

THE WEATHER.

Forecast: Maritime provinces to fresh north-west and west winds and for the most part fair, stationary or higher temperatures.

Washington, May 15.—Forecast: Northern New England—Fair Wednesday, warmer interior; Thursday fair, warmer, moderate south winds.

Toronto, May 15.—Light showers have occurred today in Alberta, and rain and snow have been general near the Gulf of St. Lawrence, while in other parts of the Dominion the weather has been fair. It has been cool from the Ottawa Valley eastward, and quite warm in the western provinces.

Table with columns: Temperature, Min., Max. Rows include Dawson, Edmonton, Prince Rupert, Calgary, Battleford, etc.

Around the City

In a Tight Corner. There will be some twisting and squirming in the prisoners dock this morning when the prisoners who were arrested yesterday afternoon are asked by the magistrate where they got their liquor.

Clean Up Campaign. Yesterday the first gun in the 1917 clean up campaign was fired and the teams were busy in the southern section of the city. Eight teams were used for the greater part of the day and quite a large amount of rubbish which had accumulated in the back yards was hauled to the dump.

Athletic Meet at Y. M. C. I. The third of a series of athletic meets between the Junior and the school boys was held last night at the Y.M.C.I. The school boys won the indoor baseball game by a score of 5 to 2, the basketball game also won by them by a score of 5 to 4, as did the relay race. In the swimming contests the front diving for form was won by the school boys, the fancy diving by the juniors, under water race by the school boys and the relay race by the juniors. The programme was run out under the direction of Prof. Winston, the physical director.

To Shorten Credits. The grocers' section of the Retail Merchants' Association held a meeting yesterday afternoon in their room on Prince William street with T. J. McPherson in the chair. Plans were discussed concerning the shortening of credit. The members were agreed that, on account of the increased cost of doing business and the higher cost of goods, credit accounts should be settled on a monthly basis at least and not be allowed to run for a longer time. The merchants wish to eventually get their business to as near a cash basis as possible.

Will Assist Farmers' Wives. A number of patriotic school teachers and stenographers, wishing to do their bit, have offered their services to the farmers' wives during their vacations. James Gilchrist of the provincial immigration office is interesting himself in their behalf and he expects to place a good many of them with farmers' wives who have written to him and asked for help during the summer months. Mr. Gilchrist stated last evening that the call for boys and young men which he sent out several days ago had met with a splendid response and he has already sent a number of men to the country to help on farms.

Demand for Garden Tools. Small gardens will be the rule this year according to local hardware dealers. One prominent dealer stated to The Standard yesterday that the local demand for garden tools and utensils was greater this year than for any previous year in the history of his business. In fact, he said he was almost sold out of certain lines in consequence of heavy demands. He said the buyers mostly bought the smaller tools in small lots, evidently with the intention of starting a small garden for the raising of produce for their own tables. Other dealers, when interviewed, stated that they were doing an unusually large business in garden tools and hoped for even better business in the near future.

Increased Production Campaign. The committee in charge of the securing of names of volunteers willing to go to the farms received the first returns yesterday from W. F. Hatheway Company. Six members of the staff signified their willingness to help and the firm offered to let them away in rotation during July and August. F. W. Daniel and R. E. Armstrong were out yesterday morning and found the business men all willing to help but the mill-owners particularly have troubles of their own in getting enough help to keep going. Some of the men interviewed reported that several of the men most interested in backyard gardening when first proposed seemed to have lost interest, and they thought it was largely due to the impression which had gotten abroad that after the men had worked all summer and fall the government was going to consider the fruits of their labors. This impression was wrong as any man cultivating a piece of land would have all his raised on it.

SOLDIERS' HUTS HERE

Will Mean An Outlay of Nearly \$100,000—Each to House 250 Men.

A representative of the military headquarters' staff was in the city yesterday, and after looking over the plans of the city land on the Gypsy Settlement selected a site for the huts which it is proposed to build there to house soldiers next winter. He considered the site an ideal one and will recommend the acceptance of the use of this land for the purpose. It is the intention of the military authorities to build four huts, each capable of housing 250 persons. These will be built for this work, and will provide about one-third more space for each individual than the regulation hut. It is understood that the outlay will be in the vicinity of \$100,000 and will mean quite a boom in building here this summer.

KENNEL CLUB NOT SURE AS TO THE 1917 SHOW

Will Decide June 21st—Special Effort for New Members—Nine Years in Existence.

It will not be known until June 21st whether the New Brunswick Kennel Club will hold their annual bench show this fall or not. This was decided at a full meeting of the members held last night in the registry office at the Court House. The members expressed themselves as favoring a decision at a full meeting of the members who were unable to attend the meeting and to ascertain their views on the advisability of holding a show this year.

A committee consisting of the following gentlemen was appointed to make a canvass: J. V. McLellan, Geo. Gray, R. B. Laskey, Thomas Coughlan, P. S. Clark, J. Ritchie, G. F. Boyer, LeBaron Wilson, Bliss A. Smith and W. C. McKay. The membership of the club has increased to over seventy and it is the intention of the executive officers to increase this number by means of a special effort by the members. As the means to this end Bliss A. Smith, Thomas Coughlan and G. F. Boyer were appointed a committee to interest the present members in securing new ones.

A publicity committee was also appointed to prepare a circular letter which is to be mailed to the different dog owners in the city, informing them of the benefits and privileges to be derived by becoming a member in the club. They will report back to the general committee on May 29th.

SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE HAS PROSPEROUS YEAR

Finances in Healthy Condition and Much Good Work Done Among the Sailors.

The annual meeting of the Seamen's Mission Society was held last night. The financial report and the report of the manager, H. W. Walker, were both of an encouraging nature. Receipts—Subscriptions from general public, \$1,395.01; subscriptions from other sources, \$1,751.13. Total \$3,146.14. Expenses, \$2,842.81. Balance on hand May 1st, \$303.33.

The election of officers resulted as follows: H. Morton Smith, president; G. A. Henderson, 1st vice-president; Mayor R. T. Hayes, 2nd vice-president; J. M. Rogers, secretary; H. J. Evans, treasurer; Hew Walker, manager. Finance committee, H. C. Schofield, D. W. Ledingham, H. J. Evans, Auditors, C. A. Macdonald, J. S. Flagler.

Garden Lots. Commissioner Russell has made a start on the cultivation of the 25 acres on the Manawagonish road and yesterday had a man at work ploughing it up. He expects to have this land ready for those who may wish to cultivate it in about a week, and those wishing to take advantage of the opportunity should send in their applications now. Each man will be allocated about one eighth of an acre and on this will probably be able to grow vegetables enough for his own use. Commissioner Wisniewski has had the land at Silver Falls all ploughed for the returned soldiers, and it is now ready for planting. One thing which is lacking is manure, and if any persons have any to spare and will notify the commissioner he will be glad to haul it away for them and place it where it will do a great amount of good.

Entertained Boys' Club. Mrs. Jessie S. Pierwilling and fourteen members of her class of the Victoria St. Baptist church went to the Boys' Club last evening and entertained them with an informal programme of songs and recitations. The boys contributed to the entertainment in a blind fold boxing contest and an apple and doughnut eating contest, both events being heartily enjoyed. The evening closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

MENTION NOT CITY LANDS SUBMITTED

Geo. E. Day Would Like to Purchase Property on Manawagonish Road.

The City Council yesterday received an offer from George E. Day to purchase the land on the Gypsy Settlement road belonging to the city, and to lease a number of matters of routine business. Loyalist Day will be celebrated by a band concert on King Square. Mayor Hayes presided and Commissioners Wisniewski, Russell and Fisher were present. The committee of the whole recommended that David Watson be allowed to construct a garage on Duke street; that James Laithier be paid \$600 in full of his claim for damages against the city; that Commissioner of Public Lands be given authority to have 25 acres of city land on the Manawagonish road ploughed and harrowed and made ready for cultivation and that the petition of the farmers that double teams be paid \$8 per day and single teams \$4 per day be granted. The recommendations were adopted.

The Commissioner of Harbors, Fisheries and Public Lands recommended that a renewal lease issue to Agnes Donovan, Annie Donovan and Mary Donovan of lot No. 481 Brooks ward for a term of 7 years from the 1st May instant at \$1.00 per annum rental, an increase of 30 per cent. on the original rental and upon the common clerk being satisfied that they are entitled to the same; that a renewal lease issue to Byron J. Grant and Annie Grant, his wife, of lot No. 1075 Brooks ward, for 7 years from 1st May, 1916, at \$10.20 per annum rental, being an increase of 20 per cent. on the present rent; that the application of William Lewis and Son for lease of lot on British street be granted at a rental of \$30 per annum, no covenant for renewal and all improvements to become the property of the city at the end of the term; that the trustees of Fairville Methodist church be given a deed of the lot now under lease to them on the payment of \$5. These were adopted.

A communication from George E. Day offering to buy the city land on the Manawagonish road was referred to the commissioner of lands. The St. John Trades and Labor Council wrote asking that they be given the use of the band stand in King Square to hold a public meeting, and calling attention of the council to reports made to the Board of Health by the plumbers of violation of the regulations relating to plumbing installations. The application for use of the band stand was referred to the Commissioner of Public Works and that regarding plumbing to the Mayor and city solicitor. A bill for brich amounting to \$596.79 was ordered paid. The contractors for the elevator asked permission to erect a temporary shed on the lot between Canterbury and Prince William streets on Queen, as they had not sufficient room on which to store building. Referred to the Commissioner of Safety. The Mayor reported that he had an application for the use of the band balance to convey a sick soldier from one of the rivet boats to the hospital and he was authorized to grant its use for this purpose. The Mayor read a letter from the president of the Women's Canadian Club suggesting that Loyalist Day be observed by band music at the noon hour on one of the squares and the matter was left with the Mayor and range. He will try to get one of the military bands to play a programme of patriotic airs on King Square from 11.30 to 12 o'clock. It was decided to take up the proposed increase in the vehicle licenses on Thursday.

Vendor States His Side of the Case Re Prices of Liquor. George Cameron Tells What is Cost to Him and His Charge When Filling Prescriptions. George Cameron, of the Modern Pharmacy, called at the office of The Standard and made a statement in connection with prices charged for liquor by him as one of the vendors for the city. Since the time when he received his vendership he had filled seven prescriptions and refused to fill others which had been brought to him because he was not satisfied that the persons presenting them wanted the liquor for medicine. He had asked the doctor who had given the prescription had examined them as required by the law and was told this had not been done. He had also called up the doctors in question and cautioned them. In regard to prices, he sold brandy at 20 cents per ounce and this cost him 12 1/2 cents per ounce; whiskey he sold at 15 cents per ounce, this cost him 9 cents and alcohol he sold at 10 cents per ounce. He also stated that when filling prescriptions he did not put in water. He further stated his stock of liquors consisted of about three-quarters of a long neck of brandy, one quart of whiskey, four ounces of port wine and five ounces of gin.

Of food from the Canadian Red Cross, London. This is satisfactory, as for a time Germany had refused to allow any mail to enter or leave the country. Sergt. Emalie's card is dated April 4th.

Another St. John man has won distinction and promotion because of his good work in France. Recent English exchanges announce that Capt. Cyrus F. Inches, who was second in command with Lieut. Colonel Frank Magee, D.S.O., and commander of the battery during Lieut. Col. Magee's absence in hospital, has himself been awarded the D.S.O. for his good work and also gassed and wounded. Word of the promotion came yesterday in letters from the front but only information of the honor awarded Major Inches is the announcement seen in the British exchanges.

Captain Corelli. Captain Corelli, formerly adjutant at headquarters, has been appointed captain in the Third Battalion, Cheshire Regiment, and his appointment went into effect on May 1st. Friends of Captain Corelli will learn with pleasure that he has won a place of honor in a famous English fighting unit. Wounded Not Critical. Harold Climo received a cable yesterday informing him that his son, Pte. Gilbert R. Climo, whose name recently appeared in the casualty list, had sustained a gun shot wound to the back, which was quite serious, but not critical. In English Hospital. That Pte. Alban Breen, son of Timothy Breen of this city, is now in hospital in England was the information contained in a letter from the soldier to his parents. The letter was dated May 1 and was received yesterday morning. Pte. Breen who is nineteen years of age, went overseas with a well known New Brunswick unit and was drafted into another fighting regiment. He has seen considerable active service. Pte. F. W. McElwaine. Letters received yesterday by St. John relatives of Pte. F. W. McElwaine, officially reported missing, believed killed in the great Vimy Ridge battle of April 9, brought the good news that he was alive and well and escaped the ordeal unscathed. He is alive and well, but tells that his comrades were from Pte. McElwaine himself, and dated April 23, they absolutely disproved the official reports that he was either missing or dead. He is alive and well, but tells that his comrades were from Pte. McElwaine's parents reside at Pinder, York county, and he left here with the 115th.

From a Standard Man. A field card was received yesterday from Peter Holcroft, a member of The Standard staff of employees, who is "somewhere in France." Peter says he is well and will write a letter at the first opportunity. He enlisted with the 6th C. M. R. and has been in the front of battle for some time. From Prisoners of War. A card received at the local Red Cross from Sergt. Emalie, who is a prisoner of war at Soltan, in Hanover, acknowledges the receipt of a parcel

Keep Your Lawn Smooth and Even

The even, velvety appearance so much to be desired in lawns, is only possible with the regular use of a good, dependable Lawn Mower to keep the grass at uniform length, and a properly weighted Roller to smooth away the lumps.

WOODYATT LAWN MOWERS run smoothly, cut quickly and evenly, and blades hold an edge for a long time. STAR LAWN MOWERS are of excellent quality, very reliable, but have fewer blades and smaller wheels than the Woodyatt.

Woodyatt Lawn Mowers, 4 knives, 12 in. blade, \$6.85; 14 in. blades, \$7.10; 16 in. blade, \$7.50; 18 in. blade \$8.00. Star Lawn Mowers, 3 knives, 12 in. blade \$6.00; 14 in. blade, \$6.45; 16 in. blade, \$6.85. Water Ballast Lawn Roller, \$12.00.

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Advertisement for W. H. Thorne & Co., Ltd. featuring lawn mowers and rollers. Includes an image of a lawn mower and a roller.

Advertisement for Summer Millinery Display. Features Fisk, Gage and others. Marr Millinery Co., Limited.

Advertisement for Emerson & Fisher Stoves. Features a large range stove and text: "Is Dinner Ready? Yes, Right on the Minute, if You Use the ROYAL GRAND RANGE".

Advertisement for Ladies' Silk Hosiery. Features Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited. Lists various styles and prices.

Advertisement for All Wool Black Suitings. Features Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited. Lists various styles and prices.

Advertisement for Educational Review for May. Published as an Empire Day number, the May issue of the Educational Review, a copy of which has been received by The Standard, is of special interest. Includes information on how the movement was first commenced, there are instructive articles and playlets dealing with the subject. Includes in its pages also to be found featured Arthur Day lessons and nature study talks by Prof. H. G. Perry of Wolfville. The illustrations which are now indiscriminately interspersed add much to make the Review more educational and interesting than ever. The high standard of this bright St. John monthly is not only being maintained by the recently appointed editor, but the careful attention to all departments of educational topics is greatly increasing the sphere of usefulness and value.