

THE WEATHER

Toronto, Feb. 4.—Pressure is low throughout the northern portion of the continent...

AROUND THE CITY

BROKE HER ARM. The many friends of Mrs. Everett J. King, 55 Germain street, west, will be sorry to learn that while out shopping on Wednesday she fell in King street and sustained a fracture of her arm.

IS OUT AGAIN

The many friends of Frederick Green, Chief Clerk of the Western Union, are pleased to see him out and about again, after being confined to his home for the past few weeks through a shaking up received in a fall on the ice.

AT THE HOSPITAL

F. J. Shreve, of the Merchants Bank, who was injured by falling on some ice about two weeks ago, was able to return to his home and to the hospital where he was being treated, yesterday.

PROBATE COURT

In the probate court in the matter of the estate of Richard J. Sullivan, administration de bonis non was granted to Wm. J. Sullivan, personally \$2,300. M. P. Raymond was proctor.

EMPLOYMENT OFFICE TO BE KEPT OPEN

At a meeting of the committee of the Unemployment Alliance, which had the unemployment matter under their charge, held yesterday morning in the Y. M. C. A., the question of keeping open the office now being staffed by the Salvation Army, the necessary funds having been provided by the Rotary Club, it was decided to take advantage of the offer of the Bank of Montreal of a suite of rooms and the office will be continued there.

GILMOUR'S FEBRUARY SALE

This annual clean-up of Ready-to-wear clothing has come to be an important event with many. It started yesterday and men came long distances to secure an early choice. To clean up the suit stock is the principal object and the selection is fine for present or Spring wear. Do as many others do—take advantage of this sale and save \$5 to \$15 on your Spring suit. Gilmour's, 68 King St.

CONGRATULATIONS

The Majestic theatre, Halifax, which seats 1,300, is sold out at \$1 per seat for Robert Norwood entertainment there next week. Loyalist chapter I. O. O. F. is to be congratulated on having secured the popular author and dramatist for their evening in the Pythian Castle on Tuesday next, 7th February. Tickets at Gray and Ritchey, or from members of the chapter, 60 cents.

Serious Blaze In The North End

Three Story Building Destroyed Along With Two Automobiles—Loss Estimated at Ten Thousand.

The city firemen were called on yesterday afternoon to fight the biggest fire of 1922 north of the river since the burning of the Long Wharf, owned by Mayor Gordon and occupied by Gunn's, as garage and warehouse was completely destroyed, the house to the north of the burned building was quite badly damaged, and the house to the south suffered from smoke damage, the total loss being around \$10,000. The smoke poured from the burning building in dense masses and could be seen from all over the city, and this coupled with the fact that a second alarm was rung in, drew large numbers of people to the scene of the blaze. It was a hard fire to fight and much credit is due to the department in keeping it practically confined to the building in which it originated, as it looked at one time as though all the buildings on the street might go.

The alarm was rung in about two o'clock from Box 146, by the garage man for Gunn's, who was working in the building at the time. He has no idea how the blaze started, and when he saw it first it had gained great headway, so far as he could judge the fire started in the top and worked down. By the time the firemen had arrived the smoke was pouring from the front of the building in blinding masses and a second alarm was rung in. It was seen at once that it would be impossible to save the warehouse and fixtures were adopted to keep the flames from spreading to the adjoining houses and in this the firemen succeeded fairly well, though the wall of one house to the north side was burned to some extent. This building was owned by John Stevenson, and occupied by Joseph Gallant, and Charles Caslin. These families were able to get their furniture out and were cared for in the homes of friends. The families in the house to the south of the destroyed building, occupied by Mrs. Valberman, Mrs. John Evers and Mr. Hurritz, were pretty well smoked up but did not suffer from the fire.

The Salvage Corps worked well in removing furniture and saving their goods with the covers. Two of the firemen had a narrow escape from serious injury when the roof collapsed and came right through about again, after being confined to his home for the past few weeks through a shaking up received in a fall on the ice.

J. A. Kennedy, Manager for Gunn's, said their loss would be in the vicinity of \$6,000. They had a new Grant truck burned and a quantity of tools. On the second floor they had stored a large quantity of poultry feed and this was all destroyed, while on the third floor they had stored a large number of sea crates. Mr. Kennedy himself lost a Studebaker car which was practically new, and this was only partially insured. The loss to the firm, he said, was entirely covered by insurance. The loss on the buildings will be between \$3,000 and \$4,000.

Before leaving the scene the firemen pulled down the front of the building as it was not deemed safe to leave it standing and in so doing a telephone pole on the opposite side of the street was snapped off like a pipestem.

Lumberman Was Badly Injured

John Summerville, of Millford, cut his left shin badly with an axe while chopping at P. Snodgrass' lumber camp in the woods near Westfield at about 9:30 yesterday morning. The wound was bound up by the cook, and the injured man taken to his home in Millford, where, after dressing the wound, Dr. J. H. Allingham advised his removal to the General Public Hospital.

On arrival at the hospital the man was put under an anesthetic and the cords which were severed by the axe that had cut through to the bone, were tied up, and several stitches taken to close up the wound. Mr. Summerville was reported to be resting comfortably last night, and a speedy recovery is looked for. Whether the injured man will lose the use of his foot or not will not be known for some days yet.

WILL RECEIVE THE REPORT NEXT WEEK

Mayor Schofield said yesterday that he expected the report of R. A. Ross on the hydro matter in the course of the next few days, and he thought until it was made public the citizens would do well to suspend judgment. Mr. Ross was regarded as the foremost authority in Canada on electrical matters, he was absolutely disinterested, and his finding should carry weight.

I. O. O. F. GIFT TO PRINCESS

Word was received yesterday by the primary chapter of the I. O. O. F. here that at a meeting of the Dominion executive, held recently in Toronto, it was decided to have the gift from the organization to Princess Mary take the form of cash which she might apply to some charity which she thought deserving.

PERSONALS

A. F. Bentley, of St. Martin's, was registered at the Royal yesterday. William J. Thorby, of Toronto, is in the city and is registered at the Royal. J. E. McAnley of Lower Millstream, was in the city yesterday and was registered at the Victoria.

Introducing The Simplex Farm Record

C. C. Cottrell of Toronto Says the Simplex Should Prove of Inestimable Benefit to New Brunswick Farmers.

C. C. Cottrell of the Simplex Company, Toronto, was in the city yesterday. When seen at the Dufferin Hotel by a Standard representative, Mr. Cottrell said his mission in the province was to introduce the Simplex Farm Record, a simple system of keeping accounts that should prove of inestimable benefit to the farmers of New Brunswick. It was not only a simple system for keeping all farm transactions for record purposes but it gave him the information to make out his Income Tax Report himself without worrying any one else about it and the expense often thereby entailed. He was able to know definitely by this record if he was making or losing money and just along what particular lines.

Mr. Cottrell who now having organized the Maritime Provinces by placing very capable head representatives in the field left for Montreal last evening to organize the Province of Quebec. He carries with him the endorsement of the most prominent Agricultural authorities and others throughout Canada among which are letters from prominent Maritime Province authorities which speak in no uncertain terms of the benefits to the farmer in using the record. The representative of the Company in New Brunswick is W. H. Bell, who will be remembered as the proprietor of the St. John Creamery in this city, a man who understands the problems of the farmer, having worked on a farm himself. Since leaving the city Mr. Bell has been in the west but after looking over conditions there he decided the east was good enough for him and has joined forces with the Simplex Company, to look after their interests in this province.

Schr. Senator Lying Near Rocks

Representative of Wrecked Schooner's Owners Is in the City—Goes to Scene This Morning.

Captain John White and Mate Carl Ploard, of the schooner Senator, which capsized off Dipper Harbor on Tuesday night, made a trip to Dipper Harbor on Thursday afternoon to investigate the condition of the vessel, returning to the city yesterday morning. According to information received last night from Captain White, the vessel is now lying on her side about 200 yards from the rocks, southwest from the Chance Harbor light. It was impossible to make any progress towards salvaging the schooner ashore on account of the storm which was raging Thursday.

Empress of France In From Liverpool

Brought Four Hundred Passengers and 2,360 Bags of Mail—Experienced Good Voyage.

The C. P. S. Mær Empress of France, Commander J. Gilman, O. B. S., which left Liverpool on Feb. 27, arrived in this port yesterday afternoon and docked at Nos. 2 and 3 berths, Sand Point. She brought 63 first, 185 second and 244 third class passengers, in addition to 2,015 tons of general cargo and 2,360 bags of mail. The vessel experienced good weather on the voyage over and nothing occurred to mar the pleasure of the passengers, who thoroughly enjoyed the trip. Disembarkation took place yesterday afternoon, the passengers proceeding to their different destinations by special train. The Empress of France will proceed to New York on Monday to begin a cruise to the Mediterranean. Among the passengers making the trip from Liverpool were W. K. Vanderbilt, New York; Commander J. Biddlecombe, London; Colonel J. S. Dennis, C. M. G., D. S. O., and Mrs. Dennis, Montreal; Captain W. A. Edwards, Montreal; Captain J. H. Ripston, Vancouver; Captain C. S. Shaw, London; Captain W. B. Sifton, Toronto; Dr. N. Morin, Paris; Mrs. N. Hunt and Miss M. Hunt, St. John.

PANTRY SALE At Imperial

The Hospital Aid of Portland St. Methodist Church will conduct a PANTRY SALE in the lobby of the Imperial Theatre, on Saturday, February 4, beginning at 10 a. m.

Brave Seamen Were Banquetted

Tribute Paid to Gallant Members of S.S. Melmore Head Who Risked Lives to Save Others.

At a banquet tendered in the Union Club last evening, the St. John division of the Navy League of Canada paid tribute to the five gallant seamen, Chief Officer Cole, John Dunnon, James Cunningham, John Dunwoody, and Patrick Cafferty, able bodied seamen of the steamer Melmore Head, who so gallantly risked their lives in the rescuing of the crew of the Norwegian steamer Mod, before the ill-fated craft foundered in mid-Atlantic some two weeks ago. The captain of the Melmore Head, Commander Harry L. Butt, R. D. R. N. R., and the Chief Engineer C. McChure, whose seamanship the rescues was made possible, were also guests, as well as K. J. MacIsaac, the Norwegian consul, P. Turcotte, local agent for the Hotel Line steamers, His Worship, Mayor Schofield and A. M. Belding, R. E. Armstrong, president of the local Navy League, and other members of the League present included, Captain A. J. Mulcahy, Col. E. F. Sturdee, H. C. Schofield and C. E. Allan.

All the St. John men voiced their admiration of the heroism displayed by the gallant five who had braved the cruel seas to save their fellows. The admiration expressed in words last evening, warm though it was, was as nothing compared to the silent tribute paid by the entire world last Monday when the story of heroic endeavor was flashed by telegraph and wireless to all parts of the globe. Then it was that in every home in every land, hearts thrilled at the thought of a north of unselfish sacrifice which has never been surpassed. As the story was briefly narrated at last evening's banquet, it was at about 2 a. m. Saturday January 21st that the steamer Melmore Head, while bravely buffeting the spray toward the port of St. John, in the teeth of a hurricane and with mountains seas continually breaking over her, received a S.O.S. from the Mod.

The bearing of the steamer in distress were faulty, and it was not till the afternoon of the following day that the doomed craft was sighted. In the words of Commander Butt, "The Mod was in a terrific condition. She was lying on her beam ends, heavy seas washed over her decks, and all her lights were gone, while huddled in what little life was afforded by her canvas deck, were her crew of over thirty men." Volunteers were called for, to man the life boats, and from the Irish liner steamer to the rescue of the crew, as the freighter was seen to be sinking fast. The task was one that might well have daunted the stoutest hearts. Nothing but a heavy sea washed the two ships, while the wind lashed the waves into a constant state of fury. The launching of the life boat was a task in itself. Nothing daunted, the four gallant men—the guests of the evening—volunteered for the perilous task. The launching of the life boat proved successful, and they manfully pulled toward the doomed craft. An attempt to get a line aboard the Mod proved unsuccessful, and to approach too near threatened to destroy the only means of rescue.

Signals were made to the crew to jump into the sea and four of the crew did so, and were hauled into the lifeboat. The rest stuck to their ship till she suddenly heeled over and began to sink, precipitating them into the sea. Some twenty-three of them were rescued but the remaining ten were drowned.

W. K. Vanderbilt Enjoyed Voyage

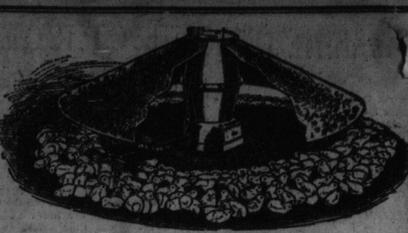
Delighted With Service on Empress of France—Would Not Discuss Railway Situation.

"The trip across the Atlantic on the Empress of France was thoroughly enjoyable and the service on the liner throughout the voyage could not be excelled," declared W. K. Vanderbilt, Vice-President of the Toledo and Ohio Central Railway Company, on his arrival in port from Liverpool yesterday. "No effort was spared by the officers and employees of the Canadian Pacific Services, Limited, to add to the comfort of the passengers. I have always desired to take a trip by the Canadian route, and the experience has been a delightful one."

When questioned as to the railway situation in general, and avoided discussion of all railway matters in Canada, United States or England, in regard to the question of government control of railway lines, Mr. Vanderbilt declared he would rather not express any opinion. Mr. Vanderbilt who now holds the rank of Lieutenant Commander, in the United States and resigned in the same month of the following year. His career in the American Navy and served on a railway magnate started for a considerable time on convoy shortly after his graduation from Harvard. In June, 1917, he was awarded in science at the age of twenty-pointed President of the New York two years.

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3 Only Muskrat Coats—40 inches long, belted, striped collar and cuffs, and 3 border, Regular \$200. FOR \$100
4 Black Russian Pony Coats—40 and 42 inches long, trimmed with Australian Opossum, Skunk and Taupe Fox. Regular \$200. FOR \$100
3 Only All Marmot Coats—40 inches long. Regular \$160. FOR \$80
1 Only French Beaver Coat—Regular \$175 FOR \$87
4 Only Taupe Wallaby Coats—A great motor coat. Regular \$85. FOR \$42.50
2 Only South American Beaver Coats 36 inches long. Very attractive garments. Regular \$500. FOR \$250
2 Only Taupe Brazilian Marten Coats Very smart coats that give excellent wear. Regular \$350. FOR \$175
1 Only Chapel French Seal Coat—36 inches long, smartly trimmed with Taupe Squirrel, girle belt. Regular \$350 FOR \$175
6 Only Black Caracul Coats—42 inches long, trimmed with Taupe Opossum, Black Wolf, Brazilian Marten, and Black Dyed Skunk. Regular \$175 FOR \$87.50

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CARNIVAL. Don't forget the carnival at the Carleton Place, Tuesday, Feb. 7th, in aid of the Memorial Home, Wright street. Clifton House, all meals 60c.