

THE WEATHER

Toronto, June 13—The moderate disturbance centred over the Ottawa Valley this morning is now centred over the State of Maine, while a pronounced area of low pressure is centred tonight in Alberta, local showers have fallen in Alberta and Saskatchewan and showers have been general over the lower St. Lawrence and Western Maritime Provinces, but weather has been fair today elsewhere in the Dominion.

AROUND THE CITY

WILL ATTEND CONVENTION. Commissioner Thornton, Chief of Police Smith and Sergeant Detective Power are planning to attend the convention of Chief Constables to be held in Montreal on July 4, 5 and 6.

TRAFFIC BLOCKED. One of the hind wheels of a truck wagon collapsed under its heavy load of furniture on Prince William street yesterday afternoon, blocking street car traffic for a short time.

TO VISIT SCOTLAND. Charles Malcolm arrived in the city on the Boston train yesterday. Accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Alex. Malcolm, he will leave today for Montreal whence they will sail for Glasgow for a few weeks' stay.

AUTOMOBILE PARTY. Senator J. A. McDonald and party motored from Amherst, arriving Saturday. A. E. McDonald, of this city, brother of the senator, left with the party yesterday afternoon on their return to Amherst, where he will spend several days.

MANY NETS IN WATER. Steamer Empress was obliged to navigate a zig-zag course, when entering the harbor last night, in order to escape mauling by the nets of fishermen who swarmed the waters between the Eastern Steamship Company's wharf and the Island.

POTATO PLANTS THRIVING. Reports reaching here yesterday from the potato growing sections of New Brunswick report the spruds as making good progress. Carleton and Madoc Counties are expecting a good yield, and think the digging season will be at least three weeks earlier than usual.

JUST SIX YEARS AGO. On Sunday morning, June 13, 1915, just six years ago, the 26th Battalion, under command of Lieut. Col. J. L. McAvity, 1160 in all, and the divisional Ammunition Column, commanded by Lieut. Col. W. H. Harrison, sailed from St. John on the steamship Calladonia, to take part in the great war.

SIR SAM MUCH BETTER. Lindsay, Ont., June 13—General Sir Sam Hughes, a number of friends on Sunday and transacted business this morning from his bed. His condition remains the same.

Grand Manan Pastor Comes To St. John

Rev. R. Osgood Morse is Editor of Maritime Baptist—Testimonials and Praise.

The Rev. R. Osgood Morse closed his work as pastor of the United Baptist Church at Grand Harbor and Seal Cove on Sunday, after a pastorate of two years and three months. During the time he was in Grand Manan sixty members have united with these churches, the property of the Seal Cove church has been improved, and advances have been made along various lines. The congregations that greeted Mr. Morse at the closing services of his pastorate were large, that at Grand Harbor in the morning being an excellent representation of the community, with that at Seal Cove in the evening was a capacity house many being turned away or back of room. A fine spirit has pervaded the work of these years and was very evident in the services of yesterday. Testimonials were presented to Mr. Morse by both churches, that from Seal Cove being accompanied by a purse of money. Mr. Morse arrived yesterday afternoon on the S.S. Grand Manan and immediately entered upon his duties as editor of The Maritime Baptist to which position he was recently elected. He is accompanied by the good wishes of all the people of Grand Manan who also deeply sympathize with him in the continued illness of Mrs. Morse, whose kindly presence has been a benediction to all who have known her during her husband's pastorate on Grand Manan. W. H. Elgee, a student of Acadia University, takes up the work laid down by Mr. Morse and will minister to the people of the two congregations during the summer months.

St. John Lodge K. P. Injustice Worked Officers Installed By New Regulation Young Lad Reported To Have Drowned

Grand Chancellor D. M. Cochran of Sydney Guest of Pythians in Castle Hall.

The Grand Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, D. M. Cochran, of Sydney, N. S., paid a visit to Castle Hall, Temple building, Main street, last evening, where he was the guest of St. John Lodge No. 30. For his benefit the rank of page was exempted. The Chancellor after complimenting the lodge on the very fine manner in which the team work was carried out, gave a brief but interesting review of the work of order during the past year, in which, he said, over one thousand additions had been made to the domain.

Collection of, Exchange by Customs Authorities Works Hardship on Business Houses

It is pointed out to The Standard that a rather peculiar situation has been created through the application of the new customs regulations to importations from the United States. The result of this interpretation will be one of two things, a very largely increased cost to the consumer of these commodities or the early withdrawal from Canadian banks of scores of millions of dollars now kept on deposit in this country by United States manufacturers.

Slip at Foot of Duke Street Combed for Body—Playmate Reports Affair.

The report that a lad had lost his life by drowning in the slip at the foot of Duke street brought crowds to the McLeod and McParland wharves about six o'clock last night, to watch men grappling for the body. The first information of a drowning was given by a young lad, Donald Nicholson, five years of age, who rushed to his parents, residing in the McParland building, Water street, and in great excitement told them of a boy about his own age, but whose name he did not know, falling into the water and not coming up again. The father quickly rushed to the street and informed the night watchman of the warehouse in that vicinity, John Bond, who secured the grappling irons and with the aid of Mr. Nicholson and another gentleman began grappling for the body. Every inch of ground was raked over with the grappling iron but no body was brought up. The tide was on the ebb and if a child did fall in and was drowned it is possible that the current carried the body out.

Theft Cases In The Police Court

Lewis Nelson for Stealing Clothing—John McCormack and Alex. Lang.

In the police court yesterday George Stanton was charged with having liquor on June 11th in other than his private dwelling, having it in his beer shop on Marsh Road. The defendant pleaded not guilty and the case was postponed until today at noon. E. J. Heneberry is the counsel for the accused. Another liquor case was also heard, that of John Stillwell, charged with having liquor in his beer shop at the corner of Prince William and Britain street. The defence was introduced and losses read describing premises, and the story told of an unconnected cellar and the intentions of some unscrupulous persons who wish to do evil to the defendant. Fined \$200.

Wet Finger Prints

At the East end of the wharfage at the slip, and above the high tide water line, there were evidences which led the police to the theory that some one had endeavored to crawl out of the water. There were the wet imprints of fingers of two hands, as though grasping for a hold, and a large wet imprint such as would be made by one's chest and arms. Two hours later these marks had dried out and were not discernible.

Confiscates Exchange.

If in American funds nothing further is demanded and the entry is passed in the United States, the Customs Department turns round, announces to the purchaser that such being the case he is therefore saving \$12 exchange and in order that he may not be permitted such enjoyment \$12 is demanded by the Customs Department before the goods are released. The cost of \$100 worth of paper is, therefore, by the imposition of these various taxes brought up to \$112. In view of the fact that thousands of United States manufacturers have during the past couple of years opened branch bank accounts in Canada and are keeping very considerable balances in that country, which money is being used by these banks for their own purposes and in the interest of their customers, it will be seen that the collection by the Customs Department of this entire exchange as a preference duty destroys at once the principal reason for the maintenance of the branch bank accounts. On the other hand if the importer is compelled to pay in American funds or prefers doing so in order to avoid this extra duty, his customers in turn must meet the added cost.

Milk Situation Still Unchanged

Local Dealer Gives Explanation—Same Prices and Milk Coming in as Usual.

"All is quiet" with both the milk dealers of St. John and the producers of Kings County. A local dealer explained the situation as follows. He said that one of the largest milk corporations in the city advised the dealers at the first of June that from that date forty cents a can would be the price paid by them for all milk delivered to their ice house at Sussex. There they charged the farmers two cents a can for icing their milk, and only took it off their hands after its arrival in the city, where they paid for their milk by weight. In this way, the producer whose herd ranked low as butter fat producer, received a correspondingly low price for his product, even as low as thirty-five cents a can.

Speculation Rife As To Appointment

Failure of "Spinney Bill" Raises Nice Point in Connection With Customs.

The date has past, the dealers are paying the old prices, and the milk is still coming in. A change may come at any moment, although the general opinion seems to be that an amicable arrangement will be made, rather than have a repetition of the blockade of last year. It has been said that one concern has accepted the farmers' terms, but this was denied last evening by the manager, who states his company is not interested in the controversy. They are able to obtain their milk at prices agreeable to themselves and their producers, and are not concerned in the question.

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Attention Working Men! Special Clearance Sale of Men's Working Shirts. A Big Variety to choose from. Made from durable cloths such as Gingham, Ducks, Chambrays, Drills, Denims, etc.

Late Shipping

At Boston. Boston, June 13.—(Arrived) Schra. Emily, (Br) Two Rivers, N. S.; North Light, St. John's Nfld. Sailed 12.—Schr. Eskimo, Clements-port, N. S. Halifax. Halifax, N. S., June 13.—Arrived: Carquet, St. John, N. B.; Digby, Boston; Lady of Gaspe, St. John's Nfld.; Coban, Sydney; Ardmore, Tancook. Sailed: Stmr. Lady of Gaspe, Boston.

Blue Ribbon Tea

Mr. Percy T. Strong, sales manager of The Blue Bird Tea Company, accompanied by his son, Mr. G. P. Strong, special representative, are in the city today. Mr. G. P. Strong secured his licentiate's commission in the R. C. E. at the Royal Military College, Kingston, in 1914, and after serving with the Engineers in France returned to Canada in the spring of 1918.

PERSONALS. Leo Troy has successfully passed his examinations at Toronto University and received his B. A. degree at Convocation last Friday.

TRICOLETTE SILK DRESSES. Yes, and right from New York, picked up by our buyer there at a price which is simply ridiculous. The only explanation we can give for this remarkable low price is that this was a new house with whom we had previously not done any business, and this was their method to get our account opened up, so the saving goes on to you. Dresses of the newest combinations of shades and fabrics, all sizes. These Dresses we'll say would be sold regularly around Thirty-Four. Fifteen. On sale in our Ready-to-Wear Department, Dyleman's, Tuesday, at Fifteen Dollars and Ninety-five Cents. See Window Display.

FIRST NATIVE STRAWBERRIES. Some native cultivated strawberries arrived down river yesterday morning on the steamer Hampton. They were grown by Mr. White of Earle's Wharf, and were sold at fifty cents a box by the crate.