

THE WEATHER.

Toronto, Dec. 10.—The depression which passed over the lower lakes region yesterday has developed into an important storm which is now centred in Newfoundland. The weather has turned decidedly colder from the Lower Lake region and through Quebec and is now becoming colder in the Maritime Provinces, attended by a fresh northwesterly gale. Throughout the west the cold remains very severe.

Dawson	.....	32	16
Victoria	.....	13	22
Vancouver	.....	14	24
Kamloops	.....	16	8
Calgary	.....	32	14
Edmonton	.....	26	10
Battleford	.....	26	18
Prince Albert	.....	20	18
Medicine Hat	.....	20	16
Port Arthur	.....	22	6
London	.....	14	38
Toronto	.....	23	13
Ottawa	.....	19	12
Montreal	.....	23	30
St. John	.....	38	44
Halifax	.....	42	40

*—Below zero.

Forecasts.

Maritime—Northwest and west winds; gradually decreasing; fair and much colder.

Northern New England—Fair and colder Thursday; Friday cloudy and not so cold. Strong west winds.

AROUND THE CITY

"WELCOME HOME" LUNCHEON.
A number of friends gave a "welcome home" luncheon to Mrs. Murray MacLaren yesterday at the Sign of the Lantern. The reunion was greatly enjoyed.

ORDER INCREASED.
The order of 400 yards of Irish serge for uniforms for the police and firemen, which was sanctioned Tuesday by the Common Council, will be increased to 450 yards, at \$6.50 a yard, to provide uniforms for the ferry employes. Mark Fisher & Sons, of Montreal, have been awarded the order.

SEVERELY INJURED.
James Kincaid, 25 Delhi street slipped on the ice yesterday morning at the corner of Delhi street and City Road, sustaining a severe cut on the back of the head. He was taken to the General Public Hospital, where the wound was dressed. Mr. Kincaid was able to proceed to his home.

AT SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE.
A number of sailors from the C. F. O. S. Corsican were entertained last evening by the young ladies at the Seamen's Institute. Some very interesting moving pictures were shown, and the sailors spent a very pleasant evening. A concert will be given by the sailors from the Corsican on Friday evening. Another concert will also take place on Saturday.

WANTS INFORMATION.
Herbert E. Wandrup, Common Clerk, has received a communication from the City Clerk's office, Boston, requesting information regarding George L. Randazzo, a former resident of St. John, who was born in 1820 and died in Boston in 1890, leaving a considerable sum of money to the city of Boston. It is for making a full record of the endowment that the information has been requested.

NOT RESPONSIBLE.
Commissioner Bullcock says that by virtue of an insurance policy which has been operative for some years, the city corporation is not responsible for any damages that may be made by the ferry, accidentally or otherwise. That, if any, would have to be recovered from the insuring company. The ferry struck and damaged the steamer Connors Brothers, Tuesday.

FRANK WOODS ARRESTED.
Frank Woods, father of the seven children who were found living in a wretched hovel on the Wilton Grove road by the Rev. Geo. Scott Tuesday, was arrested yesterday afternoon and will probably be brought before the Brookville court today to answer to a charge of non-support and neglect of his children.

CHRISTMAS MAIL BOAT.
The Christmas mail boat this year—the last steamer on which letters, parcels and newspapers can be sent from any part of the Dominion of Canada in time to be delivered in the United Kingdom—will be the Canadian Pacific Ocean Service steamer, which was announced yesterday. This announcement was made by the postal authorities, who stated that a full mail will be despatched by the Corsican, sailing on this port.

W. U. M. SOCIETY.
A meeting of the executive of the Women's United Missionary Society was held in Centenary church yesterday afternoon. Mrs. H. A. Goodwin presided, and the chief business was making arrangements for the New Year's meeting which will take place January 8th. A programme for this meeting was prepared, and committees appointed to carry out the items of the programme.

DISORDERLY HOUSE RAIDED BY POLICE

The police raided a disorderly house at 61 St. Patrick street last night and arrested the keeper, Maud Nichol, and two other women, Kate Donnell and Vera Morton. Three men who were found in the house were also arrested and three children who were living in the house were taken to the police station for protection.

MUFFLERS ARE MOST TIMELY.
For Christmas gifts. A muffler could be received at no more opportune time than Christmas. Silk Mufflers in plush and Oriental patterns; Accordion Silk Mufflers, Brushed Wool Mufflers in many colors. All new, from \$1.50 up. Gilmore's, King St.

WANTED—Experienced General, Apply Superintendent, General Public Hospital.

Joint Meeting Was Held Last Evening

Plans for Proposed New Court House Shown in Board of Trade Rooms Last Night—Addresses Favoring a New Building.

A joint meeting of the St. John Branch of the Engineering Institute of Canada, the Board of Trade, the Housing Committee and the Commercial Club of the city, was held in the Board of Trade rooms last night with C. C. Kirby, of the St. John Branch of the Engineering Institute as chairman.

The plans for the proposed site of the new court house as drawn up by Messrs. Ross and McDonald, of Montreal, were carefully read over and lantern slides of the plans were shown to the audience.

Commissioner Thornton said he was in favor of the plan that would include the entire block, from Sydney street back to Carmarthen street, and which could be purchased for \$100,000. He also said that he had received petitions from different Women's Organizations asking that the wall of the old court house be left standing. This would be impossible, as it would cost entirely too much to rebuild on the site of the old court house.

By using the entire block it would be possible to have the City Hall, the Registrar's Office, the Municipal offices, the Jail, Fire Engine House and the Court Rooms in the one large building. At present the different offices are scattered all over the city. This would be a great saving in time labor and money if all offices should be in one building.

By the proposed plan the new edifice would have a high ornamental spire rising in the centre of the structure as a memorial to our fallen soldier heroes of the city.

Commissioner Thornton is in favor of erecting a building that will be the pride of the citizens of the city.

P. C. Dyer, in speaking of this subject, said he estimates the cost of such a building at \$1,500,000, and believes that the citizens of St. John would be glad to pay the slight increase of taxes, to behold such a modern and magnificent building as is proposed to build.

Commissioner Bullcock thought that a report should be submitted to the citizens as a whole, and to their consent by vote. He also reported that the Housing Committee are unanimous for tearing down the old court house. He believes in building an edifice of beauty as well as one worth while. One that will stand the test of time.

Charles Lingley in speaking of the present plan believes that too much attention is being paid as regards building an imposing court house, and not enough attention is being given to erecting a place to be of more benefit to the public.

Mr. Donnelly thought that the essential thing this city requires is a proper assembly hall, a market place to be used for social gatherings and political purposes. A large hall of this sort would be a source of income to the city.

Harry Bennett advises a prize system for obtaining different plans and specifications for the building, and the approximate cost of each.

A. R. Crookshank in reply to this said that societies of architects will not allow members to propose plans unless sure that they will be recommended. He considered that over \$100,000 will not be an excessive price to pay for a city the size of St. John. Also it will greatly aid in advertising the city and firmly establish it as one of the most progressive cities per size in Canada.

R. E. Armstrong, representing the Board of Trade, said that nearly all the members were in favor of a large assembly hall being erected within the new building, and of purchasing the entire block at once.

At the close of the meeting it was found that all the societies were in favor of erecting the new court house. It was moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn and meet again next Thursday night, when this subject would be continued and the Dominion Housing Act read.

Two Hundred School Teachers Expected

Teachers' Institute Sessions Will be Held on Thursday and Friday of Next Week—The Program Arranged.

The city schools will close on December 17th, and on the 18th and 19th the Teachers' Institute will be held. It is expected that there will be about two hundred teachers present as members of the County Institute who will attend as well as those from all the city schools. Meetings will be held at the High School interesting features will be introduced in the excellent programme arranged. Miss Catherine Robinson gave a talk upon singing and in illustration will have her Glee Club present to give a demonstration. For Miss Emma Cotwell's address on reading she will have a class give an example of the methods taught.

J. A. Edmunds is president of the Institute, Miss Ida A. Keegan, secretary.

The programme is as follows:

Thursday, December 18.
16.00 a. m.—Opening and enrolment; address by the president, J. A. Edmunds; address by the Inspector of Schools, Wm. M. McLean.
11.00 a. m.—Arithmetic, Grades I-IV, Miss Mary Sugrue, Grades V-VII, Mr. Edgar Copp, Grades VII-VIII—Mr. Beverly Stovess.
2.00 p. m.—Singing, Miss Catherine Robinson.
3.00 p. m.—The Proper Relations Between Home and School—From Parents' View-Point, Mr. Jamieson—From Teachers' View-Point, W. L. McDermid.
Friday, December 19.
9.00 a. m.—Reading, Miss Emma Colwell.
10.00 a. m.—Composition Grades I-IV, Miss Vella Hoyt Grades V-VII, Miss Harriet Smith.
11.00 a. m.—Drawing, Miss Crawford, M. D. Brown.
2.00—Medical Inspection of Schools, Dr. Mabel Hanington.
3.00 p. m.—Domestic Science, Miss Jessie Hart.
General Business. Election of officers.

Lord Jellicoe Arrives Today

Will Inspect Drydock and Harbor Works, Will be Banquetted at Union Club, and Address Meeting in Imperial Theatre.

Lord Jellicoe will arrive in the city from Montreal on the C. P. R. express at 1.20 o'clock this afternoon. The citizens and shipping are requested to fly their flags in honor of the distinguished visitor.

The following are the members of Lord Jellicoe's staff: Admiral Sir Charles Kingsmill, Kt. R. N., in charge of Canadian naval forces; Flag Lieutenant P. W. Nelles, R. C. N.; Commodore F. C. Dreyer, C. B., C. B. E., R. N., formerly in command of H. M. S. Iron Duke, flagship of the Grand Fleet; Flag Lieut. V. Morgan, M. V. O., D. S. C., R. N.; Paymaster Lieut. E. N. Gunness, R. N. R.

During this afternoon the Admiral will inspect the works at the new dry dock at East St. John, and will also take a cruise about the harbor on the Government steamer Arlequin.

At 7 o'clock he will be banquetted at the Union Club by the Mayor and Commissioners.

At 9 o'clock this evening Lord Jellicoe will address a meeting in the Imperial Theatre, which will be presided over by the President of the New Brunswick Division of the Navy League, Col. E. T. Sturdee, F. S. D. Sir Douglas Hasen will also be one of the speakers by the strong cold wind and the entire ground floor of the theatre will be reserved for the members of the Canadian Clubs and Navy League.

Lord Jellicoe and staff will leave on the night express for Halifax.

Many Soldiers' Dependents Arrive

Were Looked After on Voyage from Liverpool by Official Conductress, Miss Bieden—Met by Members of Local Societies.

The soldiers' dependents who arrived yesterday by S. S. Corsican were looked after on the voyage by the official conductress of the Canadian Government, Miss Bieden. At the St. John docks they were met by officials of the Canadian Patriotic Fund, the Y. W. C. A. and the Red Cross Society. The Red Cross Rest Room has been comfortably fitted up, and the Red Cross nurse was in attendance. Mrs. Lawrence and Miss Lane, of the Y. W. C. A., were active in looking after the wants of the young mothers and babies. There were about two hundred soldiers' dependents arriving yesterday. At St. Mary's church last evening, welcome and care which was shown last winter to the wives and children of the soldiers landing at this port.

Those who were forced by some reason to remain in St. John were accommodated at the Travellers' Aid and the Y. W. C. A., where the various organizations will keep in touch with them until they can leave for their destination.

No Warrant for Statement Made

Member of Canadian Trade Commission in Error by Saying Canadian Exports Through St. John Because of Warehouse Shortage.

A member of the Canadian Trade Commission has said that the reason Canadian exports for Roumania were not going through St. John was that there were no warehouse facilities here. Secretary Armstrong of the Board of Trade, has been looking into the matter. He finds that there is no warrant for such a statement in the situation here, as there are plenty of warehouse facilities. During the summer steamers have been loading at Montreal for Roumania and Greece and Mr. Armstrong sees no reason why they should not load at St. John during the winter. It is suggested that export consignments to these countries have been going through American ports because they were not sufficiently large to demand a special boat.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH LADIES' AID SOCIETY

Social Hour Spent Yesterday at Residence of Mrs. H. Rankine, German Street—Address and Presentation to Mrs. W. C. Bell, Who is Leaving City.

The Ladies' Aid Society of St. Andrew's Church met yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. C. Rankine, 219 German street. A pleasant social hour was spent and an address and presentation was made to Mrs. W. C. Bell who is leaving St. John to make her home in Moncton.

Mrs. F. White, the president, read the address which expressed regret at the departure of Mrs. Bell, and assured her of the hearty esteem and love of the members of the Society which has owed much of its success to her energy and ability. The Society presented Mrs. Bell with a book of praise, and a box of roses as a token of esteem and friendship.

Mrs. Clarence Ferguson moved that a vote of thanks be extended to Mrs. Bell for her work for the Society, and warm words of appreciation were said by Mrs. E. A. Smith and Rev. F. S. Dowling.

Miss Sinclair who was present was presented by the Society with a gift of \$25, to help her in her work of bringing Christmas cheer in the lives of the lonely and needy.

WHAT CHRISTMAS DOES NOT INCLUDE HANDKERCHIEFS?

Dykes's greatly enlarged handkerchief section is all adfufur with myriads of dainty little squares—and they make such practical gifts for sending away. Many a foreign country is represented in this extensive collection. Here are dainty lace and hand embroidered Kerchiefs, some machine embroidered, some with delicate colored hemms, some with prints over the fabric in different motifs. Many hand embroidered and other effects. Styles for women and children, many are boxed. The values they are offering are unbeatable. Many were offered for two years ago when prices were much lower than they are today. Prices from 12 1/2 cents.

See these in their Santa Claus booth, Main Floor.

French Ivory is still very popular. Better secure these pieces at once, before it is too late. The Retail Store, 100 King street.

Make Christmas Safe With PYRENE Saves Life

Kills Fire **Save Life**

You realize the danger from fire always associated with the Christmas tree;—candles may fall and set flame to the branches, a defect in the electric wiring of the ornamental tree bulbs, contact of a lighted cigarette or cigar may set the tree ablaze and endanger the lives of your little ones, thus bringing pain and sorrow to mar the joys of Yuletide.

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and guard against all chances of disaster. Pyrene will extinguish any fire, however stubborn. The moment it touches the flame or embers, Pyrene casts about the fire a dense vapor blanket which prevents the fire from spreading. Even a child can use Pyrene.

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Received the following Boxed Novelties yesterday: Gasoline and Tire Record, Recipes, Eye Glass Cleaners, Assorted Corks, Powder Puffs, Gummed Labels, Printed Pads, Bells for Baby, Comb Cleaners, Clothes Pins and Line, Glass Measuring Spoon, Handy Hook, Styptic Stick, Pipe Cleaners, Window Wedges, Rubber Bands, Shoe Horn Button Hook, Cut and Color Cards, Airplane Toy, Hooperhang, Vest Pocket Tool, Metal Puzzles, Quaddy Cards, Doll's Clothes Pins, Doll's Kitchen Set, Tea Strainer, Motor Chatter, Stains, Wonder Bubble Blower, Olive Fork, Boys' Surprise Box, Girls' Surprise Box, Rulers, Self Spinning Top, Little Story Books, Paper Soap, Automobile Record Book, Stories for Your Bed Time, "A Smile or Two for You."

With Every Purchase Today We Will Give A Christmas Bell. Special Showing New Trimmed Hats, Tops, Tregg Dolls.

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Lace Edged Handkerchiefs \$2.50
..... 55 to \$1.00	
Maltese Lace edges \$1.50 to \$4.00
Tatted edges90 to \$2.50
Creme de Chine Handkerchiefs in pale colorings	..... 25 and 55
Colored or Colored Bordered Lawn	..... 15 to 35
Three or six pretty Embroidered Handkerchiefs in box	35 to \$2.75 box
Kiddies Handkerchiefs	25c. box up

Gloves She Will Appreciate

French Kid in black, white and tan, plain or with novelty stitching \$2.75 to \$3.50

Suede in black, grey and beaver \$2.75 to \$3.00

Washable Cape in tan, grey and white \$2.25, \$2.75

Hosiery of Dependable Quality

Fibre Silk in white and many good colorings \$1.25

Holeproof Silk in shades for the fall costumes as well as lighter colors \$1.65 pair

Pure Silk in all wanted colors and well known reliable makes \$1.60 to \$4.00

Pure Silk, drop stitch, black only \$3.15 pair

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