

THE WEATHER. Toronto, Dec. 16.—The weather continues unsettled from Ontario to Maritime Provinces and fair in the West.

AROUND THE CITY. ON INSPECTION TRIP. Grant Hall, vice-president; F. L. Wanklyn, general executive assistant; A. Fries, general manager, all of the C. P. R., and H. Walsh, general manager of the Quebec Central Railway, were in the city yesterday inspecting the terminals here.

WILL PRESENT MEDALS. Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Mayes returned home yesterday after a three months trip to New York. Mr. Mayes has returned to the city in time to present the Mayes medals at St. Patrick, Albert and La Tour schools this morning.

CHRISTMAS MAIL. The eagerly watched for Christmas mail from overseas is due to arrive at St. John on December 19, when the S. S. Victorian steams into port with 4,840 sacks of holiday greetings and packages to be distributed throughout the dominion.

WEST SIDE ACCIDENTS. Peter L. Waring, Lancaster street, West St. John, a C. P. R. trucker working at No. 1 shed, had his right hand injured yesterday morning by catching it in a baggage hook. He was treated at the emergency hospital and went to his home.

NEW TERRITORY. In order to provide work at this time and to open up territory on Millidge avenue for building purposes, Commissioner Frink yesterday presented a plan for street widening on Millidge avenue near the Rope Walk corner. This work, if carried out, would enable the street railway to run its lines out to Millidgeville. No action was taken.

KINDERGARTEN CLOSING. The closing exercises of the Free Kindergarten were held yesterday morning and all the children seemed to enjoy themselves immensely. The rooms were prettily decorated and gifts of candy and fruit given the children. Programmes were carried out in the Central School, G. W. V. A. rooms, Wellington row, where the teacher is Miss Louise Estey, assisted by Miss Elizabeth Stanley; the South End school, where the teacher is Miss Ruth Marks, assisted by Miss Elizabeth Cline; the Simonds street school, taught by Miss Edna Colwell, assisted by Miss Winnifred Ross; and the Marsh bridge school, taught by Miss Mildred Barnes, assisted by Miss Helen Bennett.

MACHINE GUN COMPANY. No. 1 Company, 7th Canadian Machine Gun Brigade, has just completed a course in machine gunnery under the instruction of Lt. F. B. Scott, M. M., of the permanent force. Lt. Col. Sparring, D. S. O., has just held an examination of the officers, N. C. O.'s and men taking this course and expressed himself as being well pleased with the results. This examination completes the work of the company until early in the New Year, when regular training will be resumed. It is proposed to make the further training interesting by holding contests in various sports, such as bowling, indoor baseball and rifle matches.

UNEMPLOYED RETURNED MEN. With a view to setting of assistance, all returned soldiers, whether members of G. W. V. A. or not, are requested to register at the office of the secretary, G. W. V. A., 27 Wellington Row.

CROWDS PAY LAST TRIBUTE TO LATE REV. W. W. R. ROBINSON

Church Packed to Overflowing by Friends of All Classes Who Had Been Befriended by Minister Who Passed So Suddenly—Hundreds Vomit Church During Day to See Once More Pastor Who Had Done So Much for Them.

The Ladies' street Baptist church, West St. John, where the late Rev. W. W. R. Robinson labored so faithfully for the last twelve years, was crowded to overflowing last night by men, women and children for the funeral services over the remains of the late lamented and beloved pastor of the church. The auditorium, galleries, aisles, vestibules and chapel below were packed by people, representative of all walks in life, who gathered through sincere respect to the memory of the man whose sudden summons from the chamber of death threw the whole community under the shadow of gloom.

All Classes Gather. The rich, the poor, the high, the low, the laborer and professional man all rubbed elbows, all one big family mourners at the bier of a man whose life was snuffed out before he had accomplished his great aims and ambitions for the betterment of humanity. The body lay in state in the little church where he had so unselfishly ministered, during the afternoon and a steady stream of humanity passed before the casket and took their last view of the man whom all loved. There were many pathetic little scenes as stalwart, hard working men and kindly women stood and gazed at the marble face and then gave way to tears.

Churches Represented. All churches and denominations were represented at the service last night by pastors and people. The various organizations with which the deceased was associated were represented and their presence expressed sympathy for the bereaved and respect for the dead. The silence that prevailed throughout the large concourse of people last night spoke more eloquently than words of the sincere purpose which brought them together, that of honoring the memory of the man whose works and acts made him the friend of all.

Impressive Service. The services were under the direction of Rev. Dr. Hutchinson, and the music was furnished by a choir from the Comrades, Young Men's Class of the Sunday school, (by request of the family). Two solos, "Face to Face," and "Home, Beautiful Home," respectively sung by E. Clyde Parsons and Ralph J. Rupert, and a duet, "Sometime We'll Understand," rendered by the two young men mentioned, were impressive.

The Order of Service. The following was the order of service: Invocation—Rev. Dr. Marston; Hymn—By the Choir; Scripture Reading—Rev. G. E. Hudson; Solo—"Home, Beautiful Home"; Prayer—Rev. S. S. Poole; Duet—"Sometime We'll Understand"; Address—Parsons and Rupert; Solo—"Face to Face"; Address—Rev. Dr. Hutchinson; Prayer—Rev. Mr. Tinsley.

The addresses by the clergymen named were brief and to the point. Mr. Brindle drew a parallel from the life of Moses, who died and was buried in the land of Moab before he had reached the Land of Canaan, his work unfinished, that of making a home for himself and people. So it was with the departed. Active all his life; anxious to do for others; with aim and ambition for the accomplishment of good works in the re-planting of fellow men, he was cut down in the midst of that work without having realized his dreams. The speaker said it was hard to understand why the one we mourned was called before his work was finished, but all must remember that "God's ways are not our ways," and all must be for the best.

Rev. Dr. Hutchinson very eloquently and eloquently referred to his personal associations with the departed brother. He reviewed the early history of Mr. Robinson and his work later in this city in an unselfish life of the Rev. Mr. Robinson should be said the speaker, one by which all might be guided. There was no task too great to discourage him, when anything was to be accomplished to make life happier for another. He stopped at no sacrifice when the cause of humanity was to be helped. He was a man who did things, and whatever he did was done well. The speaker referred most eloquently to work of Mr. Robinson among the poor and needy, and among the "down and outers." He did not hesitate to go into the slums to lend a helping hand to the one in need. He assumed responsibilities in many cases for which he was criticized, but it was all for the purpose of aiding someone, and he never hesitated to fight for what he believed right. He had a large, warm, throbbing heart, said Dr. Hutchinson, and the world is better for his having lived in it. Where in fact a man that can fill his place is the question.

Rev. Mr. Sampson, in a few words, brought words of comfort to the bereaved, and eulogized the work done by one now mourned.

Floral Tributes. The casket was banked in flowers, the silent token of esteem and respect in which the deceased was held by the contributors. The following were the floral offerings and donors—"Pillow," "Our Pastor," the church; cross, Sunday School; square and compass, Carleton Lodge, F. and A. M.; wreaths, Brotherhood Class, Tuxis Square; Comrades, Young Men's Class, True Blue Lodge, L. O. L., No. 11, Johnson, L. O. B. A., No. 19, Class of 1924, Acadia University, Young People's Society, St. John Police Protective Association, Mission Band of Church, Board of Management Provincial Memorial Home, Ladies' Missionary Band, R. H. Parsons, Mr. and Mrs. F. Brinkman, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McGehe, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Sharpe, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. F. Wilkin.

Sprays—Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Warman, Mrs. Zella Barton, Granite Rock Division S. of T. Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Allan. Wreaths—Wife and son, nephews and nieces, Mrs. Weatherhead, Sunshine Circle, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Whipple, St. John County L. O. L., Golden Rule Lodge, No. 45. Cross—Cultura Lodge, Baxter Lodge, Roxborough Lodge, Dominion Lodge.

The remains will be taken to Fredericton this morning.

Donation Party At G.W.V.A. Rooms

Y. W. P. A. Held a Most Enjoyable and Entertaining Social Time.

A Donation Party, held by the Y. W. P. A. at the G. W. V. A. rooms, last night, was splendidly attended and the social time spent greatly enjoyed by those present. The programme included an interesting reading by Miss Pauline Baird, a guessing contest, fortune telling, and a questionnaire, in which answers were received to inquiries made as to new methods of raising funds and making the meetings more attractive. The committee charge served refreshments. Many of the members brought their sewing. A large number of groceries were contributed for families in whom the association is interested.

Motion of Sympathy. At the short business meeting, a motion of sympathy was sent to a member who had suffered a bereavement. The secretary was asked to send Christmas greetings to Miss Jessie Church, Miss Annie Brock and Miss Marielette A. Soyres. Miss Winnifred Ross reported on aid given to a family, and the action of two members in assisting a returned soldier's family was endorsed. Miss Louise Sheldon announced that friends of the Y. W. P. A. had sent a check for \$25 for the Christmas Cheer work, which was gratefully received. Several other donations in money were announced.

Christmas Baskets. The following committee volunteered to arrange for the Christmas baskets:—Miss Sheldon, convener; Miss Beatrice Frink, Miss Alice Hatch, Miss Crowley, Miss Bolton, Miss Patricia. Miss Pauline Baird offered to see if she could assist a family who are in need.

The committee to whom the success of last evening's entertainments were entrusted, were Miss Winnifred Upham, Miss Ethel Melick, Miss Charlotte Dodge and Miss Louise Sheldon.

BOYS' CLUB GUESTS AT PLEASING SOCIAL

Entertained by the West End Improvement League—Interesting Programme Given. The Boys' Club was well entertained last evening by the West End Improvement League, Fred L. Barrett, secretary of the league, acting as chairman. An interesting programme was provided for the boys joining in several of the choruses, and enjoying the refreshments provided for them. The programme included solos by Thomas Guay, Gordon Nuttall and Gerald Stanton; readings, J. T. Nuttall; sword dance, Mr. and Miss Gibbs; Piper Hyter, accompanying. Saturday the boys will be, as usual, guests of the Y. M. C. A. Games would be gratefully received by those in charge of the club.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS. FUNERAL NOTICE.

The officers and members of New Brunswick Lodge No. 1, Knights of Pythias, are requested to assemble at 3 Hazen street on Saturday, the 18th inst., at 2:30 o'clock, for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late brother, past chancellor I. OLIVE THOMAS. Members of sister lodges are invited to attend. Ordinary dress. By order of C. C. JAMES MOULSON, K. of R. S.

EXTRA WORTH IN THIS NECKWEAR \$1.50.

We think you'll like the assortments for they represent very choice wools and colorings, and are made for good service and attractive appearance. Others 75c. to \$1.50. More buy ties here every year, which would indicate that more are finding our styles to their liking. Gilmour's, 68 King street.

Another Big Two-Day Silk Sale At Dykeman's Today and Tomorrow

The wonderful values offered in silks at this popular store during the past month have caused much favorable comment. This Christmas Gift Sale of Silks is planned to eclipse all that have been before. The most lovely fancy Skirting Silks that were bought to sell at \$5.40 a yard, and which were specially reduced to \$4.25, are now being offered for two days only at the ridiculous price of \$1.99 yard. Mostly wide satin stripe effects, now so fashionable, also fancy check designs in the most tasteful color combinations. Such bargains as these will be snapped up in no time. These will be put in their show window this morning. Sale lasts today and tomorrow. Shop early to avoid disappointment. F. A. Dykeman & Co.

A CHRISTMAS GIFT THAT LASTS A YEAR

Easy to use, and making food "easy" to eat. Perfect Baking Powder. A Membership Ticket in the Young Men's Christian Association will be welcomed by any Boy or Man, whether he is your Brother, Husband or Son. Full particulars regarding the various Gifts of Membership can be had at the Y. M. C. A. (Chipman Hill), or by phoning Main 954.

A Practical Gift for Car Owners. Clark Double Purpose Heaters. FOR MOTOR CARS, WAGONS AND ALL VEHICLES. Keep Passengers Warm While Driving, Keep Engine Warm While Standing. In open as well as closed cars, Clark Heaters guarantee comfort, are easy and quick to operate, and are unfailing in efficiency. Each Brick of Clark Carbon Fuel lasts from 12 to 14 hours, and the heater can be made ready for use in five minutes. Positively safe in every way—no flames, smoke, or odor. Use the same heater under the hood to keep the engine warm when the car is standing. Better call and see the CLARK HEATER in our MOTOR CAR SUPPLY DEPARTMENT, Street Floor. W. H. THORNE & CO., LIMITED. Store Hours: 8.30 a. m. to 6 p. m. Open Saturdays till 10 p. m.

PYREX A Gift Worth While. Here's the gift that ideally fulfills the requirements of the Perfect Gift—a PYREX--Gift Set. Pyrex Transparent ovenware is beautiful—useful, and a constant reminder of the giver. These sets can be supplied in the plain or engraved glass. Set consists of 11 pieces. The Plain at \$10.00 The Engraved at \$18.00. It is also sold in single pieces. Pyrex is made for every use—it's sanitary—never wears out—saves dishwashing—will not break in actual oven use. Emerson & Fisher, Ltd. - 25 Germain Street. STORES OPEN 8.30 A. M. CLOSE AT 5.55 P. M. SATURDAY 10 P. M.

MOTHERS! A Big Price Reduction Sale of Girls' Heavy Winter Coats BEGINS ON FRIDAY MORNING YOU CAN FIND ALL SIZES FROM 2 TO 12 YEARS. Included are smart models fashioned of heavy serges, beaver cloths and velours; good winter weights, some full lined, others lined to the waist. Coats are made in big, comfortable styles with wide, convertible collars, belts of various widths and large pockets—all youthful and girlish in design; the range of colors includes navy, brown, Copen, rose, green and grey. Trimmings of contrasting fur, plush edges, buttons and cleverly arranged groups of tucking, add just the attractive touches you will like for growing school girls. The Following Prices Represent Great Savings for You. 7 Special Groupings For Your Selection. 12 only Coats at \$6.00 each. 25 only Coats at 8.00 each. 10 only Coats at 10.00 each. 23 only Coats at 11.00 each. 13 only Coats at 12.00 each. 18 only Coats at 14.75 each. 8 only Coats at 16.00 each. For a practical Christmas gift, what could be better than one of these nice coats? Every one is a real bargain. Sale in Children's Shop, Second Floor. Manchester Robertson Allison & Co. KING STREET GERMAIN STREET MARKET STREET.

A CHRISTMAS LIST. That will settle many a doubt. Sensible Things for Gift Seekers. A Fur Coat. A Woolen Coat. A Frock. A Fur Scarf. A Woolen Scarf. A Hat. Gloves—An Umbrella. All these sensible gift things are priced way below their worth, too. The quality is quite unchanged. Page 3 says so much more. D. Magee's Sons, Limited, Saint John, N. B.

Board Trade Names Com. Conveners

Matters Pertaining to Navigation in Bay Were Under Discussion.

At a well attended meeting of the Board of Trade last night, the following conveners of standing committees were appointed: Finance, G. A. Warwick; Housing and Transportation, H. C. Schofield; Trade and Commerce, D. W. Ledingham; Industrial, L. W. Sims; Public Works, W. F. Burditt; Wholesale Interest, G. Barbour; Retail, W. S. Allison; Civic and Legislation, A. H. Watters; Community Welfare, J. Hunter White; Immigration and Employment, M. E. Agar; Programme and Reception, H. W. Rising; Board of Trade Building, H. C. Schofield. Considerable discussion took place in regard to the secretary's budget activity, which was correlated to the standing committees. This was approved by the council.

The vacancy in connection with lumber classification was filled by the appointment of J. Fraser Gregory. It was decided also to forward a protest to Ottawa with regard to the delay in connection with the Larch lights and the difficulties and annoyance imposed upon vessels entering the port. A report covering aids to navigation in the Bay of Fundy was forwarded to the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa, and to Hon. Mr. Wigmore; and a statement was also submitted in regard to the visit of the Hon. Mr. McCarry, Minister of Public Works, and the extension of the breakwater.

The meeting adjourned until Wednesday of next week, and it was determined to hold the monthly meeting in January on the second Monday of the month instead of the first.

Mr. W. J. Porter, Westfield, N. B., wishes to announce the engagement of his sister, Olive Cora, to Osborne Merrill Blanchard, both of Westfield. Marriage to take place in the Westfield Methodist church on December 20th.

McMILLAN'S GORGEOUS DISPLAY Christmas Cards, Tags and Seals are now on view. All prices. Miss Willa Sample, Miss Thelma Scott and G. E. Wilson, of Central Hill, spent yesterday in the city, and registered at the Victoria.

CLIFTON HOUSE, ALL MEALS 50c.