

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Moderate to fresh winds, unsettled with local showers. Toronto, April 8.—Light falls of snow and sleet have occurred today in Quebec and there have been some local showers in the Maritime Provinces and also in British Columbia; elsewhere in Canada the weather has been fine. Temperatures have been higher in all provinces except in Quebec, where it has been cooler.

New England Forecast.

Washington, D. C., April 8.—Forecast for New England: Fair Saturday, slightly warmer in west portion; Sunday, fair, warmer in the interior, moderate north winds, becoming variable.

AROUND THE CITY

River Rises Two Feet.

Owing to the recent heavy rains and the melting snow, the river yesterday rose about two feet, but it is thought that owing to the early running out of the ice, it will not rise as high as in previous years.

Royal Crusaders Concert.

The concert given by the Royal Crusaders in the Every Day Club rooms, last evening was largely attended. Mr. James Sullivan presided and an excellent programme was carried out. Mr. E. S. Hennigar, grand worthy patriarch of the Sons of Temperance, delivered a stirring address on the subject.

Baptist Pulpit Changes.

The pastors of a number of the Baptist churches will exchange pulpits tomorrow. Rev. F. H. Wetton will preach at the Charlotte street church, Carlton; Rev. G. W. Milbury at Fairville; Rev. F. E. Bishop at Main street church; Rev. M. E. Fletcher at the Tabernacle church, and Rev. David Hutchison at the Waterloo street church.

Last Sailings of the Season.

Following is a list of the steamers to complete the winter port service: Lake Manitoba from Liverpool, March 30; Empress of Ireland from Liverpool, April 8, the last of the C. P. R. Liverpool service; Mount Temple from London, March 31, the last of the London and Antwerp service; Victorian from Liverpool, April 15, the last steamer of the Allan service. The Victorian will sail from here April 20 closing the winter port.

Committed for Trial.

In the police court yesterday morning David Lloyd Evans was committed for trial on a charge of stealing property valued at \$100 from his partner in business, George F. Menzies. The defendant was allowed out on bail, himself in the amount of \$800 and two sureties, Mr. J. B. M. Baxter, K. C., and Randolph Wottrich in \$400 each. Mr. Baxter and Mr. G. Barrie Logan appeared for Evans and Mr. J. A. Sinclair represented the complainant.

Presentation to Mrs. Boyne.

There was a pleasant gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Horton, 20 Orange street, last evening, when a party of friends gathered to say farewell to Mrs. Gordon Boyne, who will make her home in Amherst in the future. In the course of the evening Mrs. Boyne was presented with a handsome brooch as a token of the esteem in which she is held. Mr. Horton made the presentation on behalf of the gathering and Mrs. Boyne replied suitably.

A Use for Old Clothes.

Adjutant Carter desires to thank the ladies who have assisted him in the work of salvaging old clothes, and to request those who desire to get rid of cast-off garments during the house-cleaning process to remember that the Salvation Army will be glad to send men around to collect them. The adjutant states that industrial conditions are brightening up, and that the indications are that employment will be plentiful this spring. During the week he has received applications from employers for 20 or 25 men at a time, and there are hardly any idle men at the Hotel Metropole now.

Majestic at Indiantown.

The steamer Majestic arrived at Indiantown at 8.20 last evening about three days late. She left here on Monday for Fredericton, but when opposite Fox's wharf met heavy ice and had to drop back to Gagetown Creek, where the drift ice closed in on her and held her there for two days. She arrived at the capital Thursday afternoon. This is probably the longest time taken to reach Fredericton by a boat of her class. The steamer on the return trip had a heavy cargo of freight and a fair passenger list.

The New Tariff.

Local custom officials state that the new tariff regulations have not had any appreciable effect upon the imports to this port from the United States. It is said that as the new tariff does not give the United States any preference on the few articles to which it applies, there will not likely to be any increase in the local imports from the republic. A large shipment of glass from Belgium which arrived on the Lake Michigan gets the benefit of the new schedule, but apart from that there have been no entries of importance at this port coming under the reduced tariff. The officials state that an impression seems to prevail in some quarters that the reductions which went into effect on March 31, only applied to commodities coming from the states. But this is not the case. The reductions apply to goods from all countries.

Carmarthen Street Church.

Carmarthen street Methodist church will hold its educational anniversary on Sunday, April 10th. At a quarter to ten in the morning the classes of Centenary, Queen Square, Exmouth street and Christian workers from Germain street Baptist church will meet in Carmarthen street church for a united fellowship meeting. A season of spiritual uplift is expected by all who attend. Rev. Charles Flanders B. D., will preach at eleven along educational and missionary lines. The Sabbath school will meet at 2.30. Collections for educational fund. The pastor will preach at night on Our Educational Institutions. Rev. J. W. Atkins, field secretary of temperance and moral reform, will address a mass meeting on temperance at 8.30 in this church. All local option workers in Sydney ward are invited. On Wednesday, April 13th, Mr. Kingston will address the Epworth League on Superstitions. The offerings will be for the educational fund.

LIBELLOUS STORY PUBLISHED BY MISTAKE, SAYS M'DOUGALL

Former Editor of Free Speech Explains How Article Referring to St. John Citizens Came to Be Printed—Left Jail Yesterday Afternoon—Dodged Crowd By Driving to Coldbrook.

"I never felt better in my life," declared C. Bruce MacDougall, just before being liberated from the county jail, yesterday afternoon, where he had been confined since August last and the appearance of the defendant in the celebrated Free Speech case, certainly did not belie the assertion. Although the former editor and publisher of that once notorious publication did not care to be annoyed by anyone, or make any statement, still he admitted that he was exceedingly glad to once again breathe the free air. Asked regarding his plans for the future he replied that he had nothing definite to say as yet, and did not know what he would engage in. Speaking of the incidents leading up to his arrest and subsequent conviction, he declared that it was through an oversight that the St. John correspondence attacking prominent citizens here was ever published in Free Speech.

WITHDRAWS FROM CASE

Mr. Baxter Has Difference With Magistrate and Declines to Continue as Counsel for Mr. Goggin.

The Metropolitan Hotel case took a new and interesting turn yesterday afternoon, when Mr. J. B. M. Baxter, counsel for Mr. Goggin, took exception to some remarks made by Magistrate Ritchie, and promptly left the court room, refusing to take any further part in the proceedings.

WIVES OF AN ALDERMAN

Lament of Old Campaigner That So Much Conspiring Goes for Nothing—Unpaid Taxes, No Votes.

The ancient alderman, who is again an aspirant for civic honors, looked as woebegone as the ancient mariner, and as there was no wedding guest handy when he came out of City Hall he fell upon the reporter and walked out his tale of woe.

THE MAYOR IS RETICENT

Not Decided Yet as to Coming Out as Candidate At-Large—Probably Will—What the Others Think.

At 10.30 last evening the mayor was asked whether he had decided on his answer to the requisition urging him to run as alderman at large?

NEW TRIAL GRANTED

Case Against C. N. Beal for Selling Liquor in Albert To Be Argued Tuesday—The Grounds.

Upon application of Dr. E. A. Curry, counsel for Mr. C. N. Beal, Judge McKewen has granted a writ of certiorari ordering a new trial in the matter of alleged illegal shipment of liquor to Albert county. The case will be argued before the full court at Fredericton on Tuesday next.

Must Leave the Country.

In the police court yesterday afternoon, John Duffy, charged with stealing a gold filled watch from the dredge W. S. Fielding, was allowed to go on condition that he left the country and returned to England. D. L. Smith, charged with stealing a bag of clothing from the schooner Domain the property of Captain Stewart, was again before the magistrate. He was remanded until Monday.

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