

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Increasing north-easterly to northerly, local snowfall.

Toronto, Mar. 7.—A depression is situated tonight off the Carolina coast, while pressure is decidedly high over the northern portion of the continent. The weather has been fair to day in all portions of the Dominion, and, for the most part, comparatively mild.

Temperatures.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	42	52
Vancouver	40	56
Kamloops	32	52
Edmonton	6	40
Battleford	6	40
Prince Albert	10	26
Calgary	16	40
Medicine Hat	24	32
Moose Jaw	7	36
Regina	12	32
Winnipeg	14	26
Port Arthur	14	38
Perry Sound	26	36
London	29	36
Toronto	29	36
Ottawa	29	36
Montreal	24	32
Quebec	20	34
Halifax	18	36

Below zero.

Around the City

North End Conservative Club.

The regular meeting of the North End Conservative Club will take place tonight at 8 o'clock. It will be followed by an executive meeting.

The First Grass Fire

Saturday afternoon the firemen in the northern division were called out by an alarm from box 126 to extinguish a fire in the grass on Douglas street extension. Grass fires at this time of the year are certainly a sign of spring.

New Policemen.

Two new policemen donned the uniform on Saturday taking the places of the officers who resigned. The new patrolmen are Leonard Moore, who has been appointed as mounted policeman in the place of J. H. Pitt, resigned, and Wm. Rankin, who is doing duty on the Southern Division.

Gipsy Simon Smith.

Gipsy Simon Smith of London, England, opened a series of evangelistic meetings in the Carleton Methodist church yesterday afternoon. Large congregations were present at both services. The evangelist spoke of his experiences among the gipsies of England. Rev. Mr. Thomas and Rev. Dr. Heine assisted with the services.

Found By Police

The police report the finding of a lady's kid glove on Main street, a pair of gloves on Mill street, and a dead rat on Brussels street. The owners of the gloves can procure the same on application at the police headquarters, as for the rat it was left on the street by the police and the corpse was given a free ride in the garbage wagon and found a last resting place on the dump.

Escaped From Reformatory

Three boys, the two Moore brothers and young Hampton, escaped from the Boys' Industrial Home on Friday night and up to last night were still at large. The escape of the boys was not known by the police until yesterday, making it more difficult for the officers to round up the young prisoners. The young fellows on escaping from the home tore the red braids from their gray uniforms so they would not be so quickly identified while in the city. They were seen about the streets on Saturday and it is possible they will be captured in a short time.

Card From Harry Pike

J. Wesley Pike, father of Harry Pike who enlisted with the Divisional Ammunition Column in the first overseas contingent, received a postal card from the young soldier on Saturday. The card is of the patriotic kind with the flags of the Allies entwined, also a small shamrock on the bottom, and the printing on the front of the card is in French. It was sent from some part of France, having been posted Feb. 21st, and the soldier writes that he is well, that all the boys are well and that he would write more particulars when he was able to learn more about the restrictions regarding the information that can be sent in letters.

Waterloo Street Baptist Church

After the usual service last night in the Baptist church, Waterloo street, fifteen persons were admitted to church membership. Much additional interest has been shown in the work during the past few weeks, and there have been many recent additions to the membership. The pastor, Rev. F. H. Wentworth, took as the text for his sermon last evening, John IV.—29, "Come see a man which told me all things that ever I did: is not this the Christ?" He spoke of the one who gave the invitation, of the nature of it and of the inference to be drawn therefrom. There was a good congregation and the words of the speaker were listened to with deep interest.

Typographical Union Anniversary

The members of St. John Typographical Union No. 85 celebrated their thirty-fourth anniversary at their rooms, Oddfellows' hall on Saturday evening, there being a good attendance. The president, B. Stillwell, was chairman and E. Toole, H. Campbell, F. Stanton, R. Lawton and F. Stubbs were the committee in charge. The following programme was carried out: Vocal selections by the McEachern quartette, including a solo by Charles McEachern; McCoy and McDonald, bagpipe and Highland fling; Mr. Jamieson, piccolo solo; Robert Carson, monologue and solo; Mr. Cromwell, club swinging; B. Stillwell, Mr. Hopkins and Mr. Seymour, vocal selections.

WILL FURNISH N.B. WARD IN BASE HOSPITAL

Royal Standard Chapter now has \$600 for this purpose—Contributions of \$100 each from Mrs. James Walker and Mrs. T. H. Estabrooks—Moncton women to help.

Since the Royal Standard Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire took up the question of raising funds to furnish the New Brunswick Ward in the Canadian Base Hospital at Boulogne, France, interest in and sympathy with the patriotic project has been freely expressed. On Saturday the Regent, Mrs. E. Atherton Smith, received two contributions of one hundred dollars each for this purpose, the generous donors being Mrs. James Walker, of South Bay, and Mrs. T. H. Estabrooks, of St. John. Mrs. Smith has also received a communication from Moncton stating that the Ladies Patriotic League there would make a contribution towards the equipment of the ward, and it is expected there will be a generous response from other parts of the province.

The matter was brought to the attention of the Royal Standard Chapter last Thursday evening through a letter from Miss Hare, a St. John nurse at the Canadian Hospital. The letter stated the hospital was divided into wards bearing the names of the provinces of the Dominion, but that there was no furniture of equipment in the New Brunswick ward. Miss Hare is working in the Ontario ward.

The Royal Standard Chapter decided to give \$400 from the proceeds of Flag Day towards furnishing the New Brunswick ward, and now have \$600 for this purpose. This hospital is about 25 miles from the firing line, and wounded soldiers are conveyed there by motor ambulance for treatment. Some of the surgeons in the ward are attached to this hospital, and Miss Domville, of Rothesay, as well as Miss Hare, is attached to the nursing staff. After the wounded men are treated and recover sufficiently to be moved, they are sent to other places as soon as convenient.

Members of the Royal Standard Chapter believe the patriotic women of New Brunswick ward is probably fitted up for the reception of the brave defenders who may be wounded on the firing line. Not only New Brunswick boys will be received there, but any wounded of the allies will be cared for when necessary.

BAD BOY ONCE MORE RUNS FOUL OF LAW

William Mulcahey arrested on Saturday for stealing liquor—Young, but has police record.

William Mulcahey, aged twenty-one, was arrested on Saturday afternoon by Sergeant Sullivan and Special Officer McBride on suspicion of breaking and entering Haggerty's saloon on Main street recently and stealing ten bottles of brandy. Young Mulcahey is no stranger in police circles. In 1908 he was arrested for stealing a quantity of brass and was sentenced to a term of four years in the Boys' Industrial Home. While a prisoner in the home he was deemed a bad boy and in the month of May, 1910, he escaped but had not been at large very long until he was captured by the police. He was sent before Judge Forbes, took the speedy trial, and was allowed to go under suspended sentence. He did come into public notice again until last September when he was arrested on the charge of stealing a sack of oats from Kierstead's store. He was arraigned before the Police Magistrate and once more was allowed to go on suspended sentence.

Punch Boards Still Under Ban.

Persons who feel inclined to operate punch boards in the city will find themselves in difficulty if they carry out the inclination. Gance Eliff, a Bulgarian, was fined in the police court on a charge of having a board and an evening paper announced that the police magistrate held that punch boards were not gambling devices. The magistrate says that there was no error in the report. In the case of the Bulgarian he said he fined the accused the sum of five dollars for selling tobacco to a minor in his grocery store on Main street, but as far as the punch board is concerned there was no case, as there was no board presented. It is believed that the reason the police could not produce the board operated by the Bulgarian is because it had been destroyed, or placed well out of the reach of the police. At all events, there being no board in evidence, there was no case.

Spring Dress Goods.

F. A. Dykeman & Co.'s new spring dress goods are making every one look pleasant. They please from start to finish in quality, style and price. Have a look at the worthy serges priced from 42c. to \$1.50 per yard. Ask to see the special line of serges at 83 cents per yard which is just the thing for ladies and children's dresses. They are also showing a nice assortment of plaids, whitecloths and tweeds. Their window display which will give you an idea of the different lines and prices. Pick your material from this lot of dress goods and have your Easter suit made by their efficient seamstresses in quick time at reasonable prices.

CAPT. GORHAM WILL RECRUIT CORPS OF 500 RAILWAY MEN

Opened Navigation for Season on Saturday on St. John River—A record.

Navigation on the St. John river for the season 1915 was opened Saturday when the woodboat Leah D, in command of Captain Howard Gorham, arrived at Indiantown from Craig's Point. She carried a fair cargo of produce which was quickly disposed of.

The captain reports the river clear of all ice for a distance of fourteen miles. Above that the ice is very thin and is not even safe for pedestrians. Many parts of the river where the current is strong are opened and it is only the matter of a few weeks when the whole river will be free.

The trip of the Leah D marks almost a record for the opening of navigation on the St. John river.

CANADA SHOULD SEND MORE MEN

Rev. F. S. Porter urges True Spirit of Patriotism for Canadians.

"Is Canada Taking the War Seriously?" was the subject of a strong sermon by Rev. Frederick S. Porter in German Street Baptist Church last night. He thought the question should be answered in the negative for he felt that the people of Canada had not yet fully realized just what was at stake.

Our national existence was at stake. Should the Allies lose Canada would be the first to feel it. This Dominion would become German with its militarism, and other institutions opposed to the public welfare. The fight was for our spiritual inheritance. The boys in the trenches were fighting for this. There was at present a meagre representation of our military forces in the army of the Empire.

"Patriotism was not the waving of flags and shouting but the quiet giving of our lives for the Empire. In Britain they had 8,000,000 native born in the army. That was one man out of every fifteen in the kingdom was on active service. If Canada were sending the same proportion there would now be 500,000 Canadians under arms. Instead of that Canada was working slowly and very laboriously to reach the 100,000 mark. In the Canadian troops how many were Canadian born? When the list of Canadian contingents casualties was examined we found in many cases the next of kin was in some British hamlet.

Rev. Mr. Porter also referred to the liquor traffic and spoke of the example of Russia and France. There were also political evils and graft.

Mr. Porter paid a glowing tribute to the work of the women of Canada for they were making greater sacrifices than the men.

Water Extension
The work of extending the water and sewerage systems in Cedar Grove Crescent will be started this morning when Commissioner Wigmore will have twenty-five men on the job. The work has been planned for some time.

Railway men to be enlisted for foreign service—Will be mobilized here—Sunday with the soldiers.

The organization of a Railway Construction Corps for foreign service will be started here in a short time. The corps will be recruited under the direction of the C. P. R., and will be composed of engineers, blacksmiths, firemen, section men, bridge builders, and various other classes of mechanics. G. N. P. Ramsay, head of the repair department of the C. P. R., will look after the recruiting. It is said 510 railway men will be enlisted and quartered in colonist cars on the West Side. The men will be given some military training, but their drill will mostly be directed to increasing their efficiency as a number of repairing roadbeds and locomotives, and keeping railway lines open.

Today Lieut. Col. Armstrong will take up quarters in the armory, and carry on recruiting for the 55th New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Battalion. Some recruits were signed on Saturday. The mobilization center of the 55th has not been announced, but it is believed it will be at St. John. The Exhibition Association has offered the government the free use of its buildings.

Yesterday morning the main body of the 26th Battalion worshipped at the armory, a drum head service being conducted by Chaplain Rev. E. B. Hooper, who preached an interesting sermon dealing with the question of regimental preparedness. The Catholic members of the battalion paraded to the Cathedral, accompanied by the City Cornet Band. The Army Service Corps marched to St. David's Church, attended by the Carleton Cornet Band. The service at St. David's was an interesting one, and the pastor, Rev. J. A. MacKellan, preached an eloquent sermon. In the evening officers and men of "B" Squadron 6th Mounted Rifles attended divine service at the Stone Church, and listened to a forceful address by their chaplain, Rev. G. A. Kuhnring. After the service they were entertained at a social in the school room of the church by the members of the congregation.

On Sunday afternoon the City Cornet Band gave a concert at the armory which was much enjoyed by the soldiers and their friends.

CHANGE FOR CITIZENS TO LEARN HOW TO SHOOT

Public Indoor Rifle Range, Chipman Hill, open every week day from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Butts at 75 feet from firing points are provided with 7 targets for rifle shooting. A butt at 50 feet from firing point is provided with 6 targets for revolver and rifle shooting. These butts are installed on the upper floor and are in use.

The drill hall on the second floor is provided with a butt for 6 targets. This butt will be used exclusively by members of the different organizations having the use of the drill hall, and which are as follows:
Monday evenings—Firemen and Salvage Corps.
Tuesday evenings—St. John Rifle Club.
Wednesday evenings—Home Guards.
Thursday evenings—Firemen and Salvage Corps.
Friday evenings—Knights of Pythias.

Afternoon use of the drill hall is at present allotted to the police and high school cadets.

The public range will be reserved for the exclusive use of ladies on Wednesday and Friday mornings.

Weekly and monthly competitions, for which suitable prizes will be awarded the winners, will be under the direction of the range committee and will commence on March 15th. A preliminary weekly competition commencing March 8th and ending March 13th, for which prizes will be awarded the winners, is considered necessary in order that a proper system of handicapping may be inaugurated before commencing regular competitions. The very best rifles, revolvers and ammunition are provided at the low cost of ten cents per ten shots.

NEW BRUNSWICKER ON FIRING LINE

Private James Hughes of the cyclist corps of the first Canadian expeditionary force, in a letter to Frank W. Cosman of Kingston, N. B., tells of the Canadians being practically on the firing line. The letter was dated Feb. 17 and said that Private Hughes was at a farm 12 miles from the firing line. He was writing in a haymow and at intervals he could hear the sound of cannon and the flash and also hear the explosion of shells. The troops were three days on the train in France before getting to their position and rain fell almost continuously. The fields were flooded but the men were out on their bicycles and got to within six miles of the firing line. He had seen a fight between ships but the Germans had managed to escape. Names of places were omitted from the letter.



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