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AROUND THE CITY

Bank Clearings.
Bank clearings for the week ending 22nd February: \$1,506,787; corresponding week last year, \$1,471,361.

Icebergs Removed.
Policeman Witterton caused the owners of buildings on King and Germain streets to have large icebergs removed from the edge of the roofs yesterday afternoon.

Struck by Deas.
About 10.30 o'clock last night when Martin Wilcox, a longshoreman, was at work on a Head line steamer at Sand Point, he was struck by a falling of deals and one of his legs was broken.

Steamers Arrive.
The C. P. R. steamer Mount Temple and the Manchester liner Manchester Commerce, arrived off Partridge Island last evening and were delayed there on account of the storm. The two steamers will dock this morning.

Key Found.
The police report finding a Yale key on Charlotte street yesterday afternoon. A bunch of keys found on Mill street yesterday morning by the police were called for at central station during the afternoon by the owner, Mrs. Hughes, of 88 Mill street.

Weather Too Much For Him.
Considerable excitement was to be had on Brook street early last evening when Thomas Davis arrived on the scene with three sheets in the wind and the fourth flapping. Mr. Davis was evidently annoyed about something, for he undertook to express his opinion of affairs in the presence of a policeman. He put in appearance however with the result that Davis spent the rest of the night in the cooler.

Eloping Couple Returned.
A man Mackin and a Mrs. Carter, who eloped from Liverpool and arrived here on the steamer Empress of Ireland last week will be deported. Word was received from Ottawa yesterday to send the woman back to Liverpool on the Empress today and to hold the man for another steamer at a later date, thus separating the pair. It is reported that Mackin left a wife in England, and the woman left her husband.

Premier is Here.
Hon. J. K. Fleming arrived in the city yesterday morning and is registered at the Victoria. This morning with the members of the government he will meet the commission of the Jordan Memorial Sanatorium. In the afternoon a delegation from the Temperance Federation will confer with the government regarding the prohibitive bill. At four o'clock a committee from the Moral and Social Reform will wait on the members of the government.

An Unnecessary Nuisance.
Ladies having occasion to frequent streets in the vicinity of Coburg and Waterloo after dark complain of the unwelcome attentions of a man who accosts them with inquiries for directions and finally offers to escort them to their destination. The individual responsible for this nuisance is said to wear a long coat and peaked cap. Residents of the vicinity state that should further instances occur the police will be requested to take steps to protect unaccompanied ladies from annoyance.

More Work Soon.
So far the longshoremen of the port have not been overburdened with work or wages. As a result of the amalgamation of five unions the work has been more evenly distributed among the men and they have only earned on an average enough to keep them going. The local union now has a membership of a little over 1,000 men. It is expected that beginning next week there will be considerably more work on the winter port than there has been during the first part of the winter.

National Highway Association.
As a result of the visit of Maxwell Clarke, a branch of the National Highway Association will be formed in St. John. A provisional organization was formed yesterday when the following agreed to take up the work of agitation here: T. H. Estabrooks, H. C. Schofield, F. Crosby, J. A. Pugsley, W. B. Tennant, W. C. Allison, Mayor Frink and others. Mr. Clarke intended to leave for Fredericton last evening but learned that Premier Fleming was in town stopped over in order to have a conference with him.

Heavy Ice in Straits.
Reports received here by government officials state that the ice in the straits between Prince Edward Island and the mainland, is unusually heavy just now. The steamer Minto left Georgetown for Pictou yesterday morning, but finding the ice impassable, returned to Georgetown. The Earl Grey was reported to be fast in the ice yesterday about four miles from Cape Bear, with very little prospect of being able to reach Georgetown last night. The icebreakers have had a number of exciting experiences this winter. A short time ago the Earl Grey was caught between two heavy floes and as they closed upon her, she was nearly turned turtle.

Strong New Bill at Nickel.
The Nickel's programme for the week-end has a quartet of headliners, starting off with the Southern melodrama, "The Substitute," a stirring Mexican bandit and railway story. There are two fine Biograph comedies and a cowboy drama, "The Loafer," Monday Saturday matinee.

Band at the Victoria rink tonight.

TERRIC STORM SWEEP ST. JOHN YESTERDAY

Gale Was One of the Worst This Winter - Snow and Rain Add to the Discomfort of Pedestrians - Slight Damages Around the Harbor Front.

The Weather Man has been in a most accommodating mood for the greater part of February, and the weather conditions have been exceptionally good of late, but the mood changed yesterday, and during the twenty-four hours St. John was visited with a variety of weather in rapid succession. Except for a short period of the day, from noon until 3 o'clock, the weather was most disagreeable.

The storm which swept the city yesterday, although not the worst in years, nor even this year, was one of great severity. The wind velocity was great all through the afternoon and evening, and pedestrianism was a problem difficult to solve owing to the conditions of the streets and headwinds. The heavy gale which prevailed during the day reached a maximum velocity of 60 miles an hour at periods. Snow and rain alternately added to the discomfort of those whose occupation obliged them to be out of doors. In the harbor heavy seas prevailed, and in the bay a heavy swell ran. Entry to the harbor was difficult, and the C. P. R. steamer Mount Temple, which arrived off Partridge Island early in the day had to lie off all day, and could not come up to her berth on account of the heavy seas. She had on board 575 passengers, mostly for western Canada. For small boats any attempt to leave their moorings was accompanied with peril. The heavy spray, which at times during the day was thrown hundreds of feet in the air over the breakwater at Negro Point, gave a picturesque touch to the scene.

The storm which prevailed yesterday broke out about 7 o'clock in the morning, following a slight drizzling rain. The wind sprang up from a south easterly direction blowing about 30 miles an hour, and towards ten o'clock had attained a velocity of 40 miles. At 11 o'clock the wind changed to a south-westerly direction, continuing to increase in velocity. A heavy rain which set in during the morning deluged the street and made walking a serious matter. During the afternoon snow and rain with the wind at periods blowing 60 miles an hour, lasted the brief period of sunshine. One and one-half inches of rain and snow fell during the day.

The wind played its usual pranks and sign poles, fences and trees suffered from the gales. The flag pole on the M. R. & A. building was dislodged by the wind, and it threatened to fall and cause injury, it had to be taken down. A large sign on the Vendome Hotel blew down, a matter which had a narrow escape. The fire alarm on Sheffield street was broken and caused false alarm. Supt. Piercy soon had the break repaired.

THINKS A PRISON FARM UNNECESSARY

Prisoners Could be Hired Out to Work on Farms and Receive Adequate Compensation.

R. G. Murray has an idea that the county can avoid the expense of establishing a prison farm, and at the same time give the prisoners a chance to obtain most of the advantages of life on a farm.

He thinks some arrangement can be made whereby the prisoners could be hired out to work on the farms in the county, and has suggested to the county secretary the advisability of working out a scheme which would permit of their employment by the farmers. When asked about the matter the county secretary said he was not prepared to express an opinion on the merits of the scheme, but said he thought it was worth consideration by the county authorities.

"I'm a farmer," said Mr. Murray, "and in common with other farmers in the county, I have found that there is a great difficulty in getting farm labor. At certain seasons of the year I would be glad to employ twenty or thirty men at reasonable wages. If the county would arrange to hire out the prisoners I believe the farmers would be prepared to pay them all their labor is worth to them. I think that the money would not only earn enough to maintain them, but that the surplus distributed among them would be sufficient to give them a good interest in their work."

Under the present conditions the men are sent out to work, but they get nothing for their work, and can have no interest in it or ambition to show what they can do. It seems to me that if men were working under some arrangement by which they were able to get some returns for their work, the moral discipline of their prison term would be more effective. Such a plan would be more in conformity with the modern idea that the object of prison sentences should be to reform rather than punish.

"Of course the men would be put to work under the supervision of the officers of the law. We would not want to take up the peonage system as they have it in the South."

Yesterday afternoon during the height of the storm, William Tobin, a C. P. R. conductor, received very severe injuries while working on his train. He was in charge of a freight car at Gaspereaux Station and the high wind blew him off the top of a freight car. He was picked up by members of the train crew and brought to the city and on arrival here he was taken to the General Hospital where it was found that besides having received a bad shaking up he had broken a bone in one of his ankles. Conductor Tobin, who resides at 189 St. George street, West End, will be confined for some time.

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The coats are semi-fitting, some with cut-away fronts, fancy cuffs and pockets. The skirts are wider than last season and with both regulation and high waist-line; plain, satin braid and button trimmed—a few skirts have insets with stripe running across.
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