

THE WEATHER.

MARITIME: — Southwesterly and westerly winds; fair.

Toronto, Ont., March 30.—Snow has fallen in Ontario and Quebec and rain in the Maritime Provinces owing to the northward movement of a disturbance from the middle Atlantic states.

Table with 3 columns: Location, Min, Max. Includes Dawson, Atlin, Victoria, Vancouver, Kamloops, Prince Albert, Calgary, Moosejaw, Qu'Appelle, Winnipeg, Fort Arthur, Pelly, London, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax, Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf.

AROUND THE CITY

Civic Meetings Today. The market committee meets at 2 o'clock this afternoon; the ferry committee at 3, and the board of works at 3.30.

The Teamsters' Union. The St. John Teamsters' Union will probably affiliate with the International organization, which has a membership of about 150,000 men in Canada and the United States.

Domestics For The West. A party of domestics who are being brought out by the Salvation Army will arrive on the Empress today. They will be sent to Montreal and western points.

En Route To Scotland. Lieut. Boase, of the Admiralty, arrived in the city yesterday and left on the Halifax express last night for St. John's, Newfoundland. He will then proceed to Scotland.

Police Reports. The police report yesterday as finding a string of prayer beads on Sydney street, a shawl on Charlotte street, and a lady's belt on King street. These articles await the owners at the central station.

Will Be No Inquest. Coroner Berryman has decided that an inquest is unnecessary in the case of Russell Rutherford, the C. P. R. brakeman, who was injured at Fredericton Junction about a week ago, and died at the General Public Hospital on Wednesday.

Rev. W. W. Brewer's Lecture. There was a large attendance in the school room of Esmond street church last night when the pastor, Rev. W. W. Brewer, delivered a lecture. The subject was "The Sunny Side of Life," and was a most enjoyable one.

Adjusted Fire Loss. Edgar H. Fairweather arrived in the city on the Boston express last night from Peel where he had been adjusting the loss on Bedford Boyd's dwelling which was destroyed by fire on Saturday night last. There was \$1,000 insurance and the loss was adjusted as total.

A Novelty Shower. Monday evening Miss Etta Mabee was given a novelty shower at her home, Leinster street. Household articles, numerous and various, were presented to Miss Mabee who afterwards entertained her friends with music and games. A very pleasant evening was spent, supper being served at midnight.

Taken Back to Montreal. A police officer arrived in the city at noon yesterday from Montreal and returned on the Pacific express last night, having in custody Charles Mortenson, who was arrested here Wednesday afternoon on the charge of stealing a gramophone in Montreal. It is said that other charges of theft may be made against the prisoner.

Annual Conversation. The Natural History Society held the annual conversation in the society's rooms last evening. There was a large gathering of members and their friends, and an enjoyable social evening was spent; many of those present availing themselves of the opportunity to visit the various apartments and examine the varied collection of curios.

Building Trades Council. At the meeting of the Building Trades Council in the Opera House this evening the question of getting the Sheet Metal Workers' and Painters' unions to affiliate with their respective Internationals will be debated, and it is expected the discussion will prove interesting. All the delegates should be present. A general officer of the International carpenters' union is expected here next week to look over the situation in regard to the \$3 a day campaign.

Hod Carriers Meet. An open meeting of the Hod Carriers' and Building Laborers' union was held last evening. President J. Donovan occupied the chair and there was a large attendance. A Dever, organizer of the Trades and Labor Council, was present and delivered a short address. The union already embraces a majority of the men eligible, and looks forward to a prosperous summer. It has secured a charter from the International organization, and in event of moving for higher wages will have plenty of support.

A Presentation. As a token of the esteem in which they regard him, and to express their regret for his departure from their midst the business associates, in the employ of John O'Bryan, presented Harry B. Tippet yesterday with a handsome travelling bag and address. Mr. Tippet has been with the firm for a long time and was a general favorite. He has accepted a position as travelling salesman with James Ready, and his host of friends wish him success in his new field of labor. The presentation was made by J. J. Bradley. Mr. Tippet in a neat reply assured the donors of his appreciation and regret in leaving them.

BUSINESS MEN TO TAKE TO FARMING

P. W. Thomson, J. H. Doody and F. P. Clements to Establish 120 Acre Potato Farm Near Marysville.

An interesting experiment will be inaugurated this summer by three well known business men of St. John, and it is not improbable that the good people living near Marysville, will be able before long to view the spectacle of Percy Thomson, J. H. Doody, and F. P. Clements following the example of the noble Roman who was called from the plough to guide the destinies of Rome. They have bought about 120 acres of land near Marysville and intend to try their hand at farming. They will adopt the most approved methods, employ machinery wherever possible, and hope to make a success of their venture, and be carried on by business men resident in a city as a commercial enterprise.

None of the gentlemen interested would say much about their programme or the reasons that induced them to undertake such an enterprise, but it is understood to be the result of a discussion with some of their friends as to the farming possibilities of the province. All have great faith in the future of the province, and they are determined to tackle the farming proposition and find out for themselves whether by creating a model farm and employing up to date business methods in the disposal of the products, farming could not be made a very profitable business. If they made a success of the enterprise, they will buy more land and increase the extent of their operations.

It is understood that for the first year or so they will devote their main attention to the possibilities of raising potatoes. Undoubtedly their experiment will be watched with interest and if it succeeds as well as the promoters believe it will, it should start a movement back to the land which would redound greatly to the advantage of the province.

It can hardly be said that Dr. Landry has failed to stir up interest in matters agricultural when a group of successful business men start an experiment of this character—one which may check the tendency of our L. L. L. to flee to the unhealthy activities of the city and make our own villages resemble the village in Haydn's canon.

WILLIAM F. HIGGINS DINED BY HIS FRIENDS

Farewell Banquet in White's, Last Evening, to Popular Young Man who will Leave for St. Stephen Today.

About 70 friends of William F. Higgins assembled in White's restaurant last night and tendered him a farewell banquet. A sumptuous repast was served and after the delicacies had been disposed of, the remainder of the evening was devoted to speeches, solos and readings. An elaborate programme of toasts was carried out and elicited some eloquent remarks.

John A. Barry acted as chairman and toastmaster during the evening. The first toast given was to the King. The toast to the City of St. John, was responded to by M. E. Agar and James Connolly. A. E. Gilmour and A. Chaisson answered to the toast to the Profession of Tailoring. The Press was represented by L. A. Conlon and J. B. Dever, while M. T. Colahan spoke for the Ladies.

The musical and literary portion of the programme consisted of solos by M. Morris, D. Higgins, F. Hazel and readings by L. Conlon, J. R. McCloskey, J. B. Dever and Steve Harley. During the evening the chairman, J. A. Barry on behalf of the gathering, presented Mr. Higgins with a travelling bag and address. Mr. Higgins in a fitting reply thanked them for their token of esteem and referred to the many pleasant years he had spent with them.

Mr. Higgins will leave for St. Stephen tomorrow, where he will take up his residence. His departure from St. John will be regretted. He has been very popular among his business associates and has always taken an active interest in the Catholic societies of this city. For many years he has been prominently connected with the Y. M. A. of St. Joseph and the F. M. A. and by his departure both societies will lose a valuable member.

OBITUARY

William G. Slocum. William G. Slocum, a prominent resident of Waterborough, Queens Co., passed away at that place early yesterday morning. The deceased had lived all his life in Waterborough, and was highly esteemed in the neighborhood. He was in his seventy-sixth year and though he had been confined to his bed for over a year, death came unexpectedly. Besides his widow he is survived by two brothers, Daniel at home and Charles of Hainesville. The sisters are Hannah of Waterborough and Mrs. Chas. Fanjoy. G. W. Slocum of the firm of Slocum & Ferris of this city is a nephew of the deceased.

Rebecca's Triumph. The success of Tuesday evening was repeated last night when the pupils of Miss Heffer again presented the three-act drama, Rebecca's Triumph, in the Carleton City Hall. As before, the minor details were carefully attended to, and the artistic arrangement spoke well for the executive abilities of Miss Heffer. The performance opened with an exhibition of Indian club swinging by Alexa Rogers. Miss Clara Leach, who had one of the quaintest parts in the play, made a decided hit. Miss Gladys Smith as the Vagrant handled a difficult role in a capable manner. Miss Laura Spence as Gyp the colored maid, provoked much laughter. Mahel Earle as Mrs. DeLain, Dora Corbett as Kate Connor and Moffet Burr as John Caxon were seen to advantage. The performance as a whole reflected great credit upon the teacher, Miss Heffer.

COUNTY SECRETARY HAS REMOVED 'PHONE

Refused Same Rate for Telephones as City Officials Enjoy, County Secretary Kelley Removes 'Phones.

Since his return from Fredericton, County Secretary Kelley has been living a quiet life, uninterrupted by the jangle of telephone bells. Mr. Kelley made a demand on the Telephone Company for the same rate for the city and city officials, but this the company refused to grant, and as he refused to pay the commercial rate on the phone for county use, it was taken out of his office.

"I'm not inconvenienced at all," said the county secretary yesterday, "though the contractors and people in the county are put to some trouble. I can transact all my business by telephone. So far as I am concerned I am ready to hold down the fort till the company gives the county the same rates it does to the city. If they had given me the \$20 rate, I would have paid extra for a private phone number for my own use. But I think I am entitled to the same rate for a private phone that the city officials get."

"We ought to have telephones in the county assessors' and county treasurer's office, and in other county offices, and probably they would be put in if we could get the city rate. As it is I have let them take the phones out of my office and residence and am living a quiet life."

WILL INCREASE RATES IN THE CITY MARKET

Rentals for Butcher Stalls will be Advanced 20 per cent—Will not Sell Toll Collections next Year.

A meeting of the Market Committee was held in the mayor's office yesterday afternoon when the members discussed with the recorder the nature of the changes to be made in the by-laws in order to enable the committee to carry out the policy it has determined on in connection with the future management of the market. The committee have decided to take charge of the collection of the tolls next year instead of leasing them to a private party, and the recorder will draft changes in the by-laws giving the committee the necessary power to arrange for the collection of the tolls. After discussing various matters, the committee paid a visit to the market and took up with the clerk the question of fixing an upset price for the stalls which will be sold at public auction.

It is understood the upset prices will be graduated in accordance with the location and desirability of the stalls. The butcher stalls will be leased in the usual way, though the rentals will be advanced 20 per cent on the rentals last year. The committee will hold a meeting this afternoon to consider the plans submitted by architects for alterations in the market building with a view to enabling the city to derive larger revenues from it.

CALVIN CHURCH SALE AND TEA

The Easter sale and tea held yesterday in the school room of Calvin church was a pronounced success. The school room was tastefully decorated for the occasion and the tables and booths presented an attractive appearance.

The sale began at 3 p. m. and tea was served from 6 o'clock till 8. The following committees had charge: Tea—Mrs. J. Buchanan, Mrs. Brewer, Mrs. J. H. Murphy, Mrs. J. K. McDonald, Mrs. F. B. Hayward, Mrs. Clark, Mrs. H. L. Coombs, Mrs. H. Steele and Misses Hetherington, Mary Ross, Minnie Semple, Leota Hayward, Gertrude McHard and D. Campbell.

Ice cream table—Mrs. Benn and Mrs. J. Semple. Fancy table—Misses Alice McBride, Helen Brownlie, Grace Clark, Mildred Mitchell and S. Neason. Candy table—Mrs. W. D. Stratton. Apron table—Mrs. J. E. Rossiter.

Many Applicants at S. A. Shelter. Adjutant Carter, who is in charge of the Salvation Army shelter, reports that more men have been given accommodation this winter than ever before. At the beginning of the winter there were not very many men seeking shelter, but since the New Year work has been slack, and a large number of unfortunates have patronized the wood yard.

Drill Season Starts Tonight. Tonight in the drill shed, the 62nd Regiment will commence this season's drill. It is expected that the men will turn out strong and will be in excellent shape for the trip to Boston in June next.

LATE SHIPPING.

New York, March 30.—Ard. Stms. Southampton. Liverpool: St. Paul, Southampton. Boston, March 30.—Ard. Stmr. Ionian, Glasgow. Newcastle, N. S. W., March 30.—Ard. Stmr. Crony, Vancouver, P. C. Liverpool, March 30.—Ard. Stmr. Ivernia, Boston. Naples, March 29.—Ard. Stmr. Duca Digenova, New York. Malta, March 30.—Ard. Stmr. Patria, New York. Saunderstown, R. I., March 30.—Ard. Stmr. Emily Anderson, Philadelphia, for Windsor, N. S. Smith V. Smith, Perth Amboy, for Eastport, Maine.

ALBANIAN INSURGENTS ACTIVE.

Constantinople, March 30.—It is rumored that the Albanian insurgents have occupied Soutari, capital of the Vilayet of Scutari in Albania, forty-five miles southeast of Dalmatia. There have been earlier reports of disaffection in Scutari.

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