

THE WEATHER

Toronto, March 31.—A disturbance which was over the southwestern states last night is now centered just south of Lake Erie, attended by high easterly winds with sleet or rain in Southwestern Ontario. The weather today has been fair elsewhere in Eastern Canada and fine and mild in the west.

St. John	24	30
Dawson	14	30
Vancouver	40	64
Calgary	32	48
Edmonton	32	48
Winnipeg	28	42
Port Arthur	28	42
White River	28	42
Pacific Sound	28	42
Toronto	28	42
Kingston	28	42
Ottawa	28	42
Montreal	28	42
Quebec	28	42
Halifax	28	42

—Below zero.

Forecast

Maritime—Strong winds and moderate gales easterly with rain and sleet in western districts, spreading to eastern districts tonight.

Northern New England—Rain or snow Saturday; Sunday fair, not much change in temperature, strong shifting winds and gales, becoming northwest.

AROUND THE CITY

THE CITY PAYROLL

The fortnightly labor payroll at City Hall yesterday showed a total disbursement of \$10,000.19, made up of sub-totals as follows: Public works, \$5,007.61; water and sewerage, \$2,926.96; harbor, \$2,073; ferry, \$493.61.

FINGER CRUSHED

L. Trueman, a C. G. M. M. checker working on the steamer Canadian Squatter, slipped on a plank yesterday morning and badly crushed one of his fingers. He was taken to the General Public Hospital, where the wound was dressed.

SENIOR EXAMINER

Word has been received by C. B. Lockhart, collector of customs, that Thomas Heffernan, customs and excise examiner, has been promoted to senior customs and excise examiner, the appointment to date from April 1, 1922.

FORTY HOURS

The Devotion of the Forty Hours was opened yesterday at the Baptist Church of St. John the Baptist by Rev. Roy McDonald, assisted by Rev. H. Ramagie, of the Cathedral. The devotion will continue until Sunday night.

THE PROBATE COURT

In the estate of Mrs. Jane Maguire, probated at \$6,000 realty and \$250 personalty, letters testamentary have been granted to her son James H. Maguire, who is principal beneficiary. W. J. Mahoney was proctor.

THE BAY SERVICE

J. M. Woodman, general superintendent of the C. P. R. New Brunswick district returned Thursday evening on the steamer Empress after an inspection trip to Digby. The Bay service will be inaugurated with the New Brunswick district of the C. P. R., starting today.

JUMPED THE TRACK

An empty box car of a mixed passenger and freight train coming to this city was derailed and overturned yesterday morning at Oak Point. There were no passengers on the train. The daily C. N. R. express, due here at 12:40, was held up by the run-off and passengers did not reach the city until late in the afternoon.

A CLAIM SETTLED

Former knapper H. H. Pickard, of Mount Kewick, is happier by \$608, some time ago he placed a claim with the local branch of the C. W. V. A. for working pay which had been retained him. The cheque is to be mailed Mr. Pickard within the next few days according to advice received from Ottawa.

ADMIRED BY STUDENTS

The High School retaining wall recently completed on the western side of the High School lot on Union street, is being warmly admired by the students. On top of the stone wall a substantial wooden base has been placed which, in turn, is surrounded by an iron railing. The railing has been painted red and the wooden base grey, in the colors of the school, and for this reason has become a popular institution with the High School boys and girls.

SUCCESSFUL SALE

A successful penny sale was held in the lobby of the Imperial Theatre yesterday morning, under the auspices of the Willing Workers of the German street Baptist church, the proceeds to be used for mission purposes. Mrs. Donald Hunt and Mrs. A. B. Fowler were in charge and were assisted by Mrs. Henry Marr, Mrs. Grace Gibson, Mrs. W. C. Green, Mrs. Harry Spears, Mrs. J. Earle, Mrs. W. H. Lupton, Mrs. Charles Harding and Mrs. A. C. Wells. The sale was continued during the afternoon.

ON INSPECTION TRIP

A. Price, general manager of the C. P. R. eastern lines, passed through the city yesterday morning. He arrived in his private car Leinster which was being attended to by the C. N. R. for St. John, where he intended to see Mr. C. B. Bellamy and the Fredericton-Grand Lake Railway lines.

Clifton House, all meals 60c.

LOCAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN
ANNUAL MEETING YESTERDAY

Reports Submitted Showed That Past Year Had Been a Prosperous One—Efficient and Popular Secretary Presented With a Life Membership.

The twenty-seventh annual meeting of the St. John Local Council of Women was held yesterday afternoon and evening in the Board of Trade rooms, Prince William street, and both sessions were largely attended. The reports received were of a most encouraging nature, showing that a large amount of work had been accomplished by the Council and the affiliated societies. A pleasing feature of the evening session was the presentation to Mrs. G. C. Poole, recording secretary, of a life membership in the Council by Mrs. E. Atherton Smith, the president, as a token of appreciation of her valuable services. Financially it was the banner year for the Council, over \$12,000 having been raised for various objects during the year.

Afternoon Session

The afternoon session opened at 3:30 in the Board of Trade rooms. The roll and the welcome to a new affiliated society, the Community Club of Glen Falls, the minutes of the last annual meeting were read and adopted.

Following this, the address of the president was given.

Mrs. Smith referred first to her recent trip to Great Britain, Belgium and France, and spoke feelingly of the battle fields which she had seen and the graves of the brave Canadian boys which she had been privileged to decorate. She also spoke of the wonderful spirit of the people of those countries in their efforts to restore pre-war conditions. Every day and every hour spent in those countries was rich in interest and educational value. But, she said, no land was so free from extremes of wealth and poverty, and so rich in prosperity for all, in natural resources and physical value, as this Canada of ours. It was to assist, she said, in developing the heart and soul of the people of Canada, that the women met together annually as the National Council of Women, now representing 500,000 Canadian women, and pointed out that today the St. John women were gathered together to help improve the city, the province and the nation.

Mrs. Smith expressed pleasure to see so many representative women present, and to all she extended a cordial greeting. Mrs. Smith said that she was saddened by the knowledge that during the last year two stalwart upholders of the ideals and aims of the Council had departed from their midst, in the persons of Mrs. Tilley and Mrs. J. V. Ellis, but she said that all would be comforted by the assurance that they had been called to higher service.

She expressed her gratification that all were coming to a better understanding of the aims and objects of the Council—the coordinating of all women's work—and at the splendid spirit of interest which was being manifested.

A letter was read from the directors of the Provincial Memorial Home, thanking the Council for the loan of books for their tag day and on from Mrs. G. J. O'Sullivan, thanking the members of the Council for the very warm welcome extended to her when here. Mrs. Smith appointed the following scrutineers: Mrs. A. J. Mulcahy, Mrs. J. H. Prink, Mrs. J. Goodman, Mrs. J. R. Vanwart and Mrs. John Owens.

The secretary, Mrs. G. C. Poole, reported that 7 regular, 8 associate, and 7 special meetings had been held during the year; that 22 societies were affiliated with an approximate membership of 5,000.

The corresponding secretary, Mrs. H. B. Peck, gave a comprehensive report of the activities of the year, she said, perhaps the outstanding feature of the work was the establishment of the free milk fund. Two Hundred Days had been held, assistance and help given on Poppy Day, the British Legion fund-raising and bazaar had been sold for the championship meet held here during the winter. Addresses had been given by Mrs. Chesley, Mr. McIvor, Dr. McNeil, Dr. Murray and Mrs. Kate Trueman.

The treasurer, Miss Alice E. Estey, reported receipts in the fiscal year of \$4,722.75 with expenditures of \$4,658.10, leaving a balance on hand of \$64.65; in the milk fund there had been received \$1,766.26 and this money was all expended except that which had been paid in for the adoption of babies; from the sale of badges there had been received \$6,765.20, a grand total received, \$12,554.01 and the money was all expended except that which had been paid in for the adoption of babies; from the sale of badges there had been received \$6,765.20, a grand total received, \$12,554.01 and the money was all expended except that which had been paid in for the adoption of babies.

The reports were then received and adopted and a vote of thanks passed to the various officers for their splendid work during the year. Mrs. Smith announced that it had been found necessary to postpone her lecture on "Prison and Penitentiaries" until April 10, as the slides would not reach the city before that time.

Mrs. W. B. Tennant, reported for the Milk Fund Committee. On April 9, 1921, they had 16 babies receiving milk. Today they have 27. Of this number 28 had been adopted by various organizations. The whole number of babies which had received milk during the year was 144. She had been assisted by the V. O. N., that only for this milk distribution at least half of the babies served would have died during the summer and that not one of the babies supplied with milk had died. She was again to appear on the tag day which will be held during this month that funds might be available to carry on during the summer.

The ladies for officers were then distributed and the scrutineers retired to count them.

Reports were received from the following committees and societies: Ladies Auxiliary of the Seamen's Institute, Mrs. Walter; Victoria Order of Nurses, Mrs. R. A. Powell; Elks Theatre, Mrs. R. C. Thomas; Protestant Orphan's Home, Mrs. David McAllister; Women's Canadian Club, Mrs. Gordon McDonald; Animal Rescue League, Mrs. E. E. Huxley; Memorial Fountain, Mrs. Huxley read the report for Mrs. Patterson, who was

unable to be present; Women's Hospital Aid, Mrs. A. W. Batey; Provincial Red Cross, Miss Grace Lovatt; Child Welfare, Mrs. J. Willard Smith; High School Alumni, Miss B. Doherty; Boys Industrial Home and Jail Visitors, Mrs. R. A. Corbet.

The Citizenship report was submitted by Mrs. H. B. Peck, who before doing so referred to a letter recently received from Dr. Stowe-Gullen in which was pointed out the necessity of women making a study of the political questions of the day in order to be able to intelligently exercise the franchise which had been given them and urged the Council to work hard for a home for the mentally deficient, for women as probationary and parole officers and women officials for all institutions where girls and women were confined. Before adjourning the president referred to the free tuberculosis clinics which are to be held here on April 4-6 and urged all the women to co-operate to make them a success. It was also announced that a night clinic would be held at 108 Prince William street on Wednesday evening.

Evening Session

The election of officers resulted as follows: Honorary President—Mrs. William Pugsley.

President—Mrs. E. Atherton Smith, Honorary Vice-President—Miss Grace W. Leavitt.

First Vice—Mrs. R. J. Hooper, Second Vice—Mrs. J. H. Doodie, Third Vice—Mrs. A. W. Batey, Fourth Vice—Mrs. W. Edmond.

Fifth Vice—Mrs. E. A. Young, Sixth Vice—Mrs. John Bullock, Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. H. B. Peck.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. G. C. Poole.

Treasurer—Miss Alice E. Estey. Reports were presented from the following affiliated societies: Young Ladies' League of the C. W. V. A., ready by Mrs. G. C. Poole in the absence of the president; Associated Charities, read by Mrs. H. B. Peck, in the absence of Miss Grace O. Robertson; St. John Sub-Division of the Catholic Women's League, Mrs. J. W. Kennedy; Free Kindergarten, Mrs. G. C. Poole; St. Vincent's Alumni, Mrs. W. M. Dwyer; Girls' Guild, Mrs. J. R. Willing; Workers' Miss Gail; Playgrounds Association, read by Mrs. G. C. Poole in absence of Mrs. A. M. Belding; Women's Institute, Mrs. John Owens; County, C. F. U. Mrs. W. W. Colwell; finance committee, Mrs. B. A. Young; Ladies' Association of the Natural History Society, Mrs. G. W. Hall, in absence of Mrs. W. H. Shaw.

The standing committees reported as follows:

Mrs. A. C. D. Wilson, as convener of the movie censorship committee, presented a splendid report on the activities of the Local Board of Censors and the need for censorship. She said it was recognized there must be some censorship of films but it should be an intelligent one and not a destructive one. One of the biggest menaces to the picture industry was some of the people in it who had grown to think they were above the law and seemed to have forgotten that the same public which made them could turn around and break them. The local board had an immense amount of work to do in the year, and spent many anxious hours in deciding what to allow shown and what to cut out. In one case at least they had spent twelve hours on one picture. The board was working in the interests of the public.

Miss Grace W. Leavitt, for the residential committee, reported the affiliation of five societies during the year: St. John Sub-Division of the Catholic Women's League, North End Sub-Division of the Catholic Women's League, Ladies' League of St. Andrew's Church, Women's Institute and Glen Falls Community Club.

For the taxation committee, Mrs. Louis Green reported. Two factors, she said, entered into taxation, justice and production of money. She stated the various forms of taxation in the Dominion and city and advocated the single tax as the ideal method.

For the public health committee, Mrs. R. J. Hooper presented a very complete report. During the year the scope of her committee had been enlarged by the National Council by the inclusion of infant welfare and fire prevention as it related to the lives of children. She pointed out the need for laws against rats and a determined effort to rid every community in every locality where rats could be taken while recovering from the effects of anaesthetics after an operation, with special reference to the local institution. She also pointed out the need for more up-to-date method of disposing of the city garbage.

Last year 64 deaths had occurred from tuberculosis. During the year there had been found in the public schools 400 cases of enlarged tonsils, 185 cases of defective vision, 250 cases of scoliosis, 27 of bad teeth, 260 operations had been performed at the our door department of the General Public Hospital, in grade 2 there had been 1000 convulsions, 1000 cases of measles, 1000 cases of whooping cough, 1000 cases of scarlet fever, 1000 cases of diphtheria, 1000 cases of pneumonia, 1000 cases of influenza, 1000 cases of typhoid fever, 1000 cases of cholera, 1000 cases of dysentery, 1000 cases of malaria, 1000 cases of leishmaniasis, 1000 cases of kala-azar, 1000 cases of relapsing fever, 1000 cases of brucellosis, 1000 cases of tularemia, 1000 cases of plague, 1000 cases of anthrax, 1000 cases of botulism, 1000 cases of tetanus, 1000 cases of rabies, 1000 cases of hydrophobia, 1000 cases of ergotism, 1000 cases of strychnine poisoning, 1000 cases of arsenic poisoning, 1000 cases of mercury poisoning, 1000 cases of lead poisoning, 1000 cases of copper poisoning, 1000 cases of zinc poisoning, 1000 cases of iron poisoning, 1000 cases of silver poisoning, 1000 cases of gold poisoning, 1000 cases of platinum poisoning, 1000 cases of uranium poisoning, 1000 cases of thorium poisoning, 1000 cases of radium poisoning, 1000 cases of polonium poisoning, 1000 cases of astatine poisoning, 1000 cases of francium poisoning, 1000 cases of actinium poisoning, 1000 cases of thorium poisoning, 1000 cases of radium poisoning, 1000 cases of polonium poisoning, 1000 cases of astatine poisoning, 1000 cases of francium poisoning, 1000 cases of actinium poisoning.

Mrs. Smith referred to the need for an eye clinic and expressed her belief that this would soon become an accomplished fact. It was decided to ask Chief Blake of the fire department to address the Council on the best method of educating the public in fire prevention.

Miss Anne Tilley for the conservation

Fire Caused
\$40,000 Damage

F. M. Levine says that his building on King street, which was damaged by fire on Thursday evening, was insured for \$25,000, and that his stock was partially covered. He could not place any estimate on the damage done to his stock. The insurance on the building is placed through the Prink Insurance Company, while that on the stock, \$12,000, was with the same company. An error was made yesterday morning in stating there was \$20,000 insurance on the stock. Mr. Perchank, of Pihman & Perchank, said his stock was partly covered by insurance. The value of the stock was about \$20,000, and the insurance would amount to \$27,000. This, of course, would be thrown out of employment till such time as a temporary place could be found to carry on in.

The insurance is said to amount to \$27,000 on the stock, and is placed through the George E. Fairweather Company. W. J. Taylor, manager of the Robinson Clothing Company, said till such time as he heard from the head office he would be unable to say whether the stock was covered by insurance or not. It is understood that insurance is carried by Montreal concerns. He has been unable to estimate the damage done to the stock.

The total damage done by the fire had been estimated at \$40,000. The appraising on the stock of the Pihman & Perchank's stock is being done by Edgar Fairweather and H. W. Prink, while that on the Levine stock is being done by H. W. Prink and Percy Howard. As yet no appraisers have been named for the building or the Robinson stock.

Over 300 Scouts
At The InstituteChief of New Brunswick
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Programme.

The women's institute was crowded to the doors last evening by a throng of people eager to see the wonderful motion picture depicting actual hunting and fishing in various parts of New Brunswick, as dealt with in a highly interesting manner in a travelling talk by Harry Allen, chief of the New Brunswick guides. The event was held under the auspices of the St. John district Boy Scouts and over 300 Scouts, representing the different troops in the city, were present and thoroughly enjoyed the picture.

Before the pictures were screened, Mr. Allen addressed the boys briefly, telling them of the first occasion on which he saw a trace of Scouts. It was at the time he was exhibiting his pictures at Madison Square Garden, New York, and he was much impressed with the smart appearance and evident good training of the boys. He congratulated the parents who encouraged their boys to become members of this organization, which enabled the youngsters to get the benefit of the great outdoors.

The greater part of the evening was taken up with the showing of the pictures, supplemented with instructive explanations and talks by Mr. Allen. Too much cannot be said of the exceptionally good quality of the pictures, and the audience showed their appreciation by much generous applause. Among other features of the programme the boys were treated to several trials, including scenes showing a bear being tamed and reduced to submission by means of the lasso; and a man leaping from a canoe to the back of a cow moose, and riding her shores.

On the whole the programme was heartily enjoyed, and the Scouts present were loud in their appreciation of having been afforded the opportunity of seeing the pictures.

A RUNAWAY

A double team owned by Maurice Cavanaugh of Little River, ran away on the Westmorland Road near the Marsh Bridge Thursday afternoon. The runaways jumped into one of the city wagons breaking the pole. They were stopped before other damage was done.

HEAVY FIRE LOSSES

Fires which occurred in New Brunswick in the first quarter of 1922 caused a total loss exceeding \$500,000, Fire Marshal McLean has advised.

tion of natural resources committee limit with the great necessity for care of our forests to protect the generations of the future and the advisability of cultivating our great agricultural resources.

Mrs. H. B. Peck for the agricultural committee pointed some of the things which were being done by the federal and provincial governments to advance the cause of agriculture and advised her audience to get busy now laying out the garden for next summer.

Mrs. W. C. Good presented the report of the committee on national recreation. It was decided to leave the balance of the reports to be taken up at the next meeting of the Council.

Mrs. E. Atherton Smith in a graceful speech said it had been her intention to present Mrs. H. B. Peck with the new watch which she had been informed by Mrs. Peck that she was already a member. She then called Mrs. Peck to the platform and presented her the watch.

Mrs. Poole, in a most little speech, expressed her gratitude for kind remembrance and covered the letter she had written in the future, as in the past, give of her best to the work of the Council.

Mrs. Peck, with the appreciation of the Council, was just as grateful as "though she had been named tonight." Votes of thanks to R. B. Armstrong and Mrs. G. H. Huxley, for their name of selecting the public in fire prevention. The press for very full reports of the meetings were passed.

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