

THE WEATHER

Toronto, Dec. 4.—Pressure is high over the greater part of the United States, with a low area of increasing intensity has moved from Georgia to a position off Cape Hatteras. Light snow is reported from Manitoba and the Lake Superior district. The weather has been fair with moderate temperatures in Eastern Canada and mostly fair and mild in the west.

Forecast.—Winds increase to strong from north and northeast with snow in southern districts. Northern districts westerly. Wind, fair. Southern New England.—Partly cloudy Monday, possibly snow on east Maine coast. Tuesday cloudy and much change in temperature, strong north to northwest winds; gales of coast.

AROUND THE CITY

TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR.—In the account of Peerless Lodge, I. O. O. F. meeting, recently the name of H. E. Sibson and Mrs. Sibson appeared as Gibson.

TRIP POSTPONED.—Members of the St. John branch of the Engineering Institute of Canada were planning on going to Musquash Saturday to inspect the hydro-electric development there, but owing to unfavorable weather conditions the trip was postponed until this week.

LILY LAKE SKATING.—The paths of all skating fans led to Lily Lake yesterday, where the good ice surface and the glorious weather combined to make the day a pleasant one for those who sought recreation of this kind. The ice was in good condition, except around the outer edges, and about 300 people took advantage of the occasion to lumber up for the coming winter.

"ROSEBUD DAY".—A special pie was made in the city churches yesterday for "Rosebud Day," to be held next Saturday, when the citizens are asked to supplement the civic grant for the Children's Aid work. There is at the present time twenty-nine children from ten months to twelve years of age and it is expected there will be more needing assistance before the winter is over.

TEA AND SALE.—The Girls' Association of St. John's (Stones) church held a tea and sale on Saturday to raise funds for their winter work. Mrs. A. E. Fleming and Miss Edith Skinner, the president, and Miss Ina, in charge, presided. Mrs. Headley Sheraton and Mrs. George K. Bell were in charge of the tea room. Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Ward and Miss Farmer were in charge of the tables. The home cooking table was under the supervision of Mrs. W. C. Clarke, Mrs. Blanchard Fowler and Miss Hipwell. Other members of the church assisted in the serving in the tables, and the Scouts of the church were at the door. The affair was a great success, much money being raised for the work.

SALES SATURDAY.—The Junior Band of the Trinity W. A. held a pantry sale in the Sunday school room Saturday morning, the proceeds to go to mission purposes. Mrs. J. W. Gorham was in charge, and was assisted by Mrs. G. B. Post, Mrs. G. B. Nichol, Mrs. Blenkinslop, Miss Leslie Skinner and Junior members, who are being brought up to take an interest in missions. The House Committee of the Provincial Memorial Home held a pantry sale in the office of the Webb Electric Company, German street, Saturday morning. The proceeds go to the Home. Mrs. D. H. Ellison was in charge, and was assisted by Mrs. E. J. Terry, Mrs. H. U. Miller, Mrs. J. Fred, Emery and Mrs. F. A. Graham. Windsor Chapter, I. O. O. E., held a Hatbox tea Saturday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock, in Masonic Hall, Charlotte street, West side. Booths and tables were attractively decorated by a committee under the convener'ship of Miss Winifred Lemon.

LAST SENTENCE OF HANGING IN ST. JOHN

The Standard was asked yesterday as to the date the last death sentence was carried out in this city.

The last sentence of hanging carried out in St. John was in May 9th, 1883, when a negro by the name of Higgins was hung for the murder of his wife, a white woman. Sheriff Harding was the hangman.

The murder occurred at Black River, where Higgins and his wife lived. In a fit of jealousy he attacked her with an axe and cut her head off.

In Centenary church this evening in connection with the anniversary services, Rev. H. B. Clarke, pastor of Portland Methodist Church, will deliver an illustrated lecture, "A Trip to Wales." This is spoken of as a most interesting and instructive lecture.

Clifton House, all meals 60c.

Dedication of A Fine New Church

Victoria Street United Baptists Have New Place for Worship.

The splendid new church home of the Victoria street United Baptists was formally dedicated to the service of God yesterday and they may feel proud of the building in which they now worship. The first sod was turned on July 27, 1920, the corner stone was laid by Mr. George Foster on Oct. 2, 1901, work was stopped on Dec. 27 and resumed on May 29 of this year. The cost of the building complete with all the fixtures and heating apparatus, is \$47,000. John Edgett was in charge of the work until compelled by ill health to give up and his place was taken by Harold Scovill, of Hampton.

The building was officially dedicated by Rev. E. L. Fash, president of the Maritime Baptist Convention, at the afternoon service, and special sermons were preached morning and evening by Rev. S. Spidle, Ph. D., of Acadia University. Special music was provided by the choir, who were assisted by Mrs. Blake Ferris and C. Girvan at the afternoon service. Rev. Mr. Fash took as his subject for the afternoon "The Challenge to the Church Today," and based his remarks on Exodus xliii-15: "Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward. This was one of the most rousing messages ever uttered. The Israelites had come to the banks of the Red Sea, they were hemmed in by mountains on both sides, and the enemy was coming fast behind. The voice of the Lord was heard telling them to go forward, and strong in faith, they had obeyed and won out. The command to go forward had come to the Victoria street congregation and they had gone forward in obedience to the call. Their faith had been rewarded and honored by God and the beautiful house which they were to dedicate was the result. He congratulated the pastor and people on the fine building and reminded them that the voice of God was still calling them to go forward. The gospel of Christ was the only remedy for the ills of the world today, and it was the duty of the church to spread that gospel.

The following formal dedicatory service was then carried out:

Act of Formal Dedication. Dearly Beloved in the Lord: God, our Heavenly Father, having in His grace which is in Jesus Christ our Lord, brought to His consummation our work of preparing for the honor of His Holy Name, a house within whose walls His gospel is to be truly preached, His sacraments are to be faithfully administered, and prayer and praise are to be offered unto Him, we are now gathered into His presence for the purpose of devoting this house by a solemn act of worship to His proper and sacred use. Let us therefore seek His blessing on this occasion.

Dedication. (Responsive) Minister: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty! who art and wast and art to come, the whole earth is full of Thy glory. Thine, O Lord, art the greatness and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty, for all that is in heaven and in earth is Thine. Now, therefore, we thank Thee, O God, and praise Thy glorious name. But who are we that we should be able to offer so willingly after this sort? For all things come of Thee, and of Thine own do we give Thee, Our Lord God, all this standeth in us, we have prepared to build thee an house for Thine Holy name cometh of Thine hand and is all Thine own. Now, Lord God, look upon this place Thine everlasting kingdom, and have respect unto the prayers of Thy servants and to their supplications to hearken unto them this day and accept this house which we have built for Thine own. God the Father Almighty, maker of Heaven and earth, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Our Father who art in Heaven. People: To Thee we dedicate this house. Minister: Son of God, the only begotten of the Father, Head of the body, which is the church; Head over all things, Prophet, Priest and King of Thy people, who on the cross suffered for us, Who ever lives to make intercession for us. People: To Thee we dedicate this house. Minister: O Lord God of salvation, put Thy name in this place, sanctify it by Thy presence and constant abiding; hearken into our prayers, and from this outer court of Thy sanctuary bring Thy people into the true tabernacle which the Lord pitched and not man; (the heavenly temple of which the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the Light thereof. Amen.

Exmouth St. Church Children's Service

A children's service was held in Exmouth St. Methodist Church yesterday morning by the Rev. H. E. Thomas. A special choir of about 36 members from the Sunday School supplied the music singing children's hymns most beautifully. The pastor gave an illustrated talk on "Habit," using as his illustration a boy handicapped. His theme was a boy of habits, good and bad, showing how good habits might be acquired and evil ones broken. A large number attended the service which was most instructive.

SPECIAL FREIGHT TRAINS BROUGHT GRAIN SATURDAY

Grain began pouring into St. John Saturday over the C. N. R. One special train with thirty-five carloads pulled in at noon, and two regular freights brought twenty carloads more. Three special freights are en route to this port with nothing but grain for overseas shipments. There are in the harbor two freighters ready to load grain, having come here for that purpose alone.

It was learned from railroad officials Saturday that special preparations are being made to handle more grain in the C. N. R. yards here than has been handled in some years past.

Further Benefit Port of St. John

As Result of Hon. J. B. M. Baxter's Action Shed for Cattle Accommodation to be Ready This Week.

Although Hon. Dr. J. B. M. Baxter has only been Minister of Customs and Excise during the past two months, the Port of St. John will further benefit as a result of his action by fitting up No. B shed for the accommodation of cattle at a cost of \$10,000. This shed was utilized last year for the storage of sugar and is in the rear of shed No. 16. The necessary work in the installing water, drainage and other essentials was started on the first of last week. The work is being handled as expeditiously as possible, and will be completed about the end of this week. The arrangements will house about 650 cattle; and will be of great value to live stock shippers and will enable them to ship with facility through the port of St. John.

Send In The Names of Poor Children

Empty Stocking Fund Now Ready to Care for Two Hundred Children.

Clergymen of all denominations along with Sunday school superintendents, as well as citizens are kindly requested to send in addresses and names of children to a family who are worthy of receiving a pair of well filled stockings and a pair of mittens from The Standard's "Empty Stocking Fund." The "Empty Stocking" Editor is at present able to put joy in the hearts of two hundred poor children, and with more cash donations a still larger number of children will be well looked after. Citizens must remember that children are not responsible for their present condition, but times for the wage earner or widowed mother is the cause. All names sent in will be kept strictly confidential, for it is no crime to be poor. Send in a cash donation and show "somebody cares."

Plans For Rosebud Day Campaign

Meeting of Conveners Held in Children's Aid Society Home.

A meeting of the conveners for Rosebud Day, to be held next Saturday, was held Saturday afternoon in the Children's Aid Society Home, Garden street, Mrs. E. Atherton Smith, president of the Women's Council, in the chair. Plans for the campaign were discussed and it was decided to hold a special meeting of the Women's Council on Wednesday afternoon at the Board of Trade rooms to make final preparations for the drive. Mrs. A. W. Estey submitted several of her artistic window cards and these will be placed in the principal store windows, calling attention to the needs of the children. Mrs. A. C. D. Wilson and Mrs. A. W. Estey are general ward conveners; Mrs. F. E. Holman, tags; Mrs. W. Edmond Raymond, binoculars; Miss Alice Estey, banks; Mrs. J. H. Doody, automobiles; Mrs. W. B. Tennant, refreshments; Mrs. E. Atherton Smith and Mrs. A. W. Estey, publicity.

SALVATION ARMY COMMISSIONER HERE

Commissioner Southern, of the Salvation Army, arrived in the city yesterday on the steamer Metagama and was met at the dock by Chief Secretary Col. McMillan and a number of other officers. He left on the C. P. R. last evening for Toronto, where he will succeed Commissioner Richards as chief of the Salvation Army force in Eastern Canada. Commissioner Southern's last command was in Sweden.

Centenary Church 82nd Anniversary

Eloquent Sermons Preached by Pastor, Rev. R. G. Fulton.

K-CENTENARY CHURCH.—The 82nd anniversary of the opening of Centenary church was observed yesterday and large congregations were present at all the services. The evening service was exceptionally well attended and the sacrament service was one of the best attended in the history of the church. The original church was opened in 1839 with Rev. Brooch Wood as pastor. This building was destroyed in the great fire of 1877 and the present building was completed and opened in 1882. Among the men who have served in the present church are Revs. D. Currie, Howard Sprague, who served three terms; G. M. Campbell and Dr. Flanders, all deceased; and W. H. Barraclough and H. A. Goodwin, who are both still in active service. Rev. R. G. Fulton, the present pastor has been with the church since June of the present year coming here from Halifax. In the morning the pastor took as his subject the "Challenge of Christianity," basing his remarks on the following, "I find no fault in this man." He said these words had been formerly looked upon as a basis for apologies but today the suggestion of the text became a challenge to the world. He treated the text by examining the character of Christ as a Jew. What kind of a citizen was he of his own country? As an international character dealing with His fraternity, in that He could and did companion with all kinds of men in all walks of life. As the greatest religious leader, creating in men the hope of the larger life, emphasizing the common duties of the common day ring the bells of the far away.

In the evening his topic was "Turning Liabilities into Assets." His text was "The Son of Man is come to seek and to save that which is lost." He asked if this were possible or, was it an Utopian dream. The answer he said lay in what were assets. He dwelt on manhood and womanhood as our greatest wealth and a treasure that must be guarded more closely and more sagaciously than mines, forests or water powers. Speaking of child welfare he said young minds were the hidden gems of future humanities and the hidden fountains of gathering river floods. Mr. Fulton pointed out there was a point in citizenship which might be looked upon as the balance, on one side of which lay liability and on the other an asset. When a man ceased to meet his obligations of citizenship and did not recognize his relationship to the community and his obligations as a man he became a liability. Men sometimes unintentionally fall, through ignorance or a vicious nature and the only power that could redeem them was the power of the Christ. He closed by stating we needed this inward power to lift men up that they might meet their obligations as citizens and as the redeemed of Jesus Christ.

Special Services At Salvation Army

Special Prayer Offered for Successful Outcome of Peace Conference.

The services at the Salvation Army Citadel on Sunday were conducted by Lieut-Colonel Morehen. The meetings, both afternoon and evening, were very interesting and very well attended. Colonel Morehen spoke in the afternoon on "The Wonderful Tropics of Grace That I Have Met," and, in the evening, he took as his text, "Look Unto Me and Be Ye Saved."

At the evening service, which was both impressive and edifying, a special prayer was offered for the successful outcome of the peace conference at Washington. Sunday was the day set apart for this purpose by the Salvation Army all over Canada. Lieut-Colonel Morehen will lecture this evening at No. 3 Hall, Brindley street, and a cordial invitation is extended to everybody to be present.

70th Birthday of Rev. Dr. Geo. Steel

Friends of Clergyman Assembled at Residence of Rev. H. H. Clarke and Made Presentation.

A gathering was held at the home of the Rev. H. B. Clarke at the Methodist parsonage, Paradise Row, Saturday night to celebrate the 70th birthday of the Rev. Dr. George Steel. A very large number gathered to meet Dr. Steel, including the official board of Portland Methodist church, members of the Women's Missionary Society, and the Methodist ministers of the city and their wives. A very pleasant evening was spent in a social manner, and the guests were brought to order by the Rev. H. B. Clarke, while the Rev. H. E. Thomas made the presentation of a gold fountain pen to the Rev. Dr. Steel in commemoration of his birthday. Mr. Thomas referred to the pleasing qualities in the life of Dr. Steel, and spoke of his fidelities to duty in a brief address. The recipient of this honor, although much surprised, made a fitting reply, thanking his friends for their kindness. Refreshments were served towards the close of the evening after which the party dispersed.

ELECTION NIGHT.—The Board of Trade holds its election tonight. The advice of members to an important city matter will be sought. A full attendance is desired.

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