

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Decreasing northerly winds, fair and moderately cold.

Washington, Jan. 13—Forecast: Northern New England—Fair Thursday and Friday; moderate north becoming variable and shifting to south winds.

Table with columns: Location, Min., Max. Includes entries for Victoria, Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Moose Jaw, Regina, Winnipeg, Port Arthur, Parry Sound, Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Quebec, St. John, Halifax.

Around the City

Charged with Interference. Policeman Ward last night placed James Doyle under arrest on Union street for being drunk and interfering with pedestrians.

Estimates For Several Years. The estimates of the city commissioners as made up so far show considerable increase over last year.

Social to Soldiers. The Father Matthew Association tendered an informal reception to the members who have joined the 26th Battalion.

Queen Square Church. At the annual meeting of the committee of management of Queen Square church Sunday school Tuesday evening reports showed a successful year with receipts of \$428.15 and a slight gain in membership.

THE LUMBER CUT WILL BE DOUBLE. Thomas Carson, M. L. A., Predicts Increased Business With British Market—High Freights.

Councillor Thomas Carson, M. L. A., of St. Martins, who was in the city yesterday, said the lumber cut along the railway in the vicinity of St. Martins would be doubled this year.

PERSONAL. Richard O'Leary of Richibucto was in the city yesterday. Coun. W. J. Dean of Musquash is at the Park Hotel.

Do not forget to attend the Great Fur Sale at H. Mont Jones.

QUEST FROM THE TRENCHES OF THE ALLIES TO ST. JOHN

Christmas Message From Sergeant Fred Clark to His Wife—First of King and Queen Souvenirs to Arrive Here—A Letter From the Firing Line.

When a Standard reporter made a call at No. 107 Britain street, last evening, he saw a very happy family about the table enjoying their evening meal.

These are the first of these cards and of the Royal presents to reach Canada. They arrived in the city and were delivered to Mrs. Clark on Tuesday afternoon.

On an inside page are the words: "With best wishes for a happy Christmas and a victorious New Year. From the Princess Mary and friends at home."

Mr. Clark also sent the Christmas card as printed for the members of the company. It is a blue card with black letters with a blank in the center for the sender to put the name of the recipient.

APPROVES BUT CUT IN CITY ESTIMATES

President of Board of Trade Not Disposed to Make Further Protest Against Appropriations—Proposed Emergency Tax Premature.

Whether any action will be taken by the Board of Trade to protest against the increase in the city appropriations will depend upon the action of the council of the board which meets on Friday.

Speaking of the proposed emergency tax, Mr. Lively said he did not think the Board of Trade was called upon to consider it at the present time as the city council would have to get authority from the legislature before it could do anything in the matter.

Opinion among prominent members of the Board of Trade seemed to favor the principle of the proposed emergency tax if it should become necessary.

The following letter from Councillors William Golding and John T. O'Brien was received by the Standard yesterday.

As two of the councillors from the Parish of Lancaster we had exception to the article. There is absolutely no truth in the statement that "The Councillors had a rather stormy interview with Commissioner Wigmore".

On Monday afternoon, Councillors Bryant and ourselves who are the board of management for the Parish of Lancaster and who are members of the water committee together with the City Commissioners, called upon Commissioner Wigmore in connection with the drafting of a bill to be presented at the next session of the Legislature.

These are the facts and the article which was published is somewhat misleading.

WILLIAM GOLDING, JOHN T. O'BRIEN.



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