

THE WEATHER.

MARITIME—Increasing easterly to southerly winds, milder with light snowfalls, turning to sleet or rain.

AROUND THE CITY

Fire-Alarm Tests. This morning fire alarm box 56 on Waterloo street will be tested. Box 54 on the same street was tested by Supt. Pierce yesterday morning and was found in good condition.

Tonight's Concert. St. John's favorite, Miss Louise Knight, will be heard tonight at the St. Andrews church Cadet Concert at the Opera House, also for the first time in public the Girl's Quartette will sing.

Losses Placed at \$7,000. Edgar Fairweather arrived in the city on the Boston express last night from Andover, where he had been adjusting the loss on the fire in the Perth Milling Co.'s plant. The loss was adjusted at \$7,000.

Car Heating Matter. Yesterday the necessary papers in connection with the complaints of West Side residents about the loop car service were drawn up and served on the public utilities commission and the street railway. The commissioners promised that the matter would be taken up as soon as possible.

Injured in Woods. A man named Cowan arrived on the Boston express last night from Clarendon with a badly injured foot. He had been working in the woods back of Clarendon yesterday morning when his axe slipped and the sharp blade entered his left foot. The large toe was severed and the man suffered greatly. He was conveyed to his home in the North End in a coach.

Ferry Complaint. People who use the ferry are complaining bitterly about the new coal pocket erected on the wharf back of the floats. They say the wind blows coal dust from the pocket in such clouds that travel by the ferry has become most uncomfortable. These complaints are very general and so insistent that it is probable the ferry authorities will be compelled to take some action to abate the nuisance.

Not Allowed to Visit. When the Boston express arrived last night there was a woman on board who had been turned back at Vancouver, B.C., by the United States immigration officials who deemed her an undesirable person. The woman had but one dollar in her pocket. She is from Bridgetown, N. S., and has a ticket for Portland, Me., where she intended going to visit her sister. She will be sent back to Bridgetown today.

School for the Deaf. The annual meeting of the School for the Deaf was held yesterday at the Institution on Lancaster Heights, when new directors were elected as follows: R. T. Hayes, J. V. Russell, O. F. Warwick, J. Harvey Brown, Mrs. A. McLean, A. A. Wilson and A. O. Skinner. The directors will hold a meeting next week to elect officers and deal with reports. The institution under Principal Joseph Keating has enjoyed a successful year.

Slight Fire. Shortly after four o'clock yesterday afternoon the fire department responded to an alarm from box 312 for a fire on the roof of Patrick McNulty's house on Rockland Road. The fire was extinguished by chemical No. 2 and the damage was slight. About five o'clock hose No. 2 responded to a still alarm for a supposed fire on the roof of a house on the corner of Wright and Prospect streets. The alarm was rung by some steam escaping from a trap on the roof.

An Old Story. Charles Mullin was arrested on Saturday, 14th inst., charged with drunkenness and was sent to jail. Yesterday afternoon the prisoner was taken to the police court where he was charged by W. E. Anderson with obtaining money under false pretences. Mr. Anderson gave evidence that he paid Mullin two dollars subscription for a book of poems and that the defendant did not deliver the book. A. M. Belding gave evidence that he had befriended Mullin for over a year, gave him money, paid his board and obtained work for him and that Mullin went back on his promises to keep from liquor. The defendant was remanded to jail.

RABBI AND FRIEND IN BAD RUNAWAY

Both Men Lay on Road for Some Time in Unconscious Condition -- Rabbi Amdur Much Shaken Up

While Rabbi Amdur and Major Gordon were driving on the Westmoreland Road yesterday afternoon their horse ran away overturning the buggy, and causing serious injury to both men. The Rabbi was thrown to one side of the road and Mr. Gordon on the other side some distance away. Both men struck the frozen ground with such violence that they were rendered unconscious. John McGrath, coming along in a team saw the Rabbi lying unconscious, and putting him in his wagon, hurried to the city. After the Rabbi was taken to his home, where Dr. Addy was hastily summoned, he recovered consciousness and asked after his friend. B. Levine summoned a hack, went out to the Westmoreland road, and after a short search found Mr. Gordon lying near the side of the road in a semi-conscious condition. The injured man was taken to his home, and Dr. Broderick was summoned to attend him. The Rabbi was badly shaken up, and though the doctor was unable to discover any broken bones, complaints of pains in his side, and is not likely to be about for a month or more. Mr. Gordon had his wrist broken and sustained other injuries.

TARIFF CHANGES OF LITTLE BENEFIT TO THIS PROVINCE

Representative Business Men Regard Announcement as Rather Unimportant Though Step in the Wrong Direction--No Encouragement to Sardine Industry--No Reduction in Flour Duty

Local business men interviewed last evening seemed to be largely of the opinion that the reciprocity arrangement will not be of much benefit to anybody in this country, except possibly to lumbermen and fishermen. Some while admitting that these two classes would undoubtedly benefit, declared that the arrangement was a step in the wrong direction in proportion to its benefits, because there was grave danger that closer commercial relations with the States might develop a movement for political union.

St. John apparently does not stand to gain many benefits. Lime is not mentioned, though the lime burners here made strong representations to the government claiming that a free market for lime would cause a great development of the industry and employ many ships.

The sardine canning industry will not benefit, as fish in oils are excluded from the reciprocity agreement.

Mr. Lockhart's Views. C. B. Lockhart, when asked his opinion on the reciprocity arrangement made public by Mr. Belding, said he was opposed to reciprocity in any form at the present time and that therefore his opinion was bound to be unfavorable to the arrangement.

"Canada does not need reciprocity," he added. "This country has attained a position where we are able to manufacture our own goods. Our manufacturers need a protected home market at present. The American manufacturers carry on their operations on such an extensive scale, and have such a huge output that with a reduced Canadian tariff they will be able to undersell our own manufacturers and retard or prevent the further development of our manufacturing industries."

"What will be the effect of placing cereals on the free list?" Mr. Lockhart was asked.

"I don't think it will be any advantage to us; in fact it may very readily prove detrimental to us. The United States as well as Canada has a surplus of many cereals and sells its surplus in the same markets that Canada does. American millers, it is true, buy large quantities of our wheat, because they need a special quality to mix with their own product. They would have to buy that kind of wheat anyway and I do not think the fact that it is placed on the free list will help our farmers very much. Our own mills to undersell our own manufacturers and retard or prevent the further development of our manufacturing industries."

No Reduction in Flour. "Do you think the consumer in St. John will reap any benefit from the reduction of the duty on flour?"

"No; I don't think it would make any difference in the price of flour. Some years ago during a political campaign it was said that if the duty was lowered we could import flour from the States, and sell at a much lower figure. But when we investigated the matter we found that the price of flour in Canada, Maine and a number of other American cities was really higher than in St. Stephen, on the opposite side of the river, and in St. John. I don't think the people need expect a reduction in the price of flour on this account. The change by regarding the development of our native flour mills may tend to prevent us securing the reduction in prices which we might naturally expect from improved methods and organization, and the consequent increase in production and the lessened cost of distribution. Mr. Lockhart expressed the opinion that putting potatoes on the free list would not operate to the advantage of New Brunswick. This year, he said, the United States had a surplus of potatoes. Arrostook farmers were sending potatoes to St. John for shipment to Cuba. Under the new arrangement the farmers of Maine would send their potatoes to Montreal and other Canadian markets, and the probability was that the farmers could not meet this competition, and the agricultural development of the province, which was to a certain extent dependent upon good markets for this product, would be retarded.

GUIDES INDIGNANT AT UNFAIR REPORT

Telegraph's Effort to Make Political Capital from Their Discussions Sharply Criticised by Officers.

Murdock MacKenzie and Charles Raines, President and Vice-President respectively, of the New Brunswick Guides' Association feel quite indignant over the report of their remarks printed in yesterday's Telegraph. Discussing the matter, Messrs. Murdock and Raines said the Guides' Association was not in any sense a political organization, and they wished to place themselves on record as stating most emphatically that they were not making any complaints whatever about any government, least of all about the Hazen Government.

"We do not wish," they continued, "to be regarded in any sense as criticising the efforts of a political party, and we should say along with this that we believe the work of the present government in the protection of fish, forest and game of New Brunswick is in every sense commendable. We do not think it is fair to our association to be accused of commenting upon any appointments that have been made, when we have never uttered any such comments. "We look to the governing party—whatever party may be in power—to give the best protection possible to the fish, forest and game of the province, and the protection which is now provided in New Brunswick is, we believe, as good as can be found anywhere. It may not be perfect—we do not say it is—but as everyone must realize it is a difficult matter to secure a large working force, and find every unit of it to be of the highest standard.

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