

**THE WEATHER.**

Maritime—Fresh northwest to west winds; fine and cold today, rising temperatures on Thursday.

Toronto, Feb. 23.—The cold wave is centered tonight over the lower lake region and middle states, with greatly moderated intensity. Fair weather has prevailed throughout Canada today, with continued cold conditions in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces and rising temperatures in Ontario and the west.

**Temperatures.**

	Min.	Max.
Vancouver	42	46
Calgary	38	50
Medicine Hat	10	42
Battleford	10	30
Winnipeg	0	22
Port Arthur	8	22
Parry Sound	24	14
London	13	16
Kinross	10	12
Ottawa	20	4
Montreal	20	10
Quebec	16	10
St. John	6	2
Halifax	2	10

—Below zero.

**AROUND THE CITY**

**Snow Cleared Away.**  
The street department has got the snow cleared away from the streets used by the street railway, and the principal heavy traffic arteries.

**Police Court.**  
In the police court yesterday morning Myrtle Frawling and Gusie Ackerman, charged with street walking, were remanded. Mabel Boyne, charged with drunkenness was remanded.

**Technical Education.**  
The Board of Trade has received several volumes of the long expected report of the Royal Commission on Technical Education. Anybody wishing to study the report is at liberty to consult the volumes received at the board's reading room.

**Hard to Get Out.**  
"It is easier to get into this country than to get out of it," said H. T. Hoag, the retiring secretary of the Board of Trade, who is preparing to return to the United States next week. "It was a very simple matter getting past the Canadian customs when I came here, but I find it is going to mean a lot of bother to satisfy the regulations of the United States customs, and besides it will cost me a dollar."

**Warned to Stay East.**  
Fishermen of the Maritime Provinces and New England are advised not to go west by men who went out to engage in the Pacific fisheries a few years ago, when every effort was being made to advertise the advantages of life in the west. These men are writing to Maritime and Gloucester papers warning Atlantic fishermen that conditions are desperate in Vancouver and Seattle, with hundreds starving, and no opportunity of work.

**At the Y. M. C. A.**  
Yesterday saw much activity in and around the Y. M. C. A. building. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock, the monthly meeting of the auxiliary held their monthly meeting when routine business was transacted. At 5 o'clock a hearty afternoon tea was served to the new members. The Employed Boys' Bible Class held their annual supper at 6.15, and at 8 o'clock the Young Ladies' League were hosts to the seniors at a social in charge of Miss Edna Leonard. During the evening there was an indoor athletic meet when an interesting programme was carried out.

**Coming to Agreement.**  
Mayor Frink stated yesterday that the city was making progress in the matter of the negotiations with T. McAvity and Sons in respect to the fixing of the amount of taxes on the plant which the company proposes to establish on the Marsh Road. The company asked that its taxes be fixed at \$5,000 a year for a period of years. It is said that if an agreement on this point is reached the company will begin work on the erection of its new plant in the spring. Already plans for a plant have been prepared. Other cities all over Canada are beseeching the McAvity Co. with requests to establish its new factory in their borders, and as an inducement are making offers of exemption from taxes, cheap power and other considerations.

**JOIN COBURG STREET CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

At the Coburg street Christian church last evening Evangelist Lowell C. McPherson preached on the subject "What Must I Do to Be Saved?" There were baptisms. A number of men and women are taking membership with the church. Rev. J. C. Appel leads the music and others of the city are lending help in special singing. Rev. Frederick Ross, of Coburg street church, who assisted so efficiently in the Douglas Avenue church meetings in November and December last, when Mr. Appel was sick, is much encouraged with the present meetings.

Evangelist McPherson is not a sensational preacher, and he would have no other attractions for people to attend than the most conscientious appeal for manhood and womanhood. He has conducted three series of meetings in Worcester, Mass.; two in Providence, R. I.; Springfield, Mass.; Danbury, Conn.; West Rupert, Vermont, and many other places, west, south and north in the United States. He will return to Halifax where he conducted meetings a year ago. He is not denominational, and would have the Christian forces of the world united for what he calls the greatest enterprise on earth—to convince all mankind to give allegiance to Jesus Christ. People of all churches and no church go to hear Mr. McPherson, all of whom are welcome.

**THE PRINCE WILLIAM HOTEL.**

**TO FIGHT FOR RIGHTS ON FORT HOWE**

**Members of Board of Trade and Prominent Citizens Take Matter Up—Hon. Mr. Hazen and George W. Fowler, M. P. Working Hard for Restoration of Service.**

The suburban residents on the Intercolonial Railway between St. John and Hampton have been aroused again over the injustice which, it is said, has been done them within the last few days by the cancellation of the morning suburban train, which was due here at 7.45 o'clock, and the evening train leaving here at 6.15, and the substitution of a passenger car attached to a freight train for this service. This freight train was an hour late on Monday morning and yesterday it did not reach the city until 10.40 o'clock.

Some of the residents along the line were compelled to walk into town, while others who were not so closely restricted as to the time of arrival at their places of business, waited for the Sussex train and reached the city about ten minutes after nine.

Members of the Board of Trade as well as other prominent citizens have taken the matter up and will use every endeavor to have an adequate service between St. John and Hampton.

It was said yesterday that strong messages of protest had been forwarded to Hon. J. D. Hazen, Hon. Robert Rogers and others members of the House of Commons at Ottawa.

**Express Indignation.**  
Suburban residents when seen by a Standard representative yesterday, expressed indignation for the action of the management of the Intercolonial Railway in regard to the suburban service and none seemed at all backward in expressing their opinions of the new service and those responsible for it.

In the House of Commons yesterday afternoon Hon. J. D. Hazen, minister of marine and fisheries, brought the matter to the attention of the house and pointed out that he had already spoken to the acting Minister of Railways and had been assured that every effort would be made to have the service arranged satisfactorily.

It was felt yesterday that railway conditions, as they were, meant discrimination against St. John, and the curtailing of its progress for suburban residents pointed out that they could not possibly move at this time of year.

**YOUTH WHO STOLE FROM LETTER BAGS NOW AWAITS TRIAL**

**Not Known whether he will be Tried under Speedy Trials Act or not Money Back.**

It is not yet known whether Everett Lewis, the young boy of Chatham, who was sent up for trial on the charge of stealing registered letters from the mails, will elect to be tried under the Speedy Trials Act or wait until the regular court in April.

Lewis, who is not yet seventeen years of age, was employed by W. J. Groat as driver of the stage between Chatham and Bay du Vin. He also conveyed the mails between these two points. It is said he ripped open letter bags and took out letters containing money, afterward sewing up the rent. In all about \$200 was taken from various letters.

Alexander Thompson, assistant post office inspector here, investigated the complaints in regard to the loss of the letters. He said last night that two of the robberies had taken place in January and the third on February 6. He did not think any other robberies had taken place, at least there had been no other complaints.

The first two robberies were being investigated when the third occurred and the inspector was at work on the new theft on February 7.

Mr. Thompson's investigation made him sure that Lewis was the guilty party. He charged him with the robbery and when the affair was brought home to him he confessed. He was not sure what amount he had taken but he knew it was something over \$200. Lewis is now in jail in Chatham waiting trial. The persons whose letters were stolen will likely have their loss made good for W. J. Groat, the mail contractor, is pledged to make good any loss occasioned by people in his employ who handle the mails.

**MAKE INSPECTION OF L'ETANG HARBOR**

**Steamer Lansdowne, with Experienced Sea Captains—Harbor Expert There.**

The steamer Lansdowne left St. John yesterday morning for L'Etang, Charlotte county, having on board Captain A. J. Maloney, representing the steamship lines for which Messrs. Wm. Thompson & Co. are agents. Captain Gilles of the Donaldson line; Captain Kenny of the Head line; Mr. Elliott of the C. P. R. and F. G. Goodspeed, C.E. of the federal public works department.

These gentlemen will meet Mr. Swan, the harbor expert, at L'Etang, and will spend a couple of days in making inspection of that fine harbor. This inspection is under the auspices of the government, and is made for the purpose of ascertaining the usefulness of L'Etang as a port.

**Left Money to Missions.**  
In the estate of Mary J. Wheaton, late of Anderson, West. Co. letters testamentary were granted in the Probate Court at Dorchester a few days ago to Eileen Wells. The deceased, after giving \$100 to Christ's Mission, New York, and various bequests to relatives, left the residue of her estate to foreign missions of the Presbyterian Church of Canada.

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**South Shore Service**  
Those interested are requested to meet in Board of Trade rooms today at three o'clock.

**URGES RESTORATION.**  
George W. Fowler, M.P., has interested himself in the matter and he has made strong representations to the general manager of the Intercolonial in regard to the present train service and especially urged the restoration of the early morning suburban. On Monday he sent the following message to F. P. Gutelius, general manager of the Intercolonial railway at Moncton: F. P. Gutelius, Moncton:—The present arrangements for the suburban service between St. John and Hampton are most unsatisfactory. This morning the morning train arrived at St. John after nine o'clock. The service requires a morning train as before most imperatively. Any change means a gross breach of faith with the people who have built homes along the line of railway on the establishment of a service now of four years standing. Please restore the morning service immediately.

**GEORGE W. FOWLER.**  
The residents along the railway in St. John and Kings counties are thoroughly aroused over the present conditions and it was said yesterday that they would keep up their protests until the wrongs were righted.

Hon. Mr. Hazen has taken a strong stand in Ottawa in the demand for justice for St. John and he has urged Premier Borden in the matter, and there are now bright prospects of the trains being restored.

The Standard endeavored to reach F. P. Gutelius at Moncton last evening but he was out of town and would not be home for several days. It is likely however that some definite action will be taken today.

**Result of Visit of Colonel Rogers, of Dominion Parks Commission—Will Widen Road.**

As a result of the visit to the city of Col. Rogers, of the Dominion Parks Commission, the city has been asked to relinquish its lease of Fort Howe, so the parks commission may take up the matter of converting Fort Howe into a national park. The Dominion government owns Fort Howe, but the city has a lease of the property, which has two more years to run.

Mayor Frink said that while he had no doubt the city would relinquish the lease and give the government an opportunity to proceed with the work of beautifying the hill as soon as possible, he thought an effort would be made to have the road running up to Fort Howe widened about ten feet.

The city had an interest in having this road widened, as there were occasional landslides from the bluff, and our citizens might be killed if the road was not widened at that place. The commissioners will take up this matter with the recorder as soon as he returns to the city.

**MANY GOOD WORKS OF THE SALVATOR ARMY**

**Strong Missionary Force—Takes Complete Control of Japan's Leper Population—In India.**

A prominent minister of Canada recently said: "The church which ceases to be a missionary agency, will soon fall into decay, and cease to be a church at all."

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Let it be remembered that this is but one of the many countries where the Army is carrying on its work among the heathens in Africa, Japan, Korea and South America this work is carried on extensively. It might be added as well that the Salvation Army has taken over for the government of Java, the complete control of its leper population.

**HULL MAN, BADLY FROZEN, FORCED TO SPEND NIGHT IN CELL**

Ottawa, Feb. 24.—To apply to the police for aid, both his feet being frozen and to be placed in the cells from Saturday night until Monday morning, is the experience which befell Isaac Quelette of Hull. The man is now in the Sacred Heart Hospital here and both feet were amputated this morning. Quelette's story is that he went to the Hull police station on Saturday night and asked to be cared for, stating that his feet had been frozen.

Assistant Chief Dion decided to keep the man in the cells, where he remained until Chief Chevalier came on Monday morning. In explaining his conduct, Dion says that as Quelette's feet had been so long frozen, he did not think it would do any harm to await the return of his superior. There will be a rigid investigation of the affair.

**SEVENTEEN BANKS REFUSE TO JOIN**

Washington, Feb. 24.—Official count by treasury officials today showed 7,465 national banks have applied for membership in the federal reserve system, that 18 banks have notified the organization committee that they will not apply and ten have not been heard from.

The capital of the banks applying amounts to \$1,554,533,554 which is 97.5 per cent. of the capital of all national banks in the country. The capital of banks not accepting is placed at \$1,950,000 and that of the ten not heard from at \$570,000.

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