

THE WEATHER.

Toronto, Aug. 17. — The weather has been very warm today in Manitoba and South-east Saskatchewan, and cooler west and north with scattered thunder storms. From the Great Lakes eastward it has been fine and warm except for fog along the Maritime coast.

Prince Rupert. 52 62
Victoria. 50 64
Vancouver. 54 68
Calgary. 48 57
Medicine Hat. 56 68
Moose Jaw. 56 100
Regina. 58 97
Winnipeg. 60 88
Port Arthur. 52 70
Saskatoon. 54 78
London. 60 83
Toronto. 63 83
Kingston. 68 83
Ottawa. 62 76
Montreal. 64 76
Quebec. 60 70
St. John. 58 78

Forecast.
Maritime—Light to moderate winds, fair and moderately warm.
Northern New England—Fair Wednesday and probably Thursday; not much change in temperature; winds gentle to moderate variable.

AROUND THE CITY

Pay your taxes on or before August 25th and save 5 per cent. discount. Immediately after the 25th day of August executions will be issued for all unpaid taxes and interest at the rate of 1/2 per cent. per month will be charged after the above discount date.

SOON GOT TIRED.
Policeman T. W. Smith retired from the force yesterday. He has been a member only about a month.

FREE VACCINATION.
Seventeen small children were vaccinated at the free vaccination clinic for prospective scholars, in Dr. Mabel Huntington's office, yesterday afternoon.

HOT IN ROTHESAY.
The weather was very hot in Rothesay yesterday afternoon. At Robertson's corner grocery the thermometer registered 106 in the sun and 85 in the shade.

GAME THIS EVENING.
Another good game is promised for this evening when the St. Peter's and the Vets meet on the St. Peter's grounds in the second game of their special series.

CARPENTERS AND JOINERS.
The monthly meeting of the Ship Carpenters and Joiners Union was held last evening in the Oddfellows' building, Union street. Routine business was transacted.

INQUEST SATURDAY.
The inquest into the death of Orlo Brown, who was killed by an electric current while viewing a ball game on the Queen Square diamond on Friday night, will be held next Saturday night.

HEAVY TOURIST TRAVEL.
The tourist travel of the past few days is about the heaviest that the city has experienced this season. Large numbers are arriving daily by train, boat and auto. All the city hotels are crowded just at present, in fact several of them are full to their utmost capacity.

CHANCERY COURT.
The August sitting of the Chancery Court opened yesterday morning. His Honor Judge White presiding. The docket includes Wallace vs. Peters, which was set for hearing on Thursday, and Steves vs. Peters. In both cases Dr. W. B. Wallace, F. C. appears for the plaintiff, and M. G. Treadwell, K. C., for the defence. The case of Holly vs. Quilty was set for August 27. It was said that that of Connell vs. Kennedy, which was entered, will probably be settled out of court.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.
The following real estate transfers have been recorded recently:
R. H. Colwell and others to Harriet M. Colwell, property in Lancaster.
T. P. Jordan to S. B. Jordan, property in Simonds.
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G. A. Noble to S. Lavinia C. Laidlaw, property in Union street.
William Paddock and others to Soldiers' Settlement Board, property in Simonds.

Kings County.
W. L. Belyea to Frank Puddington, property in Greenfield.
A. W. Clegg to Florence L. Ellis, property in Rothesay.
J. W. Coster to Alex. Cummings, property in Havelock.
G. W. Fowler to O. G. Manson, property in Sturholm.
E. A. Hoyt to A. M. Clegg, property in Rothesay.
J. M. Titus to Walter Titus, property in Hampton.

SPRUCE LAKE WATER.
The following record of water in gallons available from Spruce Lake was submitted by Commissioner Jones at yesterday morning's meeting of the Common Council committee:

	Consumption.	Overflow.
1899	1,200,000	13,100,000
1900	1,200,000	13,300,000
1901	1,200,000	4,700,000
1902	1,396,300	6,900,000
1903	1,443,100	6,200,000
1904	1,724,000	7,200,000
1905	2,025,000	5,700,000
1906	2,312,000	7,700,000
1907	2,410,000	7,700,000
1908	2,048,000	5,100,000
1909	2,605,000	5,400,000
1910	2,043,000	4,500,000
1911	2,375,000	4,800,000
1912	2,616,000	7,230,000
1913	2,605,000	5,400,000
1914	2,743,000	3,300,000
1915	2,777,000	4,900,000
1916	3,100,000	3,350,000
1917	3,216,000	5,500,000
1918	3,400,000	9,900,000
1919	3,500,000	7,800,000

The average daily supply from the lake is estimated at 9,000,000 gallons. During the years when a small overflow was registered the rainfall was away below the average.

Automobile Went Into The Ditch

Car Driven by J. Hunton of Sackville Left the Road at the Hammond River Bridge—He Escaped With Scalp Wound—Car Badly Damaged.

An automobile accident which might have had more serious results happened at the Hammond River bridge last evening about eight o'clock. J. Hunton, of Sackville, was driving along the road at a fair rate of speed when something went wrong and suddenly his car left the roadway and plunging through the wire approach plunged into the ditch several feet below. Mr. Hunton was alone in the car at the time, and although rather stunned was able to get clear of the wreckage and was brought in to Rothesay in another automobile.

The Navy League Meeting Yesterday

Executive Decided to Launch a Provincial Campaign for Funds from October 18 to 23—The Objective Decided on is \$20,000.

At an enthusiastic meeting of the executive of the Navy League, held yesterday afternoon in the Board of Trade rooms, it was decided to launch a provincial campaign for funds this autumn, the dates to be from October 18th to 23rd. The objective decided upon is \$20,000 for the whole province. R. H. Armstrong, provincial president, was in the chair, and there was a large attendance of members. Mrs. C. B. Allen, of this city, and Mrs. FitzRandolph, representing the L. O. D. E., were present at the meeting, while Captain Kerr and C. E. Babcock, of the Dominion executive, Toronto, were also in attendance. Mrs. FitzRandolph spoke enthusiastically on the prospects for the coming campaign, and said that it would meet with success in Fredericton and vicinity. Other members present were of the same opinion. The date for the drive is a good omen. Trafalgar Day falls on the 1st of the month in the middle of the campaign, and with the inspiration of Nelson to spur them, the members of the executive feel confident that the objective will be more than reached.

Common Council Regular Meeting

Decided Yesterday to Tender Civic Reception for Hon. Arthur Meighen and Hon. J. D. Reid—Other Business Transacted.

The city council yesterday decided to arrange a civic reception for Hon. Arthur Meighen and Hon. J. D. Reid, when they are in the city on Monday next and His Worship the Mayor will arrange for a dinner to be tendered the distinguished guests on Monday evening.

The Commissioner of Public Safety was given authority to arrange for a supply of coal for his department. The commissioner of harbours was authorized to call for tenders for 15,000 feet of spruce deals and 4,000 feet of spruce boards.

The proposed amendment to the Indian Harbor Act, passed in 1892, raising the amount of license fee to \$20 per year for steamers and tug boats was read a first time. A copy of the Order-in-Council passed by the Provincial Government re id to employment offices was read and referred to the mayor, who is preparing a report on this matter.

COMBINED PICNIC GREATLY ENJOYED

The annual combined picnic of St. Peter's and Holy Trinity churches was held yesterday on the Bishop's grounds at Torriburn. The Committee in charge report that it was a great success. The Sunday school children, headed by the City Cornet band, marched to the depot and a body of about 100 went out to the grounds on the 10.30 train. Large crowds went out on the afternoon trains at 12.30 and 2.30, and then returning trains in the evening were also loaded to capacity. It was very warm during the afternoon; in fact too warm for comfort. However, it caused a great business for the refreshment booths, and the did a rushing trade. The many other games and amusements provided were also very popular.

His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc, Mar. Walsh and many priests of the parishes in the city were in attendance.

Recommendation By City Solicitor

Question of Valuation of Stocks in Trade for Assessment Purposes Needs to be Reconsidered and Legislation Sought by Which Fair Principle is Laid Down for Valuation.

As one of the after-effects of the judgment delivered by Mr. Justice Barry, in the case of the City vs. Dominion Coal Co., in which the city was the loser, it is likely legislation will be sought clearing up the ambiguity in the present Act and enabling the assessors to assess a reasonable amount on this class of assessments.

The report of the city solicitor, read by the common clerk, was as follows: On the tenth instant Mr. Justice Barry delivered judgment in the matter of the Dominion Coal Company, Limited, versus the city. This was an action to determine the meaning of the words "average value of stock" in our assessment act. My own view from the beginning has been that the mode of assessment by the Board of Assessors was not justified by the act, but in view of the very strong opinion held to the contrary by the board I thought it advisable to have a judicial interpretation of the section which ought to set the matter at rest. I have put the case on the strongest possible point of view in favor of the claim of the board of assessors, but I think that the judgment of Mr. Justice Barry is unimpeachable. I was driven to argue practically that assessment could be based upon the average value of the total aggregate of the coal handled by the company in St. John during the year, and, as the learned judge points out, assessment on this basis would be excessive, exceeding by a considerable amount the total net income of the company. On the other hand, the law as it has been construed, and I believe the construction is correct, does not enable the assessors to impose adequate taxation upon a company doing such an extensive business. The whole question of the valuation of stocks in trade for assessment purposes, in my judgment, needs to be reconsidered and legislation sought by which some fair principle will be laid down for their valuation.

I enclose a copy of the judgment, and would recommend that no appeal be taken, but that the money paid under protest by the Dominion Coal Company be refunded and the cost of the action paid.

Mail Relating To Vital Statistics

The Board of Health has received word from the office of the Deputy Postmaster General that mail relating to vital statistics will go free of postage. In the closing hours of the last session the Minister had put through a bill designed to stamp out the glaring abuses of the franking privilege. Unfortunately these new regulations interfered with important federal services, among which was the service of vital statistics. Hon. W. F. Roberts, Minister of Health for the province, has pointed out this conflict to the Deputy Minister during a recent trip to Ottawa, and the Deputy Minister had at that time promised to bring the matter to the attention of the Postmaster General.

The regulations had played havoc with the system of the local Board of Health in obtaining vital statistics, and had caused considerable confusion. However, a notification was received from the Deputy Minister yesterday, saying that the promised remedial measure had been put into the act. The following is the text of the communication:

With reference to the departmental circular No. 84 of the 8th of July, in regard to provincial franking privileges being abolished, postmasters are informed that the portion of section 150, page 29, of the 1920 postal guide relating to vital statistics has been retained. Section 150 of the regulations as amended reads as follows:

"Fees used by clergymen, medical men and others, when making returns of marriages, births, and deaths, and (Province of Quebec) parish registers containing written entries of births and marriages and interments, which clergymen send each year to the Prothonotary of their district, and which the Prothonotary sends back to the clergymen, are allowed to pass free of postage; but, should registration be required, the usual charge of 10 cents must be prepaid by stamps in every case."

(Sgd.) R. M. COULTER, Deputy Postmaster General.

Mrs. A. F. Bentley, of St. Martins, was in the city yesterday.

W. B. Chandler, of Moncton, was at the Victoria yesterday.

Mrs. C. W. Price, of Petford, was in the city yesterday.

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Will Report All Cars Overcrowded

Commissioner Thornton Instructs Police in This Respect—Refused to Allow Crowded Car to Run Last Night—Will Inspect Halifax One-Man Cars.

Commissioner John Thornton told The Standard last evening that the management of the street railway will have to take steps to avoid the present overcrowding of street cars at certain hours of the day. He intends to instruct the chief of police to notify his men to report all cars that are overloaded and to refuse to allow them to run.

The commissioner said that he refused to allow a car to run last night that was crowded to the danger point. As commissioner of public safety he was entrusted with lives of the citizens of St. John, and he felt that he was not fulfilling his trust if he allowed such a state of affairs to continue. If the management of the Street Railway wish to maintain their service, he said, arrangements will have to be made to provide sufficient cars. The commissioner said that he was going to Halifax to attend the regatta and while there he intended to make a thorough inspection of the one-man cars in operation in that city.

Meeting Held In The Mayor's Office

City Fathers, Representatives of N. B. Power Co. and Employees Discuss Street Railway Service—Some Important Matters Brought Out.

A meeting was held in the Mayor's office yesterday afternoon at which there was an informal discussion of the street railway service.

Besides the Mayor others present were Commissioners Thornton, Frink, Jones and Bullock; L. R. Ross and Thomas B. McCauley, representing the N. B. Power Co., and Frank A. Campbell, Ira D. Parris and Percy Moore, representing the men.

Mayor Schofield reported on the inspection he had made of the one-man car service operated in Lewis, P. Q. The type of car used there is the latest and is equipped with all the newest safety devices. It is totally different to the converted type of cars that the N. B. Power Co. wish to put in operation here.

Several of the commissioners expressed their views on the one-man car proposed for this city. They did not think that in the demonstration given so far that it had proved satisfactory.

POLICE COURT CASES YESTERDAY

Yesterday was a quiet day in the local police court. James McKinney came before the magistrate in the morning to answer a charge of obstructing Liquor Inspector Mennfield in the course of his duty. McKinney pleaded guilty to the charge. The inspector had gone to the premises of the accused, armed with a search warrant, and he had been prevented in the course of his duty. McKinney was charged with drunkenness, received the usual sentence.

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DISCOUNT DAY.

County taxes, including the Parish of Lunenburg, will be received at the County Treasurer's Office, 108 Prince William Street, up to Saturday, August 21st inst.

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Princess Slips—White nainsook, trimmed with embroidery. All sizes. Sale price \$2.00 each.
Corset Covers—An assortment of pretty styles, lace and embroidery trimmed. Sizes 36 to 44. Sale prices 75c., 85c., \$1.25 to \$1.80.
Silk and Wash Satin Underskirts—Very dainty styles in pink and rose. Sale prices \$2.75, \$4.50 and \$5.00.
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Silk and Satin Underskirts. Sizes 6 to 12 years. Sale prices 75c. to \$2.00.
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Page three contains particularly interesting news in the form of the announcement of the Annual August Fur Sale of this store. In view of its importance you'll want to turn to it.

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