

## THE WEATHER

Toronto, Sept. 9.—Showers and thunderstorms have occurred today, in upper Ontario and there have also been a few scattered showers in the Maritime Provinces, but elsewhere in Canada the weather is fair and warm in most districts.

Minimum and maximum temperatures—Vancouver, 48, 54; Kamloops, 48, 70; Edmonton, 38, 70; Battleford, 50, 70; Prince Albert, 46, 62; Calgary, 40, 65; Moosejaw, 47, 63; Winnipeg, 44, 58; Winnipeg, 46, 74; Parry Sound, 54, 78; Toronto, 62, 78; London, 60, 80; Kingston, 56, 78; Ottawa, 54, 70; Montreal, 58, 68; Quebec, 52, 62; St. John, 54, 64; Halifax, 54, 64.

Lower Lawrence, Gulf and Maritime—Moderate variable winds, fine; much the same temperature.

## AROUND THE CITY

**Barbados Merchant Here.**

A. C. Gittins, representing a large sugar and molasses commission house in Barbados, arrived in the city yesterday and is at the Royal. Speaking of conditions in Barbados he said that there is considerable anxiety by sugar growers owing to a drought which has prevailed for some months on the island, and unless rain comes there is danger of a large portion of the crop being destroyed. During the past year the total rainfall has been only about thirteen inches, an exceptionally small fall.

**A Peculiar Accident.**

The Boston train which is due here at eleven-thirty p. m. did not reach the city until ten minutes past twelve. The delay was caused by the lateness of the train on the Edmundston branch. As the Boston train neared the city a rather peculiar accident occurred when the air tube that connects the air brakes with the engine punctured with the result that the brakes immediately closed on the wheels bringing the train to a sudden standstill. Repairs were soon effected and the train pulled into the station.

**Natural History Society.**

At a meeting of the council of the Natural History Society held last evening, preliminary arrangements for the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the society. The anniversary will be celebrated on November 12th next, and it is the intention of the society to commemorate the founding of the society with interesting ceremonies. Arrangements are under way for the opening next month of the winter series of lectures. On Thursday next Dr. Hewitt, of Ottawa, will lecture before the society on "The Housefly in its Relation to Disease."

**Is Diggs a Benedict?**

Shortly after 3 o'clock last evening an alarm was sent in from box 221 from Dykeman's corner, in the West End. When the fire department arrived they found that some person had sent in the alarm on account of a bonfire which the youngsters had built on the street. The firemen were informed that the celebration was in honor of a wedding and that the bridegroom was no other than Charles (Annie) Diggs, the well known colored commercial traveler, who walks about the city selling booties and matches. It could not be learned last night if it was a fact that Diggs had taken unto himself a wife, but as Charles has appeared about the streets during the last few weeks attired in a new stylish cut pair of trousers, and has been presenting a rather dapper appearance, it may be possible that he has won the heart and hand of some dusky maiden who has become Mrs. Diggs.

## PERSONAL.

Miss Jean Morton, of Moncton, is visiting friends in the city.

Mr. R. A. Estey, of Fredericton, spent a few days in town, the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Currie, Queen street.

Mr. Theodore McKeeney, of Woodstock, spent a few days in town visiting Mr. Currie.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Clarke are the guests of Mrs. G. W. Currie, Queen street.

Mrs. R. D. Currie, who has been visiting her son, George W. Currie, Queen street, left Saturday for Wolfville to visit her sister, Mrs. Colin Macdonald.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. H. Phillips, of Fredericton, spent a few days in the city and were the guests of Mr. G. W. Currie.

Mrs. Horace G. Black (nee Smith), will receive her friends Tuesday and Wednesday, September 10 and 11, at her residence No. 4 Westworth street.

Mrs. Corbet and Miss Corbet, of Wright street, have returned from visiting friends in western Ontario.

Bliss Beaumont, of Moncton, is visiting friends in St. John.

Miss Gertrude McManus, of Woodstock, is on a visit to friends in St. John.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Hewson, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Bell and Miss Bell, of Amherst, who are making an automobile trip through different parts of the province, arrived in the city yesterday.

The Misses Hinton, of Sackville, returned to their home on the C. P. R. at noon yesterday after spending a week in the city.

A. W. Johnston and Mrs. Johnston, of Main street, will leave today on a trip to Boston, New York and Fall River.

## AN IMPORTANT CONFERENCE TO BE HELD THIS EVENING.

A meeting of special interest to Christian workers is announced for this evening in the Portland street Methodist church.

It will be a gathering for personal conference and special prayer in the interests of greater efficiency in Christian work.

The meeting will be in charge of Rev. J. W. Allen, who is already widely known in St. John.

Mr. Atkins will arrive in the city this morning and conduct both the morning and afternoon conferences with the minister and officials of the St. John district in the Portland street church.

All Christian workers are invited to the evening conference at eight o'clock. It is hoped many will recognize the value of the opportunity.

## TRIED TO KILL HIMSELF IN A POLICE CELL

James Lavine Kept Central Station Officers Busy Last Night.

## WAS DETERMINED TO END HIS LIFE

Made Two Attempts to Hang Himself and Would Have Succeeded but for Timely Police Interference.

What is greatly needed at the central police station is a padded cell. It could have been used on many occasions and was sorely needed last night when a man, whose name is given as James Lavine, of Clarence street, was arrested and exhausted much ingenuity in attempting to kill himself.

It was about nine o'clock, when the traffic on Mill street was heavy that Lavine started his dangerous actions. He assaulted several people and finally struck James McCormack on the side with a brick causing a painful injury. There was a hurry up call to the central police station for an officer and Policeman Henry hastened to the scene. On arrival he found a large crowd of people dodging out of Lavine's way. Lavine appeared to have charge of the street and people were afraid to go near him for fear of being injured.

Policeman Henry found Lavine staggering about and he had but little difficulty in placing the man under arrest. He placed him in the lockup near the C. P. R. depot and a few minutes after he had locked the door the officer says he heard a noise like a gurgle and on opening the cell door he found that Lavine had tied his necktie around one of the bars and was making a fairly good attempt at hanging himself. It took but an instant for the officer to cut the tie and save the man's life.

Policeman Witterien arrived at the cell about this time and it was thought advisable to leave the handcuffs on the man so he could not injure himself.

**A Second Attempt.**

He was again left in the cell and Policeman Witterien left the lockup for a few minutes and then went back again to see how the prisoner was acting. When he looked into the cell he was horrified to see Lavine once more in the act of hanging himself. He had torn off his shirt and had managed to fasten a strip of the shirt about his throat and the end around the bars of the cell door and it was only the quick work of Policeman Witterien that saved the man the second time from strangling himself.

The prisoner's shirt was torn from his body by himself and in order that he could not be watched by the patrol wagon and conveyed the inmate man to the central police station. The officer had his hands full on the way to the station, for the inmate man said that no matter what they would do with him he was bound to kill himself. He fought with the officer, scratched his hands and once while attempting to bite the officer's hands he managed to get the policeman's coat sleeve between his teeth and before he could be taken to the lockup he had bit through the coat sleeve and bit one of the brass buttons off and after chewing on the button for a few moments he spat it out.

## Had Been in Asylum.

When he arrived at the central station, the prisoner stated that he had on previous occasions been in the insane asylum and kept on saying that he wanted to kill himself. By this time he had torn his outside and inside shirt into ribbons from his body so that he was left naked with the exception of his trousers and boots.

Lavine is a man with but one eye and as he was placed in the cell he imagined that there was some enemy in the cell and he would chase the enemy. He was placed in the cell and he was told to get up and go away. It was then feared he might try in some manner to injure himself so he was handcuffed to the bars of the cell door, but he had only been in this position for a few minutes when he started in biting his arms. He was then taken out of the cell and his hands handcuffed behind his back.

It was found necessary for an officer to keep a sharp watch on the man all night as it was feared that perhaps he would attempt to shut his head against the cell door or injure himself in some other manner.

In nearly every city of any size the police station is supplied with a padded cell for just such cases as that of last night and the cell would have been the proper thing last night and has been found very necessary on many other occasions.

## Another Mystery.

Dr. D. E. Berryman was summoned to examine the man and the leather mitts that are used for violent insane prisoners were placed on the prisoner. These mitts hold the man's hands stationary in front of the body and it is supposed that they cannot be removed unless unbuckled from the wrists. The man was placed in the cell and he was quieted down and fell asleep.

About 15 minutes later Policeman Henry returned to the cell and he found the prisoner was resting easily and the officer was given a great surprise, for there stood Lavine in the cell with the cell with his hands free and waving the leather mitts and straps about. How he managed to get the appliances off and free himself is a mystery to the officers.

The safety mitts were again put on the man's hands, and at two o'clock this morning, he was asleep and was reported to have not pulled off any more straps.

Beil boys wanted at Royal Hotel.

## SISTER PAUL HAS RESIGNED AS A TEACHER

School Board Receives Resignation with Keen Regret.

## ROUTINE BUSINESS AT MONTHLY MEETING

School Teachers Ask Remuneration for Extra Work on Examination Papers and Board Decides to Grant it.

At a meeting of the Board of School Trustees last evening on motion of Trustee Russell, seconded by Trustee Coll, the committee in charge of the matter were empowered to call for teachers for the installation of new heating boilers in the Centennial school, and award a contract for the same. The new system will be of the Viking variety double boiler, and with appliances will cost about \$2,000.

The resignation of Sister Paul from the teaching staff of St. Vincent school was accepted with regret, and several matters of a routine character were dealt with.

Chairman R. B. Emerson presided at the meeting, and members of the board present were Trustees Coll, Russell, Day, Noy, Agar, Mrs. Skinner, Mrs. Dever, Superintendent Bridges and Secretary Leavitt.

Following the adoption of the minutes of the preceding meeting the application of Miss Genevieve Marry for a position on the teaching staff was read and referred to the teaching committee.

## Sister Paul Resigns.

A letter was received from Sister Paul last evening at Montreal, Mr. Tilley, who returned with the members of the provincial delegation who did not return to the city.

An application from Joseph Harrington for increase in salary was referred to the teachers' committee. From the secretary of the St. John Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis was received asking for information as to the action taken by the board relative to medical inspection in the public schools. The matter was referred to the committee which is already appointed to deal with the matter.

A petition was received by the board from the teachers who examined the high school entrance papers asking that the board supplement the grant made by the government for this work by a further remuneration. The petitioners claim that in as much as the work is extra, requiring considerable time and a sacrifice of the vacation, and is also irksome, more compensation should be granted.

The members of the board expressed themselves as in accord with granting the request and referred the petition to the teachers' committee to be dealt with when the next estimates are laid in.

In both the towns of Fredericton and Moncton the school boards have already supplemented the government grant by a remuneration.

## Strathcona Shields Here.

A number of the Strathcona shields which are to be presented to the members of the board, and the ceremonies in connection with the presentation, probably be held during the present month. Apart from their historical interest, the shields are attractive and a committee comprising Dr. Bridges, Mrs. Dever, Mrs. Skinner, Trustee Russell and Coll was appointed to look after the arrangements for the public ceremonies in connection with the presentation.

The matter of procuring a site for the new Douglas avenue school was discussed at length, but no action taken.

## Fall Costs.

The fine display of fall coats at F. A. Dykeman & Co.'s is being commented upon most favorably by their many customers who have seen them. Every day they are making ready sales of their coats because people can see that a purchase of one of their coats they get durability, comfort, good style and good fit at a most reasonable price. They have a very attractive coat priced eleven dollars and fifty cents. It is a navy blue trimmed with black and white which is most pleasing and attractive.

## INVENTORIES OF HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS.

Household inventories are of prime importance to the householder who should know at all times the value of his household belongings for purposes of insurance—three-fourths of their cash value being the usual amount of insurance conservative owners carry on their homes and contents.

This inventory, together with all valuable papers should never be kept where they are liable to be destroyed in case of fire in the home but in a bank safety vault, where one is available, is a caution observed by prudent policyholders.

In case the inventoried and insured property is destroyed by fire, all trouble in adjusting the loss, when the adjuster comes, demanding a sworn itemized statement of all articles on which loss claim is based is removed. The inventory is the available substitute for a defective memory, verifies the claim, eliminates disputes, prevents delays and suits at law.

I have a number of these inventories which I shall be pleased to place in any one's hands. They carry their own instructions how to use them and will be found very serviceable.

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**Cheap Fares to Halifax Exhibition.**

The C. P. R. will issue return tickets to Halifax for the exhibition good going from Sept. 10th to 15th inclusive, return Sept. 20th. A first class one way fare and on Sept. 12th and 14th return Sept. 20th, \$5.25.

## RECEIPTS TO HON. D. L. BORDEN BIG SUCCESS

Members of the St. John Delegation Return from Montreal.

## L. P. D. TILLEY TELLS OF THE RECEPTION

Scene of Wonderful Enthusiasm when Canada's Premier Reached Montreal—Gorgeous Decorations.

Some of the members of the St. John delegation who took part in the national demonstration given to Premier Borden at Montreal, on his return to Canada, returned to the city yesterday. Others, including Senator Daniel, H. Thorne and J. R. Stone, went on to Ottawa to attend the banquet given in honor of Premier Borden last evening.

St. John and the province were well represented at the Montreal reception to the premier. The city delegation consisted of Senator Daniel, Hon. J. D. Hazen, W. H. Thorne, Hon. John E. Wilkins, Hon. J. R. Stone, L. P. D. Tilley, M. P. P., Philip Granman, M. P. P., Daniel Mullin, K. C., J. D. Stone, J. Starr, J. J. McDonald, Jr., Amos, Hon. New Brunswickers who were present were Hon. John Morrissey and Mr. McCurdy, Newcastle; F. J. Houlden, M. P. of Kent; Geo. J. Clarke, M. P. of Charlotte county; O. C. Crockett, M. P. of York county; A. R. Slipp, M. P. of York county; and J. K. Findar, M. P. of York county.

Messrs. Findar, Jones and Crockett, went to Ottawa to attend the banquet to the prime minister last evening.

## Wonderful Enthusiasm.

Speaking of the demonstration given to the premier at Montreal, Mr. Tilley, who returned with the members of the provincial delegation who did not return to the city, said that the scene of wonderful enthusiasm and interest which he experienced.

When the members of the provincial delegation arrived in Montreal they were met by representatives of the national committee, and taken to the headquarters prepared for them at the Windsor Hotel where they registered. At seven o'clock they boarded the train and were taken to the city where they were met by a large crowd of people. The train was escorted to the Windsor Hotel by a procession of automobiles, two miles long through the city, and was illuminated, decorated with banners and bunting, and lined by cheerleaders and multitudes of enthusiastic people.

On arriving at the Windsor Hotel the premier in response to the demands of the people gathered there delivered a brief speech, and then he and Mrs. Borden held an informal reception, shaking hands with thousands.

After Mr. Borden's departure for Ottawa, Hon. J. D. Hazen held an informal reception at which members of the delegations from the Maritime Provinces and others attended. Among those from Nova Scotia who were present at the reception given by Mr. Hazen were: Hon. J. D. Hazen, M. P. for Colchester; E. N. Rhodes, M. P. for Cumberland; C. Jamieson, M. P. for Antigonish; L. Davidson, M. P. for Antigonish; and Mr. Tremblay, M. P. for Hants.

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