

THE WEATHER.

Forecast. Maritime—Strong northwest winds, local snow flurries and mostly fair and very cold. Washington, Feb. 2.—Northern New England—Fair and continued cold on Saturday. Sunday fair, with rising temperature; northwest gales, diminishing Saturday. Toronto, Feb. 2.—The weather has been mostly fair and very cold today from the Rocky Mountains to the Maritime Provinces. Temperatures. Min. Max. Prince Rupert 14 20 Victoria 34 43 Vancouver 36 46 Kamloops 28 36 Calgary 20 32 Moose Jaw 23 32 Regina 19 29 Winnipeg 24 32 Port Arthur 20 26 London 10 10 Toronto 10 10 Kingston 14 22 Ottawa 20 32 Montreal 14 20 St. John 16 22 Halifax 8 22 Below zero.

Around the City

Hockey this Morning. The St. John High School team and Sussex will battle for supremacy in the Queens Rink this morning. Both teams have a strong line-up. The game will start at 10:30. Board of Trade Notes. At a meeting of the council of the Board of Trade held yesterday morning F. W. Daniel was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of F. C. Smith. The council endorsed the suggestion of the Associated Boards of Trade of Ontario in regard to Dominion legislation in re daylight saving.

Trades and Labor Council. At the regular meeting of the Trades and Labor Council, held in their rooms on Union street, a communication was read from the secretary of the Hamilton Cigar Makers' Union in regard to a strike in Tuckett's cigar factory, saying that the strike, which was in progress there, had terminated successfully for the men. The secretary was instructed to communicate with the City Council asking that they speed up on the taxation commission report. There will be a meeting next Friday to consider the advisability of placing labor candidates in the field in the forthcoming election.

Automobile Association. The regular meeting of the New Brunswick Automobile Association was held in the Board of Trade rooms last night. After the regular routine business had been transacted, J. M. Roche, the treasurer, resigned, stating that his business would take him out of the city the greater part of the year. The resignation was received and a vote of thanks was tendered him for his excellent work performed for the association during his stay in office. J. A. Tilton was appointed treasurer of the association. Among other business transacted, it was decided to call a special gathering of all owners of gasoline engines in the city to assemble in the Board of Trade rooms on Monday evening the 13th inst., when arrangements have been made for Royden Foley to address the meeting. Mr. Foley is a graduate of Pratt Institute, and is not only acknowledged as an expert on gasoline engines, but is an aviator.

TEA AND PANTRY SALE. The Hiram Mission Circle will hold a tea and pantry sale in Centenary church parlor this afternoon from four to seven o'clock. Admission 25c.

JUNIOR HOCKEY. The hockey season started yesterday afternoon at the Y. M. C. A., two games being played on the rink. In the first game between the Mohawks and Victoria the Mohawks won by a score of 5 to 0. The lineup was: Mohawks Goal. Victors Davidson Schoffield Point. Lee C. Point. Robertson C. Point. Clifford Right Wing. Belding. Rolston Left Wing. Primmer. Oldford Cover.

Potter. Frost. In the second game the Loyalists won from the Chipewas by a score of 4 to 3. The lineup follows: Loyalists Goal. Chipewas Sterling. Bowman Point. Leo. Patterson C. Point. Kelly. Ellis Centre. Urquhart. Brown Right Wing. Thomas. Brown Left Wing. Wetmore. Wilkes. Miss Fannie Evans, aged 19 years, died in the Public Hospital at an early hour yesterday morning. Her home was in Lorneville, and her death was the result of an operation for appendicitis.

BIG QUESTIONS FOR WATERWAYS COMMISSIONERS

H. A. Powell, K. C., Outlines Case of Interest to Dominion and United States Shipping Interests.

One of the most important matters for the consideration of the International Waterways Commission is an application from parties in the United States to place a submerged dam across the waters of the St. Clair River for the purpose of raising the waters of Lake Huron. H. A. Powell, K. C., of this city, a Canadian member of the commission, was spoken of yesterday about this application, and while declining to express any opinion on the merits of the case kindly gave The Standard man an outline of the facts involved. The question is one of Dominion-wide interest inasmuch as it involves the future of the port of Montreal.

Mr. Powell said the question was one of the largest that had come before the commission. The application will be contested by the Canadian government, the City of Montreal as well as those interested in power and high water levels on Lake Erie, the Niagara frontier, Lake Ontario, the St. Lawrence River, including the port of Montreal. Time was given to the parties interested in opposition to file written statements showing their contentions. This is a very large question. The opposition to the scheme is largely based on the fact that at the present time the drainage canal which carries off the sewage from the City of Chicago indirectly affords large facilities for power development on the diverted stream. A slight diversion, however, was authorized a few years ago by the war department of the United States, which has control of such matters within the republic borders. But the City of Chicago has exceeded the limits outlined by the war department and the department is opposed to further diversion and favors the restriction of the curtailment of the present diversion. The effect of the diversion would be to lower the water of Lake Huron about six inches and also lower the waters of Montreal harbor, thus throwing upon the Dominion government the necessity of extensive dredging of the waters of the St. Lawrence from Montreal down so as to afford facilities for vessels of large draught to continue the use of the river and of that port.

By treaty between Great Britain and the United States all waters through which the boundary line passes are known as international boundary waters, and by their power can change the level or divert the waters without the consent of the commission. Either party may, however, divert the flow of water by making compensation for the damage resulting from such diversion. This right does not extend to the diversion of the waters which may interfere with the right of navigation, which is dominant. The City of Chicago will oppose any curtailment of the present flow which it enjoys. Millions of money have already been invested in the canal, the denomination of which is the Chicago sanitary canal. It opens up a waterway from Lake Michigan through a strip of territory and finally the Mississippi River. In their course the waters have been used by power companies and a very large power development has resulted. By the terms of the treaty, where different classes of rights conflict, the sanitary rights are to be regarded as dominant. This provision, however, it is contended, does not override the provision of the treaty above referred to, to the effect that waters flowing into boundary waters are not to be diverted where such diversion would interfere with navigation.

The questions involved are intricate and the matters at issue are very important from a financial and industrial standpoint, said Mr. Powell. "It will be some time before the matters will be litigated before the commission at the meeting at Montreal. The shipping associations on the Great Lakes and of Montreal are very much interested in the matter and a large number of consulting engineers and lawyers will be employed in the case." Mr. Powell returned this week from Minneapolis, where he was present at a week's session of the commission. Several matters of weighty interest were considered.

LOCAL BOWLING. THE CITY LEAGUE. In the City League on Black's alleys last night, the Whips and the Beavers broke even with two points each. The individual score follows: Whips. Irvin 72 78 85-235 78 1-3 Kerr 107 77 88-172 90 2-3 Steamers 88 89 84-261 87 McCaw 83 80 127-300 100 Belyea 80 83 82-246 82

Beavers. 440 407 467 1314 Scott 72 107 88-267 89 Flowers 75 78 85-238 79 1-3 Maxwell 86 82 94-272 90 2-3 Cooper 85 96 91-272 70 2-3 Carleton 83 95 96-286 95 1-3 421 456 456 1335 The Amateurs and Tigers roll to night.

NINETEEN ON HONOR ROLL YESTERDAY

Army Service Corps Wants Men—Prospects for Record Week in Recruiting Good.

- HONOR ROLL. Thos. Burke, St. John. Hugh Boyle, St. John. Frank McJunkin, St. John. E. A. Sterling, St. John. Thos. Stack, St. John. W. L. Wilbert, Queens Co. A. Campbell, Quebec. C. Graam, St. John. F. Young, St. John. W. Harriner, Ontario. Geo. Clyde, Fredericton. Chas. Wilson, St. John. A. W. Miller, Maine. 257th Railway Con. Batt. L. Ricker, St. John. C. A. S. C. J. Ericson, Norway. 236th Battalion. W. Brown, England. John Henry, Ontario. A. S. Mann, Fredericton. 9th Siege Battery. H. Russell, St. Stephen. Machine Gun Draft.

Recruiting has certainly received impetus since the 257th Railway Battalion entered the recruiting arena in the city. Yesterday nineteen men were accepted at the Central Recruiting Depot. Besides this number three men reported for duty with the 165th French-Canadian Battalion.

Lieut. McBeath of the Canadian Engineers arrived in the city last night from Moncton where he secured two men for the Engineers. Their names are Thomas Ward and J. C. Casey. The Siege Battery will hold Sunday service on the Island. Rev. G. E. Scovil will hold service. The result of the personal campaign for recruits bore fruit yesterday when three men were secured.

Sergeant Crossman and his brother, Gunner Crossman and Gunner W. Buskirk, of the Ammunition Column, are in the city recruiting for that unit. The headquarters of the unit will be removed from Moncton to Sackville in the near future. The 165th French-Canadian Battalion held a route march yesterday. After the march Captain Corelli led the officers a lecture on advance guard work.

Lieut. A. R. Laing arrived in the city on Thursday and has opened up an office in the Bank of Montreal building. This unit expects to secure at least 100 men in St. John. Sergt. R. F. Jones, who is here assisting Lieut. Laing, said last night that already he had secured six men and had received applications from several others.

DESEFTER SHOT AS HE JUMPED FROM MOVING TRAIN. A deserter from the Colored Construction Battalion, which is employed in taking up rails on the Transcontinental Railway, was shot and seriously wounded by a guard, as he leaped from a fast moving train, a few miles this side of Boundary Creek, last evening.

It appears that six members of the battalion who were working a few miles out of Moncton, left their work and were heading for St. John. Word to this effect was sent to Moncton. Thinking that the men would probably get on the train at one of the small stations along the line, an officer and a guard boarded the train at Moncton. At Boundary Creek the train stopped to pick up a couple of passengers and among them were two of the soldiers. The guard was on the platform when the soldiers boarded the train. Before saying anything to the deserter the officer waited until the train had started. When he started to move towards the deserter, the man threatened to jump from the train. The officer drew a revolver and warned him that if he attempted to jump he would fire. The man leaped and at the same time the passengers were startled by the crack of the pistol. The man was seen to roll down the embankment. The train was stopped and the officer and guard took charge of the prisoner who had been severely wounded.

At Petitcodiac four more of the deserters attempted to board the train but the conductor refused to take them on.

DWELLING BURNED AT UPPER REXTON. Rexton, Feb. 2.—Fire destroyed the house of Andrew Dixon, Jr., at Upper Rexton. A defective flue is supposed to have been the cause of the blaze. As Mr. Dixon and his oldest son were working at some distance from the house very little of the furniture was saved. There was no insurance.

CITY WARD MEETINGS WEDNESDAY

Local Forces to Prepare for the Fray—Announcement of New Government Well Received—Nominating Conventions.

The Local Government party have already commenced preparations for the elections in this constituency. Last evening an enthusiastic meeting of the executive of the party was held, when a decision was reached to hold the ward meetings for organization purposes and the election of delegates on Wednesday evening next, February 7th. The forces of the government in both the city and county welcome contests and will put on their war paint to do battle for the gentlemen that will be selected as candidates at the nominating convention to be held in the immediate future. From other sections of the province come reports of active preparations for the fray. The nominating convention for Kings county will be held at Hampton on Wednesday next, Feb. 7th. The supporters of the government party in Queens will assemble on Saturday, Feb. 10th to select candidates, while the Victoria county convention will be held at Andover on Friday, the 9th. Carleton county supporters will also hold their convention at an early date.

The announcement of the composition of the new government has aroused enthusiasm in every section of the province. The opposition admits the immeasurable strength of the cabinet which will conduct the affairs of the province for the next five years. The position of the opposition is certainly most unhappy at the present moment, inasmuch as the party is leaderless, although frantic efforts were made to find some one willing to have the great honor of leadership thrust upon him.

MILITARY HOSPITAL

Women's Patriotic Societies Have Completely Returned St. James Street Institution.

During the past few weeks the Military Hospital on St. James street has been newly renovated under the direction of the various patriotic societies in the city. The W. C. T. U. was the pioneer in this movement, they having furnished a ward of five beds about three weeks ago. Since then other societies have taken up the good work until now there are eight societies represented at the hospital.

The Royal Standard Chapter, I. O. D. E. and Brunswick Chapter, I. O. D. E. have completely furnished two wards, the Brunswick Chapter ward being only finished yesterday. The Ladies' Auxiliary of Clan MacKenzie, O. S. C., has also furnished a ward, and the ladies of Rothesay donated the furnishings for the fine recreation room. The fitting up of the diet kitchen is under the capable charge of the Women's Canadian Club. The Young People's Society of Stone church are now at work furnishing a large ward which will contain twelve beds when completed.

Mrs. J. L. Doyal, widow of the late Major J. L. Doyal, and Mrs. Barbour, formerly a resident of this city but now residing in the States, have both furnished small wards. The cost of furnishing the hospital has so far fallen almost entirely on the patriotic societies who have cheerfully done this as their part in the war.

Belgian Children are Suffering. Come and hear Mrs. E. Atherton Smith's interesting lecture "Belgium Then and Now" in Exmouth street church, Monday night, 5th Feb. It will repay you. Tickets 25 cents.

SILK QUILTED KIMONAS. A real bargain, and it comes at a time when any lady would appreciate having one of these very comfortable Kimonas to wrap herself in when the thermometer is hovering around zero. The \$ 9.00 quality is marked \$6.75. The \$10.00 quality is marked \$7.50. They come in Navy Blue and Cardinal. The highest priced one has silk embroidered collar, and is silk embroidered on the pockets. They are made from a good wearing quality of Japanese silk and will give the best of satisfaction.

Owing to the war many articles are being given to a greater extent than formerly. Gundry's experience shows a strong demand existing for Cigarette Cases, Signet Rings and Military Brushes. A grand selection of these articles is always kept in stock. The famous Wrist Watch is also shown in many styles.

Victoria Rink. Band this afternoon, also two bands tonight. Continued music.

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