

THE WEATHER.

Forecast:
Maritime—Strong winds,
mostly north and west; un-
settled, with local showers,
but partly fair.

Washington, May 10.—Fore-
cast: Northern New England.
—Fair Friday, preceded by
rain in northern and eastern
Maine; Saturday fair, west and
northwest winds.

Toronto, May 10.—The east-
ern disturbance has remained
nearly stationary today over
Prince Edward Island, with
slowly diminishing intensity,
causing strong winds and show-
ers in eastern Quebec and the
Maritime Provinces. It con-
tinues fair and warm in the
west.

Temperatures:	Min.	Max.
Prince Rupert	26	50
Victoria	42	54
Vancouver	48	60
Calgary	30	74
Edmonton	44	76
Battleford	50	76
Prince Albert	48	76
Moose Jaw	43	76
Regina	38	72
Port Arthur	32	54
Parry Sound	35	58
London	34	57
Toronto	38	58
Kingston	40	58
Ottawa	40	54
Montreal	42	54
Quebec	38	50
St. John	32	44
Halifax	36	50

Around the City

A Slight Fire.
A slight blaze at the Maritime Nail
Works at 3:30 yesterday caused an
alarm. No damage was done.

Lecture under auspices of Canadian
Club at Imperial Theatre today at four
o'clock. Prof. J. W. Robertson on
"Food Production."

No Meeting.
No meeting of the common council
was held yesterday as only two of the
commissioners were on hand when
the time for opening came.

Man Brought to City.
Detective George Briggs arrived from
Fredericton on the Boston train
last night with Otto Boatwick, who is
charged with the non-support of his
wife and five children. The prisoner
will come up before the magistrate
this morning to answer the charge.
The children are at present inmates of
the Children's Aid Society's home on
Elliott Row.

Railway Man Marries.
W. J. Journeay, C. P. R. station
agent at Harvey, surprised his many
railroad friends yesterday. He started
on his usual trip to the city, but
when he reached Welsford, picked up
Miss A. B. C. Douglas and brought her
to the city with him. Upon their ar-
rival the young couple hurried to a
minister, where the marriage cere-
mony was performed. They then left
for Montreal on the Montreal express
for a short stay.

Fish Market.
The spring weather is having a ben-
eficial effect on the market and conse-
quently prices are slightly lower. Had-
dock and cod are selling for 14c, a pound;
flounder, 15c; salmon, 16c; herring,
12c; mackerel, 10c; smoked gaspareux,
30c; gaspareux, 30c; kippered, 40c; clams,
25c; a quart; oysters, 50c; a quart.
Lobsters are coming in better,
the price being 10c. to 50c. each. Shad
is expected to make its appearance
soon at the fish stores unless bad
weather intervenes.

Horses Run Away.
A span of horses owned by the Do-
minion Express Company took flight
while standing in King street yester-
day morning and started to run away.
They threw off a large iron head
weight and dashed across the street,
heading for one of the large windows
in the Royal Hotel. When the wagon
struck the curb stone one of the horses
was thrown on the sidewalk and both
were brought to a stop. The harness
was to run off one of the horses
and partially off the other. Both ani-
mals were caught before they had a
chance to run farther.

Electrical Section Meets.
A meeting of the electrical section
of the St. John branch of the Retail
Merchants' Association of Canada was
held in the provincial board rooms, 124
Prince William street, at eight o'clock
Wednesday evening, May 9th. The
following officers were appointed for
the year: Chairman, S. C. Webb; 1st
vice-chairman, W. H. Dykeman; 2nd
vice-chairman, C. N. Clarke; treasurer,
H. Montague; secretary, J. B. Jones.
This section decided to meet the
first Wednesday of each month. Several
resolutions were passed which
will be of great benefit to all electrical
dealers.

A Fortunate Battalion.
The N. C. O.'s and men of the 217th
Battalion have been more fortunate
than those of the average battalion as
far as their financial affairs have been
conducted. Shortly after their arrival
in the city Lt.-Col. Gillis, officer com-
manding, submitted a statement of the
affairs of the battalion to a committee
of officers and men representing the
battalion. The statement was found
correct in every respect. A distribu-
tion of two thousand dollars was
made among the N. C. O.'s and men at
that time. From the balance on hand
a second distribution of upwards of
one thousand dollars was made yester-
day afternoon. In addition to this
there is still a handsome balance
which will be used to meet any re-
quirements that may arise. The men
are highly pleased with the way in
which the affairs of the battalion
have been administered by the officers.

PERSONALS

Mayor Hayes spent yesterday in
Fredericton, having gone up to be
present at the opening of the legis-
lature.

CHILDREN'S
AID SOCIETY
SECRETARY

Rev. W. R. Robinson Resig-
ned at Meeting Held Last
Evening.

VALUED OFFICIAL
DID GREAT WORK

Without Remuneration But
Often at Financial Cost to
Himself.

The Children's Aid Society of St.
John last night accepted with profound
regret the resignation of its secretary,
Rev. W. R. Robinson. Ever since the
society's inception with the services of
an agent last summer the work has
been done voluntarily, without re-
muneration, and at times even at fi-
nancial cost to himself, by Mr. Rob-
inson, in addition to his duties as sec-
retary. The monthly reports showing
the deplorable condition of child life
in St. John, and the large amount of
valuable work done, were really a
record of the work done by Mr. Rob-
inson, in conjunction with the police,
but even these reports did not convey
anything like a full statement of
the work he has done.

In January last Mr. Robinson pointed
out that in justice to his congrega-
tion and himself he could not go on,
but there seemed no way of filling his
place and the work went steadily on
accumulating. The society last night,
with great reluctance, accepted his
resignation. His letter of resignation
was as follows:

To A. M. Belding, president, and mem-
bers of the Board of Management
of the Children's Aid Society of
the City and County of St. John.

Dear Co-workers:
It is with profound regret that cir-
cumstances over which I have no con-
trol compel me to tender my resigna-
tion to you as secretary of our soci-
ety. Since the organization of the
society I have had the honor to be
your secretary, and words fail to ex-
press the keen delight and joy that
has been mine in co-operating with
you in a small way in helping along
this the greatest work of the day.

The work of this office has grown to
such gigantic proportions that I find it
impossible to do justice to the same,
and care for my church and congrega-
tion, who have been very indulgent to
the past few years in this connection.
Early in January I asked to be
relieved of this work as my health was
giving away under the increased de-
mands upon my time and energies. Of
late it has been felt more burdensome
and to continue it as at present
against the counsel of my medical ad-
viser, in justice to my family and the
church of which I am pastor, I must
ask that this resignation be accepted.
I remain yours most sincerely,
W. R. ROBINSON.

The president expressed his keen
sense of personal regret and sorrow
at the severance of official relations
with Mr. Robinson and paid a warm
tribute to the invaluable work he had
done. The same sentiments were
expressed by M. E. Agar, W. H. Dykeman,
Frank Hatheway, T. J. Estabrooks
and other members of the board, who
expressed not only their regret but
also their continued astonishment
from month to month that one man
could accomplish so much work as had
been done by Mr. Robinson. The
motion accepting his resignation was
coupled with an order that the presi-
dent have entered upon the minutes
an expression of the board's apprecia-
tion.

There was a long discussion of the
situation which now confronts the so-
ciety, and the president was finally
authorized to appoint a committee
with power to act to secure a new sec-
retary and an agent, or an official who
would combine the duties of both, as
they might deem most desirable.

The monthly report of work done
ending May 10, which will be the last
submitted by Mr. Robinson, is as fol-
lows:

Total number of children dealt with 74
Total number of adults dealt with 38
Warrants out for husbands desert-
ing and neglected 2
Number of deserted wives and fam-
ilies assisted 10
Number sent to Evangeline Home 1
Number sent to Roman Catholic
institutions 1
Number of children taken home to
parents 9
Number of children placed in homes
in the county 6
Number of children returned to
parents by adoption 6
Number of children sent home with
parents 9
Children and parents sent to Nova
Scotia 10
Letters of warning sent out 17
Number of interviews in different
cases 180
Number of families visited again 6
Number of children treated in
General Public Hospital 7
Number of children treated in the
Home 10
Number of children treated for
teeth 3
Number of children taken to our
Home 13
Total number of new cases chil-
dren and adults dealt with 106
Number of calls made by way of
inspection, supervision and ad-
vice 94

An Illustrated Lecture.

Rev. W. H. Barraclough repeated his
popular illustrated lecture on "The Dy-
ing Turkish Empire" in Portland
Methodist church schoolroom last
evening before a large audience. Mrs.
R. A. Corbett, chairman, introduced
the speaker. The proceeds will be
used to forward the work of the
North End W. G. T. U.

COAL PRICES
CAN BE FIXED
BY CONSUMERS

Citizens Says No Need to
Hoard Supply—Outputs
Increase—Transportation
Only Drawback.

"The advice given by the United
States federal trade commission in
its report to congress on May 7 re-
garding the retail price of coal could
be well acted upon by the citizens of
St. John," said a prominent citizen to
a Standard representative yesterday.
On that occasion the commission
counseled the public "not to indulge
in a buying panic."

Local coal dealers were unable yester-
day to state just what the pros-
pects for coal will be during the
summer as contingencies may arise
which would affect the market.
According to the Labor Gazette,
issued by the department of labor, the
output in the eastern coal mines for
the month of March shows a decided
increase and these conditions have
not changed since the issue of the
Gazette. Sydney showed that the out-
put from the Dominion Collieries was
5,000 tons over the preceding month.
The output at Sydney Mines was
2,000 tons greater than the month pre-
ceding. Westville reported the mines
working full time.

In fact the reports from the differ-
ent collieries throughout the domain
with the possible exception of mines
owned by the Acadia Coal Company
show that all the mines are working
every hour of the day, and in Fernie
the mines were in continuous opera-
tion. Likewise in Nanaimo the same
conditions prevail.

The shortage of labor and trans-
portation seem to be the only draw-
backs in the Dominion, although in
some sections the scarcity of skilled
miners has hindered operations.
However, taking the entire case into
consideration the coal situation in St.
John and through the Dominion
should give no reason for abnormal
buying. In the United States it is
understood that dealers attempting to
induce consumers into "hungry buy-
ing" will be exposed.

It has been suggested that the con-
sumers should purchase coal as they
have in former years and not attempt
to hoard for four or five months supply
of coal at one time, and by thus doing
they will be a big factor in regulating
the price of coal in the city at any
rate.

PRICES ARE
STILL ON THE
UPWARD ROAD

Cost of Flour is Still Climb-
ing, While Peas and Rice
Show Big Advance—Tur-
keys and Eggs Fall Off.

Wholesalers report an advance of
ninety cents in the price of flour yester-
day. Quotations have been cancell-
ed by most of the dealers doing busi-
ness in the Dominion. The prevail-
ing price is \$16.90 for Manitoba and
\$15.75 for Ontario brands.

Rice advanced \$2.00 a price during
the week, while peas went up \$1 per
bag. Cornmeal advanced twenty-five
cents per bag, while pork and lard
showed a slight increase. Oats advanced
ten cents.

There is some consolation for the
householder in the fact that the price
of eggs fell two cents per dozen by
the case, while Turkey—was reduced in
price by five cents per pound.

ONE SHOW AT IMPERIAL THIS
AFTERNOON—AND WHY?

Because Prof. J. W. Robertson, of
Ottawa, one of the big men of Canada,
is to speak on the burning subject
of Food Production, starting at 4
o'clock, the Imperial theatre will hold
but one matinee show today. It will
start at the usual hour, 8 o'clock and
will consist of "The Big Sister," fea-
turing Mae Murray and the tenth
episode in the "Secret Kingdom"
serial as well as the Hughie Mack
comedy. Prof. Robertson is unques-
tionably one of the most learned and
impressive speakers in the continent,
and his recent experiences in France
make his message on food conserva-
tion and food production most pointed.
At the Greater Production in Freder-
icton a few days ago and later in
Halifax he created the greatest in-
terest. St. John should turn out en
masse to hear the noted Scotch ex-
pert, who speaks under the auspices
of the Canadian Club in Imperial
Theatre, which has been donated for
the occasion. Four o'clock is the
hour, but be early if you can to secure
a good seat.

Gambling in Diamonds.
In August, 1915, Gundry's bought
largely of diamonds. Enough of this
stock is left to run through 1917 sea-
son with the exception of a few pieces.
Gundry's are therefore in a position to
offer values impossible if selling from
recent purchases.

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FAVOR EARLY
CLOSING FOR
THE SUMMER

In Order That Clerks May
Enjoy Extra Hour of
Daylight.

MERCHANTS MEET
AND ENDORSE SCHEME

Will Try to Get All the City
Business Men in Line.

About thirty of the leading retail
business men of the city gathered
last night at the Board of Trade
rooms, and discussed thoroughly the
advantages and disadvantages of
closing at 5 o'clock in the afternoon
for four days a week, during the
months of June, July and August. A
motion favoring the adoption of the
scheme was passed and a committee
was appointed to interview the
merchants in the several lines of
business in an effort to make the
movement universal. This committee
will report at a meeting to be held
next Thursday evening.

The meeting was called to order by
A. O. Skinner and on motion he was
elected chairman and G. L. Warwick
secretary.

The chairman stated the reason for
calling the meeting and asked for an
expression of opinion from those pres-
ent in regard to the feasibility of the
scheme. Among those who supported
the movement were B. R. Macaulay,
E. B. Jones, H. C. Page, F. A. Dyke-
man and A. A. McIntyre who all con-
tended that as far as the purchasing
public were concerned there would
shop in the hours available whether
they were many or few. E. L. Rising
favored the movement, providing it
were made universal.

J. G. Harrison and R. B. Emerson
speaking for the hardware men did
not see how they could cut one hour
out of their day and get the work
done as they were busy all the time
and frequently had to work over
time to get out their orders.

A. E. Everett, said the only way he
could close earlier in his business
would be to open an hour earlier in
the morning.

F. A. Dykeman, stated that he had
partly made up his mind to close at
5 o'clock for the summer whether the
rest did or not.

Some of those present favored closing
at 5 o'clock for five days in the
week and cutting out the keeping
open Friday night.

N. C. Scott, pointed out that it
would be almost impossible for the
Indianapolis grocers to close at 5
o'clock in the summer time, as in
many instances the boats did not
reach the city until that hour or later.
After considerable discussion had
taken place F. A. Dykeman moved,
seconded by E. B. Jones, "That in
the opinion of this meeting it is de-
sirable to close the retail stores at 5
o'clock on Monday, Tuesday, Wed-
nesday and Thursday afternoons dur-
ing the months of June, July and
August."

This was carried with but one dis-
senting voice but several did not vote.
B. R. Macaulay then moved the fol-
lowing resolution which was seconded
by F. A. Dykeman: "That the chair-
man appoint one man from each line
of business to interview the merchan-
tants in his line in the city in regard
to closing at 5 o'clock on Monday,
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
afternoons during the months of June,
July and August, and report back to a
meeting to be held one week from
tonight." This was carried and the
chairman appointed the following: E.
L. Rising, hardware; H. C. Page, jew-
ellers; T. J. McPherson, South End
grocers; J. G. Harrison, hardware;
A. E. Everett, furniture; the chairman
to arrange for men on the committee
for lines not represented at the meet-
ing.

Among those present were: Walter
Gilbert, T. J. McPherson, A. A. Mc-
Intyre, O. S. Dykeman and N. C.
Scott, grocers; J. G. Harrison, R. B.
Emerson, hardware; B. R. Macaulay,
E. B. Jones, F. A. Dykeman and E. C.
Phalen, dry goods; G. L. Warwick,
crockery; W. E. Ward, gent's furni-
shings; A. E. Everett, furniture; E. L.
Rising, hardware; H. C. Page,
jewellers; W. H. Turner, tailors; A.
H. Wetmore, T. H. Somerville and
Edward Ellis.

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CAMPAIGN

Employment Notice.

Persons wanting employment on
farms or farmers in need of help, call,
write or phone James Gilchrist, Pro-
vincial Immigration Officer, 108 Prince
William St., Phone Main 1297.

MOTHERS' DAY, MAY 13

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greatest collection of cut flowers and
potted plants grown in our green-
houses, Stanley Point road. Call as
our stores or phone Main 1564.

ACTION ENDORSED.

The Fredericton Board of Trade
Wednesday night decided to endorse
the steps taken by the St. John Board
of Trade in the matter of promoting
the building of wooden ships in New
Brunswick.

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a Pleasure

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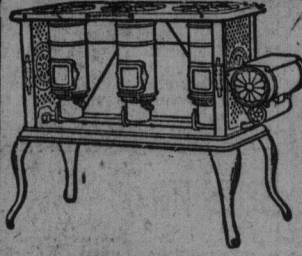
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