

**THE WEATHER.**  
Maritime—Moderate winds; fair and milder.

Washington, May 3.—Forecast: Northern New England—Cloudy Monday, probably followed by showers at night; Tuesday fair, moderate south wind.

Toronto, May 3.—Rain has fallen over the greater portion of Alberta and Saskatchewan, otherwise the weather in Canada has been nearly everywhere fine.

Minimum and maximum temperatures:

City	Min.	Max.
Victoria	44	58
Vancouver	46	58
Edmonton	40	44
Calgary	38	44
Medicine Hat	48	58
Battleford	46	60
Prince Albert	36	60
Swift Current	42	52
Moose Jaw	31	71
Winnipeg	50	62
Parry Sound	32	62
London	32	67
Toronto	38	64
Kingston	32	54
Ottawa	34	63
Montreal	46	68
Quebec	43	64
Halifax	32	50

**AROUND THE CITY**

**Three New Members.**  
At the Leinster street Baptist church yesterday holy communion was celebrated and three new members admitted to fellowship.

**Man Ejected.**  
On Saturday Patrolman McLean was called into the Gem Restaurant on King square to assist in ejecting a man who was not wanted there.

**Disturbance Quelled.**  
Officer Anderson was called into Thomas Blizard's house in Harrigan's alley, Saturday night to quell a disturbance that one of the boarders was creating.

**Found by Police.**  
The police report finding a glove on Union street, another glove on Waterloo street and a rain coat on Douglas avenue. The owners of these articles can obtain the same on application at the central police station.

**Conducted Services.**  
Rev. R. H. Stavert, field secretary for the Dominion Alliance in this province conducted the service in Carmarthen street Methodist church yesterday morning, and in Fairville Methodist church in the evening.

**Train Late.**  
Owing to a derailment along the line the Saturday Pacific express did not pull into the depot until about 8:30 p. m. The "run-off" occurred somewhere on the other side of Moncton and the train which is due at 8:15 p. m., was three hours and twenty minutes behind time.

**Barbers Meet.**  
A meeting of the barbers was held in the Odifellows' Hall on Sunday afternoon, and addresses were delivered by Leon Orhall, general organizer of the Barbers' International Union and others. There was a good attendance, and the prospects for the new organization were said to be bright.

**Degree Conferred.**  
At the annual convention of the Presbyterian College in Montreal, recently, the degree of B. D., an eundem gradum, was conferred upon Rev. R. H. Stavert, M. A., B. D., field secretary for the Dominion Alliance in New Brunswick. Rev. Mr. Stavert is spending a few days in St. John, and is receiving congratulations.

**Grass Fire.**  
Yesterday afternoon between four and five o'clock an alarm was rung in from box 127 for a fire of Douglas Avenue. Through carelessness on the part of some person the grass in the park leading from the avenue had become lighted. The blaze was extinguished without the aid of the fire department.

**Damage Light.**  
About 10:30 o'clock yesterday morning an alarm was sent in from Box 16 by Mrs. James Carney for a small fire which caught on the roof of Amassa Pihney's house, 17 Hanover street. The department responded quickly and the blaze was extinguished with but slight damage. The fire is supposed to have started from the chimney.

**Evangelistic Service.**  
There was a large attendance in Queen's Park last evening at the evangelistic service conducted by the Rev. A. C. Barrows. Dr. Barrows took his text from Luke 5:4, "Launch out into the deep and throw down your nets for a draught." The discourse on this subject was a plea to all church members to reach out and help those who have fallen. Rev. F. H. Wentworth opened the meeting with prayer and Rev. Mr. Dennison read the closing prayers.

**PERSONAL.**  
Hon. George J. Clarke, acting premier, was in the city on Saturday on his way from Fredericton to his home in St. Stephen.  
Hon. J. A. Murray was at the Victoria on Saturday.  
J. E. Long, safety engineer of the C. E. R., was in the city on Saturday. James Lowell ex-M. L. A., was reported to be resting a little easier last evening, but his condition is still regarded as critical.  
Mr. and Mrs. Byron C. Tapley announce the engagement of their only daughter, Margery, to Charles A. Nevins, only son of Charles T. Nevins, of this city; the wedding to take place on June 10th.  
Mr. Murray Beatty of the Bank of Nova Scotia left this morning for P. O. N. B., to relieve the manager of the bank there.

**GOOD HOMES IS A WORK FOR CHURCH**

**Rev. H. A. Cody believes religion must play prominent part in solving housing problem.**

"Housing conditions in St. John are worse than in some cities of Canada, and better than some others," said Rev. H. A. Cody in the course of an interesting sermon in St. James' church last evening, on "The Housing Problem." He said the question of improving the material conditions of the people, providing better housing, letting the sunshine into dark homes and giving the children a chance to play on God's green earth was a religious question and its solution would result in improving the physical, mental and moral character of the people. Mr. Cody pointed out that the poor people of St. John who were not able to go to the country for the summer had a magnificent park near the city, but it was of little benefit to mothers and children, since it tired them out to go there and return. He said it was a sin that access to this park was not provided, which would enable women and children to spend the summer afternoons there without the necessity of a long and tiresome walk.

Mr. Cody dealt with the subject of housing in a general way, pointing out that in nearly all civilized countries the need of better housing was becoming recognized, and something was being done by the public authorities and others to improve matters. In England it was a woman, Octavia Hill, who had first roused the nation to the need of improved housing in order to stop the degeneration of the people. The speaker thought it was a paradox that in a country like Canada with so many million square miles of unused land it was difficult for many people to get land upon which to build a house, or a grass plot upon which their children might play. In the west housing conditions were somewhat better than in the east, and in Vancouver and Winnipeg were many cottages surrounded by gardens and occupied by workmen. It would be a religious work to undertake to provide cottages with pleasant surroundings at prices which would not be prohibitive to the workmen.

Mr. Cody said that originally homes meant a temple, a place sacred to the family. People born in the country had an affection for the home and the home associations not felt by people who lived in a city and were obliged for one reason or another to move from one dwelling house to another every year or so.

**WILL HOLD A CONVENTION THIS MONTH**

**Atlantic Coast Longshoremen to discuss matters of general interest—Annual Meeting yesterday.**

At the annual meeting of the Longshoremen's Union held yesterday the following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

President, E. Thomas; senior vice-president, A. Tower; junior vice-president, Thomas Sullivan; secretary, treasurer, C. G. Langheim; business agent, J. E. Tighe.

A board of management composed of thirty members was also elected. The North Atlantic District will meet in St. John on May 27th, and the following were elected delegates to this body: J. E. Tighe, M. P. Donovan, John Montague, E. Thomas and C. J. Langheim. It is expected that there will be thirty-five delegates in attendance from different Atlantic ports, including Halifax, Montreal, Boston, New York, Portland, etc.

Other business before the meeting was of a routine nature, closing up the work of the winter. There was a good attendance, and much interest was shown in the elections.

The following despatched from Montreal, evidently refers to the meeting of the District Council of the North Atlantic, which was organized about a year ago:

"A federal union between the Longshoremen of Montreal, New York, Boston, Portland, Halifax, St. John, Three Rivers and Quebec, is being seriously discussed between officials of the various bodies concerned, and a meeting of all interested will probably be held next month to discuss plans for such an amalgamation.

"A uniform rate of wages for the men engaged at the ports mentioned is the object of the proposed federation. The wages paid men in the different ports vary greatly now, and all the men have their scale of wages raised a general rate of up to 25 per cent. The Atlantic coast might result."

The District Council or Federation, here referred to, was organized in Boston last year. At the convention here this month general matters affecting all the ports represented will be discussed. The object of the union is to place all ports on a same level. In St. John wages are now higher than in some other ports, but it is expected that the union will be brought up to the level of St. John before another move for higher wages is made here.

**REPORT VERY SUCCESSFUL YEAR'S WORK**

**Sunday School of Centenary church making rapid strides—Satisfactory financial statement.**

Special services yesterday marked the celebration of the 74th anniversary of the Centenary Church, Sunday school. At the morning service the pupils of the school had the centre of the church reserved for them, and the church choir was assisted by the orchestra of the Sunday school. After devotional exercises the superintendent of the school, James E. Arthur, read the report of the year's work which was of a very encouraging character. The report of the secretary of the school, A. Laskey, showed that the school had made considerable progress numerically and financially.

The enrollment of the school without the home department is 284 pupils while the enrollment for the home department is 70 and for the cradle roll 21, making a total of 375. The average attendance for the summer months, June, July, August and September, was 76 and from October to May, 192. The receipts amounted to a total of \$361.13, made up as follows: Sunday offerings, \$356.17; piano fund, \$146.80; special library fund, \$7.76; Sunday school anniversary, \$1.00; church anniversary, \$50.51. The missionary collections amounted to \$236.24, the largest in the history of the school. The pastor, Rev. W. H. Barrough, preached an interesting sermon on "Light," illustrated by the use of candles.

After the afternoon an open session of the Sunday school was held, at which interesting addresses were given by former superintendent, E. T. Thomas, White and the Hon. Superintendent, Thomas Jenkins.

At the evening service, which was also attended by children of the Sunday school, the pastor took as his subject, "Our Duty to the Rising Generation," and urged the co-operation of parents with the teachers of the Sunday school.

At the annual meeting held last Tuesday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Superintendent—James E. Arthur, Honorary Superintendent—D. Mc Kendrick, Associate Superintendent—Thos. Jenkins, Secretary—A. Laskey, Assistant Secretaries—L. LeLacheur and R. Edwards, Special Missionary Secretary—L. Hennigar, Treasurer—H. A. Lyman, Librarian—Roy McKendrick, Assistants—H. A. Lyman and Fred Barbour.

Supt. of Home Dept.—Miss Annie Hea, Supt. of Cradle Roll—Miss M. Sealy, Supt. of Missionaries Dept.—Thos. Jenkins, Supt. of Primary Dept.—Miss M. G. Barbour, Supt. of Temperance Dept.—D. McKendrick, Pianist—Miss H. Galley, Leader of Orchestra—M. L. Harrison.

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**GOLD CANE FOR OLDEST MEMBER**

**William C. Godsoe, a member of Centenary Sunday School since 1839—87th birthday.**

It was an interesting and unusual event that last evening marked the closing of the service in Centenary Methodist church, when after the service had been conducted by the officers of the Sunday school and church and a number from the congregation assembled in the auditorium of the church and presented to William C. Godsoe a handsome gold-headed cane accompanied with an address, in honor of him being the oldest living member of the Centenary Sunday school.

The presentation was made by E. T. C. Knowles, secretary-treasurer of the treasury board.

In the year 1839 Mr. Godsoe joined the Sunday school and he recalls with interest the days when the church was in building. He was trustee of the Sunday school for many years and is the oldest superintendent. On Saturday Mr. Godsoe celebrated his eighty-seventh birthday and he has been practically seventy-five years a member of the Centenary Sunday school. The presentation last evening was followed by a fitting reply by the recipient.

**RECOUNT NOT LIKELY NOW**

**Would have to be ordered by a Judge—Last meeting of old Council today.**

There seems to be little possibility of a recount in connection with the recent civic election. It was said Saturday that a recount would have to be ordered by a judge, and it was not likely that such an order would be issued without a great weight of evidence being submitted to substantiate the charges of irregularities. There was some talk of an injunction being laid against the aldermen, but it is thought that this would be in direct opposition to the terms of the charter and that no judge would grant it.

It was thought that the new members as declared, would be asked to assume office at the time appointed by the charter and that nothing more would be done.

The last meeting of the old council will take place this afternoon when the report of the common clerk in connection with the recent elections will be submitted. It is likely that the retiring members of the board will be heard in closing addresses.

The new commissioners will be sworn in on Tuesday, and they will immediately assume office.

**QUEEN VICTORIA PICTURES TODAY**

**Inaugurating Canadian Tour after Successful Broadway Run.**

In York Theatre this afternoon at 3 o'clock the stupendous seven-part historical epilogue "Sixty Years a Queen" will receive its premiere. This is no ordinary picture show, but a serious and expensive reproduction of the great events in the reign of Victoria the moral, political, martial, artistic and personal. It is an inspiring British spectacle throughout and under the mastery piano treatment of Herr Knowles, the most renowned composer and virtuoso, the scenes will be made even more strikingly real. Mr. M. B. Leavitt, under whose direction the Queen pictures are being shown, respectfully dedicates the engagement to the British organizations of Canada. Uptown tickets are being sold in the Imperial theatre stores. General sale at the door.

**BLASTING AT COURTENAY BAY**

**Warden McLellan may take steps to have contractors change methods—Many Complaints.**

The present system of blasting at Courtenay Bay, which has proved such an annoyance to many citizens, will be materially changed, if the county authorities can do anything in the matter, Commissioner McLellan as warden of the county expects to be able to have the contractors at the East St. John harbor improvement works change their methods, and it is likely that if necessary, pressure will be brought to bear to have the present annoyance modified to a great extent.

It is understood that the blasting operations have caused damage to dwellings in the city proper as well as at East St. John, and the citizens have made many complaints. For a time the blasting seemed less severe but lately it has seemed heavier than ever. It is likely that something will be done at once.

**CHICOUTIMI-FREESHOLD ESTATE ISSUE IN LONDON**

London, May 3.—The issue is announced of £246,650 in six per cent first mortgage guaranteed sinking fund of fifteen year sterling bonds of the Chicoutimi Freshhold Estate Company Limited, at 93. The company is acquiring four hundred thousand acres of land from the Peridonta to Manouan rivers, Quebec, which will be leased to the Chicoutimi Pulp Company.

**ALTERATION SALE**

Before commencing the enlargement of their premises, P. A. Dyke and Co. intend reducing their stock by reducing the price. They have on sale now about seventy-five house dresses which they are offering at 59 cents each. They are made from gingham, prints and chambray, they are worth \$1.50. They also have about one hundred children's dresses to fit children from one year to twelve years that are selling less than half the regular price, they run from 25 cents up to \$1.50.

**COOD SHAFIT IN HIGH GRADE**

One running \$170 per ton has been encountered in the main shaft of the Codd lease, which is being sunk to connect with the Causten tunnel level. The shaft is 600 feet below the 2nd level and has about fifteen feet to go, to reach the level of the Causten where twenty feet of drifting will connect the two leases. The shaft is approaching a junction of the two veins and bids fair to open up a bonanza ore shoot.—"Review-Miner," Lovelock, Nevada.

**Long Wear as Well as Top Notch Style in M. R. A. Suits for Boys**

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