

THE WEATHER

Toronto, March 9.—Disturbances are centred over British Columbia, Oklahoma and Newfoundland tonight and pressure continues relatively high along the South Atlantic coast. The weather has been fair and gradually turning milder throughout the Dominion.

St. John's	20	34
Dawson	14	12
Prince Rupert	32	38
Vancouver	40	50
Kamloops	28	38
Calgary	20	48
Edmonton	26	40
Battleford	28	48
Regina	28	46
Medicine Hat	22	42
Winnipeg	26	40
Port Arthur	24	36
London	22	34
Toronto	25	40
Kingston	20	36
Ottawa	14	36
Montreal	12	32
Quebec	12	32
Halifax	28	34
Below zero		

Forecast:
Maritime—moderate winds, fine and milder.
Northern New England—Rain Friday and probably Saturday; somewhat warmer Friday; increasing southeast and south wind.

AROUND THE CITY

THEIR CHILD DEAD.
Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Urban Kiley of 6 Spar Cove road, will be sorry to learn of the death of their only daughter, Margaret K., aged two years and a half, which occurred yesterday.

NO MEETING HELD.
The regular committee meeting of the Common Council, scheduled for yesterday morning, was not held as there was little business to come up and the Mayor is absent from the city.

WANT MONOTON MINISTER.
The Talbot street Baptist Church of London, Ontario, has called Rev. Dr. Boyley Green, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Moncton, according to a despatch in the Toronto Globe.

ACTION APPRECIATED.
Commissioner Bullock received a letter yesterday morning from Major O'Brien, of Moncton, thanking him for his thoughtfulness in forwarding word of the presence in the city of F. W. MacLaren.

WANT ROAD CHANGED.
A delegation from Musquash passed through the city yesterday, en route to Fredericton, to press for a change in location of the main road to St. Stephen, urging that the shore road be used instead of that inland. They point out that, while the shore road is the longer, there is over one hundred families living on it, as compared with three on the inland road.

BONE HEAD AT WORK.
A false alarm for fire was rung in from box 48, Sheffield street, near the Imperial Oil Works at 7.35 last evening. There was no trace of smoke or smoke when the department arrived at the box. Last night's marked the second false alarm in less than a week. The other was rung in from box 85, corner Queen and Gormley street at 12.45 Monday morning.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCE.
The quarterly conference of the clergymen of the St. John district was held yesterday morning at the Upper Palace Hotel. His Lordship Bishop LeBlond presiding. Among those present were: Rev. Mr. Walsh, V. G. D. P. J. Ryan, Rev. C. P. J. Carleton, Rev. Michael O'Brien, Norton; Rev. Harold Coughlan, St. Martin's; Rev. Francis Walker, Riverside; the priests of the Cathedral staff, and Rev. D. M. Coll, C. S. R.

LONGSHOREMEN INJURED.
Richard Craft, longshoreman, had his foot badly jammed while working on the steamship Lord Downshire at No. 4 berth yesterday morning. He was treated at the Emergency Hospital and then sent to his home, 79 Prince street, West End.

GORDON McDONALD, longshoreman, of 45 Richmond street, narrowly escaped serious injury when he received a laceration of the upper lip while working on the steamship Ballyally Head, at No. 16, Sand Point, Wednesday evening. He was treated at the Emergency Hospital, and then sent to his home.

MILITARY NOTES.
Certificates have been granted to the following members of No. 6 Company, Canadian Corps of Signals: Lieut. H. L. O'Leigh, Lieut. R. B. Kirk, Lieut. C. C. Ketcher, Capt. W. DeR. Henderson and Lieut. R. E. Anderson. Captain J. Larkin of the Royal Canadian Ordnance Corps, has been transferred from St. John to Toronto.

Board of officers for the purpose of conducting examinations for Certificates "A" and "B", C. O. T. C., on March 7 and 8, 1922, are detailed as follows:

U. N. B. Contingent, C. O. T. C.—March 7, for Certificate "A"—President, Major E. R. Vince, M. C. R. C. E. member, Captain H. L. Harvey, U. N. B. Cont. C. O. T. C.
Mt. Allison Contingent, C. O. T. C.—March 7, for Certificate "A"—President, Lt. Col. H. C. Sparling, D. S. O. member, Captain H. L. Harvey, U. N. B. Cont. C. O. T. C.
Mt. Allison Cont. C. O. T. C., March 7 and 8 for Certificate "B"—President, Captain and Lieut. Col. T. E. Powers, D. S. O. member, Major F. L. West, Mt. Allison Cont. C. O. T. C.

VIOLINS, MANDOLINS, and all string instruments and Bows Repaired—Sydney Gibbs, 81 Sydney Street.

Clifton House, all meals 60c.

Anniversary Sale And Tea Enjoyed

Large Attendance at Well Conducted Affair at Y. W. C. A. Recreational Centre.

The anniversary sale and tea conducted at the Y. W. C. A. recreational centre, King street east, yesterday afternoon, was attended by a very large number and the financial returns are expected to be very gratifying. The rooms were decorated with yellow daffodils and yellow streamers and looked very pretty.

Those in charge were: tea table, Mrs. H. A. Powell, Mrs. J. A. McAvity, Mrs. T. H. Sommerville and Mrs. Weyman. The committee who had charge of the supplies was Mrs. J. P. Robertson, Miss Hooper, Mrs. J. D. Hunter and Mrs. W. H. Lugsden.

The pantry sale was in charge of Mrs. H. A. Goodwin and she was ably assisted by Mrs. Z. Cowan, Mrs. E. J. Fleetwood and Mrs. A. Trentowsky.

The candy table was looked after by the High School girls under the leadership of Miss McKenzie and Miss Littlefield.

During the afternoon Miss Bessie Dawson sang a solo accompanist, Mrs. Allan McAvity, and Miss McAvity gave a number of piano solos and operated a gramophone.

NO JUDGMENT GIVEN IN GARSON CASE

Moncton News Item Relating to Local Business Man Erroneous One.

The Standard is informed that the news item under Moncton date line, appearing in its columns, Thursday morning, relating to the hearing in Chambers before Justice Chandler on the suit for damages brought by Record Foundry Co. vs. Frank O. Garson, was not correct.

The judgment was not given against the defendant, as the news item stated. The presiding judge intimated that he would give judgment in the case later (presumably at the time he delivers judgment on the counter claims) for the plaintiff for the amount which they had paid defendants, which decision was expected by the defendants.

The defendant's counter claim exceeds the claim of the plaintiff by nearly \$500, exclusive of the item of set off, amounting to \$254.

Children's Aid Society Meeting

Agent Reported Great Deal of Destitution in the City—Children Remain from School.

The monthly meeting of the Children's Aid Society was held last night in the Home, 68 Garden street, with the President A. M. Belding, in the chair. A committee was appointed to make arrangements about some necessary improvements to be done in the home, before the warm weather.

The monthly report of the agent showed that the past month had been pretty quiet as far as new cases were concerned although many families are having a hard time to get along and there is still a great deal of destitution. The most deplorable feature of this situation is that there are many children in the city of school age who are forced to stay at home because of lack of clothing. There are twenty-five children in the Home of the Society. Sixty-five visits had been made and thirty-nine letters and post cards were written and mailed during the last month.

Duties of Social Service Worker

Committee Appointed Express Opinion It Is Impossible for One Person to Carry Out Work Outlined.

A meeting of the committee appointed by the Commissioners of the General Public Hospital to draw up rules and regulations for the governing of the work of the social service worker, who has been engaged by the Ladies' Hospital Aid, met yesterday at the office of the County Secretary and in conference with Mrs. E. Atherton Smith, president of the Ladies' Aid, discussed the duties of the office and the work she would be called on to do. After carefully canvassing the situation, the committee expressed the opinion that it would be impossible for one person to carry on the work outlined as necessary.

RECEIVED SAD NEWS

A large number of friends throughout the city will be grieved to learn of the death of the father of Joe Brannely, the popular band player of the Venetian Gardens Orchestra. Mr. Brannely received the news of his father's death yesterday morning and left last evening for his home in Boston to join his grief-stricken family.

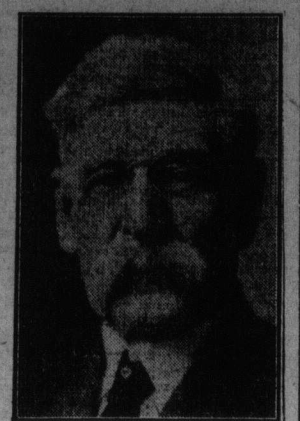
Mr. Brannely, senior, is survived by a widow, four sons and a daughter.

A great many will be sorry to learn that "Joe" is leaving St. John for good, in view of the fact that during his stay here he made himself particularly well liked and popular, with all whom he came in contact. His departure from his familiar seat in the Venetian orchestra will cause a gap that will be found hard to fill.

Death of Leading Business Man

Fred E. Marvin Passed Away Last Evening—Was a Pioneer in Wire Nail Business.

The business world of St. John lost one of its leading men last evening in the death of Fred E. Marvin, who



passed away at his home, 152 Douglas Avenue, after a lengthy illness. Mr. Marvin, who had reached his 73rd year, was one of the pioneers in the wire nail business in America and helped to establish the first wire nail plant in Canada, which was opened in St. John, 24 years ago. A keen business man and the best type of citizen his kindly presence will be missed, and his loss mourned by a host of friends.

Mr. Marvin was born at Keyville, New York, in 1849. When a young man he moved to Chicago and entered the employ of the Northwestern Nail Co., learning the business from the ground up. In the year 1882 he came to St. John and with the late James Pender started the first wire nail plant in the Dominion.

In the year 1896 he and Eben Perkins formed the Maritime Nail Co. and he has been a director of that company from its formation until the present time. For seventeen years he was general manager of this concern. In the year 1912 he formed the Canadian Nail and Wire Co., and established his plant on the West Side. Of this company he has been president and general manager ever since its inception.

Under his able management the business of the company grew from year to year and it was found necessary to enlarge the original plant.

Mr. Marvin has been interested in all matters pertaining to the welfare of the community and his support in every worthy cause could be depended on.

He was a member of the Independent Order of Foresters.

He was an active and influential member of the Main Street Baptist Church. For many years he was a member of the trustees board, the finance committee and the choir committee. He was one of the members of the building committee who had charge of the erection of the present fine edifice, in which this congregation worships. For several years he has been a member of the board of directors of Cedar Hill cemetery.

Mr. Marvin is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Linda Colvin, one son, Harry A., assistant general manager of the Maritime Nail Co., one daughter, Mrs. A. D. Hamilton of Chicago and two sisters, Mrs. William Stoebber of Burlington, Vt., and Mrs. William A. Alexander of Chicago.

Arrangements for the funeral service had not been made last evening.

Commissioners of County Hospital

Reported at Meeting New Children's Ward Nearly Completed—Two Interesting Cases.

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the St. John County Hospital was held yesterday morning at the office of the county secretary, Dr. H. S. McDonald in the chair.

It was reported that the new children's ward was very nearly complete and that the shortening of the gates under the boilers, ordered last month, had resulted in better combustion and a saving in fuel.

Two very interesting cases of cancer were reported. One was that of a man who had been in the institution for eighteen months and the other that of a young woman who had been there for nine months. Both of these are now back at their former employment with one of the large manufacturing concerns in the city.

Those present were Dr. McDonald, Mrs. E. Atherton Smith, Mrs. J. H. Frink, W. J. Deo, L. W. Simms and J. King Kelley, K. C.

PERSONALS

Joseph L. O'Brien left Wednesday afternoon for Montreal.

C. A. Owens left for Montreal Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Alberta Ryan, president of the Red Cross Society and vice-president of the Local Council of Women in Moncton, is in the city visiting her niece, Mrs. E. Netter, Douglas avenue.

J. M. Woodman, general superintendent of the C. P. R. in New Brunswick district, left yesterday morning for an inspection tour on the Fredericton, Grand Lake Railway as far as Miramichi.

James Condon, editor of the Canadian Fisherman and general secretary of the Canadian Fisheries Association arrived in the city yesterday on route to Nova Scotia on business.

Dr. J. D. Tothill, of Fredericton, was a guest at the Royal yesterday.

R. P. Gorham, of Fredericton, arrived in the city yesterday and is registered at the Victoria.

W. A. Jones, of Apohaqui, was registered at the Victoria yesterday.

Among those who registered at the Victoria yesterday was L. W. Black, of Amherst.

Discuss Hydro-Electric Matter

Large Attendance in Trades and Labor Council Hall Heard Addresses Last Evening.

At a largely attended meeting, held last night under the auspices of the St. John Trades and Labor Council, in their hall on Prince William street, several addresses were delivered and considerable discussion took place on the question of hydro-electric distribution. The meeting was presided over by F. S. A. McMullin, president of the Trades and Labor Council for the city, and addresses were given by Roy Willet, Herbert Phillips and J. E. Tighe. The consensus of opinion, as expressed at the meeting, was in favor of municipal distribution of the hydro-electric energy, and various suggestions were advanced as to the best means to adopt in attaining this object. As the result of the discussion, a suggestion was advanced to the effect that the meeting go on record as being in favor of an amalgamation of the Trades and Labor Council, the Citizens' Association and the Hardware Clerks' Association, for the purpose of co-ordinating plans in connection with the attainment of this object. This suggestion was embodied in a motion, which was unanimously carried. The question will be submitted to these different organizations for approval.

Roy Willet, representing the Hardware Clerks' Association, stated that, while his organization took no definite stand on the general principle of public ownership of public utilities, nevertheless, in regard to the distribution of hydro-electric energy, they were of the opinion that the best benefits would accrue to the community if this distribution were taken over by the municipality.

Herbert Phillips, president of the Citizens' Association, spoke of the changes in the situation owing to the delay in reaching any definite decision in the matter. He said that the element of risk seemed to have taken root in the minds of some, the risk that the price might not be reduced under public ownership. The speaker stated that, in this connection, the people should be guided by a great deal of past experience in the matter of hydro-electricity in Hamilton and other progressive towns in Ontario, which had successfully carried out such projects through the municipality. He went on to say that some experiment must be made to ascertain whether the market would develop and it was a matter for the municipality or the power company to make that experiment. It was purely a business proposition, and he saw no objection to putting the proposition up to the power company, and this was the position taken at City Hall on Saturday last.

The speaker said that the longer the matter was put off for discussion the more chance there existed for frivolous arguments to take root. The Citizens' Committee felt, however, that having waited so long they could afford to wait a little longer, but they were determined to have the question thoroughly threshed out.

J. E. Tighe advocated a public meeting of the citizens, to which he invited the members of the Common Council and others interested in the proposition, and there have the matter thoroughly threshed out.

He also spoke of the attitude of the Government in connection with the proposed distribution of hydro-electricity. He stated that he had been given to understand in Fredericton, Wednesday that, if the city would not take over the distribution, the Government would be forced to turn it over to private enterprise.

H. D. Sullivan, in reply to Mr. Tighe's suggestion in regard to a public meeting, that such a plan would not be feasible at the present time, and not until the committee, which had been appointed to go over the power company's books, had made their report. He also stated that the petition which the Citizens' Association had submitted to the Council had not proved effective towards securing the distribution of hydro-electricity, they proposed to demand a plebiscite on the hydro proposition.

Percy Moore made a suggestion that, in order to better further the purpose of the advocates of public distribution, the Trades and Labor Council, the Hardware Clerks' Association and the Citizens' Association should amalgamate as a single committee, in this connection. The suggestion was embodied in a motion, but the representatives present from the last two organizations said that they would be impossible for them to commit their respective committees in such a scheme, as they had not that authority.

Mr. Phillips suggested that the motion be worded in such a way as to express the meeting's favor of Mr. Moore's plan, and that the proposition be placed before a combined meeting of these organizations at a later date for their approval. The motion was accordingly worded and carried by the meeting.

LONDON LIFE CO. MEMBERS DINE

An enjoyable banquet was enjoyed by some thirty-five members of the London Life Insurance Co's local staff at Bond's last evening. After partaking of an excellent repast a series of games were carried out. Miss Betts favored with a violin selection and Mr. Latta with a vocal solo. Prizes were given to the winners of games. Mrs. T. O'Donnell and Miss Hazel Peters were the pianists, and W. C. Peters the chairman of the evening.

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The Alpine Flora Of British Columbia

Interesting Lecture by Dr. John D. Tothill at Annual Meeting of Acadian Entomological Society.

"The Alpine Flora of British Columbia" was the title of a paper read by Dr. John D. Tothill, of the Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Fredericton, at the opening of the annual meeting of the Acadian Entomological Society in the lecture room of the Natural History Society, last evening.

Dr. Tothill illustrated his lecture with a number of slides reproducing a number of photographs of the flora of the mountains of British Columbia.

He stated there were three chains of mountains in British Columbia. The first met with when coming from the East were the Rockies, which were separated by a valley from the Selkirk, the central chain, and finally the coast range.

The mountain flora, he explained, was divided much the same as that of the different belts or zones into which the flora of the continent is divided, beginning at the Arctic which is void of all tree life, then the tundra, the alpine, the subalpine, the home of deciduous trees, and finally the tropical belt with its palm trees, etc.

The doctor said that the plant life of the Pacific slope of the coast range varied greatly from that of the other side, owing to the temperate climate and the precipitation which amounted to 100 inches per year, while that of St. John was approximately 45 inches.

The precipitation on the other slope which he would call the dry belt, amounted to only 8 inches, and in consequence the vegetation differed greatly.

Slides were screened showing the vegetation on the coast, that is to be met with in the dry belt, that on the wet slopes of the mountains, the tree and finally the flora which provided the subject of the evening, that of the mountain tops.

Dr. Tothill said that it was truly a wondrous sight to be old which one stepped out from the forest of the forest in tree belt and into the meadows of Alpine plants which were to be found above the trees and below the glaciers. Large meadows spread out, he said, in myriad carpets of brilliantly colored flowers. There was the Arctic flora of a brilliant scarlet, heathers with purple, white or yellow blossoms, blue lupins, the white marigold, and others.

There was a great difference to be noted in the plants of this belt from others, because of the fact that they had but six weeks to live, while the rest had from four to six months.

All the plants had the carpet habit, each species grew in a separate clump; there was much more blossoming and less foliage, and less height than in other plants. This was due to

the heavy winds which at all times prevailed, and to the lack of insect and animal life. Because of this latter there was no pollination through the medium of insects, and all the plants were self pollinated, or by the wind, and were all perennials.

There were no true grasses to be found, and therefore no grazing animals, which accounted for the absence of burr plants.

An interesting point was the relationship of the plants, few orders were unrepresented, and likewise the extreme range. The same flora to be found in British Columbia mountains, was to be found as far south as California, and as far north as the Arctic circle, with the difference, that the altitude of their habitat constantly increased going southward and decreased going north. As to the northern extremity of the belt, the plant life was similar, whether in the mountains of British Columbia, the barrens of Labrador, Greenland, the tundras of northern Europe or Asia and even in the Alps.

At the close of the lecture a vote of thanks was moved by Dr. Wm. McIntosh and seconded by Gordon Leavitt, was extended to Dr. Tothill by the chairman of the evening, Professor W. H. Britton.

The Fundy Chapter of the I. O. D. E. were addressed by their first president, under their former organization the Y. W. P. A., Mrs. Dalgleish, nee Miss Lois Gemmer, at the regular monthly meeting of the chapter held in the G. W. V. A. Hall last evening.

Mrs. Dalgleish gave an interesting account of a trip through China and Japan, and Mrs. E. C. Weyman narrated a trip through Great Britain.

The regent, Miss Alice Fairweather, presided.

During the business meeting the sum of \$10 was voted for a needy family and a similar amount to purchase gramophone records for the soldiers at the East St. John and River Glade, sanatoriums.

Mrs. Heber Vroom was chosen to represent the chapter at the National Chapter meeting to be held in Vancouver.

The nomination for provincial councilors resulted as follows: Miss Fairweather, Miss Alward, Miss Brayley, and Miss Baird. Referees were served during the meeting by an efficient committee convened by Miss Winifred Upham.

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Carleton Cornet Band Programme

Second of Series of Entertainments Attracted Large and Appreciative Audience Last Night.

The second of a series of three entertainments planned by the Carleton Cornet Band was given last evening in city hall, West Side. Over 800 persons were present and enjoyed the fine programme provided. At the conclusion of the concert the performers were invited to the band room where a delicious lunch was served them. The ladies auxiliary decorated the hall and stage and sold candy and ice cream during the intermission and much of the success of the evening was due to their energetic efforts.

The following ladies formed the committee: Miss G. Belyea, Miss F. Lanyon, Miss M. Lanyon, Miss U. Ellis, Miss M. Lanyon, Miss M. Stackhouse, Miss M. Ellis, Mrs. E. Wright, Miss E. Wright, Miss E. Dashwood.

The programme was as follows:
Opening—"O Canada and the Maple Leaf."
March—"The Vanished Army"—Band.
Overture—"Tancrède"—Band.
Song—Selected—Jack Simpson.
Soprano Solo—"Mrs. J. M. Patterson."
Sketch—"The Modern School of Acting"—J. U. Hagerly and J. J. O'Toole.
Grand Military Tattoo—Band.
Accompanist—George P. Laney.
Mrs. G. D. Davidson, Miss M. Barrett.

LIFE AND WORKS OF TWO POETS

An interesting lecture on the life and works of two poets, one of the East and the other of the West, namely, Edgar Allan Poe, of America, and Thomas Goode, of England, was delivered by Hope Thompson under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. of the Gormley street Baptist church last evening.

Mr. Thompson who was favored by a large and attentive audience also gave several readings from poems of his own composition during the evening.

LOST PROPERTY RETURNED

Roger B. Williams, a returned soldier, was able to identify as his property the leather wallet containing a sum of money and a check for a considerable amount, found by Joseph Fleming on North Street, Wednesday evening. The wallet was accordingly turned over to him by the detective department who had received it from Mr. Fleming.