

THE WEATHER. Toronto, Nov. 7.—Pressure which for several days has been unusually high over Canada and the middle states is now decreasing. Light rains fell this evening in Southern Ontario caused by a very shallow depression passing northward over the Ohio Valley. The weather continues fine and mild in the western provinces. Prince Rupert 52 48 Vancouver 54 50 Toronto 56 40 Moose Jaw 21 46 Winnipeg 22 46 White River 18 44 London 24 50 Ottawa 26 38 Montreal 28 34 Quebec 22 34 Maritime—Moderate winds, mostly overcast with light falls of sleet or rain. Northern New England—Cloudy and unsettled Monday; Tuesday fair, no change in temperature; moderate variable winds.

AROUND THE CITY

FOUR ARRESTS. A quartet of drunks spent the week-end at the Central Police Station. Three came in on Saturday and the Sabbath contributed its quota of one.

ATTENDED CONFERENCE. Hon. W. F. Roberts, Minister of Health, is expected home today. Dr. Roberts was in Ottawa attending the Child Welfare Conference, and afterwards visited New York and Boston in the interests of matters connected with the Department of Public Health.

LEAVES FOR ST. DUNSTAN'S. Harry J. Osborne severed his connection with Vassie and Company Saturday and leaves today for Charlottetown, P. E. I., where he will take up a course of studies in St. Dunstan's University. His fellow employees in the firm made him the recipient of useful presents. Mr. Osborne is a clever young man and his friends feel confident of his success.

AFFIRMATIVE SIDE WON. The Tuxis Square of St. Mary's Church held a debate in the school room on Friday evening, at which the question discussed was "Resolved that dancing is detrimental to the sexes." Those taking part were: For the negative, E. Dykeman, G. Coleman, W. McCain, A. Hunt. For the affirmative, A. Wetmore, G. Love, A. Baxter, A. Davis. The judges, W. Ingraham, G. Sinclair, C. P. Wetmore, Edward Clayton, decided that the affirmative side won the debate.

VITAL STATISTICS. Eighteen deaths were reported to the Board of Health during last week as follows: Pneumonia, three; premature birth, two; old age, three; eczema, paratyphoid, spleen abscess, heart failure, shock and burns, arterio sclerosis, broncho pneumonia, laryngeal diphtheria, mitral regurgitation, sarcoma of right lung and valvular heart disease each one. Six marriages and eighteen births were reported during the week. The boys outnumbered the girls twelve to six.

PRENTICE BOYS' FAIR. Saturday night was voted a grand success by both the management and the visitors to the Prentice Boys' Fair in the Carleton Curling Rink. All the booths were well patronized and the Marielle Band's fine programme added to the gaiety of the occasion. The prize winners were: Bagatelle, silver pickle dish, P. Fullerton; air gun, butter dish, A. V. Duffy; flood gate, umbrella, Miss MacLeod; devil among the tailors, casserole pie dish, H. Fowler; ten pins, set of razors, H. O'Toole; umbrella, J. P. Fitzgerald; bean bag, silver sugar bowl, J. Maxwell; excelsior, electric lamp, T. Emerson; ring toss, casserole, B. McHarg; umbrella, F. Crozier; door prize, leather hand bag, Miss Beattie Parks. As tonight is the final night of the fair, extra door prizes will be awarded.

Large Congregation At Portland Church. Rev. Harry Clarke Preached Second of Sermons on Literary Subjects. The second of a series of sermons on literary subjects was preached by Rev. Harry Clarke, at Portland street Methodist church last evening before a large congregation. "Caliban upon Setebos, or is God Capricious?" was the title of the address. The preacher discussed Robert Browning's poem showing that it gave the nuances of the grotesque monster, imagined by Shakespeare upon his idea of the God Setebos. Caliban in the poem speaks in the third person and tells how he judges God by himself. He thinks God is capricious, cruel. "Loving not, hating not, just choosing so," and laughing at the sorrows of humans. This was not Browning's own religion. He believed supremely in a God of Love. In one of his poems he says: "The loving worm within his clod were diviner than a breathless God Amid His worlds." The preacher pointed out that God is not capricious, but governs, guides and controls the world according to the Spirit of Love.

IN MEMORIAM. In loving memory of Alexander Smith, Assessor, N. B., who was killed in action at the battle of Pecheville, November 7th, 1917. "Come but not forgotten." FAMILY.

Fire Alarm Box Was Defective

Delay Caused in Sending in Alarm—St. Mary's Church Badly Damaged Sunday. A fire of a mysterious origin which broke out in a small store room in the rear of St. Mary's Church, Waterloo street, early Sunday morning caused damage to the extent of \$500 before being brought under control by the fire department. The loss is covered by insurance. The fire was discovered by Mrs. McKim, the pastor's wife, and her father, W. Gilchrist, rang in the alarm from Box 44. The box failed to work and the alarm was telephoned in to Burgin House No. 2 from the General Public Hospital. Andrew Phillips also discovered the blaze at about three o'clock as Mrs. McKim and tried to ring in an alarm from Box 44 but met with better results. As the box failed to function the alarm was rung in from the engine house itself at 12.23. The fire was extinguished in about 40 minutes. A portion of the wall of the church was badly charred by the fire. An expensive altar cloth kept in the store room was burnt and the chance carpet badly damaged by water. The defective fire alarm is being repaired.

Record of The Steamer St. George

Ship Once on Bay Route and Cruiser During War is Now Training Ship. Once the passenger "flyer" between Digby and St. John, later, at the outbreak of the war, a scout-cruiser in the North Atlantic, off the Canadian and American coast, then a troop transport across the English Channel, and now a coast training ship in the British navy—that is the record of the steamship St. George since the C. P. R. bought the vessel and brought her out from England three years previous to the war and placed her on the Bay of Fundy route; she succeeded on the side whoser France Rupert, another Clyde-built "flyer" in those days, and which was sold to Cuban parties. The St. George is now on another cruise from Plymouth, Las Palmas being her destination. She has a full complement of cadets from the Nautical College at Pangbourne. Captain Cardiff was master of the St. George when she was on this side of the Atlantic, but now Captain J. Hamilton Blair, D. S. C., is in command of the ship. During the war Captain Cardiff was in command; Captain Barclay was first officer; Gray Leonard, a former West St. John boy was second officer and Colon McKay of the Standard writing staff was third officer.

Cathedral Bazaar Opened On Saturday

Large Crowd Visited Y. M. C. I. — Proceeds Devoted to School Building Fund. The Cathedral Bazaar opened in the Y. M. C. I. last Saturday evening under most auspicious circumstances. A large crowd were in attendance and fully enjoyed the attractions offered by the large number of artistically decorated booths. A splendid programme of music was rendered by the City Cornet Band and added much to the pleasure of those attending the bazaar. The big attraction will be continued throughout the week and the proceeds raised from it will be devoted to the school building fund. All the different booths are under the supervision of the several women's societies in the Cathedral parish. A particularly attractive section of the bazaar is the ice cream room which is being conducted by the St. Monica's Society. The room is decorated with evergreen boughs, and the tables with brass candlesticks and large red candles. The effect is both striking and pleasing. All the different booths throughout the building have also been treated in an equally tasty manner and have called forth much favorable comment. A pleasing color scheme has been secured by the use of the Alumnae colors in the candy booth under the supervision of the young ladies of St. Vincent's Alumnae.

The Convenors. The convenors of the different booths are as follows:—ice cream room, St. Monica's Society, convenor, Mrs. R. J. Coffey; treasurer, Mrs. D. C. Deardon; candy booth, St. Vincent's Alumnae, general convenor, Miss Annie Gosnell, president of the Alumnae. Convenors, Saturday, Mrs. Ernest Marley; Monday, Miss Doris McInnes; Tuesday, Mrs. Godwin; Wednesday, Mrs. DeLay; Thursday, Mrs. W. Pougnet; Friday, Miss Viva Waterbury; Saturday, Miss Catherine Higgins. Fancy work booth, Children of Mary Society, Miss Mollie Cronin; soft drinks booth, convenor, Mrs. John Stockford; refreshment booth, St. Vincent de Paul Society, convenor, Mrs. Haney; domestic science, St. Anne's Society.

WOMEN DOING FALL HOUSECLEANING

Will find some excellent bargains in certain goods at Dykeman's Clearance Sale. Scrims for instance, both plain and fancy, at 25c. per yard. Cottons, regular 75c. quality for 50c. per yard, and many other items equally as cheap. Also Blankets at \$1.50 per pair, and Comforters at bargain prices. See these on their third floor.

Bridge Foundations About Completed

Progress Retarded by Lack of Cement—Will Finish Work Middle of December. The Foundation Company, Limited, of Montreal, which has had the contract for laying the foundation for the steel work of the new bridge structure to be thrown over the Severable Falls by the C. P. R., will, within a month, have completed their work. The work, which was started as soon as working conditions were favorable last spring, has moved along most successfully considering the various handicaps under which the company worked, and the whole work will be completed in about two weeks before the time limit specified in the contract's terms. F. G. Rutley was the resident engineer and superintendent for the Foundation Company. Mr. C. P. R. Draper, resident engineer for the C. P. R., looked after the railroad company's interest, while L. C. Jacobs, superintendent of construction in Canada for the Foundation Company, occasionally visited the "job" to note progress being made. Superintendent Rutley was fortunate in securing a competent crew of assistants and faithful helpers, and as a result the whole machinery moved with clock-like precision.

Excavations Made

Two River Piers. The company has moved on the contract 11,000 cubic yards of rock, 4,000 cubic yards of earth, and will set 800 cubic yards of granite masonry in the two river piers. The land work has been completed. That means that ten massive piers of concrete masonry are finished, and a quarter of a mile of rock cut for the main line of the C. P. R., as well as a heavy cut on the east end for steel work. The most difficult part of the whole work has been in connection with the construction of the two river piers. To begin with it was necessary to blast out a portion of the two cliffs, one on each side of the river. Then, again, there was a fifteen-foot tide to contend with and the location a dangerous spot for workmen. Cofferdams had to be built to control the water during the rock excavations and laying of concrete and masonry. The foundations for both of these river piers have been completed and the granite masonry is well under way.

Work Retarded

The work has been greatly retarded because of lack of cement. The impossibility of securing a full and complete supply when needed has been one of the handicaps that prevented an earlier completion of the work. Another factor entering into the work which has retarded progress was the extreme care that had to be exercised in the blasting of rock, and in the digging for land piers. Because of the proximity of houses and on account of the nearness of the old bridge the company was unable to employ as powerful blasts as they otherwise would have, for fear of damage to the houses and a weakening of the old bridge structure. Care was required in digging for the land piers, because of their nearness to the foundations of the old bridge. All these things caused a little slowness in the progress of the work.

Day and Night Shifts

An average of 150 men have been employed on the work. The work is continuous, night and day shifts being on the job. In all a carload of dynamite has been employed in the excavation work, as well as hundreds of tons of cement and gravel for the concrete work. Superintendent Rutley may take commendable pride in the work accomplished under his direction. The massive piers of concrete masonry constitute the best work of the kind ever seen hereabouts and have called forth favorable comments from authorities on structures of this nature. For a work of such magnitude, it has been remarkably free from accidents. One life was lost and a few workmen suffered minor injuries. That more serious happenings to life and limb have not occurred is a tribute to the efficiency of the system employed by Superintendent Rutley. It is not expected to start the steel work on the foundations laid before next spring.

Y.M.C.A. Boys Hiked To Howe's Cave

A bunch of Y. M. C. A. boys numbering twenty-seven in all, hiked out to Howe's Cave Saturday afternoon under the direction of Herb Morton, Boys' Work Secretary. Candies were taken along and the cave was given the once over by candle light. From the cave the boys proceeded to Log's Lake, and they came back through the park to the "Y" where they enjoyed the showers and pool and left for home with appetites a bear might have envied. They vouch for the fact that it takes this crisp November weather to put the proper pep into a good old hike.

NOTICE

The Retail Merchants' Association have arranged to meet at Henry Drayton, the minister of finance, on his visit to St. John, Tuesday, November 9th, regarding the luxury tax. We cannot give the hour of this meeting until Sir Henry arrives. Call Meade 1010, Tuesday morning to learn the hour. It is urgent that all retail merchants attend the meeting.

NOTICE

All merchants in the city kindly call at 49 Gormans street and sign the resolution to be presented to Sir Henry Drayton, asking for the removal of the luxury tax.

WOMEN'S HOSPITAL AID. Special meeting Monday, 8 o'clock. Board of Trade. CLIFTON HOUSE. ALL MEALS 50c.

Tariff Commission Here Tomorrow

Canadian Manufacturers' Association and Individual Industries Will be Represented. Several briefs will be read before the Tariff Commission which sits here Tuesday. The Canadian Manufacturers' Association will be represented by the Dominion First Vice-President, W. S. Fisher of Emerson, and Fisher of this city. Several individual industries will have special representatives in attendance. T. S. Stums & Co. will be represented by L. W. Stums, and A. D. Gagnon of Gagnon Bros. St. Stephen will represent the local coalfielders. The Retail Merchants' Association may possibly have a representative present, but nothing has been definitely decided on the matter as yet. The commission has already been to Charlottetown, Sydney and Halifax. It will leave here for Moncton on Wednesday. The two New Brunswick cities will complete the commission's tour in the Maritime Provinces. The aim of the commission is to ascertain the local view point in regard to the tariff question and how it affects each industry individually. The result of the commission's investigation should prove of great assistance at Ottawa when the revision of the tariff is taken up by the Federal Government.

St. Mary's Band Receive Instruments

Local Musical Organization Went Overseas With 140th Battalion. The St. Mary's Band have purchased a new set of instruments and the perfect insubdu mfwy war o... the first installment having arrived in the city will be placed on exhibition in Macaulay Bros. Ltd., King street window tomorrow. The instruments are said to be the first that has ever reached the maritime provinces and Bandmaster Harold Williams and other members of St. Mary's are greatly pleased with them. Organized in 1903. The band was organized in 1903, and for the seventeen years lapsed has had quite an interesting history. From 1903 to 1913 the band progressed under the leadership of the late Prof. Charles Williams, and his son Charles H. When the war broke out the band numbered 35 pieces, and 27 of the members enlisted for overseas. The bandmaster was given a set of instruments by the Daughters of the Empire, and public subscriptions conducted by the St. John Standard, and for the digging for land piers. Because of the proximity of houses and on account of the nearness of the old bridge the company was unable to employ as powerful blasts as they otherwise would have, for fear of damage to the houses and a weakening of the old bridge structure. Care was required in digging for the land piers, because of their nearness to the foundations of the old bridge. All these things caused a little slowness in the progress of the work.

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Ford Assembling Plant Purchased

Understood Transfer is Completed and Extensive Manufacturing to be Started. An unconfirmed rumor was circulated in several quarters yesterday to the effect that a transfer had been completed of the old Ford assembling plant at Coldbrook, which is about three miles distant from the city. It is understood that the purchasers are outside interests and the plant will be re-fitted immediately for the purpose of carrying on an extensive manufacturing business, which will afford employment for a large number of men. The second of a series of five sermons was delivered last evening at the Fairville Baptist church, by the pastor, Rev. A. S. Bishop, the subject chosen being "How Jesus Would Get Everyone in the Church to Work." taking his text from Matthew, chapter 10.

Rev. A. S. Bishop Preached to Large Congregation in Fairville Baptist Church.

The pastor began by asking the question, "Would Jesus bring this about by a miracle or by using the methods we use today?" and answered the question by stating, "Jesus would use our methods, which are, first: Education; second, Personal Leadership; and third, by appealing to great motives. The music for the evening was of an unusual and high order. At 6.50 p.m. a pipe organ recital was given by Miss McAllister. During the service anthems and a quartette were sung by the members of the choir.

IRON CONFERENCE CONTINUES

Montreal, Nov. 7.—The conference between the Dominion Coal Company and the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company on the one hand, and the officials of the Nova Scotia miners and of the United Mine Workers of America on the other, looking to the avoidance of a Nova Scotia coal miners' strike, are still proceeding and will be continued tomorrow.

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