

### THE WEATHER

Toronto, Dec. 28.—Disturbances are centered just south of James' Bay and east of Newfoundland tonight while pressure is falling over Atlantic. Pressure is high along the Atlantic coast and over the plateau region. The weather today has been fair in the West, milder with light snow in Ontario and Western Quebec, and fair and cold in Eastern Quebec and the Maritime Provinces.

St. John	12	18
Dawson	4	0
Prince Rupert	13	33
Victoria	34	42
Vancouver	34	40
Calgary	22	40
Edmonton	22	18
Bastford	0	13
Prince Albert	2	8
Medicine Hat	23	26
Moose Jaw	4	17
Saskatoon	4	5
Regina	0	29
Winnipeg	0	19
White River	20	28
Parry Sound	4	28
Toronto	22	32
Kingston	4	30
Ottawa	2	16
Montreal	8	16
Quebec	8	14
Halifax	16	22

—Below zero

**Forecast.**  
Maritime—Frost to strong south and southwest winds, becoming unsettled and milder with light snow or rain.  
Northern New England—Unsettled and warmer, probably light snow Thursday; Friday fair and much colder; increasing south and south-west winds.

### AROUND THE CITY

#### CITY WAITS FOR PREMIER.

The city is all ready to discuss the hydro offer and is but awaiting word from Premier Foster, according to statement made by Mayor Schofield yesterday. Mr. Ross, the city's expert, has been retained in readiness for the "pour parlers."

#### CHIEF SATISFIED

While in the city yesterday, Chief Liquor Inspector J. B. Hawthorne of Fredericton expressed himself as satisfied with the working of the Prohibition Act in the city during the Christmas season. There had been no complaints received.

#### PLANS FOR NEW YEAR

Estimates of expenditures for the coming year is a subject to be considered soon by the common council. The commissioners are already prepared to submit the programmes they have mapped out for their respective departments. The agreement with the Public Service Employees' Union expires on January 1.

#### WILL NOT CO-OPERATE

The provincial government will not co-operate with the municipality in relieving unemployment, in as far as the proposed straightening of the water approach to the highway bridge at the Falls is concerned. It was hoped that the government would undertake this work which is essential to public safety, and would at the same time tend greatly to relieve the local unemployment situation. The government has announced however that they cannot spare their engineers, for the necessary surveys.

#### SPIRIT OF GOODWILL

The true Christmas spirit was manifested at the Yuletide by the proprietor and staff of Jas. W. Brittain. Mr. Brittain manifested his goodwill to his employees by presenting each with a large turkey, and his staff reciprocated the spirit of goodwill by presenting him with a handsome silk umbrella.

#### HOAX PUBLIC

The public are warned to beware of those fraudulently representing themselves to be members of the Memorial Workshops, who may solicit work for work. To prevent those who are not entitled to this privilege to hoax the public an identification card has been issued by the shops, signed by the chairman, Mayor Schofield, which reads: "This is to certify that (name) is a member of the Memorial Workshops for the month of \_\_\_\_\_." These cards will be changed every month to prevent their improper use, so the mayor said yesterday.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HOSTS

The annual Christmas assembly of the St. John Council of the Knights of Columbus, which was held in the Knights Home, Coburg street, Tuesday evening, proved a most enjoyable occasion. Over a hundred knights and their lady friends enjoyed dancing and bridge; the various rooms and ball room being attractively decorated with Christmas greetings and holly for the occasion. The guests were welcomed by the chaplain, Dr. W. P. Broderick, district deputy, and Mrs. Broderick; Edward J. Henneberry, grand knight, and Mrs. Henneberry, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Murphy. Supper was served in the dining room, which was prettily decorated. Mrs. Broderick, Mrs. Henneberry, Mrs. Murphy and Mrs. William Donahue poured Jones' orchestra was in attendance. Arrangements were in the hands of a committee under the direction of William J. Carney, lecturer.

### St. Peter's Choir Sacred Concert

#### Programme Given Last Evening in St. Vincent's Auditorium Proved Delightful to Large Audience.

The sacred concert given by St. Peter's male choir in St. Vincent's Auditorium last evening was largely attended. Every number was well rendered and greatly enjoyed by a most appreciative audience. The programme and those who took part is as follows: Selection by City Cornet Band; Solo, "The Lord is my Light," Frances Allison—Miss Florence Kiernan; Solo, "Lead Kindly Light," Caro Pinault—Brother Bede; Kyrie and Gloria (from Coleman's Mass)—Choir; Solo, Selected—Mrs. Alice Harris; Solo, Selected—Mrs. Duffy.

#### Part Two

Selection by City Cornet Band; Solo, "Ave Maria," Gounod—Miss Maxwell; Solo, "The Holy City"—Harry Richardson; Pastoral, Lambillotte—Choir Solo; Solo, James McCausland; Violin Solo, Selected—T. Maunsell O'Neill; Tantum Ergo, Lambillotte—Choir; Hymn, "Holy God"; God Save the King; Accompanists: Mrs. M. A. Quinn—Mrs. LeLachur; J. G. Dallaire; Committee: R. L. Butler, Secretary; Treasurer: M. T. Howard; H. Dever; H. L. McQuade; Boys: T. McGarrigle, Wm. Rooney, E. McEann, Leo Hurley, R. McAuley, G. O'Brien, C. Gallagher, J. McAuley, A. Peterson, J. McCausland, H. McMenamin, J. Harley; Rev. Geo. Coffin, Spiritual Director; J. G. Dallaire, Organist; Harry McQuade, Director.

### Newsies Had Real Good Time

#### Over One Hundred and Fifty Were Guests of the Y. M. C. A. Last Evening.

In keeping with the true Christmas spirit, the Y.M.C.A. last night threw open the doors of their institution to the News Boys of the city and brought joy to the hearts of over one hundred and fifty "newsies" who partook of all the good things in the way of entertainment and "eats" which were generously placed at their disposal.

#### Hosts At Dinner

The firm of Vassie & Co., Ltd., were hosts at a dinner given in the Union Club last evening to the heads of their departments and their travellers. The dinner was also made an occasion of a get-together for a discussion of plans for the coming year. Speeches were made by the president of the company, the Hon. W. E. Foster, the vice-president, William Vassie, and the accountant, E. Melton Smith. A reading was also given by Fred J. McDonald.

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#### JUDGMENT IN AUTOMOBILE CASE

Mr. Justice Chandler delivered judgment on Tuesday in the case of Thomas W. Griffin vs. B. L. Journeay. This was an action in regard to an alleged detention of the plaintiff's automobile by the defendant, a garage owner, of Wolford.

#### NEWMAN BROOK PLAN

A plan of the proposed work at the Newman Brook Bridge will be submitted to the City Council by G. M. Hatfield, road engineer, this afternoon according to a statement made by Commissioner Prink yesterday.

#### CAR SERVICE DELAYED

Because of an accident at the N. B. Power Company's power house, the proposed resumption of service on the loop line, West End, has been postponed for a few days.

### Jury Disagreed In Parker Case

#### George V. Parker Will Now Be Tried on Charge of Boots Knowing Them to Have Been Stolen.

After being out for two hours the jury in the case of the King vs. George V. Parker charged with receiving stolen goods was unable to come to an agreement yesterday afternoon, the final vote standing six for conviction and six for acquittal. There is also a second charge against the accused that of having received ten pairs of boots knowing them to have been stolen. This case will be commenced tomorrow and, after its completion, the court will decide what steps to take in connection with the first matter.

When the Circuit Court resumed its session yesterday morning the prosecution in the case of the King vs. Parker, called their last witness, Fred Gallant who said that he had gone to the accused's barber shop and had given him two rolls of cloth in exchange for which he had received four bottles of liquor. This closed the case for the Crown.

The accused then took the stand and said that he had bought the cloth from Gallant and three other men for \$65. He asked them if the goods were stolen and they told him that they had found the cloth on Smythe street. Under cross-examination, he denied that he had given the labels on the whiskey bottles found in his house.

In the afternoon, the evidence of William Ballay was taken. He said that he had seen Parker pay Gallant for the goods. The Crown called Detective Biddiscombe and C. P. A. Officers Stevens and Costello in rebuttal.

This concluded the evidence in the matter and, after a recess, the jury for the accused, and Wm. M. Ryan for the Crown had delivered their addresses to the jury. Mr. Justice Chandler charged the jury and they retired at five o'clock. They returned at seven o'clock and announced a disagreement. Court then adjourned until this morning at ten o'clock when the second charge will be begun.

### PERSONALS

C. E. Goodman, of Toronto, representing the Financial Post, is in the city on business.

Clarence Jones, of Houlton, Me., is at the Victoria.

Mrs. Geo. B. Hanson of Marysville is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Parker, 60 Melburn street.

Colonel F. B. Mackenzie of Sackville, was registered at the Royal yesterday.

Commander G. O. R. Elliott, of Montreal, was in the city yesterday and was registered at the Victoria.

Mr. Justice Barry was registered at the Dufferin yesterday.

Max Richard, of Shediac, is at the Dufferin.

D. T. Day, of Bath, is registered at the Dufferin.

Moncton Times: Miss Alice Rising, of St. John, spent Christmas in the city with friends.

Miss Verna Hooper, of the staff of the Bank of Nova Scotia, of this city, spending the holidays with her sister, Mrs. J. D. McBeath, Moncton.

Miss M. Helen MacDonald returned Tuesday evening to Newark, N. J., having spent Christmas at her home, 55 Douglas avenue.

Harmoo McComb, of St. Stephen, has returned home after spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Warren, 55 Canterbury street.

Max Lindsay, of St. John's, Nfld., a student in the engineering department of Mount Allison, is spending the Christmas holidays at the home of his aunt, Mrs. J. M. Rice, Fairville.

Other guests at the parsonage are Mrs. Chesley Woods, of Sackville, and Miss Phyllis Woods, a member of the faculty of Mount Allison Ladies' College.

O. J. Lawson, of East St. John, is improving after several weeks' confinement to his bed with acute bronchitis.

Miss Regina Smyth left Monday evening for Boston on a visit to relatives and friends.

Miss M. A. Cunningham, of Peters street, has returned to Newark, N. J., spending Christmas with her sister, Mrs. James Logan, of Hampton.

A report from the infirmary yesterday was that His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc had improved and he is resting comfortably.

Moncton Transcript, Tuesday: Mr. and Mrs. G. Winfield Williamson, of St. John, spent Christmas in the city with Mrs. Williamson's mother, Mrs. W. W. Lodge. Mr. Williamson returned to St. John yesterday, while Mrs. Williamson will remain in the city for a few days. Miss Elizabeth Riddick, of St. John, is spending a few days in the city with her sister, Mrs. P. A. MacGowan.

Moncton Times: Mr. and Mrs. George A. Hannah and daughter, of Calgary, are guests of Mrs. Hannah's mother, Mrs. George A. McBeath. Miss Verna Hooper, of the staff of the Bank of Nova Scotia at St. John, is spending the holidays with her sister, Mrs. J. D. McBeath.

Amherst News: Boyd Brownell, who for the past thirty-three years has been employed with the Robb Engineering Company, plans to leave Jan. 3 or 4 for Windsor, N. S., where he will assume the management of the Windsor Foundry & Machine Company.

#### UNION LODGE K. of P.

At a largely attended convention of Union Lodge No. 2, Knights of Pythias, held last evening at Castle Hill, Union street, the rank of knight was conferred on a large class. The work was exemplified by the degree team in fine style. After the rank work adjournment was made and refreshments were served by an efficient committee.

### U. N. B. Chancellor Visits the West

#### Sir J. Douglas Hazen Receives Letter from Dr. D. R. Sharpe, Regina, With Respect to Visit of Dr. Jones.

Sir J. Douglas Hazen, Chief Justice of New Brunswick and President of the U. N. B. Senate, is in receipt of a letter from Dr. D. R. Sharpe, M. A., B. D., of Regina, Sask., General Secretary of the Convention of Baptist Churches in Saskatchewan, with respect to the visit of the Chancellor of the University of New Brunswick to the West. Dr. Sharpe expresses his appreciation of the visit of Dr. Jones.

Dr. Sharpe's letter, in part, says: "Dr. Jones has not only met groups of graduates and former students in all the centres in Western Canada, but has also given addresses before Canadian and Kiwanis Clubs, and has always succeeded in leaving a splendid impression, both on behalf of himself and the University of New Brunswick. I had the pleasure of being with Dr. Jones in meetings both in Saskatchewan and Alberta, and heard him give an address before a very large and influential group of Kiwanis members of the Kiwanis Club, in Hotel Macdonald, Edmonton. Dr. Jones gave a magnificent address on Higher Education in the Maritime Provinces, which delighted the members of the club, and received most favorable publicity in the press.

"May I say to you that Dr. Jones' visit in the judgment of Western graduates, will do a very great deal in reawakening interest and strengthening the ties between the sons of the institution living in the West, and the institution in Fredericton. I should also like to say, on behalf of the men for whom I speak, that our loyalty to old U. N. B. grows stronger with the years. We feel we should like to be of any service to our Alma Mater, and pledge anew our sympathy and gifts.

"It has been my privilege to visit the graduates and former students in Western Canada, and to effect local organizations from Winnipeg to Vancouver. I have been profoundly moved by the intense loyalty of the graduates and friends of the institution living in Western Canada."

### Rotary Club Hold Special Meeting

#### Decide to Pay Rent of Office for Registration if Salvation Army Would Staff It.

The Rotary Club yesterday held a special meeting to discuss the unusual situation, and after a full discussion it was decided the club would pay the rent of an office, provided the Salvation Army would staff it, where the men and women out of work could register, and employers could send for help when they needed it. The site selected was the Hamm building, Main street, and it is expected to be open for the registration of a day or two, and every person who needs a job, and wants one, is expected to call and register their name. Considerable skepticism as to the situation being as serious as some claimed was expressed by a number of those present.

The chair was occupied by Dr. Spangier, president of the club. The first speaker was Canon Armstrong, who spoke of the need for a central registry office and the offer of the Salvation Army to staff such an office. The offer was accepted. The Commercial Club had been approached but it had not been possible to get their rooms for this purpose.

W. F. Burditt, speaking for the Board of Trade, expressed the willingness of the Board to co-operate in any way possible to meet the situation, but stated they had no room which could be used as a registry office.

Mayor Schofield referred to the employment office which had been carried on by his clerk all summer, and expressed the opinion that what was wanted at the moment was not a registry office, but was work for men out of a job. He had a long list of men at his office wanting work, and the City Council was going ahead to provide the work.

Work already arranged for would care for over 100 men, and more would be started after the first of the year.

A. M. Holding thought the City Council should immediately vote the \$1,500 needed and start a Dominion Labor Bureau.

Several other members made suggestions of various kinds, and finally the speaker was willing to rent it for this purpose for \$30 per month. It was finally decided to take the store for one month and possibly for three months, provided the Salvation Army offer to staff the office still held good.

### Claim For Working Pay Is Adjusted

#### Fred Allen of Fredericton Jct. Receives Cheque Secured by Dominion Command G. W. V. A.

Fred Allen, of Fredericton Junction, N. B., who served overseas with the C. O. E. C. C., was made a happy man the other day when he was informed that a cheque for \$214, in settlement of his claim for working pay while serving in France was available at the office of the secretary of the St. John branch, G. W. V. A. This adjustment was secured by the Dominion Command, G. W. V. A., at Ottawa, through one of its officers, who made direct representations to the Department of Militia and Defence on Allen's behalf.

The adjustment of the claim is very similar to that secured for David D. MacAleese also of Fredericton Junction, which was mentioned in The Standard a few days ago. Mr. MacAleese's claim amounted to \$702.

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### Four Students In Charge of Meeting

The regular weekly prayer meeting of the Fairville Baptist church, held last evening was taken charge of by four students in their senior year at the Acadia Academy, who are studying for the ministry. The address was given by C. Allaby, who took as his subject "Life," and the address was most timely at the close of the year. The young men were S. Bonney, of Vancouver; C. Allaby, H. Spinney, of St. John, and Wallace Forgy, of Fairville.

Mr. Forgy will preach his first sermon next Sunday at the Fairville Baptist church.

### The Police Court

#### Morrissey Will Receive Sentence This Morning for Robbing Mails—Evidence Heard in Fullerton Case.

In the Police Court yesterday morning, Harry A. Morrissey, who pleaded guilty last week to a charge of stealing from the mails, was remanded until 10 o'clock this morning for sentence.

The preliminary hearing of Charles Fullerton, charged with assaulting and robbing William Mullin, of the steamer Canadian Navigator, and with the theft of two mufflers from the store of Charles Magnusson & Son, was continued yesterday morning. William Godwin, patrol driver, testified to finding two scarfs in the car after the accused had been taken into the station. He identified the scarfs in court.

The next witness, Charles Magnusson, said that he had seen three of four young men, one of whom resembled the accused, in his store on Saturday night. He made a small sale to one of the men and when he returned from making change he saw one of them making a motion as if he were putting something under his coat. Mr. Magnusson identified the mufflers produced in court as part of his stock. The case was postponed for further evidence.

Of twelve drunks who faced the magistrate, five were allowed out on payment of fines.

Thomas Williams did not appear in court on a charge of blasting without using proper protection, and it was

### POWER CLUB SMOKER

The St. John Power Boat Club will hold a smoker and entertainment to celebrate the passing of the old year. Saturday evening, the 31st. A bonfire on the ice will be one of the features of attractive programme. Members of the R.K.Y.C. are cordially invited to attend.

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