

THE WEATHER.

Gulf and Maritime—North-westerly winds; fair and cool. Toronto, April 8.—The weather was fair and cool. A disturbance of pressure over the continent has changed very little in the past two days. The pronounced high area still covers the great lakes, while a depression has remained almost stationary over the southwest states. Weather has been fair today throughout the Dominion. It has been comparatively cool from Manitoba eastward, and mild in Saskatchewan and Alberta.

Table with 2 columns: Location, Min. Max. Values for Victoria, Vancouver, Kamloops, Calgary, Edmonton, Battleford, Q'Appelle, Winnipeg, Port Arthur, Pelly, London, Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax.

Washington Weather. Washington, April 8.—Forecast: North New England; fair Wednesday; Thursday increasing cloudiness; moderate north winds.

AROUND THE CITY

Teamsters Reported. Sergt. Kilpatrick of the North End, has reported George Strathorne for abusing the horse of A. F. Johnson, by beating and overloading him on Main street on April 8th.

Provincial Government Meets. A meeting of the provincial government was held last night in the government rooms, Church street. The members present were Hon. J. K. Fleming, Hon. W. C. H. Grimmer, Hon. J. A. Murray, Hon. John Morrisey, Hon. J. E. Wilson, Hon. D. V. Landry, Hon. H. P. McLeod. Only routine matters were taken up at the meeting. This morning the members will meet again and will visit the Provincial Hospital. This afternoon a meeting of the board of education will be held and this evening there will be a meeting of the Jordan Sanitarium Commission.

Havelock L. O. L. Anniversary. There was a large attendance of members of the Havelock Lodge Orange Lodge in their rooms, Market building last night to celebrate the 45th anniversary of the lodge. Herman Campbell, the master of the lodge presided, and a couple of pleasant hours were spent in songs, instrumental music, recitation and addresses. Refreshments were served during the evening.

Deal Pliers May Organize. In scowman's hall, Long Wharf, last evening, there was a largely attended meeting of the saw mill deal pliers of the city. The meeting was called for the purpose of considering the advisability of forming a local union, and those present seemed very enthusiastic over the idea of organizing. It was reported at the meeting that literature had been sent for which would give them valuable information as to what course should be taken, and it was decided to defer any action until next Tuesday evening.

Caught a Nasty Fish. If Ben Fish could swim as well as he can shout he would certainly be a world's champion. Fish are always at home in the water, but this fish kept clear of water and took a bath in liquor yesterday with the result that he was arrested for being drunk on Smyth street during the afternoon. During the hour approaching midnight while he was locked up in a central station cell, his oaths and yells could be heard a block away. Being only about 50 yards from the Old Graveyard it is a wonder that he did not awaken the dead.

Seamen's Mission Concert. An excellent entertainment was given by the seamen of the different liners in port in the Seamen's Mission last evening, when a crowded house greeted their efforts with much applause. T. Jackson in several readings, earned the merited applause of the audience, while J. Haalen in tenor solos, and Mr. Sweetington, in ragtime, were well received. One of the hits of the evening was made by Chief Steward West of the S. S. Saturnia, who, in several mandolin selections, took the audience by storm, being forced to answer many enquiries. The reading given by Mr. Harrison and the baritone solos by Mr. Eccles were appreciated by all. Others to take part were Messrs. Colwell, Eaton, Davis and Robinson. Miss Farwell of the Farand Music Co. made an efficient accompanist.

NEW PATTERN HAT SALE OPENS AT MARR'S TODAY Offered at \$3 each for Special Two Day Sale—Good Value at \$5 to \$10.

A rare opportunity to secure imported pattern hats, in the season's most favored styles at a mere fraction of their regular values, is offered by the Marr Millinery Company, for two days beginning this morning. The lot is limited to one hundred hats, most of which were recently received from a leading New York millinery house, the majority of the designs being exclusive. If sold at regular retail values, they would command anywhere from \$5.00 to \$10.00 each, but to facilitate rapid selling, the price has been fixed for today and tomorrow only at the exceptionally low figure of \$3.00 each.

As offers of this kind are few and far between, intending buyers should lose no time in visiting the Marr showrooms.

FIRE FIENDS AGAIN BUSY

Incendiaries Continue Campaign of Destruction in North End—Barn Rented by Police Scene of Blaze.

Fire fiends were again at work in the North End last evening, and from the section in which they were operating it appears as though the incendiaries were trying to get at the police force.

The fire last evening was in a barn rented by Patrolman McFarland and the property of Officer Garnett. In the stable was a horse owned by Officer Leonard Jones.

About 9 o'clock an alarm was rung in from box 153, and the department quickly responded. A fire was discovered in a barn in the rear of Officer Garnett's building opposite the Main street Baptist church.

The blaze had made good headway before the firemen arrived, but a stream from No. 5 hose soon extinguished it. The horse in the stable was removed before it had received any injury.

The fire was started in a bale of hay which was ablaze when the apparatus arrived. It is the belief of both the firemen and the police that it had been deliberately set.

MAILS DELAYED BY FREIGHT TRAIN WRECK AT SOUTH BAY STATION Flat Car Broke Down Causing Big Smashup—Passengers Transferred—Atlantic Express Nine Hours Late.

Early yesterday morning a west-bound freight train was derailed at South Bay through the breaking down of a flat car loaded with steel plates, effectively blocking the track until a quarter to nine last evening.

When the flat car was located in the middle of the train, broke down the next seven cars piled up, damaging them badly and ploughing up the roadbed for some distance. Wrecking crews were sent out from McAdam Junction and Bay Shore and although the work was rushed, it was not until after eight last evening that the track was cleared.

During this period the passenger train entering and leaving the city were held up although those on the incoming trains were transferred and brought in. The mails were also delayed for several hours. The Atlantic express which is due here from Montreal at twelve o'clock, did not reach the city until eight forty-five last evening, and although the passengers were brought in the Montreal and western mails were over nine hours late. This delay caused considerable inconvenience in the business houses.

Fortunately no one was hurt in the accident. The train consisted of twenty cars of which three were loaded with steel plates, one with a motor and other with bales of bottles from Germany.

CURLERS HOLD SMOKER AND PRESENT PRIZES Pleasant Function, Last Evening, Marked Closing of Season for Members of St. Andrew's Curling Club.

Over fifty members of the St. Andrew's Curling Club were present in their rooms last evening to attend an enjoyable smoker, listen to some good music and addresses and witness the presentation of prizes won during the season. It was a fitting closing of the curling season.

President E. A. Smith opened the evening with a brief address in which he reviewed the winter's playing, touched on the banquet and mentioned that the club had a banner membership, there being 140 members enrolled. He also spoke of the enjoyable visit of the club to Boston and said that it was very likely that they would get a return match from the Boston curlers next winter.

Addresses were made by some of the oldest members after which C. H. Ferguson, secretary of the club, reviewed the season's playing and gave a summary and particulars of the matches in which the club engaged.

The presentation of prizes then took place. The Jones cup was presented to Fred C. Macnell, the presentation being made by James U. Thomas.

The winner of the afternoon match was Chas. E. MacMichael who, with the other members of his rink received handsome gold scarf pins donated by E. L. Rising, and they were given to the winners by the Rev. Gordon Dickie.

The Milligan points medal, one of the oldest trophies in the club, was won by Ken Halsey and the presentation was made by Rev. Fr. Holland.

The newcomers prize was the Ferguson medal to be held for a year, and Rev. Fr. Holland, the skip, was presented with the medal by C. B. Allan, while the skip and the other members of the rink each received a handsome silver pin given by the president, E. A. Smith.

During the evening refreshments were served and vocal solos were rendered by D. F. Pitgoun, Fred Macneil and Dr. Frank Hogan, while D. Arnold Fox acted as accompanist.

BIG GROWTH OF BUILDING OPERATIONS

St. John's Progress Shown by Its Building Permits—Increase of 1902 per cent. During First Quarter 1913.

Those who accept comparative tables of statistics as illustrations of truth, will not have to discount the tales of the wonderful progress of St. John. For the first three months of this year building permits for work to the value of \$1,200,000 were issued; in the first quarter of last year building permits were only issued for work to the amount of \$60,850. According to these figures the increase in building permits was 1902 per cent. over what it was last year.

In March of this year building permits for work to the value of \$400,900 were issued as against \$35,000 for March, 1912.

These figures would indicate amazing developments in St. John. Included, however, in the permits for the quarter are a new post office, and other buildings of a kind not put up every year.

SUBMITS REGULATIONS FOR TOWN PLANNING Plans Under which St. John of the Future will be Built are Considered by Commissioners.

The city commissioners held a conference yesterday afternoon with W. F. Burditt, and went over the draft of the proposed town planning regulations prepared by him. They ratified the provisions of the draft, and it will be submitted to the attorney general for his approval as required by the town planning act.

The regulations provide for the carrying out of the act. It is proposed to create a town planning commission, which will lay down plans and principles for the future growth of the city, the working out of such plans and principles to be looked after by an expert, taking his orders from the commission.

When the act is in force the town planning commission will have power to regulate the laying out of streets and general upbuilding of the suburbs, as well as districts within the city limits. They will plot out new streets, and see to it that, when a man acquires a lot of land he shall build on it in such a way as not to interfere with the working out of the general town planning scheme.

When the commission wants to lay out a new street, or take private property to widen a street or form a park they will prepare a map showing what they want to do, and this map will be on view in their office for a month, and opportunity must be given to the public to appear before the commission and say what they think of the plan. After the commission on town planning has finally made their decision, the map and information relating thereto must be placed on exhibition in the office of the attorney general for another month, and the people will have further opportunity to protest against the scheme or seek a revision of it.

If the commission and property holders are not able to agree as to a proper price for lands wanted to widen a street or for other public purposes arbitrators may be appointed. The city outsiders will be divided into districts, in each of which a harmonious system of street plotting will be worked out in as far as possible, with an eye to having the growth of the city proceed on definite principles, and with a view to the greatest economy in the provision of public services.

It is suggested that the Manawagouah and other such thoroughfares should be made 90 feet or more in width, so that they may be converted into boulevards.

ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY WILL HOLD DINNER Decision Reached at Quarterly Meeting, Last Evening—Four new Members Elected—Other Business Transacted.

The regular quarterly meeting of St. George's Society was held last evening, when in the absence of the President, Gerson Hayes, the first vice-president, F. E. Hanington, occupied the chair. The meeting was largely attended. After the routine business had been transacted, four new members were elected and eleven applications received.

It was decided to hold the annual divine service on Sunday the 20th inst., when the chaplain of the society, Rev. E. B. Hooper, will deliver the address. On the 23rd instant the annual dinner will be held in the Royal Hotel. On this occasion His Lordship Bishop Richardson will be the speaker of the evening.

Class For Playgrounds Instruction. The first class in supervised playgrounds instruction for employed girls was held last night in the assembly rooms of the High School and was conducted by Miss Murray. The class was followed with enthusiasm, and it is expected to have a larger attendance on Thursday evening. There are sixteen following the daily classes and the work is progressing.

Read Henderson & Hunt's advertisement on page 5. Miss Zola Drake, of Albert, is visiting friends in the city.

OUR DUTY TO DUMB ANIMALS

Elloquent Plea for Kindness Made by Dr. Rowley, before Women's Canadian Club, Last Evening.

Under the auspices of the Women's Canadian Club Dr. Francis Rowley, president of the American Humane Society, lectured on "Our Duty to the Animals We Own Them." Mrs. E. A. Smith presided and introduced the speaker.

That there is, apart from the sentimental aspect of the matter, an economical phase, was pointed out by Dr. Rowley in the course of his lecture in which he made an eloquent appeal for the protection and care of the animals of the lower sphere of creation. Through neglect, cruelty or ruthless destruction of the members of the animal kingdom millions of dollars are lost to the country annually, and even though no humane motive prompts it, protection of the animal is a duty that is incumbent on the people of this country.

The lecturer was one of unusual interest. The lecturer was at home in his subject and communicated to his hearers much of the enthusiasm he evidently feels in the matter.

In opening his address, Dr. Rowley referred to the New Brunswick law which is already familiar to him, and expressed his pleasure at the privilege of addressing a New Brunswick audience in an inchoate form, but with the idea of humane education in regard to the animal world is by no means a new one. In the Old Testament, in the injunction to protect the species of the animal kingdom with kindness, it was not until the eighteenth century, however, that the idea of humane education in organized work to Richard Martin, an Irish member of the British House of Commons, and representative of Galway, due the credit of fathering the measure which eventually brought the protection of animals under the workings of law.

The speaker then traced the progress of the work for the prevention of cruelty to animals. Humane education has advanced rapidly in recent years, and good work is being done. In response to the question: "What do we owe this humane treatment or protection to dumb animals?" the lecturer pointed out that the most potent reasons are because they are so much like us in many ways. Darwin said that we find in the animal many of the emotions characteristic of us, not only in an inchoate form, but with reason in a well developed form. There is a strong similarity between us and them in the physical make-up, for like us they are a sensible of suffering as we are.

The lecturer made a vigorous protest against prevailing methods of slaughtering animals for food, and declared that England and the United States are fifty years behind Germany in their process of slaughtering animals. He also condemned the steel traps. No instrument of torture so brutal in its effects could be devised, he said, by the devil himself.

In closing, the lecturer explained the lessons the dumb animals teach us, loyalty, fidelity and affection. At the business meeting preceding the lecture, the following were elected to membership: Mrs. Louisa Corbridge, Mrs. F. S. White, Miss Edna Austin, Mrs. S. Z. Dickson, Mrs. Kinnealy, Mrs. R. N. Thorne, Miss Helen W. Barber, Mrs. R. R. Bors, Miss Edna Tufts, Mrs. H. A. Brown, Mrs. David Pidgeon, Mrs. Wilfred Campbell, Miss Beattie Palmer, Miss Lucretia McLellan Hill, Mrs. T. E. Girvan, Miss Hazel Campbell, Mrs. R. A. Patchell, Mrs. David Willet, Mrs. Herbert McLeod, Miss J. Flood, Miss Ada Baxter, Miss Camilla J. Haley, Mrs. H. V. McKinnon, Mrs. L. Potts, Mrs. John Keeffe, Mrs. J. K. Percey, Miss Rowling, Miss Alice M. Thorne, Mrs. A. E. Gaudin, Mrs. R. A. Sinclair, Mrs. Chas. Drummer, Mrs. M. O'Neill. Associate members: Mrs. L. R. Wilson, Mrs. F. B. Cowgill.

The meeting was co-operated by the members of the men's club and the Board of Trade to work for better housing conditions in the city, and to share in the treatment of the subject and in eloquence he proved as capable a lecturer as a pulp orator. The audience was large and the lecture was greatly enjoyed. Rev. Mr. Gaetz dealt in a most interesting manner with the life and people of Labrador as studied by him during two summers spent in the country. He made reference to the work of the Moravian Mission and of Sir Wilfrid Grenfell interpolating his lecture with a number of humorous anecdotes and episodes. At the close of the lecture the chairman, Louis V. Lingley, tendered the speaker a vote of thanks. The lecture was under the auspices of the Epworth League of the church.

New Spring Curtains. F. A. Dykeman & Co. have imported their new spring curtains direct from the factory in Nottingham, all middlemen's profit being cut out, consequently you can buy these at wholesale prices. Comparison of values will prove the above statement. The greatest leaders that have ever been shown in curtains are on sale at 75 cents, \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00. Other prices run from 50 cents to \$7.50 a pair. They have made every effort to get lines at the above popular prices that will be superior to anything else shown at the same price. The new styles of spring curtains and muslins were brought direct from New York. Lines that are so popular, such as imitation hemstitch, the new cottage plaids, also the new Belgian patterns, and everything in nets that are the newest. Prices from 5 cents to 55 cents a yard.

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