

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Moderate to fresh southwesterly winds, fine and mild.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Forecast: Northern New England—Fair, warmer Wednesday; Thursday unsettled; moderate south winds.

Toronto, Jan. 5.—The weather has turned much milder from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces, while in the West the temperature has remained quite moderate.

Table with columns: Location, Min., Max. Includes entries for Kamloops, Calgary, Edmonton, Prince Albert, Winnipeg, Port Arthur, Parry Sound, London, Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Quebec, St. John.

No Council. The city commissioners did not meet yesterday afternoon. The weekly meeting was supposed to have been held at three o'clock yesterday but there were not enough commissioners present to form a quorum.

H. B. Ames Here Today. This afternoon, at three o'clock, at the Board of Trade rooms, Mr. H. B. Ames, M. P. of Montreal, will meet the St. John executive of the Patriotic Fund.

Police Clean-up Day. There was a general cleaning up in Central Police Station last night, when articles found last year by the police and not called for by the owners, became the property of the officers who found them.

New City Ticket Office. The Intercolonial Railway has removed its city ticket office from 3 King street to the office at the corner of King and German street in the Royal Hotel block.

A Fine Building. George W. Fowler, M. P., passed through the city last evening. Mr. Fowler's building in Sussex, which was badly damaged by fire recently, has been practically reconstructed.

F. M. A. Social for Soldiers. About eighty members of the 26th Battalion were the guests of the Father-Matthew Association last evening in their rooms.

The Fairville Brotherhood. The Fairville Brotherhood spent a very enjoyable time last evening when they were entertained at the home of W. E. Earle, Lancaster Heights.

PERSONAL. Lieut.-Governor Wood is at the Royal. J. Bennett of London, England, who represents an important lumber firm in the old country, is at the Royal.

OUR ANNUAL PRE-STOCK-TAKING SALE STARTS TOMORROW MORNING AT 9 O'CLOCK. Our annual January sale is an event-like the holidays—the date comes in Red Letters on our Business Calendar!

It's your chance to get extra big, unusual value for your money. Read large advertisement on page 2 and come tomorrow and investigate. Donaldson Hunt, 17-19 Charlotte street.

PARK HOTEL, KING SQUARE.

POLICEMAN GEORGE CLARK BARELY WOUNDED BY CHINESE DURING FIGHT ABOARD SHIP

Stirring Times at Sand Point Yesterday Afternoon—Police Officer Gashed in Lower Leg While Chinese is Shot Through Hip.

There was plenty of excitement on board the Monarch Line steamship Scottish Monarch at No. 2 berth, Sand Point, yesterday afternoon, about one o'clock, when Policeman George Clark had a very narrow escape from being murdered by a Chinese, while another Chinese received a shot in the hip, having been fired at by Policeman Watson.

There are on board the ship, as members of the crew, sixteen Chinese. These foreigners are all in bond and during the time the ship was in port they were not allowed ashore because if they got clear Captain Dalzell would be liable to a fine of five hundred dollars for each man.

An entry in the police report book at central station states that Mrs. George White, residing at 104 Britain street, attempted to commit suicide by shooting herself in the chest.

According to the story told at her home Mrs. White was down stairs when she reached the lower floor she said to Mrs. Leonard Hayward, who was standing in the doorway: "I'm going to do it." Mrs. Hayward said: "For land's sake don't." Mrs. White then went up three steps and a moment later Mrs. Hayward heard a shot.

FALL INTO HOLD PROVED FATAL. Charles Godfrey died as result of injuries received on steamer Montreal.

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George White, the woman's husband, says the revolver was an old one and his wife was going to clean it. It was while she was trying to remove a cartridge from the chamber with a knife that the shell exploded and the bullet lodged in her chest just above the heart.

As a result of injuries received when he fell into the hold of the C. P. R. steamer Montreal on Monday night, Charles F. Godfrey, of Lancaster Heights, passed away yesterday afternoon.

Coroner Roberts will hold an investigation this morning and will then decide concerning an inquest. Mr. Godfrey was 45 years of age and is survived by his wife, four sons, Charles R. Williams, Clifford and Harvey, in the city; four daughters, Gladys, Viola, Hattie and Blanche, at home, and four sisters, Mrs. James Anderson and Mrs. H. B. McAfee, St. John; Mrs. L. J. Smith, Indianapolis, and Mrs. J. E. Danforth, New York.

Finance and audit committee, James Moore, A. E. Washburn and Lee W. Beyer. Four new members were added to the lodge during the year and the lodge now has 161 members in good standing.

CHANGE OF TIME. January 10, 1915, Ocean Limited will be discontinued. Maritime Express daily, Halifax and Montreal, through sleeping car to Montreal, daily from St. John, No. 134, 6.35 p.m.

Pocket Book Found. A pocket book was found on the King Square yesterday afternoon and handed to the police. The owner can receive it on application at Central Police Station.

KING'S COUNTY HAS GOOD YEAR

Geo. B. Jones, M.L.A., expects big lumber cut this year.

George B. Jones, M.L.A., passed through the city last evening from Apohaqui to Fredericton. Mr. Jones' lumbering operations were being carried on in King's county on a scale about as large as usual.

While the United States lumber market had been slow and the shipments small, such had not been the case in England. The prices in the British market had strengthened considerably and the demand was large.

As far as conditions in King's county was concerned Mr. Jones said the farmers had had a good year and there seemed little depression on account of the war. The farmers in King's county were making advances in the cultivation of their land and enough new blood had been introduced to keep the farmers up to date in regard to methods and for that reason the county was progressing favorably.

BUILDING OPERATIONS IN ST. JOHN LAST YEAR WERE ON AVERAGE SCALE

In city limits 155 new buildings were erected, while there was a great deal of building in suburbs.

In spite of the war and other causes building operations were carried on in St. John last year to about the same extent as in the average years, excepting of course 1913, which was a very exceptional year.

During 1914 permits were issued for building operations costing \$16,500. Altogether 155 new buildings were erected within the city limits, while permits for repair jobs were issued to the number of 121. In 1913 the value of the work for which building permits were issued amounted to \$557,000. In 1914, when many big public buildings were started, the value of the permits represented an unusual state of affairs.

It is interesting to note that during December 1914 the value of the permits issued was \$18,900, more than for the same month in 1913, when the permits represented a value of \$12,950.

The city building inspector only has supervision over building operations within the city limits. No records are available in respect to building operations in the suburbs, but it is said that the number of new buildings put up in Fairville and other suburbs of the city have been unusually large.

It is believed building operations in St. John this year would have been very much above the average, though not as great as in 1913.

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An excellent meeting of Peerless Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows was held in their rooms, Simonds street, last evening when the officers of the lodge for the ensuing term were installed by Deputy Grand Master Seeger, assisted by Grand Officers Brotherton, Codner, Watson, Cody, Kerr, Jenner, Carrigan and M. D. Brown.

The officers, who will direct the destinies of Peerless Lodge for the next six months are as follows: Fred Smiler, N. G.; James Moore, V. G.; M. D. Morrell, recording secretary; James R. Smith, treasurer; George A. Chase, warden; John Warwick, conductor; George Blizard, I. G.; Wm. Donaldson, O. G.; M. D. Brown, R. S. N. G.; B. W. Thorne, L. S. N. G.; Walter Logan, R. S. V. G.; H. W. Thorne, L. S. V. G.; Lee Ebyea, R. S. S.; A. H. Washburn, L. S. S.; Daniel Lindsay, J. P. G.; S. O. Hannah, chaplain.

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More Understricks. Seldom a day goes by but what some very special inducements are offered to the people of St. John to visit P. A. Dykeman & Co.'s store. This time it is a lot of real Moire Understricks to be sold at 75 cents each. They come in Paddy green, carise and purple, with a wide cordelon pleated bounce with shirred centre; they are of the correct width and perfect fit, and are worth \$1.25.

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Now for HOCKEY STICKS. Good skating weather brings with it thoughts of hockey and we need scarcely say that a better line of Hockey Sticks we have never had than we now offer for your inspection. Especially are we proud of the "KING" HAND MADE BIRCH HOCKEY STICK which takes its bend from the natural growth of the tree, the wood having been chosen at the time it was strongest and toughest. The "KING" Hockey Stick is decidedly superior to ordinary kinds, and sells at 60 cents. We have also other kinds of Good Reliable Hockey Sticks priced as follows: Indian Grooved 60c, Indian Flat 50c, Spalding's Regular (for long blade) 50c, Progress 50c, St. Mary's Special 55c, Dooley 45c, XX Heel 25c, Boys' X 20c, Boys' Red 10c. SPORTING DEPARTMENT, SECOND FLOOR, MARKET SQUARE. W. H. THORNE & CO. LTD. - Market Square and King St.

Canada's Best Quality and Durability. "The Willis" WILLIS & CO., LTD. - Manufacturers - MONTREAL. LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES: WILLIS PIANO & ORGAN CO. HALIFAX AND ST. JOHN. Behind WILLIS pianos and players stand public and artistic approval. The WILLIS occupies a unique position among the great pianos of the world, and it is everywhere held in the highest esteem by artists and musical leaders, and is regarded as peerless in tone, touch, workmanship and durability.

Don't Dread Cold Weather We Recommend to Your Attention the "Blazer" Hot-Air Furnace. It is a powerful heater, economical in fuel and made to stand the wear and tear of constant use. It has points of superiority, including the Patent Fire Pot, Large Deep Ash Pit, Heavy Triangular Grates, and Large Radiator. We would like to show you this furnace. If you cannot look it over personally, we will be glad to send you a circular which deals very clearly with its special features. (MADE IN CANADA). Emerson & Fisher Ltd.

Stores Open at 9 a. m. and Close Every Day in the Week at 6 o'clock. Free Hemming Sale In the Linen Room. GREAT REDUCTION SALE OF FURS CONTINUED IN FUR DEPARTMENT—SECOND FLOOR.

Winter Overcoats For Men and Boys. If your overcoat has commenced to show the signs of wear, this would be a good time to secure a new one while you have the opportunity of choosing from such a well assorted range of cloths and shades as shown in this exhibit of exceptionally fashionable garments. M. R. A. Overcoats always give the most satisfactory kind of service and have the superior finish, ideal fit, and smart appearance peculiar to high-class overcoats. To be had in Convertible and Shawl collar styles, also regular models with velvet or self collars. Prices range from \$10 to \$30. A Fine Display of Overcoats for Boys. Mothers who have bought overcoats at this store always find it to be their best advantage to return here when the new ones are required. The long service M. R. A. garments give and their superior stylishness appeals strongly to every woman who desires to get the best possible return from an overcoat investment. BOYS' FANCY OVERCOATS—Convertible collars and half belted back; Prussian collars and full belted; shawl collar styles, the new Norfolk and other late models. Ages 2 1/2 to 10 years. Prices from \$3.50 to \$7.50. BOYS' REGULAR OVERCOATS—The popular convertible collar and shawl collar styles, half belted back and plain styles. Ages 7 to 17 years. Prices from \$3.75 to \$15.00. MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

January Sale of Ladies' Neckwear. Samples and odd lines comprising Ladies' Collars in Muslin, lace trimmed, Fichus, Jabots, Lace Collars, etc., suitable for house or street wear. One price only, each 25c. NECKWEAR DEPARTMENT—ANNEX. Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited