

THE WEATHER.

Maritime — Southwesterly winds, fine and colder. Toronto, Feb. 18.—The disturbance from the Gulf of Mexico has passed rapidly to Newfoundland, having caused snow from the southern portions of the lake region to Atlantic. Elsewhere the weather has remained fine and very cold.

AROUND THE CITY

Engine Derailed. Engine No. 41 was derailed in the I.C.R. yard last evening. With the assistance of a locomotive and a crew of men it was righted without much difficulty.

For St. Patrick's Day. A car load of banner sticks was shipped on the steamer Bengore Head consigned to parties in Ireland. There will be great doings on St. Patrick's Day.

A Sprained Ankle. Michael Laidis who was arrested on King Square yesterday afternoon for being under the influence of liquor, was later found to be suffering from a sprained ankle. Dr. J. M. Barry was called to central station last evening and attended his injury.

He Knew Where to Come. Hon. Walter Scott, premier of Saskatchewan, passed through the city yesterday on his way west. Mr. Scott needs a principal for the new provincial university at Alberta, and in accordance with the general practice, has been looking for a luncheon to take the position.

Big Evening at Seaman's Institute. There will be a big evening at the Seaman's Institute tonight, commencing at 7.45 o'clock. An address will be given by Mr. William Matheson and there will be a musical programme by the Y. Sailors and citizens are cordially invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

CHURCH NOTICES.

St. Luke's church, Rev. R. P. McKim, rector, Rev. J. E. Purdie, curate. Services as follows: Holy Communion, 8 a. m.; meeting for prayer and intercession, 10.30 a. m.; morning service, 11 a. m.; meeting for boys, 2.45 p. m.; evening service, 7 p. m. Bishop of Fredericton will speak at 11, 2.45 and 7 o'clock.

Difficulties of Potato Shipment. Owing to the cold weather, the process of loading the Cuban line steamer ship Hirundo with potatoes is progressing rather slower than usual. To prevent the potatoes from being frozen necessitates having the hold of the steamer closed down and reheated every two hours. The steamer will take away nearly 9000 barrels of potatoes, 300 tons of hay, 150 drums of fish and 50 standards of lumber. It is expected that she will be in readiness for her trip this evening.

An Old Pipe and an Old Hydrant. Mr. Wm. Murdoch, city engineer, when asked yesterday with reference to the poor stream of water from the hydrant at the corner of Water street and Market Square, at the fire on the South Wharf, said that this was one of the oldest hydrants in the city and the pipe was also very old and originally only four inches in diameter. Owing to encrustation, the pipe at the present time might be only two and one-half inches. Notwithstanding these facts he said there should have been plenty of water.

Appraising South Wharf Fire. Mr. E. Bates, representing the insurance company and Mr. S. D. Thorne for Mrs. Wilson, the owner, have appraised the damage to the building in yesterday morning's fire on South Wharf at \$600. The total insurance was \$3000 held by the London and Lancashire, Mr. J. W. Smith, representing Mr. Johnson and Mr. W. A. MacLaughlin for the insurance company commenced the work of appraising the damage to the stock yesterday afternoon. The insurance is \$6000 divided among the Commercial Union, Northern and Wm. Thomson and Co., with \$2000 in each.

BIG FAIR IS BOOMING

Manager Good Well Satisfied —New Buildings Under Way —Many New Features Being Arranged.

"Every day a large number of applications for space are received although the time limit is June 1st, and it looks as if a great many firms would be left out. Other things being equal first come, first served. All indications at this early stage point to a great financial success." This is how M. H. P. Good, manager of the Dominion Exhibition summed up the situation in speaking to a Standard reporter yesterday.

"We have already started to make the necessary repairs and additions to the building," he continued, "and the contractors will have to pay a fine if they do not finish on the date named. You can say that I have already been in communication with Mr. Hand and that we are arranging for the grand fireworks display ever seen here."

"Following the lead of other big fairs it is possible we may entertain any distinguished visitors to the city and exhibition and invite critical suggestions as to the handling of any part of the fair."

"In recognition of the movement to boom St. John, we are also likely to feature a big map of the city showing all the different industrial establishments, with the vacant lots suitable as factory sites marked in red."

Board of Control Again Revived By Ald. Kelley

Details of Bill Providing for Administration of Civic Departments by Four Elective Commissioners — Council Asks for Further Information Before Adoption.

The proposal to place the administration of the civic business in the hands of a board of control, along the lines of the system adopted in Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa and other progressive cities took definite shape at a meeting of the council yesterday when Ald. Kelley submitted the draft of a bill providing for creation of such a body. Many of the aldermen were taken by surprise and voted to defer action until further information was presented, but there was a strong feeling in favor of the principle of a board of control.

Stepped From Train Into Arms of Police

James Livingstone Masquerading Here As Book Agent Arrested Yesterday in Boston on Bigamy Charge—Smart Detective Work Over the Wires Leads to Capture.

James Livingstone, alias "Dick" Carruthers, a noted crook, bigamist and confidence man, from across the border, but who for the past three weeks has been living in St. John, was arrested in Boston yesterday as he left the train, on which he arrived from here. He was taken into custody by Thiel Detective Agency men, who had tenaciously followed his trail for the last two months.

TO RECOGNIZE HEROIC ACT

Move to Secure Royal Humane Society's Medal for Harry Lilley—Recently Rescued Man in Falls.

At a recent meeting of Marlborough Lodge, No. 207, Sons of England, it was decided to take action for the purpose of securing public recognition of the heroic deed of Mr. Harry Lilley, one of the members of the lodge, in risking his life in the rescue of a patient at the Provincial Hospital, from the icy waters of the revolving falls. At the risk of his own life, Mr. Lilley plunged in and brought the man to shore, after a hard struggle with the current.

FISH MERGER IMPOSSIBLE

Local Dealers Ridicule Idea of Controlling Prices — Fishermen Too Independent—Previous Trust Schemes Failed.

A number of St. John fish dealers when asked whether in their opinion the fish merger alleged to be in process of formation by certain Montreal interests, would be able to achieve its purpose of controlling prices, declared that there would have to be a complete revolution in the methods of prosecuting the fish industry before such a project would become possible of realization—much less probable.

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POTATO WAR IN CUBA

Uncle Sam Making Determined Efforts to Oust New Brunswick—Local Products May Hold the Trade.

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"The American potato exporters are making a determined effort to oust the New Brunswick product from the Cuban market," said Mr. C. W. Duggan, potato exporter of Woodstock to the Standard yesterday. "Up to a week or so ago New Brunswick exporters were doing a good business in Cuba, but recently considerable shipments from the States have invaded the market, and as the American article is favored by a preferential tariff of 20 per cent, the outlook for New Brunswick potatoes is not so promising."

In The Police Court.

In the police court yesterday James Lyons and George Cooper, reported for soliciting passengers at the I. C. R. depot were each fined \$2. Lyons was also reported for doing a hotel business without a license. He promised to procure a license and was allowed to go.

Bargains! Bargains!

Table with columns: Sometimes We Offer Goods at Reduced Prices. When We Do They are Worth While. Read this List: Agate Ware Ice Pitchers, Coffee Pots with Jackets, Hot Water Kettles, etc.

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