

**THE WEATHER.**

Forecast:

Maritime—Light to moderate winds, fine and warm.

Washington, Aug. 17—Northern New England—Fair Friday and Saturday, moderate south winds.

Toronto, Aug. 17—Local showers have occurred in Saskatchewan, Alberta, and British Columbia, while from Manitoba eastward the weather has been fine and warm.

Temperatures:

	Min.	Max.
Davison	56	82
Victoria	48	64
Vancouver	50	62
Calgary	48	58
Medicine Hat	52	62
Edmonton	40	58
Battleford	52	68
Prince Albert	52	78
Saskatoon	53	76
Moose Jaw	55	82
Regina	54	86
Winnipeg	64	90
Port Arthur	60	74
Parry Sound	56	88
London	56	81
Toronto	58	91
Kingston	58	90
Ottawa	56	80
Montreal	64	88
Quebec	60	85
St. John	60	82
Halifax	60	84

**Around the City**

**English Mail.**

The English mail will close this afternoon at five o'clock, and parcel post mail at four o'clock.

**No Meeting.**

Owing to the absence of Commissioners McLellan and Russell there was no meeting of the city council yesterday. Commissioner McLellan is at St. Stephen attending the annual meeting of the Union of New Brunswick Municipalities.

**The Police Court.**

William Ferguson and Allan Allison, two sailors, were fined twenty dollars each in the Police Court yesterday for fighting on the Rodney wharf. A fifteen year old boy, who was arrested for being a disorderly crowd, forfeited five dollars. In the juvenile court a nine year old boy was remanded on the charge of obtaining money under false pretences.

**Retail Fish Market.**

For today's fare of fish there will be found only a moderate supply, the scarcity of this commodity still continuing. Fresh cod and haddock cleaned, brought 80 per pound yesterday. Halibut in limited quantity was sold at 20c. per pound; sword fish 15c.; small 15c.; harbor salmon 20c. to 30c.; mackerel were from 15c. to 25c. each. There has been a good demand for fish of late, but because of the limited supply on the market dealers have experienced some difficulty in filling orders.

**On An Inspection Trip.**

F. W. Sumner and E. W. Giroud, Moncton, and Richard O'Leary, Richibucto, directors of the St. John and Quebec Valley Railway Company, passed through the city yesterday en route to their homes after a trip over that part of the line being constructed between St. John and Gagetown. Mr. O'Leary said that they found the contractors making fairly satisfactory progress and confident of finishing their work within the time limit. There was shortage of labor but he did not think it serious enough to delay the work to any great extent.

**Lancaster Water Extension.**

Commissioner Wigmore and Prof. Goldsmith have finished the checking up of the plans for the Lancaster water extension and the commissioner was all ready to bring his recommendations before the council yesterday. As there was no quorum he will bring the matter up at the Monday meeting of the council and if the plans are approved will start the work at once. It is understood that he will recommend the smaller expenditure as he can do the work without a bond issue by using his unexpended balances for this purpose. Prof. Goldsmith has also approved the plans for the Dry Lake extension and tenders for the excavation and back fill for this work will be called for in the near future.

**The Labor Day Fete.**

A meeting of the committee having in charge the Grand Fete on Labor Day was held yesterday afternoon in the council room in City Hall. Dr. J. H. Frink presided and representatives were present from the Canadian Clubs, I.O.O.F., Red Cross, St. Monica's, Y.W.P.A., Rotary Club and the Trades and Labor Council. Commissioner Wigmore who represented the Rotary Club, said that they would do what they could to help although they had been working hard for some weeks but they were always ready to help in a good cause. A discussion about bands brought out the fact that they were very hard to secure. A meeting of the Trades and Labor Council will be held tonight for the purpose of appointing committees. Entrance tickets have been printed and will be sold at ten cents each.

Gundry's are showing a large range of small Diamond Rings at very low prices. One lot at \$12.00 is a wonder. These are nice clean white diamonds of good size set in 14k. gold. They are bigger and better than you will get elsewhere for \$12.00.

**AUTOMOBILE PARTY HELD FOR INQUIRY**

Elijah George and Companions Did Not Report to Customs.

**St. Stephen Officers Notified St. John and Car was Intercepted Here - Autoists Claim they Did Not Know Law.**

Collector of Customs C. B. Lockhart was notified yesterday morning that at 2 a. m. an automobile containing two or three foreigners had crossed the bridge between Calais and St. Stephen and entered Canada without declaring themselves at the Customs house at St. Stephen. He handed the case over to Samuel Wilkins, of the customs staff, and yesterday afternoon Mr. Wilkins intercepted the car on Main street and held the parties for violation of the customs regulations.

There were three men in the car when it was held up by Mr. Wilkins—Elijah George and Elijah Tom, two Syrians and their chauffeur, whose name is Dolan. They claimed to be going to Pictou, N. S. They said they were on their way to visit friends at Pictou, N. S. When they were held up they claimed that they did not know it was necessary to make a declaration at the Customs house at the border, but there was found in the car, when a search was made, a road map which contained all the information regarding the action to be taken by automobilists coming into Canada and the necessity of reporting themselves at the customs house on the frontier.

Later in the day it was learned that they had first crossed the border at Milltown and then evidently lost their way, for they crossed the St. Stephen-Calais bridge back into the United States and were held up by the United States customs officer as they were coming from Canada. When he held them up they told him they wanted to get into Canada, and he told them to turn around and go back, as they had just come from there. They did not neglect the formality of calling on the customs officer on the Canadian side, hence the action which was taken.

The car, which is a second-hand one, is being held by Mr. Lockhart for the violation of the customs regulations, while the men are also held pending investigation by the immigration officials, which will be continued today. The government have made very liberal regulations for automobilists coming into Canada, and there is no cost whatever to those intending to stay less than a month. Any one intending to stay six months can buy a guaranteed bond for \$5, or they may get two sureties satisfactory to the collector and deposit \$25, which will be refunded when the car is taken out of the country again.

It is the desire of the government to make intercourse between the two countries as easy as possible for tourists and the few regulations imposed are not hard to observe. It is supposed that these men were under the impression that it would cost them something to enter if they declared themselves at the customs house when they came in and they took a chance on getting by without reporting.

**JOHN TRAVIS ONCE MORE IN THE TOILS**

John Travis, a young man who has figured on numerous occasions in the Police Court, was arrested shortly after last midnight by Police Constable McLennan on the charge of luring in an alley of Carleton street. When Travis was arrested he lapsed into a fit and apparently became unconscious. When the officer reached police headquarters with the prisoner Dr. Dunlop was summoned and after working on the subject for about half an hour managed to bring him round all right. A few months ago when Travis was arrested on North street he lapsed into unconsciousness in the same manner as last night.

**Picnic Yesterday.**

About forty picnickers consisting of the altar boys and members of St. Peter's church choir enjoyed an outing at Chapel Grove yesterday. They sailed on the steamer Hampton leaving Indiantown at 9.30. The happy party were accompanied by Rev. Joseph Borgman, C. S. R.; Rev. P. O'Hara, C. S. R., and Rev. D. J. Dugald, C. S. R. All voted the occasion a success in all respects.

**Killed in Action? At South Bay Fair.**

All the returned soldiers that missed their chance to get a shot at the Kaiser can have another chance at South Bay fair, Saturday afternoon and evening. Come and try. Special trains stopping directly opposite the grounds of E. F. Baker, where the fair will be in full swing and where everybody will pronounce it the best afternoon and evening spent in a long time. Watch tonight's papers for full particulars of trains, prizes, etc.

Don't forget the Patriotic Blueberry Picnic at Welsford, Saturday. All the funds for the soldiers. Special train at one thirty daylight time. City Cornet Band will attend.

**MILL STREET IMPROVEMENTS UNDER WAY**

Removal of Building at Mill and Main Streets Finished and Work of Filling Commenced.

The contractors have about finished the work of removing the building on the corner of Mill and Main streets and yesterday a start was made by the public works department in filling in the cellar. When the lot has been filled in and levelled off the work of laying the pavement will be commenced. When this work is completed it will give an extra width of 19 1/2 feet on this busy corner and should help materially in handling the traffic at this spot. The new curb will run diagonally across the lot and have two rounded corners, one on Main and one on Mill street. The curb stones for these corners will be cut the proper size at the quarries and will be in one piece.

The department also intend to take up the pavement between the rails for a distance of about two hundred feet on Mill street between Union and North streets, put down a concrete foundation and relay the blocks. This work will be done just as soon as some rails which the Street Railway Company are expecting to arrive, as they want to put down some new rails while the pavement is up.

**HON. B. F. SMITH NOW N.B. CABINET MEMBER**

Sworn in as Minister of Public Works Before Governor Wood Yesterday.

Shortly before noon yesterday Premier Clarke, J. Howe Dickson, clerk of the executive council, and B. F. Smith, M. L. A., made an official call on Governor Wood in Sackville, and Mr. Smith was sworn in as Minister of Public Works in place of Hon. P. G. Mahoney. The appointment would have been made in St. John on Wednesday but for the illness of Lieut. Governor Wood.

The Premier, with Mr. Dickson and Mr. Smith, passed through the city yesterday evening, the two former en route to Fredericton, and the latter to Woodstock.

**ST. JOHN SETS THE PACE AGAIN**

Fastest Passenger Elevator East of Montreal.

The ever-increasing demand for more office space has compelled the enterprising firm of T. McAvity & Sons, Limited, to partially remodel their present store at King street.

One of the changes involved the removal of their office to the top floor of the building. A condition thereby imposed was the assurance of a speedy and reliable elevator service.

A study of the different makes of machines resulted in the choice of a worm-gear, drum type, direct connected Otis Personnel Elevator. This equipment which has a capacity of 2,000 lbs. and a speed of 300 feet per minute is the last word in engineering skill and workmanship. It is equipped with nine automatic safety devices besides one operator-controlled car safety and operating switch. On account of the high speed a device known as a "Reversal regulator" absolutely prohibits the operator reversing the motor until it has come to a dead stop.

The above devices are so effective that it is impossible, even for the uninitiated, to harm the machinery through the improper use of the car control.

The remodeling of this store, which is done under the supervision of Architect F. Nell Brodie, will be completed for the first of November next.

**A. O. H. Delegates Home.**

The local delegates to the A. O. H. convention at Moncton reached the city on the Halifax express yesterday afternoon. The party included F. J. Molseney, James McAndrews, L. Ronald Harrington, Thomas Klokham, Fred Kestley, Nicholas Ryan, Jos. Dwyer, Daniel Murphy, Charles Debaey and J. Hanlon. Mr. Molseney told The Standard that the convention had been a highly successful one. He was also greatly pleased with the entertainment provided by the members of the Moncton branch of the order, a feature of which was the excursion to Point du Chene where the visiting delegates attended the Merchants' picnic on Wednesday.

**MOTHER GOOD CHANCE TO GET TO THE FRONT**

Lt.-Col. White Wants Men For Forestry Battalion.

Something About a Branch of the Service in which New Brunswickers have Already Excelled.

Lieut. Col. J. B. White, O. C. 242nd Forestry Battalion, which is to be recruited in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, was in the city yesterday making arrangements for opening a recruiting office here. Col. White was a member of the 224th Forestry Battalion which went across some time ago, holding the rank of major in that unit. The unit did such good work that the Imperial authorities asked for two more battalions of the same character. Col. White was one of those selected to return and organize and recruit the new units. The 224th, which was recruited in Ontario and the West, is about up to strength and it is proposed now to start active recruiting for the 242nd.

Col. White said he was particularly struck by the class of men sent from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia in the 224th and he wanted to get as many men as he could from this section of the country as they were sure to make good. He had just come from Nova Scotia and he thought the prospects were good for raising a company there. Lieut. Donald Blair, son of the late Hon. A. G. Blair, who has returned from the front, will be in charge of the recruiting office here for this unit and he is expected to arrive in a few days to take up his duties.

This is not primarily a fighting unit but their work is just as important as that of combatants. They cut down trees and make them turn into lumber for the use of the men at the front and they play a very important part in the carrying on of the war.

Col. White is a practical man. Before the war he was manager of the Rloridan Pulp and Paper Co., Montreal, and is a director of the Canadian Forestry Association. He is also a soldier of experience, having held the rank of major in the 17th Hussars. He supervised the setting up of several of the more important of the mills now in operation in England and also paid a visit to France to select sites for sawmills there. The battalion will be offered as far as possible from the districts in which the men enlist and the officers will all be practical men. Ten of the present officers have seen service at the front, and it is expected that several others will be brought back to take commands in this unit. The men who are wanted particularly are millmen, woodsmen, foresters, and choppers, but the colonel said he would not refuse an able-bodied man no matter what his vocation. He is especially anxious to get a good response from the men of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia as, having seen them in the 224th, he knows what they are capable of in the way of manufacturing logs into lumber.

**NO ADVANCE IN MILK.**

There will not be any advance in the price of milk at the present time, was the statement made yesterday by L. C. Prime, general manager of Primecrest Farms, Ltd., the largest dealers in this commodity in Eastern Canada, when asked about the rumor that milk was likely to advance to ten cents per quart. He did think that butter and cheese would be higher.

"There is no cause," said Mr. Prime, "for alarm as to advance in the price of milk, for, while the cost of production is slightly higher than in previous years, it is not yet sufficient to warrant the advance of a cent in the price of milk at present."

"Other dairy products, such as butter and cheese," added Mr. Prime, "will certainly be higher, probably much more so than for some years, owing to the heavy European export demand for these products."

**SALLIE FISHER IS QUEEN TODAY.**

Charles Dillingham's noted star Sallie Fisher is the queen in Imperial Theatre's big production "The Little Shepherd of Bernards Row" today and tomorrow. This picture is going to set St. John talking. It is a heart-interest drama of New York life with all its working girls, its merry slang, its bright lights and its dark shadows. The story is a well-known "best seller," written by Howard McKent Barnes and is also a tremendous stage success. Comedy and pathos run a tight race throughout the play and exciting climaxes are aplenty. The Imperial will have another howling comedy offering this week-end such as it had last week.

F. A. Dykeman & Co. are showing an excellent range of English Cambrics, Prints, Chambrays, Zephyrs, and Cotton Crepes, in checks and stripes and neat designs. These washable fabrics are all guaranteed fast colors, and are excellent value at the low prices they are asking for them, viz: 14c. and 15c. per yard. These goods have been placed in one of their new fixtures and are so arranged that they cannot get a particle of dust or dirt. Call and see this department.

**A TOUCH OF CONEY ISLAND! FOLLOW THE CROWD SATURDAY! TO TIPPERARY MARY'S PATRIOTIC PICNIC**

**AT Eastern Canada's Loveliest Outing Grounds THE BISHOP'S PICNIC RESERVE TORRYBURN ON THE I.C.R.**

Held Under the Auspices of the Rotary Club and the Patriotic Workers Living Between "Kinghurst" and Drury Cove

**A Gay Time for Old and Young**

\$500 worth of Groceries to be given away.	Field Sports and Shooting Competitions.
Trips to Boston, Fredericton, across Bay.	Boating on the River, Baseball matches.
Magnificent array of Ornamental and Utility prizes.	You can reach there by River route, moor at Renforth.
The Cops will Tug against the Street Car men.	Special Guards for Autos Parked in Picnic grounds.
There will be Swings, Merry-Go-Rounds, Dancing.	Volunteer Police Force of good reputable citizens.
Two bands will give continuous Concerts.	Bring your family and have a good time.
Ice Cream, Suppers, Lunchees and good eats in general.	Help the families of our heroic fighting boys.
Biggest and best supplied temperance bar.	St. John's awake now, come in, the water's fine.
Soak the Cops, Kill the Kaiser, Dump the Dollies.	The train service will suit everybody. See below.

**RAILWAY FARE: Children 10c Return; Adults 20c**

Special Trains Leave St. John 1.50, 2.30, 3.30 and Leave Torryburn 7, 9 and 10.30

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**Ladies', Misses' and Children's FASHIONABLE HATS**

For Late Summer and Early Fall

This is an attractive showing of untrimmed and simply trimmed hats for street wear, all brand new, and consisting of

**VELVET HATS, CORDUROY HATS, COMBINATION FELT AND VELVET HATS**

including the new Sailor, Poke and Jockey shapes.

A good opportunity to see just what is correct and most becoming for late Summer and early Fall in these fine styles just received from the leading centres of fashion.

MILLINERY SALON—SECOND FLOOR.

**SEE KING STREET WINDOW DISPLAY**

**PAJUNION The New One-Piece Sleeping Garment for Men and Boys**

You will experience real night-time comfort when you don this new, one-piece sleeping garment called the Pajunion.

It is just like a suit of Pajamas in appearance, but is made in only one piece. There are no uncomfortable drawstrings around the waist; no bunching up of a coat under the arms or pushing up of the trouser legs. The sleeves are patterned to fit, and the trouser legs button at the bottom, two little niceties that give extra comfort.

Made up in fine Mercerized Cloths, white, plain colors and several stripe patterns, also in a soft-napped material with plain colors and neat stripes. Men's and boys' sizes.

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