

THE WEATHER. MARITIME.— Fresh, southwesterly winds; cloudy with higher temperatures and light snow falls or flurries.

AROUND THE CITY

T. and L. Council. The Trades and Labor Council will meet this evening in the Ship Laborers' Hall.

Market Case. Reuben Gauce has been reported by Policeman Gouline for delivering 15 barrels of potatoes and 4 barrels of turnips outside of the country market without first paying the market dues.

Prepare for Campaign. The publicity committee of the Citizens Committee are busy sending out circulars and preparing for the campaign. Ward committees are being selected, and committee rooms will be opened in different sections of the city in a few days.

N. B. Military Veterans. The regular monthly meeting of the N. B. Military Veterans' Association will be held in their rooms in the Market building, this evening. An annual dinner will be made for the annual dinner on March 22; a full attendance is requested.

Buried Here. Word was received yesterday that the body of George D. Cobham, who died in Calgary several days ago, will be brought home for burial. His brother will accompany the remains to this city and the funeral will be held from the Fairville depot on Friday or Saturday. It is impossible to tell yet just which day the body will arrive.

Suicide Rumors. A rumor quickly spread about the city last night that Parker Leary, the main street restaurant keeper, had committed suicide by hanging himself in a barn. Mr. Leary was greatly amused when he was asked if he had heard that he had hanged himself. The police also heard a rumor that a man had cut his throat on Main street.

Chowen Reception. A large attendance is expected at the reception to Dr. S. D. Chowen and Rev. T. Albert Moore at Centenary church this evening. Music will grace the supper which takes place at 6 o'clock under the auspices of the Methodist Social Union of the city. The young ladies in charge of the affair will meet at the school room at 5.30. An offering will be taken at the public meeting which will be held at 8 o'clock.

Off To Legislature. Among the members of the provincial legislature who passed through the city last evening to attend the opening of the session today were Dr. Bourque and Col. Sheridan, of Kent county; C. M. Levesque, C. W. Robinson, of Westmorland county, and George B. Jones and F. M. Sproul, of Kings county. W. Frank Hatheway and John E. Wilson, of this city, also went to the capital.

Brakeman Injured. Yesterday afternoon Lester Campbell, a C. P. R. brakeman, while hanging on the side of a box car was struck by one of the switches in the yard at Sand Point and injured. He was conveyed to the emergency hospital and Dr. D. E. Berryman was summoned. The man was found to have been given a shaking up, but not injured very badly and was sent to his home where he was afterwards examined by Dr. W. L. Ellis.

Mr. Bird's Plans. T. H. Bird left last evening for Boston where he will visit friends for several days. He will then go to Sydney, C. E., where he will commence rehearsals for a local production to be produced about the first week in April. From Sydney Mr. Bird goes to Halifax, where he has been engaged to make a production, called "The Man From Albany," which proved such a success here last week, will be selected for his Halifax production.

First Aid to Police. Anyone happening into the central police station between four and five yesterday afternoon might have thought about half the police force had just emerged from a battle royal. A dozen men were engaged in tying bandages on the heads, shoulders, arms, etc., of another dozen, while Dr. Duval of the West Side, sang out directions and Chief Clark watched solicitously his merry men being muffled up like Egyptian mummies. The policemen were getting one of their weekly drillings in first aid to the injured.

No Light on Suicide. Yesterday morning, shortly after ten o'clock, there was a sensational suicide in the main pathway of the old burial ground, with Andrew S. Foster of 28 Leinster street the victim. The man had been employed in T. S. Simms & Co.'s factory but has been idle for a few weeks and has complained of his head bothering him. The deceased was a native of Sussex but came here from Springfield, Mass., a little over a year ago. Besides his wife he is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Walter Boyce of Winton, Mass., and Miss Hulda Foster of Boston. Coroner Berryman has decided not to hold an inquest. A sealed letter addressed to his wife was found in the deceased's pocket and Coroner Berryman stated that the contents were of no public importance.

West Side Traffic. The West Side terminal will be a scene of activity from now until the close of the winter shipping season. Every passenger steamer from Great Britain will have a large passenger list and these with the freight steamers will tax the docking facilities of the port to the utmost. For the first half of the shipping season the traffic to and from this port was reported to be lighter than during the corresponding period last year. This is explained by the fact that the traffic to and from Halifax this winter has been greater than ever before, which in turn is said to be due to the fact that the Canadian Northern, as well as the White Star and Allan boats running to the States have been using Halifax this winter. It is believed, however, that the winter port business for the remainder of the season will be good, and that the traffic figures will equal those of last year.

RECORD TRADES

NEW CARPENTERS. If Strike is Necessary to Secure Increased Wage, Allied Trades will Support Movement—New Members.

A largely attended public meeting was held under the auspices of the Carpenters' Union last evening, and great enthusiasm was evoked when the president, Chas. Jones, announced that the Building Trades Council had completed the details of the agreement whereby in event of a strike or lockout in one trade all the other building trades would refuse to work on the job.

A. Dever, district organizer, delivered an interesting address, pointing out the benefits secured through organization by different trades, and urging the non-union men present to join the union and take part in the movement to put St. John on a par with Halifax in the matter of carpenters' wages.

Mr. Lockhart, a member of one of the railway brotherhoods, told how the railway workers had advanced wages and secured other benefits through their unions. The carpenters' union, he said, had paid out nearly \$5,000,000 in benefits.

W. Allingham, president of the Trades and Labor Council, pointed out that capitalists and professional men were forming combinations of all kinds, and that if the workers were to improve their position they would have to organize too.

C. H. Stevens, of the cigar makers' union, said the carpenters should divide the city into districts and appoint committees in each district to interview all non-union men. This plan had been boosted with great success in other trades. Each union man should carry on a personal canvass.

J. Montague, president of the ship laborers' association, said his union would help the carpenters to secure their demand in any way possible.

Peter Sharkey, C. McKay and others also spoke. As a result of the meeting a large number of applications for membership were received.

FERGUSON INQUEST RESUMED LAST NIGHT

Workmen on McLeod Building Tell of Circumstances of Fatal Accident—Falling Derrick Caused Death.

The inquest into the death of Samuel Ferguson, who died as the result of injuries received in the McLeod warehouse on Jan. 24, was resumed before Coroner D. E. Berryman, in the police court last night. Recorder J. B. M. Baxter was present representing the city, and J. King Kelley represented the daughter of the deceased.

William Chambers, a carpenter, gave evidence that he was employed on the McLeod warehouse and was the deputy foreman under Foreman McAlay.

The coroner here stated that he received a letter stating that Mr. McAlay was sick and could not attend the inquiry at this session.

Continuing, witness stated that Capt. John Kenneally had charge of the erection of a derrick for the purpose of raising timbers for the top of the building. Witness did not see anything strike the deceased, but saw him falling to the floor. Capt. Kenneally had charge of the fall that was used in hoisting the timber. Witness did not know what caused the accident.

Mr. Hatfield, the assistant engineer arrived on the scene half an hour after the accident, and took drawings of the shed. Capt. Kenneally, Medley Craft and Allan Diamond would know most about the accident.

Witness said that it was something wrong that caused the derrick to fall. Two guy ropes were fastened and a third guy was not fastened, nor was the bottom of the derrick as it was being moved and was not hoisting timber at the time. When in use the bottom of the derrick was fastened.

Recorder B. M. Baxter produced a drawing of the derrick. The witness explained the drawing and said that some person or something touched one of the guys and that may have caused the fall.

ALLEGEDLY CONSIDERED

OFFER OF MEMBERS OF FORCE. Considered Liberal One—What is Being Done in Other Cities.

Although Ald. Hayes is away, Ald. Russell has had several consultations this week with the police officials in reference to the proposal to establish a police pension fund. The proposition made by the police to the city is that if the city will put \$5,000 into a fund for police pensions, the policemen themselves will contribute 3 per cent of their salaries to the fund every year. This is felt to be a very liberal offer as under the pension scheme in force on the I. C. R., the railway men are only required to contribute 1 1/2 per cent of their wages.

In some cities the dog tax and certain classes of fines go into the police pension fund. The city of Toronto contributes over \$10,000 every year to the police pension fund.

Some time ago the Conservative government of Manitoba granted a large sum to the pension fund of the police of the city of Winnipeg.

The St. John policemen now have a sick and burial benefit fund amounting to about \$7,500.

REAL ESTATE BOOM OF SMALL PROPORTIONS

REGISTRAR'S OFFICE NOT TAXED WITH RECORDS OF TRANSFERS—G.T.P. HAS NOT ACQUIRED LAND RECENTLY.

Although there have been many stories going around recently to the effect that a great boom in real estate was in progress in St. John, the office of the registrar is still apparently large enough to record all the transfers taking place.

"There may be some foundation for all these reports in the paper about the boom in real estate," said the Registrar. "Land deals often take place sometime before we hear of them at this office, and it may be that there is something behind the talk of a boom."

"But so far the records of this office do not show any special activity in real estate. Transfers are always taking place, and the number registered this year is a little larger than last year. But there have been no transactions out of the ordinary—no transfers which could be considered of much importance. The C. P. R. is taking over the real estate held in its property on Mill street, but so far as this office is aware, the G. T. P. has done nothing since it acquired an option on the McGuire property out by the Marsh Road."

TELEGRAPH UNABLE NOW TO TELL TRUTH

ALDERMAN POINTS OUT THAT REPORT OF CITY HALL MEETING WAS DISTORTED—ADHERING TO PRINCIPLE ADVOCATED.

"The Telegraph is getting so carried away with its misrepresentation in city hall matters that it can't tell the truth even by accident now," said a member of the city council to a Standard man yesterday.

Apparently there is some ground for the opinion quoted at the outset even though it may seem rather harsh.

NO INQUEST ON SMOTHERED MAN

JOHN DOHERTY DIED MONDAY NIGHT IN POND STREET HOUSE, AND BODY WAS ONLY FOUND YESTERDAY.

John Doherty, a teamster and laborer, was smothered in his home, 102 Pond street, Monday night last, and his body was not found until yesterday morning. Deceased had been drinking Monday night and was last seen alive by Mrs. Calman as he entered his one room residence Monday night. Mrs. Matilda Ecofo, who resides in the house also heard a noise in Doherty's room Monday night.

An he was not seen about on Tuesday night, a young man broke down the door of the room yesterday morning and the body was found lying almost naked on the bed face downward. The strychnine was found on the bed and the man's clothing was lying on the floor.

Painless Dentistry. Teeth filled or extracted free of pain by the celebrated "WALE METHOD." All branches of dental work done in the most skillful manner. Boston Dental Parlors. 227 Main St. Tel 633. DR. J. D. WALKER, Proprietor.

Women's Classy Slippers For Dress Wear. PUMPS. Cravenette Velvet, Patent and Dull Kid. SATIN. New in Design and Made of a Superior quality of Satin in white, blue and pink. WHITE KID. We always carry the largest assortment of White Kid in the city in Pumps, Ribbon Tie and Strap Effect.

BLACK KID. A tempting array of patterns and designs in Dengels and Vici Kid, plain and embroidered. Prices: From \$1.25 to \$5.

WATERBURY & RISING, King Street, Mill Street, Union Street. Three Stores.

AT MRA'S LTD.

HAVE YOUR EYES EXAMINED EARLY IN THE MORNING. You would not think of working hard all day, and then in the evening when you were tired, enter a competition with the expectation that you would be able to do as well as if you were to enter the same kind of a contest in the morning when you were rested and in good condition.

L. L. Sharpe & Son, Jewelers and Opticians. 21 KING STREET, ST. JOHN, N. B.

SEE OUR FINE LINE. Calendars for 1912. Suitable for every business. We are also well fitted to do Engraving and Printing of the highest class.

C. H. Flewelling, 85 1-2 Prince William Street.

ALABASTINE. The Modern Sanitary Wall Coating. Used with cold water. Can be recoated from time to time without removing the old coat. Hardens with age. All shades. In 5 lb. and 2 1-2 lb Packages. Price 50c and 25c per Package. 5 lbs. covers 50 square yards—one coat. W. H. Thorne & Co., Limited. Market Square and King Street, St. John, N. B.

A Customer's Reasonable Wish is This Store's Pleasure. DYKEMAN'S. Three Special Offerings in Ladies' Umbrellas. No. 1 Lot. is a 25 inch Umbrella of a very superior quality of Gloriosa on a paragon frame and with a solid ebony handle, with sterling silver trimmings. These will be sold at \$1.00 each. No. 2 Lot is Priced \$1.25. It has a union covering, light weight paragon frame, 20th century runner and has a dull finished silver knobbed handle of a large size. The covering of this umbrella has taped edges. It's regular price is \$1.75. No. 3 Lot is \$3.75. It is a fine silk covered umbrella in a silk case, very light and strong small frame, and a very large disc-topped handle in gold or silver with pearl trimmings. The regular price of this is \$5.00.

F. A. Dykeman & Co., 59 Charlotte St.

A Good Stove. You never hear of baking day troubles from a Cook who uses a Royal Grand Range. A Perfect Baker with a small consumption of fuel—has all the good features of the best stoves now in use, with patented improvements peculiar to itself. Have You Seen This Range? We make it and supply it at a price as low as is usually asked for the ordinary make of stoves. EMERSON & FISHER, Ltd., 25 Germain St.

New Inlaid and Printed Linoleums. Wherever linoleum is needed we have just the most suitable thing for you and as our stock is entirely fresh and most reasonably priced our display should be looked over before a decision is made. The variety this year is larger than ever before and comprises:— Tyle and Block Designs; Floral Designs; Matting Designs; Parquet Designs; Striped Floor Effects, etc. in all shades and colors. Plain Grounds and Small Patterns for Surrounds, and a Nice Assortment of Dainty Colored Carpet Designs for Bedroom Floors. CARPET DEPT.—GERMAIN ST.

Rich Black Silks and Satins For the New Spring Garments. BLACK PEAU DE SOIE. A double-faced silk with a rich satin finish, used for coats, dresses, blouse waists, etc., 20 to 23 in. wide. Price 70c to \$1.55 per yard. BLACK PAILLETTE. A soft bright finished silk and the most popular at the present time; used extensively for dresses and blouse waists; width 19 to 23 in. Price 50c to \$1.00 per yard, 36 in. wide, price \$1.25 per yard. BLACK FAILLE FRANCAIS. A rich corded silk, finished alike on both sides; used for coats, dresses, trimmings, etc.; width 21 to 23 in. Price 95c to \$2.15. BLACK BENGALINE. 48 in. wide; a corded silk, used especially for coats. Price \$2.95. BLACK MESSALINE. A soft rich satin for dresses, blouse waists, etc.; width 19 in. to 21 1/2 in. Price 80c to \$1.10; width 40 in., price \$1.85. BLACK DUCHESS MOUSELINE. A soft rich satin for dresses, etc.; width 40 in. Price \$2.00 per yard. BLACK MOIRE SILK. For separate Skirts, Trimmings, etc. Width 20 to 22 in. Price \$1.10 to \$1.50 per yard. BLACK SATIN FLORENTINE. A new make of soft finished satin; width 20 1/2 to 22 in. Price 90c, to \$1.40 per yard. BLACK SATIN DU STYX. Also a new make of a heavy finished satin; width 21 1/2 in. Price \$1.85. BLACK C. B. SATIN. For coat linings, etc.; width 23 in. to 25 in. Price 60c. to \$1.25 per yard. BLACK SURAH. A soft, twilled silk used for Dresses and Blouse Waists, 20 in. wide. Price 65c. per yard. BLACK JAPANESE SILK. For Summer Dresses, Kimonos, Blouse Waists, Dress Linings, etc. Width, 27 in. Price, 40c. to \$1.15 per yard. SILK DEPARTMENT—SECOND FLOOR. MANCHESTER ROBERTSON ALLISON, LTD.