

THE WEATHER.

Toronto, March 5.—The disturbance which was over the Great Lakes last night has moved to the Lower St. Lawrence Valley, with diminished intensity, and another has developed on the Middle Atlantic coast, indicating stormy weather in the Maritime Provinces. It has turned colder throughout Ontario and continues quite cold in the west.

Prince Rupert . . . 34
Vancouver . . . 42
Victoria . . . 48
Kamloops . . . 38
Medicine Hat . . . 34
Calgary . . . 38
Edmonton . . . 42
Winnipeg . . . 48
Regina . . . 52
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Toronto . . . 50
Kingston . . . 46
Ottawa . . . 42
Montreal . . . 38
Quebec . . . 34
St. John's . . . 26
Halifax . . . 28

Below zero.

Forecast.

Maritime—East and south-west gales with rain during the day; winds likely to shift to eastward at night and become colder.

Northern New England—Snow and much colder Saturday; cold wave Sunday, followed by cold, shifting gales Saturday becoming northwest.

AROUND THE CITY

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.
Mr. and Mrs. John Maher celebrated the forty-second anniversary of their wedding on Thursday.

NURSES' HOME CONTRACT.
J. H. Doody has been awarded the contract for heating and sanitary appliances for the new Nurses' Home. The figure is said to be about \$19,000.

FLU SITUATION.
The influenza situation continues to improve and no new cases were reported yesterday. The ban was lifted from two homes. But forty-four cases remain in the city.

UNTRUE.
It is stated by the owner of the Dufferin House, West End, that the report that the Dufferin has been acquired by a motion picture studio is absolutely without foundation.

ACCIDENT.
James Strachan, 17 St. Paul street, a motorist with the N. B. Power Co., was taken to the general public hospital yesterday in the ambulance. He had his nose broken in a fall.

DAYLIGHT SAVING.
Representatives of organizations interested in Daylight Saving have been invited to attend a meeting of the Common Council on Monday next, when the matter will come up.

SACRED CONCERT.
Grand Sacred Concert by City Chorale and well-known local artists at St. Vincent's Auditorium, Thursday, March 11th, at 8:15 p.m. Tickets, 25 and 50c. Proceeds for St. Vincent's School Fund.

IN AID OF ORPHANS.
Four dramatic performances will be held shortly in aid of the orphans, by the Inmate Conception Society of the Cathedral, the Young Men's Association of St. Peter's Parish, and the St. Rose and St. Peter's Dramatic Clubs.

HOSTILITIES HERE THE 18TH.
McLean-Kennedy limited, steamship agents for the Houston line, stated last night that the next steamer for South American ports will be the S.S. Hostilities, which is due to arrive at this port about the 18th of this month.

SNOW ON MARSH STREET.
The residents of Marsh street, complained to Commissioner Thornton yesterday, stating that the clearing of the C. N. R. side track through that street had caused a very unsatisfactory condition of affairs. The snow is piled up on the sides of the street, they say, and the entrance of traffic in some places is affected only with difficulty. The commissioner got in touch with L. R. Ross, terminal agent, who promised to look into the matter immediately.

RECEIVED CALL.
Dr. A. B. Cohen, who was formerly pastor of the Brunswick Baptist church, St. John, has received a call to an important church in Montreal, New Jersey. Dr. Cohen, who was also pastor of the First Baptist church, Halifax, is now pastor of the leading Baptist church in Providence, R. I. This is the second invitation which Dr. Cohen has received from the Montreal church, which is one of the leading Baptist churches in the United States.

GAS TROUBLESOME.
Complaints have been made by residents of the South End that gas in the city sewers is leaking into dwellings. In one case a family had to leave their home for several days on account of the stifling odor of gas. Trouble in St. James' street was partly rectified by the installation of terra cotta sewer pipe in place of an old wooden sewer. In the North End a lighted match, accidentally dropped into a catch basin, caused an explosion.

W. C. T. U. OF NORTH END.
The North End W. C. T. U. held their annual meeting in their hall, Main street. After the devotional exercises, reports were read. The treasurer, Mrs. Bagley, reported total receipts for all purposes during the year \$170.33, and balance on hand \$112.15. Mrs. Perry, money mission superintendent, reported about \$25 was used for flowers for sick, and one bouquet sent every month to the military hospital. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Scott; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Bagley; recording secretary, Mrs. Deane; the vice-president and superintendent were re-elected.

CITY'S FAILURE TO CONSTRUCT HARBOR BRIDGE BAD BUSINESS

Say Dr. James Manning and W. E. Scully—Present Ferry Deficit Capitalized Would Give Nearly One and a Quarter Million to Build Bridge—Navy Island 2-Deck Bridge Could Have Been Built at Cost to City of \$300,000—Urge Action to Have C. P. R. Assist in Building Bridge Across Harbor Instead of at Falls.

"St. John has already reached a stage of growth where uninterrupted connection with the West Side is needed, and the sooner this harbor bridge is built the better," said Dr. James Manning before the Commercial Club meeting recently. "The city is now running behind on the ferry service about \$75,000 a year. Capitalize that and you have a million or a million and a quarter to spend on a bridge," said Dr. Manning in an interview with The Standard. "It is claimed by the Union Act the city undertook to build the Navy Island bridge as soon as possible, and it would have been a good business proposition to have gone ahead with the work before the war when labor and materials were much cheaper than they are now or ever will be again. The bridge must be built, the satisfactory working of the harbor will demand it."

What Harbor Commission Might Do.
"If we had a harbor commission I should say that one of the first things it would do would be to try to provide for a harbor bridge. I am not worried because the Minister of Marine is not much interested in the city's concern to reserve the ferry. It is getting too expensive for the service it performs, and will cost more in future, as neither the boats or the ferries are in their infancy. "A new railway bridge is needed; trains are getting heavier every year. The C. P. R. has plans to build a new bridge at the Reversing Falls. If we had had harbor commission here, or a live commission at City Hall, the new bridge would be built at Navy Island and the C. P. R. would have been asked to pay a share of the cost. "When the bridge project was under consideration some time ago, the Dominion Government, the Provincial Government, the City and the Street Railway agreed, I think, to assume various portions of the cost. The city of St. John voted in favor of building the bridge, but City Hall showed little interest in the project."

Needless Heavy Tolls.
"A bridge at Navy Island would be a great convenience for the railways, as well as for the ordinary city traffic. Now C. N. R. traffic going to the West Side pays heavy tolls on the short haul around the Reversing Falls. The tolls are always proportionately high. And besides there is a great waste of time which would be cut out by the Navy Island bridge, the St. John end of which would be near the present Union station. The passenger station should not be removed from its present location, though it will soon need a larger station. The harbor bridge is an essential feature of any scheme of city development and should be dealt with at once. The trouble is to be done in a piecemeal fashion, instead of boldly tackling our problems on a general forward-looking plan. I don't know if the city is prepared to abandon its plan to build a new bridge at the Reversing Falls and join with the C. N. R., the city and the province in building a harbor bridge, but if the city commissioners were accustomed to looking ahead they would have seen what might be done about it. Possibly the C. P. R. might fall in with the better project. If it was settled that a harbor commission would control all traffic within a certain radius of the docks, as is done in Montreal, and incidentally control the ferry service, it would be a great matter for the city. At the present rate of deficit on the ferry half the cost of the bridge could be paid for in seven years. I would not be surprised if we have not already gone behind on the ferry service enough to pay for more than one-third of the cost of the bridge, if it had been built when we had plans to build it. We would not have had to pay out a substantial sum for the Governor Carleton."

Wire-Room Staff
Entertained Friends

New Brunswick Telephone Employees Hosts at a Most Enjoyable Occasion.

One of the most enjoyable entertainments of the season was held last evening when the members of the Wire Room Staff of the N. B. Telephone Company tendered their friends a sleigh drive and dance. About twenty couples participated in the pleasant event and at 8:30 p.m. the large sleighs in waiting at the head of Chipman Hill started on the drive to Torriburn. Although the road was in some places the drive was greatly enjoyed by all. On returning to the city "the happy crowd" was conveyed to the dancing pavilion at Rockwood Park where a most sumptuous spread awaited their coming. During the course of the evening several solos were rendered, readings were given and the speech making which contributed to an event long to be remembered. After the musical and literary programme dancing was enjoyed to the strains of the orchestra procured for the occasion. The happy gathering arrived in the city late last evening, tired but happy, voting the entertainment "one of the best" ever held. Much credit is due to the efficient committee in charge who helped in making this affair the success it was.

CONTRIBUTE \$100.
The Royal Arms I. O. O. F., at their meeting held yesterday afternoon in the Orange Hall, voted \$100 to the War Memorial Fund, and \$12.50 to the purchase of a soldier's wife to England. Plans were made for a dance to be held later. A ring donated by Mrs. Richard Hooper for Child Welfare work, was given to Mrs. Fred Nice of Prince Street, West Side, holding the lucky ticket, No. 352. Mrs. T. H. Carter, regent, presided at yesterday's meeting.

Col. J. R. Kirkpatrick, of Debec Junction, is a visitor in St. John, returning from Truro, N. S., to his home in Debec.

W. E. Scully's Views.

W. E. Scully when interviewed said that if the harbor bridge was built traffic between the East and West Side could be carried on for nearly one-fifth the present cost. At present he added, it cost sixty cents a ton to move coal from St. John around the bridge at the falls, and this was an item that caused some annoyance on the West Side. When Mr. Scully was in the city council plans for a double decker harbor bridge was prepared, and a referendum of the citizens at an election showed a majority of 1,100 in favor of the city guaranteeing one-third of the cost. "At that time the engineers estimated that the double deck bridge could be built for \$750,000," said Mr. Scully. "In addition there would have been large damages in connection with the approaches, which would have brought the total cost up to \$900,000. Today I suppose the bridge would cost considerably more than twice that amount, as the price of steel has gone up at a great rate. When we had plans prepared the loss on the ferry service of the city was \$75,000 a year. Now the ferry deficit is sixty or seventy thousand. Had we built the bridge years ago the deficit on the ferry now would have taken care of considerably more than the whole capital expenditure. It was bad business that we did not build the bridge. I think we would only have had to pay one-third of the cost, say \$300,000. We had a pledge from the Dominion Government to pay one-third, and we had at one time a tentative promise from the Province to pay one-third. The Provincial authorities were not keen about the project, but I don't doubt we could have induced them to do so. The railway people to put up the other third."

Big Loss in Ferry.
"If the city had assumed half the cost of the bridge, it would have been a great matter for the city. At the present rate of deficit on the ferry half the cost of the bridge could be paid for in seven years. I would not be surprised if we have not already gone behind on the ferry service enough to pay for more than one-third of the cost of the bridge, if it had been built when we had plans to build it. We would not have had to pay out a substantial sum for the Governor Carleton."

N. B. Automobile Association Met

Last Night May Submitted to Members Showing Routes of Province—Government Will Place Signboards—Proposed Tax on Motor Cars.

A well-attended and enthusiastic meeting of the New Brunswick Automobile Association was held in the secretary's office of the Board of Trade last night. Plans were discussed for entertaining the members of the Imperial Press Association, who will be in St. John on July 30th. The party will number some one hundred and sixty-five members, and the Association plan on conducting them on a motor tour to points of interest about the city. Councillor O'Brien appeared before the meeting in regard to a proposed new tax on motor cars in the parish of Lancaster. He presented a draft of the bill to the meeting which is to be introduced at the coming session of the Provincial Legislature. With some amendments the bill was approved by the Association.

The Local Government have signified their intention of placing signboards at the place of interest for tourist travel, and a map was submitted showing the various route done in different colors, which was approved by the meeting. Following up a most successful meeting held in Moncton it is proposed to hold similar gatherings in different sections of the Province at an early date, with the view of consolidating the membership and promoting good feeling among our owners generally.

THE KING'S DAUGHTERS.
Miss Thorne, Mrs. C. C. Jones, Miss Thompson and Miss Cooper, members of the Provincial Executive of the King's Daughters, are expected in the city this morning to meet the Local Executive in conference regarding the opening of the Fraser Memorial Home for aged men and women at Fredericton. An open meeting of the Order will be held also.

Railway Tariffs Discussed Here

Local Manufacturers Assist in Preparation of Case to Go Before Railway Commission—System of Commodity Rates Favored.

The question of railway rates was discussed at a meeting of members of the Maritime Branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association held in the Board of Trade rooms yesterday afternoon, when the traffic expert of the Association from Montreal was present, and also Mr. Thompson of Amherst, secretary of the Maritime Branch. Rates were considered in relation to the railway tariffs in other parts of the country, and there was a strong feeling for the retention of the old system of commodity rates, some of which have been abolished in recent years.

The traffic expert and Mr. Thompson will visit Halifax and other points on the same business, and it is expected the result of the various visits will be an agreement as to the best form in which to submit the needs of the business communities to the Railway Commission.

Girls Proved Great Farmers

Instructive Talk Given Last Night on the Part Girls Played on the Farms of Ontario During the War.

An entertaining and instructive talk was given at the Y. W. C. A. Recreation Centre last evening by Miss Strain, the Port Secretary of the National Y. W. C. A. Three reels of motion pictures were shown giving views of the work done in Ontario by girls on the farms, showing how they helped to save crops in war time, and what a valuable work they accomplished. Pictures of the girls at work harnessing horses, milking cows, picking berries and driving the hay rakes were given, as well as scenes from their playtime and the way they lived. Miss Strain described the change of viewpoint among the farmers from the first of the season when they were so skeptical regarding the value of the girls as farm hands, and how the employers realized the girls' worth and asked them to return next year. The views were shown on the Y. W. C. A. machine, Basil Robertson acting as operator. Before the interesting talk, the following programme was enjoyed: Mrs. J. D. Hunter presided and there were nearly two hundred C. G. I. T. girls present who thoroughly enjoyed the entertainment.

JUNIOR W. A. ANNUAL MEETING

Good Work Accomplished by Trinity Branch of Women's Auxiliary—Juniors Raise Money for Pledges.

The annual meeting of the Trinity Branch of the W. A. was held yesterday afternoon in the school room, the Superintendent, Miss Mary L. Harrison, presiding.

Good reports of the year's work were presented and the Mite Boxes, on being opened were found to contain more than a sufficient amount to cover the pledges of the Branch. Very creditable work has been accomplished by the Juniors. The election of officers resulted as follows: Miss Helena Piers—President. Miss Elsie Bell—Mite Box Treasurer. Miss Doris Trot—Secretary. Miss Blanche Davidson—Treasurer. Miss Nelson and Mrs. J. E. Gorman are assistant superintendents, and Mrs. H. Lovell is in charge of the younger members.

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