

THE WEATHER.

Gulf and Maritime - Moderate winds, generally fair and warm, but a few scattered showers, especially tonight and Friday.

Toronto, July 19. - Thunderstorms have occurred today in nearly all portions of Ontario and some local showers are reported from Alberta and southern Saskatchewan. The weather has been for the most part cool in the western provinces, elsewhere generally warm.

Table with columns: Location, Min., Max. Includes entries for Victoria, Vancouver, Kamloops, Edmonton, Battleford, Calgary, Moosejaw, Regina, Winnipeg, Port Arthur, Parry Sound, London, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax.

St. Lawrence - Moderate winds, some local showers or thunderstorms, but partly fair and warm.

AROUND THE CITY

City Constable Injured. W. S. Cody, a city constable, is suffering from a sprained wrist which was caused by a fall on Tuesday last.

Picnic On Friday. The picnic of Ludlow Street Baptist church will go out on Friday morning, and not this morning as stated in the Times last evening.

J. Fred Shaw Ill. Many friends of J. Fred Shaw, Captain of No. 1 Salvage Corps, will regret to learn that he is very ill at his home on Waterloo street.

The Rogers Creditors. The creditors of Frank Rogers, jeweler, Charlotte street, met yesterday afternoon in the office of E. T. C. Knowles. Adjournment of the creditors was made to a later date, the affairs to be further looked into in the interim.

Committee Will Decide. A meeting of the stationary engineers' association was held last evening at which a committee was appointed to report on the matter of holding an excursion under the auspices of the association some time during the hot weather.

The Tennis Tea. The weekly tea of the St. John tennis club was held at the club yesterday afternoon, a large number of the members being present. The hostesses of the afternoon were Mrs. Percy Thomson, Miss Jean Trueman, Miss Margaret McAvity.

Sir Frederick Borden In Town. Among the visitors to St. John yesterday, was Sir Frederick Borden, Minister of Militia. His stay in the city was a very brief one. He arrived on the boat from Nova Scotia, having spent a few days in Canning, and left by train last evening for Montreal, en route to Ottawa, to attend the session of the House.

A Laundry Looted. Song Lee is a Chinese laundryman with a wash shop at 32 City Road, and he was the victim of a robbery on Tuesday night. Song had occasion to leave his place of business at nine o'clock Tuesday night to visit friends. He locked his door and left six dollars in his cash drawer. When he returned to the laundry, about midnight, he found that some person had broken in the door and had stolen the cash. The police have been notified of the robbery, but so far the thief has not been located.

A Treat For The Children. At the Aberdeen playgrounds yesterday afternoon about two hundred and fifty of the children who attend the playgrounds were given a treat. A number of ladies served cake and ice cream to the children. Altogether nineteen quarts of ice cream were disposed of by the children. The teachers in charge at the Aberdeen playgrounds, Miss Melick and Miss Turner, were assisted by Miss Hatheway, Miss Lee, Miss DeVeber, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Bellamy, Miss Humphrey, Miss Bessie Melick, Mrs. McBeath, Misses Fotherby, Mrs. Nelson. A citizen who was present yesterday, and who is interested in the playgrounds work has promised to provide another treat soon for the children.

A "Fresh Air" Outing. Through the kindness of the King's Daughters' Guild about 40 children were treated to an outing yesterday afternoon. The party of little ones on pleasure bent, gathered at the rooms of the guild at 3 o'clock, and then boarded a car provided by the street railway. The excursion went to Seaside Park where the kiddies romped, and gave themselves up entirely to the work of the day, that of amusing themselves, and they succeeded. The afternoon was a happy one, and they returned to the city tired, but delighted with their day, in charge of the party were Miss Pratt, Mrs. John Foster, Mrs. A. P. Byles, Miss Corbett, Miss Lane, Mrs. O. L. Barbour, Mrs. Geo. Mitchell, Mrs. A. B. Fowler and Mrs. Hetherington. The ladies are particularly grateful to Mr. Phillips, and to the park policemen for kindnesses shown.

American Pleasure Yacht. The handsome American steam yacht Machigonne, in command of Captain Frederick Sparks, arrived yesterday from New York via Cape Cod, on a pleasure trip to this port, thence to Cape Breton, N. S., and Bras D'Or Lake. On board the yacht are ex-Governor W. L. Douglas, of Massachusetts and party including Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Russell, of Pocasset; Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Richmond, of Brockton; John Richmond, of Providence, E. I.; Mrs. Moody and Miss Jennie Richmond, of Brockton, and Arthur Warren, of New York City. All the party came ashore to the Royal Hotel and went on an automobile ride about the city. Ex-Governor Douglas has been in the city before. He enjoyed the sea trip in his yacht well. The party will proceed to Cape Breton today. The yacht is fitted out in up-to-date style and flies the New York Club pennant.

ST. JOHN SHOULD BE AN IDEAL CONVENTION SPOT

Visiting Tourist Enthuses Over Fundy's Bracing Breezes Compared with Enervating Heat of American Cities.

Tourists coming to St. John from American cities bring poor stories of the sufferings of the poor during the recent torrid weather and the hard hearts of the ice trust which has put up the price of icicles.

"The weather here in St. John is delightful compared to the kind of thing the people in our cities have been suffering under," said a bird of passage from Boston. "It seems to be getting worse in our cities every year; we're getting too much of a foretaste of what's coming to us. The scientists are now telling us that it is all our own fault. It is estimated that the amount of animal heat given off in the course of a year by a population of 80,000,000 people is equal to the heat produced by the combustion of 7,000,000 tons of coal. May be we Americans live so fast that we radiate more heat than you Canadians; at any rate it is nice and cool by comparison down here."

"But you see we have an election in sight down here and there are so many liberals who have cold feet when they think of the prospects that it keeps the temperature down," explained the citizen. "Why as soon as Laurier reached Ottawa the temperature went down about twenty degrees."

"That may explain it," said the tourist. "But I tell you what St. John ought to be a great convention city. If you advertised your summer city make you ought to get lots of big conventions to come here."

ENTERTAINMENT FOR TUBERCULOSIS FUND

Madame Labadie, American Dramatic Interpreter, will Present "The Gossip" in Opera House, on August 3rd.

The St. John Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis, are to be congratulated on having made arrangements with Madame Labadie, the well known American dramatic interpreter to give an entertainment in the Opera House on August 3rd. The proceeds of which will be devoted to the work of the society.

Madame Labadie and her company will present, "The Gossip," the Spanish drama, written by Jose Echegaraz. Madame Labadie, whose appearance here is expected to greatly benefit this worthy cause, has just returned to the east from a two years' tour of the western states and Canada, from which she brings eulogistic press notices of her work. Last summer Madame Labadie visited Alaska, where she gave her dramatic interpretations in the ports of call, under the auspices of the Arctic Brotherhood, as far north as Nome.

Leaving Vancouver in September, where she made a most successful return engagement, Madame Labadie started on her way east, stopping at Calgary and Winnipeg, and proceeding through the middle west states to Florida, thence up the south coast to New York, where she will give a short series of dramatic interpretations in the fall. Madame Labadie is at present resting at her cottage at the Thousand Isles, and will leave in time to reach St. John on August 1st. She is accompanied by a party of young women, who act as representatives and who have undertaken the tour from an educational point of view, and they consider that the wide experience gained is of inestimable value as a means of developing themselves to fit the professions they would adopt in the future. Mrs. R. Burton Whiteside, of Philadelphia, who is now in the city making necessary arrangements for the artist's appearance, is accompanied by Madame Labadie's secretary, Miss Ida Wilshire, of Australia.

YESTERDAY PROVED FINE PICNIC TIME

Several Sunday School Outings were Held Yesterday and all were Well Attended and Highly Successful.

The picnic season is on in good shape and hundreds of persons are enjoying the outings in the country. Today the St. Columba Presbyterian church in Fairville will hold their annual picnic to Westfield, and a large crowd is expected to attend. There will be a programme of sports for which handsome prizes are offered. Yesterday the annual picnic of the West End Charlotte Street United Baptist church was held at Westfield Beach, and was largely attended. The weather at Westfield was extremely hot but the committee in charge had motor boats on hand and the picnickers were given a sail on the river, which was very enjoyable. There was a programme of sports, and the day was most pleasantly spent. The Coburg Street and Douglas Avenue Christian Sunday schools united picnic was held at Waiters Landing yesterday. The picnickers went to the landing on the steamer Hampton and a good day was spent by all. Just before the steamer left on the return trip to Indiantown last evening two large fire balloons were sent up. There was the usual programme of sports.

441 Wins the Watch. The gold watch which was raffled by Ralph Titus was won by holder of ticket No. 441.

GETTING INFORMATION AS TO THE LAND TAX

Special Committee on Mayor's Inaugural Address will have Valuable Report when it is Completed.

A meeting of the special committee on the Mayor's inaugural address was held yesterday, at which the question of revising the taxation system of the city was discussed at some length. The committee has received communications from about twenty cities where some form of the land tax has been put into effect, and they are now going over the information contained in them. They expect to have a report ready for the next meeting of the council, which will contain several important recommendations regarding the alteration of the system of assessment. It is expected the committee will approve the principle of the land tax, and recommend that it be put into effect on the plan pursued in Vancouver; that is by gradually increasing the tax on real estate and reducing personal property and business taxes.

Vancouver, which had a system of taxation similar to that now prevailing in St. John, started by increasing the tax on real estate 25 per cent. then after some years increasing it 50 per cent., and finally, after about ten years, placing nearly the whole burden of its taxes upon land values. Many of the letters received from cities where the land tax is in operation speak of it in enthusiastic terms, claiming that it has an undoubted effect in promoting the building up of the city.

Another matter touched upon by the Mayor in his inaugural address is the question of taking steps to induce the Federal government to take over the city's west side wharf properties, and operate them as a national enterprise. It is understood the committee will report in favor of the idea, but it is somewhat doubtful whether they will be able to offer a speedy solution of the problem.

CANADA'S CENSUS A DISMAL JOKE

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Mr. Perley brought up the matter of the census and the way in which it had been taken. Mr. Fisher was quite touchy in the debate which ensued. Mr. Perley simply started the subject, drawing attention to the numerous complaints as to methods followed, and reading a sharp article on the subject in the Ottawa Journal. Mr. Fisher declared the article in the Journal to be as reckless and unfounded as any which he had ever seen in a newspaper. The people who suffered by being omitted should complain. He then went on to read the statement on the subject which he promised Mr. Borden yesterday.

This statement showed that 9,322 enumerators so far have been employed and that returns have been received by 6,556, leaving 2,766 who have not been heard from. The returns of about 6,500 of these have been gone over a first time. They are to be gone over twice in all for checking purposes. No statement will be issued till October.

In telling of this checking process Mr. Fisher said that he had been counted twice, once in Ottawa and once at his farm in Bromere. Mr. Borden stated that so far as he knew he had been omitted from the census. He had been in Ottawa until June 15. No census enumerator had obtained information with regard to his household. He had prepared a memorandum of information, but it had not been called for.

There followed a little list of lapses. Mr. Perley brought up the omission of Rosemount. Mr. Herron said that a whole district in his riding had been omitted by the enumerator to whom the people applied, refusing to enroll them because they were out of his district. Mr. Geo. Taylor told of the enumeration of American summer cottages along the St. Lawrence.

Mr. Haughton Lennox had not been enumerated, though he had been much of the time in Ottawa in which he has lived many years. The only occasion on which he had seen census enumerators were when they interrupted a meeting.

Mr. Doherty recalled additional cases in Montreal, such as the omission of the apartment house known as Hampton Court. Mr. Emmerson lamented the difficulty of securing good enumerators. Then the reciprocity debate followed. Mr. Uriah Wilson and Mr. E. Gus Porter speaking.

PERSONAL

D. B. Donald, manager of the Marathon Baseball Club, who has been in Montreal on business, will return to the city at noon today. W. B. Ennis, a former St. John resident, but now a prominent business man in Boston with the Murphy Varnish Company, arrived in the city on the Boston express last night and is at the Dufferin Hotel. Mr. Ennis is renewing old acquaintances as well as making his visit a business one. W. S. Kaye, of the Moncton Pasteurized Milk Co., is spending his vacation in the city. Miss Marjorie Kaye, of Moncton, is visiting relatives in the city. Wm. Murdoch, the city engineer, was able to sit up yesterday, but he is still suffering considerable pain from the wounds received.

LATE SHIPPING. Quebec, July 19.-Ard: Strs Royal George, Harris from Boston; Bristol; Hero, Olean, from Sydney. London, July 19.-Ard: Str Lake Erie from Montreal. Philadelphia, July 19.-Ard: Sch Henry H Chamberlain from Fredericton, N. B. New York, July 19.-Ard: Sch E B Marvin from Newcastle, N. B. Vineyard Haven, July 19.-Ard: Schs St. Bernard from Parraboro, N. S.; Silver Star from Matland, N. S.; Novelty from Newcastle, N. B. New York, July 19.-Sid: Schs John L. Treat for Halifax, N.S.; Caroline Gray for Nova Scotia.

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