

THE WEATHER

Toronto, Jan. 9. The weather has been fair today throughout the Dominion. Prince Rupert, 34 48; Victoria, 34 48; Calgary, 24 38; Edmonton, 14 22; Medicine Hat, 28 38; Moose Jaw, 28 38; Saskatoon, 28 38; Regina, 28 38; Winnipeg, 28 38; Brandon, 28 38; St. Paul, 28 38; Minneapolis, 28 38; Chicago, 28 38; New York, 28 38; Philadelphia, 28 38; Boston, 28 38; Washington, 28 38; Baltimore, 28 38; New Orleans, 28 38; Miami, 28 38; Havana, 28 38; Mexico City, 28 38; San Francisco, 28 38; Los Angeles, 28 38; Portland, 28 38; Seattle, 28 38; San Diego, 28 38; Honolulu, 28 38; Sydney, 28 38; Melbourne, 28 38; Auckland, 28 38; Wellington, 28 38; Christchurch, 28 38; Dunedin, 28 38; Auckland, 28 38; Wellington, 28 38; Christchurch, 28 38; Dunedin, 28 38.

AROUND THE CITY

TO SELL BARKER HOUSE. R was announced Saturday that Mrs. Barker, proprietor of the Ben Lomond House at Loch Lomond, is planning retiring from the business which she has conducted for several years and that the business and properties have been placed in the hands of Taylor & Sweeney.

IMPORTING LABORERS. Supt. Fred Boyd, of the Milltown Cotton Mills, was in the city Saturday to look after some English girls, who arrived on the Empress of Britain, employed on the Empress of Britain. They are unskilled laborers. Some time ago the same company had several girls come from Scotland to take work at their mills.

HANDSOME CALENDARS. The Standard has received handsome calendars from H. R. Westhead of 133 Queen street, St. John, and from the "Purify Flour," The Western Canada Flour Mills Co., Ltd. Both have Canadian scenes in colors. The Bank of Montreal has issued a very fine calendar in dark gray, blue and silver.

MONCTON CANADIAN CLUB. The annual meeting of the Moncton Canadian Club will be held on Tuesday evening, February 18, when Rev. Canon Armstrong, of St. John, will be the speaker. Supper will be served at the Brunswick Hotel at 6:30. Canon Armstrong's subject will be: "The Secret of Influence." Reports of retiring officers will be given and election of officers will take place.

SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE. Rev. G. F. Dawson preached a very interesting sermon last evening at the Seamen's Institute, taking for his subject the various parts of a ship and comparing them to the Christian life. His audience of ninety men enjoyed the talk greatly. The Rev. G. F. Dawson sang a duet, and Miss Gladys Dykeman presided at the piano. He Dykeman presided at the piano. He of the service.

ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS. Herman Stern, of New York, accompanied by Mrs. Stern, arrived in St. John yesterday. Mr. Stern has recently been appointed General Sales Manager for all Canada with headquarters at Toronto for the Canadian Universal Film Company, and is in St. John on official business which will cover the Dominion. G. A. Margolis is manager for the Maritime Provinces of the Canadian Universal.

CONFERENCE ON SUGAR. R. G. Schofield, St. John, representing the Acadia Sugar Refinery, and L. J. Solderstein, of Montreal, and R. M. Fowler, of St. John, representing the Atlantic Refinery, were in Halifax, Saturday, conferring with wholesale grocers on the "equalized" freight rates on sugar, which went up with all other commodities when the last freight increase was given the railroads.

FERRY REVENUE LARGER. The ferry revenues for 1920 was slightly in excess of expenditures, Commissioner Bullock said Saturday morning. A detailed report will be presented at the next Council meeting. A good increase is noted in the figures for December, as follows: Passengers, 226,155; 1919, 190,740; Revenue, \$3,724,450; \$3,289,344; Taxes, \$1,481; \$1,044; \$/acre, \$1,001.13; \$1,021.49; Increase: Passengers, 26,415; taxes, \$; revenue, \$484.96.

VITAL STATISTICS. Twenty-two deaths were reported to the Board of Health during last week, as follows: Endocarditis, three; pneumonia, two; heart failure, two; accident, fracture of skull, acute nephritis, chronic nephritis, oedema of lungs, acute sclerotic, diabetic gangrene, broncho-pneumonia, cerebral hemorrhage, carcinoma of mouth and rheumatic endocarditis, one each. Twenty-one marriages and twenty-six births were reported to the sub-deputy registrar of vital statistics here during the week.

OFFICERS INSTALLED. At a recent meeting of Calum Lodge No. 28, L. O. E. A., held in the Temple Hall, Main street, the following officers were installed for the ensuing year: Worthy mistress, Mrs. J. Simpson; deputy mistress, Mrs. Charles Ingalls; chaplain, Mrs. H. H. Edmister; recording secretary, Mrs. F. Rowley; financial secretary, Mrs. Morrow; treasurer, Miss Buckley; lecturer, Mrs. C. Anderson; director of ceremonies, Mrs. O. Ward; inner guard, Mrs. H. Luskay; outer guard, Mrs. A. Long; forelady of investigating committee, Mrs. Mahon; additional members of committee, Mrs. J. Rusk, Mrs. J. Welch, Mrs. H. Dryden, Mrs. Robert Baird; guardian, G. Clarke; warden, Mrs. Baird and Mrs. Dryden. Resolutions were served at the close of the meeting.

Sir Geo. McL. Brown Milk Blockade Here From England Is Called Off

Confident People in England Will Successfully Meet Conditions. Among the prominent passengers arriving on the Empress of Britain, who spent a few hours in this city, were Sir George McLaren Brown, London, European representative of the C. P. R. and Colonel J. S. Dennis, C. M. G., of the G. F. R. Immigration Department. They left here aboard private car New Brunswick for Montreal on the 4 o'clock train Saturday afternoon.

Empresses Confidence. Sir George expresses great confidence in the ability of the people in England to successfully meet the condition brought about by the readjustment going on in the industrial world. He has implicit faith in the good sense of the people and he says they show great recuperative power and are making a gradual but sure recovery from the ill effects of the war. Sir George thinks there are great possibilities in store for the Canadian manufacturers who take advantage of the opportunities offered by the London market.

Still Holds Lead. England's export trade, he says, shows a falling off, but in this trade she still holds a commanding lead over her neighboring countries. Sir George says Belgium and Holland have made wonderful recovery in the readjustment of trade conditions and are rapidly approaching their pre-war status. He finds the Germans gradually picking up and making special efforts to regain a market for their dye stuffs. Other products of their factories, when not much capital is involved, are being pushed forward with the energy characteristic of the people.

Notwithstanding, the farmers are not given to boast of their achievements. They state they were not fighting for the love of fighting, but for fair play. They were of the opinion that if the dealers wanted them to cut one cent off their profit, they the dealers should be equally generous and do likewise. It needed a little coercion as well as persuasion for the city men to look at the proposition from the countryman's angle, but he finally did so.

The New Agreement. The new agreement calls for a price of 72 cents, and the price is to hold until the first of June, unless the market should be so favorable that the farmers are very doubtful. The proposition advanced by the St. John dealers was that the farmer reduce his price from 80 cents a can to 64 cents. The idea did not appeal to the farmer, as the dealer would not cut his own margin or profit.

"Spilled the Beans". One of the dealers stated last night that somebody had, to use a rather common expression, "spilled the beans," in other words, got in touch with the Kings County Dealers and agreed to their terms. The dealer himself was still standing pat, and did not know if his supply would be from Kings County today or not. Neither was he sure if the price would be 15, 15 or 17 cents per quart.

In the meantime, the milk is being taken from a number of the pails lying in Kings county with a merry jingle, and the mellow rays of a lantern lit in this early morning morning beams down upon the complacent countenance of a happy farmer lad. He whistles as he works, something about "Better than a palace with a gilded dome," and he is patting down on the farm. The cows are not saying anything, but seem to appreciate the humor of the situation.

In the city the dealers are accepting their defeat with a more or less good grace. The consumer is very much tickled he is getting his milk two cents cheaper than a week ago—don't which he has undoubtedly the dealer to thank—and he himself not having been involved in the trouble to any extent is quite happy.

REV. H. E. THOMAS COMES TO ST. JOHN. Has Accepted Invitation Given by Quarterly Board of Exmouth Street Methodist. It was announced at the Exmouth Street Methodist Church yesterday, that Rev. H. E. Thomas had accepted the invitation given him by the quarterly board to become their pastor next ecclesiastical year.

BARACA CLASS WAS IN CHARGE. Interesting Meeting Held in Central Baptist Church—Thirty Members in Choir. The Baraca Class was in charge of the evening service in the Central Baptist church last evening. Thirty members of the class, under Dr. L. N. Baker, formed a choir. Quartettes by Messrs. Ellis, Allen, Crossman and Baker, were sung in splendid style. The address was given by L. F. Klipp, while on the platform were: Rev. P. H. Bone, pastor of the church, and T. Collins, the president of the Baraca.

CHINESE FAMINE FUND. Collections for the Chinese Famine Fund were made in a number of city churches yesterday, including Trinity and Centenary. ESCAPED IN HALIFAX. St. John has nothing on Halifax for the escaping of Jews who were being held by immigration officials for deportation. Six men made their escape in the sister city last week, and up till Saturday had not been captured.

VETERAN RETIRES. Robert Bartlett, a veteran locomotive engineer, made his last run on the C. P. R. Saturday, he having retired after a faithful service for forty-nine years. WORK SUSPENDED. Owing to the snow storm and the condition of the landing stages at Sand Point Saturday afternoon work on the steamer Empress of Britain had to be suspended for some hours.

SEAMEN'S CONCERT. Seamen at the Institute arranged a concert for themselves on Saturday evening, talent from the various ships in port producing a programme of merit. IS SERIOUSLY ILL. The serious illness of Mrs. W. E. Foster, wife of Premier Foster, is causing grave anxiety to her family and friends. Last evening her condition was reported as unchanged.

G.W.V. Hosts At Annual Treat

Children of Heroes Who Fell in the Great War Were Given Pleasant Time. There were nearly one hundred guests at the Annual Treat given by the G. W. V. A. for the children of their comrades, who fell in the Great War, on Saturday afternoon. The Christmas tree was omitted this year, but each child was presented with a well filled bag containing candies and fruits, while ice cream and cake were served at the entertainment. Games were played, and several of those present played the piano, a song being sung by one of the veterans in French.

H. W. Sevors acted as chairman, while other members of the G. W. V. A. committees were: S. C. Tippet, J. G. Dryden, Major Outhbert Morgan and Dougherty, Captain W. J. Brown, president of G. W. V. A., as well as many members of the association. They were assisted by Mrs. Levors, Mrs. Tippet, Mrs. W. H. Cooper and Miss C. Stewart from the I. O. D. E. and Y. W. P. A. were present, assisting with the refreshments. DeMott's Chapter, Mrs. G. E. Barbour, Mrs. A. G. Shelton, Y. W. P. A., Miss Marion Crutcher, Miss Barbara Jack, Royal Standard, Mrs. J. Pope Barnes, Miss Ethel Jarvis, Loyalest, Miss Marion Magee, Mrs. Eber Tarral, Miss Violet Whitaker.

From the Young Women's Patriotic Association, Miss Charlotte Dodge, Miss Louise Sheldon, Miss Winifred Uphan, Miss Beatrice Frink, Miss Irene Barber, Miss Taylor, Miss Alice Fairweather.

J. J. MERRYFIELD NOW WITH THE CUSTOMS. J. J. Merryfield who severed his connection with the Prohibition force of Inspectors the first of the month has accepted a position with the local Customs department under collector C. B. Lockhart, and took over his new duties last Friday.

Mr. Merryfield is a most efficient officer and some years ago was a member of the Dominion Police, during which time while performing his duty was stabbed by a man named Cogswell, on the Oranoceto River when he was obliged to shoot his assailant, after the war on the Moncton Police force, from which he resigned to take the position of prohibition Sub-inspector during which term of office he worked night and day securing good results. His friends wish him success in his new line of duty.

Today—Double Bed Sheetings 85c. Yard At M. R. A., Ltd. The annual free hemming sale of household cottons and linens commences this morning and offers values of a compelling nature. Women with a knowledge of value, and who have a keen eye for the price of these things during the last five years, will immediately recognize the exceptionally low prices now available.

Bedspreads, Sheets, Pillow Cases, Towellings, Napkins, Towels and Towellings are all included in this sale and during this six weeks selling event will be hemmed for you free of charge. Watch out for the M. R. A. advertisement—important specials will be announced from time to time in connection with this sale.

WOMEN WHO WANT HOUSE DRESSES SHOULD SEE THOSE AT DYKEMAN'S FOR \$1.99. They are the genuine value giving kind, not thrown together out of some flimsy fabric, but made of good sturdy prints, the kind that will stand up under hard everyday service. They are really a wonderful bargain and can be had in black and white, or fancy colors. Choice of white or blue collars and cuffs. Sizes 36 to 44. Regular \$2.75 value. January Sale Price \$1.99.

Dykeman's Clearance Sale. SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE. Empress of Britain Concert Party, better than ever, Tuesday night, eight o'clock. 28c; reserved, 25c.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Phillips left here Saturday evening for Palm Beach, Florida, where they will remain in several weeks. They were accompanied as far as Boston by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Marvin. Mrs. G. G. Corbett left on the C. P. R. for Ottawa to attend the funeral of her brother, Charles Bird.

CLIFTON HOUSE, ALL MEALS 60c. \$10 Reward to anyone who can give information as to where a suitable furnished apartment could be obtained. Address P. O. Box 1109.

VOCATIONAL CLASSES COURSE IN CHEMISTRY. A practical course for drug clerks and workers in rubber, pulp mills, candy factories, etc., including general chemistry, elementary qualitative analysis, together with the study of the manufacture of various products. Architectural Drawing. For ambitious carpenters, masons, plumbers, steamfitters, cabinet-makers and others in building and construction trades, consisting of drawings of details of buildings and simple house plans.

Course in Electricity. A practical course for men in four classes: 1. Elementary electricity and electrical wiring. 2. Currents, dynamos, motors, operation and care of electrical machinery, etc. Enroll immediately. Office, corner of Union street and Hazen avenue. Telephone M. 4506.

Victor's Skink. Skating the afternoon: hunt and skating tonight.

The NEW EDISON "The Phonograph with a Soul" Wins 4000 Times. Come in and hear the Official Laboratory Model. Its realism has been proved in 4,000 Comparison Tests all over Canada and the United States, before more than 4,000,000 people. The audiences always agreed there was no difference between the performance of the living artists and its RE-CREATION by the New Edison. We guarantee the Official Laboratory Model we show you to be capable of sustaining the same tests of direct comparison. W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD. Store Hours:—8.30 a. m. to 6 p. m. Closed at 1 p. m. on Saturdays during January, February, March.

Victor Traps MADE IN CANADA BY THE ONEIDA COMMUNITY LIMITED Niagara Falls, Ontario. For many years the Victors have been the largest selling popular priced traps. They are substantially built and have the benefit of information secured by seventy years of trap manufacturing. Their sturdiness coupled with the fact that it does not cost a lot of money to lay in a supply, makes them the prime favorite of hundreds of thousands of amateur and professional trappers. Made in 9 sizes, each being especially adapted to the work for which it is intended. SOLD AND GUARANTEED BY Emerson & Fisher, Ltd. - St. John, N. B.

STORES OPEN 9 A. M. CLOSE 6 P. M. January Free Hemming Sale. Bigger and better than ever is the January Free Hemming Sale of Household Cottons and Linens, which begins Monday morning at 9 a.m. This sale offers values that compel the interest of every woman—because of price and quality appeal. Whether your needs are the ordinary ones of the home, or the greater ones of Hotels, Institutions, Boarding Houses, etc., this is the time to look after them. All hemming of the following articles will be done absolutely free of charge: White and Unbleached Sheetting, Pillow Cottons, Long Cloth, Cup Towelling, Roller Towelling, Huck Towelling. Damask Table Cloths, Napkins, Tray Cloths, in Pure Irish and Mercerized Cotton. Bedspreads in Marseilles, Crochet, Ripplette and Fancy Printed Patterns—three sizes. Huck Towels, Bath Towels, Bath Mats and Bath Sheets. A full range of Hemmed Sheets and Pillow Cases all ready for use. We call particular attention to our prices of Longcloth, Sheetings, Pillow Cottons, Towelling, Cotton Damask, etc. You will find them 25 to 30 per cent. lower this season. During the six weeks of free hemming other Big Specials will be announced from time to time. Watch the papers for these very special bargains. Sale in Linen Room, Ground Floor.

The First Big Special in connection with this Sale is Double Bed Sheetting At 85c. yard. Be sure and get what you want of this on Monday. Manchester Robertson Allison & Co. KING STREET GERMAN STREET MARKET SQUARE.

\$35.00 will buy now a choice of several different sets of fur scarves or muffs, Fox, Wolf, Raccoon and others, worth \$75.00 to \$90.00 each. \$39.00 will buy a crepe georgette or satin mourning dress worth \$65.00, \$63.00, \$73.00. \$45.00 will purchase a sable opposum fur coat for a girl or kiddie and \$98.50 will purchase one in a women's size. JUST LOOK IN THE WINDOWS. These prices are 50 per cent. at least under the legitimate worth. D. Magee & Sons, Limited, Saint John, N.B.