

THE WEATHER.

Forecast.

Maritime—Fresh northeast to northwest winds, fair, stationary or a little lower temperature.

Washington, Dec. 5.—North sea New England—Cloudy Monday and Tuesday, not much change in temperature; moderate northwest winds.

Toronto, Dec. 5.—A marked area of high pressure is at present stationary over the Great Lakes, but it is not accompanied by any very low temperatures. Fair weather prevails throughout the Dominion, with continued mild conditions in Saskatchewan and Alberta.

Temperatures.

	Min.	Max.
Dawson	0	2
Victoria	42	48
Vancouver	40	46
Edmonton	12	28
Calgary	20	46
Medicine Hat	32	48
Moose Jaw	10	45
Port Arthur	20	26
Fort Sound	20	26
Toronto	22	28
London	23	29
Ottawa	22	28
Montreal	26	32
Quebec	26	32
Halifax	32	38

THE 52ND BATTALION HAS REJOICED ENGLAND

First Word Came in Cablegram to Mrs. G. H. Todd, on Saturday—All well and had pleasant voyage—An interesting letter from a soldier's wife—Something about the send-off given men in this city.

The Anchor Line steamship Californian, with the 52nd Battalion and the 9th Mounted Rifles, numbering in all about 1,600 officers and men, arrived in Witley, Surrey, England, on Saturday after a quick and uneventful voyage from St. John.

The first word to reach this city of the safe arrival of the soldiers came from Bahadram Kenneth Todd, the son of St. John soldier on that ship. This glad news was received in a cablegram to his mother on Saturday evening, which read as follows:

Mrs. G. H. Todd, Main street, St. John, N. B.

Arrived safely, Witley, Surrey, England.

(Signed) KENNETH.

Kenneth C. Todd before enlisting as a member of the 52nd Battalion was a draftsman in the employ of P. N. Brodie in this city, and being anxious to do his little bit and get to the front as quickly as possible he obtained a chance to enlist with the 52nd.

The Farewell to St. John.

It was on Tuesday at noon, November 23rd, that the steamship Californian with her decks, lifeboats and rigging swarming with soldiers pulled out from her berth at the Intercolonial terminus and started on her voyage to the old country with sixteen hundred brave soldiers from Canada. Thousands of people lined the wharves and the decks of the ships along the harbor front for the purpose of giving the boys a grand send-off. Bands were on the dock playing lively airs for some time before the ship cast off her lines. The soldiers were certainly a happy lot and presented the appearance of a lot of youngsters going away to a picnic instead of to the battle lines. They sang, they cheered and had plenty of fun with the girls who were present in hundreds to bid them farewell.

When the steam tugs put in an appearance and steamed alongside the big liner it was a sign that the ship was about to start on her voyage. The soldiers broke into cheers which lasted for minutes. Some of the boys well up in signalling, might have been seen in the rigging with a signalling flag sending messages to young ladies on the wharf, and as the young ladies had also made a study of the signalling system they were enabled to keep up a conversation which could only be known to those who knew the code.

Finally the lines were cast off, the whistle of the Californian sounded with three long blasts and this was the signal that the ship was leaving. The band of the 104th Battalion which was on the pier played "Auld Lang Syne" but the music could hardly be heard so loud was the cheering from the soldiers and the thousands along the water front. Steamships, tugs, dredges and factory whistles then took the cue and the noise made in giving the soldiers a send-off could be heard for many miles. The weather was perfectly fine and as the Californian slowly made her way out of the harbor she presented a grand sight.

NO DEFINITE ANNOUNCEMENT YET CONCERNING THE 140TH

No answer yet to the telegram sent by Colonel Fowler to the Militia Department.

Lieutenant Colonel Fowler told The Standard last night that he had not received any reply to the telegram he sent to the Militia Department on Friday, but was expecting an answer at any moment. Most of the over strength of the 104th Battalion are comfortably housed in the buildings on the camp grounds at Sussex, both companies which have gone away, one to Fredericton and the other to Woodstock are considerably over strength and altogether there are only about two or three hundred men under canvas. They are known as the base detail of the 104th. The tents are supplied with stoves and are floored and the men are as comfortable as possible under the circumstances.

Colonel Fowler said there was less sickness among the men under canvas than prevails among the men in winter quarters. He is hourly expecting word to send the men to St. John to take up quarters in the immigration building, West St. John. Colonel Fowler said that there was absolutely no feeling between the 115th and the 140th. The only reason that the west side buildings were suggested for the 140th was because the quarters at Sand Point are ready for immediate occupation and by the time quarters are required for the 115th the exhibition buildings can be made ready for their accommodation. He also said that there was absolutely no gain for him in the mobilization of the 140th. At the time he asked for the exhibition buildings recruiting was at fever heat and it was only with the idea of securing as many recruits as possible that he undertook to raise the additional unit.

Colonel Fowler was in communication with General Benson, headquarters staff, Halifax, who appeared to be anxious to do everything in his power to see that matters were arranged as speedily as possible so that the troops could be transferred to St. John. It is understood that the men will be here in the course of a few days. Colonel Gunning will come in command of this section of the battalion and the unit will be known as the over strength of the 104th Battalion. Later they will be transferred to the 140th.

Children's Serge Dresses.

Why fuss and bother over making the children's dresses when you can buy them ready to put on at such very attractive prices as those that are being offered by F. A. Dykeman & Co. \$3.39 is the special price of these all wool serge dresses trimmed with silk trimming and a pretty lace collar. They come in navy blue serge and can be had to fit children from 6 to 12 years. They are also showing a lot of pure wool serge sailor dresses at \$2.75. Navy blue trimmed with red silk soutash.

Carpenters wanted at once, apply to E. Bates, 73 Duke Street.

BRAYLEY'S FLAVORING EXTRACTS—Contain Purest Ingredients Only.

Four Inches of Snow.

The tug G. K. King towed the schooner Union to Great Salmon River on Thursday. The Union was laden with merchandise. Captain Goding of the tug reports that a snowfall of four inches had occurred at Salmon River and that there had been good sleighing in the district.

THREE MORE STANDARD MEN JOIN COLORS

"Sandy" Thorne, Willard McGinley and Howard Jamieson don the Khaki.

Three more members of The Standard staff have heard the call to arms. This morning Alexander W. Thorne, who has been city editor of this paper since the retirement of Lieut. J. Edgar March, now with the 26th in France, and Willard McGinley, who has been a member of the reporting staff for some months, leave for Sussex where they will attend the officers school being conducted there. On qualification they will be appointed to commissions in the 140th battalion. Howard Jamieson, who graduated from High School in the early summer and has since been employed on The Standard news staff, left for Sussex on Friday night, having enlisted in the 140th.

Mr. Thorne is a son of Charles W. Thorne of Rockland Road. He has been engaged in newspaper work in St. John for several years. He is a U. N. B. man and was formerly prominent in athletics. He came to The Standard staff two years ago from Toronto and during his term in this office has proved energetic and capable.

Willard McGinley, the youngest son of Mrs. W. A. McGinley, and is a brother of the editor of The Standard. Previous to joining The Standard staff he was engaged as a road representative for F. E. Holman & Co., and is well known throughout the Maritime Provinces. He has been a valuable reporter for some months.

Howard Jamieson, the "kid" of the trio, is a son of Robert A. Jamieson of North End, and also coming to The Standard has shown aptitude for his work.

Those who remain on The Standard staff extend to their associates the best wishes for success in their military career. With the departure of Messrs. Thorne, McGinley and Jamieson, the number of Standard men who have donned the King's uniform has now reached eleven.

NURSES FROM FRONT TOLD EXPERIENCES

Women's Canadian Club heard interesting addresses on Saturday afternoon.

The Women's Canadian Club met on Saturday afternoon in the schoolroom of St. John's (Stone) church to consider the equipment and management of the convalescent home for returned wounded soldiers. Dr. Thomas Walker said that he would suggest to the ladies of St. John that comforts in the way of furnishings and food would greatly add to the usefulness of the home. There would be plenty of opportunity for personal service.

The president of the club, Mrs. Kohring, read the report of the interesting description of the work of the institution and assured him that, under his direction the executive of the club had readily accepted the new responsibility. It was unanimously agreed to endorse the action of the committee who had accepted this work, and that committees for equipping the building with comforts should be appointed at once. These committees were accordingly appointed.

Mrs. Allan, wife of Major Allan, sang very acceptably, and Mrs. D. P. Chisholm played pianoforte selections, giving great pleasure to the members. The treasurer reported on the finances of the club since October. Mrs. Powell and Mrs. E. D. Triley told of the work of the citizens' welcome committee at the wharf for returned soldiers. The president reported on the work done by the club in providing refreshments for the 69th battalion. An attractive feature of the meeting was two informal addresses by two nursing sisters of the Canadian Army Medical Corps, Miss Tupper and Miss McCallum. The former had served at Salisbury Plains and the latter in France and some weeks in Lamson where she met Rev. Captain G. A. Kohring. Both spoke of the fine spirit and patience in suffering shown by the sick and wounded. These ladies were warmly thanked for their interested addresses and were presented with flowers on behalf of the club.

Property at Auction.

At Chubb's Corner Saturday Auctioneer T. T. Lantini offered for sale a ten acre farm with house and barn, known as the Sproule farm at Walford, Queens county, to Mr. McKin at \$500.

Auctioneer R. F. Potts sold the premises 83 and 84 Protection street, West Side, known as the Coran property. H. G. Currie became the owner at \$615.

Around the City

Mormans En Route to Salt Lake.

A party of forty Mormans arrived in the city yesterday morning from Liverpool and left for Salt Lake City.

Muff Found.

Police Sergt. Scott found a coon muff on Pitt street Saturday and the owner can receive the same on application at police headquarters.

Board of Trade.

At the annual meeting of the Board of Trade, to be held this evening, the election of the new council will take place. There will doubtless be other matters to consider.

Police Activities.

The police managed to arrest five drunks on Saturday night. One of the number is out on a deposit of eight dollars for his appearance in court this morning.

Office Will Not Be Refilled.

It is said that Mayor Frink has informed several of the Commissioners that the office of Mayor's Clerk, held by the late Clarence Ward, will not be filled. The salary has been \$900 per annum.

SOULDERS LEFT THEIR UNIFORMS IN A DITCH

Khaki outfits found in Gilbert's Lane and turned over to police.

With the finding of soldier uniforms in Gilbert's Lane yesterday it looks as if there are at least five men who have deserted from the ranks, some of them from the 89th Battalion, now in the city. While William Gaslin was walking in from Rockwood Park he found the uniforms in a ditch, and it is thought the soldiers, having obtained civilian attire, changed their clothes in the lane on Saturday night, and left the uniforms behind. The list of clothes found includes: Five great coats, one tunic, five belts, seven puttees, and four caps. Mr. Gaslin reported the find to police headquarters and the police took the clothing in charge and in turn reported the matter to the military authorities.

PERSONAL.

Dr. J. T. Dalton, of Fairville, has returned from Baltimore.

W. J. Emerson, of Brookline, Mass., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Doody, Pagan Place.

Arthur Rawling, assistant marine superintendent of the Canadian Pacific Steamship Lines, and Mrs. Rawling, arrived here Saturday. They will make their home in West St. John for the winter.

Chief Justice Landry arrived Saturday from Montreal.

Miss Edith Simpson, daughter of Chief Simpson of the police department, came to St. John Saturday from Edmonton, Alberta, to make her home here with her father.

W. C. Paver, of Moncton, general secretary of the I. C. R. Employees' Relief Association, is in the city on business relating to the railway men's organization.

Rev. R. A. Armstrong, rector of Trinity church, who has been seriously ill, had sufficiently recovered yesterday morning to be able to attend service. Rev. Mr. Armstrong hopes to be able to participate in the service on Christmas Day.

Miss J. M. Charlton of Charles street returned on Saturday from a month's vacation in Boston and New York.

O. G. Branscombe, wholesale buyer for Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited, was a passenger on S.S. Corsican Saturday afternoon for Europe.

TOOL CHESTS Make Practical Gifts for Boys and are Always Welcomed



Not toys, but Tools—Tools of real practical value—of good quality and which will prove useful and amusing to boys of all ages, are contained in our extensive holiday display.

To a well equipped Tool Chest many a boy owes the development of his mechanical ability and the start of a successful career in the field for which nature intended him.

Our English Tool Chests contain more and better Tools than ordinary ones at the same prices, and in each is placed an illustrated book on instructions.

Prices range from \$1.00 to \$13.50

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Macaulay Bros. & Co., King Street, St. John, N. B.

Saturdays our stores will be open until 10 p.m.; open at 9 a.m.; close 9 p.m., excepting Saturday 10 p.m.

December Silk Sale

During the past two years we have made a grand sale of Silk for Christmas, in double width at 98c a yard. This year, owing to conditions, silks are costing more, but we shall sell the same standard high-grade silk in pure pallettes at the same price, 98c. for 39 inches wide.

The make, durability and beauty of these silks are so well known to hundreds of buyers that this announcement that our stock is now full and complete in every color and shade, including the popular colors of the season. Five shades of navy, Copenhagen, African, brown, light to mid. browns, red, pink, light blue; four shades of green, purple, brown, wisteria, white, cream and black.

REMEMBER—Being wide, 2 yards make a waist, costing only \$1.96; 5 to 6 yards a full dress coat, \$4.50 and \$5.88.

We put up Waist or Dress length in Fancy Christmas Boxes, free of charge for boxing.

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His Christmas Favor

A Man's Christmas Gift is not easy to select. You are sure to please him with a Safety Razor.

GILLET SAFETY RAZORS \$5.00 to \$9.00

AUTO-STROP SAFETY RAZOR \$5.00

ROMILETE SAFETY RAZOR \$2.50

DUCADE SAFETY RAZOR \$1.00

EVER-READY SAFETY RAZOR \$1.00

Extra Blades 75c. to \$1.00 Razor Strops and Brushes.

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FASHIONABLE COATS IN PERSIAN LAMB, HUDSON SEAL, ELECTRIC SEAL.

NECK PIECES IN MINK, BLACK MARTEN, PERSIAN LAMB, ERMINNE, BLACK FOX, WHITE FOX, POINTED FOX, NATURAL WOLF, BLACK WOLF, ELECTRIC SEAL, HUDSON SEAL, BEAVER.

MUFFS IN LATEST SHAPES TO MATCH ALL OF THESE FURS.

FUR DEPARTMENT—SECOND FLOOR.

Christmas Blouses in White Voiles

WHITE VOILE BLOUSES, exactly suitable for Christmas gifts. These are handsome blouses in all the latest effects in shadow, embroidered, tucked and hemstitched voiles and many are elaborately trimmed with lace. Sizes 34 to 44.

Each . . . \$1.50, 1.90, 2.10, 2.25, 2.65, 3.00, 3.50, 3.75, 4.25

BLOUSE SECTION—SECOND FLOOR.

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Shop if Possible During the Morning Hours

Dainty Christmas Neckwear

COLLARS in Georgette Crepe, plain, embroidered and beaded; all white and various colors. Each \$1.00 to \$1.45.

COLLARS in Beaded SILK, pink, maize, white. Each \$1.00

LILY COLLARS, new style, in Orange, embroidered black and colors. Each 75c.

CHIN CHIN COLLARS, White SILK Each \$1.00

CHIN CHIN COLLARS in Black Velvet and Silk 75c.

CHIN CHIN COLLARS in White Pique Each 50c.

VESTICES in Georgette Crepe and Silk, military style, white only. Each \$1.80

VESTICES in chiffon, smocked, white, in military effect. \$1.00

VESTICES in Lace, military style, dainty rosebud trimming. \$1.50

COLLAR AND CUFF SETS, Georgette Crepe, white, lace trimmed. Each \$1.00 and \$1.65

COLLAR AND CUFF SETS, Crepe de Chine, white. Each 75c.

COLLAR AND CUFF SETS, Organdie, lace trimmed. Each 35c.

COLLAR AND CUFF SETS, Voile, edged with Black Organdie and Voile. Each 35c.

COLLAR AND CUFF SETS, Voile, edged with Black Organdie and Voile. Each 35c., 70c., 85c., \$1.00

SMALL NECK FURS, in White Each \$1.50, \$2.00, \$3.00, \$4.00

JACK FROST TIES. Each 25c. and 35c.

WINDSOR TIES, plain and fancy, in all colors. Each 35c., 65c., 75c.

NECKWEAR DEPARTMENT—ANNEX.

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