

THE WEATHER.

Forecast: Maritime—Fresh southeast, shifting to southwest winds, fair and moderately warm at first; showers by night.

Washington, May 31.—Forecast: Northern New England—Increasing cloudiness Friday, showers by night; Saturday fair except showers in Maine; brisk northeast winds.

Toronto, May 31.—The depression which was over Iowa last night now covers the Straits of Mackinac, causing heavy rain over Ontario. Elsewhere in Canada the weather has been fine and for the most part warm.

Table with columns: Location, Min., Max. Rows include Dawson, Prince Rupert, Victoria, Vancouver, Kamloops, Edmonton, Calgary, Medicine Hat, Battleford, Saskatoon, Winnipeg, Port Arthur, Parry Sound, London, Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax.

Around the City

WANTED At Once, Four Marine Engineers. Apply, Thos. Nagle, 147 Prince William Street.

Funeral This Afternoon. The funeral of the late James Pender will take place this afternoon at 2.30 from his late residence 149 Canterbury street, and not from St. James street as published yesterday in error.

Nursing Sister McQuade. Miss M. Irene McQuade in a letter to her father, W. H. McQuade, that she is now in France, having gone over on April 27th with a nursing unit. Miss McQuade left St. John on December 2nd and until her transfer was stationed at the Second General Hospital, Brighton.

Delayed By Wreck. The Boston express arrived at 12.50 o'clock this morning, being one hour and thirty minutes late, due to a slight freight wreck on the Maine Central at Danforth, Me. As the Boston was so late the Halifax express did not wait.

A Novelty Shower. The members of the Philatelic class of the Central Baptist Sunday school met last evening at the home of one of their members, Miss Nina Powers of Dorchester street, who is to be the principle in an interesting event in the near future, and tendered her a novelty shower.

The Fish Market. The fish market is well supplied this week and prices are rule are low. Shad and salmon are more plentiful and are selling 30c. to 40c. each for shad, and 35c. to 40c. a cut for salmon; cod is selling for 12c. a pound; haddock, 14c. a pound; gasperaux, 5c. each; smelts, 15c. a pound; finnan haddie, 15c. a pound; kippera, 4c. each; halibut, 25c. a pound; lobsters are on the increase and are priced at 10c. to 6c. each.

Presentation To Scouts. A very interesting ceremony took place last night in the Sunday school room of St. James' church, the occasion being the presentation of service stars to fifteen boy scouts for active work in the Boy Scout movement. Four of the boys received stars for one year's service, two for two years, and the remainder for three years. The presentation was made by Deputy Commissioner Waring. The scouts and those assembled listened very attentively to speeches full of interest on scouting by District Scoutmaster Hamm and other officers who were present.

Want to Increase Rates. The Board of Railway Commissioners will hold a series of meetings this month to consider the application of the railways for permission to increase class and commodity freight rates with the exception of coal and passenger fares 15 per cent, and a specific increase of 15 cents per ton in coal freights. At these meetings any person can attend and lodge objections to the proposed increase and their protests will be given careful consideration by the commissioners. The meetings will be held as follows: in Ottawa on June 5, Toronto, June 12 and Montreal, June 20.

Temperance People Celebrate. Gurney Division of the Sons of Temperance, held an open meeting in their room, Union street, last night, to celebrate the incoming of the prohibitory law. S. B. Bustin and Rev. W. R. Robinson, who are members of the division, and who assisted in the drafting of the new law were present. W. E. Campbell presided, and addresses were delivered by Rev. D. McLaughlin, Rev. D. J. McPherson, Rev. W. R. Robinson and Mrs. Seymour of the W. C. T. U. Mr. McPherson referred in his address to the great change that has taken place in St. John since the new law went into effect. Mr. McLaughlin told of conditions in Prince Edward Island under prohibition, and Mr. Robinson explained matters regarding different sections of the law. During the evening solos were rendered by Mrs. Corliss, Albert Belding, Miss Oram and Miss Still, and a reading was given by Mrs. Walter Sproul. Refreshments were served at the close of the programme.

LIEUT. COL. D'AILLE OF 65TH BATTALION SERIOUSLY HURT

Injured in Motor Accident in England and His Companion, Another Lieutenant-Colonel, Was Instantly Killed—Col. D'Aigle Will Recover.

The many friends in St. John and elsewhere throughout the province will regret to learn that Lieutenant-Colonel L. C. d'Aigle, the popular officer in command of the 16th French Acadia battalion, which was stationed in this city for several months, has been seriously injured in England.

In a letter to Dr. F. A. Richard of Moncton, Father Gaudet, chaplain of the battalion, conveyed the first information to friends in New Brunswick that the lieutenant-colonel had been injured. Father Gaudet wrote that the commanding officer of the battalion and another lieutenant-colonel were motoring from Shornham, where the battalion is quartered, to London, when the automobile was wrecked.

Hardwood Scare in St. John at Present, Dealers Expect Some Lumbermen Unable to Furnish Men for This Work Last Winter—Only a Few Loads in City.

Unless immediate shipments of hard cord wood reach the city, St. John will be placed in the unique position of not having a stick of hardwood fuel, with the possible exception of two dealers, who have a small quantity on hand, there is absolutely no fuel of this kind in the city. The reason given for the scarcity is due to the small amount of wood cut last winter. Men carrying on lumber operations have not had the men to spare for this work with the result that today hardwood commands a good price, and the woodburners find it difficult to obtain it at even the advanced price.

Several dealers claim that they will be in a position to supply their trade within the next month, as it is expected that lumber operators will retain the services of their employees for an extra month in order to get the wood out. It is also the intention of local parties to bring fifty or a hundred cords of wood to the city for quick disposal at a very low price.

As for slab wood there seems to be plenty of it ranging in price from \$1.50 to \$2.00 per load.

RETURNED SOLDIERS GOING ON THE LAND

Since Announcement of Dominion Government's Policy of Land Settlement Interest Has Grown.

T. B. Kidner, who has charge of the vocational training work in the Military Hospitals Commission was in the city yesterday and made an inspection of the Parks Convalescent Home. He expressed himself as pleased with the work which was being done there and said that for the facilities provided the results had been most satisfactory. The work had outgrown the quarters and in the very near future more accommodation would have to be provided for this work.

While in Fredericton Mr. Kidner took up with the government the question of assisting the commission in training men for the land as more men were now expressing a wish to go in for agriculture.

Since the Dominion government had announced its intention to give land grants to the returned men who wanted to farm, and to assist them in every way in getting started the interest in farming had grown among the men until now a large proportion of them were thinking of going on the land.

In the western provinces a large number of men were already taking agricultural courses and the provincial governments of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta were providing the buildings which were being used.

LIEUT. ROY EDWARDS, WELL KNOWN HERE, RETURNS TO FRONT

Worked Way from Private of 62nd Fusiliers to Sergt-Major of Fighting 26th—Obtained Rank of Lieutenant on Battlefield.

The friends of Lieut. Roy Edwards, and he has hosts of them in St. John, will learn with interest that he has returned to the firing line for the second time since the great war commenced. He is now a lieutenant in a Highland battalion.



LIEUT. ROY EDWARDS.

but resided in this city for a number of years and when war was declared in 1914 was in the employ of D. Magee's Sons, Ltd. He was a private in the 62nd Fusiliers, and being anxious to go overseas obtained his transfer to the 26th Battalion as soon as there was a call for recruits. His thorough knowledge of drill caused him to be promoted to the rank of sergeant. From that position he worked his way up to the rank of sergeant-major of the battalion, and those who remember the 26th on their route marches through the city, will remember the sturdy young soldier who always led the unit after fighting for many months in France, under the command of Lieut.-Col. J. L. McAvity. Sergeant-Major Edwards was transferred back to Canada last summer with the rank of lieutenant, and during his time in Canada was a physical drill and bayonet fighting instructor with a Nova Scotia regiment. While with the "Fighting 26th," Sergeant-Major Edwards knew every officer and man in the "originals" and was an esteemed favorite with all.

MIGHT HAVE BEEN A SERIOUS FIRE

What might have been a serious fire last night was put out before much headway had been gained through the prompt action of a citizen who resides on Queen street. Two boys had gotten hold of some paper and matches and naturally they used the matches to set fire to the paper. The scoldy day operations were alongside St. Philips church and before they knew where they were at the building was burning and they could not extinguish the blaze, so beat it. The citizen in question saw what had happened and he called the attention of the pastor of the church, (Rev. Mr. Pinkie) to the danger and fortunately he was able to put out the flames with a few pails of water. Had it been unnoticed for a few minutes longer it is altogether probable that the church would have fallen a victim to the flames.

IN THE DYKEMAN STORE.

"The Loveliest Things I Have Seen Yet."

So said a discriminating customer the other day as she revealed into the beauty of our new Neckwear, and truly so, for our new Neckwear Department is a haven of delight, and we are always glad to show you whether you care to purchase or not.

We have just received a new shipment of the most exquisite Blouses, and together with our Neckwear we will make an extra special effort for your holiday business.

Ready-to-Wear Section. On our second floor you will find a showing of dainty Sport Frocks made of Khaki, Kool spots and stripes, and we advise you to choose from this assortment while they are in all their pristine loveliness.

The price range is wide—the variety in models is equally so, all are charming—all are most moderate in price. You will enjoy seeing them.

The Better Value Tire. Every GOODYEAR TIRE you buy will give you full and unstinted service for every dollar you invest in it. OUR AUTO SUPPLY DEPARTMENT offers you a full line of GOODYEAR TIRES, also a comprehensive range of automobile and tire accessories, including the famous HERCULES SPARK PLUGS. Auto Supply Section, First Floor, Market Square Store. MARKET SQUARE W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD. KING STREET

Special Prices Today. Banded Imitation Panama Hats—Ten styles to select from, just the Hat for Holiday wear. Your choice, at \$1.00. Trimmed Hats—White, Black and Colors, with the newest Summer trimming in all the wanted styles. Special Prices Today. Outing Hats, Canvas Hats, Khaki Kool Hats, Crushers, Panamas—Untrimmed, also many with novelty bands. Children's Hats, Flowers, Feathers, Ornaments. Extra Low Prices Today. SPECIAL DISPLAY OF MOURNING MILLINERY Marr Millinery Co., Limited

Oil Stoves! All Kinds For All Purposes. From the cheap wick stove to the "NEW PERFECTION" with cabinet top and oven, with which you can bake, broil, roast—in a word anything that can be done on a wood or coal stove. THE NEW PERFECTION is the old stove of new principle and design. NEW PERFECTION—GEM AND HOT BLAST. Prices: \$1.25 to \$18.00. During the warm summer months it means Comfort—Economy—Satisfaction. Emerson & Fisher Ltd.

DRY GOODS CARPETS FURNITURE MANCHESTER ROBERTSON ALLISON LTD. KING STREET GERMAIN ST. MARKET SQ. Stores Open at 8.30. Close at 5 o'clock Fridays, 10 p. m. Saturdays at 1 o'clock. Infants', Children's and Misses' Outfits For Summer Dainty Frocks for the Wee Folks. Swiss and Lawn Dresses for Infants and Children—All White; Lace and Embroidery trimmed; Mother Hubbard Styles, 50c. to \$4.70 each. French Styles—Long Waist, Short Skirts; Hamburg, Swiss and Lace trimmed; 2 to 4 years, 70c. to \$4.25. Smart Voile and Lawn Dresses—Prettily trimmed with Laces and Ribbons; for Misses 6 to 14 yrs., \$1.25 to \$7.00. White Crope de Chine Dresses at \$1.00. Children's Princess Slips, Night Dresses, Skirts and Drawers in great variety. All ages.

BLACK DRESS GOODS AND SUITINGS. A SPLENDID RANGE OF ALL WOOL SUITINGS FOR SUMMER WEAR. BLACK GABARDINES, 48 to 54 inches wide, \$2.25 to \$2.90 yard. BLACK ENGLISH SERGES, 50 to 56 inches wide, \$1.25 to \$2.50 yard. BLACK MANNISH SERGES, 56 to 58 inches wide, \$2.25 to \$3.50 yard. BLACK BROADCLOTHS, 54 inches wide, \$1.95 to \$2.40 yard. BLACK DIAGONAL SUITING, 50 to 52 inches wide, \$3.00 yard. And a varied assortment of Light and Medium Weight Black Dress Goods in Panamas, Granites, Sicilians, Voiles, Eolennes and Cashmeres. GOOD DYES (DRESS GOODS.) EXCEPTIONAL VALUES.

Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited

Taking Short Vacation. H. H. Titus, secretary of the Military Y. M. C. A., leaves this morning for his home in St. Martins for a week's stay. Mr. Titus, in company with a party of Y. M. C. A. men, will leave for overseas shortly to assist in Y. M. C. A. work amongst the soldiers. Mr. Titus has made many friends in St. John who will wish him success in his new venture.

Automobile Owners attention. If you are not already a member of the New Brunswick Automobile Association, and you are desirous of joining, please send \$5.00, fees for 1917 to the treasurer, J. F. Tilton, Box 1210, St. John, N. B.

OPEN FRIDAY NIGHT. F. A. Dykeman & Co's. store will remain open until ten p. m. Friday night, but will close Saturday at 1 p. m. during June, July and August. In honor of the King's Birthday, this store will be closed all day Monday.

WANTED AT ONCE. 100 LABORERS WANTED AT ONCE FOR EXCAVATING. APPLY WATER OFFICE, CORNER LEINSTER AND CARMARTHEN STREET. During June, July and August. Our store will be open Friday evenings and close Saturdays at one p. m. Favor us by buying early as you have for many summers. Gilmour's, 68 King street, Men's Clothing, Tailoring, Haberdashery.

Gundry's has received a fresh lot of Ladies' Wrist Watches. These are gold filled watches, the celebrated Champ movement is jewelled and guaranteed, selling at \$15. This is an advance of \$1.00 due to the war tax of 7 1/2 per cent. Monday, June 4 being a holiday, Rotary Club luncheon postponed to June 11.

Don't lag ashes all your life—cook with gas.