

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Fine and decidedly cold. Toronto, Jan. 4.—The weather has turned much colder in the Maritime Provinces today and low temperatures now prevail throughout the Dominion, except in Alberta, where it is quite mild.

HARBOR REVENUES IN 1910 LARGEST IN HISTORY OF PORT

Increase of \$8,186.10 Over Receipts of Previous Year—Total Rapidly Nearing \$100,000 Mark—Advance in Rates Responsible for Additional \$600 Collected in December.

The statement of the harbor revenues for top and side wharfrage, harbor fees and anchorage dues, of the total harbor revenue for the year, shows that the twelve months ending December 31st last were the best in the city's history.

Increase was greater proportionately during the summer months than in the winter season. There has been some criticism of the increase in the rates on general cargo and that through this the port was becoming burdensome.

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AROUND THE CITY

New School Trustees. J. E. Bryan has been elected a school trustee in Fairville in place of the late Dr. Gray.

Men's Dress Shoes The Newest Designs

The statement for the year by months, with a comparison with 1909 is as follows: 1909, 1910. Jan. \$10,566.61, \$13,194.34; Feb. 9,184.25, 11,730.06; Mar. 14,412.45, 14,067.80; Apr. 14,592.25, 12,391.16; May 4,105.62, 7,326.52; June 4,561.73, 4,838.59; July 3,569.50, 3,033.33; Aug. 4,155.04, 4,317.94; Sept. 2,868.71, 3,821.25; Oct. 4,181.56, 3,559.52; Nov. 2,819.57, 3,710.37; Dec. 9,529.96, 10,836.06. Total: \$84,649.65, \$92,835.75.

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Read These Prices They Can't Be Beat. MEN'S AND BOYS' SHIRTS .39c. to \$1.13 each; MEN'S WORKING MITTS .19c. to 79c pair; MEN'S WORKING GLOVES .10c. to \$1.13 pair; SILK MUFFLERS .39c. to \$1.46 each; KNITTED MOTOR SCARFS .79c. each; LINEN COLLARS .60c. half dozen; Men's PYJAMAS .11.13 to \$2.46 suit. Trunks, Bags and Suit Cases. EVERY TRUNK that leaves this store spells satisfaction, because there is nothing but the very strongest materials put into each and every one, and they will stand the many hard knocks which they generally get in travelling from place to place.

Scarf Pin Found. A lady's scarf pin found on Charlotte street yesterday afternoon was handed to the police and the owner can have the same on application at the Central Police Station.

EXPECT TAX-BILLS TO BE LARGER THIS YEAR

Increase in Expenditure Will Make Necessary Higher Valuation in Spite of Flat Rate Plan. In spite of the valiant efforts of the city fathers to establish a flat rate of taxation it is now generally believed that the city's tax collector will dig deeper into the pockets of the ratepayers this year than ever before.

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For the Boys and Girls Rowing Carts, Sleds and Framers, Skates, Toboggans, Snowshoes, Tool Chests, Pocket Knives, etc. EMERSON & FISHER, Ltd., 25 GERMAIN STREET. Image of a child on a bicycle.

Opera House Meeting. The general annual meeting of the shareholders of the St. John Opera House Company Ltd. will be held this evening in the Opera House building.

CRITICISM UNFOUNDED SAYS AID. M'GOLDRICK. Board of Works Has Every Intention of Proceeding With Permanent Paving Work—Appropriation Modest. In reference to the report in an evening paper that there was criticism of the estimates of the Board of Works because of the fact that it was apparently intended to continue the old method of street work, and make no provision for permanent work, Aid. McGoldrick stated yesterday that such criticism was unwarranted.

WATERBURY & RISING, King Street, Mill Street, Union Street. Three Stores. Grand Deputy Thos. Kickham Conducts Ceremony -- Impromptu Program Winds Up Pleasant Evening. At a meeting of Branch No. 133, C. M. B. A., held last evening the officers for the ensuing term were installed.

Medical Society. A meeting of the St. John Medical Society was held last evening at which the following new members were elected: Drs. Smith and King, of Hampton; Dr. Fleming, of Pettitcodiac; and Dr. H. E. Gilmore, of St. Martins.

Bonded Debt Growing. Then the city's bonded indebtedness has also been growing at a rate that has provoked a number of strenuous protests from the chamberlain and the comptroller, and there is not much likelihood that it will be reduced any this year as between \$30,000 and \$40,000 will be required to purchase a new ferry boat or to repair the Western Extension, and it is proposed to spend a considerable sum in laying permanent pavement in different streets, and putting in new sewers and extending the water service.

Children's Eyes. Why not take this opportunity during the holidays of having the children's eyes examined? If your child has been backward in his studies, he is handicapped by poor sight, or by defects in his eyes which make study a hardship. Study should be a pleasure—if not there is something wrong. Better find out if his eyes are at fault. Early in the morning is the best time to have the eyes examined.

The Great Sale of WHITE GOODS. Will Commence This Morning. A Wonderful Exhibit of Things New in Whitewear, Blouses, Embroideries, Laces, etc. Whitewear Unusually Pleasing. This showing of crisp, dainty undermuslins will surpass any previous display. A glance at the immense varieties and wonderful values will strongly persuade all that purchasing largely is advisable now, while assortments are complete. Night Dresses from 75c to \$10.50. Skirts from 50c to \$18.75. Chemises from 50c to \$3.00. Corset Covers from 25c to \$7.00. Drawers from 30c to \$4.65. A Fine Array of Blouses—A rare exhibit and the result of very careful selection—some exceptionally choice values are presented. Prices from \$1.00 to \$5.25. Spring Embroideries—The most beautiful exhibit of any season. Unusual indeed would be the Embroidery need that this array could not satisfy. It is without exception the most beautiful collection of finest designs ever offered in this department. Lace Alivers—the very latest conceptions. Irish Embroidered Robe Dresses, \$7.50 to \$18.75. Very Handsome Colored Embroidered Robes, each \$27.00. Free Hemming Sale of Linens and Cottons Will Commence Next Monday.

Mrs. Jordan Entertained. Mrs. J. L. Jordan who has made the magnificent gift of a sanatorium for tuberculosis to New Brunswick, arrived in St. John Tuesday evening, from Digby and spent yesterday in the city. She was entertained at luncheon by Premier and Mrs. Hazen, and accompanied by her two nieces left last night for San Francisco, where she will spend the winter.

Stolen Flags Discarded. Yesterday morning a bundle of flags was found in the Lower Cove slip and was handed to Policeman McNamee who placed them in the British street lockup for safe keeping. It is not known where the flags came from, but it is thought that they have been stolen and being of little value to the thief when he opened the bag, he threw them into the slip.

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Military Veterans. The N. B. Military Veterans' Association will meet this evening in annual session in their rooms, Market building. Officers will be elected for the ensuing year and the annual reports will be read. Letters have been received from the associations in Winnipeg and Halifax in reference to the land grants and these will be read at the meeting. Refreshments will be served during the evening. All members are requested to attend.

Cordial Invitation. M. E. Agar, president of the Canadian Club, has issued a cordial invitation to the executive and members of the Women's Canadian Club to attend at Keith's Assembly rooms at 8:45 o'clock this evening to hear Prof. W. L. Grant of Queen's University, speak on Canadian Ideals of a Canadian Navy.

Branch Office Here. H. Y. Bishop, of the Shredded Wheat Company, of Niagara Falls, arrived in the city yesterday, for the purpose of opening a branch office here. Up to the present the business of the company which has factories in the United States and Canada has grown rapidly in the Maritime Provinces, notwithstanding that it has been handled from Boston. Mr. Bishop who has been four years at Ottawa, and is a native of Nova Scotia, will hereafter be general sales manager for the Maritime Provinces with headquarters in St. John. It is the intention of the company to establish a large warehouse here and fill all orders in the three provinces, from this point.

A Fine Calendar. One of the finest calendars received this year is that from the Sons of England Benefit Society, distributed to the members of the two local lodges. A striking picture of King George V. looks out from a frame, consisting of the coats of arms of Great Britain and thirteen of the leading colonies with Canada in a prominent position. The calendar is most appropriate for the Coronation year, and is highly appreciated by all who have received it.

Week of Prayer. Largely attended meetings and deep interest were reported from all the week of prayer centres last evening. The subject for discussion was: "Nations, and their Rulers." Meetings were held in St. Mary's, Zion, St. David's and Queen Square churches. The service in the North End was held in the Portland street Methodist church and was particularly largely attended, the church being crowded. The speaker of the evening was Rev. G. M. Campbell, who delivered an interesting address on the work of the Bible Society.

Card of Thanks. H. J. Sullivan and family wish to return thanks to their many friends for the sympathy shown to them in their recent sad bereavement.

Great White Goods Sale at M. R. A's. Come to this exposition and sale of the prettiest, newest spring things in whitewear. Blouses, Embroideries, Laces, etc. You will take great delight in just looking through the immense assortments provided for this opening which will commence this morning at 8:30. Crowds of shoppers will be in attendance and it would be well to call early.

Difficult Production Cleverly Staged and Acted—Large Audience Well Pleased—Will be Repeated Tonight. The Runaways, a production of class made famous by John Drew and Maude Adams, was the attraction offered by the Harkins Company at the Opera House last evening, and secured a distinct success with the large audience in attendance. A weaker company than that which Mr. Harkins has secured for this season, might well make a failure of the bill selected for last evening, as it is a difficult piece of stage composition containing a number of tricky situations and scenes. Mr. Harkins' company however, did well with it and the principals added materially to the laurels they have already gained here.

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W. S. Kaye, who has been visiting in the city the past week, left Tuesday for his home in Moncton.

The Harkins Company has given excellent satisfaction on this visit and it is a pleasing fact that the volume of their business is increasing nightly. The Runaways will be repeated tonight and the bill for Friday and Saturday evenings will be A Mad Love, a dramatization of the well known novel, Lady Audley's Secret. Hello Bill will be presented at the Saturday matinee.

Dr. Geo. A. Hetherington has been confined to his residence for the past three weeks with a severe attack of a gripple. His many friends will be pleased to learn that he is recovering.