

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Fine and very cold today; Thursday strong with snow. Toronto, Ont., Jan. 4.—The disturbance which was last night over the St. Lawrence Valley has since developed and moved quickly to Newfoundland, causing heavy gales in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, the pronounced cold wave is centered over Eastern Ontario and very low temperatures have been general from Saskatchewan to the Maritime Provinces. Another disturbance which is situated in the Mississippi Valley promises a considerable snow fall in Ontario and Quebec.

AROUND THE CITY

Out for Business. Messrs. Fred Monteth and Frank Foster and others have a camp on the ice at Millidgeville and will spend the winter fishing smelt. At present prices this is a very profitable business as the fish bring six cents a pound.

To Have Asbestos Roof. Workmen are engaged in placing a temporary roof over part of the gas works on Carmarthen street. In the spring an asbestos roof will be put on its place to complete the work that was commenced last year before the cold weather set in.

The Ferry Floats. There were no developments yesterday in the ferry situation as the severe weather prevented the resumption of the work. No further conferences were held between the ferry chairman and representatives of the owners of the Magee wharf.

Laying Track to York Cotton Mill. The Cornwall and York Cotton Mills Co., Ltd., are having a railroad track laid from the main line on Clarendon street to the yard of the York mill near Courtenay bay, in order to facilitate the shipping of their goods. The work is well under way.

Second Largest Cargo from St. John. The C. P. R. steamer Mount Temple, Captain Moore will sail for London via Halifax this morning at 7 o'clock. She will take away the second largest cargo ever taken from this port by any one steamer. The Mount Temple will discharge about 300 tons of London freight at Halifax.

A Card of Thanks. The widow and brothers and sisters of the late Mr. George Elliot wish to thank their many friends for the sympathy expressed towards them in their recent bereavement, and to acknowledge the many kind acts of the friends of the late Mr. Elliot, especially Portland Lodge, Sons of Enoch, in sending beautiful floral tributes.

Arm Broken in Two Places. Friends of Mrs. William Rutledge, 111 Blackheath street, will regret to hear that she met with a serious accident yesterday morning. Mrs. Rutledge slipped and fell on an icy sidewalk, breaking her arm in two places and will be helpless for some time. Besides breaking the bone of the lower arm, she sustained a compound fracture of the wrist.

Trains Again Late. Holiday travel on the railroads is not yet over and the trains are nearly all running behind schedule time. The Pacific express was an hour and a half late in reaching the city last evening and the Montreal was consequently delayed. The outgoing Boston train did not get away until 8 o'clock, while the late Boston flyer was nearly an hour late in arriving.

S. A. Rally in Carleton. A good time is promised this evening at the Salvation Army barracks on Rodney street, West side, where a special demonstration will be given by the Juniors of No. 1 corps. The programme will consist of music, dialogues, recitations and tableaux. No brass band will be in attendance. Brigadier Adby will preside and the meeting will commence at 8 o'clock.

Blenkhorn—Pelton. On New Year's Day at Coldbrook, N. S., George Elta Pelton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Noble Pelton, of that place, was married to Scott Miller Blenkhorn, B.Sc., formerly of Canning, N. S. Mr. Blenkhorn, who took part of his university course at Mt. Allison college and completed his studies at the School of Mines in connection with Queens College, Kingston, is now at work as a mining engineer at Dolores, Ontario.

The Week of Prayer. The services in connection with the week of prayer were continued last evening in churches of the different groups into which the city has been divided. The severity of the weather interfered with the attendance. The services will be continued tomorrow and Thursday night. On Friday night the Bible Society meeting will be held in St. Andrew's church. A meeting of the Women's United Mission Societies will be held in Carmarthen street on Thursday at 3.29 p. m.

Missionary Meetings Feb. 6. Rev. Thomas Marshall, secretary of Methodist missions, met the ministers and laymen of the missionary campaign yesterday afternoon to make arrangements for the annual missionary meetings in the Methodist churches in the city. It was decided to hold the services on Sunday, Feb. 6 when three missionary secretaries and three returned missionaries will be present from Toronto. A committee with Mr. J. N. Harvey as convener, was appointed to consider the advisability of holding a banquet prior to the services at which missionary matters might be discussed by the clergy and laymen.

Something New. Manufacturing in best style done at the barber shop of R. C. McAfee, King street.

Sails in Ribbons And Cargo Shifted

Schooner Margaret May Riley Flying Signals Of Distress Towed Into Port Yesterday—Captain Tells Graphic Story Of Battle With Wind And Sea Off Lepreaux—Crew At Pumps For Hours Badly Frost Bitten.

With her mainsail, standing and flying jibs lost, her cargo of deals badly shifted and with deck and rigging completely ice bound, showing the effect of the recent storm, the schooner Margaret May Riley, in command of Captain Granville, was towed into port yesterday afternoon by the tug Lord Wolsey. The schooner left port on Monday evening at 6 o'clock, bound for New York with a cargo of deals from Cushing and Company. After passing Partridge Island fair wind was encountered and Captain Granville looked forward to a good passage. About midnight, however, the gale increased, and the schooner was driven back to port. The schooner's sails were torn to ribbons and carried away and she was encumbered by heavy seas that swept her decks from bow to stern. The crew were scarcely able to remain on deck and the schooner was with difficulty headed back to port. Yesterday afternoon her signals of distress were sighted by the tug Lord Wolsey.

The Captain's Story. Speaking with a Standard reporter, Captain Granville declared that in his twenty years experience at sea, he had never encountered such heavy weather. "About 4 o'clock," he said, "we ran into a blinding snowstorm off Point Lepreaux, and the wind came up so suddenly that both our jibs were carried away. The sea began to wash

CUT HER HEAD WITH BOTTLE WHEN SHE REFUSED TO LEAVE James Maher Charged With Assault On Barbara Gay—Endeavoring To Repair Damage When Police Arrive.

About 7 o'clock last evening a colored man rushed into the guard room at the Central Police station and excitedly told the officers that Barbara Gay a colored woman had been cut over the head with a bottle by James Maher, and that she was dying from loss of blood in her home at 256 Duke street. Deputy Jenkins and Detective Killen were soon upon the scene of the supposed tragedy and found the woman suffering from a severe scalp wound almost two inches long. The flow of blood had been stopped, however, and it was not considered necessary to summon a physician. Maher was in the house endeavoring to dress the cut when the officers arrived, and was placed under arrest and taken to the central lockup.

It was learned that the assault had taken place a little after 6 o'clock in Maher's home on Erin street, where the woman was making an unwelcome call. It appears that the woman refused to leave the house when ordered to do so by Maher, and in consequence, it is said, he assaulted her, cutting her over the head with a bottle. It could not be ascertained how the woman reached her home, as she had lost considerable blood. On arriving there, however, the neighbors were made aware of her condition and the police were immediately notified. Maher seems to have followed the woman to her home, and arrived there just ahead of the police. He gave himself up quietly, remarking that it was "all a mistake." He has a record in police circles, but of late little has been heard of him.

ST. JOHN MEN AT SYDNEY DOING GOOD BUSINESS John E. Wilson, M.P.P., Home After Business Trip To Nova Scotia, Tells Of Old Friends Met With.

Mr. John E. Wilson, M.P.P., returned from a business trip to Sydney, C. B. Mr. Wilson was engaged in business there several years ago and is naturally well acquainted with the people and the city. Speaking with The Standard, last evening, Mr. Wilson said all the St. John men he met were doing well. Messrs. E. E. Shaw and Thomas Mason, two St. John men who some time ago took over a business established by him in 1906, and were running it under the firm name of Shaw & Mason, Ltd., were making good progress. They had a well equipped iron and brass foundry and also a shop where they manufactured sheet iron work. At the present time they employ about fifty men and in the near future intend to make extensive additions to their plant.

The firm of Fraser, Fraser & Co., he said, were also doing a good business. And a hospitable welcome was always to be reckoned on from Mr. E. LeRoy Willis and Mr. John L. Robinson, who are running the Sydney Hotel.

Protestant Orphan Home. The ladies' committee of the Protestant Orphan Home will meet at the institution tomorrow afternoon at three o'clock.

WASSON'S 'DANDR-OFF' FOR THE HAIR. Cures and prevents Dandruff, stops itching. 10c. Application at all Barbers. 50c. Large Bottle. Chas. R. Wasson, The Drug Store, 100 King Street.

Removal Sale OF BOOKS, STATIONERY, LEATHER GOODS etc. In order to reduce stock before moving we are making great reductions in every department. This is a genuine bargain sale, and it will pay you to take advantage of it. E. G. Nelson & Co., Cor. King and Charlotte Sts.

Coady's Big Shoe Sale Begins Today We are positively going out of business and must dispose of 10,000 dollars worth of thoroughly reliable Boots and Shoes at once. Not a solitary article will be reserved and as the time at our disposal is limited, we have cut and slashed prices, so that the people can depend on getting the greatest bargains offered in St. John in years. NO GOODS ON APPROVAL. CASH ONLY NOW FOR BARGAINS.

Coady & Co. 61 CHARLOTTE STREET. PERSONAL Mr. J. S. MacLaren, Inspector of Customs left last night for Fredericton. E. R. Taylor, the tailor of West St. John left for New York Saturday night to take a course in gent's garment cutting. Mrs. G. Hunter Ogilvie, of Charlottetown, P. E. Island, passed through the city yesterday on a visit to Philadelphia and Upper Canadian cities. Messrs. Clifford Walsh, Joseph Mooney, K. Smith and Geo. Lyons, of St. John, left last evening to resume their studies at McGill University.

'ARCTIC EXPLORES' SUBJECT OF PRIZE ESSAY THIS YEAR British And Foreign Sailors' Society Announces Annual Competition For Empire School Children. Mr. Wm. McLean, school inspector, has received a letter from the British and Foreign Sailors' Society, stating that the subject for the British Empire Prize Essay for 1910 is 'Arctic Explorers and the Benefits Arising from Their Discoveries.' To be accompanied by a map of the regions surrounding the North Pole. Competitors must be under sixteen years of age on May 31 next. The essays, which are not to exceed one thousand words, must be written in school without notes, text books, or assistance from a teacher. The map must be prepared at home. The essays must reach the headquarters of the society not later than July 31 next. The prize will be a Victor Salver valued at \$50. The prize winner for Canada last year was Miss Jennie Paddon, Palmerston Avenue school, Toronto. The Nelson shields have been distributed in Ontario and are now being sent to the other provinces. They have not been received as yet by the schools in New Brunswick.

Nickel's Sporting Programme. Nickel's sporting programme at 5 and 9 p. m. today. Hackenschmidt Rogers championship wrestling bout and Johnson-Ketchel championship boxing bout.

A Publicity Campaign. At a meeting of the advertising committee of the Board of Trade last evening Mr. Walter H. Golding was appointed to conduct a publicity campaign in the interests of St. John. Other means of arousing interest in the city's progress were discussed and sub-committees were appointed to further the objects in view.

Fireplace Fittings It is not yet too late to pick out some attractive furnishings to enhance the value of the cheery blaze. Come in and see our Andirons, Fire Sets and Fenders, In Iron and Brass. W. H. Thorne & Co. Ltd. Market Square, St. John, N. B.

SUBSTANTIAL OVERCOAT REDUCTIONS We have reduced the prices of Winter Overcoats. These reductions mean a REAL cash saving, for the FORMER figures were based on the actual value of the overcoats, and each was an ECONOMICAL purchase at the original price. Our \$12.00 Overcoats Now Reduced to \$9.60 Our \$15.00 Overcoats Now Reduced to \$12.00 Our \$18.00 Overcoats Now Reduced to \$14.40 All other qualities at similar reductions. Among these are some of the season's most popular styles and fabrics—patterns and colors that are strictly correct. And EVERY overcoat is GUARANTEED good. Perfect in every detail. We have reason to believe that these substantial reductions will quickly deplete our stock, and advise early selection. GILMOUR'S, 68 KING STREET TAILORING AND CLOTHING. 'A GOOD PLACE TO BUY GOOD CLOTHES'

UNEEDA Biscuit are more than mere soda crackers. They are a distinct individual food article, made from special materials, by special methods, in specially constructed bakeries. They are sealed in a special way which gives them crispness, cleanliness and freshness which "crackers" from the paper bag always lack. They are the nation's accepted BISCUIT. National Biscuit Co. Ask Your Grocer.

This Is The Time To Buy Overcoats The New Year has started in briskly in Suit and Overcoat selling, the reason for the special interest just now is that we are offering very special values, almost every line of overcoats in stock, including the Black English Melton Overcoats, so popular this season, are now on the bargain counters. These are new fresh goods, good styles, splendid fitters. Now is the time to buy. Remember—Money Saved Is Twice Earned! Men's Overcoats, - Sale Price \$4.49 to \$15.00 Boys' Overcoats, - " 3.98 to 9.75 Men's Regular \$5.00 and 5.50 Reefers, Sale Price 3.98 Also Heavy Underwear, Gloves, Mufflers, etc., etc. J. N. HARVEY, TAILORING AND CLOTHING, 199 to 207 UNION STREET. Stores Close at 6 o'clock. St. John, Jan. 4th, 1910.

January Clearance Sale Commencing This Morning Marvelously Low Offerings of Travellers' Samples and Odd Lots of Men's and Boys' Underwear, Sweaters, Cardigans, White, Colored, Regatta and Tweed Top Shirts. White Shirts ordinary short boom and full dress styles. A few all good qualities to clear. Sale price, each 75c. Colored Regatta Shirts mostly soft fronts; especially good variety of the larger sizes, 15 1/2 to 18. All are extra values. Sale prices, each 50c. to \$1.25. Neglige, Flannel, Tweed and Work Shirts all greatly reduced. Sale prices, each 40c. to \$1.00. Sample Flannel and Tweed Top Shirts including a few for boys. All are exceptional values. Sale prices, each 35c., 60c., 75c., and 90c. Sample Undershirts with a few drawers to match. Plain wool and elastic ribbed at very special figures to clear. Sale prices, per garment, 25c., 35c., 50c., 65c., 75c., and 90c. Elastic Ribbed Shirts and Drawers A special lot that we have decided to close out quickly. Marked greatly below low original prices and really great bargains. Sizes 34 to 38, per garment, 50c. Sizes 40 to 44, per garment, 65c. Boys' Shirts and Drawers plain all-wool and cotton and wool makes. Odds and ends to clear. Sale prices, per garment, 25c. to 45c. Sample Sweaters Boys' and Men's Roll Collars, also a few button neck styles in different colors. Marked exceptionally low to close out quickly. Sale prices, each 35c., 45c., 60c., 90c. Included in the lot are a few White Worsted and Honeycomb Sweaters for boys at 35c. Sample Navy Worsted Jerseys Boys' sizes 28 inch. Sale price 75c. Men's size 36 inch. Sale price \$1.25. Sample Cardigan Jackets large Men's size. Sale prices, each \$1.00 and \$1.50. Way's and Scott's Knitted Wool Mufflers white and dark colors. Sale prices, each 15c. and 25c. MEN'S AND BOYS' FURNISHINGS DEPARTMENT. Free Hemming Sale of Household Linens and Cottons Starts Next Monday MANCHESTER ROBERTSON ALLISON, LTD.