

THE WEATHER.

MARITIME—Fresh westerly winds, a few showers in eastern districts, but generally fair and not much change in temperature.

AROUND THE CITY

Will Meet Tonight. The Building Trades' Council meets this evening in the Palmers' Hall, Charlotte street.

No Word From the Newport. No word was received from the Newport yesterday. The city fathers say that no news is good news.

Teamsters Union. The teamsters union met in their room Opera House block last night and eleven new members were taken into the organization. Outside of routine business nothing was done.

An Enjoyable Outing. You could not spend the holiday to better advantage than to have an automobile drive through the country, which is now looking its best. First class cars to hire by the Motor Car & Equipment Co., Ltd., Princess street.

Protestant Orphans' Home. The ladies' committee of the Protestant Orphans' Home who held their regular meeting yesterday afternoon, acknowledge the following contributions: A. L. Goodwin, crate of oranges; Miss J. Barlow, preserves; Mrs. W. Merritt, toys.

With The Police. The police report finding three keys and a screw driver on Charlotte street yesterday afternoon. Ernest Chapman has been reported by the police for allowing waste paper to scatter from his wagon on the Market square yesterday afternoon.

Trades and Labor Council. A meeting of the Trades and Labor Council was held last evening. Owing to the pressure of routine business, the question of complying with the request of the Corporation committee to ask the affiliated labor bodies to take part in the Coronation Day parade did not come up.

He Has a Job Now. William Lovett, who arrived in the city from Fredericton Wednesday night with but thirty cents in his pocket, and was en route to Glasgow, Scotland, was taken care of yesterday by James Driscoll, the proprietor of the Hotel Edward, and given a position. The boy is a bright youngster and quite willing to work.

Scots Will Participate. At a meeting held in the offices of James Jack last evening the members of St. Andrew's Society decided to join with the other organizations of the city in the procession to be held on Coronation Day. James Jack was appointed the representative of the society at the meeting of various committees held later in the evening in the court house.

A Pleasant Evening. There was a good attendance at the meeting of Golden Rule Lodge I. O. O. F. last evening, and after the transaction of routine business an enjoyable time was spent by those present. Speeches, songs, recitations and musical selections were given by the members, after which refreshments were served and a half hour whittled away in a social way.

Sentence Pleased Him. Michael Dunn was arrested at South Bay on Wednesday afternoon, charged with tearing up sidewalks and threatening to set fire to the houses in that vicinity. Yesterday morning Stipendiary Magistrate Allingham, of Fairville, fined him \$10 or two months in jail. He chose the latter, and seemed somewhat elated over the sentence. He was heard to remark: "Two months to get fat on."

The Feast of Pentecost. The Hebrews of the city commenced the celebration of the Feast of Pentecost last evening with a special service in the synagogue. The observance of the feast will continue until sunset on Saturday. There will be special services today, both morning and evening, and on Saturday morning when a lecture will be delivered on Old Pictures in new Frames. The feast, which commemorates the revelation of the Ten Commandments, begins on the sixth day of the month of Sivan.

Anderson-Fletcher. A pretty wedding took place last evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fletcher, 130 Prince William street, when their oldest daughter, Miss May, was united in marriage to William J. Anderson. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. F. S. Porter, pastor of the German street Baptist church. The bridesmaids were Miss Ethel Fletcher and Miss Florence Cunningham, while the groom was attended by H. Cunningham. The bride was the recipient of many handsome presents. Mr. Anderson, the groom, is an employee of the firm of James Robertson and Co.

The Early Closing Cases. While the promoters of the early closing bylaw are manifesting no disposition to make a compromise with those opposing the bylaw in regard to the hour of closing, it is believed that the bylaw will be interpreted in a rather lenient way. As regards the poor widow women keeping small shops, whom it is said the bylaw would injure so much, it is pointed out that at the present time they frequently violate the Lord's Day act without calling down the vengeance of the authorities, and it is believed no special activity will be exhibited by the authorities in prosecuting them for violation of the early closing bylaw. As regards the fish merchants it is probable that the law will be interpreted in such a way as to permit them to keep open on Thursday if they close on Saturday. The law permits merchants to keep open Friday evening if they close early on Saturday, and it is said it would not be a violation of the principle of the bylaw to permit fish merchants to keep open on Thursday in lieu of Friday.

Military Veterans Meet. During the months of June, July, August and September, the stores of W. H. Thorne & Company, Ltd. will be closed on Saturdays at one o'clock and open Friday evenings until ten.

PUGSLEY HAS PLAN TO SUBMIT TO MAYOR

Report that Conference May be Held Between Them to Consider Government's Purchase of City Wharves.

It is rumored that the Minister of Public Works while in the city will hold a conference with the mayor for the purpose of discussing the question of having the federal government take over the city's harbor facilities on the West Side, and arrange for their administration as a national enterprise.

This matter has been discussed for some time and no doubt there would be general satisfaction if the federal government would take over the city's West Side wharf properties on some condition that would give the city back the investment it has made to provide harbor facilities to handle the winter port traffic of Canada. The city has been bearing a heavy burden to facilitate the winter traffic of the whole country, and because of it, has not been able to provide itself with various civic improvements which are becoming more necessary. In view of the fact that the government some years ago took over the harbor facilities at the summer port of Montreal and assumed the burden of the expenditures made to develop the facilities there, it is felt that it should do as much for St. John, which is less able to carry the burden than Montreal was. The government has spent a good deal of money to provide wharf accommodation at Halifax, and has recently voted several millions for harbor improvements there.

Mayor Frink has frequently urged the need of having the government take over the harbor properties on the West Side at a fair valuation, claiming that if the city could get back the money it has expended on harbor works, it would be in a position to undertake a number of important projects for the general good of the community. It is therefore, it is hoped that if there is a conference between the minister of public works and the mayor, it may develop the basis of an agreement which will enable the long discussed question to be solved to the satisfaction of the city and that it will not be discussed mainly with a view to the possibility of an early election.

MARKET COMMITTEE DID MUCH BUSINESS

Coal Contract was Awarded to J. S. Gibbon & Co.—Committee Recommends Improvements in Market

A meeting of the market committee was held yesterday afternoon when considerable business was transacted. J. S. Gibbon and Co. were awarded the contract for supplying the market with coal. New flags for the market building were ordered and it was decided to recommend the council to lay a new concrete floor in the portion of the building occupied by A. L. Goodwin.

The committee also decided to ask for authority to make an expenditure of money for the purpose of detecting the persons who have been breaking the locks on the doors, tearing down the fixtures at the entrance of the market and making the entrances a resort for dissolute characters. Mr. Charlton applied for permission to make an entrance way for his goods from South Market street, and it was decided to grant the permission subject to the engineer's approval and the payment of a frontage rental.

The matter of the clerkship of the market was not discussed at the meeting and it is presumed that Mr. Dunham is proved equal to the extra duties imposed by the change in the system of collecting the market tolls and that he is likely to be retained as clerk of the market indefinitely.

SPRINKLING CITY STREETS WITH OIL

City Engineer's Department Used a Car Load to Lay the Dust—and then it Rained.

The city engineer's department has sprinkled a car load of oil over the streets, and after the rain yesterday the oil was much in evidence. Some citizens say the city should sprinkle oil on all the streets so as to lay the dust, and others are loud in their complaints about the experiment. A master painter remarked yesterday that in his opinion sprinkling with oil was the only satisfactory way to deal with the dust problem in a city like St. John where there are so many unpaved streets. "During the dry spell the dust has been a great nuisance," he added. "We were afraid to do any painting; one job I did was completely spoiled by the dust. People won't have their houses painted, because they are afraid of the effect of the dust before the paint has a chance to get dry."

Speaking of the oil-sprinkling experiment, yesterday, the city engineer said that in some cities one sprinkling sufficed to keep the dust down for the whole summer, but that judging from last year's experiment on Douglas avenue, two sprinklings were likely to be needed here.

Military Veterans Meet. The Military Veterans met last night and decided to take part in the Coronation Day celebration. The president and secretary were delegated to arrange details.

MAKING IT EASY FOR DOG OWNERS

Treasury Board Makes Change in Method of Paying Dog Licenses—\$100 Voted for Children's Swings.

A meeting of the Treasury Board was held yesterday afternoon, when the system of paying dog licenses was altered. \$100 was voted for children's swings on the Marathon grounds, and other minor matters dealt with. Ald. Hayes presided and there were present Ald. McLeod, Smith, Wigmore, Codner, Russell, with the common clerk, the recorder, the comptroller, and the chamberlain.

A communication was received from the Union of N. S. Municipalities, enclosing a bill for \$50, the annual dues of the Union, and stating that the next convention would be held at Newcastle. The bill was recommended for payment.

D. S. Peters and James H. Pitt make applications for positions of constables. The chamberlain said there were 14 marshalls in the employ of the city collecting taxes. According to an order in council every marshall had to return 400 papers in order to qualify for re-appointment. Only seven marshalls had fulfilled this condition, and he wanted to reappoint more than seven marshalls to collect the taxes.

An order authorizing the chamberlain to reappoint as many marshalls as he needed was passed. The chamberlain said the method of collecting the money for dog licenses was rather antiquated. Old people coming to City Hall to get a dog license had to make two or three trips between the mayor's and the chamberlain's office. This meant climbing up and down the stairs.

The recorder suggested that people writing for dog licenses should first go into the chamberlain's office, pay their dollar, get a receipt, and then go up stairs, present their receipt and get their license from the mayor's clerk.

It was decided to change the system in accordance with this suggestion, and a notice will be posted up notifying owners of dog licenses to call first at the chamberlain's office. The comptroller called attention to the fact that the discount on taxes ended on July 13. He thought an order should be passed authorizing his office to allow parties having a bill against the city to credit it to their tax account under the discount rate. The chamberlain said this was illegal. A bill against the city could not be charged against a tax account, and be entitled to the discount.

The matter of the allowed to drop, and the board went into private session.

The census takers began their work yesterday. But at many places where they called they found that the head of the house had not made any preparations to facilitate their work by getting the information needed in advance. Many ladies had considerable difficulty in figuring out their ages, and it is said the family Bible, often the repository of such information, does not occur in St. John as frequently as it might do. Most of the men folk were of course cut at work, and many wives did not seem to be particularly familiar with their husbands' ages or affairs. On the present system of conducting census, it seems likely that the enumerators will be obliged to call at the same house a good many times to get all these questions answered; particularly in the case of houses where there are a number of boarders who are apt to be away as not, when the enumerator calls.

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FOREST FIRE SITUATION NOT SO SERIOUS TODAY

Yesterday's Heavy Rain had a Good Effect on Fire Near Hillendale—Blaze Reported Near Nerepis.

The rainfall which had been hoped for by the farmers, and also by the residents in the districts where the forest fires west of a more serious character, came yesterday and proved effective. A communication was received from the Hillendale last night to the effect that the brush fires which were raging on Wednesday a few miles from that place had been practically extinguished by Thursday's rain. The fires had been serious ones in that vicinity. It is reported that in Nerepis which was the scene of a fire recently, and during which a church was destroyed, forest fires were burning yesterday and that the residents are apprehensive of danger.

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Stores Open This Evening Until Ten o'clock.

Three Rattling Lines of Wash Fabrics For Friday the Bargain Day. Sale Prices 10 cents, 12 cents and 15 cents.

On account of the very cold and backward Spring the demand for Summer Wash Goods has been limited, consequently we will commence the Summer Clearing Sales in this department earlier than usual.

- The 10c Line is a mercerized, self-corded Mull, having an appearance like silk. In many reasonable colorings.
- The 12c Line is a crinkled striped Lawn, beautifully printed in many dainty and dark colorings. All fast colorings, and when washed requires no ironing.
- The 15c Line—A very fine quality of printed, crinkled Lawn. Fancy stripes in new shades.

If not all sold Friday through the day, we will continue the sale in the evening, as our stores will not be closed until 10 p. m., Saturday being a holiday.

Friday Bargains in Linen Room. Sealed Madapoiam 36 inches wide. A very smooth quality for ladies' fine underwear. 12 yards for \$1.45. Fine White Linen For waists, etc. 35c a yard. Tray Cloths Embroidered corners and hemstitched. 22c each.

A Friday Sale of Jap Matting. When you go to your summer cottage for the holiday take along a roll of matting for the floors. We will offer, for today only, a line of Jap matting, in excellent quality, in a variety of colored stripe effects, at the remarkable price of 11 cents per yard. Carpet Department—Germain Street. MANCHESTER ROBERTSON ALLISON, LTD.