

THE WEATHER. Maritime—Moderate variable winds, fine and cool. Toronto, Ont., March 23.—The extensive low areas mentioned last night in moving eastward and is being succeeded by colder weather in the Western Provinces. Fine weather has prevailed throughout Canada today. Minimum and maximum: Winnipeg—4, 72. Toronto—34, 42. Ottawa—28, 48. Montreal—28, 42. Quebec—14, 22. St. John—30, 40. Halifax—34, 42. New England Forecast. Washington, D. C., March 23.—Forecast for New England: Fair and warmer Thursday; Friday, probably fair and warmer; moderate to brisk south and southwest winds.

AROUND THE CITY Market will Close. The market will be closed on Good Friday. New Brunswick Medical Society. The New Brunswick Medical Society will meet this afternoon in the medical rooms, Market Building, at 3 p. m. Tuberculosis Exhibition. The secretary of the Provincial Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis will be in attendance at the public library this afternoon. Additional material specially relating to Animal Tuberculosis will be displayed. Suburban Train for Good Friday. A special suburban train will leave the Union Depot on Good Friday morning, March 25th at 9.30 for Westford. For the return the train will leave Westford at 7.30 p. m., arriving in the city about 8.30 p. m. All suburban stops will be made in each direction. One fare for the round trip. 200 Mystic Shriners Here Today. It is expected there will be a large gathering of mystic shriners at the Easter meeting of Luxor Temple in the city this evening. In addition to members of Luxor Temple from other parts of the province, about 200 visiting shriners from points in Maine will meet with the local brethren. Concert at Seamen's Institute. A concert given by S. S. Tunisian concert party, at the Seamen's Institute, last evening, was a great success. A large number of the citizens turned out and thoroughly enjoyed the splendid programme. The seamen also had an enjoyable evening and were present in great force. An Old Landmark Gone. Fire last evening destroyed an old landmark in Carlton in the shape of a vacant house in Water street owned by Miss Clark. The building which had not been inhabited for years, was formerly used as a boarding house for the workmen employed at the late John Clark's mill. The building was totally destroyed and there was no insurance.

The Late Mrs. Sarah E. Hetherington. A funeral service for the late Mrs. Sarah E. Hetherington was held at 9 o'clock last evening at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. E. P. Dunlop, Waterloo street. Rev. Dr. W. E. McIntyre, a former pastor of the deceased at Chipman, conducted the service, assisted by Rev. W. H. Wentworth. The body will be taken to Chipman by the I.C.R. for burial. An Opportunity to Criticize. Mr. Douglas McArthur, candidate for mayor, will address a public meeting to be held in McLean's Hall, Union street this evening, under the auspices of the Socialist Labor party. His subject will be, "Civic Reform and its effects upon the condition of the working classes." At the close of the address, those present will be given an opportunity to criticize Mr. McArthur's views. Meeting of Log Driving Company. A meeting of the St. John River Log Driving Company, was held in the city yesterday to make preparations for the annual meeting which will take place early in April. Mr. J. Fraser Gregory the president, said after the meeting that the lumbermen were not alarmed over the prospects of a poor driving season. There was still plenty of snow in the woods up river. Doing Things. Things are moving at the St. John Business College. Yesterday a final typewriting speed contest took place; the result will be announced later. Mr. S. Kerr and Miss Brown of the business department were greatly surprised yesterday, Mr. Kerr by being presented by Capt. E. C. Williams on behalf of the students with a gold mounted silk umbrella, and Miss Brown with a beautiful leather lined traveling satchel. Twelve students have been placed in good situations in the last few days. Election of Officers. The annual meeting of the Young Men's Brotherhood class of the Ludlow street United Baptist church, W. E., was held last evening. Mr. R. H. Parsons presided. The reports showed an increase of 40 members over last year. The following officers were elected: Hon. President, F. A. Christopher; president, F. D. Rodson, vice-president, H. D. Jennings; recording secretary, C. R. Easton; assistant recording secretary, F. L. Mosher; financial secretary, K. Purdy; assistant financial secretary, W. Mosher. The society is becoming one of the largest in the city, and has increased rapidly within the past few years. Out for Business. The Publicity Commissioners of Hamilton, Fort Arthur and other Ontario cities are bombarding the proprietors of St. John industries with pamphlets setting forth the advantages to be gained by removing their plants to the enterprising Ontario cities. Hamilton, especially is making strenuous efforts to entice industries away from other places. It employs an official at a salary of \$1500 a year whose sole duty is to advertise its advantages as a place for the location of new industries. This official has been trying his eloquence upon a number of St. John manufacturers, but so far without success. Mr. W. E. Anderson, secretary of the Board of Trade, says the only way the Ontario towns can capture St. John industries is to conquer the city and carry off all the inhabitants to Ontario.

WY NOT HAVE A CIVIC HOUSE CLEANING BEE IN ST. JOHN? Rev. T. Hunter Boyd Advocates Method Followed in American Cities--Ladies in Charge For One Day Supervise Work of Cleaning Streets and Alleys--Everybody Gets Busy.

"St. John should get in line with other cities and have a civic house cleaning bee some day this spring," said Rev. J. Hunter Boyd, the missionary of the anti-tuberculosis campaign to The Standard last evening. "In many American cities where the ladies have taken charge of things for a day, and cleaned up the streets, squares and alleys as men have never learned to clean them since time began, the effects have been surprising. No city that has once been subjected to a thorough house cleaning process at the fair hands of the ladies ever lapses back into the old condition of dirty streets and malodorous alleys. "Canadian cities have not as yet gone in for civic house cleaning bees, though Montreal proposes to have one this spring. But in not a few American cities it is an important ceremony—a function which the ladies take hold of with as much zest as they give to the annual spring cleaning of their homes. "It is the one day in the year upon which the ladies take an active part in civic affairs, and they certainly wield their brooms with greater effect than mere man wields the power of the ballot. One day suffices the ladies to accomplish what men for generations have been trying in vain to do. When a city decides to have a house cleaning day, the ladies elect themselves masters of the ceremony. They place the city under martial law, and make proclamation that every able-bodied, citizen, male or female, rich or poor, wise or otherwise, shall for one day be subject to service as a sweeper of streets and cleaner of alleys. "Officers are appointed by the various women's clubs, to see that the residents of the different districts clean the streets, alleys and back yards of their neighborhoods. Their word is the law and the prophets, and no man or woman is exempt from civic duty on that day. Every street, every nook and crook of the city is swept as clean as brooms can sweep them, and every cart in the city is pressed into service to remove the dirt. The ladies direct operations and, as they have vigilant eyes, the civic house cleaning is a most successful one. "In a city like San Francisco, where public spirit is well developed, the annual spring cleaning has assumed the character of a public festival. The lady marshals, with their corps of inspectors, march through the streets with colors flying and bands playing. High dignitaries of church and state, bankers and brokers, senators and city fathers, bear a hand with shovel or broom along with grimy sons of that and wealthy dames, and society beauties wield the broom alongside the weary laborer's wife. "Of course, concluded Mr. Boyd, everybody is sufficiently public spirited to take an active part in this ceremony, but everybody is considered liable to such service, or to such fines as the ladies choose to impose, or can be made to enforce by social ostracism.

FOR READY-MADE FARMS RUSHING GOODS TO STATES First Thirty Families Under C.P.R.'s New Scheme Sail from Liverpool Tomorrow--Special Care in Selection.

The first party of immigrants who are to settle on the ready-made farms established in western Canada under the scheme which Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the C. P. R., announced during his recent visit to England, will sail from Liverpool on the Empress of Britain tomorrow and will arrive here about April 1st. The party comprises thirty married men and their wives and children. Although they are to take up farming in this country, they are not all farmers, but are men who have been following a variety of occupations. The C. P. R. agents on the other side have exercised great care in the selection of this party. Good character, strength, a determination and real willingness for work have been the main qualifications, preference being given to agricultural men or men who have wives and families and are possessed of a capital of about \$1,000. The farms prepared for this party are in the western irrigation block near Calgary. In view of the possibility of the United States maximum tariff going into effect against Canadian products on March 31, St. John exporters are rushing shipments to the states. Yesterday the value of the exports from this port invoiced by American consulate here, amounted to \$25,000. This is a record for the year, and is probably the biggest shipment ever made to the states from this port in any one day. If it represented an average daily shipment St. John exports to the states would amount to \$7,500,000 a year, or more than the total shipments from the whole province. The customs authorities also report a considerable increase in imports from the United States, though the increase is not so marked as in the case of exports. There are two more or less satisfactory explanations of this. In the first place the Americans seem to entertain a stronger hope of an amicable adjustment of the difficulty than Canadians do; and in the second place, they do not assume that even if a tariff war comes Canada will allow some time to elapse before imposing a surtax on American products. At the same time not a few American manufacturers are making the most of the present situation. An unusually large number of American commercial travellers have visited St. John in the past few weeks.

SPEED LIMIT EXCEEDED Fairville Residents Indignant at Autos Disregarding Regulations--Highway Board May Take Action.

Vigorous protest comes from Fairville against the speeding of automobiles through the streets of the village. The limit fixed by law is eight miles an hour and a prominent resident told a Standard reporter yesterday that some machines went down the main street at something like a forty mile clip. One day this week, an auto containing four ladies, one of whom was driving, flashed over the track at the foot of Main street so fast that there seemed great danger of the car being overturned. In the wake of the machine motorists left frightened horses, scurrying children and innocent men. The number of the car has not yet been secured. It is claimed that it is now becoming a common offence for automobiles to go through Fairville at a rapid pace and action by the Lancaster Highway Board is threatened. It has been suggested that signs should be displayed at the suspension bridge and other points as a preventive measure, warning the drivers under pain of prosecution not to exceed the eight mile speed limit.

THE ST. STEPHEN BANK R. B. Kesson Home Last Evening Says No Full Report for Some Months--Liabilities Being Met.

Mr. R. B. Kesson, who is acting as curator of the defunct St. Stephen Bank, returned from the border town last evening. When asked by a Standard reporter if he could make any statement as to the result of his investigations into the affairs of the bank, Mr. Kesson sprang a surprise by saying it would finish his labors at St. Stephen, and make a final report. From the first, he added, he had been sending the information obtained in Montreal, as he went along. He was not in a position to divulge any of the particulars of these reports. Asked regarding the statements of Hon. Geo. Curran, of Calais, who was quoted as saying the bank failure was due to a long period of unwise specu-

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PERSONAL The Misses Lewis left yesterday on the Calvin Austin for Boston, where they will be joined by their father, Mr. James Lewis, for a short visit. Mrs. Fairweather and Miss Daisy Fairweather left yesterday for New York. Mr. George McAvity left yesterday for New York to spend Easter. Accident to Mr. Edward Tapley. Mr. Edward Tapley, of the firm of Tapley Bros., tugboat owners, was severely injured yesterday morning by falling at the Luddinstown water front. Mr. Tapley was superintending the removal of a boat from the slip to the repair shop and stepping upon a loose rock slipped and fell. He struck on his side and was quite badly hurt. He was driven home and will be confined to his bed for some days. He was reported to be resting easily last evening.

House Cleaning Time Suggests Step Ladders, Mops, Carpet Sweepers, Vacuum Cleaners, Pails, Feather Dusters, Tacks, Blind Cord, Picture Hooks, Wash Tubs, Brooms, Mop Cloths, Chamois Skins, Washing Machines, Carpet Beaters, Tack Hammers, Curtain Pins, Brass Rings, Paints and Enamels of All Kinds. W. H. THORNE & CO., Ltd. Market Square, St. John, N. B.

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