

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Moderate to fresh southwesterly, shifting to northwesterly winds; a few local showers, but mostly fair; stationary or a little higher temperature.

Toronto, May 14—The weather has been for the most part fine today throughout the Dominion and is quite warm in Alberta and over the greater portion of Saskatchewan.

Temperature.

	Min.	Max.
Prince Rupert	40	50
Victoria	48	62
Vancouver	48	64
Edmonton	44	68
Battleford	34	70
Prince Albert	28	56
Calgary	36	78
Medicine Hat	40	74
Regina	30	60
Winnipeg	22	58
Port Arthur	30	50
Perry Sound	32	58
Toronto	58	67
Kingston	46	62
Ottawa	42	62
Montreal	42	62
Quebec	42	58
St. John	28	44
Halifax	24	48

AROUND THE CITY

Weary and He Slept
A drunk, who became weary from an over-dose of "John Barleycorn," went to sleep in the old burying ground last evening and was gathered in by the police.

Willing to Co-operate.
Secretary Armstrong of the Board of Trade has received a number of letters from officials of Boards of Trade in different parts of the province, expressing a willingness to co-operate with the St. John board in promoting the general interests of the province.

A Mixed Affair
Mark Allen, a young man and a cripple was arrested yesterday afternoon by Sgt. Scott and Officer Saunders on the charge of assaulting and beating Richard Parker, an Englishman, also on suspicion of having stolen a watch and three dollars from Parker. Parker was arrested for being drunk.

Temperance Worker Here.
Rev. R. Stavert, who is engaged in temperance work in the province, is in the city. Mr. Stavert has recently been engaged in investigating conditions on the North Shore and other parts of the province. He says the temperance forces are making steady progress, but expresses a rather poor opinion of some of the men who are acting as Scott Act inspectors in non-license districts.

Funeral on Sunday.
Andrew V. Phillips, treasurer of the Imperial Theatre, left last evening for Montreal to meet his sister, Mrs. Clement A. Rutherford, whose husband died a few days ago in Vancouver. The body will be brought here for burial, reaching the city on the Atlantic express at noon on Saturday. The funeral will be held on Sunday afternoon from the residence of C. H. Jackson, Hospital street.

Arbor Day
Arbor Day will be kept today by the public schools of the city in a fitting manner and where actual planting cannot be carried on the pupils will be given instruction on trees and flowers and will be taught the characteristics of the same. In some of the schools appropriate exercises will be carried out in the exhibition halls while in others the individual classes will carry through programmes in their respective rooms. This will all be done in the forenoon and the pupils will be given a holiday in the afternoon. It is altogether likely that the day, if much like yesterday, will not permit of much out door planting.

THE VALLEY RAILWAY WORK PROGRESSING

"It is expected that trains will be running on the section of the Valley Railway between Fredericton and Gagetown some time in August," said A. R. Slipp of Fredericton, and one of the members of the local legislature, who was at the Royal yesterday. Mr. Slipp said the work on this section had been held up on account of the difficulty of getting steel for the various bridges, but that fair progress had been made, and the section ought to be complete in August.

Mr. Slipp said it would be a good thing for Fredericton to have trains running to Gagetown this fall.

SMART PARIS MILLINERY DRAWS HUNDREDS TO MARRS.

Hundreds visited the summer showing of Paris and American millinery which opened yesterday at Marr's and lively selling was the order of the day.

Elegance pervades the entire display which is exceptionally large and well varied, ranging from the plain styles preferred by conservative dressers to the brilliant, striking effects so eagerly sought by ardent followers of fashion.

The Marr exhibit presents many new features for the present season, and those desirous of the choicest range should make selections early.

Don't forget that Gilmour's overcoat sale closes tomorrow and that it's one grand opportunity to get a new spring overcoat at one-third its usual price. See ad. page eight.

Knights of Columbus.
The members of Saint John Council 337 Knights of Columbus, are requested to meet at Columbus Hall, Coburg street, to attend the funeral of their late brother, Michael J. Barry, dressed in dark clothes, silk hat and black tie.

TWO NEW WHARVES READY BY FIRST OF DECEMBER

Encouraging statement made yesterday by Manning W. Doherty, after return of delegation from Ottawa—Sir Thomas Shaughnessy speaks plainly on matter of Empress boats.

"The two new wharves, which the Maritime Dredging and Construction Company, Ltd., is constructing at Sand Point will be ready for steamers by December 1st," said Manning W. Doherty yesterday afternoon when shown the statement made by Sir Thomas Shaughnessy to members of the St. John delegation which interviewed him in Montreal on Wednesday.

"The filling for the sites for the sheds will be completed by August 15, and the contracts can be let immediately. This would give plenty of time for the erection of the sheds. I am sure everything will be completed by December 1st and the steamers can use the docks during the coming winter. Nothing that money, men and material can accomplish will be left undone to complete the work."

Members of the delegation that reported St. John in Ottawa and in Montreal concerning the mail steamers and the Bosworth-Gutelius agreement returned home yesterday afternoon. They reported that their pilgrimage had been satisfactory. The members of the government promised that nothing would be done towards continuing the Bosworth-Gutelius agreement without it being put to the vote of the shareholders.

In Montreal the delegation was received by Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, and the members of the delegation said that he was quite outspoken in his remarks concerning St. John and the winter trade.

The following was the statement authorized by Mayor Frink yesterday:

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"So far as our meeting with the government was concerned we were assured that the Gutelius agreement would not be renewed unless it was submitted to the full cabinet council for discussion and consideration. With regard to the mail service I think we will be in as good a position as we were last winter, if not better. In our interview with Sir Thomas he repeated what he said last year that St. John was the Canadian Atlantic terminus of the C. P. R., but it could only be made a satisfactory terminus when proper facilities were provided either by the government or by the city to accommodate all classes of steamers. If facilities were provided for these ships, he said, St. John need have no fear as to the intentions of the C. P. R. He urged very strongly that time and attention should be centred upon the development of the west side of the harbor where business was already established, and said he thought it was an error to devote so much time and energy to the development of Courtenay Bay for a railway which was not yet doing business at the port. He urged the delegation to exert its power to expedite what construction on the West Side as the port had suffered in consequence of the lack of facilities there.

"I might suggest myself that the city should be a bidder on all contracts for harbor work so that there need be no delay for financing and that the work can be driven if necessary, as this is my opinion concerning the harbor contracts, then if the work was not completed in time the city itself would be to blame."

Com. Wigmore.

Commissioner Wigmore was also quite satisfied with the reception of the delegation, and he thought there was no doubt that St. John would secure its fair share of the winter port business. He authorized the following statement:

"So far as I am personally concerned, I feel very well satisfied with the result of the delegation. I gathered myself from our interview with the minister that they would not agree to the renewal of the Bosworth-Gutelius agreement, and the impression left upon the delegation by Sir Thomas was certainly to the effect that the renewal of the agreement would not be sought by the C. P. R.

"Both at Ottawa and at Montreal our statement of the unprofitable nature of this agreement seems to have been borne out by the experience of the government and by the experience of the C. P. R. Although he did not mention the Gutelius agreement directly, I am convinced from the frank manner in which Sir Thomas discussed the difficulties which had arisen last winter that from the standpoint of the C. P. R. it would be better to renew the agreement. Sir Thomas was also very decided as to the necessity for facilities for all four mail steamers. He declared that the C. P. R. would not divide its service, that the Empresses would go where the Calgarian and Albatron could also be accommodated. He impressed upon us that the only question as to making St. John the Atlantic terminus of the C. P. R. was as to whether we could provide facilities for all these steamers. It seems now to be up to us to get the new wharves finished and I have been personally assured by Mr. Clark that his work will be completed in plenty of time to allow of the construction of the wharves made ready for use this winter."

J. M. Robinson.

"The whole question comes down to a matter of providing port facilities," said J. M. Robinson, president of the Board of Trade. "The steamers will come here if we have the accommodations for them."

Mr. Robinson said he was well pleased at the reception given the delegation at Ottawa and Montreal, and felt good would come of its efforts. Sir Thomas Shaughnessy told the delegation that St. John was the winter port of the C. P. R., and that if the city got busy and saw the accommodation was provided it would get the C. P. R. business. The head of the C. P. R. admitted that the experiments of sending the Empresses to Halifax had not been successful. He did not state definitely that the Empress boats would come to St. John next winter, but declared the company did not want to run trains over any other road as that was an unsatisfactory way of doing business. He declared emphatically that the C. P. R. was not in politics, and its actions could not be influenced by any other considerations except those of business.

R. E. Armstrong.

Secretary Armstrong of the Board of Trade, stated that while the assurances from the government in regard to the Gutelius agreement were not as definite as they might desire, they had been promised that the agreement would not be renewed without the fullest approval of the cabinet, and without giving St. John representatives an opportunity to be heard in the matter.

"We obtained one important assurance from members of the cabinet," added Mr. Armstrong, "that was that the government would stand by the open door principle in mail matters and leave it to the steamship companies to choose which port they would prefer to use. We could not very well expect more than that."

Speaking of the interview with Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, Mr. Armstrong said the head of the C. P. R. told them that the sending of the Empress boats to Halifax last winter was an experiment and had proved unsatisfactory. He gathered from Sir Thomas's statements that the experiment would not be renewed this winter.

"Sir Thomas told us we did not have accommodation for the two big boats the C. P. R. were building, and pending the provision of proper accommodation these two boats would probably run between the Mediterranean and Boston."

"It appeared to Sir Thomas that neither St. John nor Halifax had adequate facilities at the present time and with a mind to future business it was absolutely essential to hasten forward the development of the harbor work on the west side.

"The C. P. R. had no quarrel with St. John, he said, and he was glad to know that the purpose of having the delegation meet him was to arrive at a better understanding. He made a very candid statement concerning the matter and left the impression upon the minds of the delegates that the Gutelius agreement, so called, had worked out satisfactorily for the railway and for this reason would not be renewed.

"Alluding to labor matters, Sir Thomas said that he had no particular complaint to make of this element in St. John. The laboring men did a very important part of the company's work and he always found them reasonable when treated reasonably."

HAD NARROW ESCAPE FROM WATERY GRAVE

Messrs. Stewart, Clarke and Phillips had thrilling experience in Kennebecasis River — Rescued by Fred Heans.

The overturning of a boat on the river on Wednesday evening, when the craft was some distance from Millidgeville, nearly resulted in a triple drowning and those who were rescued have reason to be thankful that a motor boat happened in the vicinity.

Charles Stewart with two other men named Clarke and Phillips had gone out in a small row boat and the craft upset when they were about half way between Millidgeville and Indian Point. They were struggling helplessly in the water and about to plunge below the surface, when Fred Heans loomed into sight with his motor boat and with the aid of a pike pole he managed to rescue the three who appeared to be pretty well exhausted. When they were pulled into the motor boat and brought to the club house they were benumbed and chilled to the bone, and it was some time before they fully recovered.

The incident happened just before dark, and it was fortunate that the motor boat happened along when it did. In judging from the condition of the men when rescued it would seem that drowning would have been their lot had not the motor boat appeared. The description came to their assistance. It was only a light tender that the men set out in and when they were a good distance from shore the boat was suddenly overturned when the occupants of the craft were shifting about in the seats. They tried to cling to the boat but apparently they were too excited to hold this position, for when the rescue boat came along they were paddling in the water and were almost too much exhausted to attempt to save themselves.

Fred Heans, who was motoring be-

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