

THE WEATHER.

Forecast: Maritime—North to east winds, fair and cool.

Washington, April 25.—Forecast: Increasing cloudiness followed by rain Thursday; Friday clearing. Strong south shifting to west winds.

Toronto, April 25.—A somewhat important disturbance which was in the southwestern states last night has moved directly towards the Great Lakes and showers are now occurring in southern Ontario. In Quebec and the Maritime Provinces the weather has been the same and somewhat milder.

Temperatures:

Place	Min.	Max.
Dawson	33	60
Prince Rupert	33	50
Victoria	44	50
Vancouver	42	54
Bankatoun	27	45
Edmonton	22	45
Calgary	30	40
Battleford	32	46
Prince Albert	28	48
Moose Jaw	28	53
Regina	34	49
Winnipeg	34	46
Port Arthur	28	40
Perry Sound	28	54
London	32	49
Toronto	32	51
Kingston	32	52
Ottawa	32	50
Montreal	30	50
Quebec	30	50
St. John	32	53
Halifax	32	52

Around the City

Only One Drunk.
One drunk graced the cells last night and will appear before his honor this morning.

Ordered Houses Closed.
The local Board of Health has issued orders for the closing up of four houses on Brunswick street, which are considered unfit for human habitation.

Thanksgiving Service.
A special thanksgiving service was held last night at the Tabernacle Baptist church, Haymarket square, for the successful conclusion of three years of active church work.

Broke the Glass.
While attempting to leave a street car at the head of King street last evening, a boy lost his balance, and was badly frightened, when his arm crashed through the glass in the car door.

Public Utilities.
The Public Utilities Commission held its monthly meeting yesterday afternoon in the government rooms. Several matters of routine business were disposed of, and it was decided to hold a special meeting on Wednesday, May 2, to hear an application from the St. Stephen Electric Light Company.

Enjoyable Assembly.
The annual closing of the "Chalet" classes took place last evening at the class rooms, German street. About sixty persons assembled and enjoyed an excellent program of dances by the class orchestra. A number of the officers of the visiting battalions were the guests of the class during the evening.

Mrs. Michael Hall.
Newcastle, April 25.—The death occurred Monday night of Mrs. Michael Hall, aged 88 years. Deceased had been ill for only nine days. She was before her marriage Miss Laura Novlan of Sunny Corner. She is survived by her husband and six children, William, Gertrude, Mary, John, Allen and Kathleen.

Gibson-Johnston.
A quiet wedding of interest took place last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Costello, 15 Magazine street, when Rev. F. J. Wentworth united in marriage Frederick Boyd Johnston to Mrs. Jennie Bell Gibson, both of this city. The ceremony was performed in the presence of a few friends and relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Johnston will reside in the city.

Did Not Receive Call.
A report reached the city yesterday that Rev. R. J. Colpitta, editor of the Maritime Baptist, had received a call to Concord, N. H., but when asked about the matter he said he had never received such a call and did not think there was anything to it, and as he was the only clergyman by the name of Colpitta in the city he thought there must be some mistake somewhere.

Scouts Visit Westford.
A large number of boy scouts, together with the high band, paid a visit to Westford last evening, the occasion being a public demonstration and drill in the Orange Hall by the Westford troop, under Scoutmaster Wood. The visiting boys, under B. C. Waring, the district scoutmaster and other officers, were given a splendid reception, everything being done and provided to add to the enjoyment of the time. During the evening the people of Westford had an opportunity of hearing the high band and were highly in praise of the youthful musicians' efforts.

Board of Trade Notes.
The secretary of the Board of Trade has received a copy of the code of proposed car demurrage rules as submitted to the Railway Commission, and any persons interested are asked to call at the Board of Trade rooms and look it over in order that they may register any objections to the code. A communication from the Board of Railway Commissioners in connection with freight classification, No. 17, stated that they would hold some meetings in the west to hear the views of the shippers in that part of the country before coming to any decision in the matter.

DIFFERENT AS TO DURATION OF THE WAR

Many in England Look for It to End This Year — Food Conditions Serious — Former St. John Man Met Relative of Standard Employe at Bristol

Food conditions in England were described as serious by George Sherman, formerly of this city, who returned yesterday from Bristol, where he had been employed in the government service. Potatoes are not to be had and as was announced by the imperial government, Britain is to go on bread ration. Meals are so high that the ordinary family cannot afford to use them and butter is sixty cents a pound.

Must Feed Troops Well.
The main idea of the English people is to provide the troops at the front with plenty of food and largely because of this the government has taken drastic measures. Considerable supplies have been lost on torpedoed vessels. There was more or less waste, by thousands of families before they realized the situation.

The same conditions apply to all European countries.

Mr. Sherman said that opinions vary in England as to the duration of the war. Some are of the opinion that the war will be over by Dec. 31, providing the Germans can be driven out of France. Others fear it will last two or three years longer. The country is determined, however, to fight until the Prussian autocracy is thoroughly and decisively humbled. The entry of the United States into the war was hailed with delight everywhere in England.

Bristol Growing.
Mr. Sherman said that the city of Bristol is rapidly growing and that improvements are being made constantly by there and at the mouth of the Avon. The population now is 480,000.

While Mr. Sherman was in Bristol one of his friends engaged in the same service asked him if he knew one of the employes of the St. John Standard, Walter Rowe. Mr. Sherman said he was not acquainted with Mr. Rowe but would call on him when he came to St. John. The enquirer proved to be a relative of Mr. Rowe who was born in this country. Mr. Sherman is at the Elliott Hotel.

THIRD DEGREE WAS CONFERRED AT THE K. O. C. CANADIAN TRANSPORTS ARRIVE SAFE

District Deputy Mead and Degree Team From Massachusetts in the City—Local Council is Flourishing

Last evening was a red letter one in Knights of Columbus circles in this city. It marked the exemplification of the third degree of the order. The meeting was very largely attended, knights being present from the various parts of the province. There was a class of seventy candidates.

The degree team was headed by James M. Mead of Boston, a distinguished member of the order and district deputy for the State of Massachusetts. Dr. J. A. Berron of Boston was his chief assistant, while a large party of Boston Knights assisted to make the ceremonies successful. Stated Deputy W. J. Mahoney and Grand Knight W. P. Broderick with the local officers also participated.

Following the initiation ceremonies District Deputy Mead addressed the meeting expressing his pleasure at being present and complimenting the members of the local council on the progress they were making. The order here at the present time is in a most flourishing condition.

PLUMBERS STILL OUT ON STRIKE

Sister Unions Pledge Moral and Financial Support — Carpenters and Teamsters Ask for Increase May 1

The cost of living is due to receive some more boosts on the first of May if present plans materialize. The carpenters are asking for an increase to \$3.50 per day, taking effect on that date. The teamsters are also asking an increase to take effect at the same time; the plumbers are out on strike at the present time for more wages and express their determination to stay out until their demands are granted. Several of their sister unions have passed resolutions pledging moral and financial assistance to them.

Organizer J. W. Bruce when seen last night expressed his complete satisfaction with the progress of affairs so far, all the men who went out on Monday were still out, and some others had joined them. The men were in earnest in their demands and felt they were justified by the existing conditions of living today.

At a meeting of the executive of the Street Car Men's Association held Tuesday evening a resolution was passed endorsing the stand taken by the plumbers and pledging their moral and financial support.

At the regular meeting last night of the Longshoremen's Association, Local 278, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas Local 551 of the United Association of Plumbers and Steamfitters has asked for an increase of wages to meet the enormous increase of the cost of commodities, and have been compelled to go on strike because of the refusal of the master plumbers to meet the demand of the men, and

"Whereas we believe such demand to be fair and just and necessary under the existing conditions;

"Be it therefore resolved that we, the Longshoremen's Association, Local 278, I. L. A., pledge our moral and financial support to the journeyman plumbers until such a time as they get a satisfactory adjustment of their difficulties."

The Carpenters' Union at their meeting last night also passed a resolution endorsing the stand of the plumbers and pledging the moral support of the union to them in their efforts to obtain the increased wages.

N. B. MAN HELD FOR MUN SPY

John Melanson, formerly of New Brunswick, who has been employed in the Maine woods, is being held on suspicion of being a German spy at Georgetown, South Carolina, according to information received by Sheriff White of Penobscot county, Me., who got a letter from him. Melanson asks the sheriff to establish his identity so that he can be released. Melanson says he shipped from Bangor on a vessel and was shipwrecked off South Carolina.

Because of his appearance and accent he was detained on suspicion. He is of French extraction and his work is along the headquarters of the St. John and in the Moosehead region for years.

RECRUITING IMPROVED YESTERDAY

Eight Men Passed the Doctor, Others Turned Down — Other Provincial Military News

There was considerable improvement in the matter of recruiting in St. John yesterday, when over a dozen men made application. Of this number four were rejected on account of physical disabilities. Eight men succeeded in passing the doctor.

For the same day last year, but three men enlisted in St. John, thus showing the voluntary system has not been exhausted in the city of St. John at least. The Klittes Battalion secured two fine looking chaps yesterday, who will no doubt render a good account of themselves when the occasion presents itself.

Private Nolan Wounded.
Mr. Nolan of Douglastown, has received word that his son, Private Daniel Michael Nolan, who went overseas with the 182nd North Shore Battalion, has been admitted to No. 3 General Hospital at Boulogne, April 18th, 1917 suffering from wound, contused head. The injuries were reported slight. Mr. Nolan has two more boys in khaki.

Killed in Action.
Private Robert Arthur McMurray, who left Newcastle with the Band of the 145th Battalion, and afterwards went to France with the 10th Battalion, paid the supreme sacrifice on the battlefield on the 9th instant. He was only 22 years of age, and before enlisting was a checker in the I. R. C. freight sheds at Newcastle. He was a popular member of the curling club, the Orange Order and the Sons of Temperance in that town, and his death is a shock to the community. He leaves his widowed mother, Mrs. Jane McMurray, his brother, James, U. S. Navy, and three sisters, Minnie (Mrs. William Omsbee), Pennacook, Mass.; Eva (Mrs. Robert Galoway), Newcastle, and Miss Ida at home.

Other Newcastle men wounded at the front are James J. Gallais, of the 115th Battalion; Stafford and William Matchett, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Matchett, both of whom went overseas with the 132nd; and Everett Black, of the 182nd, son of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Black.

Eastport Indians.
The Eastport correspondent of the Bangor News writes:

"Governor William Neptune of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians has stated to the News correspondent that the tribe had furnished eight soldiers for the Canadian army, one recruit for the U. S. Navy, and nine recruits for Company 1. The Indians expect to have their patriot flag raising this afternoon at their village."

Lieut. Aird Wounded.
According to advice received in the city Lieut. Hugh Aird, formerly manager of the Massey Harris Company's local office, was wounded in the drive on the Arras-Jens line. He is being treated at Boulogne Hospital for multiple wounds. He has a brother Lieut. Douglas Aird in a Canadian infantry unit at the front.

Will Arrive Tomorrow.
Layton Colbourne of the North Head is expected to arrive home on Friday evening on the Halifax express which arrives here at 5.30. He will be met at the depot by the members of the St. Peter's Y.M.C.A. He enlisted in a New Brunswick Battalion and has been returned to Canada on account of wounds.

To Start Class.
Quartermaster Sergeant Instructor E. Bingham, of the Royal Canadian Regiment, has arrived at Fredericton from Halifax to start a class in marksmanship for the Klittes.

Back from Course.
Captain E. A. Mooney, who has been attending a course of instruction at the R.S.I., Halifax, has returned to duty with the Klittes at Fredericton.

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Removal Notice.
A. G. Plummer, engraver, has removed to 14 King street, Room 4.

Prohibition Sale.
Labatt's Ale at \$1.00 per dozen while the stock lasts. 22 Water street. Telephone N. 808 and N. 544.

EASTERN STEAMSHIP MEN ON SUNKEN CRAFT RESCUED OFF HOLLAND

Charles Lamson, formerly of the steamer North Star, which ran to St. John all winter, and Henry Davis, formerly an Eastern steamship quartermaster, were on board the relief steamer Kongsell when she was sunk off the Hook of Holland on April 21. Both were saved, according to information received here yesterday.

The young men were both officers on the Kongsell. They were taken into Ymuiden after being rescued by a trawler.

MARRIED.
KITCHEN-CROSS — On Wednesday April 25th, at the Germain Street Baptist Church, by the Rev. S. S. Poole, Lois Marion, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Carter Cross, to Douglas G. Kitchen, of Fredericton, N. B.

DIED.
MYLES—In this city on the 25th inst. after a lengthy illness, William H. Myles, aged 56 years, leaving a loving wife, two sons and one daughter to mourn.

Funeral on Friday, the 27th inst. from his late residence, 13 High street, Services at 2.30 o'clock.