

THE WEATHER.

Maritime — Northwesterly gales; colder with light snow-falls.

AROUND THE CITY

Two Drunks in Cells. Only two drunks were arrested yesterday by the police and taken to the central police station.

Big Grain Shipment. The C. P. R. steamer Montrose which sailed yesterday afternoon took away 111,029 bushels of grain.

Immigrants Pass Through. A train load of immigrants from the steamer Pretorian at Halifax passed through the city at five o'clock this morning.

Hear Again the Old Songs. Fantasia, "All the World's a Stage" by Miss Jean Lesvitt, will be given in St. Stephen's Sunday school this evening at 8 o'clock.

River May Open Today. Men familiar with the river reported that the high winds and heavy rain of yesterday would complete the work of breaking up and melting the ice, and today the river would be open for navigation.

Folkie-Taylor. A quiet but interesting ceremony took place yesterday afternoon at the home of the officiating clergyman, when Rev. Wellington Camp, B. D., united in marriage Miss Frances Taylor, of Salisbury, and Hazen Polkine, of Sussex.

MANY ENJOY GOOD MUSIC AT CONCERT IN ST. MALACHI'S

Entertainment Under Auspices of Y. M. S. of St. Joseph, Proves Unqualified Success—Numbers Heartily Encored

An excellent and intensely interesting entertainment was given last evening in St. Malachi's hall, under the auspices of the Y. M. S. of St. Joseph.

A good representation of the local talent contributed to the programme, and their numbers were received with rounds of applause by an appreciative audience.

The St. Joseph's orchestra under the direction of M. F. Kelly were up to their usual rank and played several splendid selections.

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Mrs. F. B. Cowgill was in charge of the ticket and business department. Committees assisted at the various tables. The proceeds are to be devoted to the purchase of books and other purposes of the Ladies' Association.

FINE ENTERTAINMENT FOR A WORTHY OBJECT

Miss Heffer's Pupils Present Comedy and Specialties in St. David's School for Girls Association.

An excellent entertainment was given in St. David's church school room last evening by the pupils of Miss Emma Heffer, for the benefit of the St. John Girls' Association.

The performance consisted of a number of specialties and a four-act comedy entitled "A Girl in a Thousand."

The following specialties were well and faultlessly carried out amid much applause:—Doll drill, "Twelve Wise Toys"; Dobby and Joan, burlesque (in costume); Six boys and six girls; song, Miss Daisy Oram.

WIRE TROUBLE HOLDS UP NEWS. Owing to wire trouble, caused by the storm of yesterday, the news service of all eastern papers, including The Standard, was considerably held up last night.

PREMIER IS DELIGHTED WITH OUTLOOK FOR NEW SETTLERS

Organization of New Brunswick's Immigration Offices Abroad will be Greatly Extended—Two Hundred Settlers Coming with Mr. Bowder in Spring.

Premier Fleming arrived in the city yesterday and is at the Victoria. Discussing the past session of the legislature he said he was very much pleased with it. There had been a great amount of legislation brought down and passed, and many of the matters were of paramount importance to the province as a whole.

As regards his visit to England during the coming year, which course had been suggested in connection with the steel shipbuilding project here, the premier said nothing definite had been arranged in the matter as yet. He expressed his interest in the project, however, and his sympathy with St. John in their efforts to carry the scheme to a successful issue.

200 Settlers in One Party. "This influx of settlers is a most gratifying sign and there are bright prospects ahead in the coming spring and summer along this line. Mr. Bowder, the New Brunswick representative in London, is due soon with about two hundred new settlers for New Brunswick; besides this contingent the Norton Griffiths company expect to have about twenty-five or so to settle on farms as part of their colonization scheme. Then there are the settlers located by the farm settlement board to say nothing of the individual settlers who have taken up farming in the province on their own initiative during the year.

TWO CHILDREN DEAD; MOTHER IS VERY SICK

Robert McAfee's Family Passing Through Time of Trouble.

BROTHER AND SISTER DIED YESTERDAY

Mother Prostrated with Grief and in Critical Condition, while Oldest Child is also Sick at Home.

The death of Roy McAfee, the bright seventeen year old son of Robert McAfee, at the residence of his father, Cranston Avenue, yesterday morning, came as a terrible shock to his many friends and sincere sympathy was extended to the grief-stricken family.

This feeling of loss and grief was doubled last evening, when the sad news of the death of his sister, Vera McAfee, was made known. The little girl, who was but thirteen years of age, had been ill but ten days with a severe attack of pleuropneumonia. She passed away but a few hours after her brother, who contracted cerebral meningitis as the result of an attack of ptomaine poisoning, contracted while on a hunting trip with the Boy Scouts.

The grief as a result of this double loss has prostrated the unhappy mother who is almost at the point of death herself, needing the constant care of her physician. To add to the unhappiness of this home, the eldest sister, Hazel McAfee, aged fifteen is ill with tonsillitis.

This double loss of two of the brightest and best liked children of the city has called forth from the public at large sincere sympathy for the unhappy family. Many who personally knew the children are grief-stricken at their untimely deaths. Besides their parents, the children are survived by two sisters, Hazel and Eva McAfee. The funeral will be held on Saturday afternoon from the Mission church at half past two o'clock. The members of St. Laurence Guild of Mission church, of which the deceased was a member met last evening and adopted resolutions of sympathy to the mourning family. The guild will stand on guard in the Mission church, from the time requiem high mass is celebrated at 9:30 o'clock Saturday morning, until the funeral service is over.

U. S. CONSUL CULVER'S HOME TOWN IN FLOODED DISTRICT

Mr. Culver Declares He Cannot Understand Report of Loss of Life in Delaware, Ohio—City is Elevated Above River.

Among the residents of St. John who are watching with special interest the news from the flooded district is Henry S. Culver, the American consul, here, whose home town is Delaware, Ohio, one of the communities which suffered severely from the flood, and, according to the reports, sustained a loss of 100 lives. Mr. Culver has had no news from the flooded district except what he has gleaned from the newspapers. He has relatives in both Delaware and Columbus and is somewhat anxious as to their fate.

"It is impossible for me to account for the loss of life in Delaware, my home town," said Mr. Culver, to a reporter of The Standard. "Along the river front there is a strip of low land, but most of the town is elevated from ten to fifty feet above the river, and it is a mystery to me how the river could rise so rapidly and cause such a loss of life. In the spring freshets the low lying strip along the river front is usually flooded, but the river rises gradually, and people have an opportunity to protect their property."

"In Columbus, which is twenty miles below Delaware, at the fork of two rivers, there is a considerable section of low land lying on the west side, but the east side has some elevation."

"Delaware is a city of about ten thousand people, and the loss of life and property will be a serious blow if the reports are correct. The calamity is a bad one. I see the New York World says that it is the greatest calamity which has befallen the states from floods. To me it is altogether extraordinary. I am sure and I am waiting with interest and anxiety for news from both Delaware and Columbus."

LARGE ATTENDANCE AT THE EASTER TEA

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HEBREW LOTHARIO "COPIOUSLY" BUMPED

Affinities There May be for Some, but not for this Academic "Mawruss" — Wife Objects.

There was trouble in the home of a Hebrew resident of Acadia street last evening when the husband of the lady returned home after a night of revelry. The wife had been making a practice of calling on a certain young Jewess in the vicinity, devoting his attention to her, and as he said himself, "was just getting in strong."

The story of the regular calls, however, leaked out and found its way to Mrs. ... Then things started to move. The disturbance that followed it was a difficult proposition to find a place to cross on King street.

Shortly before eight o'clock in the evening a loud crash of thunder startled the residents of the district. This was followed by a vivid flash of lightning. Coming at such an unreasonable period of the year, it was a difficult proposition to find a place to cross on King street.

DAW WEATHER MADE RECORD

Yesterday About the Most Disagreeable day of the Year—Streets Slushy and in Bad Shape.

The bad weather which has followed Easter continued yesterday and last night and the snow storm of Wednesday night way to rain on Thursday. During the day rain fell almost incessantly and at several periods of the day the downfall was torrential.

The streets were in a particularly bad condition all day and the rain coming immediately after the snow of the previous day added to the unpleasantness and walking was decidedly disagreeable. The sidewalks during the morning were covered with about three inches of slush.

On the west side the lights in the principal streets were impassable, and even up to midnight it was a difficult proposition to find a place to cross on King street.

Two items of extreme interest for Saturday evening at Dykeman's. One hundred and twenty-five ladies' shirt-waists to be sold at 35 cents each. They are made from a striped American percale in plain shirt style with pocket on front, separate collar and band cuff. Do not judge the quality by the price as they are worth more than double.

The other item is one hundred and fifty children's fast colored percale dresses, made in the delectable of styles. Sizes 6 to 10 years, will be \$1.19, while the regular price is \$1.29. Sizes 12 and 14 years will be \$1.29, regular price \$2.50. These dresses are intended for spring and summer wear. They are very pretty colorings, are trimmed with silk emblems and silk ties.

The Charity Ball. The statement that the Charity Ball of Wednesday evening was given under the auspices of the Daughters of the Empire. The ball was given under the auspices of the Playgrounds Committee of the Daughters of the Empire.

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