

THE WEATHER.
 Maritime—Moderate winds; fair and comparatively cool.
 Toronto, May 28—Pressure is high tonight over the eastern portion of the continent and over the North Pacific States while a depression exists over the Great Lakes and over Arizona. Showers have occurred today in Eastern Nova Scotia and locally in Saskatchewan, and rain is falling tonight in Manitoba and the western Lake Superior region.

Temperatures.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	46	58
Vancouver	44	60
Kamloops	38	66
Calgary	32	60
Medicine Hat	40	68
Battleford	46	68
Prince Albert	50	69
Swift Current	40	64
Moose Jaw	47	67
Port Arthur	46	68
Ferry Sound	48	72
London	54	78
Toronto	57	75
Kingston	54	74
Ottawa	54	70
Montreal	62	70
Quebec	54	66
St. John	46	74
Halifax	46	74

LORNEVILLE MENACED BY GREAT FOREST FIRE

Flames Jumped Railway Tracks and Highway Road, Soaring Forty Feet above the Trees — Country Burning from Welsford to Coast — Enormous Damage.

The forest fires within seven miles of the city grew to such proportions last night that there is now grave danger of the flames sweeping to Lorneville and the many dwellings in that thriving village may be destroyed.

Lorneville in Danger.

A report received from one of the men who arrived from the burning district, about one o'clock this morning was to the effect that the fire had cut through from the Spruce Lake district, had jumped the Manawagonish Road, caught in the brush, and was over the New Brunswick Southern Railway tracks and had eaten its way into the timber sweeping on its way towards Lorneville.

Early Morning Report.
 At this latest report the fire had reached greater proportions since Fire Warden Dean of Lorneville and a crew of men left the scene earlier in the night. There was a strong northerly wind blowing and in many places where the trees were about thirty feet tall the flames were leaping into the air forty feet above their tops. The fire was roaring and rapidly eating a path much over three hundred yards in width, menacing Lorneville where the situation is grave.

Fire Fighters Praised.
 Great praise is given to the men who worked so hard yesterday in fighting the flames and they were indeed a tired lot when they stopped last night. They will go to their task again this morning.

Warden Dean's Fears.
 About nine o'clock last night Fire Warden Dean, in conversation with The Standard, said: "If the wind blows from the northwest today Lorneville will be in grave danger from the forest fires which are sweeping the country from Welsford to the coast line."

Crews Fight Fire.
 All day yesterday and last night Fire Warden Dean with a crew of men from Lorneville and J. B. M. Baxter, M. L. A., with another crew of men were hard at work fighting the flames and it appeared that as soon as they make much headway in stopping the fire it would break out afresh. Some few hours before midnight the fire although across the Manawagonish road, had reached a point to the north of the New Brunswick Southern tracks appeared to be confined to the brush and the crews of men who were at work and who were tired out after their many hours of fighting, left for their homes for some much needed rest. They had not left the scene very long before the wind freshened up and the fire jumped from the brush into the timber and from its appearance early this morning those who were on the scene state that there seems to be nothing to stop its rush towards Lorneville.

Miles of Forest Burned.
 The fire burned its way from Loggie's in South Bay through the backlands for an area of over five square miles and rushed to the northern side of Spruce Lake. This lake section was swept by fire some years ago and it was against swept yesterday afternoon. The fire did not cross the lake and catch on the main road leading to St. George, like it did once before, but worked more to the eastward and ploughed its pathway towards the Manawagonish Road.

Dwellings in Danger.
 It came within a few hundred feet of Mr. McCarthy's residence, known as the old Seven Mile House. It worked

THE WELLSFORD IMPROVEMENTS ON WEST SIDE

Result of Conference With Officials of C.P.R.

BUILDING OF SHEDS ON NEW WHARVES
 Will ask for two storey sheds on pier for accommodation of the passengers.

Letting a contract to complete the filling in behind the quay walls of the new wharves now being built on the West Side.

Letting contracts to prepare the foundations and erect sheds of the new wharves.

Letting a contract to build a revetment wall along the front of the four hundred foot neutral strip, so that the C. P. R. can fill in the area behind the wall and prepare additional yard room and trackage leading to the new wharves.

Letting a contract to extend the breakwater from Negrotown Point to Partridge Island.

Providing for the straightening of the face of the old C. P. R. wharf so as to make a berth available for large steamers on the Sand Point harbor front.

These are the recommendations which will be made by the government as a result of the conference between officials of the Board of Trade and Captain Walsh, marine superintendent of the C. P. R., and G. G. Omsaney, special engineer to Sir Thomas Shaughnessy. A meeting of the council of the Board of Trade was held yesterday, at which Percy Thompson, chairman of the traffic committee, laid before the members the results of the conference with the C. P. R. officials. The suggestions were considered in detail and the chairman of the traffic committee was instructed to lay them before the proper authorities. It is understood that Captain Walsh made a number of other suggestions with a view to increasing the safety of the harbor, and that these will be taken up later with the government and the city authorities.

One thing Captain Walsh wanted, was that the steel sheds on the pier should be double deckers, and that the upper stories fitted up for the handling of passengers.

St. John's expectations in regard to the mall service materialize there may be three mall boats in port at a time next winter, and seven with the additional accommodation which may be ready the facilities of the port will be taxed to meet the needs of the large mall boats.

Walter Pedersen, the rose grower, will have another big sale of roses at the new wharf, and several other people who came last time should come early. Carnations and all other cut flowers will also be sold cheap.

We deliver bouquets to all cemeteries free of charge.

Don't forget the store, corner of Prince and Charlotte streets. Telephone—Store, Main 2590; hot house, Main 2377.

Whitewear.

Move forward and get in line with those who are enjoying the advantages of F. A. Dykeman & Co.'s Alteration Sale. Have a look at their splendid display of whitewear while the sale is on and see if they can't save you dollars on your purchases. Corset covers, very handsomely trimmed with lace, embroidery and ribbon from 22c. up to \$1.13. Drawers both open and closed, daintily trimmed with hamper embroidery from 19c. up to \$1.10. Skirts made from fine princess long cloth with a deep lawn flounce, trimmed with hamper, on sale at 65 cents; another lot from 75 cents up to \$3.50. Gowns made from longcloths of a very fine quality, over-head style, at 45 cents each; another lot with square neck and short sleeves priced from 65 cents to \$4.00.

SALE OF LADIES' DUST COATS AND SUMMER DRESSES AT M. R. A.'s.
 This sale will be most important from the money saving viewpoint, as these Auto Coats and stylish Dresses in Lingerie and Net have been reduced to half price and less to clear them entirely. Come and study the bargains which you will find to be extraordinary indeed. The sale will commence at 8 o'clock in the costume section—second floor.

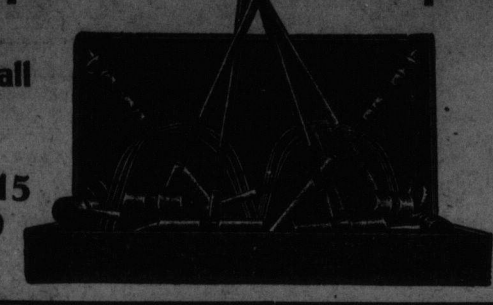
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All new models in a great variety of trimming effects in flowers, feathers, foliage, fabrics, etc. A perfectly becoming hat for every type of feature is in this collection. See these hats and you'll be delighted with their attractiveness and charm.

Special prices for today and Saturday, each, \$1.75, \$2.50, \$3.75, \$5.00, \$7.00.

Also Children's Trimmed Hats
 The cutest of little Straws juvenily elaborated in the daintiest way with pretty trimmings. A wide range of exactly the right hats for all summer wear.

Special prices for today and Saturday, each, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$3.00, \$4.00, \$4.75.

Ladies' Summer Dress Hats
 A grand exhibit of the lighter kind of hats for mid-summer preference consisting of wide mesh straws, maline nets and phoxylite braids, flat water-taux, high crown sailors, high turbans, etc. Innumerable fetching trims of flowers, feathers, etc. Price from \$5.00 to \$15.00.

Trimmed Hats for Outing Wear
 The hats you'll need at the seaside or in the country, such as Panama, Pandan and Panit Hats with handsome floral patterned scarfs in chrysaline, nylon and chiffon. Prices from \$2.50 to \$7.00.

MILLINERY SALON—SECOND FLOOR.

Specials for Today and Saturday in Whitewear Department

At 75c. Each—Skirts in Cambric, straight frill of Fine Swiss Embroidery with insertion of fine beading Wonderful value.

At \$1.00 Each—Skirts in Indian Head, perfectly plain, suitable for wear with sheer dresses, tub dresses, or outdoor sport dresses.

At \$1.15 Each—Skirts in Nainsook, straight frill at bottom of wide Swiss insertion and lace, edged lace, slit at the side.

Bargain Sale of Ladies' Dust and Auto Coats and Summer Dresses

This will be an unprecedented opportunity to save money, as both the Coats and Dresses have been reduced to HALF PRICE and less in order to clear them completely. They consist of Odd Lines and Manufacturers' Samples and are such truly amazing bargains that you'll be fortunate if in time to secure them.

COMMENCING THIS MORNING

FASHIONABLE DUST AND AUTO COATS with high button-up collars, plain and half-belted backs. Some coats are trimmed with white, others have fancy colored collars and cuffs. Sizes 34 to 42.

Sale Prices, each \$1.50, \$2.50, \$3.75

STYLISH DRESSES FOR SUMMER in Lingerie and Net short and long sleeves, silk and satin trimmings in white and ecru. Many fancy button effects.

Sale Prices, each \$3.50, \$5.00, \$7.50, \$10.00

NO APPROBATION. SEE WINDOW DISPLAY. NO APPROBATION.

COSTUME SECTION—SECOND FLOOR.

Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited

AROUND THE CITY

Will Meet Here.
 The Farm Settlement Board will meet here today.

Arrested for Assault.
 Fred Selby and Harold Sulis have been reported by Sergt. Scott for assaulting and beating George Ramsey in Union Alley Wednesday night. It has been stated that Ramsey was obliged to go to the General Public Hospital to have his wounds dressed.

Ejected and Arrested.
 Last evening Policemen Shortliff and McLean were called into the Women's Exchange on Charlotte street to assist in ejecting Samuel Irvine who was not wanted there. He was intoxicated and as soon as he reached the sidewalk he was taken in custody and locked up in the central station cells.

Pleasant Entertainment.
 An enjoyable entertainment was given in St. Mathew's Presbyterian church last evening. The programme consisted of recitations by Miss Turner, Miss May Pike, Miss Annie Pike, solos by Herbert Dykeman, George R. Craigie and Miss Annie Aird, and Indian club swinging by Robert Whitaker. Supper was served at the close of the entertainment.

Board of Trade Matters.
 A letter was received from Dalkeith, Scotland, at the Board of Trade office yesterday, asking for information about the industrial opportunities here. The Montreal Board of Trade has applied to the local board for statistics in regard to the grain business done at St. John last winter. Campbellton, N. B., has asked for a copy of the by-laws of the St. John Board of Trade.

To New Brunswick.
 "All eyes are turning to New Brunswick," said James Gilchrist, secretary of the Farm Settlement Board. "In my mail today were enquiries about farming conditions, and applications for lists of farms for sale in New Brunswick from widely separated countries. Six such enquiries came from Saskatchewan, two from Ontario, one from the East Indies, one from Scotland and one from British Columbia. Every day brings fresh evidence that knowledge of what this province has to offer new settlers is spreading."

Escaped from Chain Gang.
 Shortly after noon yesterday while the chain gang from the fall were at work on Delhi street one of the prisoners, James Boyd, asked permission of the guard to go to the rear of a building. He was considered a trusty and his request was granted. While out of the sight of the guards he made good his escape and up to an early hour this morning was still at large. It is nothing new for Boyd to leave the gang as he on a former occasion made his escape and some time later being captured was sentenced to two years in Dorchester Penitentiary. He was serving a term in jail for drunkenness on this last occasion.

NARROW ESCAPE FROM INJURY

Mrs. William McDonald knocked through doorway by automobile — Struck by the fender.

Mrs. William McDonald of 259 Charlotte street had a very narrow escape from being seriously hurt when she was run into by an automobile owned by D. L. Roberts, a carpenter who resides at 223 Pitt street last evening. The automobile is a new one and was being driven along Charlotte street and when at a point opposite the residence of Mrs. Annie Rigby at 157, a few houses south of Princess street, the automobile wheels slipped on the street car tracks and the machine raced towards the sidewalk. Immediately the man at the wheel appeared to lose control and the auto ran up on the sidewalk. Mrs. McDonald was in front of Mrs. Rigby's door when she was struck by the fenders of the car and thrown through the doors into the vestibule of the dwelling. The automobile was brought to a stop when it struck the building.

After being attended to by Dr. Bentley Mrs. McDonald was taken to her home in another automobile which was secured by Mr. Roberts.

IS BETTER THAN WEST



Walter Willis, of Highfields farm, near Hampton, says New Brunswick land of opportunity.

The superintendent of the Provincial Immigration Department has received an interesting letter from Walter Willis, an immigrant from the Old Country who is working on the Highfields Farm at Hampton. The writer gives expression to his satisfaction at having been induced to locate in New Brunswick, and refers in flattering terms to the opportunities offered farmers here and the climate and other conditions. Mr. Willis was secretary of a farmer's organization in England for seven years, and before locating in this province spent two years in the Canadian and American west, having been as far west as British Columbia. He declares that not only are opportunities better here than in the Old Country, but that he prefers this province to any part of the west he visited. "Only a workshy chap can fail to make good in New Brunswick," he says. He points out that not only has the soil great possibilities, but that the opportunities for reaching markets where high prices prevail are excellent. He considers that New Brunswick is one of the best possible places for mixed farming.

recognized ability and deservedly popular among his fellow citizens.

Mr. Chesley has been chief clerk of the Board of assessors of the city for some years, and his appointment to the Marine and Fisheries department will remove from service of the city one of its best known employees. As a member and later as chairman of the pilot commission, Mr. Chesley has been brought in close touch with marine matters, and as chief of the local agency of the Marine and Fisheries Department will no doubt prove an efficient public servant. Mr. Chesley is a native of St. John, being a son of the late W. Alonso Chesley. As chairman of the Liberal-Conservative organization in Lansdowne Ward, and an active worker in politics for years, Mr. Chesley is a well known and important service to his party, and his appointment will be particularly popular in the North End of the city.

Latter appointed Purchasing Agent of Marine and Fisheries Dept. at Ottawa — Announcement made.

Announcement was made yesterday that G. H. Flood, agent of the Department of Marine and Fisheries at St. John, has been appointed purchasing agent of the Department at Ottawa in place of Mr. Doutre, and that John C. Chesley has been appointed agent at St. John in place of Mr. Flood. The appointment of Mr. Chesley to this important position will meet with general approval, as he is a man of