THE WEATHER

Toronto, Jan. 24.—The barometric centre is now higher over the Great Lakes and is moving quite rapidly to the westward. The weather has moderated in the Western Provinces and Northern Ontario while from Ottawa Valley to the Maritime Provinces it continues extremely cold.

St. John	[illegible]	[illegible]
Halifax	[illegible]	[illegible]
Prince Rupert	[illegible]	[illegible]
Victoria	[illegible]	[illegible]
Vancouver	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kamloops	[illegible]	[illegible]
Edmonton	[illegible]	[illegible]
Prince Albert	[illegible]	[illegible]
Medicine Hat	[illegible]	[illegible]
Moose Jaw	[illegible]	[illegible]
Saskatoon	[illegible]	[illegible]
Regina	[illegible]	[illegible]
Winnipeg	[illegible]	[illegible]
Port Arthur	[illegible]	[illegible]
White River	[illegible]	[illegible]
Parry Sound	[illegible]	[illegible]
London	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Montreal	[illegible]	[illegible]
Quebec	[illegible]	[illegible]
Halifax	[illegible]	[illegible]

—Below zero.

Forecast

Maritime—Fresh northwest winds; fine and very cold.

Northern New England—Fair and cold Wednesday; Thursday fair with slowly rising temperature; moderate to fresh northwest winds.

AROUND THE CITY

HEAVY SNOW DRIFTS.

Reports from country districts are to the effect that the snow had drifted very high during the gale on Sunday and teams found difficulty in getting through.

CITY HALL ELEVATOR.

The elevator for the City Hall has been shipped and workmen from the A. R. Williams Machinery Company will commence this week cutting away the stairway to provide space.

CAUSED A RUNAWAY.

About seven yesterday a snowball thrown by a boy struck a horse owned by the Vail Globe Laundry on Waterloo street, and was the cause of the horse running away. The sleigh attached was broken before the horse was stopped near the corner of Cliff street.

EMPLOYMENT OFFICE.

Yesterday morning nine men registered at the St. John registration and employment office. Five applications for workers were received, one coming from Campbellton asking for a woman. Four permanent positions for men to work in the woods were filled yesterday; also three temporary two men and one for a woman.

DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS.

The work of removing ice and snow from the city streets yesterday provided work for thirty teams and a large crew of men. A start has been made in hauling stone from Hilyard avenue to Newman Bridge, giving employment to ten men. The work on the Shamrock grounds gives work to twenty-seven men. In the emergency work at Nelson's wharf, nine men were engaged in hoisting in the piling which have been driven and more men will be put to work next week.

MILITARY APPOINTMENTS.

The following appointment and transfer are noted in Military Orders as issued by Lieut.-Colonel A. H. H. Powell:

Canadian Postal Corps. To be lieutenant Elmer Raymond Ingraham, gentleman, 1st March, 1921. (Auth. G. O. 11, 1921.)

Transfer to Corps Reserve: Prov. Major James Edmund White, the Northumberland N. B. Regiment, is transferred to the Corps Reserve, with the rank of captain, with effect from 14th June, 1921. (Auth. G. O. 42, 1921.)

Winter Traffic Shows Improvement

Winter traffic at this port during the past week shows a general improvement, and the prospects are for good business the remainder of the season.

Grain shipments are heavier than last winter, and to date a total of 1,132,276 bushels have been sent forward, compared with 3,000,000 for the corresponding period of the previous season. Last season it was not until February 21 that an equal bulk of grain was loaded into vessels.

The Last Day For Skating Champs Film

This is the last day for the moving pictures of the Canadian Amateur Skating Championships at the Imperial. Already immense crowds have enjoyed the splendid reproduction of the races, the thousands of spectators and the contestants and it is safe to say some still more thousands will see them today. The pictures will be shown at every show. There is a new programme, one of Zane Grey's great adventure yarns "The Man Of The Forest" with Robert Mckim, Claire Adams and other favorites in the cast.

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COMMON COUNCIL CONSIDERED ESTIMATES FOR 1922 YESTERDAY

Those of Water and Sewerage and Public Works Departments Submitted—Appropriations of Public Works Calls for $29,640.25 Increase—Water and Sewerage Increase is $30,137.14.

The appropriations for 1922 of the Public Works Department and of the Water and Sewerage Department, were submitted to the common council, and considered in committee of the whole yesterday afternoon.

The Public Works Appropriation called for $360,200.29, an increase of $29,640.25 over last year, due to interest charges on the extensive street paving and other work undertaken during the past year.

Water and Sewerage asked for $365,804, an increase of $30,137.14 due to interest charges on the new Spruce Lake main.

Commissioner Thornton was unable to be present at yesterday's meeting because of sickness.

The report of the committee of the whole, as already published was adopted.

Commissioner Bullock then brought up the matter of unexpended balances and expressed himself in favor of a return to the practice followed previous to 1921; that of a unanimous vote for all expenditures calling for bond issue.

Commissioner Frink said there was only one way to deal with the matter, and that was to complete the work and then ask for a bond issue. He said it was not always possible to know what the costs would be, as in the case of paving of Prince Edward street, the cost of asphalt, gravel and sand, etc. had fallen after the work was begun and it had been done at a smaller cost than was first anticipated.

Report of Conference.

The report of a conference between the city engineer, the C. P. R. engineers, and a representative of the Railway Commission was submitted to the council by G. G. Hare, city engineer. He reported that he had informed the meeting that a permanent structure of the reinforced concrete would be the most acceptable type to the city. That the city was willing to accept whatever design the C. P. R. should care to submit, and that if the C. P. R. did not care to do so, that plans should be secured from the architect who designed similar structures for the city of Halifax.

Commissioner Frink drew attention to the fact that the approach to the proposed overhead crossing from Douglas avenue would be one of 12 per cent. He claimed that the city engineer, road engineer and Commissioner of Public Works be called upon to submit a report suggesting any possible improvement on this grade, was carried.

Commissioner Bullock moved that notice to quit be given to each of the corporation's tenants as he deemed necessary. Carried.

Considered Estimates.

The Council then went into the committee of the whole to consider estimates.

Commissioner Frink submitted his schedule of appropriations for 1922, which were discussed item by item.

Public Works Appropriation for 1922.

Street maintenance—Appropriation, $110,800; cut, $2,800.

Public stables—$10,857; cut, $2,642.62.

Public squares—$8,000; increase, $1,000.

Steam plant—$11,305; cut, $1,000.

New asphalt pavements—$5,000; same as last year.

Disposal garbage—$3,500.

Salaries—$9,285.22; same as last year.

Office rent, City Hall—$100; fixed charge.

Interest sinking fund—$19,718.59; increase, $33,821.06.

Workmen's Compensation Board—$2,324.04; increase, $767.22.

Marsh road, first payment five year—$6,263.29.

Rockwood playground—$500.

Collection charges, three per cent.—$7,380.66.

Total assessment including collection and assessment—$260,267.22.

1921 appropriation—$230,546.25.

Increase due to interest charges—$29,639.04.

The appropriation for street maintenance asked was $110,800. Last year the amount was $114,000, showing a reduction of $3,000. Commissioner Frink said that the cost of street maintenance might be reduced if the proposed wage schedule went through, and that the paving of Douglas avenue, Prince Edward street and City road would effect a considerable saving in the cost of cleaning those streets.

He stated that he would not reduce the salary of the street sweepers, as he had made good by reducing the amount of hay used by thirty-seven tons, a saving of $1,200 in fodder, so that the men's salary, $1,242, would stand.

The mayor thought that the appropriation of $6,000 to cover the feeding of the department's fourteen horses, was high, and Commissioner Frink said he had effected reductions in this matter for two years. His total appropriation for street department estimates amounted to $10,857, a cut of $2,012.62.

What is Wanted.

The commissioner said he had made provision for the securing of a two and a half ton Clydesdale truck, similar to the one now used by his department, and which had been found to be the most satisfactory in every respect of any in use. He also wished a derrick and boiler for the stone quarry at a cost of $4,000. He intended, he said, should save an enormous amount of manual labor.

The Mayor thought that this would be a way will the avenue of providing employment but the commissioner maintained that it was not helping matters to provide employment unprofitable to the city.

Appropriations were also called for an electric drill for the quarry at a cost of $175, and a "Ford car, covered."

Covered Ford Car.

It developed that the Ford car covered was a sedan, and Commissioner Jones opined that no commissioner was warranted in having a car. Commissioner Frink disclaimed purchasing the car for himself. He said it was for his department. The present one had curtains on it that would never remain buttoned, and flapped in one's face and let the elements in during stormy weather. He would use the car in his daily inspection of department work embracing all parts of the city. He thought that he had as much right to a $1,100 car as the Commissioner of Public Safety or the Commissioner of Water and Sewerage had to a $2,000 car.

Public Squares.

The appropriation for public squares amounted to $8,000. The amount to be expended in placing an ornamental standard lamp on King square, additional work on Victoria, Haymarket Queen and the other squares.

The Mayor recommended that attention be given to the West Side squares and that the placing of the German guns on concrete bases be seen to.

The $8,000 appropriated to new asphalt pavement will be spent extending the new pavement on Princess street from Sydney to Carmarthen, and on Duke street from Charlotte to Sydney. It will be of the same character as that on King street, with an estimated life of from five to seven years.

The Mayor asked for a detailed account of what went to make up the expenses calling for $3,500 for garbage removal.

Estimate for Salaries.

The estimate for salaries $9,285.22, was the same as last year. Commissioner Frink said he did not intend making his department the goat in the revision of salaries. If there was to be a cut it would have to be made on an equality basis. Neither the school board nor the board of health had made any such revision, although they took up twothirds of the civic revenue, over which the City Council had no control.

He said the big increase in his appropriation was due to the interest on the sinking fund, which had increased by $33,821.06 and which was brought about by the large amount of street work done to satisfy the public demand for improved thoroughfares.

He asked for $500 for the Rockwood playgrounds which with a balance on hand of $600, would assure the putting of the grounds into fair shape.

Commissioner Bullock was informed that the new truck was an urgent necessity in view of the large amount expended on team hire.

He said Deck and Mill street would have to be taken care of this year, as both streets were in very bad shape and in places positively dangerous, but he did not wish to place this amount in straight assessment.

He proposed linking up City road and Prince Edward street with the new paving on the Marsh road, and if the overhead crossing was put up on Douglas avenue would have to lay an additional eighth of a mile of paving there.

He felt that an additional street cleaner was required but in view of the stringent times being experienced would not ask for it. He had chopped off $5,000 from his working capital because of this, but wished to see the other departments do likewise.

The report was laid on the table for further consideration. More information was asked concerning the garbage estimate, interest on sinking fund and cost of horse maintenance.

Water and Sewerage.

The Water and Sewerage estimates were then taken up.

Water and Sewerage Appropriation for 1922.

Labor Service:	
Service pipes	$ 12,000
Leading mains	5,000
Distribution mains	7,500
General	14,000
Salaries	9,655
Gas	16,000
Supplies and plant	14,000
	$ 67,655
Interest, sinking fund	145,255
	$232,910
Sewerage Maintenance.	
Labor:	
Catch basins	$ 6,500
Main sewers	6,500
General	3,000
Salaries	1,844
Supplies	4,200
	$22,044
Fire Hydrants.	
Labor	$4,000
Supplies	2,000
	$6,000
Total expenditure charge-able to water revenue	$263,064.60
Expenditures 1921	232,866.86
Increase due to interest charges on Spruce Lake main	$ 30,137.14

The appropriation asked amounted to $30,000 more than last year, because of the interest on the Spruce Lake main sinking fund charges. Commissioner Jones stated that if it had not been for this and the carrying of maintenance of sewers and fire hydrants to his department he would have been able to have shown a surplus. Last year the appropriation was $230,546.25, while that asked for the coming year is $260,268.29. The amount actually spent last year amounted to $225,866.32, showing a reduction on working capital of $6,004.93.

As the cost was largely due to the Spruce Lake main, a work called for by the residents of the parish of Lancaster, who had made representations to the city when asking for this work, that an increase in their water rate would not be objected to, the matter of making them bear part of the increased costs by increasing their water rates was discussed.

It was thought that the department's operating expenses were too high, and more information was asked on these items, and also for "parts and supplies."

On motion the committee arose, after agreeing to consider the estimates further.

The application for exemption from taxation asked by the St. John Fisheries Co., Ltd., was considered and those opposed to its being granted be asked to appear before the council Monday morning next. On motion the meeting was then adjourned to 11 o'clock this morning.

PERSONALS

Grand Master S. B. Austin, Past Grand Master David Hipwell, Grand Secretary W. H. Sills and Grand Treasurer Robert Willis, of the Loyal Orange Association, left this morning for Moncton to attend the funeral of Past Grand Master H. G. Wadman.

Mrs. Daniel Mullin returned yesterday afternoon from a ten days' trip to New York and Philadelphia, where she accompanied her daughters who are studying in American Institutions. Miss Beryl Mullin is a student at the Sacred Heart Convent, Manhattanville, N. Y., and younger daughters Catherine and Constance, at Eden Hall Philadelphia.

H. C. Rogers returned from Montreal yesterday afternoon.

Fire Department Was Kept Busy

Answered to Three Alarms Yesterday — Fred Doig's Printing Shop Badly Damaged.

The fire department was called out on three occasions yesterday, but fortunately only one fire caused any great amount of damage and that was in the printing establishment conducted by Fred Doig on Germain street.

Yesterday morning the North End section of the department was called out by an alarm from box 121 for a fire in the home of James Bourke, Indiantown. The blaze was caused by a defective flue and by the quick work of the firemen the damage caused was slight.

About five o'clock an alarm was sent in from box 153 on Mill street, near the Union Depot for a fire in a C. P. R. box car on one of the sidings. The blaze was of little consequence and was soon extinguished by the firemen.

The most serious of the fires yesterday was in the printing shop of Fred Doig on the third floor at 85 Germain street. When the fire department arrived, in response to an alarm rung in from box 23, about 6.30 o'clock last evening, they found volumes of smoke issuing from the windows of Mr. Doig's printing establishment. Upon investigation it was found that a quantity of paper and cheese cloth were burning briskly and a stream of water was taken upstairs and played upon the blaze extinguishing it in a short time. No great damage was done to printing apparatus but a considerable quantity of paper and other materials used in Mr. Doig's business were destroyed.

The fire started presumably from defective wiring and sparks dropping from the wires caught on a roll of paper just inside the printing room door. In addition to the damage caused by the fire, there was a certain amount of damage done by water.

George T. Creary Will Succeed Semi-Ready Co.

Charlotte Street Men's Store Will Change Ownership March 1.

A change of some importance in local retail merchandising circles is scheduled for the near future, when the Semi-Ready store on Charlotte Street, as a business unit will disappear from the community, and will be succeeded in the same location by a men's clothing and furnishings shop, of which George T. Creary will be the proprietor.

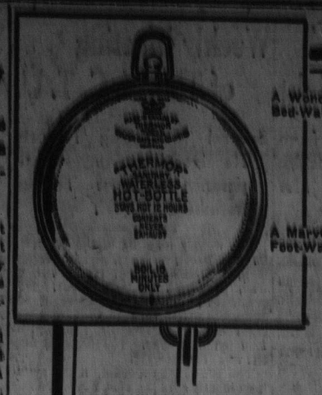
Mr. Creary, who is recognized as one of the most capable of the younger business element in St. John, has been manager of the Semi-Ready store for the past three years. Before taking charge of the business he had had extensive selling experience, and his pronounced success with Semi-Ready has been in no small measure due to his practical knowledge of tailoring, gained as a journeyman tailor previous to his taking up selling. Altogether Mr. Creary's experience well fits him to serve the men of St. John and surrounding country who demand reliable clothing and furnishings.

The new store of which Mr. Creary will have charge will be fitted out with the most modern fixtures, and in appearance it is expected to compare favorably with similar stores in metropolitan centres. A full line of men's furnishings, as well as the best lines of suits and overcoats for men and boys will be carried in stock.

The change in proprietorship of the store, which is located at 87 Charlotte Street, will take place March 1.

WHOOPING COUGH.

It was reported yesterday that many children in the country districts are suffering from whooping cough.



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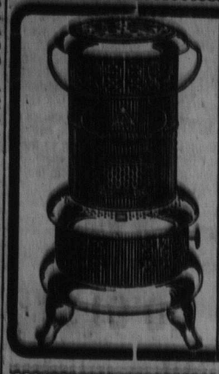

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