

THE WEATHER.

Toronto, April 21.—The disturbance which was centered near Lake Erie this morning has passed to the New England Coast and another is now approaching the Great Lakes from the westward. The weather continues unsettled and showery in the Western Provinces.

Dawson	.. 38
Prince Rupert	.. 32
Victoria	.. 40
Vancouver	.. 40
Kamloops	.. 38
Calgary	.. 38
Edmonton	.. 32
Battleford	.. 36
Prince Albert	.. 34
Medicine Hat	.. 34
Moos Jaw	.. 41
Saskatoon	.. 33
Winnipeg	.. 38
Port Arthur	.. 38
Perry Sound	.. 38
London	.. 60
Toronto	.. 44
Kingston	.. 46
Ottawa	.. 42
Quebec	.. 36
St. John	.. 30
Halifax	.. 28

Forecasts

Maritime—Fresh southeast winds showery.

Northern New England—Partly cloudy; somewhat warmer Thursday; Friday probably showers.

Improving West Side Water System

Intention of Commissioner Jones to Bring up the Matter When New City Council Comes Into Power.

When the new city council comes into power it is the intention of Commissioner Jones to again bring up the matter of improving the West Side water system by laying another pipe line from Spruce Lake. This project has been under consideration for years. Commissioner Jones says complaints about the service on Lancaster Heights have not been frequent of late. But it is claimed that uncertainty regarding the water supply in that district has retarded the construction of new buildings there.

Another phase of the situation is that of assuring better fire protection for the West Side, including the city's wharf properties. While the pressure on the lower levels is good, it is felt an accident to the present water mains running from Spruce Lake might put the West Side in a bad position in event of a fire. The West Side has not had a representative at City Hall for years and the aspect of the matter has not been kept prominently before the public.

Popular Banquet At Union Club

Sixty-Five Business Men Last Night Tendered Farewell Dinner to H. C. Groat, and Welcome to J. M. Woodman, His Successor.

An interesting function took place in the Union Club last evening when sixty-five of the prominent business men of the city gave a dinner that was in the nature of a farewell to H. C. Groat, and a welcome to his successor, J. M. Woodman, the new superintendent of the Atlantic division of the C. P. R. Mayor Hayes presided, with Mr. Groat on his right and Mr. Woodman on his left.

In proposing the health of Mr. Groat His Worship referred to the importance of the C. P. R. to the winter port, and the excellent relations which existed between its officials and the city. He spoke of Mr. Groat's service during the war when the port handled an unprecedented traffic, and the energy which has characterized the C. P. R. activities. He felt the business community recognized that the city had had a good friend in Mr. Groat, and while they regretted his departure would wish him success in his new office. His Worship also took occasion to extend a hearty welcome to Mr. Groat's successor.

Mr. Groat in response, referred to the cordial relations which had existed between the railway and the city during his residence here as general superintendent, and also to the good relations with the business men of the city. He spoke of the great part of the credit for the service given by the C. P. R. belonged to them. He thought the C. P. R. and St. John was fortunate in having such a splendid body of officials, and spoke especially of the good work of the divisional freight agent, the master mechanic, the superintendent of telegraphs and others.

As to the future he predicted great things for the port of St. John, if its facilities were enlarged to take care of the increasing traffic which would come here with the development of Canada.

Mr. Groat expressed regret at leaving St. John, where he had made so many warm friends, and expressed the hope that whenever any of his St. John friends happened to be in Toronto they would look him up and talk over old times.

E. A. Schofield proposed the health of the new general superintendent and remarked that if he was elected to the majority for the next two years he would be glad to co-operate with the C. P. R. in any measure for the benefit of the city and the expansion of the winter port business.

Mr. Woodman in response, said he was assured of pleasant relations with the city, as the result of the good feelings which had been established by his predecessors. He was impressed with St. John and New Brunswick, and believed they had a great future. He was taking charge of a division managed by an efficient staff, and he would try to keep up the reputation of the division for good service and cordial relations with the people.

The committee in charge of the dinner was composed of J. G. Harrison, G. Wetmore, Merritt and W. E. Golding.

Halgionian Is Good Home Booster

Says Sister City is Going to Put it Over St. John Again and Gives Some of His Reasons.

"Halifax is going to put it over St. John again," said a Haligonian who was at the Royal yesterday. "We've got the shipbuilding yards, we calculate to have all the big passenger liners next winter, because they are being fitted to burn oil, and we have a fine big oil station. Then we are thinking of an air-service to distribute Halifax papers all over New Brunswick and Maine, so the finest product of the forest brains in the Western Hemisphere will be available at breakfast.

"Now we are looking for a College of Fisheries and we are going to get it, too. The Dominion Government has voted \$10,000,000 for industrial and technical education, and the Maritime Provinces are going to have a share of that money to establish schools to assist the fisherman industry. Prof. Gill, who is the director of the fund, has already reported in favor of the establishment of Fisheries Schools, and recommended that a grant be made to Vancouver, provided the people there put up some money.

"Halifax is not going to be behind Vancouver, and being the largest town east of Medicine Hat, we will ask for money enough to establish a College of Fisheries while we are about it. We have the best technical college in Eastern Canada now, which has proved of great value to landlubbers, and we expect to have a University of the sea later on. Some we will send to St. John for instructors in rowing, and give extension courses to the ladies here on the art of high diving.

"As to the College of Fisheries, Canada is one of the few countries which does not provide instruction in their sailing, and those who go to fish factories putting up the fish. Before the war, Germany had a score or more of fisheries schools, giving instruction in navigation, seamanship, operation and repair of motors, improved methods of fisheries, curing and preserving, etc. Britain, France, Norway and Japan and other countries have similar schools.

"Nova Scotia is developing factories for the manufacture of marine motors, and the manufacturers of these are interested in the idea of Fisheries Schools as well as the vessel owners and merchants directly interested in the fisheries.

"It is notorious that when you make allowance for increased prices the actual development of the Maritime fisheries during the past generation has been comparatively small, and this in part may be attributed to the indifference to the technical progress of the industry."

AROUND THE CITY

ANOTHER SEIZURE.
Inspector Charles Kerr called at the Dominion Express office yesterday and seized two packages of liquor which were addressed wrong.

SERIOUSLY ILL.
The many friends of Thomas Thompson of the harbor department, will be sorry to learn that he is seriously ill at his home, King Street, West St. John.

FIRST DOWN TRIP.
The Ocean brought down a fair freight yesterday on her first trip of the season. Pork sold for 28 and veal for 15 cents per pound, eggs for 48 cents per dozen, turnips, \$1.00 and potatoes \$8. per barrel.

REBUND OPERATIONS.
Under the name of the New Brunswick Rolling Mills Co., the plant of the Portland Rolling Mills has resumed operations. About fifty men are now at work under the supervision of C. H. Lescomeur.

CHARGED WITH ASSAULT.
Henry King, a Chinaman, was arrested on a warrant last evening by Police Constable Colwell charged with assaulting Muriel Gidrey. One drunk also arrested early in the evening.

UNHAPPY COUPLE.
John Worden and Lucy McIntyre, colored, were arrested by Police Constable Grant and Tutin last night at 11.40 in an alley way off Main Street, and will be charged in the police court this morning with lying and lurking.

VERDICT FOR PLAINTIFF
In the Circuit Court yesterday morning before His Honor Judge Chandler, the case of Geo. J. Ward, master mariner vs. Peter McIntyre and A. A. McIntyre was concluded. At the morning sitting his honor delivered his charge to the jury, who found in favor of the plaintiff to the amount of \$500. Judgment for that amount was accordingly entered. H. A. Powell, K. C., D. Smith, K. C., appeared for the plaintiff, and W. H. Harrison for the defendants.

THE PRIZE WINNERS.
The St. Mary's Band Fair in Thorne Lodge Hall was very well patronized last night. The band rendered several selections and the various booths did a rushing business. The door prize won by ticket No. 177, was un-called for. The prize was a bag of flour. The prize for the time pins, a silk necktie, was won by J. Alcorn, while the prize for the bean guess, a pipe, was won by J. H. Wilkes; the baguette prize, a jardiner, was won by Harvey Dugan.

GROCERY STORE BREAK.
Not being successful in gaining an entrance after having broken a window in this rear, a thief thieves Tuesday night went around to the front and forced the door of the cash grocery of J. W. Jenkins in Spring Street. After getting in they appropriated a fine dinner. They had a luncheon of fancy biscuits, hologna and cooked meats, emptied a large sack of its contents and into it put canned goods, cigarettes and other articles, which they carried off.

CIVIL SERVICE POSITION.
The Civil Service Commission of Canada is advising that the position of Excise Enforcement Officer (formerly Excise Preventive Officer) at St. John, N. B., is vacant; applications are being invited for the selection of some resident of the Excise Division of St. John, N. B., to fill this position. The minimum salary is \$900.00, supplemented by whatever rate of bonus may be granted by law. Return names of the C. E. F., whether Military or Naval, having a good record and with an honorable discharge, will have the preference. Information may be had and application forms obtained from the Collector of Inland Revenue, Customs House.

ACCIDENTS AT SAND POINT.
H. Bayard, 51 Water street, West Side, a C. P. R. trucker working at No. 3 shed had his right leg hurt yesterday afternoon when he was caught in a motor truck. He was treated at the emergency hospital and taken to his home.

Richard Burden, 57 Orange street, a longshoreman working at No. 5 shed, injured his right leg yesterday morning when he was caught between two trucks. He was taken to the emergency hospital and later to his home.

George Stanley, 57 Main street, a longshoreman working at No. 3 shed, had his right foot injured yesterday, when a gangway slipped and struck him. He was treated at the emergency hospital and taken to his home.

Business Men Dine At Bond's

After Luncheon "Get Together Conference" Was Held and Plans Perfected for Launching for Y. M. C. A. Field Day.

Some thirty-five representative business men of the city met last night at Bond's where after partaking of a dainty luncheon, a "get-together conference" was held, and plans were perfected for the launching of the annual Y. M. C. A. Field Day in this city today.

The meeting believing the good work being accomplished by the Y. M. C. A. in St. John deserving of support, volunteered to canvas the town for subscriptions and memberships. Teams were accordingly appointed and different districts allotted to each team. These districts will be thoroughly canvassed today, and all are confident that one day's good work will see the desired objective attained.

Entertainment At Seamen's Institute

S. S. Minnedosa Concert Troupe Presented Excellent Programme Last Night—Their Farewell Performance for This Season.

Those excellent entertainers, the C. P. O. S. Minnedosa Concert Troupe presented their farewell performance in the Seamen's Institute last evening. The Hall was filled to overflowing, in fact many had to be turned away.

Although it is the second appearance of this troupe before a St. John audience they already hold an enviable place in the public esteem. Last night's enjoyable performance made that position more secure.

Every number on the programme was heartily applauded. Some of the artists had to respond three times to encores. Comrade G. C. Evans presided. During the interval, refreshments were served by the ladies. The programme follows:

W. Haines—Pianoforte Selection.
W. Walker—Character Comedian.
H. Smith—Musical Monologue.
R. J. Smith—Ballad Vocalist.
Miss Minnie Dosa and "That" Comedy Trio—Messrs. P. Huxley and Stanley Jones.
F. Roberts—Vocalist.
J. Gemmill—Novelty Dancer.
J. Walker—"The Beautiful Lament."
S. Hobson—Cornet Soloist.
Part II.
W. Haines—Piano Solo.
B. Jones—In Light Comedy.
S. Fletcher—Comedian.
E. Woods—Irish Comedian.
F. Roberts—Vocalist.
C. Forsyth—Comedian.
J. Walker—"Bill Embarrassed."
R. J. Smith—Pole Song.
P. Huxley—"The King."
Accompanied, W. Haines.
God Save The King.

REAL SPRING SHOWN YESTERDAY

Fine and Warm Weather, Benches on the Square, Water Wagons Out, Awnings Being Placed Over Store Fronts, and Then Some.

Several representative forces throughout the city united yesterday in the Spring drive for fine weather, and at an early hour. Considerable business was in evidence, and it is hoped that the tactics adopted will succeed in inducing the weather man to come across with the goods and bring on those "Florida breezes."

The city authorities opened the campaign with the introduction of a couple of benches in King Square, the water carts were then set out on their regular summer beats and laid the dust along several thoroughfares. A number of the mercantile and banking institutions thereupon sent out skimmers, who after a careful reconnaissance, erected awning over the windows and doorways of their respective establishments.

Companies of fair maidens attended in the latest dictates of Dame Fashion turned out in their support to the movement by parading King Street the greater part of the afternoon. Last night it was reported that all the day's objectives had been attained, and consolidated, when they will be able to be held despite the ever-varying moods of the weather man could not be determined.

Mrs. W. G. Scovill, of Hampton, was in the city yesterday and registered at the Victoria.

Mr. Malcolm McKenzie of Syracuse, who has been spending some weeks in St. John, left yesterday for a visit to friends in St. Stephens.

George A. Kimball returned yesterday from Montreal.

Miss Nina Carlie of Detroit arrived in St. John yesterday and is the guest of Miss Lou Robinson, German Street.

Colonel Stanley Wetmore and Major Lawson returned to Fredericton yesterday from a visit to Montreal.

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County Hospital Delegates Return

Dr. H. A. Farris and Mrs. J. H. Frink Were at Capital Interviewing Government Regarding Increased Hospital Grant.

Dr. H. A. Farris of the East St. John County Hospital and Mrs. J. H. Frink, a member of the Board returned yesterday afternoon from Fredericton where they interviewed Premier Foster and members of the Government regarding an increased grant for the hospital. Dr. Farris stated that they were most sympathetically received and that they felt sure their request, which was regarded as moderate, will be granted. They are asking that the grant be raised from thirty cents a day for the first hundred days to fifty cents a day for every day. It was pointed out that the cost of all supplies has greatly increased.

Funerals

The funeral of George E. Colpitt took place yesterday afternoon from the residence of his son-in-law, Rev. Mr. Howe, Loch Leonard road, to the Methodist burial ground. Services were conducted by Rev. I. Brindley.

Obituary

Mrs. Albion Harris, after a lingering illness the death occurred at 10:30 on April 17th of Mrs. Harris, wife of Albion Harris and daughter of the late Henry DeWitt of Tracy. Besides her husband she leaves to mourn four sons and two daughters: Walter, Charles, Leslie and Alfred, Mrs. Charles Acker and Misses, all of Hiram.