northwest and north winds.

AROUND THE CITY

CHILD DEAD. Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Murphy, of 149 Main street, have the sympathy of friends in the death of their infant daughter, Mary Eleanor, which occurred yesterday.

SMALLPOX AT MEMRAMCOOK. Four houses are under quarantine at Memramcook east on account of an outbreak of smallpox. The patients are all children and the disease is not of a virulent type, it is stated.

BOARD OF TRADE NOTES. The secretary of the Board of Trade is in receipt of inquiries from various sources that want to know the names of dealers in potatoes and poultry.

TO ARRANGE SUMMER SCHEDULE. The general superintendent of the New Brunswick Division of the C. P. R., J. M. Woodman, and N. R. Desbrisay, C. P. R. general passenger agent for this district, left last evening for Boston where they will consult with officials of the Boston and Maine, and the Central Railways in regard to the summer time-tables.

MAYOR DEFINES POSITION. That he had any stock or interest in the New Brunswick Power Co., or that he was in any way interested in its management, was given an unqualified denial by Mayor Schofield in an interview yesterday.

WELCOME SIGHT ONCE. C. N. R. Business Car No. 35 arrived in the city yesterday morning attached to the Valley train and conveying C. L. Harris, relieving superintendent on the Edmundston-Valley division.

The car did not attract the attention it might have some years ago when it was the official pay car for the I. C. R. before the system of check payment was adopted by the railroad.

Father and Son Banquet Pleading

Successful Event Held in Carleton Methodist Church School Room Last Evening

One of the most successful events ever held in the Carleton Methodist church took place in the school room last evening when a Father and Son banquet was enjoyed by over one hundred people.

The event was planned and carried out by a committee consisting of Le Baron Stubbins, chairman, Roy Thompson, Delaney Williams, Arthur Waddington, and the pastor, Rev. J. Heaney.

The programme was as follows: Grace, offered by the pastor. "Gals", Sing-song, F. J. Punter, leader, R. S. Coupe, accompanist.

Toast to the King, George Blisset. Solo, E. L. Punter. Toast, "My Dad"—George Blisset—F. W. Henderson.

Address—Rev. Mr. Heaney. Toast, "The Guests"—LeB. Stubbins, C. E. Wetmore.

Pictures of Camp Life (Snaps taken at Camp Galahad, Holders Point and Tuxis Camp at Chipman).

Toast, "The Sunday School"—Herbert Owen—Miss M. Bancroft. Toast, "Boys' Work"—R. Thompson, LeB. Stubbins.

Toast, "The Ladies"—Des. Williams—Mrs. J. Tibbet. Previous to the breaking up of the meeting a vote of thanks was moved to the visitors who had contributed to the programme. The refreshment committee consisted of Mrs. E. J. McBeath, Mrs. W. D. Williams, Mrs. L. B. Kenney, Mrs. A. Thompson, Mrs. E. J. Tibbet, Mrs. F. H. Cunningham, Mrs. L. W. Stubbins, Mrs. A. L. Green, Mrs. J. Heaney, and Miss Urquhart.

Women's Hospital Aid will meet at Board of Trade Rooms, Thursday, March 16, at 3 o'clock. Executive at 2.30.

Victoria St. House Damaged By Fire

Fire in Charles Parker's Home Thought to Have Caught from Lighted Lamp.

The family of Charles Parker, 131 Victoria street, and some visiting friends received a somewhat unpleasant surprise last evening when flames were seen bursting from a room in the rear of the house, and for a time excitement was high. An attempt was made to throw some water on the blaze, but it was soon seen that a former measure than this was necessary, and an alarm was sent in from Box 131. The department made a quick response and soon had the blaze under control, but it was about three-quarters of an hour before the all out was struck.

Members of the family were unable to account for the fire, as there was no heat in the room and the only explanation they can offer is that a lamp which had been left lighted, and in some manner the curtains have caught from it. The door was closed, and the first intimation they had that anything was wrong was seeing the flames coming out around the door casing. The intense heat burst the window out and the flames were seen shooting up the side of the building. Fortunately the flames were confined to the room in which they originated, and outside the damage was all around the window casing.

The fire occurred in the second flat. Some water damage was done to the lower floor and smoke damage to the upper floor.

The building was owned by E. B. Johnston and occupied by J. W. Mosley, on the first floor; Charles Parker, second floor, and Charles Rourke, third floor.

It was stated last evening that all parties carried insurance to cover their losses. The alarm was rung in at 8.50 and the all out blow struck at 9.35.

Two Arrested For Supplying Morphine

Archie MacNeil and Walter Sproul Taken Into Custody by Government Officers.

Two arrests for the unlawful sale of morphine were made by officers of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police here yesterday acting on behalf of the opium and drug section of the Federal Department of Health. An officer of the Federal secret service arrested Archie MacNeil, a shed foreman for the C. P. R., at five o'clock yesterday afternoon after MacNeil left No. 8 warehouse at Sand Point where the S. S. Melita is taking on cargo. At about the same time officer Rolfe of the R. C. M. P. placed Walter Sproul, a brick mason, under arrest on the Eastern side of the harbor. Both men were taken into custody on warrants charging them with unlawfully supplying morphine.

Although no morphine was obtained on the person of either man, it is alleged that a small quantity had previously been obtained from each of them. It is said that a stool pigeon acting for the authorities led the men to believe he was open to buy the drug, and that both of them, who were each suspected of having cached a supply, were led to deliver samples to the man, and the warrants thereupon issued.

The arrests are the first of their kind in the province, previous arrests had been made for the unlawful supply of opium but never before of the "white stuff," morphine.

It is believed that the two men were working independently of each other, and it is further asserted that they were effecting a considerable sale of the drug in the city, as there are quite a few addicts in the city including women.

Although nothing has yet been disclosed as to the source of the drug it would appear that it must have been brought over the water, and that the local men were used as clearing houses.

An Interesting Lecture Delivered

Mrs. Kate Tronson Spoke on "Woman's Political Progress and Her Political Outlook"

The lecture room of the Natural History Society was taxed to its capacity last evening by the large number of women who attended the lecture delivered by Mrs. Kate Tronson, secretary of the International Women's Suffrage Alliance, on Woman's Political Progress and Her Political Outlook.

In a clear, lucid, and most interesting manner, Mrs. Tronson traced the gradual emancipation of women and their securing of the vote in the different nations throughout the world, and that the reforms they had been successful in obtaining.

Although the meeting was largely a woman's meeting, two or three men were present, and among these were Grover Foot who acted as the chairman of the evening.

After being introduced to her audience, Mrs. Tronson spoke of the kind reception she had met with by the women of St. John, which she assured them, she greatly appreciated.

In addition to the welcome, she thanked the citizens for the opportunity she had been afforded here to visit the schools, libraries, factories, and other public institutions where she had learnt a very great deal.

Canadian women she said were possessed of a land of space and breadth, originally and youth, and those of the old country invited them to send representatives to the Old Country, so that they might be refreshed by their vigorous viewpoints and instructed by their accomplishments.

Taking up her subject she stated that the aim of the Women's International Suffrage Alliance was to obtain full political rights for the women of all the civilized nations of the world.

In 1914, she said, the number of women possessing the right to express themselves politically could be counted on the fingers of one hand, but during the war twenty-one nations had granted their women that privilege, and today were looking to their women, who possessed exactly what was needed in the work of reconstruction.

All the new nations of Europe established through the disintegration of the Germanic, Austria-Hungarian, and Russian empires, had granted the vote to their women, and even in Musulman Crimea, in India a number of provinces had granted her the privilege, although through the creation of the present Free State they had reverted to the same status as that of the women of Great Britain.

Mrs. Tronson commented on the fact that this had caused the women's organization of both the South and the North to meet and unite in a demand for full political rights.

Referring to the status of women in Great Britain, the speaker said, that women there were eligible for membership in the House of Commons and in all local political bodies, and only recently to the House of Lords.

Every woman of twenty-one or upwards was entitled to stand as a candidate in the commons, but no woman was allowed to vote until she had attained the age of thirty. At that age, she could vote, provided her husband was a householder or lodger. As regards municipal government, she could vote at twenty-one herself, and at thirty if the woman herself fell that category.

Mrs. Tronson expressed the view that the entrance of women into politics had not changed the nature of the political parties, but had only tended to make them pay particular attention to questions regarding women.

Through their emancipation, she said, women had won the right to practice in all the professions to which they had hitherto been barred. They might serve as jurors the same as men, but might be excused from any case in which the evidence was of an objectionable nature, or which was condemned by the Suffragettes.

She insisted on no distinctions—and all public offices had been thrown open to them, except those in the Army and Church.

Referring to the principles which the women were still fighting for, Mrs. Tronson said they included an equal standard for both sexes, and that men violating the moral code should be subjected to the same punishment as the women.

Mrs. Tronson said there had been three women already elected to the House of Commons, the first was an Irish woman, who had refused to take her seat. She paid high tribute to Lady Astor, the first woman to actually sit in the Commons, who, she said, had broken down age-long traditions in a most tactful and graceful manner, and who had done a great deal in the interests of women and children.

Referring to what women had accomplished in countries in which they had possessed the vote for some time, New Zealand was cited, instead of the breaking up of the home that had been prophesied there had been a steady evolution. Greater civil liberties had been obtained, the moral standard of morality was made equal, women did not have to prove special damage in an action for slander, men were prevented from disposing of their property by will without making suitable provision for their families. The adoption of children had been regulated, the welfare, health and comfort of shop girls had been legally protected, and colleges had been thrown open to the women.

England, in contrast to this, refused to grant the guardianship of her child to a married woman, that right vested in the father; but if a unmarried woman failed to provide for the support of her child she could be imprisoned.

Colorado was cited as another place where women had secured beneficial legislation. There it was enacted that there should be no woman physician on the board of every insane asylum; that there should be three

Good Performance in West St. John

Capacity Attendance Delighted With Presentation of the Pageant of "Ruth" Last Night.

A capacity attendance greeted the opening performance of the pageant of "Ruth," which was played last evening in the auditorium of City Hall, West St. John, under the auspices of Jewell Rebekah Lodge, No. 8, I. O. O. F. The interpretation of the different roles by an accomplished cast of performers, the singing of the solo numbers and choruses, the execution of the different dances and gorgeous costumes, all contributed to make the pageant a decided success, and the appreciation of the audience was evidenced by the hearty applause which greeted the different numbers.

The direction of the pageant was in the capable hands of Professor Newton, with Mrs. C. E. Belyea as conductor. Mrs. James Robertson proved an efficient and sympathetic accompanist. Miss Gertrude Melick and Fred Irvine were unable to take part in the performance, owing to illness, and the committee are greatly indebted to D. Lettimer, who kindly consented yesterday afternoon to take the place of Mr. Irvine. The entire cast of 150 went through the performance in a very creditable manner.

The soloists were Miss Edith Nichols, Miss Bertie Campbell, Miss Ursula Ellis, Miss Hilda Walton, and A. C. Smith. W. Wallace, Clyde Parsons, Robert Mawhinney, and they all rendered the different numbers assigned to them in a finished and sympathetic manner. During the second scene, special solos were rendered by A. C. Smith, Miss Edith Campbell and David Lettimer. Mr. Smith's singing of "Ninety and Nine" was well received, as was Mr. Lettimer's rendering of "The Spirit of God." Miss Campbell's especially fine rendering of "Hear My Cry, O Lord," was greatly appreciated. Another feature of the programme which was heartily enjoyed was the different choruses given by the children in the cast. The performance will be repeated tonight.

The principals were as follows: King of Noah's Land... A. C. Smith. Queen of Noah's Land... Miss Edith Campbell. Naomi... Miss Edith Campbell. Ruth... Miss Bertie Campbell. Boaz... E. Clyde Parsons. First Reapers... Robt. Mawhinney. Orpah... Miss Ursula Ellis. Jewish Princess... Miss Hilda Walton. Assistant Reapers... Don. Morrissey. Messenger... W. Wallace. High Priest... Mr. Fraser. Prince of Noah's Land... David Lettimer.

Common Council Regular Meeting

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Advertisement for 'What Tools Do You Need?' featuring 'Carpenters' Tools' by W. H. Thorne & Co., Ltd. The ad lists various tools like Stanley, Starrett, and other leading manufacturers. It also includes the company's address and store hours.

Advertisement for 'BETTER COOKING --- QUICKER With Less Fuel' featuring 'WEAR-EVER' ALUMINUM COOKING UTENSILS. The ad includes an illustration of a cooking pot and text describing the benefits of the 'Wear-Ever' brand.

Advertisement for 'BUY NOW FOR YOUR NEW HOME OR THE HOME YOU INTEND TO MAKE NEW.' featuring 'FIXTURES, BRACKETS and GLASSWARE' from 'EASTERN ELECTRIC COMPANY, LTD.' The ad mentions a small deposit and storage of goods until required.

Advertisement for 'ST. JOHN Registration and Employment Office' located at 160 Prince William Street. The ad asks 'CAN YOU PROVIDE ANY WORK FOR A MAN OR WOMAN?' and lists various services offered.

Women out of the five members of the State Home for dependent children; an industrial school for girls had been secured; better protection for the feeble minded, and a juvenile court. In Denmark the women had secured a law providing for equal pay for equal work, and all government positions had been thrown open to women, and an equal status in marriage granted.

Commenting on Austria, the audience was informed that to qualify a woman to vote in that country she was required to be the mother of two children. The women members of parliament elected in each country were given as follows: Sweden 5, Norway 1, Germany 40, Poland 5, Netherlands 2, Rhodesia, Africa, 1, United States Congress 1, State Legislatures 33.

The women of France, Spain, Italy, Portugal and South America, Mrs. Tronson said, were still fighting for the vote, and it was to help and encourage them that the alliance aimed, she urged that Canadian women lend them their sympathy, and said they should not forget that the women of England were still fighting for equal franchise. A vote of thanks was moved by Mrs. E. A. Smith, who in thanking Mrs. Tronson on behalf of those present, stated that she had never been a member of a suffrage association, and although now in favor of suffrage, thought there were certain fields of effort in which women should remain at home and not meddle amongst others' affairs.

Mrs. R. J. Hooper seconded the motion and stated she was proud to have been a member of a suffrage organization for over twenty years. She hoped the Canadian women, having won the vote, would be able to acquire themselves as well as those of New Zealand. She thought that women should realize that there was a great or task than merely considering the welfare of women and children, but that they should also consider that of the men, and thought the most beneficial results in legislation would be obtained by men and women each considering the other's point of view. The vote of thanks was unanimously carried and extended by Archdeacon Crowfoot to Mrs. Tronson, who in thanking the meeting, took occasion to extend the greetings of the Catholic Women's League of Great Britain to the Catholic women of Canada, as she had been requested by them to do. The Suffolk branch, she said, had received the apostolic blessing of the newly elected Pope Pius XI, who had wished them blessings and enlightenment on all their undertakings. Following the meeting, refreshments were served by the executive of the Women's Council, convened by Mrs. Wilfred Campbell.

St. James' Branch Women's Auxiliary Reports on Different Phases of Work Received and the Officers Elected. The annual meeting of the St. James branch of the Women's Auxiliary was opened yesterday morning in St. James Church, with communion service and an address by the rector, Rev. H. A. Cody. The business meeting was held in the church rooms in the evening, and at this session the officers reported for the different phases of the work carried on for the past year. These reports showed a very profitable year's activities, and indications point to another successful season. The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: honorary president, Mrs. H. A. Cody; president, Mrs. Clarence Dixon; first vice-president, Mrs. B. C. Waring; second vice-president, Mrs. F. S. DeForest; treasurer, Mrs. Fred Leonard; recording secretary, Mrs. John C. Kee; E. D. treasurer, Mrs. W. F. Vaughan; liaison secretary, Mrs. E. Murray; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. W. H. Holder; assistants, Mrs. Nagle, Mrs. Budge, Mrs. Fitzmaurice; little helpers secretary, Mrs. A. Abbette; junior superintendent, Mrs. W. J. Edwards; rec-



Waterloo St. Church Missionary Rally. Reports Received and Addresses by Mrs. Bone and Miss Hill on Missions. Last evening was observed as missionary rally in Waterloo Street Baptist Church and there was a large attendance. The meeting opened with a song service after which Miss Margaret Hamilton, superintendent of the Mission Band announced their objective for their department for the coming year, as also did Mrs. Thomas Robinson for the Ladies Missionary Aid Society. Pastor Swetnam rendered a solo and then introduced Mrs. Bone as the speaker of the evening. Mrs. Bone delivered an inspiring missionary address and dealt with the needs of India and the foreign mission city of St. John as a home mission and Canada as part of the missionary enterprise. The address was very interesting and held the attention of the audience from start to finish. A visitor in the congregation was Miss Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hill, missionaries of the Congo. Miss Hill also addressed the meeting and made a deep impression on all present. The meeting closed with prayer offered by Rev. Mr. Bone.

OFF FOR MILWAUKEE. Charles Gorman left last evening for Milwaukee for the International Indus-Championships. He will compete in all the senior speed events. He will be accompanied by Roy Lawson, Maritime Intermediate Champion, who will compete in all intermediate events.

Clifton House, all meals 60c.