

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Strong winds or moderate gales, southerly to easterly, cloudy, with occasional rain or sleet.

Toronto, April 8.—The western high area with its accompanying cold wave is moving southward with decreasing intensity, while the trough of low pressure has moved eastward to the Atlantic coast. The weather has been a little milder today in the west but has continued cold and unsettled from Ontario eastward. Light snow-falls have occurred in eastern Ontario and Quebec, and rain and snow in the Maritime Provinces.

	Min.	Max.
Vancouver	40	60
Kamloops	38	58
Calgary	29	50
Edmonton	26	52
Battleford	22	50
Prince Albert	14	44
Moose Jaw	13	44
Winnipeg	14	34
Port Arthur	6	32
Parry Sound	26	40
London	26	35
Toronto	28	40
Kingston	32	34
Ottawa	30	34
Montreal	32	34
Quebec	32	32
St. John	34	36
Halifax	32	42

AROUND THE CITY

No Boom Yet

While no boom in real estate is anticipated this spring, operators are looking for good business on a conservative basis. There is little buying for speculative purposes, but there is a growing demand for lots for building purposes.

S. S. Royal Edward

The Royal Mail Steamship Royal Edward sailed from Avonmouth at five o'clock yesterday for this port with 1,300 tons of cargo, thirty-two first cabin, 177 second and 741 third class passengers. Her consignment of mail amounts to 1,543 bags and 363 packages of parcel post.

Publicity Work

A meeting of the publicity committee of the Exhibition Association was held yesterday afternoon, and there was some preliminary discussion as to the various publicity schemes to be adopted this year to boost the show. Nothing of a definite nature, however, was done.

Enjoying Trip

A wireless message sent from the steamer Excelsior by N. C. Scott with his wife is travelling in the boat was received at the office of N. C. Scott, Main street, Mr. and Mrs. Scott were on the Excelsior sailing from Havana to Tampa, Florida, and in the message they reported that they were enjoying the trip and expected to be home in a couple of weeks.

Royal George Away

Last evening at eight o'clock the Royal Mail Steamship Royal George sailed from her berth at the Long Wharf for Bristol. The ship in addition to a good general cargo and mail had about 630 passengers. The first cabin passengers on board are Miss M. A. Attenborough of St. John, Mrs. Cryster of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Captain D. Murray of Truro, N. S., and Mrs. Ernest H. Turnbull of St. John. There were about thirty second cabin passengers.

Snow and Rain.

St. John was treated to more wintry weather yesterday morning. Soon after midnight snow began to fall, and at daylight nearly two inches of the beautiful snow had accumulated. Soon after eight o'clock yesterday morning rain began to fall, and during the greater part of the day the precipitation was quite continuous. Towards evening, however, the rain stopped and the evening was quite agreeable excepting for a few sleet showers. The weather of the last week has been quite unreasonable and very little hope of an early spring is held out. The ice in the river still remains practically intact and it is hardly likely that any real warm weather will be in evidence until after the ice has run out.

ST. JOHN GIRL WINS PRIZE IN OLD COUNTRY

Miss Evelyn Starr, in Violin Concert in Bechstein Hall, London—Favorable Newspaper Notices.

A cable from London says: A young Canadian violinist, Miss Evelyn Starr, made her debut in London yesterday afternoon in the Bechstein Hall. For rich sonorous tone, production of unmistakable beauty, combined with a delicacy of touch, Miss Starr has seldom been excelled at a first performance, says the Daily Chronicle.

The programme was chosen with taste and insight, quite a rare achievement among new performers. Her wonderful tone was the dominating feature, although her phrasing, execution and interpretation also reached a high level.

Miss Starr is a St. John girl and her many friends here will learn with much pleasure of her success.

LOOK FOR A PROSPEROUS MILL SEASON

Local Millmen Say Drives as Large as Last Year—Outlook in Old Country.

According to the local millmen and lumber dealers this season is going to be a heavy one, and fully as many logs will be rafted down to the booms as were rafted down the river during last season, which was considered a big one for the lumbermen. In conversation with a representative of The Standard last evening J. Fraser Gregory said that although other estimates had been made of the number of logs that would be brought down this year, the drives would be about the same as last season. He gave a conservative estimate of the total that would be brought down to the booms as fifty-four million feet. For the Murray and Gregory mills, nine or ten million will be rafted to the city.

A. H. Randolph, of the Randolph & Baker mill, said that their supply would be in the vicinity of ten million feet. While the total number of feet that will be brought down will be practically the same as last year, Mr. Randolph said that about ten or fifteen million feet that would be used in the mills had been cut below the booms, and this would add to the supply of logs that would be handled in the local mills. While no definite date could be set for the commencement of the drives until the ice moves, it is expected that log driving on the river will commence about the last of this month.

It is estimated that there will be a total of something like twenty-five million feet of less come down the Nashwaak this season. The Partington Pulp and Paper Company will have about twenty million and there will be about five million feet for the Victoria Mills. The Partington Company's mills at Marysville will not be in operation this season as all their logs will be rafted to St. John for their pulp mills here.

In Great Britain.

Speaking of the lumber conditions in the old country, Hon. Mr. Jones, who has recently returned from a business trip to England, says that the poor prospects there in this industry are chiefly caused by the unsettled conditions which have resulted through the bringing in of the present Home Rule bill.

The stocks that are being carried are the largest at this season in years, he declared, and the political situation has caused a feeling of unrest which does not make the outlook for the immediate future at all bright. Hon. Mr. Jones is also of the opinion that neither the pulp and paper nor the lumber business outlook in the United States is very bright just now. "Some day, he says, we expect to have a pulp mill at Marysville. In fact we are open to use a large quantity of power and to operate our mills at St. John as well as that which we will establish at Marysville whenever some of the big water powers are harnessed, and the company taking up the power proposition is in a position to make the proper kind of an arrangement."

THEFT CASE BEFORE COURT

Preliminary Hearing in Matter of Joseph Looney Continued Yesterday Afternoon.

The preliminary hearing in the case against Joseph Looney, charged with the misappropriation of about \$130 from Court Brothers of the North End, was continued in the police court yesterday afternoon.

Beattie C. Quinlan, a bookkeeper in the store was a witness and showed twenty-two different statements of accounts, all of which were received by Joseph Looney. She declared that the money was collected from the majority of them but had been handed in to the cashier and the remainder of the statements had been tampered with before being submitted to the customers for collection. The witness said that when Looney was asked about certain accounts in the office, he gave as an excuse that such and such a person would pay next month. The case was adjourned until the first of next week.

C. F. Inches represented the complainant and stated in court that each of the persons to whom statements were presented and received by Mr. Looney would have to testify, but there were some who were unwilling to appear in court and for these subpoenas would have to be issued.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS

By Lieut.-Col. J. L. McAvity, O. C. 62nd Regt., "St. John Puffers" the regiment will parade at the drill hall on Monday evening next, the 13th, at eight o'clock; every member must be present; dress, drill order. There will be no drill on Friday night this week.

CAPTAIN. ADJUTANT.

F. A. Dykeman and Co. have just received a shipment of black and white shepard plaids which are so much in demand. They are a nice weight for coats and made from very handsome material. The display, which will be continued today and many added creations will be offered for style study.

DESEATED WIFE THREATENED TO ARREST HUSBY

Man Promised Support Before Warrant Was Sworn Out.

CONTRIBUTED ONE DOLLAR SINCE FALL

Sad Case in North End—Unfortunate Woman had no Home to go to—Slept in Barn.

The reconciliation of a young couple of the North End yesterday morning, when the young man in question was on the point of being brought before the court, probably prevented a bad case of desertion from being aired in police circles. The final stage in the case was reached yesterday when, with no other course in view, the wife was going to swear out a warrant for the arrest of her husband, since he had charged of desertion. This reached the ears of the young man and the case was settled without being brought into court. The husband secured work and promised to provide for the woman and her infant child, on condition that she would not proceed legally against him. This course was followed, and the young couple were brought together after living apart all winter. With the assistance of neighbors they plan to live peacefully in rooms which have been secured for them.

Spent Money on Self.

The young couple, who formerly resided on Sheriff street, have not been married over two years, and since last fall the husband has been spending all his money on himself, mostly in liquor, and has contributed practically nothing towards the support of his wife and child. According to the story of the unfortunate woman, since last fall he has given her but one dollar, and she had no means to provide for herself and fifteen months old child. The husband, who is a young able bodied man, about twenty years of age, has not been working for some time and has been sleeping at nights in a barn off Murray street, caring little what became of his wife and child, who were left in a state of poverty with no source of provision and no home to shelter them.

Lived with Neighbors.

With the attention the woman was required to give to her child, it is said, the husband means of providing for his assistance, and it devolved upon some of the neighbors to see that the woman and child were given shelter and food. This from one to another they have been doing, during the winter till it was felt that there should be some one to take care of the mother, woman and child have for some time been living with a certain family in the North End but a recent arrest in a theft case caused this woman to break up house and return to her father, so the woman and child in question were again left without home or means of protection.

Wandering About Streets.

With her infant child in her arms the unfortunate woman scantly clad wandered through the streets of the North End with no place to rest her head. Destitute and without friends or money she frantically walked the streets on Monday evening with her child in her arms until late in the evening, and then she relied on the only resource open to her. She knew where her husband was sleeping, and going to the barn on Murray street, she asked admittance. The husband allowed her in, after that her life was about to take legal proceedings against him he came to her early yesterday morning and told her that he had secured work and would provide for her in the future. Rooms were rented and with contributions from the neighbors the couple were able to resume housekeeping.

CHEAP FARES FOR EASTER HOLIDAYS.

For the Easter holidays the usual holiday excursion rates will prevail on the Intercolonial Railway between station on the line. Round trip tickets at the one way fare for round trip will be issued April 9th and 10th, good for return April 10th.

There will be a special excursion rate also between stations on the line, and to points on connecting lines, and beyond Montreal, from April 9th to 12th, good for return April 14th.

Gundry's Jewellery display is worth while.

GREAT EASTER MILLINERY SHOWING AT M. R. A.'S.

Despite the inclement weather large crowds were in attendance yesterday to inspect the great showing of Easter millinery at M. R. A.'s. The Easter hat is so important a part of the new attire for next Sunday's wear that every woman will be interested in the beauty of the sales of this dress up. The display is a variety of rich floral decorations forming an appropriate setting for the immense number of handsome hats on display. The exhibit will be continued today and many added creations will be offered for style study.

A gorgeous display of high class gems at Gundry's, 79 King street.

ANOTHER MAIL MERCHANT TELLS OF GREAT GROWTH OF TRADE UNDER PROTECTION.

Prominent St. John Fish Merchant Tells of Great Growth of Trade under Protection.

"Those who believed that reciprocity would be a good thing for the fishermen of New Brunswick have had in the last year or so abundant evidence to the contrary," said John Jackson, the well known fish merchant of South Market Wharf. "For over a year the prices of most varieties of fish at wholesale have been higher in St. John than in Portland, Boston or New York, excepting of course a few choice varieties for which the wealthy people of the States are willing to pay almost any price. Our fishermen have been getting better prices for cod and the ordinary varieties of fish than are paid in the great fishing centres of the United States.

"If the reciprocity scheme had been adopted and the American fish dealers given free access to the Canadian market, the long run would have suffered too. Most of the business of handling and curing fish would have been centered in Portland, Boston and Gloucester and firms there would have captured the trade in the cities of Montreal, Toronto and other parts of Canada.

Home Market Sound.

"Owing to the fact that the Maritime fish merchant has had protection in the Canadian market a large number of concerns have grown up along the coast, doing a good business and giving employment to a large number of people. Before we had protection in the home market Portland was one of the big fishing centers, and along with Gloucester and Boston supplied the Upper Canadian market. In the last thirty years Portland has ceased to be a fishing port of any importance; Canadian ports now do the business in curing and marketing fish formerly done there and have developed new lines of business.

KING SQUARE TREE DOOMED

Monster Balm of Gilead, on Left of Center Walk Leading from Charlotte Street.

One of the monster balm of Gilead trees in King Square has been deemed and it is likely that it will have to be removed from the square. The tree, which has been growing for the city, informed Commissioner Agar yesterday that the tree appeared to be in a dangerous condition and in order to prevent it falling and killing someone, he felt that it might prove a menace to the public.

The tree in question stands on the left of the walk leading from Charlotte street through the center of the square. It is the largest tree in the square and seems to be in good condition excepting for the fact that the weight of the tall trunk and branches has loosened the earth about its base and sometime ago a guy was secured to the tree in order to hold it upright.

Should the tree fall it would do serious damage to the statue of Sir Leonard Tilley besides hitting the fountain. Commissioner Agar said yesterday that he felt that the tree should be removed from the square in order to prevent it falling and killing someone. He felt that it might prove a menace to the public.

The guy wire at present holding it is attached to a nail in the soil but it is felt that even additional guys would not prove sufficiently reliable. Mr. Gould will give the matter further consideration before the tree is destroyed.

Wanted. Kitchen girl. Apply Royal Hotel.

Civic Election. See Candidate Fisher's card on another page. Examine his platform. Vote for him.

PARK HOTEL, KING SQUARE. Vote for Brown and free tolls on the ferry.

Wanted. Pastry cook. Apply Royal Hotel.

Labor Campaign. Grand Rally, York Theatre (Old Nickel), Charlotte street, Thursday, 9 p. m., in the interests of J. L. Sugrue for commissioner, nominee of the Labor Unions. All invited.

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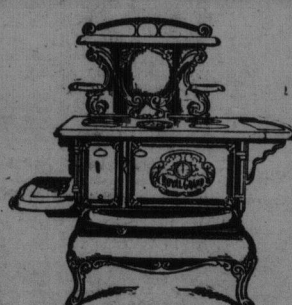
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Irish Crochet Lace Yokes, Each	\$2.50 to \$4.00
Irish Crochet Lace Sets, Each	\$2.25 to \$5.00
Duchess Lace Collars, Each	\$6.00 to \$10.00
Lace and Net Fichus, Each	50c. to \$5.00
Lace and Net Gimpes, Each	25c. to \$4.00
Creme de Chine Fichus, Each	75c. to \$3.00
Creme de Chine Collars, Each	45c. to \$1.25
Creme de Chine Ties, Each	45c. to 75c
Sheer Swiss Collars, Yokes and Jabots, Each	30c. to \$1.50
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NECKWEAR DEPT.—ANNEX.

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