

THE WEATHER.

MARITIME:—Moderate winds, fine and cold. Toronto, Ont., Jan. 22.—The weather today has been generally fine throughout the Dominion, and cold everywhere except in Alberta, where it has been comparatively mild.

AROUND THE CITY

Assaulting Officer Charged. Saturday morning James Fritchard, one of the crew on the Battle Liner Leutra, was given in charge of the police by James Munsell, the chief engineer, on the charge of assaulting him on No. 1 wharf.

John Boyle O'Reilly. There was a large attendance in the C. M. A. rooms on Union street last night when John A. Barry gave an interesting lecture on the life of John Boyle O'Reilly. The lecturer handled the subject in an excellent manner.

Y. M. C. A. Meeting. Rev. J. E. Purdie was the speaker in the Y.M.C.A. meeting last night at the Y.M.C.A. men's meeting. Mr. Purdie spoke on "The Remedy for Man's Greatest Need." Holder and Wallace's orchestra furnished music.

Hesperian Here Today. The big Allan liner Hesperian, Captain Main, left Halifax at 6.10 o'clock last night and will dock at Sand Point this afternoon. The Hesperian will bring to this port 15 saloon passengers, 115 second cabin and 40 steerage, and with a full cargo.

Borden Club Meeting. The R. L. Borden Club public meeting, which will be held on Thursday next, in the Nickel Assembly rooms, at eight p. m., promises to be well attended. Premier Hazen and Provincial Secretary Fleming will speak. Ladies are cordially invited.

Temperance Meeting. Yesterday afternoon Rev. J. E. Purdie spoke at a special temperance meeting in Alexandra Temple of Honor Hall, Main street. The address was listened to by a large crowd. The girls' quartette of Brussels street church sang most acceptably.

Sign Responsible. About 3.30 o'clock Saturday afternoon a large sign was blown from the front of the O'Regan building on Mill street and broke a window in the Union Hotel Tea building across the street. It also frightened T. Rankin & Sons team of horses and they ran away. The wagon was badly damaged before the team was captured.

R. B. Addison Gave Address. R. B. Addison was the speaker at the meeting held under the auspices of Granite Rock Division, S. of T. last evening. He gave an enthusiastic and practical talk on temperance and the best means of promoting the cause. Rev. W. R. Robinson occupied the chair, and there was a good attendance. Miss Mullin presided at the piano. A vote of thanks was tendered the lecturer.

From Moncton to Woodstock. A young man arrived in the police station about 8 o'clock last evening and asked for a night's lodging. He was footsore and of very unkempt appearance. He stated that he had walked into the city from Moncton and intended leaving in the morning for Woodstock, where he expected to procure work. The traveller was given lodging in one of the cells for the night.

WORLDLY AND LUKEWARM CHURCH, DECLARES PASTOR

Rev. Dr. Hutchinson in Striking Sermon Points Out Defects in Church of Today and Makes Suggestions—Members Should Watch Crooked Work at Political Primaries.

"Watch the primaries. It is there that the crooked work is done." This was the statement made by Rev. David Hutchinson, D.D., in the course of a striking sermon delivered in the Main Street Baptist church last evening on "The Church as it is, and as it should be."



REV. D. HUTCHINSON, D. D.

Pastor of Main Street Baptist Church.

The church or those belonging to one particular branch of the church. Rev. Dr. Hutchinson also spoke of the need of church people adopting a stronger attitude in regard to card playing and theatre going, and went on to say that clergymen who attended the Terry performances were regarded as Christians shilly out of place.

The Worldly Church. His first point was that the church today was too much given to worldliness. In the early days union with the church of Christ prohibited his disciples from attending social functions, and it should be the same today. In the society news dished up in the daily papers there appeared the names of church members who seemed strangely out of place amid the gaieties of the world.

A man had said to the speaker joyfully the other day, "Have you been to see Terry?" in explanation of this question the man added, "Well, I saw a number of clergymen at the performance the other evening." It was thus seen how quickly the world recognizes Christian out of place. The church, continued Dr. Hutchinson, was lukewarm. Perhaps it had not got down to the freezing point, but it was not far from it, and was therefore practically useless. It was engaged in nearly every sort of enterprise except its right mission. It was divided into innumerable societies and clubs and this was a mistake in some ways, because the real mission to seek and save the lost of the church was neglected.

The lukewarm church did not deny the Cross. But it had made the Cross a sort of ornament. The silver cross or the golden cross were worn upon the breast as an ornament, but the power of the wooden Cross with the iron nails and the agonizing death are not felt in the heart. In an ornamental cross there was no death and no sacrifice. Church members of this character could not sing without telling a lie.

"In the cross of Christ I glory, Towering o'er the wrecks of time." In speaking of the church as it should be, Rev. Dr. Hutchinson said that holiness was an essential feature. "Not that canting snivelling sort of holiness which preaches perfection," said the speaker, "for if a man tells me he has not sinned for ten years, I begin to feel for his pocketbook."

A church could never be holy while its members live lives as made members of an empty observance. Its weakness or strength was bound up with the lives of its individual members. The church should take an active interest in all questions affecting the wellbeing of the city and country. Church members should attend the primaries. They may not like to attend these meetings where the tobacco smoke was usually thick and the language sometimes strong, but it was their duty as Christians to attend and see that those outside the church or those of one particular branch of the church do not have all to do with the selection of candidates.

Continuing the speaker urged his hearers to take an active interest in civic politics, and secure the election of the best men. He said that if the church people did their duty there would not be such a scandal as made place in the council chambers recently when certain of the aldermen were casting reflections upon one another. He thought it was a shame that wherever the newspapers went people would read the account of these occurrences and think the city fathers were not setting as worthy an example to the people as they ought.

ANTI-COMMISSIONITES MAY HOLD MEETING Aldermen Quiescent Until Proposal Takes Definite Shape—Then—Something Doing—Women's Suffrage a Help

Not all the city fathers who voted for a plebiscite, on the commission question, are ready to go back and sit down without a kick, and it is said a caucus of those opposed to changing the form of government, will be held before long, for the purpose of considering ways and means of prolonging their aldermanic lives.

The opposition is saying nothing at present," remarked a city father, yesterday, "but when this board of trade scheme gets into shape so we can tell what it is, we will have something to say. It is no use worrying about it yet a while. The board of trade apparently does not know what it wants. When any one raises a point that ought to interest the promoters of the idea, they say, 'Oh, that's a mere detail.' No doubt, this commission won't have to bother with details like the aldermen have to do. All it will want to do, is to listen to advice from the advertising committee and help it to give away the city's hands to every Tom, Dick and Harry that comes along."

"Maybe a change would be a good thing. But we ought to be about it. If the business men in the council have failed, as the board of trade evidently thinks we have, why not give the women and the working men a chance to see what they can do. This commission scheme is said to be a democratic one. But I think we can go it one better. "I'm thinking of starting a movement to give all the women votes in the city elections and allow them to elect their sisters to office. Maybe the city mothers will do better than the city fathers. If running the city as a business enterprise, managed by business men, don't satisfy our friends, we should give the women a change to run the city as if it were an affair of housekeeping which the boosters club to the contrary, notwithstanding, some of the philosophers say it is."

SOCIALISTS HAD 50 P. C. OF MEETING

Speaker Declares That His Party Could Have Smothered Commission Last Wednesday Night.

At the meeting of the Socialists last evening, Chairman Taylor stated that 50 per cent. of the people who attended the citizens' meeting in Keith's assembly rooms the other evening were members of the Socialist party, and that the Socialists being organized could have captured the meeting had they been so minded.

"We let things take their course," he added, "because there appeared to be little enthusiasm behind the movement for a commission, and other people present had such different views, that had we attempted to capture the meeting the movement might have ended in a fizzle. We don't believe the commission form of government will be a panacea for our civil shortcomings, but it may be a means of securing the abolition of the property qualification and electing labor or Socialist representatives to the civic administration."

P. Hyatt spoke on the causes of unemployment. He said that western Canada was not a paradise for the workmen any more than St. John, where some ship laborers were averaging \$2 and \$4 a week this winter—despite the promises of the politicians. He read an article in the Calgary News, stating that there were hundreds of unemployed in that boom town and that ministers and charity workers were urging the authorities to open a municipal lodging house and establish a municipal stove pile.

He said production for private profit instead of production for use, was the cause of the trouble. Extremes of wealth and poverty were peculiar to capitalistic countries.

Special Sale. Don't forget to attend the big sale going on now of dry goods, boots and shoes and slippers, girls' rubbers, 25c, women's rubbers, 48c, children's rubbers, 38c, at N. J. Lahood's, 282 Bross street, near the corner of Hanover street.

Sacrifice Sale. Only one of St. John dry goods firms was fortunate in securing a large portion of the W. R. Brock and Co.'s stock, Montreal, which was recently damaged by water in their warehouse. The St. John firm's buyer was early on the scene and had his pick of the damaged stock and it will be on sale on the counters of P. A. Dykeman and Co.'s store on Wednesday morning.

Pictorial Vaudeville. Wonderful Chronophone at Nickel this week. Starts this afternoon.

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The Flannelette and Velour Sale Continued Today. Special Sale in Linen Room. Bleached Table Damasks With Slight Defects in the Weave. This purchase was made at a substantial reduction, and the goods will be placed on sale in connection with our free hemming. Commencing This Morning. These Table Damasks are full bleached, 70, 72 inches wide, and the defects are scarcely discernible. The following sale prices make them genuine bargains: 43c, 55c, 58c and 78c Per Yard.

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