

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Westerly wind, fair and cooler.
Toronto, March 2.—Fair weather has prevailed throughout the greater part of Canada, but a few light snow falls have occurred in Alberta, and from the lake region to the Maritime Provinces. No pronounced temperature changes have occurred.
Minimum and maximum temperatures:
Dawson—10 below, 10.
Edmonton—14, 42.
Winnipeg—16, 24.
Perry Sound—12, 15.
Toronto—25, 32.
Ottawa—16, 24.
Montreal—22, 28.
St. John—22, 26.
Halifax—22, 26.
Lower Lawrence and Gulf—North-westerly and westerly winds, fair and moderately cold.

AROUND THE CITY

Boston Train Late.
The Boston Express was 45 minutes late last night, having been delayed by a derailed freight train near Westfield Beach.

Caught The Uster Man.
About noon yesterday William Thompson was arrested for indecent conduct on Union street, and was fined eight dollars.

Off The Royal George.
Two special trains loaded with immigrants bound for the West, arrived in the depot from Halifax this morning about three o'clock and after a short stay here proceeded West. They arrived at Halifax on the C. N. R. steamer Royal George.

Refused Admittance.
Yesterday there arrived from the North Shore, a young woman who had a ticket for Bangor, and who was refused admittance into the United States by the Immigration officials. She remained about the depot for a while. Being somewhat under the influence of liquor, she tore up her ticket, and in strong language told what she thought of the officials.

County Assessment.
The county officials are busy making up the assessment for the year. It is said that the county assessment will be a little larger than last year, especially in the parish of Simonds where property has recently made a considerable advance in value owing to the projects of development work around Courtenay Bay. The tax bills will be sent out in April.

Commission Plans.
The Citizens' Committee have organized sub-committees in Dukes, Kings, Queens, Lorne, and Stanley wards, and committee rooms will be opened in a few days. A meeting of the executive will be held this afternoon, and there will be a public meeting in the Temple of Honor hall this evening, at which W. H. Thorne, T. H. Eastbrook, M. E. Agar, and D. P. Pigeon will speak.

Military Veterans' Dance.
There was a large attendance of the members of the New Brunswick Military Veterans in their rooms, Market Building, last night. The principal business discussed was the holding of the tenth annual dinner, and it was decided that it be held in Wannamaker's Restaurant on the night of the 22nd. A committee was appointed to make the arrangements.

Police Busy.
The police made about a half dozen arrests last night mostly on the charge of intoxication. One of these was a boy 17 years of age who was arrested on Union street and a part of a bottle of gin was found in his pockets. Another arrest was that of Annie Baker, aged 17 years, who was gathered in about 8:30 o'clock on Brussels street by Policemen Marshall and Sullivan, and is charged with being a common vagrant with no means of support.

New Fire Nozzle.
Yesterday No. 3 hose wagon was fitted with the new invisible nozzle, which at the request of Chief Kerr was ordered a few weeks ago. The new fire fighting apparatus is fitted across the wagon box in the rear of the driver's seat and there are inlets for two streams of hose on each side of the wagon. With these four streams going through an inch and three-quarter nozzle, a great and powerful volume of water can be thrown on a big fire. The branch pipe is so arranged that one man can work a stream in any direction from the cart. The new device is from the Morse Company Works in Boston, Mass., and will prove a valuable addition to the department.

St. Patrick's Day Parade.
A well attended meeting of the delegates from the different Catholic societies was held in the A.O.H. rooms, Union street, last night, for the purpose of discussing the holding of a parade on March 17th. It was decided to engage two bands for the occasion and the societies that will participate will be the A. O. H., the A. O. H. Cadets, the I. L. B. Society, St. Peter's Society, St. Joseph's Society, and the P. M. A. The route of procession will be from King street East to Sydney street, thence to Waterloo street, and the members will attend a 9 o'clock mass at the Cathedral. After the service the procession will reform and will parade to Richmond street, Brussels street, Union to Dock, thence to King street, disbanding on the South Side of the King Square.

W. C. T. U. CONCERT.
Following the quarterly meeting of the St. John W. C. T. U. in Union Hall, North End, a concert will be given under the auspices of the North End union. The programme includes some of the best talent in the city and is as follows:
Piano duet—Miss Myles and Master Roberts.
Solo—Miss Beaulac A. Irvine.
Reading—Miss Clara Leitch.
Quintet—Messrs. Holder, Vincent, Drake and Belyea.
Vocal solo—Elmer Holder.
Dialogue—Misses Corbett and Spence.
Duet—Stanley and Wilmer Williams.
Reading—Miss Worden.
Vocal solo—F. Anthony.
Selection—Milo quartette.
Piano solo—Miss Hale.
Solo—L. Belyea.
Piano solo—Miss Vera Corbett.
Reading—Miss B. Pike.
Solo—Miss Bernice Humphreys.
Reading—Steve Matthews.
Solo—Stanley Williams.
Reading—Helen Pendleton.

FISH MARKET PATROLS CANADIAN MARKETS

Business Manager Britain Says He is Not Worrying Over Reciprocity, as Americans Cannot Compete Successfully

According to A.H. Brittain, business manager of the fish merger, who was at the royal yesterday on his way to Digby and other parts of Nova Scotia, the big Canadian fish companies are not worrying over the proposed reciprocity agreement.
'We will be able to get about all the fish we need to supply our Canadian markets,' he said. 'Last year the American firms bought a good deal of green fish in Nova Scotia, but we were not worried by their competition. Our companies are making a speciality of supplying the Canadian markets, and last year we cut down the shipments of fish from Boston and Gloucester to Montreal and Toronto by one-half, and as we perfect our shipping arrangements and improve our market connections we will drive the American dealers out of the Canadian markets altogether.
'Our concern has two steam trawlers at work, and although some people are opposed to their use, we think they will soon be convinced that they are an improvement on the old method of fishing. Owing to the use of these vessels we were able to secure a steady supply of fresh fish for the big Canadian cities, an important consideration in developing a market for fresh fish. A short time ago if you tried to sell cod in Toronto the dealers were liable to shoot you, but by sending them a good quality and giving steady supply we have done much to overcome the prejudice to the great advantage of other shippers and the fishermen generally.
'Our company is also operating with fishing schooners of the usual Canadian type. One of these vessels which we had built in Shelburne has been beating the best of them out of Gloucester, landing from 80,000 to 100,000 pounds of fish every trip.'

FRIENDLY TO CANADA IN NEWFOUNDLAND

Resentment at Blocking of Hay-Bond Treaty Dying Out—President Says Another Arrangement is Imminent.

'Although Canada blocked the Hay-Bond reciprocity arrangement, Newfoundland is not likely to offer any opposition to the proposed treaty between Canada and the states,' said J. P. Chetwynd, of Grand Bruit, Newfoundland, who was at the Dufferin yesterday.
'There was a good deal of feeling against Canada over the Hay-Bond affair, but it has all died away,' he added. 'An impression prevails in the island that Premier Morris has something up his sleeve, and that if the Canadian-American arrangement goes through, Newfoundland will have the help of Canada in making a treaty of its own with the United States. Of course nothing definite is known, but it is believed that Morris has an understanding with both Ottawa and Washington.
'Morris believes that it would be a great thing if the island could get a free market for herring in the states. The islanders could carry on this business cheaper than the Yankees, and stop American vessels coming to our coast every winter.
'Newfoundland feels quite friendly to Canada, because the Canadian representatives stood by us at The Hague. Also we are getting a good market for our salmon and halibut in Canada.'

REV. DR. CHOWN HAS INSPIRING MESSAGE

The reception given to Dr. S. D. Chown and Rev. T. Albert Moore in the Centenary church last evening, was a most enjoyable function. After the supper, served at 6 o'clock in the school room, Geo. A. Henderson extended a welcome on behalf of the Methodist churches of the city, to the two officers, Dr. Chown and Dr. Moore responded briefly.
At the public meeting, opened at 8 o'clock, in the church, Dr. Chown gave an eloquent address, dealing with the spirit of criticism abroad in the land, and urging more attention to the social message of Christ.
The resistance offered to certain views which have arisen within the church was not, he said, an opposition to liberty, but to certain tendencies likely to be destructive to evangelical faith. The church believes in liberty but it recognizes that liberty may be dangerous. It has no objection to anyone seeking to reconstruct an epoch of the Old Testament, but it would advise that he do not try to interpret these epochs until he is sure that he realizes their spiritual significance.
Truth is a Divine essence within knowledge that has the power to transform character. It bears the same relation to knowledge that the spirit of man does to his body.
Unbroken Faith.
The winds of criticism were abroad in the land. But the truth of the Christian message penetrated so deeply into the hearts and minds of men that their faith remained unshaken.
Continuing the speaker said the Sunday schools were the most important agencies for saving souls ever devised, but they should be reanimated and strengthened for their work. Many men who tried to work out the social message of Christ felt they were ostracized. But Methodism has a place for men inspired by the social message of Christ, whether they touched politics, economics or ethics. Christ had drawn a picture of a social state which he called the Kingdom of Heaven. But the men of His time could not understand how they could translate those glorious ethical principles into their lives.
The church had only recently come to a realization of the importance of Christ's social message. For ten or

GENERAL MEETING OF TRADE UNIONISM

Committee Appointed Last Evening to Hold Big Mass Meeting—Women Workers to be Organized.

At a meeting of the Trades and Labor Council held last evening, a committee consisting of M. J. Burns, C. H. Stevens, Jas. McGillivray, M. P. Donovan, P. Brown, H. T. Campbell and P. Holm was appointed to make arrangements for holding a mass meeting of workmen in the near future to discuss unionism and civic questions.
The organizing committee of the council will have a busy time for the next few weeks. The committee has been canvassing some of the unorganized trades, and as a result quite a number of workers in branches at present unorganized have agreed to join unions. A general unrest is apparent in labor circles, owing to the fact that while there is much talk of prosperity in some quarters, the workers have begun to realize that the great increase in the cost of living, which has been attended by a corresponding increase in the wages of labor is likely to be a permanent condition. All the signs point to the development of an epidemic of organization on the part of the workers with the object of preventing a further reduction of the standard of living.
At one time there were 22 unions in St. John, with an aggregate membership of over 3,000 men. Some of these unions are now defunct, but it is expected that they will be revived, and many new unions formed within the next few months.
The question of organizing the women workers will also engage attention. Hitherto very little has been done in Canada in the way of organizing the women, but as a result of the action recently taken by the Montreal Trades and Labor Council, the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada will shortly appoint women organizers who will devote their time to the work of organizing their sisters.

ANNUAL MEETING OF C. OF E. INSTITUTE

The annual meeting of the Church of England Institute was held last evening in their hall on Germain street. The report of the treasurer showed that the year had been a fairly successful one, the ladies' association having a balance on hand of \$130.00. The following officers were elected for the year:
President—Rev. E. B. Hooper, re-elected.
Vice-presidents—J. K. Schofield, J. E. Secord, Mrs. W. O. Raymond, Mrs. J. K. Schofield, Mrs. G. F. Smith.
Council—Robert E. Coupe, N. W. Brennan, W. H. B. Saddle, H. H. Pickel, E. L. Loring, F. K. Brown, R. Cason, Mrs. E. M. Shadbolt, Mrs. John MacMillan, Mrs. Thomas Walker, Mrs. John M. Hay, Mrs. W. Neale, Mrs. W. D. Forster, Mrs. S. T. Vaughan.
The council will meet later to appoint a secretary and treasurer.
A discussion took place on the advisability of increasing the membership of the Institute and various plans of bringing in new members were proposed.
The council will meet next Monday.

PROF. EMERY'S PUPILS RECEIVE AN OVATION

The concert given by Miss Marjorie Stalling, Miss Ethel Creighton, and Miss Dorothy Creighton, pupils of M. H. Emery, last evening, was very creditable to teachers and pupils. Miss Stalling, pianist, though very young, showed a marked talent in all her pieces, her playing being marked by great depth of feeling, especially in her rendition of Scherzo by Chopin. In the Foglito, composed by Mr. Emery, her pedal work and scale passages were shown to great advantage.
Miss Ethel Creighton, contralto, exhibited great dramatic power, particularly in the Recitativo and Aria from Carmen. Her interpretations of the childhood scenes by Whelpley were marked by great insight, the winds and procession days being particularly well received.
Miss Dorothy Creighton charmed her audience with her bright, clear voice. Her first song, 'I love and the world is mine,' received an ovation. In the Mother Goose melodies she was also heard with fine effect. All three young ladies were enthusiastically applauded, but they did not respond to encores. At the close the audience crowded around Mr. Emery and his pupils, and extended them hearty congratulations.

Methodism must now do what it did in the beginning—help those who are down.
Rev. T. Albert Moore Speaks.
In opening his address, Rev. T. Albert Moore said Dr. Chown was an overworked man and after the meeting this afternoon should not be asked to address another meeting until Sunday.
The chairman—Ask the reporters present to announce that the meeting on Friday evening will be withdrawn.
Dr. Moore—I thank you on behalf of the church. Dr. Chown will be spared longer to its service.
Continuing Mr. Moore gave an interesting description of the evangelical methods employed in the Methodist church, and urged the audience to put into application the great principles presented by Dr. Chown.
There will be a conference for ministers and church officers this morning at Centenary, and a public meeting this afternoon. The proposed evening meeting in Exmouth church was cancelled as related.

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