

### THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Strong northerly winds; clearing and colder.

Washington Forecast—Washington, Mar. 30.—Forecast: Northern New England—Cloudy Tuesday. Wednesday fair. Moderate north winds.

Toronto, Mar. 30.—An important area of high barometric pressure is passing eastward, causing a recurrence of unsettled conditions. Showers have occurred today in Ontario and snow has fallen Quebec and rain in the Maritime Provinces.

Minimum and maximum temperatures:

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	12	22
Prince Rupert	46	52
Vancouver	44	42
Kamloops	36	56
Edmonton	26	36
Battleford	28	36
Calgary	24	34
Medicine Hat	28	36
Moose Jaw	31	40
Winnipeg	32	34
Port Arthur	32	34
Toronto	37	44
Ottawa	32	36
Montreal	32	34
Quebec	28	34
St. John	28	38
Halifax	18	32

### AROUND THE CITY

**Mounted Policeman.**  
Yesterday afternoon John H. Saunders was sworn in a police officer by Magistrate Ritchie. He will be mounted duty in East St. John.

**Grand Seamen's Mission Concert.**  
On Thursday evening, April 2nd at eight sharp. Delightful programme by members of the Courtenay Bay Pierrots, assisted by talent from ships in port. Admission 20 cents.

**Used Obscene Language.**  
About 5.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon Thomas Collins was arrested by Patrolman Journeay. Collins is charged with being drunk and using obscene language on the ferry.

**Grand "Royal George" Concert.**  
A grand farewell concert will be given by the "Royal George" concert party and famous Foo Foo band in the York Theatre on Monday, April 6th at eight. Tickets 25 cents may be had at the Seamen's Institute.

**Lower Cove Wharf.**  
James Lewis was heard by the city commissioners yesterday afternoon in connection with the wharf property at Lower Cove. It was claimed that Lewis had been using the wharf for some time and that he had damaged it and Mr. Lewis had been called upon to repair it although he had received none of the revenue. The Recorder was asked to pass on the lease and liability of those concerned.

**Ask for Berth.**  
Mayor Frink yesterday received a telegram from the French cable ship now at Halifax, asking for a permanent berth here. A wharf two hundred feet long with sheds was required. The company wished to have a permanent wharf here. The Mayor asked that an answer be sent back immediately by wire. The commissioners yesterday afternoon decided to consider the matter and see what could be done.

**City Court Act.**  
H. A. Porter, H. W. Robinson and H. J. Smith were given authority by the city commissioners at their meeting yesterday afternoon to go to Fredericton and urge the passing of the newly drafted city court act. The bill was sent up as a city hall bill and these barristers asked the commissioners' permission to look after the bill while it is before the law committee. The new act will provide for county court jurisdiction on cases down to twenty dollars. Other provisions for the collection of money will also be incorporated in the act.

**Boxing Exhibitions.**  
A petition signed by many voters praying that Daniel Littlejohn be given permission to hold boxing exhibitions here was presented to the commissioners yesterday. The idea as set forth in the petition was that boxing exhibitions be permitted here with the understanding that the promoter before each exhibition should provide the authorities with adequate programme. There was no time to deal with the matter at the meeting yesterday afternoon, but it is likely that it will come before the commissioners at an early date.

**The Other Mile.**  
There was a large attendance at Centenary Methodist church last evening when the first of the special Lenten services was held. Rev. W. H. Barracough presided at the service and the speaker of the evening was Rev. Gilbert Earle, who chose for his text the passage "And he that complete them to go one mile go with him." The real subject of the lecture was "The Other Mile." The idea carried through by the speaker in his sermon was that we are obliged to go the one mile in this world but more than our duty and make sacrifices in order to help and improve mankind.

**Creditors' Meeting.**  
An adjourned meeting of the creditors of Wason's Ltd was held yesterday afternoon. Some of the creditors appeared to favour the liquidation of the company dealt with under the Winding-up Act, and a further adjournment was made till Thursday in order to secure legal advice in the matter. Paul F. Blanchet is the assignee and Charles Nevins of the Canadian Drug Company and Messrs. Ryder of the Royal Bank, St. John, are inspectors. Tenders for the business were received, but were not opened pending legal proceedings or the meeting of the creditors on Thursday. The liabilities of the company are placed at \$25,000 and the assets are nominally the same.

**PARK HOTEL, KING SQUARE.**

## Western Farmers Now Looking Toward East

### Board of Trade Receives Many Letters Asking for Information—Walter Clapp Tells of Conditions in Farming Districts of British Columbia.

After spending 26 years in British Columbia and Western Canada, Walter Clapp, who was born in Ontario, and spent his boyhood there, arrived in St. John yesterday with the idea of buying a farm in New Brunswick. Mr. Clapp and wife arrived yesterday from Pictou, Alberta, having left a homestead there with the intention of locating in New Brunswick.

Yesterday the Board of Trade received a letter from a farmer in Saskatchewan saying he wanted to come east, and asking for information about opportunities in New Brunswick.

Evidences that people in the three western provinces of Canada are turning their attention to New Brunswick are continually cropping up, and it is believed by those interested in the settlement of the province that the truth of Prof. J. W. Robertson's statements that the Maritime Provinces are the best place for a man of moderate means to found a home is being more and more recognized.

"What attracted your attention to New Brunswick," Mr. Clapp was asked.

"Alfred Burley's catalogue," was the answer.

In British Columbia.

British Columbia is no place for a man of moderate means, unless he wants to remain a hired man," said Mr. Clapp. "In the last seven or eight years there has been a tremendous rise in land values. A man needs a fortune to buy a farm of any description. I have been running a farm for some years, but after I paid the rent there was little in it for me. Farm lands sell for over \$100 or \$200 an acre. A man from Chicago came in and bought land near where I was for a chicken farm, taking up 300 acres at prices ranging from \$700 to \$1,300 an acre. Only a wealthy man can go in for farming on that basis. This chicken farmer brought in 5,000 chickens, and hundreds of incubators. His 300 acres is mainly a gravel bed. "In some parts of British Columbia the soil is 7 or 8 feet deep. Its fertility is inexhaustible. But what can a poor man do there today? Had I saved my money and bought land when I went out there, I would be wealthy today. But like many others I did not realize how hands would advance in value. Less than ten years ago I could have bought for \$2,000 a farm which changed hands for \$40,000 the other day. It is a great country, but you want a small fortune to start with today.

In Vancouver.

"How have conditions been in Vancouver this winter?"

"The worst in its history," said Mr. Clapp. "They have been supporting 20,000 unemployed there this winter. But this condition is only temporary. This summer the unemployed army will be annihilated. The construction of new railways and development work through the west will require more men than are available. The last week I was in Vancouver the railway took away 5,000 men for construction work."

Mr. Clapp of Pictou, Alberta, was unable to sell his farm out there, but getting an opportunity to sell his personal property and stock he took advantage of it and came to New Brunswick.

## CHADARE GIRL MAINTAINS SHE IS INNOCENT

### Lengthy Session of Police Court, Yesterday Afternoon—May be Sent Up for Trial.

All the afternoon session of the police court yesterday was taken up with the charge against the 16-year-old domestic, Myrtle Chadare, who is alleged to have stolen a diamond ring worth \$200, the property of Mrs. H. N. M. Stanbury. Daniel Mullin appeared for the prosecution and E. S. Ritchie represented the defendant.

The first witness was Mrs. F. M. Lahey, of 13 Britain street, who testified that the defendant had been in her employ up to the 3rd of February. While in her employ witness had loaned her gold locket with opals, and it was returned but later on the locket was missed and witness has not yet recovered it. Witness said that she had recommended the defendant to Mrs. Stanbury.

Magistrate Ritchie said that if he was trying the case he would not find the defendant guilty under the evidence, but he had to send her up for trial. This closed the case for the prosecution.

For the defence Mrs. Thomas Collins, an aunt of defendant, gave evidence that she had asked defendant in the presence of Mrs. Stanbury if she had taken the ring and defendant said she did not. Witness never heard of the locket until after the trial.

Myrtle Chadare.

The defendant took the stand and said that she had worn Mrs. Lahey's locket and had returned it and did not hear anything more about it until Mrs. Lahey went to show it to some girls and could not find it. She had never been accused of taking it. Between the afternoon and the afternoon that Mrs. Stanbury's ring was missing witness said that she had been in the kitchen and that the nurse had also been there. Mrs. Stanbury and two small children were also present. Witness said that she had gone to the front door but did not go outside of the vestibule that afternoon and had only gone out the back way a couple of times.

The day before she had been accused of taking the ring she said that she had received word from her home in Quebec Province to the effect that her brother had been killed in the war. The defendant still maintained that she had never seen the ring.

To Mr. Mullin witness said that on the night the ring was missed her longings had been searched. She left the house without the permission of Mrs. Stanbury as Detective Killen had suggested it to her, asking her if she knew the way to the home of her aunt.

The case was adjourned until this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

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## STEAMER CHAMPLAIN MADE FIRST TRIP ON APRIL 1ST, LAST SEASON—ICE STILL SOLID.

Weather conditions this year at the close of the month of March are quite different from the weather experienced during the corresponding month of last year and in contrasting both it is interesting to note that just one year ago tomorrow steamship navigation was begun for the summer on the St. John River, when the Steamer Champlain with Captain Wason at the helm on her regular route up the Belisle. There was no blockage of ice and the steamer was able to make her way to Hatfield's Point, her destination with little difficulty. During the same week other boats began running on their regular trips and traffic on the river was quite brisk.

Ice Firm

On the contrary there is at present a firm coating of ice on the river above Millidgeville and tomorrow the city will enter upon the month of April with little expectation of seeing the summer steamship service inaugurated for some weeks yet. Some distance up the river the ice is still solid and it was reported from Millidgeville yesterday that several had crossed on foot a short distance above there.

There is quite a marked contrast between sailing travellers crossing the river on foot over the same route where this time last year steamers were boldly plowing through the waters carrying passengers and freight to and from the city and where tugs and other craft with tows were steaming with much activity.

Crossing on Foot

It was reported in the city yesterday that on the Kennebecas river the ice had moved out as far up as a point in the vicinity of Millidgeville and that the main river was clear of ice as far up as Woodman's Point. On inquiring of the residents of Millidgeville last evening, however, The Standard learned that in that vicinity the ice had not started to run out and that several had during the day crossed over to the city side on foot. It appears that during the very cold spell experienced during mid-winter the ice on the river froze pretty solidly, and the thinnings of March have been so unseasonably cold that there has been little chance for the ice to break up and move out. Under present conditions it is the contention of the rivermen that it will be some time before the river is clear of ice and open to steamship navigation.

A Cold Chill

With the city talking baseball, mill operation, river steamship navigation and the such, it caused a cold chill to run down the spinal cord of expectant individuals last evening to see snow visit the city a day before the month of April will be ushered in, and they immediately dispelled all visions of summer activities and decided not to place any faith in the weather man. While last evening the city was clothed in its wintry covering and there was a knowing coldness in the air, on the eve of the same day last year river steamer owners were planning to make their first sailing of the summer schedule. On this day last year the river was clear to Ormococt and there was no difficulty in navigating river steamers.

Champlain First

The Steamer Champlain was the first to open the service and on noon of April the first she left her wharf at Pictou, in command of Captain Wason, and sailed up the Belisle as

## RIVER OPEN THIS DATE LAST YEAR

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Will Buy Horses

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