

THE WEATHER.

Forecasts. Maritime—Fresh northwest winds, fair and cold.

Toronto, Jan. 22—The storm has passed with diminished energy to the Atlantic and the weather has cleared in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces.

Temperatures.

Table with columns for location, Min., and Max. Includes entries for Dawson, Prince Rupert, Victoria, Vancouver, Kamloops, Calgary, Medicine Hat, Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Winnipeg, Port Arthur, Parry Sound, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, and Halifax.

Around the City

Visit Postponed. J. S. Dennis, assistant to the president of the C.P.R., who was expected in the city yesterday to deliver two addresses, will be unable to come, but may pay a visit here at a later date.

City Cornet Band. The City Cornet band will have as their guests tonight the 115th Regimental band, the 165th band and the Temple band.

Stop Cock Repaired. The water and sewerage department repaired yesterday morning on Britain street a stop cock which had blown out along the work on Marsh Bridge, and Commissioner Wigmore said this would be continued despite weather conditions.

Disorderly House Case. James Peacock, charged with being the proprietor of a disorderly house in East St. John, his two daughters, wife George and Carl Peterson, charged with being inmates, were arraigned before Magistrate Adams in the Brookville court yesterday afternoon.

Death of Col. Macdonald. G. W. Parker received a telegram yesterday from J. K. Macdonald, Toronto, president of the Confederation Life Association, announcing that Col. William C. Macdonald, managing director of that company was fatally injured in the Toronto railway station on Sunday evening when a shunting engine backed through the train shed.

Election and Installation. At the annual meeting of Chambers Lodge No. 1, Royal Guardians, held in their hall, Germain street, last night, the following officers were elected and then installed by R. D. Woodrow, grand supreme vice-guardian: H. D. Everett, master guardian; George Stevens, vice-guardian; John Baisley, overseer; E. S. Hennigar, secretary and financier; J. L. Thorne, receiver; James Cunningham, guide; A. J. Armstrong, inner watch; C. E. Lordy, outer watch; J. J. Rowan, past master guardian.

Addressed Rotary Club. At the Rotary Club luncheon yesterday the members were addressed by Raymond Robins on the relation of business to the great transformation era upon which the world will enter after the conclusion of the war.

Owing to the war many articles are being given to a greater extent than formerly. Gundry's experience shows a strong demand existing for Cigarette Cases, Sigmoid Rings and Military Brushes.

SPECIAL SERVICE CONGRESS.

This morning and this afternoon's meetings, as well as those of tomorrow morning and afternoon, will be held in the Knights of Columbus Hall; but the meetings this evening and tomorrow evening must have a larger auditorium, as the hall of the Knights of Columbus was far too small last evening.

Centenary church has been kindly placed at the disposal of the congress, and the two evening meetings will be held there.

SPECIAL SERVICE CONGRESS HAS AUSPICIOUS OPENING IN K. OF C. HALL LAST NIGHT

Place Crowded to the Doors and Hundreds Turned Away—Eloquent and Inspiring Messages From Rev. J. G. Shearer and Raymond Robins.

The New Brunswick Social Service Congress has had the most auspicious opening of any of the provincial congresses held yet, was the statement of Rev. J. G. Shearer, last night, in his opening remarks at the Knights of Columbus Hall, the crowds which gathered at the Sunday afternoon meeting and last night were the largest for the opening services in any of the provinces and argued well for the success of the gathering.

Every inch of available room was filled last night and hundreds of people who came about eight o'clock were forced to go away as the building could not hold any more. Tonight the meeting will be held in Centenary church and all will have an opportunity to hear the splendid addresses of the men who are conducting these meetings.

His Honor Lieut. Gov. Wood was detained at Ottawa and could not be present and in his absence the chair was taken by A. M. Belding, chairman of the local committee, having charge of the arrangements for the congress.

The meeting opened with the National Anthem, after which the chairman expressed the appreciation of the gathering for the use of the rooms so generously donated by the Knights of Columbus. He then introduced the first speaker, Rev. J. G. Shearer, who spoke on "Social Reconstruction After the War."

He voiced the appreciation of himself and the National Congress on the auspicious opening of the congress, and stated that this was the most largely attended initial meeting of any that had yet been held in any province and augured well for the success of the convention.

There would be a social reconstruction after the war along economic, moral and political lines. Already much of this sort of work had been done in the mother country and this Canada which was laying the foundations of the last great nation of the world's history should see that they were laid on sound principles or she would be more guilty than any that had been, because of the greater light and knowledge which she possessed.

In this reconstruction he wanted to draw attention to three key words, efficiency, social justice and Christian civility. Efficiency in the individual, in the social group and in the nation. Any social reconstruction to be of value must make the individual more efficient, as the individual became more efficient the social group would become better and of more value to the nation and result in a more efficient nationality.

The war was bringing into the foreground of men the need of a better social justice, and Christian civility called on the men and women of Canada to see that every last person, man, woman or child, received a square deal and a chance to make the most of their lives.

Social Justice. Social justice called for a conservation of the material resources of the country for the good of all the people, not for the benefit of the few, for the development of our water powers in order to provide cheap power and light for the industries of the province and the farmers.

It included a square deal for every one, politically and economically, women as well as men, and in the social reconstruction which was to come women would be given the right to vote and equal pay with the men for equal work.

Raymond Robins. Mr. Robins said: The world at the present time was taking note of itself, it was recasting and receiving life. Manifest destiny had always been a bungum and people were finding it out.

MR. GUTELIUS PRESENTED A GOAL FAMINE

Railway Bought Fuel in U.S. at Additional Outlay of \$500,000 to Give Eastern Canadian Supply to Private Consumers.

There has been comment more or less of a critical nature on the action of the management of the Canadian Government Railways in purchasing in the United States fifty thousand tons of coal for use on the railway at a higher price than coal could have been purchased for in Eastern Canada.

Mr. Gutelius, in conversation with The Standard, outlined his policy in this matter and expressed the opinion that his action had been taken in the best interests of the people of these provinces although at a somewhat serious financial outlay on the part of the railway department.

Mr. Gutelius stated: "At the beginning of the season we made contracts for all our requirements of coal. The price was in the vicinity of \$3.60 delivered at the pit, there being slight variations from this price according to the quality of the coal supplied. There has been delay in deliveries so that there is now due us from the various contractors one hundred and fifty-eight thousand tons which we have been unable to secure without exerting some little pressure. The mines are utterly unable to fill their contracts with us and at the same time to meet in a reasonably satisfactory way the domestic demand. We have been faced at different times with the prospect of an actual shortage and we have found it necessary from time to time to seize shipments of coal passing over our lines. These quantities so seized have not been very great and some of the shipments have been replaced by us. In addition to this, we have diverted to individual purchasers some of our own coal at such times as we knew these purchasers to be actually in need of the commodity."

"Realizing that it was out of the question for us to expect complete fulfillment of our contracts without serious inconvenience and perhaps suffering because of the general public both as private consumers and in the manufacturing way, I looked about for other means of securing coal for our requirements, and asked for bids in the United States on a total order of fifty thousand tons. From the twenty or so offers received I selected several which appeared most promising in their ability to fulfill the contracts at a reasonable price and I have made contracts divided between five or six of these producers for the fifty thousand tons. The price paid averages \$5.40 per ton, we to take delivery at a United States port. We have already brought four carloads of this coal to St. John. We are hauling this coal in our own vessels at a cost of roughly \$1.50 per ton. The cost of a day's work thus roughly \$5.00 per ton higher than our contract price in these provinces, or two hundred and fifty thousand dollars on the whole outside contract."

"When this suggestion was first made by me there was a very decided protest. I went to Ottawa, placed the matter before the Minister of Railways and thoroughly explained the entire situation. It went before the government with the result that complete endorsement of my plan was given, members of the council feeling that every consideration should be extended to the people of these provinces who are depending on local producers for their coal supplies. The government was perfectly willing to spend a quarter of million dollars in order that no inconvenience should be caused the people of Eastern Canada by reason of restricted supplies for domestic purposes. We have no surplus coal on hand now, supplies at our various depots are very limited, but the outside provinces have helped to some extent in relieving the situation, and while we may be compelled to seize other shipments passing over our lines, still this will not be true to any serious extent and we will endeavor to replace such seizures as promptly as possible. The coal which is on sale in St. John, in Halifax and elsewhere at \$6.40 to \$6.60 per ton is so on sale because members of the government were unwilling to enforce the terms of their contracts with producers and so deprive local consumers of their needed supplies. Had we insisted on the terms of our contracts being carried out there would have been a serious shortage in the local markets all over these provinces."

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No Sportsmen's Show. W. H. Allen, president of the New Brunswick Guides' Association, has been making inquiries regarding the date of the sportsmen's show at New York, but information to hand is to the effect that none will be held this year. Mr. Allen will attend the annual banquet of the Canadian camp at the Hotel Astor on Friday, February 16, and while away will give exhibitions of New Brunswick views at several clubs in Boston, New York and Philadelphia.

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The next chart would be that of the educational necessities. The next chart would be that of the educational institutions and whether they were serving the real needs of the community. He would want to know how many left the schools before they reached the eighth grade and how many left during their high school course. Whether the school was fitting them for their life work or not. He had taken a census of one school in Chicago and found that 72 per cent. of the boys in grade six expected to go into the crafts and nothing in the school course fitted them for that life; of the girls in grade six 34 per cent. expected to enter industrial life and here again he found that of no use to them. The educational system needed to be made to fit the after-life of those using it.

The next chart would be the recreation. Every person needed good, wholesome play, and it was possible to get groups to do on the playground what could not be done anywhere else. The next would be the political chart, and by this he did not mean party politics but the best interests of the community. He would take the charter and see where it could be amended. He would discuss the receipts and expenditures and have the people know where their money went and compare the record with other places and when any community had good administrators he would make it impossible for any party to turn them out of office.

The next would be the industrial chart and he would want to know all about the conditions under which the laborers of the community lived, for he believed that housing and feeding was a part of the holiness of life. He would find out all about the child labor problem, the wages paid the girls and to men.

A Square Deal All Round. It was the concern of the community to function on such conditions and to see that labor got a square deal and also to see that honest capital got a square deal, for the laborer who did not give a day's work thus roughly \$5.00 per ton higher than our contract price in these provinces, or two hundred and fifty thousand dollars on the whole outside contract.

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