

THE WEATHER.

MARITIME: — Westerly winds, mostly fair, not much change in temperature. Toronto, Ont., Dec. 27.—Mild weather has prevailed today from the Lake region to the Maritime Provinces, while in Manitoba and Saskatchewan it has been cold.

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AROUND THE CITY

Lady Curlers Meet. The first general meeting of the St. Andrew's ladies' curling club will be held in the rink on Thursday morning at 11 o'clock sharp, when plans for the winter's work will be discussed.

Dispensary Thursday. The St. John Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis announces that the dispensary in the new rooms corner of Lennox and Carmarthen streets, will be open on Thursday afternoon of this week from 2.30 to 4.30 o'clock.

Montfort Arrives. The steamer Montfort arrived in port yesterday with a large general cargo and 451 passengers from London and Antwerp. About 90 of the passengers were held at Sand Point by the immigration officials, being mostly without the sufficient funds required.

Acknowledgement. The treasurer of the St. John Protestant Orphans Home has received the following amounts: James E. White, \$10; "A Friend," \$10; C. W. Hope Grant, \$20; Mrs. L. MacLaren, \$10; "In Memoriam" E. J. M., \$25; The Misses MacLaren, \$10.

Her Father Objected. Last evening there was some commotion on Union street near the Opera House. An old man met his daughter in company with a young man with whom she was keeping company against her father's wishes. He had her taken to the central police station where she was given some good advice and sent home.

Funeral of Joseph A. Sullivan. The funeral of Joseph A. Sullivan took place from his father's residence 113 Mount Pleasant, Sunday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock and was very largely attended. Pall bearers were relatives. The body was taken to Holy Trinity church where the Rev. J. J. Walsh read the burial service. Interment in the new Catholic cemetery.

Travellers' Smoker. The programme for the Board of Trade smoker to be held in the Keith's Assembly Rooms this evening, was not completed yesterday, as it was believed that the travellers themselves could be trusted to put up an impromptu entertainment of a first class character. Rev. G. M. Campbell, Mayor Frink, and the President of the Travellers' Association, were booked for addresses, and there will be songs, readings and other specialties.

P.A.P.B. Officers Elected. A meeting of King Edward Lodge, No. 30, P.A.P.B., was held last evening in St. John West, when the following officers were elected:—W.M., W. Smith; D.M., C. Price; chaplain, W. H. Cunningham; sec. sec., R. Spencer; fin. sec., C. McLeod; treas., A. Belya; D. of C., C. Sweet; asst. sec., W. Davis; lecturers, F. Lanyon, J. McLeod; I. T., Carson; O. T., W. Tapley; chairman of standing committees, C. Whalen; trustees, W. Smith, D. Well, J. McLeod. The Grand Master conducted the election.

HOLD CONFERENCE ON HARBOR MATTERS

At the Mayor's office yesterday morning Hon. Mr. Pugsley met in conference with His Worship, Ald. Hayes, Russell, and Smith, the Recorder and Chamberlain, representing the city, and T. H. Estabrook, W. S. Fisher, W. H. Thorne, W. E. Foster and H. B. Schofield, representing the Board of Trade. The conference was over the proposal that the government should take over the city's wharf property at Sand Point.

WOMAN STABBED; SON SUSPECTED

Mrs. Charles O'Dell Taken to Hospital With Knife Wounds in Her Head—Result of Drinking Beer.

A report was about the city last evening that Mrs. Charles O'dell had been fatally stabbed by her son, Fred, in her house on Exmouth street. That murder had been committed was the theme of the story which spread quickly. On investigation it was found that the woman had received a bad wound on the back of the head but she will be able to get about in a few days. Charles O'dell with his wife and son, reside on Exmouth street and yesterday afternoon it appears some liquor was being consumed in the house. A row occurred and Mrs. O'dell was stabbed on the back of the head and her son Fred, is under suspicion of having caused the injury. It was about 5.40 o'clock when Policeman Crawford was notified of the affair and he quickly made a visit to the house. The police officer found the woman lying in a pool of blood and the furniture about the room disarranged. She was bleeding from a cut on the side of the head the wound evidently having been inflicted by a knife. The ambulance was summoned and Mrs. O'dell was conveyed to the general public hospital where it was found that she was only suffering from a scalp wound which was closed by a few stitches.

FROM CAPE BRETON WITH FROZEN FEET

Charles Simons May Be Crippled for Life as Result of Rough Experience—Beat Way on Train.

Officials at the general public hospital met with a great number of distressing and peculiar cases and last evening a particularly unusual case came along. The subject was Charles Simons, a young man of 20 years of age and a native of New Bedford, Mass., who has been wandering about the country for some time and a few weeks ago was a tramp in North Sydney, Cape Breton. According to his story he was without money and having no lodging house to go to, he slept in a barn during the night. The weather was very cold, the thermometer being degrees below zero. The severe cold awakened the young man, but not before he was crippled for life. He stated that after awakened in the barn he left that his feet were cold of feeling, but that he was able to walk with great difficulty. He was without money enough to purchase a railway ticket and accordingly beat his way westward. He managed to steal rides on the trains from North Sydney to Truro, N. S. and from there he beat his way to this city. The trip to St. John took a number of days and the unfortunate young man found his feet becoming disabled and yesterday afternoon when he arrived here he was almost unable to walk. Simons was shown the way to the hospital and on his arrival there was put under an examination. It was found that both of his feet had been frozen and it was found necessary to amputate two of his toes, and it is quite probable that more will have to be taken off today.

P.A.P.B. GRAND MASTER VISITS YORK COUNTY

Installs Officers Elected by King Edward Lodge at Marysville Monday Evening—Order Flourishing.

Lodge No. 23, P.A.P.B., of Marysville, held their regular meeting Monday evening, at which the following officers were elected:—W.M., J. Holland; D.M., B. Brown; chaplain, F. McConacy; sec. sec., R. Cane; fin. sec., C. McLean; treas., H. Robinson; D. of C., Mr. Gamble; I. T., Mr. Capner; O. T., J. Capner; trustees, M. McNeil, J. Cochran, D. D. G. M., R. Merryweather, P.G.M., and H. Sellett, G.M., delivered addresses. The Grand Master, who has recently visited the lodges in York County, conducted the installation of officers. He stated that the lodges in York county were in a flourishing condition numerically and financially. The Grand Master will visit the lodges in Fredericton in January.

Sailors' Treat.

The annual Christmas treat for sailors will be held in the rooms of the Seaman's Institute this evening, and it is expected that there will be in the vicinity of 500 sailors in attendance. For some weeks the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Seaman's Institute has been working earnestly in preparation for the event, and has in the vicinity of 450 comfort bags prepared, each bag containing many articles which will be of use to the men at sea. Two elaborately trimmed Christmas trees have been prepared and occupy a prominent position on the stage in the large auditorium. There will be a musical and literary programme this evening and an address will be delivered by Rev. R. A. Armstrong, rector of Trinity church. The chair will be taken by Recorder Baxter. At the close of the entertainment, refreshments will be served and gifts distributed.

LUMBERMAN HERE WITH BROKEN LEG

William Hughes, Who Met With Mishap in Maine Woods, Talks of Conditions—Men in Great Demand.

Suffering from a broken leg, Wm. Hughes of Minnerville, N. S., passed through the city yesterday on route home from Northern Maine, where he sustained his injury in the lumber woods. Mr. Hughes was employed in Moore's camp near Houlton, Maine, and about three weeks ago while yarding logs was caught beneath one when it rolled back from the skids. Both bones of his leg below his knee snapped off and he was carried to the camp in an unconscious condition. Later he was taken to the hospital at Houlton. On the same day that he entered an Italian workman was brought in with his leg crushed off above the knee by a falling rail while he was at work on the Boston and Aroostook. Mr. Hughes was barely able to travel and to a Standard reporter expressed his regret at being obliged to give up his work in the woods. "There is plenty of work there," he said, "and all the cry is for men. They paid \$30 a month in our camp, while in some districts good choppers and yardmen receive \$35 and \$40 a month." "It has been an excellent season for lumbering so far. There is about eighteen inches of snow, just enough for yarding and good progress has been made."

MASONIC LODGES INSTALL OFFICERS

Carleton Union and Albion Held Annual Meeting Last Evening—Pleasant Time Enjoyed—Those Chosen

Carleton Lodge F. & A. M., held their annual installation service last evening, when the officers for the ensuing term were installed by P. G. M. Hon. J. V. Ellis, assisted by D. C. Clarke, Past Senior Grand Warden. The officers installed were as follows: W.M., Enoch Thompson; F.W., N. P. McLeod; J.W., Geo. M. Baillie; S.D., W.C.S. Payne; J.D., Duncan Campbell; sec., J. F. Brittain; treas., Uriah Drake; fin. sec., W. L. McDiarmid; J.S., T. G. Allan; D. of C., S. Irons; I.S., Jarvis M. Wilson; T. Geo. W. Carleton. After the installation ceremonies the members adjourned to the refectory, where refreshments were served, and a sociable time enjoyed.

Albion Lodge Installation. Albion Lodge No. 1, F. and A. M., held the annual installation service last evening in Freemasons' Hall, when there was a large attendance of members and the ceremonies attendant on the installation were duly carried out. The officers for the ensuing year are as follows: Dr. L. A. Langstaff, W. M.; J. H. Crockett, P. G. M.; Dr. Thomas Walker, chaplain; Dr. P. A. Godsoe, secretary; Charles Robinson, treasurer; Dr. W. S. Morrison, S. W.; E. H. Kearns, J. W.; N. Louis Brenan, S. D.; W. J. Ingram, J. D.; W. Wetmore, D. of C.; J. A. L. McMurray, S. S.; Robert Casson, J. S.; Robert S. Orchard, I. C.; Robert Clarke, Tyler; E. S. Peacock, organist.

COMPANION COURTS CHOOSE OFFICERS

Hetherington and Wygoody Have Elections Last Evening and Ouagondy to Meet Tonight for Same Purpose

Companion Court Hetherington, I. O. Foresters held a meeting in the Temple Building, Main street, last evening at which officers were elected as follows: C. D. H. C. R., Mrs. Christie; court physician, Dr. W. F. Roberts; chief ranger, Mrs. Milton; vice chief ranger, Mrs. H. Hastings; recording secretary, Miss D. Hastings; financial secretary, Miss Scott; treasurer, Miss McLeod; orator, Mrs. O'Hara; organist, Mrs. S. W. Miss McBeth; J. W., Miss M. Starkey; S. B., Miss J. Starkey; J. B., Miss McCordick.

At a meeting of companion court Wygoody held last evening in the Foresters' Hall, Charlotte street, the following officers were elected: C. D. H. C. R., Miss J. Barbary; court physician, Dr. G. G. Melvin; chief ranger, Mrs. E. Belya; vice chief ranger, Mrs. M. F. Colwell; recording secretary, Mrs. R. J. Powers; financial secretary, Mrs. J. E. Arthurs; treasurer, Mrs. L. P. Penny; orator, Mrs. M. C. Partington; organist, Mrs. H. A. Johnston; finances committee, Mrs. S. Willard; Mrs. McFarlane; central committee, Mrs. C. E. Belya and Miss Barbary.

Opera House Success. That the W. S. Harkins Company has caught on with the theatre goers was again evident last evening when another large audience was in the Opera House to witness the presentation of For Her Sake. The performance was easily up to the high standard set by the Monday production and the play was greatly enjoyed by those present. Mr. Harkins' company is a well balanced one, and the theatre goers are assured of enjoyable offerings during their stay here. For Her Sake will be repeated this evening and on Thursday evening the bill will be The Convict's Daughter, a melodrama abounding in clever lines and thrilling situations. There will be a matinee on Saturday afternoon.

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Some Bargains in Men's Furnishings. Men's soft shirts, white dress shirts and working shirts at the following prices: 50c. Shirts now... 39c.; 75c. Shirts now... 59c.; \$1 Shirts now... 79c.; \$1.25 Shirts now... 99c.; \$2.00 Shirts now... \$1.44. Mufflers for men and boys in silk and wool made in the newest shapes. 60c. Mufflers... Now 59c.; 75c. Mufflers... Now 79c.; \$1.00 Mufflers... Now 79c.; \$1.25 Mufflers... Now 99c.; \$1.50 Mufflers... Now \$1.18; \$2.00 Mufflers... Now \$1.46. Men's and Boys Linen Collars... \$1.10 Doz.; Men's Night Shirts 60c... Now 44c.; Men's Night Shirts \$1... Now 79c.; Men's Night Shirts \$1.50... Now \$1.13; Men's Pyjamas \$1.50... Now \$1.13 suit; Men's Pyjamas \$2.00... Now \$1.44 suit; Men's Pyjamas \$2.50... Now \$1.98 suit.

MEN'S OVERCOATS REDUCED. We have reduced the price of every man's overcoat in our store, and want you to see some of the bargains we are offering. HARRY N. DEMILLE, Successor to J. N. HARVEY, 199 to 207 Union Street

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Clean-up Sale of Men's Colored Shirts Starts This Morning. In order to clear out the odds and ends of shirts left after the immense Christmas trade in this department we will place on sale today a lot of colored shirts at very low figures to dispose of them quickly. They are from our regular lines of high-class shirts and comprise all ones and twos and odd patterns remaining. Starched bosoms, soft fronts, also plaited fronts—reliable makes, perfect fitting serviceable cloths. Come promptly if you want them. Sale prices 50c to \$1.50. MEN'S FURNISHINGS DEPARTMENT.

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