

## THE WEATHER

Toronto, Dec. 28.—Disturbances are centred just south of Jamez 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	10	0
Prince Rupert	13	28
Victoria	34	42
Vancouver	34	40
Calgary	22	40
Edmonton	22	40
Battleford	0	18
Prince Albert	2	8
Medicine Hat	3	26
Moose Jaw	4	17
Saskatoon	4	5
Regina	19	29
Winnipeg	0	19
White River	20	28
Parry Sound	4	28
Toronto	4	30
Kingston	4	30
Ottawa	2	24
Montreal	8	16
Quebec	8	14
Halifax	16	22

Below zero.

Forecast.

Maritime—Fresh 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 a statement made by Mayor Schofield yesterday. Mr. Ross, the city's expert, has been retained in readiness for the "four 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 the 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 road 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 the Britannia. 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.

The presentation was made by C. L. Hamilton, on behalf of the staff, thanking Mr. Brittain for his kindness to them and wishing him the best of luck for the future. Mr. Brittain left Tuesday evening for New York and will also visit Montreal before returning to the city.

## HOAX PUBLIC

The public are warned to beware of those fraudulently representing themselves to be members of the Memorial Workshops, who may solicit them 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 greens and holly for the occasion. The guests were welcomed by the chaplains, 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 in it as follows:

Selection by City Cornet Band

Solo, "The Lord is my Light," Francis Allison—Miss Florence Kiernan.

Solo, "Lead Kindly Light," Caro Pinault—Brother Bode.

Kyrie and Gloria (from Coleman's Mass)—Choir.

Solo, Selected—Mrs. Alice Harris.

Solo, Selected—James Duffy.

## Part Two

Selection by City Cornet Band

Solo, "Ave Maria," Gounod—Miss Maxwell.

Solo, "The Holy City"—Harry Richardson.

Pastorale, Lambillotte—Choir Soloist, James McCausland.

Violin Solo, Selected—T. Maunsell O'Neill.

Tantum Ergo, Lambillotte—Choir.

Hymn, "Holy God"

God Save the King

Accompanists: Mrs. M. A. Guinlan.

Mrs. LeLachur, J. G. Dallaire.

Committee: R. L. Butler, Secretary.

Treasurer: M. T. Howard; H. Dever; H. L. McQuade.

Edward Lynch, E. O'Hara, Wm. Howard, D. Higgins, F. Howard, F. McGarrigle, Al. Coholan, E. Casey, Chas. O'Regan, Jas. McCarron, F. O'Donnell, P. Graham, C. T. Oliver, H. Dever, E. McLaughlin, H. McManus, Brother Bode, C.S.R., A. Howard, H. Richard, James Duffy. Boys: T. McGarrigle, Wm. Rooney, E. McCann, Leo Hurley, R. McAuley, O'Brien, C. Gallagher, J. McAuley, A. Peterson, J. McCausland, H. McMenamin, J. Harley.

Rev. Geo. Coffin, Spiritual Director.

G. DeLaurie, 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 the 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.

The first treat prepared for the boys was a moving picture show in the Boys' department, this was followed by a frolic on the gym floor, the showers and a plunge in the tank under the supervision of William Bowrie, the physical instructor. The boys then adjourned upstairs again where they partook of a bountiful repast prepared for them by the Ladies' Auxiliary.

The ladies had not counted on so large an attendance but nobody rose to the occasion and every boy was plentifully supplied with all manner of good things.

Vassie & Co. Ltd.  
Hosts At Dinner

Heads of Departments and Travellers Were Dined at the Union Club Last Evening.

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.

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 Welsford.

The case was tried before Mr. Justice Chandler at the November sitting of the Carleton County Circuit, and the jury found that there had been no demand by the plaintiff upon the defendant for the car, and no refusal by the latter to give it up. His Honor reserved decision until after hearing counsel's argument involving points of law. This argument took place before him in chambers on Dec. 20, and he delivered judgment yesterday in favor of the defendant with costs.

J. C. & R. P. Hartley, of Woodstock, appeared in the interests of the plaintiff, and Innes, Weyman & Hazen for the defendant.

**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 \$66. 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 whiskey bottles found in his house.

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

This concluded the evidence in the matter and, after a short 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 hearing in connection with 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, 50 Beckenburg street.

Colonel F. B. Black, 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 Royal.

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.

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

Miss Vera 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 Helen MacDonald returned yesterday evening from Newark, N. J., having spent Christmas at her home, 55 Douglas avenue.

Harmna 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 home after 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.

Monckton 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.

Monckton Times: Mr. and Mrs. George A. Hannah and daughter, of Calgary, are guests of Mrs. Hannah's mother, Mrs. George A. McBeath.

Miss Vera 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 convocation of Union Lodge No. 2, Knights of Pythias, held last evening at Castle Hall, Union street, the rank of knight was conferred on a large class. The work was completed 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 Superintendent 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 hearty 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' address 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 University of New Brunswick. 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 real service to our Alma Mater, and pledge anew our sympathy and gifts."

"It has been my privilege to 'sit' the graduates and former students in Western Canada, and to effect the 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 unemployment 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 the office will be open in the course of a day or two, and every person who needs a job, and wants one, is expected to call and register their names. 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. Spangler, president of the club.

The first speaker was Captain Armstrong, who spoke of the need for a central registry office and the offer of the Salvation Army to staff such an office if a room was provided. The commercial district 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 that organization to cooperate 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 unemployment office which had been carried on by his clerk all summer, and expressed the opinion that what was lacking at the moment was not a registry office, but it 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 the point of making a number of them.

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

A. M. Belding 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 Robert George Hamm said his father, R. P. Hamm, had a store on Main street which for the moment was vacant. The rent of this store was \$40 per month, but if the club wanted it he 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 would staff the office still held good.

## NEWMAN BROOK PLAN

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

The plan will likely involve the taking of the rock and other soil taken from Newman Brook when deepened last summer, and placing it on top of the arch which was put in under the bridge. This will make way for the removal of the bridge in the spring. Another plan suggested was the use of material taken from grading operations on Millidge Avenue, but this work could not be done during the cold season.

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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. R. C. C., was made a happy man the other day when he was informed that a cheque for \$514, 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 Defense 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 \$709.

Mr. Allen's claim covers two months, one from Dec. 1, 1915, to March 31, 1917, a total of 187 days; and the other period from Feb. 1 to 27, 1918, a total of 27 days.

Similar adjustments have been secured for ex-members of the Canadian forces in all parts of Canada, as a result of the Clean Sweep Campaign undertaken by the G. W. V. A. a short time ago. Claims numbering into the thousands have been received at the Dominion headquarters of the association in Ottawa. They cover a great variety of matters, including pension, war service gratuity, balances of assigned pay and separation allowances, insurance, D. S. C. V. pay and allowances, hospital treatment allowances, and other matters arising from war service. The Militia Department alone held over \$400,000 in unpaid balances at the beginning of the campaign, and this has been reduced by nearly half.

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 Forsey, of Fairville.

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

**POWER CLUB SMOKER**

The St. John Power Boat Club will hold a smoker and entertainment to celebrate the passing of the old year at their club house, "Marble Cove," 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.

**FINE CALENDARS**

The Standard is indebted to Messrs. Connors Brothers and T. Rankine & Sons for very fine calendars.

decided to bring up the case on Friday morning at 10.30 o'clock. This is said to be in connection with the falling of rock through the roof of a house occupied by Mrs. J. W. McCarthy at 12 Clarendon street, on Dec. 21.

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