

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Northwesterly to northerly winds; decreasing in force by night; fine and very cold.

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AROUND THE CITY

S. S. Teutonic. The steamer Teutonic of the White Star Line, which has been delayed owing to the very high vapor on the water, is expected to get away about ten o'clock this morning.

A Social Evening. A social and entertainment was held last evening in the rooms of the Natural History Society under the auspices of the Junior girls of the society.

Big Lumber Cut. The anniversary of Chipman, Queens county, was in the city yesterday. Mr. Ward said to a reporter that the lumbermen in his district were getting out bigger cuts than usual this winter, and that they were fortunate in having about all the snow that was necessary to their operations.

To Value Land. Messrs. James Myles, Leon A. Keith and W. I. Fenton have been appointed by the Provincial Government to value land between Douglas avenue and the Strait Shore road to be taken by the government as an approach to the new bridge at the Falls.

Door Was Closed. Owing to the cold weather the open door was not de rigor at City Hall yesterday. For the first time in the city's history, according to the oldest citizen, a sign, a beautifully manufactured sign, done in as many colors as Joseph's coat, was hung athwart the doorway, bidding the wayfarer public in language imperative to keep the door closed.

PERSONAL. Hon. J. K. Flemming, Premier of New Brunswick, was in the city for a short time yesterday. Hon. J. A. Murray of Sussex, was at the Victoria yesterday.

COMPLAIN OF BEGGARS SINCE METROPOLE FIRE. Many who were not Sufferers Took Advantage of Situation to Beg for Money.

There has been a number of complaints about beggars in the city, immediately after the Salvation Army Metropole fire, when the inmates were being cared for, other unfortunate men who were without funds made an easy living. They were not the men who were burned out but were local men, in most cases, and citizens were stopped on the streets. There were also numerous callers at residences where the imposters claimed that they were fire victims. In nearly every case they received money.

MEMBERS MAKE CONTRIBUTION TO INSTITUTE FOR FARMERS

Report Successful Year at the Annual Meeting of the Church of England Institute.

The deficit of \$120 on the year's work of the Church of England Institute was wiped out at the annual meeting last evening, when those present contributed enough to square up the account for the year. The meeting was an enthusiastic one and everyone present showed a great interest in the work.

The officers for the year were elected as follows: President, Rev. R. A. Armstrong; vice-presidents, J. K. Schofield, R. Frith, Mrs. G. F. Smith and Mrs. W. D. Forster. The members of the council are as follows: Rev. R. A. Armstrong, A. C. Skelton, N. E. Coupe, J. Roy Campbell, Charles Coster, W. H. Sadler, C. A. Macdonald, Mrs. J. M. Hay, Mrs. W. O. Raymond, Mrs. Thomas Walker, Mrs. W. S. Neales, Mrs. J. K. Schofield and Mrs. John McMillan.

The report of the council was received and adopted as follows: "At the outset of its report the council would record with the deepest gratitude the magnificent answer to its appeal for a permanent home for the institute. By this one munificent gift the freehold brick property at 116 Princess street, the most pressing problem of the institute has been solved and the whole diocese will feel the benefit of the new conditions.

Gratitude for the larger gift does not diminish appreciation of the very generous response to the appeal for funds sufficient for the alteration and furnishing of the new building. The brightest hopes of the pioneers in the work of the institute seem in a fair way to be realized, and members of the institute and churchmen generally have abundant cause for rejoicing. The success of each succeeding event in the institute year may be at once recorded.

The Lent noon-day services present an unique opportunity for personal work of a very definite character and the members are urged to do all in their power to increase their usefulness. The anniversary services were held on October 28, in Trinity Church, the anniversary preacher being the Very Rev. Dean Lloyd of All Saints' Cathedral, Halifax.

The conversation on December 19th was very enjoyable, thanks to F. Del. Clements, for a very successful sale of the papers and to those who aided in a very practical support. We record with very deep regret the removal from the city of the Rev. D. Couvers, who ever manifested the keenest interest in the welfare of the institute. The death of H. H. Pickett removed a most generous supporter and one who was for many years a member of the council.

Thanks to the Ladies' Association for their unflinching support, to kind friends for various gifts, to F. K. Brown on his retirement as treasurer, and to Miss Simpson and her assistant for efficient services. (Signed) R. A. Armstrong, President. Robert S. Coupe, Secretary. St. John, N. B., February 12, 1914.

Hon. J. A. Murray has Important Plans to Advance Agriculture - Wage Bitter War Against Pests - Increase Work of the Immigration Office - New Settlers.

Hon. J. A. Murray, minister of agriculture for the province, was in the city yesterday on his way from Fredericton to his home in Sussex. He spent the afternoon at the government rooms here discussing immigration matters and the work of the Farm Settlement Board with James Gilchrist and meeting callers at the office. When interviewed by The Standard, Mr. Murray said his department was considering plans for enlarging the work of the immigration office, and bringing new settlers to the province. "I believe," said Mr. Murray, "that the work of bringing new settlers to the province is one of great importance, and that it can be extended to the immediate future, as the reaction in the west is directing the attention of the people in the old country to the possibilities of Eastern Canada."

Dairying. Referring to the progress of the dairy industry, Hon. Mr. Murray said that reports made to his department showed that 1913 was the best year for dairying in the history of the province, but that he expected the developments in this line would be more important every year. The dairy school at Sussex will be opened in March, and in connection with the school the department will give short courses especially adapted to the requirements of women, including instruction in poultry raising.

Fighting Pests. The department has a number of experts engaged in the work of searching for the powdery scab on potatoes, and also a number of entomologists looking for brown tail moth nests. In regard to the invasion of brown tail moths from the United States, the department has made considerable inquiries into the province all along the Maine border, and many nests were being found recently. The department, however, was sparing no effort to combat the pest, and the experts were being greatly aided in their work by the school children who have been interested in the fight by means of lectures.

Mr. Murray proposes that in future, when the department sends out lecturers on agricultural subjects, the lecturers instead of delivering his lecture and moving on to some other place next-day, shall stop in the locality for a few days, and supplement the instruction conveyed in his lecture by giving practical demonstrations of his theories, and meeting the farmers personally in the dealing of first hand with their individual problems. This policy has been tried on a small scale in connection with the work of the horticultural department, and the minister intends to have it carried out on a more practical basis in connection with the work of all departments.

THIS BATH MUST WAIT

Water Department Inspection Proves them Standing Cold Weather in Good Shape - Trouble in Houses

Com. Wismore stated yesterday that notwithstanding the exceptional cold weather, none of the fire hydrants had been found frozen up to yesterday afternoon. All the hydrants are inspected in cold weather once every twenty-four hours, and the water department was well pleased at the fact that they had no trouble with them. While the city has been fortunate in the fact that the water department has been in difficulty because of the freezing up of service pipes, and the plumbers have been busy and will likely be busy for some days. The water department has received quite a number of applications from plumbers for the use of the city's boilers to thaw out service pipes, but these requests were not complied with as the water department wants to keep the boilers in readiness, in case they may be needed to thaw out hydrants.

All over the city people have been letting their taps run, and in some districts there have been complaints of scarcity of water, due evidently to the fact that all the neighbors have been making a continuous draft upon the supply. At the water office on Cornmarket street last evening the pressure was about 154 feet, while the normal pressure ranges from 190 to 200 feet. Don't Miss Tonight's Hockey. The First Maryville Hockey team will cross sticks with our St. John team at Queen's Rink tonight. Maryville are well up in the Provincial League and some game may be looked for.

Fashion News. Shadow lace bonnings in 18 inch and 27 inch and the silk bonnings of French manufacture in both white and black bid fair to dominate the market. Also the exquisite and attractive designs in Swiss embroidered bonnings in 27 inch and 45 inch and Camisole embroideries will be most popular for spring. See these novelties in Manchester Robertson, Allison's Limited, King street window. Gundry's for special watch 0 to 12 size. Telephone Main 2635 or Main 594 for coal, any kind you want, and we will get it to you quick. J. S. Gibbon and Co., Limited. The annual meeting of New Brunswick S. P. C. will be held at the Board of Trade rooms on Tuesday, 17th inst., at eleven a. m. All members invited to attend. By order of S. M. Webmore, secretary.

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