

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Fine and moderately cold today, then becoming milder. Toronto, Jan. 25.—Mild weather with light local falls of rain and snow has prevailed today in Ontario, while in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces it has been fine and cold. Decidedly low temperatures are reported from Alberta and also from the Yukon. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 60 below, 56 below; Victoria 34, 42; Kamloops 22, 32; Calgary 20 below, 18 below; Edmonton 26 below, 14 below; Battleford 14 below, 8 below; Moosejaw 11 below, 6 below; Qu'Appelle 12 below, zero; Winnipeg 3 below, 8; Fort Arthur 10, 24; Pelly 24, 32; London 32, 38; Toronto 32, 36; Ottawa 12, 22; Montreal 8, 16; Quebec 2, 10; Halifax 8, 24. Forecasts: Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf. Fine today, followed by light snow falls.

AROUND THE CITY

Fined \$30. In the police court yesterday afternoon Sylvester Madden, a Union street saloon proprietor was fined \$30 for selling liquor to an intoxicated person. Trip to Bermuda. The third lecture in the course arranged by the ladies auxiliary of the Natural History Society, will be given at 4 o'clock this afternoon, by Mrs. M. A. Sheffield on a Trip to Bermuda. All are invited to attend. Fines on G. T. P. L. P. Parris, commissioner of police on the Grand Trunk Pacific arrived in the city last night on the Boston express. While at "Plaster" and Edward Washery, Arlington Day and Gideon Day were fined \$50 each for the illegal sale of liquor. For Children Only. Mrs. J. M. Lawrence will deliver a lecture on Our Native Birds in the Natural History Society's lecture hall on Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The lecture, which is free to all children under 16 years of age, will be illustrated by 70 colored slides. As a large attendance of children is expected, adults will not be admitted. Hewson-Howard. A pretty ceremony was celebrated at the parsonage of the Ludlow street Baptist church last evening, when Miss Edna Vernice Howard, eldest daughter of Joseph Howard, of St. John West, was united in marriage to Francis Hewson, formerly of London, England, but now a clerk in the C. P. R. office at Arlington. Lorne Ebertson supported the groom, and Miss Grace Nichols acted as bridesmaid. After the ceremony the wedding party drove to Joseph Howard's residence where supper was served, and a merry time spent by the friends of the young couple, both of whom are very popular on the West Side. Mr. and Mrs. Hewson will reside at 359 Tower street. Rev. W. H. Robinson, pastor of the church, performed the ceremony.

REV. EDWIN SMITH, M. A. INDUCTED AT CHIPMAN New Presbyterian Pastor Will Receive \$1,200 a Year and Free Manse—Rev. J. H. A. Anderson Presides

The Presbytery of St. John met in Chipman on Tuesday evening to induct Rev. Edwin Smith, M. A., into the pastoral charge there. Rev. J. H. A. Anderson presided, and after devotional service, duly performed the induction ceremonies. Rev. Frank Baird, of Sussex, delivered the charge to the minister, and Rev. W. M. Townsend, of Fairville, addressed the congregation. Rev. Mr. Plint of the Baptist church at Chipman, was present, and on behalf of himself and congregation extended a cordial welcome to Mr. Smith. The new pastor has been guaranteed a stipend of \$1,200 per annum, with a free manse, and one month's vacation. At the close of the induction service, the treasurer presented the pastor with a check for one month's stipend in advance. Rev. Mr. Smith is a graduate of the University of Manitoba, and also completed a course in theology at the Halifax Presbyterian college. He has had charge of congregations at Kensington and Cardigan in P. E. I., and for the past year has been on the editorial staff of the Presbyterian Witness.

HOTELS. Dufferin. W R Finson, Bangor; H C Mayes, II E Moor, New York; A M Hathaway, Boston; E A Maitland, Greenfield; J A Christie, Miss Helen Christie, Amherst; F W Emmerson, Moncton; J C Jones, Petitcodiac; W Y Robertson, Toronto; G E Foster, Amos J Lawrence, Montreal. Victoria. A L Hoyt, McAdam; W J Cooney, Megantic; R MacKenzie, McAdam; A G Longway, Montreal; Mr and Mrs Cabral, British Guiana; J W Hoyt, McAdam; Archie Legere, Sydney; J K Flemming, Hartland; A Peroudeau, Paris, France; Frank R. Freeze, Penobscot; J W Webster, Hampton; Geo Workman, Salisbury; A M Dunn, Cambridge; J L Chisholm, Halifax; W R Gillis, Hartland; W R Todd, Miss Maperall, Fredericton; E C Whiting, New York. Royal. W C H Grimmer, St Andrews; A Watson, Hamburg; A B Copp, Sackville; N W Lutter, Montreal; A W Bennett, Sackville; H Winsor, London, Eng.; J A Farson, Galt; A Mocheswood, Glasgow; J M Gilchrist, Montreal; A W Gibbons, Boston; J S Leighton, Moncton; M M Ferguson, London; G W Gilbert, Bathurst; J H Smith, Nottingham; W M Walkott, Toronto; G Boland, Halifax; Ed Brock Boston; Mrs L J Tweedie, Chatham; Mrs E Hutchison, Douglastown; S E Hue, Oxford; J W Jenkins, Norfolk; J A Upham, St Stephen; T F Allen, Bangor; B Ferguson, C B Stevens, Montreal; H S Threkeld, Toronto; D Mel Vince, J A Olive, Woodstock; A H Weeb, Halifax; H B Short, Digby; W H McBeth, New York; C Hayze, Montreal; F P Robinson, Fredericton; D E Wilson, London, Eng.

CAR HEATING MATTER BEFORE COMMISSION

Delegation of West Side Residents Complain to Public Utilities—Gershon S. Mayes Spokesman

A delegation of West Side residents, attended the meeting of the Public Utilities Commission yesterday and urged that steps be taken to force the St. John Railway Company to improve the street car service on what is known as the Loop Line in the West End. For some time there has been an agitation in favor of a properly heated car on the loop line. The agitation first took the form of newspaper items calling attention to the wretchedly cold condition of the car. It was hoped that by this means the attention of the company would be attracted and something might be done to have the car heated as the other cars are. The only effect of the newspaper publicity was that an official of the railway is said to have gone over the Loop line on Saturday last when the thermometer was in the vicinity of 30 or 35 above zero and on his return reported that the car was all right. The patrons of the line who had been forced to either walk to their homes or shiver their way there, knew otherwise and as the company did not seem disposed to do anything determined to take more drastic measures. Accordingly a delegation composed of Rev. G. P. Scovil, Captain Crossley, S. M. Wetmore, C. B. Lockhart, W. O. Dunham and G. S. Mayes waited upon the Public Utilities Commission yesterday and Mr. Mayes, acting for the others presented a statement in the course of which he pointed out that since the Loop line was opened the traffic had doubled or more. Since the cars started running on the Loop line no open car has ever been put on the route, although open cars are used on all other lines when required. The cars used on the Loop are of the antiquated pattern with a small stove in one side of the car. During the last cold weather the temperatures inside the car was unbearable. While the cars in all other parts of the city have electric heaters the patrons of the loop are compelled to pay their fares and suffer. Complaints have been repeatedly made to the management of the road without any satisfaction. One car on the route was without an outside door all season; another was so leaky that passengers were forced to sit in pools of water, and the doors of the cars were in such poor shape that it was difficult to get them open to allow passengers to leave the cars. The petitioners asked the Commission to insist that the St. John Railway Company shall place on the loop line a car of modern type with an electric heater, and that the car shall be kept comfortably warm and run as the other cars owned and operated by the company in the city and Lancaster. After hearing the delegation the chairman presented to the delegates a copy of the regulations of the board of public utilities in relation to the placing of their request in formal shape. This will be done, and the petition presented to the commission this morning. The formal notice will then be served upon the street railway company and the matter will be taken up in the regular manner. The delegates are determined to press their claim to the limit until the service on the loop line is improved to meet their views.

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SOME LIGHT SHED ON DEWITT BROS.' AFFAIRS

Charged That President of Company Hypothecated Returns, Thereby Causing Loss to Guarantors

Mr. Justice White will deliver judgment in the petition to wind up DeWitt Bros. Ltd., on Friday afternoon. The developments in the matter have aroused considerable interest and no little surprise about the city as it was generally believed that the firm was doing a profitable business. In connection with their affairs, a gentleman in close touch with the firm told a Standard man last evening how G. S. Mayes of West End became connected with the firm, which connection is likely to have cost him a considerable financial loss. Mr. Mayes was first approached to enter the DeWitt firm by C. B. Lockhart who knew the DeWitt boys and entertained a high opinion of them. There was some conferring, but Mr. Mayes had not decided to enter the business when another well known man approached him and induced him to invest some money in the business. As DeWitt Bros. at that time owed the Bank of British North America about \$13,000, the bank refused any further credit so that but for the assistance of Mr. Lockhart and Mr. Mayes the firm would at that time have been forced to make an assignment. The amount of the indebtedness to the bank was guaranteed by Mr. Mayes and Mr. Lockhart, and through this the bank allowed further drafts and large quantities of potatoes were purchased and shipped to Havana. In the shipment of these potatoes the custom was to pay for the goods before they were unloaded from the cars, and the freights to Havana were also prepaid, so that when the potatoes landed in Cuba there were no claims against the shipments. If DeWitt Bros. had collected the money owing to them in Havana, which The Standard's informant says did not appear to be very difficult, and had returned the same to St. John, the business would have been in a flourishing condition today, but as far as information can be gathered, E. B. DeWitt, the agent in Havana had hypothecated the money for different purposes, thereby causing Messrs. Lockhart and Mayes considerable financial loss. Court Proceedings. Yesterday's court proceedings were interesting. C. E. Lockhart on the stand all morning told about his trip to Havana where Ernest B. DeWitt, the president of the company, had put the finances of the concern which may result in forcing it into liquidation. Norman E. Moore, bookkeeper and Harold Mayes also testified in the morning and at the afternoon session Arthur P. Hazen, manager of the Bank of British North America told of the company's business with the bank. John B. M. Baxter, K. C., and William D. Turner appeared in support of the petition. A. P. Barnhill, K. C., against it, and F. R. Taylor for the bank. When the hearing resumed yesterday afternoon at 2.15, A. P. Hazen, manager of the Bank of British North America testified. He swore that the company was indebted to the bank on current account in the sum of \$13,667 and a note of \$5,000. A judgment of \$21,000 was obtained not long ago but \$5,000 had since been paid. Argument of counsel followed and his honor will deliver judgment as previously announced. although riding to a sea anchor with oblags out. He also spoke enthusiastically of the kindness of the Devonian's crew, and the splendid, willing way in which they worked to effect a rescue. He was glad to see shore people taking an interest in the welfare of seafaring men. Women's Council. The annual meeting of the Local Council of Women will be held in the Ormusk hall, Germain street, on Friday, Jan. 27th. All members are requested to be present.

DR. D. H. McALLISTER IN ANOTHER DOUBT

Interesting Story from Kings Tells of Encounter During Poker Game—Victim Bears Marks of Conflict

A most interesting story reached St. John yesterday from Kings county, showing how admirably Dr. D. H. McAllister, M. P., is maintaining the dignity of his high office as representative of the constituency of Kings-Albert. It has not been long since the general M. D., who has expressed a preference for his profession to politics, startled the people of Moncton with an exhibition, which later caused an apology to be offered in the member's behalf in the Moncton police court. The latest story is that the doctor, in the course of a quiet little game of poker following a meeting of the Liberal leaders of Kings, took offence at some remark of a leading Kings county lawyer and gave the latter a bad beating. While particulars of the incident have been kept as quiet as possible, the tribute borne on the face of the lawyer to the well developed pugilistic powers of the Kings-Albert representative, were too decided to prevent the facts from getting to the public. Dr. McAllister delivered the goods in large parcels. The victim of the little plesantry is a staunch Liberal, but so far he is said by people from the scene of the occurrence, to be disinclined to take action in the matter. Residents of Kings who have been in the city since the occurrence, have had little else to talk of, except this latest explosion of the Kings-Albert upholder of high Liberal principles and thought. Of course there may be a few sore heads in the Liberal party who might possibly find fault with such conduct as is here set forth, but they do not count. The doctor is a fine representative; one who can take care of himself even when a staunch supporter of the party needs to be taught the fine points of "the game."

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