

THE WEATHER.

Forecasts. Maritime—Fresh southerly to westerly winds, occasional showers. Washington, July 21—Northern New England—Partly cloudy Saturday, Sunday moderate west winds. Toronto, July 21—The important disturbance which was situated this morning near Block Island, is now dispersing over the Maritime Provinces, accompanied by strong winds and rain. Elsewhere in Canada the weather has been fine with the exception of a few scattered thunderstorms in Ontario and Quebec. The excessive heat continues in Ontario.

Temperatures:

Table with 2 columns: Location, Min. Max. Dawson 32 64, Victoria 52 60, Vancouver 48 74, Kamloops 48 74, Calgary 50 76, Moose Jaw 51 79, Winnipeg 52 84, Fort Arthur 58 82, Parry Sound 70 88, London 66 84, Toronto 70 91, Ottawa 68 82, Montreal 72 88, Quebec 70 84, Halifax 66 82.

Around the City

Retail Market.

The local market was well stocked with provisions yesterday. There was a small quantity of new potatoes on sale, also peas, small beets and turnips. Meats remain at the prices asked last week, except that beef is from two to three cents higher. Eggs are quoted at rather higher prices than is usual at this time of the year, 32c. to 38c. per dozen for fresh, being asked. Tub butter brought from 36c. to 30c. per pound, roll 30c. to 34c. There was no scarcity in any department during the week has not been more than is usual in July.

The Brookville Court.

The man arrested by County Police Saunders on Thursday night who gave his name as Fred McCormack, proved to be Fred Cormier. In the Brookville court last night before Magistrate Adams, Cormier was charged with lying and larceny. He admitted lurking about Renforth, being in a barn on the Marsh Road. He could not give a very satisfactory account of himself, and has apparently no visible means of support. He was remanded to the county jail until Monday pending further inquiries.

Water Connection Finished.

The connection between the water main in Prince William street and the new ten inch main which will run down South Wharf to Ward street was made yesterday. The work was commenced at one o'clock and finished about nine o'clock last night. Commissioner Wilmore was on the job and stayed there till the connection was made, the stopcock in place and the water turned on again in Prince William street. When this and the ten inch main through Jardine's Alley are completed it will increase the pressure materially on Water street and the South Wharf and in case of fire the department will have a much better force.

Another Hero Returns.

Pte. Groves who left here with Lieut.-Col. McAvity, was welcomed back to St. John yesterday. After being in the trenches for several months he had the misfortune to be wounded in the leg and the wound was considered so serious at one time that his wife was sent for and went to England to see him. However, he pulled through and has so far recovered as to be able to come home. His wife was not permitted to sail on the transport with him and is still in England. He was met at the depot by Charles Robinson, secretary of the Returned Soldiers' Committee, and others who gave him a warm welcome. He will be at the Parks Convalescent Home for the present.

A Changeable Day.

The weather during the past forty-eight hours has proved very changeable. Thursday was beautiful and warm, in the evening the fog set in, thick over the city, so dense that an excursion party which went up the river was obliged to remain there overnight, not arriving in the city until six o'clock yesterday morning. The fog lifted during yesterday morning and there was considerable rain. Shortly after noon the blue sky appeared, there was little or no wind, and the afternoon for a few hours proved exceptionally warm. Shortly after five o'clock the wind suddenly shifted, and after a few warm showers it settled down to a steady heavy rain which continued all through the night. This storm increased towards midnight and was accompanied by a heavy wind, making it most disagreeable.

Victoria "Wet Wash" Laundry is the best—they cleanse the clothes thoroughly. 2 to 10 Pitt street, Phone 290.

Free vaccination, Board of Health rooms, 50 Princess street each Monday and Tuesday morning from 9.30 to 11.30. Arms should be well washed.

THE PATRIOTIC FUND COFFERS ALMOST EMPTY

More Money Needed If Grants Are to Be Continued.

ST. JOHN HAS NOT DONE ITS SHARE

Out of 75,000 People in this District Only 500 are now Contributing—The Observance of August 4th.

A meeting of the local branch of the Patriotic Society was held yesterday afternoon. Present: Dr. A. P. Barnhill, chairman; Mayor Hayes, G. S. Mayes, Senator W. H. Thorne, W. H. Frink, Commissioner Fisher, Col. E. T. Sturdee, E. A. Schofield, C. B. Allan, R. E. Armstrong.

Senator Thorne said the object of the meeting was to consider, principally, the resolution adopted at the meeting of the Provincial Executive of the Fund, held on Wednesday with respect to the observance of August 4, when the second anniversary of the outbreak of war will be observed, and a day when it is hoped to increase patronage of the Patriotic Fund, or at all events to wipe out any deficiency.

Mr. Mayes asked Mr. Allan as to the actual deficiency as between the St. John office and the Ottawa office. He said the deficiency at the end of June was \$21,288. Mr. Allan said that with regard to the present deficiency there were two causes: First, the larger call on the fund than had been anticipated, and secondly, that there seemed to be a growing opinion that the objects in view should be controlled by a system of taxation. Mr. Allan pointed out that out of a population of 75,000 in the district covered by the St. John branch of the Fund only some 500 people now contributed. He estimated that by the end of the year the St. John branch would be short of contributions to the extent of between \$25,000 and \$35,000. He said the contribution of \$25,000 by the local government was small as compared with the allotments of some of the other provinces.

Senator Thorne thought that Mr. Allan's estimate of shortage was rather low, and that the shortage would be greater. He thought the provincial government might be asked to make up any deficiency. St. John branch, he thought, ought to raise at least \$50,000 amongst the wealthier classes to meet present requirements, and that if a committee of citizens were appointed to appeal to people by means, and explain existing conditions in the direction of finance these people would respond.

After suggestions had been made by W. H. Frink favoring a temporary system of taxation to meet existing difficulties Mr. Schofield proposed that the Mayor be asked to issue a proclamation to shopkeepers and business people generally to close their business places on August 4 from 3 to 4 p. m., so as to encourage a programme of exercises on patriotic lines, religious or otherwise, on King square. Mayor Hayes said he would be glad to cooperate in any such effort. Senator Thorne said he thought all would cooperate in making up the deficiency in the share of the St. John branch. Mr. Schofield's resolution was seconded by Commissioner Fisher and carried.

Mr. Schofield outlined the proposal of the Rotary Club to obtain funds by means of excursions. These excursions, it is proposed, shall be held on each of the four Saturdays of August. On motion of Senator Thorne, seconded by Mr. Allan, it was agreed that the proposals of the club be approved. Senator Thorne moved that a committee of citizens be appointed with power to collect subscriptions and adopt the best means possible to obtain funds to meet the requirements of the Patriotic Fund up to the provincial committee to be made for defendant families of soldiers up till December 31. Carried. Mayor Hayes and Dr. Barnhill were appointed a committee to nominate a committee for this purpose. Adjourned.

New Outing Skirts.

Those much wanted wide striped Palm Beach novelty Outing Skirts can now be had at F. A. Drykeman & Co.'s. These skirts are made up in the new wide striped material, in the following colors: Grey, pink, blue, brown and rose. These wide stripes make a very pleasing skirt, and the price, \$2.19, is very little more than the cost of the material.

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Only Two Arrests.

The police made but two arrests yesterday and both prisoners are charged with being drunk.

Suburban train No. 232, due to leave St. John at 12.45 daylight time, will be held on July 29th until 1.15.

LETTERS FROM FOUR MEN ON HONOR ROLL

Interesting Epistles Recently received from the Front—Mail Held Up for Three Weeks.

A number of interesting letters have recently been received from the front. W. H. Dunham, Main street, received a letter from Pte. Joseph Howes, a former member of No. 2 Hose Company, who enlisted and left here with the second contingent. The letter said he was in good health, in fact, never felt better in his life, and they were doing things to the Germans for fair. He wished to be remembered to all his friends in St. John and hoped to see them again before long. He also received a letter from George Winfield, who left here with No. 4 Siege Battery. The battery was hard at work at Spornelle and were hoping soon to be sent across the channel to take a hand in ending this awful war.

CHAPLAIN WRITES OF WARRING HEROES

Freeman McManus Died with Face to Foe, writes Chaplain Falls to Soldier's Mother.

"These days are dark days for many individual hearts," writes a chaplain now on the firing line, "but in the night of death hope sees a star and listening love can hear the rustle of a wing. Out of the darkness are beams of light."

Of Pte. Freeman James McManus, a young New Brunswick boy who fell in battle, he says: "He was killed in action with his face to the foe, and it is doubtful if any higher tribute could be paid to any British soldier of his Majesty the King."

Many of our boys have died. Of all it may be said they died with their faces to the foe.

The following letter was received by Mr. and Mrs. Alex. McManus of Lake side, from Chaplain Geo. O. Falls, now in France:

My Dear Friends—You will have heard before this reaches you of the death of your dear son in the big battle that has just closed. A good many of our gallant heroes fell, and yours was amongst them. He was killed in action and died with his face to the foe. These are dark days for many individual hearts but in the night of death hope sees a star and listening love can hear the rustle of a wing. Out of the darkness are beams of light. First of all he died in a great cause. The cause of righteousness, truth and final triumph was his side, and for that cause he gave up his life. And again, he did not die as a coward letting the issue go by default, but he died a hero fighting fearful odds of shot and shell. He laid down his life for his friends. Jesus said: "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." Your loved one has actually done this very thing. He laid down his life for others. I believe he has fulfilled the "law of love" and am sure that our Father will crown his valor and self-sacrifice in the Immaculate Land. Jesus said: "In my Father's house are many mansions." I am sure he has one. He was buried lovingly by the kind hands of his comrades and his spirit has gone to the home land. He died not alone, but with hundreds of his fellows, in one of the biggest fights the Canadians have ever been in before. May our Father bless and comfort you and give you strength to sustain you in this sad hour.

Sympathetically yours, GEO. O. FALLS, Chaplain of C. M. R.

PERSONAL.

Miss S. J. Durland, Haverhill, Mass., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. A. J. Salows, Hampton.

George B. Jones, Apsahqui, was registered at the Victoria yesterday.

Mrs. C. B. Dever. Early yesterday morning Margaret, wife of Cornelius B. Dever, passed away at her home 65 High street. Mrs. Dever was a lifelong resident of the North End and one of a well-known family, being a daughter of the late William and Mary Carson. Deceased had suffered from heart failure for some years, and for the past six months no hope was held for her recovery. The sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. Dever and family—J. Harry Dever, of this city; Mrs. Thos. Kyhn; Genevieve, of St. Peter's teaching staff, and Alice, at home.

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SALE OF BOYS' PLAY SUITS. CONTINUED THIS MORNING. Just what the boys want to finish out the vacation. Four kinds to pick from and as good as can be, only that they must be sold now to make needed room. Indian Suits, Fireman Suits, Baseball Suits, Cowboy Suits. Apply for them immediately as they are to be disposed of at the remarkably low price of EACH 75c. BOYS' CLOTHING DEPARTMENT. See German Street Window Display.

Specials This Morning in Neckwear Department. Colored Embroidered Collars Each 25c. Colored Collars and Cuffs Set 50c. Colored Striped Ties, Each 50c. Wide Pleatings. Per yd. 10c. Specials This Morning in Needlework Department. Chintz Luncheon Sets, button hole edge, pink and blue. Set \$1.80. Chintz Table Covers 60c. to \$1.20. Chintz Cushion Covers 40c. and 55c. Chintz Table Runners 45c. to \$1.50. Chintz Laundry Bags 75c., 80c., \$1.50.

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MARRIED. MCGOWAN-McMANUS—At the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Portland, Me., U. S. A., on July 19th, 1916, by the Rev. Father Keenan, John McGowan of St. John to Miss Margaret McManus, youngest daughter of the late Joseph and Alice McManus. MCCREARY-GREGG—On the 18th instant, at Mountain Dale, N. B., at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. George L. Gregg, by the Rev. Merritt L. Gregg, M. A., minister of the North Baptist church, Halifax, N. S., James Herbert McCreary of Belleisle, N. B., and Charlotte Myrtle Gregg of Mountain Dale, N. B. DIED. DEVER—In this city, on the 21st inst., Margaret (Carson), beloved wife of Cornelius B. Dever, leaving her husband, one son and three daughters to mourn. (Halifax, Boston and New York papers please copy). Funeral from her late residence, 65 High street, on Sunday afternoon, at 3.30 o'clock. WOODWORTH—Entered into rest, on the 21st inst., at his residence, 10 Union street, West St. John, Edward Cunnabell Woodworth, aged 78 years, leaving his son, daughter, and one grandson. Funeral on Sunday, 23rd, from his late residence. Service at 2 o'clock. Friends invited. No flowers.