

THE WEATHER.

Toronto, Feb. 18.—Pressure is abnormally high over the continent and highest in the Western Provinces. A weather is fine over the Dominion and very cold from Alberta to Manitoba.

Dawson	20
Edmonton	20
Calgary	20
Montreal	17
Saskatoon	17
Regina	17
Winnipeg	17
London	15
Toronto	12
Ottawa	12
Quebec	12
Halifax	10

Below zero.

Forecast—Moderate winds, fine and cold.

Northern New England—Fair Saturday, followed by snow or rain; Saturday night and Sunday, not much change in temperature; fresh north and northeast winds.

AROUND THE CITY

LATE ARRESTS.

Angus P. McDonald was arrested last evening on a warrant for theft and James W. Brown on a warrant for aggravated assault. Eight protozoists were the guests of the city.

THE H-Y CLUB

Twenty-five couples of the H-Y Club spent last evening at the Imperial, later going to the Y. M. C. A. for the rest of the evening. Mrs. Ralph Fowler was the chaperon of the occasion.

MAYOR GOES TO OTTAWA

Mayor Schofield will leave for Ottawa Monday night to discuss with the Federal authorities matters relating to the city and harbor. During his absence, which will probably be for about a week, Commissioner Prink will be acting mayor.

PAY DAY AT CITY HALL.

The fortnightly payment of wages for the laborers in the city employ was made at city hall yesterday morning. The amounts paid out to the various departments were: Public works, \$5,497.50; water and sewerage, \$2,282.81; harbors, \$1,677; ferry, \$481.65; total, \$9,949.36.

WANTS INFORMATION.

Mr. F. W. Lawton of Cameron, North Carolina, is anxious to receive any information concerning his son, Grover P. Lawton, from whom he has not heard for over a year—he boarded at the Park Hotel, but they do not know where he is nor where he worked. The Postmaster will feel obliged for any word concerning this party that may interest his old father.

GORMAN'S PICTURE.

An enlarged snapshot of Charles Gorman, St. John's noted speed skater, which is on view at Reid studio, attracted considerable interest yesterday, and served as a stimulant to a constant stream of small boys who gazed with worshipful eyes on the skater's likeness. Gorman will skate this afternoon in the Maritime championships on the East End Rink.

FROM JAIL TO STAGE.

Wood the boss of Y. C. winner was released from jail yesterday afternoon on the plea that he wanted to get home to his wife and kiddies in England, and promising to leave the city in about a week. Last evening he appeared on the local stage and sang a solo entitled "Come to Me Thora." He performed very well, but not as clever as he did before being arrested.

PURELY LOCAL QUESTION.

Dr. W. S. Carter, General Superintendent of Schools for New Brunswick, was in the city yesterday. Dr. Carter is following with keen interest the controversy going on here over vocational training. He said he had been invited to take part in a public discussion of the question in the city Monday evening, but has decided to keep out of a discussion which is purely local.

Falling Off In Passenger Traffic

Commercial Travellers Find it Unprofitable to Travel; Others Haven't Price.

Conductors on all passenger trains running into St. John report travel as exceedingly light for the time of year. Ordinarily, they say, all coaches would be filled and there would be plenty doing all the way along the run. To go through a train now is worse than going to a funeral. It fills you with tears and one conductor.

Two factors are responsible for the falling off in travel. Commercial travellers are not finding trade any too good and in some times it is impossible to sell enough goods to pay expenses. They are quitting the road for a time and are awaiting for things to pick up.

The scarcity of money, it is said, is another factor which is, in a large part, responsible for the present light passenger traffic. The visitation in time of opulence, which necessitated traveling back and forth are now curtailed as funds for railroad mileage are not as plentiful as of yore.

The way passenger traffic, especially suburban, kept up last season was a surprise to railroad officials. They do not figure on much this year.

Mrs. H. H. McAvity and Miss Nona McAvity, of Halifax, arrived in St. John last evening and are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McAvity, 193 King street east. Mrs. McAvity is a successful portrait painter and has, during the winter, spent in Halifax, painted a number of portraits which have been very highly prized.

Guy de la Roche Robinson, of Montreal, is in St. John.

Good Riddance To Bad Rubbish

Albert Woods, Bogus Victoria Cross Winner, Released to Get Out of Canada.

Albert Woods, the young Englishman who started St. John with his claims to the Y. C. and to medals by every other decoration for bravery or gallantry in the award of England or France, was released from custody yesterday after a eight weeks detention in jail.

Magistrate Ritchie informed the accused that every effort had been made so that he might work his passage on some ship bound for England, but without success.

Woods said: "Your Honor, if you'll let me go I'll get a berth in a week's time."

The Magistrate reminded the accused of the promise the devil once made while ill, but allowed him to go on condition that he report immediately on securing the berth.

It is rumored that one of the local media exchanges have secured Woods' services as a writer. Provided with his excellent imagination, he will devote himself to a film to be entitled, "How I Won the War."

Woods, it will be remembered, solicited aid from the common council, stating that he could not get work and was starving. He claimed that he was a Victoria Cross man, and entitled to a number of other English and French decorations, and was a veteran of both the Great and South African wars.

A number of citizens, feeling that the honor of the city was at stake, at once set out to aid him. In the meantime the more sceptical investigated his claims which were found to be false. Not only were they false, but it was further learned that he was a deserter from a Canadian battalion with a "box car number." He was then arrested for wearing a returned soldier's badge to which he was not entitled.

When he appeared in court yesterday his appearance denoted that being a "bird" had in no way mellowed his phumage. He was clad in a dapper pepper and salt suit, and quite unabashed. In urging his claims for freedom, he reminded the magistrate that he had a wife and three kiddies in England to whom he longed to return.

As the loving wife and little children had as its progeny the old soldier's yarn, his plea did not have much effect on the court. But as there is no desire to harbor such an individual in Canada, he was released with the hope that he might soon obtain speedy transportation to his homeland.

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Celebrated Their First Anniversary

Over 75 Present at Carleton Tower Lodge K. of P. Last Evening.

Carleton Tower Lodge, No. 127, Knights of Pythias, celebrated their first anniversary in a sumptuous banquet at Bond's last evening. Over seventy-five were present, including a number of brother knights from the sister lodges of the city. The following programme was carried out:

Toast—"The King—Chairman."

Toast—"God Save the King."

Solo—David Allen.

Toast—"The Order of Knights of Pythias, proposed by P. C. F. A. Kinneer, responded to by P. G. C. W. A. Stewart, S. R."

Solo—Selected—J. Rossley.

Toast—"Carleton Tower Lodge, No. 127, proposed by P. G. C. W. A. Stewart, S. R., responded to by C. C. S. M. Stout."

Solo—Selected—Doyle Cairns.

Toast—"Sister Lodges, proposed by P. C. Frank Gardner, responded to by C. C. Kelly, of New Brunswick Lodge No. 1, C. C. Coleman, of Union Lodge No. 2, C. C. Coleman, of St. John Lodge No. 30."

Solo—Selected—Wm. Lanyon.

Toast—"The City of St. John, proposed by Knight N. P. McLeod, responded to by Commissioner Prink."

Toast—"God Save the King."

The officers of Carleton Tower Lodge are as follows:

S. M. Stout—Chancellor Commander.

C. Emerson—Vice-Chancellor.

J. Lutton—Frelate.

A. B. Edwards—Master of Work.

H. Stears—Keeper of Records and Seal.

E. A. Young—Master of Finance.

P. S. P. McFarlane—Master of Reception.

Thomas Kerrigan—Master of Arms.

J. Allen—Inner Guard.

Morris Johnston—Outer Guard.

F. Gardner—P. C. Deputy Grand Chancellor.

PROBATE COURT.

In the probate court, in the matter of the estate of Annie W. Robertson, late of Rothesay, sentence on granting letters of administration de bonis non was passed. The value of the undistributed estate is \$6,575.50. H. P. Puddington who was proctor, was appointed administrator.

The will of Loretta A. Oddy was proved, appointing Rev. H. A. Cody and Mrs. Mary F. Leonard as executors. The probate value was \$2,560 personally. Dr. J. B. Campbell, K. C., was proctor.

ENJOYABLE SLEIGH DRIVE.

The male employees of the National Drug Company, accompanied by lady friends, enjoyed a sleigh drive to John Tongue's residence, on the Black River Road, last evening. Finer weather could not have been wished, and after the arrival at Tongue's a beautiful repast was served in the usual fireplace class manner. When all had done justice to the dinner, musical numbers were given and a programme of dances delighted all present. The party returned to the city at an early hour this morning fully satisfied and decided that the mid-winter trip to Tongue's would be an annual event.

HEAR DR. FIDDER'S ILLUSTRATED LECTURE, Grand Hotel, Trinity Church, Tuesday, 8 o'clock. Silver collection.

VICTORIA RINK.

Skating and band this afternoon. Band and skating tonight.

Strongly Oppose Daylight Saving

Trades and Labor Council to Take Active Part on Plebiscite Day.

The Trades and Labor Council held a meeting at the rooms on Union street last night, at which there was a large representation of delegates. President Campbell presided.

The question of the Daylight Saving Bill, which is now before the House of Commons, was the order of business. The delegates, who are all in favor of the bill, were given a thorough explanation of the bill and its effects. It was decided that the council should take active part in the plebiscite day, and that they should urge the council to assist these various organizations in every way possible.

Committee Reports

The delegates attending the joint committee on the Boy Life Survey reported progress.

Mr. Geo. F. Hemmings, of the Vocational Training Board, addressed the council, setting forth the work of the board in the past and what their intention and plans for the future were. He also informed the council that the Citizens' Committee on vocational training was to hold a public meeting on Monday evening, and he urged all members of the council to be present at that meeting.

Oppose Daylight Saving

The council decided to take an active part in the plebiscite on daylight saving, called for February 23, and oppose it.

It was also announced at the meeting that several men imported for work at the Maritime Nail Works plant had returned to their homes after they found the conditions existing at the works.

Catholic Boys At Bean Supper

Y.M.C.I. High "Y" Club Were Hosts at Most Enjoyable Function.

The Y.M.C.I. High "Y" club were hosts to the grade eight Catholic boys of the city at an enjoyable bean supper followed by an evening of entertainment at the Y.M.C.I. last evening.

Supper was served at six o'clock following which the boys adjourned to the gym where an interesting boxing exhibition was put on in which James Power and "Young" Britt were the two opponents of the art.

After the session in the gym the remainder of the programme was carried out in the auditorium. Paul Fraser, president of the High "Y", addressed the guests of the evening. After welcoming them, he briefly outlined what the club stood for, and expressed the hope that each boy would aspire to its membership as soon as he became eligible through his entrance to the High school.

Following the president's address, a sword dance was given by Leo McCrossin and Leo Riordan, Miss Vera Campbell acting as accompanist. Thomas Bell rendered a very pretty solo. A number of choruses were sung by the boys directed by Joseph Mulhally. Comic songs were sung by Arthur Burns, and addresses were delivered by Dr. W. P. Brodwick, Rev. Father Duff and William Walsh, M. A. The entertainment was a decided success and was greatly enjoyed. During the Xmas week the High "Y" entertained the college boys who were home for the holidays.

Standard The Best Canadian Newspaper

One Subscriber Writes He Can Go Without Food But Must Have Standard.

Subscribers to The Standard, and quite properly, too, always make a vigorous complaint when a copy fails to reach them. They all say they cannot get along without it. The following letter is a fair sample of how The Standard is regarded by its readers:

St. John Standard, St. John, N. B.

Gentlemen:—

The last two days I have not received my copy of the St. John Standard, and it cannot be that my subscription has run out, because I think it is paid until some time in April. I might get along with out food and shelter, but cannot without the best Canadian newspaper.

Yours truly,

E. E. SHAW,

Shaw & Mason, Limited.

MERRY PARTY HELD AT THE Y. W. C. A.

A merry party was held at the Y. W. C. A. Recreational Centre last night when members of all the evening gymnastics classes and the Wednesday morning class met at a "Children's Party."

There were nearly two hundred present, and in the youthful party it was difficult to tell mother from daughter.

All the classes were called upon to perform "stunts," the Wednesday Games giving a pretty folk dance. Games were played, races run, including a three-legged race and a fat ladies' race. Refreshments, in the shape of ice cream cones and cake, were served by a committee, with Mrs. H. W. Robertson of the Y. W. C. A. physical committee at the head. Miss Littlefield, physical director, was in charge.

Hear Dr. Fiddler's illustrated lecture, Grand Hotel, Trinity Church, Tuesday, 8 o'clock. Silver collection.

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Alfred H. Marr Was Released

Insufficient Evidence in the Charge of Stealing—Several Men Remanded.

The charge of stealing a pair of shoes valued at \$1.35 from the C. man, preferred against Alfred H. Marr, was withdrawn in the police court yesterday, and the accused released from custody on the grounds of insufficient evidence. Hertha B. Brown, James A. Brown, Daniel S. Brown and William Gillespie testified. McC. Ritchie appeared for the defence.

One man charged with drunkenness pleaded guilty and was remanded.

I. Williams pleaded guilty to violating the traffic law by driving on the wrong side of Mill street. He was fined \$10. Policemen McNamee made the report.

A fine of \$8 or two months in jail was the alternative offered Wesley Evans for being drunk and using profane language.

After pleading guilty to the charge of wife-beating, George Durant was remanded.

Herbert Brown, of Winnipeg, Daniel Wilson, John Murphy and Benjamin Mitton of Nova Scotia; John Fitzgerald and Robert Walsh of Newfoundland; William Johnson, of Scotland; George Pashley and Bruce Risley of England; Edward Dyer and Arthur G. Carr, of the United States; Chas. Rogan, of Ireland, and Frank Williams and Archibald Ayles, of New Brunswick, were charged with trespassing on the C. P. R. property, West St. John, by sleeping in a Pullman car in the yards. The arrests were made by Sergeant Irvine and Police-men J. Row, of the C. P. R. police. The accused were committed to the police house and remanded. Several of these men have sought protection at central station recently.

Charles Kelly, charged with having liquor in his beer shop at the corner of George and Pond streets, pleaded not guilty. Inspectors Jernegan and Thompson gave evidence. The case was postponed until Monday and the accused put up \$200 for his appearance. W. M. Ryan conducted the prosecution.

Large Audience Enjoyed Carnival

St. George's Athletic Assn. Held Successful Affair at Carleton Open Air Rink.

The St. George's Athletic Assn. conducted a most successful carnival at the Carleton open air rink last night. There was a large crowd present to enjoy the fancy and grotesque costumes worn by the skaters, some two hundred being in attendance. The judges, Mrs. Frank Beysa, Mrs. J. Lee, Mrs. J. Sharpe, Mr. Charles Drisho and S. T. Olive had no easy task to decide upon the winners; but after they had made their decision, the award announced met with approval.

The following winners, what they represented and the prizes were announced:

Gentlemen

First, to Fred Robinson, representing the Russian Bear, safety razor.

Second, to Lewis McDonald, representing County Justice of the Peace, flashlight, donated by W. H. Thorne & Co.

Third, J. T. Wilcox, representing the North Mountain pen, donated by J. & A. McMillan.

Ladies

First, to Miss Jessie Bugler, representing Flower Girl, umbrella, donated by J. E. Wilcox.

Second, Miss Grantford, representing the Gypsy, bag of flour, donated by W. F. Hatheway & Co.

Third, Miss Cutty, representing Motion Picture Girl, serving tray, donated by Emerson & Fisher Co.

Special Prizes

Boys—First, to Donald Sutherland, representing Robin Hood, pair of rubber boots, donated by Dominion Rubber System.

Girls—Alice Lee, representing Fairy, pull-over sweater, donated by Amdur.

Another Shipment of Black Duchess Satin Arrives At F. A. Dykeman's.

The F. A. Dykeman Co. have just received a shipment of beautiful Black Duchess Satin. This is the kind now so well known throughout the city and for which there has been such a big demand. This will probably be the last lot this firm will be able to sell for such exceptionally low prices, 38 to 39 inches wide, especially priced at \$1.99, \$2.49 and \$2.76 a yard. An early visit is advisable to be sure of a length.

WILL START MARCH FIRST

C. J. Bruce, who is in charge of the operations of the Lock Joint Pipe Co. at Spruce Lake, has returned to the city. He says the company expect to resume operations about March 1st, and will employ local labor.

WILL REMAIN HERE.

H. R. McMillan, secretary of the Commercial Club, yesterday received from Hon. B. W. Higgins a wire to the effect that he had been successful in having the headquarters of military district No. 7 retained here.

CLIFTON HOUSE, ALL MEALS 60c.

CITIZENS' MEETING

Monday evening, in interests of vocational training, high school classes by half, eight o'clock, R. T. Hayes, chairman. Speakers:—Hon. Fred Magee, Fletcher Penstock, W. B. Fisher, Thomas Magin, J. Hunter-Whitely and representatives of Trades and Labor Council, Council of Women and other organizations. Whole subject fully discussed.



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BOYS' SHAKER PYJAMAS, military collar style; silk frog fasteners. Special Value, \$2.00

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