

THE WEATHER. Maritime—Fresh or strong southerly to westerly winds, milder with slight or rain. Toronto, Feb. 20.—A change to milder conditions has occurred today in the lake region and Quebec, but elsewhere the weather has remained cold with extremely low temperatures in the west. Winnipeg—16 below, 2 below. Port Arthur—0, 10. Parry Sound—10, 20. London—2, 39. Toronto—3, 34. Ottawa—3, 23. Montreal—8, 23. Quebec—6, 22. Halifax—6, 34. New England Forecast. Washington, D. C., Feb. 20.—Forecast for New England: Rain in south, rain or snow in north portions Monday; Tuesday partly cloudy and colder; moderate south and southeast winds.

AROUND THE CITY. Wireless to be installed. The Allan steamers in the London and Havre service are to be equipped with the wireless system. Victorian Order of Nurses. Owing to the pressure of work Judge Forbes will not be able to attend the annual convention of the Victorian Order of Nurses, which opens at Ottawa on the 2nd of March. Senator and Mrs. Ellis and Mrs. George F. Smith, will be the delegates from the St. John branch. Sleigh Drive and Supper. The young men's Bible class of the Carleton Baptist church were given a sleigh drive on Saturday evening by their teacher, Mr. H. Colby Smith. About forty members of the class went for a drive round the city and on returning to Carleton were entertained at supper at St. Smith's home. Capsized Snow Righted. On Saturday evening by the use of the dipper arm of the dredge Cynthia, the large snow which capsized last week off Partridge Island was righted in Rodney slip. Two guy ropes were fastened to the snow and the dipper arm was then pushed under and the heavy barge turned over. Prisoners in Tears. Mr. Wm. Matheson, the evangelist, paid a visit to the city jail yesterday and delivered an address to the inmates. His exhortations had the effect of inducing about twenty of the prisoners to go on their knees and express a desire to be prayed for, whereupon Mr. Matheson prayed for them with such fervor that many were moved to tears. At the close of the service about fifteen of the prisoners signed the pledge. Taken by Surprise. Mr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, of Wright street, were taken somewhat by surprise Friday evening when a number of their friends called at the house on the occasion of Mrs. Kirkpatrick's birthday. After a number of games had been played Mr. Wallace Halliday on behalf of those present, presented Mrs. Kirkpatrick with a handsome parlor chair. The gathering dispersed after a reading by Miss G. Heilarg and the singing of Auld Lang Syne. Men, Clifford Sifton in the City. Hon. Clifford Sifton, who will attend the annual convention of the Forestry Association in Fredericton, arrived in St. John on Saturday and will leave for the capital this morning. Asked about the work of the Forestry Association in the west, Mr. Sifton declared that he had nothing to say at the present time. "Who represents the opinion of the west on the naval question—Premier Roblin or the man who wants more box cars?" "There are as many opinions as there are men," said Mr. Sifton. Seamen's Institute. A large number of sailors and citizens were present on Saturday night at the Seamen's Institute. Among the company were Mayor Bullock, and Mrs. Bullock, W. Matheson, the evangelist, delivered a very forceful and effective address. Before the close many signified their desire to become Christians. Mr. Matheson said it was one of the happiest moments of his life to see the seamen coming to Christ. The social part of the programme was very successfully carried out by the St. John "Y." The song service Sunday night, under the direction of Mr. R. Morton Smith, was greatly enjoyed by a large number of seamen and citizens. Hat Caught Fire in Church. Miss Martha Sullivan had a somewhat narrow escape from being burned about the face in a rather peculiar accident which occurred in St. John Baptist church yesterday morning. In some manner her hat caught on fire, presumably from coming in contact with a lighted candle. The fire had evidently smoldered for some time, until the smoke attracted the attention of several members of the congregation. An effort was made to remove the hat but as the fire by this time had threatened to blaze, the safest and quickest device of putting it out with water had to be resorted to. Apart from the damage to her millinery, Miss Sullivan was otherwise uninjured. Not New in Canada. The Simulaneous Campaign idea is not as new in Canada as some speakers have intimated. After assisting Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman in Philadelphia, Dr. Chas. W. Gordon, (Halifax) returned to Canada greatly impressed with the possibilities of the movement. In his own denomination, he immediately got his fellow ministers enthusiastic over the work. The first campaign was inaugurated in Minnesota Presbytery and covered a large district, including every town of importance in the Free Territory. Since that time at least fifteen simultaneous campaigns have been conducted, some of which were confined to cities alone and others embracing all the towns and cities within a certain territory. The most noteworthy campaign was that generated by Mr. E. G. Chapman, brother of Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman in the Kootenay, B. C. About twenty-five special workers manned every city and town in mining regions and the two campaigns lasted almost two months resulting in a marvellous awakening amongst the people there.

STRONG FOR RECIPROcity IN STATES OF THE MIDDLE WEST. Judge Forbes, Home from Chicago, Says Movement is Developing—Was Greeted With Storm of Applause When Referring to Closer Relations in His Address.

Judge Forbes, who has just returned from Chicago, declared in an interview with the Standard yesterday that he was amazed at the strength developed by the reciprocity movement in Illinois and other states of the middle west. "The people there," he said, "want reciprocity with Canada, and are preparing to make a fight for it. When in the course of my address at Chicago, I referred rather apologetically to the possibility of an improvement in the trade relations of Canada and the United States, I was amazed at the storm of applause which greeted my remarks. If I had heeded the promptings of my friends on the platform, I am afraid the convention would have lost sight of its purpose and been stamped into a political meeting. To prevent that I had to switch off from the trade question and take up the problem of securing greater reciprocity in religious matters. "The insurgent movement led by Lafollet and other opponents of the Payne-Aldrich-Cannon combination, is certainly destined to become a powerful factor in the political life of the west, and unless the stand-patters make their peace with it, the movement is bound to bring about a new alignment of parties throughout the north. "So far as I was able to judge from conversation with western members while I was at Ottawa, there is a strong feeling in our own west in favor of closer trade relations with the states. As J. J. Hill, the railway magnate has pointed out, seventh-eighths of the best grain growing lands of this continent are north of the boundary line, and the western states not only need our wheat but they want to have a greater share of the rapidly growing trade of western Canada. "I think reciprocity would benefit both parties. Our farmers would save the cost of a big railway haul on many articles which they export to the United States, which is now importing wheat, could open a vast market for our farmers. Judge Forbes remarked that while at Ottawa he had met quite a number of western representatives, and had been pleased to learn that the western people were as Imperialistic, and anxious to maintain the British connection as the people of St. John. The fear that the influx of American settlers would have an influence upon western sentiment prejudicial to the integrity of the Empire, appeared to be groundless. Most of the American settlers were better satisfied with the political conditions of Canada than with those of their own country, and it seemed to be a fair inference that their children would become as much attached to British institutions as are native born Canadians. "The Judge expressed the opinion that both the navy and the infantry bills would be passed this session. He thought the gambling bill would also be passed, though it might be modified in some ways. "Speaking of the remarkable growth of Montreal and Toronto, His Honor remarked that it was not necessary to go out west in order to appreciate the tremendous possibilities of Canada. One could not help being impressed by the optimistic spirit of the people of our big cities, nothing within the bounds of permitted aspirations was considered impossible. "Great undertakings, involving tremendous labor and responsibilities, are being undertaken upon with an assurance of success that was really inspiring. That spirit, he thought, was prophetic of the future greatness of Canada. St. John might cultivate it with profit. "After experiencing a succession of strong head gales during fourteen days of the navy and being swept by heavy seas, the Allan liner Sardinian, Capt. Charles B. 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OBITUARY. News of the death in this city on Saturday of Mrs. Jacobina Stockton, wife of Mr. Chas. A. Stockton, of this city, came as a great shock to her many friends here yesterday. Although Mrs. Stockton had been ill for the last two weeks, a sudden termination of her illness was hardly expected. Mrs. Stockton before her marriage was Miss Jacobina Ayer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Ayer of Rockville. She was married to the late Mr. Stockton in 1871 and resided in the city until the death of her husband eleven years ago. Since then she had spent much of her time at her former home in Rockville. She is survived by her mother and by one brother, Alfred B. of Rockville. The funeral will be held in Sussex this afternoon. Interment will be made in the family burying ground. Mrs. William Roxborough. Mrs. Roxborough, widow of Mr. Wm. Roxborough of H. M. Customs, died very suddenly at her home 20 Guilford street, West End Saturday night at 10:30 o'clock. Mrs. Roxborough was preparing to retire when she was taken suddenly ill and expired instantly. Beyond a slight cold the deceased lady had been her usual good health and death came as a great shock. She was of a bright, happy disposition and much esteemed by all who knew her—ever ready with a kind word and helping hand. She was a sister of the late Mrs. E. Sutton of Fairville and Mrs. J. P. Ellis of Brockville, Ont. Four children survive her—Mr. D. H. K. Roxborough of the Donaldson Line S. S. Co., W. E. Sutton of the C. P. R. S. Co., E. Sutton of the C. P. R. S. Co., and one brother, Hugh, and by two sisters, Mrs. John Kelly and Miss Ellen, all at home. The funeral will be held tomorrow morning. Mrs. John Stevens. The death of Mrs. James Stevens occurred on Saturday evening at 11 o'clock. Her husband predeceased her in November last. She is survived by one son and one daughter. The funeral will take place this afternoon. Interment will be in Brandy Point Cemetery.

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Commencing This Morning MANCHESTER ROBERTSON ALLISON, LTD. Here is a splendid opportunity for thrifty shoppers to provide for the household linen and cotton needs at most generous savings. Come and see for yourself just what unusual values are offered.

MAN AND SLEIGH MISSING. Disappearance of a Stranger Named Ferris Who Started for Belleisle Last Tuesday to Fetch His Wife. Considerable anxiety exists concerning the safety and present whereabouts of a man giving his name as Ferris, who hired a rig at Short's livery stable on Tuesday last for the purpose of going to Belleisle and returning Wednesday night, but who has not been seen or heard of by anyone in the city since that time. He told Mr. Short that he was going to meet his wife and would take two women with him. He was dressed roughly like a working man and a perfect stranger at the stable, but was trusted with a rig. Wednesday was stormy and Mr. Short was not alarmed when the stranger did not return from Belleisle that evening. Thursday passed and still no uneasiness was felt as it was thought probable that Ferris had been storm-stayed. But when Friday came, then Saturday, Mr. Short began to think there was something wrong. On making inquiries at the home of Mr. Thos. Clark, Sheriff street, who Ferris said was a brother-in-law, it was found that as for the man's wife being at Belleisle, this was true. On Wednesday, however, Mr. Ferris had given up expecting her husband and came to the city in another conveyance. She had been awaiting his return with much fear and misgiving. She has now returned home. Mr. Short also got into communication with Dr. McDonald, of Belleisle, and the latter said that Ferris had not been seen or heard of within the last week. A description of the horse and rig is given as follows:—Bay mare, black mane and tail, scar on one of the hind quarters. Harness, heavy English set, silver plated, with collar and hames. Sleigh, an ash pung with corduroy lining, one grey and two black robes.

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TO SAFEGUARD EXPLOSIVES. C.P.R. Arrange for Employees to Hear Lecture on Subject—Wm. Downie Home From McAdam. Mr. Wm. Downie, general superintendent of the Atlantic division of the C.P.R., returned Saturday from McAdam, where he had a conference with the superintendents and members of the engineering departments from over the division. While at McAdam Mr. Downie attended a lecture given by Col. Taylor, an official of the bureau of railways, on the safe conveyance of explosives. The C.P.R. has joined with other great systems in Canada and the United States in an organization, the object of which is to avoid accidents in transporting explosives and inflammable materials. Col. Taylor's lecture was the first of a series to be given at each important point on the C.P.R. west to the Pacific coast. An effort was made to secure as large an attendance as possible, and brakemen as possible. Winter Port Notes. The Manchester importer moved over to No. 5 berth on Saturday evening to load grain and export freight for Manchester. The Allan liner Oranplan is expected here this morning from Halifax. The C. P. R. steamer Montclair was reported off Cape field yesterday and will not reach here before Tuesday night. C. P. R. steamer

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