

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Moderate to fresh southwest to west winds; a few showers, but partly fair.

Toronto, Nov. 13.—Pressure is highest tonight over the southern and northern states, and lowest in northern Ontario and Quebec. Light showers have been almost general today from Ontario to the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Moderately cold weather has prevailed in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, while it has been mild elsewhere.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria...	40	46
Vancouver...	30	42
Kamloops...	22	32
Edmonton...	20	30
Calgary...	14	38
Battleford...	8	30
Moose Jaw...	9	27
Winnipeg...	22	26
Fort Arthur...	28	34
Parry Sound...	32	46
London...	38	44
Toronto...	38	44
Kingston...	42	50
Ottawa...	34	46
Montreal...	32	50
St. John...	32	50
Halifax...	28	52

Washington Forecast.
Northern New England—Local rains Friday; Saturday, cloudy and somewhat cooler; moderate southwest to west winds.

AROUND THE CITY

Thank Friends.

Police Officer Scovill Smith wishes to thank his many friends and acquaintances for the kindness shown him and his family in his recent bereavement.

Wants Eggs and Turkeys.

The Board of Trade yesterday received a letter from a produce dealer in Boston, asking to be placed in communication with anybody who could supply him with fresh eggs and turkeys.

New Pastor Inducted.

Rev. John P. MacNeill, of Alberton, P. E. I., was inducted yesterday as Presbyterian minister at Chatham. Rev. J. H. A. Anderson, of St. John, presided and addressed the minister, while Rev. Thomas Mitchell addressed the people. Rev. Dr. MacVicar assisted at the induction.

A Pleading Lecture.

In the studio of the St. John Art Club, last evening, the second lecture of the season was given. The lecturer was Mrs. William Shaw, whose subject was "Mexican Scenes." The lecture proved of great interest, the word paintings of the different scenes given by the lecturer proving most interesting to her audience. At the close of the lecture a hearty vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Shaw. A musical programme was carried out during the evening and refreshments served by a committee of the ladies.

NEGRO DIED ON EXPRESS

Aged Colored Man Found Dead by Conductor of the Halifax Train, Yesterday Afternoon.

Shortly after train No. 15, which arrives here at 5.10 o'clock in the afternoon left Moncton yesterday a colored man named Graves was found sitting dead in his seat in the passenger car. The body was brought to St. John where it was taken off the train to be prepared for burial.

The man who was about seventy-five years of age, came from Chatham, reaching Moncton yesterday afternoon. At Moncton he had to change trains, and as it was seen that he was in a weak condition some of those standing around the depot assisted him onto the train coming to this city. He took his seat in the car, and when the train had proceeded nearly to Salisbury the conductor in making his rounds of the train to collect his tickets found the man apparently asleep. He endeavored to awaken him, but could not rouse him. It was found on examination that the man was dead. The body was brought to Sussex where it was taken off the train.

PERSONAL.

Dr. E. N. Davis arrived on the Montserrat express yesterday.
Madam Marie Sundelius, who sang at the concert in York Theatre last evening, is the guest of Mrs. G. S. Mayes, Lancaster.
Lt. Gov. Wood is in the city and is a guest at the Royal.

GREAT SALE OF WINTER MILLINERY AT M. R. A.'S.

This is the big event which hundreds of St. John ladies take such a great interest in every year. There will be wonderful assortments of up-to-the-minute trimmed hats, also untrimmed hats of almost every shape and color, together with trimming accessories comprising all the season's novelties in fancy feathers, wings, also handsome flowers made of velvet and silk.

All this lovely millinery must be cleared and prices have been placed so low that bargains will be found in great abundance. The sale will start promptly at 8.30 this morning in the Millinery Salon—second floor.

Sunday afternoon special service in Centenary Church. Address to men by Rev. W. H. Barracough. Subject:

CLEVER CON ARTISTS AND HEBREWS FOR BIG SUM

M. V. Blow, Blew into City Broke, and Out Again with \$500 in Cash and Valuable Household Articles—Said He was Rich Jew with Vast Estates in Palestine.

Unknown to the general public there has been operating in the city for the past three weeks, or more, a shrewd swindler representing himself as M. V. Blow, a moneyed Hebrew whose wealth was tied up in bonds and securities. This smooth and congenial personage, a fine conversationalist, was at once taken into the confidence of those with whom he came in contact, and after persuading them by fraudulent means to advance sums of money for which he gave in payment worthless checks on an English banking firm, the mysterious Mr. Blow, alleged to be immensely wealthy in lands and securities in Palestine and far off countries, blew out of town, taking with him, besides the actual money advanced, a number of valuable household articles and silverware amounting in all over \$500 in value.

His sudden departure from the city was made last Saturday afternoon, when, according to his own statements, he was going to move to a different locality in the city. Word of his unexpected departure was learned late Saturday evening and those who came under the influence of the crook notified the authorities here with the result that an effort was made to locate the man travelling under the name of Mr. Blow, but with little result.

Worked in North End.

The work of the clever swindler was confined to a particular section of the North End, where he was on the most intimate terms with a number of the residents who unhesitatingly took him into their confidence. They are bewailing their losses, resulting from close intimacy with the plausible individual who was received with the greatest friendship on all sides.

The chief losers through the fraudulent work of this visitor are a class of Hebrew residents with whom this man, being a Hebrew by birth, naturally fell in with. The exact extent of his work is not known, as some with whom he had become acquainted have not yet learned of the facts in the case, but The Standard is informed that at least five came under his influence and have suffered heavy losses. One of the heaviest losers is the firm of Jacobson & Co., furniture dealers, of Main street, who have been swindled to the extent of at least a hundred and twenty-one dollars. H. Selig with whom the alleged Mr. Blow boarded for some time has been victimized of an amount exceeding forty dollars. N. Gordon, a Main street meat and grocery dealer, who was among those to whom bogus checks were given, has been swindled of a sum in the vicinity of twenty dollars. From the house of Jacob Myers, where the swindler boarded for some time, it had been living up till his departure from the city, a number of his household articles and some wearing apparel of which it is difficult to estimate the value were removed. Articles were also stolen by him from the shoe store of B. Jacobson, Main street, and it is believed that after the report of the man's disappearance has been broadly circulated stories of further swindle will be brought to light. Further efforts to locate the man will be begun today.

A Shrewd Swindler.

When the search was begun shortly after the news of his departure was made known the destination of his baggage was traced to Halifax, but judging from his accomplishments while in the city he was one of the shrewdest swindlers and it is thought probable that he would take all precaution possible to avoid leaving any clue as to his whereabouts. It is believed that this was done merely to ward off his victims and elude detection.

When he arrived in the city a little over three weeks ago Blow, or the man in question representing himself by that name, was accompanied by a woman much larger than himself, supposed to be his wife, and a young girl who was known as his child.

While residing in the city the identity of the man and wife was not questioned, but since the facts of the case have been made known, it is now believed that the woman was not his wife but was travelling with him to assist in his fraudulent work and that both were gangsters of the clever American type.

When he first arrived in the city he made the acquaintance of a number of Hebrew residents of the North End. He was a short, fair complexioned man about thirty-five years of age, wearing glasses; of a most suave manner and always ready with a smile. His plausible and interesting stories of his own experiences and of his immense wealth in land and securities in far-off countries at once gained for him the confidence of his acquaintances and he used this close intimacy on short acquaintance as a means of working his victims.

Claiming that he had no actual money, but that interest from his lands in Palestine and certain bonds he was supposed to have held, would readily yield him a considerable amount of money, he approached the merchants and secured advances of money.

A Clever Scheme.

From the proprietor of Jacobson and Co., furniture dealers, Main street, this Mr. Blow received a loan of ten dollars with the understanding that he would pay the money back when a substantial amount which was owing him would arrive. Working on the same ground he also secured from the store a couple of pieces of furniture costing in the vicinity of \$17. It was with him simply a matter of waiting until this money was forwarded him through a local bank and then these and other debts which he had contracted in the neighborhood would be paid. So plausible a speaker was this individual that the thought never occurred to Mr. Jacobson that there was any dishonesty in his methods, especially when he was able to furnish credentials and certain insurance securities supposed to be held in a city in Texas. The securities were shown

Mr. Jacobson and as a pledge of their worth he expressed a desire to place them in a local bank for collection. The securities held represented ten shares of a hundred dollars value which meant that a thousand dollars were due the holder. According to this Mr. Blow the money was due him in the year 1909, and the accumulated interest of the four years would make the securities worth twelve hundred and eighty-five dollars.

With Mr. Blow Mr. Jacobson went to the Bank of British North America identified him and they were placed with the bank for collection. As the course which was necessary be taken in the collection of the money devolves considerable time no word from them has yet been received. At the bank, however, it is declared that the bonds are valuable, but whether or not the alleged Mr. Blow is the proper owner is another question.

After waiting some days for the money which he was supposed to receive from a relative, Blow came to the office of Mr. Jacobson on Saturday morning last and announced that the money which he had expected had arrived and to Mr. Jacobson he presented the check.

The check was a certified one with the official stamp of the bank for eighty-five dollars, drawn on the Corn Exchange Bank, a noted English financial concern in favor of himself. Putting up the argument that he (Mr. Jacobson) was known at the bank in St. John, he asked him to accept the check and deduct from the amount what was owed him. Not thinking to question the worth of the check, as it was certified by the bank stamp, Mr. Jacobson accepted it in return for the twenty dollars coming to him and gave Mr. Blow sixty-five dollars in return.

The check was presented at the bank and it was not until the man had left the city that in reply to a wire sent to the London bank that the word was received here that the check was worthless, and that the matter was a gross fraud.

A worthless check for forty dollars was passed off on Myer Gordon, with whom this man had business connections while in the city, in a somewhat similar manner.

Secured Shoes.

In the Jacobson shoe store on Main street the swindler asked to have a pair of shoes sent to his house on approval, where the shoes were never returned. Other goods were also received in this manner. When Mr. Blow first arrived in the city he claimed he was without money, but that he was expecting interest on some money invested. He boarded with his supposed wife and child in the residence of H. Selig for three or four weeks and left owing about thirty dollars board, and ten dollars which had been loaned him in cash. Leaving here he later went to the house of Jacob Myers on Main street where he remained until last Saturday when he shipped his baggage and took with him silk waists, dress goods and general valuable household articles. When leaving the Myers house on Saturday, the swindler said that he was leaving to reside in a house he had rented in City Road.

From what information that has been gathered on the matter it was learned that the women travelling with Mr. Blow as his wife left the city in the 12.40 train on Saturday and he followed on the 6.30 train. It is thought that perhaps the two met in Moncton and proceeded to Montreal.

The man representing himself as M. V. Blow was highly educated, conversant with the conditions in foreign countries and was able to speak several languages fluently. He could converse in English, French, Hebrew, German, Slav and Polish and had a thorough knowledge of the various countries. He claimed that his home was in Rio Janeiro, but that he was born in Vienna, Austria. He was alleged to have had immensely valuable holdings in land in Palestine. He posed as an expert chemist and professed to be a graduate of a famous German university. His sole desire, according to his own version, was simply to have enough money to live on.

G. N. R. LINERS TO HAVE THE EMPRESS BERTHS

Application not yet Received, but no Difficulty will be Experienced in Matter.

"No application has been made to the city for berths for the Royal line boats as yet, but I think satisfactory arrangements can be made," said Mayor Frink, acting commissioner of harbors, yesterday. When the city council made the usual allotment of berths for the winter season, it did so in the belief that the Empress boats would come here. If the Royal line boats came here in place of the Empresses, it is the disposition of the city council to be offered them the berth it was intended to reserve for the Empress boats. The city leases the sheds. There should, however, be no difficulty about arranging for the accommodation of mail boats."

Disband Artillery Band.

The artillery band disbanded. At a meeting held last night it was decided to disband the band due to the expense to the officers maintaining the organization under the present arrangement is too heavy. It is understood that they will secure the services of a local band to furnish the music on parades as this can be done more cheaply.

HON. MR. ROGERS LEAVES CITY FOR HALIFAX

Ministers had Busy Day Yesterday—Visited Points of Interest and Noted Industrial Expansion.

Hon. Robert Rogers, Minister of Public Works, after a busy day in the city, left last evening for Halifax to make an inspection of the public works in progress there. Yesterday morning Mr. Rogers and Mr. Hazen gave audience to a number of delegates from the city and provinces. At noon Mr. Hazen took the Minister of Public Works on an automobile tour of the city, and gave him an opportunity to see the industrial expansion.

Among other points they visited was the Ballast wharf, where the big sugar refinery is now being erected. In the afternoon the ministers had a conference with a delegation from St. Stephen, St. Andrew and Milltown, the members of which urged the advisability of developing harbor facilities at Oak Point, on the St. Croix river. Last evening Senator Thorne entertained Mr. Rogers, Mr. Hazen and a few political friends at dinner. Mr. Hazen was accompanied by the Minister of Public Works to Halifax. The Minister of Marine and Fisheries will remain in St. John for some days, attending to his departmental duties. He regrets that he was unable to accompany the Minister of Public Works to Halifax, as he was cordially invited to do, by the Mayor of that city and other prominent people. He had hoped to go to Halifax with Mr. Rogers, but having made several important appointments with men outside of St. John which he was unable to keep yesterday owing to pressure of other business, he decided to remain here.

Mr. Hazen will attend the annual meeting of the North American Fish and Game Protective Association which meets in St. John on November 15 and 16. Some of the leading men in North America identified with fish and game protection will attend this meeting.

MANY THEFT CASES IN THE CITY LATELY

The police have been called upon during the past few months to deal with a variety of offences. One of the most prevalent, however, seems to be theft. A number of cases have come before the court recently and have kept them busy rounding up the offenders. In the police court yesterday afternoon the case against a young man, Lester Campbell, charged with stealing from a C. P. R. car at West St. John a few weeks ago, was concluded and the prisoner was sent up for trial. On application of his counsel, J. A. Barry, the prisoner was admitted to bail, the amount being \$1,000.

On Saturday night last a daring robbery was committed in the country market by a couple of lads when the till of G. B. Cromwell was rifled of a considerable sum of money, the thieves making a get-away. The police have been on the lookout for the past few days. Last night two lads, Victor Colman and Fred Wilson, were arrested on warrants for stealing. The police were reticent as to whether the arrests were made in connection with the case or not. A peculiar phase about the different theft cases is the number in which juveniles have figured.

THE LADIES COME WHERE THEY KNOW THE MILLINERY BARGAINS ARE.

This sale of 2,000 dozen high grade Austrian and French velour hats, silk velvet hats, silk plush hats, satin finish felt hats, worth from \$2 to \$10 each, selling at 50 cents to \$3 each, has set the city talking. No other store in Canada will sell you the same quality hats for less than \$3 and \$10 each. Best quality silk beaver hats, white and black, large and small. Latest New York shapes, actually worth \$5 each. Our clearing price, \$2 each. We would never have considered purchasing such an immense quantity of handsome and exclusive millinery creations had it not been for the fact that they were offered at prices that we simply could not resist, but we had to buy the 2,000 dozen to get them, so we could sell at these prices. Children's and misses' beaver hats, cardinal, navy and black, \$1 each; children's trimmed felt hats, 50 cents each; ladies' trimmed hats, \$1 and upwards. On the second floor we will sell wings, fancy feathers and ostrich mounts, worth up to \$5 each, for 10c, 15c, and 25c. Come here. MARR MILLINERY CO.

The new sport coat and the red and black mackintosh at F. A. Dryden and Co.'s store. The writer of this advertisement believes in saying just what he thinks, and the quickest way to describe this new style coat is to say that it is so extremely ugly it is intensely attractive and many say beautiful. The lines certainly do indicate the artist's work, and the lady wearing one will be a pronounced leader in style. Even the cloths are strikingly new and harmonize with the new shape. These coats are lined throughout with satin in keeping with the garment throughout. The prices are \$12.50, \$13.00 and \$15.00.

THE PRINCE WILLIAM HOTEL.

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You will soon be thinking of different articles which will be needed for Xmas. Let us early draw your attention to our Toy Dept. which contains the latest novelties from German and American factories, personally selected by one of our own representatives.

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This grand clearance of Hats for winter and Trimmings to adorn them, represents entirely this season's styles and novelties so that whatever you choose will be well within the scope of fashion.

There is practically the entire Winter in which to receive the benefit of your purchase and these great values will compel your interested attention.

Commencing This Morning

Trimmed Hats—So many delightful styles in tailored and dress effects that description is impossible. Enough to say that some of the handsomest hats of the season are here in every conceivable shape and embellishment—such wonderful enticing bargains at sale prices that unless you hasten someone else will surely select the hat which should belong to you. Velvet, Plush, Velour, and Felt Hats. Sale prices, each \$1.00, \$2.00, \$3.00, \$4.50, \$5.50, \$7.00.

Untrimmed Hats—A complete exhibit of the most popular shapes in felts, beavers and velours in all this season's accepted shades. Hats so fashionable with regard to form and such unusual values at reduced figures that this is undoubtedly the opportunity of the year to obtain a good hat cheaply. Sale prices, each 25c., 50c., 75c., \$1.00.

Wing and Feather Bargains—For trimming the hat you select, here is a wide range of choice in Wings and Fancy Feathers covering every effect considered the vogue for this winter. Marabou, Vulture, Hackle and Coque Feathers, also Feather Bands. Osprey and Soft Feather Mounts, and a nice variety of Wings in cerise, tan, green, Maize, coque de roche, saxe, gold, brown, white, black, etc. Sale prices, 10c., 15c., 25c., 50c.

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