

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Moderate westerly winds, cloudy and comparatively mild with occasional light showers.

Toronto, Dec. 2—Light showers have occurred today in parts of Ontario, and New Brunswick, while elsewhere in Canada the weather has been fair. Temperature changes have been unimportant.

Table with columns for location, minimum temperature, and maximum temperature. Locations include Victoria, Vancouver, Kamloops, Edmonton, Calgary, Moosejaw, Qu'Appelle, Winnipeg, Port Arthur, Parry Sound, London, Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, and Halifax.

WASHINGTON FORECAST: Washington, Dec. 2—Forecast: Northern New England, generally cloudy Wednesday and Thursday; light to moderate variable winds.

AROUND THE CITY

Additional Members. The council of the Board of Trade held a meeting yesterday afternoon and appointed the following as additional members of the council: A. H. Wetmore, J. Hunter White, D. P. Pidgeon, Charles S. Philips, W. B. Bamford and W. F. Burditt.

Industrial Home. A meeting of the governors of the Boys' Industrial Home was held in the Mayor's office yesterday afternoon when the usual monthly reports were received and disposed of. There are now 34 boys in the institution, which makes the largest number of inmates in its history.

WILL FIGHT EMBARGO ON N. B. POTATOES

St. John Dealers Much Interested in Present Situation—United States Crop Very Short.

St. John potato dealers are very much interested in the discussion now going on in the United States relative to the advisability of lifting the embargo on potatoes which the Washington authorities put into effect in order to prevent the introduction of diseases affecting potatoes.

The United States potato crop is said to be 10,000,000 bushels short this year, and that to meet the demands of the market large imports will have to be made.

St. John potato shippers believe that if the embargo is lifted they will be able to reap considerable advantage from the shortage of the crop in the United States.

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BELIEVE THE SMOKE RALLIES RESPONSIBLE FOR WILDFIRES

Month of November Mildest Since 1903, Says Official Record—Advance Many Theories for Continued Summerlike Weather—State Smoke Acts as Smudge in Fruit Orchard.

The month of November was remarkable on account of the mildness of the temperature, the average reading of the thermometer being 39.5. This was the highest since 1903 when the average was 40.3.

During November, 1912, the average temperature was 37.7 and the highest was 57.7.

The weather of the last month has been particularly agreeable with but a few stormy days. There has been considerable discussion in regard to the winter in recent years and some people have advanced the theory that the snowfall and cold weather had been curtailed to a great extent.

TO DISCUSS THE HOUSING CONDITIONS

Board of Trade to Take Active Steps in this Matter—To Meet on Friday.

Arrangements are being made to hold a special meeting of the Board of Trade on Friday, the 11th inst., for the purpose of discussing the housing question, and trying to work up interest in the provision of better housing.

One phase of the housing question which will probably be thrashed out at the special meeting of the board is the reason of the high cost of building operations here as compared with other cities.

IS THE C.P.R. AFTER BOSTON AND MAINE RY.?

Rumor on Streets to This Effect—Action Might Divert Much Traffic to Boston.

It is reported that the C. P. R. is trying to get control of the Boston and Maine railway. This report has caused considerable uneasiness in St. John.

QUEER CASE IN POLICE COURT

Harry McHugh Sent up for Trial—Evidence Tends to Show Prisoner Spent Evening Home.

In the police court yesterday afternoon Harry McHugh was sent up for trial on a charge of assaulting William Henry Ford, a colored lad, and robbing him of a dollar.

PRISON FARM A NECESSITY

J. King Kelley in Eloquent Plea for Improvement—Lectures before Fairville Methodist Brotherhood.

Before a largely attended meeting of the Brotherhood of the Fairville Methodist Church last evening J. King Kelley delivered an interesting address on "Our Delinquent Population," speaking strongly in favor of a prison farm.

THE TIMES IS DISCREDITED

The Statement in Last Evening's Issue, re Living Cost Commission, Far from True.

Characterized by their usual desire to discredit the government wherever possible the Times last evening published a despatch from Ottawa to the effect that the government, at its first cabinet council meeting, had decided that there should be no commission to enquire into the cost of living.

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