

THE WEATHER

Toronto, Dec. 12.—Lower areas are covered over Alberta and Lake Michigan and off the New England coast. The disturbance over Newfoundland this morning has moved north-eastward out to sea. Weather has been fair to cloudy and mild in the West and Maritime Provinces, and mostly cloudy and somewhat colder with local snow flurries in Ontario and Quebec.

St. John	32	40
Calgary	30	48
Edmonton	34	34
Battleford	32	32
Prince Albert	22	24
Moose Jaw	38	43
Saskatoon	18	33
Regina	33	37
Winnipeg	32	33
Port Arthur	12	26
White River	6	10
London	24	38
Perry Sound	20	26
Toronto	32	35
Kingsdon	32	34
Ottawa	30	34
Montreal	32	36
Quebec	25	32
Halifax	26	38

Forecast.
Maritime—Winds shifting to northerly and increasing with some light snow or sleet; colder tonight.
Northern New England—Unsettled Tuesday, probably light snow, Wednesday cloudy and somewhat colder; fresh to strong northwest winds.

AROUND THE CITY

PENDANT FOUND
A small pendant was found by the police on Prince William street yesterday. The owner may have the same by applying at the Central Police Station.

LATE ARRESTS
Two drunks were corralled by the police last evening. Prince Edward street was the stamping ground of one of the booze-punchers, and Mill street that of the other. Two protectionists were also in for the night.

WANTS INFORMATION.
The secretary of the Board of Trade has an inquiry from Cambridge, Mass., about the power supply and rate, tax rate, transportation facilities, cost of living, etc., in this city.

MELITA DUE FRIDAY.
The C. P. S. Ltd. liner Melita, which is en route here from Liverpool and is due on Friday, has 244 cabin and 183 third-class passengers, as well as 1,400 tons of general cargo and 4,400 bags of mail and parcel post, 213 of which are destined for the Maritime Provinces.

VISITING CLERGYMAN
Rev. Father Fidelis, Carmelite, arrived from Philadelphia yesterday afternoon and preached last evening at St. John the Baptist church, where a mission for the women of the parish is being conducted by Very Rev. Fr. Basil, Provincial of the Carmelite Order.

SPRUCE LAKE MAIN.
Commissioner Jones said yesterday morning that, although the weather would be passing through the new Spruce Lake line next week, it was not the intention of the city to take over the line until some time next spring, when the final test will be made.

WANT LAW ENFORCED.
The chief of police has received a letter from the Board of Health asking him in view of the prevalence of tuberculosis and other like diseases, to see to the enforcement of the anti-spitting law in the city. Orders have been issued to the police to be on the lookout for offenders and to have them apprehended at once.

Y. M. C. I. DIRECTORS.
The Y. M. C. I. board of directors held their regular monthly meeting in the Y. M. C. I. library last evening. The reports of the different committees and the usual routine business was transacted. The committee in charge of the Membership Drive reported encouraging results. The membership has been increased by over fifty per cent.

MENTORS ASSOCIATION.
A meeting of the Mentors Association was held in the Y. M. C. A. Boys' Work department at the "Y" last night. Plans were made for a Mentors' Training School to be held during the first four weeks in January. Representatives of St. Mary's, Carleton and Edmund street Methodist, Fairville Baptist, Portland Methodist and St. David's churches were in attendance.

TO INVESTIGATE COMPLAINT
At a meeting of the commissioners of the Municipal Home, yesterday afternoon, in their office, Ferry building, consideration was given certain charges made concerning treatment alleged to have been received by a female inmate. An investigation committee was appointed to examine into the details of the allegations and to prepare and present a report to the master.

HAS BEGUN INQUIRY.
The first session of an inquiry into the death of Rupert Clarke, a 17-year-old negro, whose body was found on the beach at Red Head on Thursday, was held yesterday morning at 9:30. Mr. Purdy, the shipping master. The evidence of W. Gilman Salter, first mate; Henry Collins, steward, and a sailor of the schooner Hiram D. McLean, was taken. The inquiry will probably be continued this morning.

CENTRAL BAPTIST Y. P. A.
There was a very large attendance last evening, at the meeting of the Y. P. A. of Central Baptist Church, when the members of the association had the pleasure of listening to the most enjoyable programme of four teen selections on the New Edison, kindly loaned for the occasion by W. H. Thorne and Co. Ltd. B. G. Pickett proved a very efficient demonstrator.

Empty Stocking Fund Is Growing

Expected to be Able to Look After 500 Children by End of Week.

The "Empty Stocking Fund" is still growing, and it is most gratifying that Santa Claus will at least take care of four hundred poor little girls and boys in St. John on Christmas, who, if it had not been for the "Empty Stocking Fund" would have certainly been overlooked. The fund has now reached over three hundred dollars, and by the end of this week it is expected that another hundred pairs of stockings will be added to the list, making five hundred in all. It will be gratifying to the kind people who have assisted to know that five hundred pairs of little feet will be warmed and the children will receive many other good things, just like the children in better circumstances.

The Empty Stocking Fund at present has on its list eighty-seven families representing two hundred and fifty-three children, and of this list only two clergymen have sent in names. It is expected when all the other clergymen in the city send in their list of worthy names by the end of this week that the list will easily reach five hundred, and we are all ready now to look after that many.

Of course the more money received the larger will be the number of children made happy. Yesterday the "Empty Stocking" Editor received a cash donation from a Sunday school and Christian Endeavor Society in a country district, and it is hoped that others will be received before Christmas. The stocking fund will not interfere with any other form of charity in the city. Many families will receive food and clothing, while the only way to give joy to the hearts of the little children is through the Empty Stocking fund, and it is by no means too late to send in a cash donation. Remember how happy you can make some poor little kiddies by sending in some cash even if it is only one dollar.

Among the letters received are some from poor widows asking that their children be not forgotten by Santa Claus this year. Every case is known to be worthy and will be attended to. Every name that is sent in will be kept strictly confidential, as are the names of the thoughtful citizens who contributed. Citizens who are able to give a little money towards this cause must remember that poor children are not responsible for their condition; a very sick father, or one who has been cut off of employment for a long time is mostly the cause of a poor home this winter, and the conditions are worse this year than ever before.

While you are happy and intend with your little family to enjoy a very Merry Christmas, just send in a small cash donation which will put a little sunshine in the homes of those who are not so well off.

Reopening of The Circuit Court

King vs. Edward O'Brien Charged With Theft With Violence from Albert Norris Taken Up.

At the re-opening of the Circuit Court, yesterday afternoon, the case of the King vs. Edward O'Brien charged with theft, with violence, of a bottle of liquor from Albert Norris, since deceased, was begun.

Wm. M. Ryan, counsel for the defence, made a motion to quash the indictment under section 103 of the Probation Act, on the ground that the liquor was not lawfully in the possession of Norris at the time of the alleged offence. Judge Chandler refused to allow the application, but said that he would give Mr. Ryan permission to argue the matter at a later date.

The Crown, after opening their case, called the following witnesses: Harry Norris, J. H. Driscoll, Alma Smith, Margaret Moore, Bayard Vanark, John L. Stevens, Bernard Bower, John E. Saunders and Detective Biddiscombe. Detective Biddiscombe was called for the purpose of having O'Brien's confession, at the time of the first trial, put in evidence.

The court was considering the admissibility of this confession as evidence when adjournment was made until this morning.

Dr. W. B. Wallace is appearing for the Crown and Wm. M. Ryan for O'Brien.

"Rosebud Day" Was Most Successful

Women's Council Delighted—Sum of \$2,210.14 Received for the Children's Home.

While the objective of \$3,000 was not reached the Women's Council are highly delighted with the success which attended "Rosebud Day" the sum of \$2,210.14 having been received from the citizens of the city to help care for the boys and girls in the Children's Home.

The members of the finance committee, together with the president of the council, spent a strenuous day counting the money in the banks, working from ten in the morning until six last evening.

The council is very grateful to those who contributed to the splendid total, some very generous cheques being received from the workers who gave so willingly of their time. They also wish to thank the bank staff for their kindness and for two assistants who helped them count the cash.

Those who took part in counting the money were, Mrs. E. Atherton and Mrs. A. M. Reiding.

School Trustees' Monthly Meeting

Plans for New School on Burpee Avenue Approved—Several Reports Received.

At the monthly meeting of the Board of School Trustees, held last evening, plans for a proposed new school on Burpee Avenue, to be erected by the Bishop of St. John, were approved. The report of Messrs. Day and Ingraham, delegates to the meeting of trustees in Fredericton, was received. The report on the laying of the corner stones of the new Lorne school was ordered placed in the minutes and several matters of routine business were disposed of.

In the absence of the chairman, Chief Justice McKeown, the chair was occupied by G. E. Day and others present were Mrs. E. R. Taylor, Mrs. R. O'Brien and Messrs. M. Coll, Thomas Nagle, E. R. W. Ingraham, H. Colby Smith and G. Herbert Green with the superintendent of schools, Dr. Bridges and the secretary, A. G. Leavitt.

Trustee Coll returned to a building facing on the Centennial school grounds, the property of Miss Maher and said he had been informed the school children had done considerable damage to this building. The matter was referred to Trustees Coll and Green to investigate.

Applications from Stanwood Hines, Frank Blizard and Charles T. Fisher for the position of janitor of the new Lorne building were placed on the application book. The chairman expressed the opinion that a janitor for the new building should be appointed at once.

The resignation of Miss Edith M. Cameron from the teaching staff was received and accepted.

A communication from the Municipal Council, I. O. D. E., regarding annual prizes in the schools was referred to the superintendent for a report. The thanks of the board were ordered sent to Mrs. J. V. Ellis, Chief Justice McKeown and G. S. Mayer for medals.

The janitor of Victoria school wrote that he had been put to an extra expense of \$68.27 on account of repairs made there during the summer and asked for some allowance to meet this and the janitor of the St. Vincent's wrote that he was doing extra work, having an extra boiler to fire and an extra room to clean and asked for some money. Both requests were referred to the visitors of the schools with power to act.

The secretary read a report of the laying of the corner stones of the Lorne school by Chief Justice McKeown and it was ordered entered on the minutes. The secretary reported for November: enrolled, 8,300; average, 4,417; girls 2,238, 8,655; average daily attendance 7,931; per centage of enrolment in daily attendance 93.07; belonging 91.65. Those not belonging are made up as follows: died 1; sick 72; at work 81; left city 53; transferred 44; truancy 3; kept at home 55; total 343.

There was reported, during the month 11 cases of scarlet fever, 6 of diphtheria and 1 of chicken pox. The secretary reported the payment of the sum of \$6,000 and the receiving of the deed for the land on which the Lorne school is being built and the handing over to Thomas Armstrong and Bell the \$187,000 bonds, received from them their cheque for \$187,894.41.

A bill of \$600 for architect services in connection with the alterations at the Winter street school from G. W. Wilson and J. L. Haines was referred to the buildings committee with power to act. A bill of \$89.50 from W. B. Wallace, E. G., for legal services in connection with the purchase of the Newman street school lot was ordered paid.

G. E. Day and E. R. W. Ingraham reported on the trustees meeting in Fredericton. Mr. Day said there was little of interest to the city schools but the problems of the country schools were dealt with in a most interesting manner and he felt the trip had been a profitable one. Mr. Ingraham said the main idea in the minds of all seemed to be that education must be provided for the children of the province.

On motion of G. H. Green the visitors to the domestic science building were given authority to have two rooms in the building cleaned and whitened during the Christmas holidays and the secretary was instructed to write the New Brunswick Power Co. in regard to the removal of a wire which passed over the King Edward School yard as a pole to which it was attached was in a dangerous condition and must come down.

On motion of H. Colby Smith, the janitor of the office building was granted an increase of \$60 to the end of the year.

On motion of Thomas Nagle a bonus of \$100 for the year 1921 was ordered paid to the board carpenter, Mr. Golding.

Thomas Nagle presented the plans for a proposed eight room school building to be erected by the Bishop of St. John on Burpee Avenue and on his motion the plans were approved. It is expected construction will be begun next summer.

It was ordered that no bills be passed at the meeting be paid in December and that all bills properly certified at the meeting be paid.

The trustee officer reported 86 irregular attendants and 6 truants.

A complaint from a citizen touching the manual training building was referred to the superintendent and visitors to the building.

WON KITCHEN CABINET
Ticket J-50, held by James Duncan, Acadia street, won the kitchen cabinet in the drawing in connection with St. Peter's high tea.

Smith, president of the council; Mrs. W. Edmund Raymond, convener of the finance committee and the following members of the committee, Mrs. W. B. Tennant, Mrs. J. H. Doody, Miss Alice Fisher, Mrs. J. H. Pink and Mrs. Walter Hall, Mrs. H. B. Peck and Mrs. A. M. Reiding.

Mayor's Address On Hydro-Electric

Before Large Gathering at Rotary Club His Worship Reviewed the Matter Thoroughly.

The usual weekly luncheon of the Rotary Club yesterday was marked by several specially interesting features. To begin with, out of 102 members, 70 were present, which was considered extremely satisfactory. Then again, Rotarian A. H. Merrill, created somewhat of a sensation by arriving on time, which he explained was due to the fact that the Pines' Committee has raised the fee to late comers from 10 cents to a quarter. Due to the fact that there will probably be considerable difficulty in getting the members to attend on Mondays, the 26th Dec. and 2nd Jan., it was decided not to hold any luncheon after the 18th inst. till 8th January. There was a large number of guests present, including Principal MacDonald of St. Andrew's College, Toronto, a noted authority on sporting matters. Rotarian G. Biddiscombe was in the chair.

In a few well-chosen words expressing Ned Terry referred to the loss sustained by the Club as a whole, and the members individually, through the lamented death of Rotarian Percy Rising, and he moved that a formal resolution of sympathy and condolence be passed and forwarded to the relatives of the late member. This was seconded by Dist. Gov. Bob Paterson. The chairman expressed the view that it was scarcely necessary to submit a resolution of that kind to the vote of the members. Their condolences could be signified by all standing, which the members promptly did.

His Worship Mayor Schofield was down to address the Club on the Hydro-Electric situation, as far as the city is concerned. He said he had nothing new to tell them about Hydro-Electric as he was waiting until a further conference had been held between the city commissioners, the New Brunswick Power Co., and the Power Commission. He reviewed the steps which had been taken so far by the council and referred to the reports of the engineers and the offer of the commission to sell a part of the power obtained at Musquash to the city.

The cost of the development, he said, had been placed at \$2,000,000 and the Commission were asking twelve per cent. on this amount which would mean an annual charge on the entire revenue of \$240,000, the charge on the portion offered the city would be about \$123,000, delivered at the switchboard. Then came the matter of distribution. If the city was to distribute the power itself it must either build a transmission line or buy out the New Brunswick Power Co. To build a new transmission line would cost, it was estimated about \$750,000 and the interest and sinking fund on this would amount to around \$75,000 yearly. This added to the \$123,000 would make an annual charge of \$248,000.

He expressed the opinion that as the work at Musquash was undertaken at the peak of prices the Government might well absorb a portion of the cost as other business houses have been obliged to do and intimated he would not mind entering into a few \$2,000,000 enterprises himself if he could be assured of twelve per cent. on the outlay.

He said he hoped in a week or two to be in a position to make a more definite statement in connection with the purchase and distribution of the power from Musquash.

THE CONFERENCE WAS POSTPONED

A conference which was to have been held yesterday between the councillors of the Parish of Lancaster and the New Brunswick Power Co. with regard to street car service for Fairville was postponed until a later date.

Councillors Golding and O'Brien were present but Councillor Campbell was unable to attend. The meeting will be on the call of Councillor Golding, when Councillor Campbell can attend.

PERSONALS

Mrs. William Pugsley left for Montreal Sunday evening.

Dr. Walter W. White left on the Montreal train Sunday evening for Toronto.

Miss Phyllis Cusack, R. N., is visiting her sister, Mrs. F. L. Carvell, Chatham, N. B.

Montreal Star: Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Burpee, of McAdam, N. B., are coming to town for the marriage of their son, Mr. Donald Alan Burpee and Miss Dorothy Smith on December 28.

Fredericton Gleaner, Saturday: Miss Mollie Carleton, St. John, is guest of Mrs. Evans at the home of her mother, Mrs. Slattery, Regent street.

Mrs. W. Edgcombe leaves this evening for Vancouver.

Dr. John A. O'Regan, house surgeon of the department of gynaecology, Bellevue Hospital, New York, arrived in the city yesterday afternoon to spend the Christmas season with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John O'Regan, Elliott Row.

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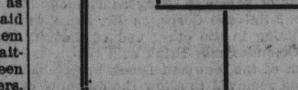


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