

THE WEATHER.

Maritime and Gulf - Moderate to fresh winds, showery and cool. Toronto, May 28 - Rain has fallen from eastern Ontario to the Atlantic...

BORDEN CLUB IS FACING PLANS FOR A GRAND PICNIC

Enthusiastic Meeting, Last Evening, Decided on Mammoth Outing at River Point on Dominion Day.

At a largely attended and enthusiastic meeting of the R. L. Borden Club in their rooms, Charlotte street last evening, arrangements were commenced for the holding of a big political picnic, W. H. Harrison, the president of the organization, presided.

Although as yet the arrangements have not reached a definite stage, it is planned to make the affair both the largest and most memorable picnic ever held from the City of St. John. The picnic will be held at some point along the river and it is estimated that several steamers will be necessary to accommodate the large number who have already signified their willingness to attend.

Before the meeting of the club last evening the executive committee met and decided that the picnic would be held and appointed the chairman for the various committees.

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People Alarmed by Number of Fires During Past Two Weeks.

EVIDENCE OF INCENDIARISM

All Recent Fires Occurred Within Small Radius - Residents Think Certain Fires were Set.

For a few weeks residents of the North End have been able to rest easy, and little anxiety has been felt on the score of fires, but in view of several fires which have occurred of late the fear of incendiarism is again taking hold.

The man who was supposed to be responsible for the incendiary fires that were discovered in the North End has been dealt with and the day after he had been in the Provincial Hospital a fire was discovered burning in a barn in the rear of 259 Main street, which the owner, Thomas Brogan, declares was intentionally set.

On the evening of Sunday, May 4 a fire was discovered in a carriage on the Broadway, near the Elliott building, and the flames were extinguished before much damage had been done.

A young lad living in the next block, when going to bed saw the flames shooting out of the window of this rear room and gave the alarm. The fire was extinguished with buckets of water, the bedstead and bedding were destroyed, and the walls of the room burned.

On Tuesday evening of this week a fire was discovered burning in a woodshed adjoining the residence of James McEwaine, near No. 5 fire station. The flames were extinguished by the occupants of the house without the aid of the department.

Mr. McEwaine declares that an incendiary was at work in this case. The barn of Police Officer Garneau on Main street, which was twice burned, was recently found afire and the belief is that it was a case of incendiarism.

In view of these fires residents of this particular block in Main street have been perturbed greatly and the belief is that the reign of the firebug still exists, and there is even greater cause for anxiety than before.

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Interesting Function, Last Night, to Celebrate Opening of New Quarters of Local Lodge of Moose.

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Howdy Pop, the whimsical and mystic greeting of the Moose, was the keynote of the ceremonies incident to the initiation of the members of their new quarters on Hason street last evening.

High Dictator J. A. Barry, seated loftily on the dias beneath a canopy of cigar smoke, presided over the ceremonies, and every time he issued a command something happened.

At this point appeared a train of young men from the shades of the back of the house bearing what looked like the pipes of Pan, but which on closer examination were seen to be bottles of ginger pop with straws in them.

D. H. Higgins contributed a solo, F. Stack a monologue and song, Messrs. Haines, Ewing, Henderson and McDonald a musical selection, Mr. Kirby a solo, Mr. Cromwell a juggling exhibition, R. Brown a solo, the Freeze Bros. a banjo and mandolin duet, R. Carson a song, Mr. Dennison a solo, Messrs. Johnson and Clark a sketch, and Messrs. Noble, Irving and Noble a triquet.

A Pernis, B. C. paper of May 19 says that the visit of Archbishop Casey to that city: His Grace Archbishop Timothy Casey of Vancouver arrived here Saturday night, direct from the Terminal City, accompanied by his secretary.

HOUSEHOLDERS COMPLAIN. Oil and Asphalt Used on Waterloo Street is Far from Popular.

Com. Agar has received some complaints about the destructive character of the combination of oil and asphalt being used in the work of repaving Waterloo street.

A visit to the whitewash department of F. A. Dykeman & Co.'s will show you the great saving you can make in filling your whitewash needs.

George Sergeant of New York, is a guest at the Royal. Mr. Sergeant leaves this morning for Minto, N. B.

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Ice Cream Freezers. The White Mountain Freezer is strong, durable and easily worked. It makes smooth, velvety ice cream in three minutes.

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Men's Fashionable Footwear. We are now showing the finest collection of Men's Shoes we have ever been able to assemble.

Buy the Most Efficient Refrigerator. A refrigerator that will only keep your food cold isn't enough - it must also keep it pure and wholesome as well.

Vast Assortments of Summer Gloves. With the exception of a perfect shoe, nothing in the category of your apparel lends more elegance to your gowns than a perfect glove.

Warm Weather Hosiery For Ladies and Children. Ladies' Black Silk Hose, pair 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50 to \$4.50.

Sparkling Cut Glass. In Rich, New Designs, for Wedding Gifts. The finest variety of Electric Portables we have ever offered.

AROUND THE CITY

Merely Routine. The Public Utility Commission held a private meeting yesterday afternoon and transacted some routine business.

Cricket Postponed. The cricket match to have been played on the Barrack Green yesterday afternoon between St. John and Rothesay was postponed on account of the rain storm and will be played on Wednesday afternoon next.

River Shad Plentiful. A quantity of mackerel was shipped to the city yesterday from Nova Scotia. Fishermen on the river report large catches of shad.

A Slight Fire. Shortly after three o'clock yesterday afternoon a fire was discovered in the residence of Miss Jessie Orr at 27 St. Andrews Street and an alarm was sent in from box 37.

A Civic Rule Book. Com. Agar has prepared a manual of instructions for officials of the Public Works Department, laying down rules and regulations under the guidance of those employed in all the services under his control.

Scarcity of Brick. There is some fear among building contractors that the scarcity of brick in the city will seriously interfere with building operations before the summer is over.

An Evidence of Growth. The city will start work in a few days building a culvert at the Newman's Brook bridge, through which the water mains will be laid in order to accommodate the growth of the city in that direction.

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