

THE WEATHER.

Forecast. Maritime—Moderate to fresh winds, mostly south and southwest, fair and mild. Washington, Mar. 25—Northern New England—Fair Monday; warmer, except on coast. Maine coast: Tuesday fair, somewhat colder; moderate to fresh southwest winds. Toronto, Mar. 25—Since Saturday some light falls of snow or rain have occurred in Manitoba and over Lake Superior; elsewhere in Canada the weather has been fair and, for the most part, very mild. Temperatures: Min. Max. Dawson 30 36 Prince Rupert 30 36 Victoria 30 44 Vancouver 30 44 Kamloops 42 49 Calgary 40 49 Moose Jaw 17 32 Winnipeg 24 38 Port Arthur 23 38 Parry Sound 25 46 London 35 46 Toronto 35 47 Ottawa 30 46 Montreal 30 44 Quebec 20 42 Halifax 20 45 Below zero.

Around the City

Funeral Postponed. The funeral of Rev. Martin Maloney which was to have been held this morning is postponed until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.

Property Sold. At Chubb's Corner, Saturday, Auctioneer T. T. Lantam sold a parcel of land containing about 40 acres on old Tucker road, owned by Mr. Thomas Conboy. David Peacock became the owner at \$500.

City Horses Sold. A sale of city horses took place on Market square Saturday bringing the following prices: Colonel, sold to J. Cogger & Sons for \$177.50; Salvage Corps horse, \$132.50; horse Fred, sold to R. Rider, \$210; horse Bob, sold to Mr. Stearns, \$175.

Removed To Hospital. Isaac Campbell of Little River, employed at McAvity's shell plant, took his removal to the General Public Hospital. His case is not at all dangerous and it is likely that he will be able to resume work in a day or two.

Property Transfer. Brigadier General H. H. McLean has purchased the home of the late L. J. Almon at Rotheray. The property consists of a large stone house with adjoining barns and five or six acres of grove and lawn, fronting on the Gondola Point road and the Kennebecasis. The property was purchased through Messrs. Allison & Thomas.

Electric Light for Kent Co. Towns. A Kent county resident who was in the city yesterday told the Standard that the people of Rexton and Richibucto were pleased at knowing that their towns would soon be lighted by electricity. It will be remembered that authority was given at the last session of the legislature enabling the people of these towns to assess themselves for lighting purposes. A committee representing both towns was appointed and last week machinery reached Richibucto for the new plant. It will be only a short time until both these enterprising towns will be lighted by electricity.

Shoes Climbing. Measured by the upclimb of the leather markets and the increased cost of production in the manufacture of shoes, persons desirous of obtaining the last minute in shoe styles for the fall will have to pay anywhere from twelve to fifteen dollars for their footwear. Of course this does not mean the conservative dressers who are satisfied with a box-calf sensible shoe, but to those whose inclinations carry them a step ahead of the style designers. High cuts are being shown by the shoemen for fall and the style tends to a higher cut than that worn this spring.

An Eloquent Address. "Venice, Past and Present" was the subject of an able and eloquent address by Hugh Hamilton of Moncton under the auspices of the Y. M. C. I. in their new building on Cliff street yesterday afternoon. Dr. W. P. Broderick, chairman of the educational committee, presided, and there was a large attendance. The address included His Lordship the Bishop and several of the priests of the city parishes. Mr. Hamilton is recognized as a leading public speaker and he made a splendid impression yesterday. A vote of thanks, moved by W. J. Mahoney, seconded by J. F. Owens, and passed unanimously, was tendered the speaker at the close of his address.

V. M. C. A. Notes. A fast game of basketball was played Saturday afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. between the Ironsides and Mohawks of the Junior A League, the score of 7 to 2 being in favor of the Mohawks. At 6:30 the Monarchs held their monthly social. Many enjoyable games were played and refreshments served. At eight o'clock sixty-three boys heard an interesting talk by Rev. W. H. Barnacough. He spoke on "Manshoodmanism" in the series on "The History of Religions" and his subject was illustrated by many fine lantern slides. In the series, "Jesus, the Head Coach," Secretary F. L. Smith spoke on "The Opposing Team Playing Urt" yesterday morning. The Mentors' Association met at the home of Harold Rising last evening. A. M. Gregg, boys' secretary, spoke on "Habit." Refreshments were served later.

The \$5,000 stock-reducing sale ends on Saturday, 31st inst.—D. McArthur's 34 King street.

COMPLETE THE TRANSFER OF SWEDISH LUMBER INTERESTS TO ST. JOHN?

J. B. Brand of This City and W. D. Gunter of Fredericton Acquire the Two Mills and Extensive Holdings of the Swedish Canadian Lumber Company.

J. B. Brand of this city and W. D. Gunter of Fredericton, two well known lumbermen, have purchased the lumbering interests in this province formerly controlled by the Swedish Canadian Lumber Company. The transfer, which involves two large mills and about 250 square miles of timber areas, is one of the most important that has taken place in New Brunswick in many years. It had been reported for some time that negotiations looking to the purchase of these properties had been in progress, but yesterday both Messrs. Brand and Gunter gave actual confirmation of the consummation of the transfer. The new owners are practical lumbermen of keen business instincts who plan the immediate prosecution of the industry on their new properties. The mills of the Swedish Canadian Lumber Company which have been acquired by Messrs. Brand and Gunter are at Rexton and Richibucto, Kent county. The mill at Richibucto is known as the O'Leary mill and was disposed of some time ago by Col. Richard O'Leary to William Nordin, representing the Swedish Canadian Lumber Company. The mill at Rexton is known as the Jardine mill and is one of the best and most up-to-date plants on the north shore. Mr. Brand, since his arrival in New Brunswick from England a few years ago has been recognized as an extensive purchaser of lumber for the English and American markets. Mr. Gunter is a grandson of the late Mr. Richards, a former leading New Brunswick lumberman, and has been carrying on an extensive milling proposition at Gibson, York county. The properties acquired by Messrs. Brand and Gunter are largely situated on the North Shore. It is the present intention of the new owners to work the Rexton mill during the coming summer. This will be good news to the working classes and the people generally of that section of the province.

BOTH FOSTER AND CARTER SEEK SEATS

New Leader Likely to Contest Victoria, but Efforts to Place Mr. Carter Not Yet Successful.

The Foster-Carter-Veniot combination are still having difficulty in forming the new government. The party want both Mr. Foster and Mr. Carter in the new government, but the matter of securing seats for them is no small task. Mr. Carter's friends are pointing out in no uncertain way that it would be unnatural to expect him to furnish a working programme from day to day for his party in the legislature as he did during the past several years, when the elected opposition was composed of Messrs. Dupin and Pelletier. That this view has been strongly presented to Leader Foster there can be no doubt, because it is known that Mr. Dyer, one of the members-elect for Kent county, has been approached with a view to his resigning and making a place for Mr. Carter. After this suggestion had been put out in no uncertain way that it would be unnatural to expect him to furnish a working programme from day to day for his party in the legislature as he did during the past several years, when the elected opposition was composed of Messrs. Dupin and Pelletier. That this view has been strongly presented to Leader Foster there can be no doubt, because it is known that Mr. Dyer, one of the members-elect for Kent county, has been approached with a view to his resigning and making a place for Mr. Carter. After this suggestion had been put out in no uncertain way that it would be unnatural to expect him to furnish a working programme from day to day for his party in the legislature as he did during the past several years, when the elected opposition was composed of Messrs. Dupin and Pelletier. That this view has been strongly presented to Leader Foster there can be no doubt, because it is known that Mr. Dyer, one of the members-elect for Kent county, has been approached with a view to his resigning and making a place for Mr. Carter.

The feeling is growing stronger that Mr. Foster will run for Victoria county, but at the present writing there is no certainty whether it will be Mr. Tweedale or Mr. Burgess that will make way for him. Mr. Carvell, M. P. seems determined that Mr. Foster shall run for Victoria, hoping that in the event of the leader's election there it might increase the Liberal strength both in Victoria and Carleton counties in the federal contest. Mr. Foster, however, will have his hands full in getting elected in Victoria, while as for Mr. Carvell, independent electors report that his defeat in Carleton-Victoria is inevitable. In the event of Mr. Foster's running for Victoria, Mr. LeBlanc of Redoubt would be quite disappointed as it is understood an agreement very satisfactory to himself had been completed looking to his retirement in favor of Mr. Foster.

FATAL ACCIDENT IN U. S. NAVY YARDS

Brother-in-Law of Thomas Evans Instantly Killed Saturday Morning at Charlottetown.

Thomas Evans, of 497 Britain street, received word Saturday afternoon that his brother-in-law, George Pitcher, of Boston, had been instantly killed Saturday morning. No particulars of the accident were given in the message, but it is supposed that it occurred while he was at work in the Charlottetown navy yards where he was employed as a foreman carpenter. On the receipt of the sad news William and Miss Lena Evans, brother and sister of the wife of the deceased, left at once for Boston to be present at the funeral. Mr. Pitcher is survived by his wife, one son and one daughter. The relatives here are Thomas Evans, Britain street, Wm. Evans, St. James street, brothers, and Miss Lena Evans, sister of Mrs. Pitcher.

New Silks in Sport Stripes. F. A. Dykeman & Co. are showing some very pretty silks in the new sport stripes. The stripes are three-quarters of an inch apart and come in sage blue and white, black and white, pink and white, rose and white and navy and white. These silks are washable and unshrinkable, and make very effective waists or dresses. They are 19 inches wide and are being sold at 65c. per yard.

Wall paper auction sale at D. McArthur's, 34 King street, on Thursday morning, 28th inst., at ten o'clock.

LARGE CONGREGATION AT CLOSE OF THE FORTY HOURS DEVOTIONS

Scholarly Sermon at Cathedral by Rev. M. Howland—Prayers Yesterday for Rev. M. Maloney.

Last evening's service at the Cathedral, marking the close of the Forty Hours' Devotions, was a most impressive one. The sacred edifice held a large congregation, including many from the other parishes of the city. His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc was in the sanctuary. A scholarly sermon on the Real Presence was delivered by Rev. M. Howland, Benedictine of the Most Blessed Sacrament brought the service to a close. The devotions were largely attended since the opening on Friday morning. A large number of the parishioners of the Cathedral received Holy Communion at the different masses in the church and completed the obligation of making their Easter duty.

In the various Catholic churches of the city and province yesterday prayers were offered for the repose of the soul of the late Rev. M. Maloney, C. S. R. The death of Father Maloney is a great loss to the city, particularly among the Catholic people among whom he labored for such a large number of years. His remains now lie in St. Peter's church, where large numbers have come to pay a last tribute of respect. Next Sunday being Palm Sunday, the palms will be blessed in the Catholic churches. On Easter Sunday a grand pontifical high mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral, His Lordship the Bishop being the celebrant.

RUBBER DAY PROVES FAIRLY SUCCESSFUL

Campaign for Old Rubber Will Add Quite a Sum of Money to Coffers of Red Cross Society.

Though the success of the Red Cross rubber day campaign on Saturday was impaired by the rainy weather, the results obtained were fairly satisfactory. Groups of Boy Scouts from the different troops in the city started out early in the morning on their collection tour, each group taking a certain portion of the city. Each group was accompanied by a horse and team which carried the rubber collection boxes. At noon the boys assembled at the Chocolate Shop on Charlotte street where an appetizing lunch awaited them. The lunch had been donated by J. McAvity and the boys showed their appreciation of his kindness by doing away with everything edible in sight. Because of the inclement weather many of the boys discontinued collecting at noon. J. H. Carleton the collection amounted to two large team loads. The proceeds from the sale of the rubber collected will go into the Red Cross fund. The work was in charge of the conservation committee of the Red Cross Society and consisted of the following: Miss Stetson, convener; Miss Fenton, Messames Ryder, McLeod, Hebert, Vroom, Frank White, S. Elliott, J. H. Allingham. Miss Fenton and Mrs. J. H. Allingham were in charge of the work in Carleton, and Mrs. S. Elliott directed the work in East St. John.

Notwithstanding recent raises in watch movements, including Walthams, Elgins, Hamiltons and all Swiss makes, Gundry's have introduced a CUP PRICE SALE OF POCKET WATCHES. For the following days you may secure a good watch at decidedly alluring prices. There's no question of the quality. Gundry's do not handle poor watches, nor do Gundry's sell knowingly an article of any sort of inferior make.

Reports That Two Battalions May be Stationed Here for Indefinite Period—Military Notes.

St. John will likely have two battalions stationed here for an indefinite length of time. There is sufficient space in the different military buildings to comfortably accommodate at least 2,500 men. Although no definite word has been received at headquarters, military men state that it is a fair presumption within two weeks two Upper Canadian battalions will arrive in the city. The seven battalions at Toronto have been notified to move east in a few days, and it is probable that St. John, Sussex and Halifax will be their destination for the present. Bantams May Come. Among the Toronto units which are soon to leave for the east is the Bantam Battalion, under the command of Lieut.-Col. F. L. Burton. This battalion is now recruiting in New Brunswick with headquarters at Amherst. The total strength of the Bantams is 801 men. This was the last count at Toronto, but since that time Lieut. Walsh has recruited nearly a hundred men in the Maritime Provinces. As this unit is not up to strength, and as they have opened up a recruiting office in the province, it is likely they will be the first to come east. St. John people have had the pleasure of seeing Scotch regiments, French battalions and English units of every branch of the service, and now it looks as though they might see an Irish regiment. The 208th Battalion is under the command of Lieut.-Col. T. H. Lennox, and has a strength of 790 men. Today the rear guard of the 16th and 198th Battalions will commence to put the exhibition buildings and grounds in proper shape. Major Stehelin of the 16th Battalion is in charge of the rear guard, which numbers about 125. It is expected that Major Stehelin will be authorized to recruit a forestry battalion in New Brunswick, but no announcement has yet been made. Both Battalions Cheered. The 16th French-Canadians and the 198th Canadian Buffs attracted more than usual attention on Saturday night as they marched through the streets of St. John. In fact it was the triumphant march of two Canadian battalions who will soon make their presence felt on the western front. The route of march was lined with citizens. The military music rendered by the bands of both battalions never sounded better.

MILITARY NOTES.

Sergeant Willett, formerly bandmaster of the 165th Battalion band, has been appointed a lieutenant in the Forestry company with headquarters at Sussex. Among the returned men to reach the city on Saturday was Private Stanley Adams, 96 Queen street. Private Adams spoke in the highest terms of Lieut.-Col. McAvity as a commander. He has been in the trenches for exactly one year and was a member of the famous 26th Battalion. Private George Tilley whose home is in Queens county, also reached St. John. He enlisted in the 56th Battalion, but afterwards transferred to the 14th. He was wounded at Ypres on June 3rd, 1916. While in the city Private Tilley is the guest of Mrs. Ellis aShanks, West St. John. A special mass for the soldiers at the front and those who have made the supreme sacrifice will be celebrated in the Cathedral on Wednesday morning. Private Ray Hutchins of the Killies battalion has been detailed for special recruiting duty at Newcastle. Privates T. J. Johnson, K. McKelley and J. Odum have been promoted to the rank of lance corporal. Acting Sergeant A. E. Wood, of the Killies, white battalion butcher will receive fifteen cents per day extra from the canteen fund. Word to the effect that Lieut. J. A. Winslow, of Fredericton, died of pneumonia in France, brought on by exposure during the winter campaign in France, was received at the capital on Saturday morning. He is the third Fredericton officer to make the supreme sacrifice in the present war. The deceased soldier was a member of the First Division, C. E. F. He was at one time a member of staff of the branch in Fredericton of the Bank of British North America. Frederick Hansen and Frank Prosser enlisted in Fredericton with the Forestry Company quartered at Sussex. No Recruits Reported. Saturday was an off day in recruiting in St. John, the different units reporting "no recruits."

Will Remain in City.

Captain (Dr.) A. M. Covert, who recently arrived in St. John and reported to the 16th Field Ambulance Train, will remain in the city to assist in the instruction of the members of the Ambulance Depot. Two Officers for 9th Siege. It was officially announced at headquarters on Saturday that Lieutenants Ingham and Walker have been granted a commission with the 9th Siege Battery. It was reported some time ago that both St. John boys would be attached to the battery. Lieut. Ingham is a son of Dr. F. R. Ingham of this city. At Military Hospital. Six members of the 198th Battalion were unable to leave the hospital on Saturday and join their battalion. There are also about nine members of the 16th Battalion on the sick list at the hospital. It is likely that as soon as they are better they will either rejoin their battalion or be transferred to another unit. Special Meeting of Council. A special committee meeting of the common council will be held this morning at eleven o'clock to take up the report of the assessment commission. It is understood that the commission have only made a few minor changes in the report as first presented and the council will have practically the original to deal with.

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Water Main Broken. A break in a four-inch water main was discovered in Mecklenburg street Friday night, between Wentworth and Pitt streets. The water works department found that the cause of the break was electrolysis. The leak was found beneath the street car track. The action of the electricity upon the pipe had caused a chemical decomposition which finally resulted in a bad leak. The water works department worked all night on the job and daylight found the break repaired.