

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Moderate to fresh south to east winds becoming showery.

Toronto, May 21.—The depression mentioned last night is this evening centred over Michigan. Rain has been general today in Ontario, attended by local thunderstorms, but elsewhere in Canada fair weather has prevailed with slowly rising temperatures in the west. Minimum and maximum temperatures:

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	48	62
Vancouver	50	62
Kamloops	46	62
Edmonton	44	63
Calgary	36	72
Battleford	36	98
Moosejaw	39	60
Winnipeg	42	62
Port Arthur	38	45
Toronto	48	53
Kingston	42	58
Ottawa	48	56
Montreal	42	58
Quebec	36	60
St. John	40	64
Halifax	40	64

Washington Forecast.

Showers Thursday; Friday cloudy, probably showers in Maine; moderate south to southwest winds.

AROUND THE CITY

Quarrelsome Sailors.

Yesterday morning, Sgt. Smith and Patrolman Covey were called on board the steamer Romney lying at the I. C. R. pier to restore order among some of the crew, who were quarrelling.

Received Their Degrees.

At the N. S. A. C. students of New Brunswick, who were graduates of A. A. C. are W. Arthur, St. John, C. B. Smith, Hoyt; G. W. Cochran, Dorchester; Ora H. Norton, P. Bragg, Moncton; H. Weldon, Sackville.

Feigned Drunkenness.

Last evening Stephen Jeffrey was arrested on Dock street by Sergeant Caples and Patrolman Gibbs on the charge of feigning drunkenness. Jeffrey was locked up and will appear before the Police Magistrate this morning. According to the law a man who feigns to be drunk can receive the same penalty as a person who is intoxicated.

An Inebriated Indian.

An Indian who had been indulging freely in intoxicating drinks was creating a disturbance on Lombard street yesterday between six and seven o'clock and was placed in the I. C. R. lockup by Officers Smith and Collins. The firewater had gone to the Indian's head and a tough scuffle resulted before he could be taken behind the bars. The Indian refused to disclose his name to the officers.

The Suburban Railway.

Owing to the illness of J. A. Jones, consulting engineer of the Suburban Railway, there has been some delay with the survey work of the proposed routes out of St. John. The line to Rothesay has been pretty well completed, but the engineers have decided that it would not be satisfactory to try to go under the railway bridge at Brookville, and are looking for another place to get by the railway tracks.

Fishermen Disappointed.

So far this season the harbor fishermen have had very poor luck, and are not feeling at all bright about the prospects. There was a run of graybacks during which they made small catches, but there has been no run of blue backs or salmon so far. Some fishermen attribute the failure of the fish to run this season to the cold weather. As the weather is going down rapidly it is said that even if the schools should strike in now the weir fishermen would not be likely to make any catches of importance.

At His Old Tricks.

Frank Keane is again in the limelight as an umpire batter. This time he is thrown out of a game in the ninth inning with Woonsocket and Whiteville in the Inter-City League in Rhode Island. "Packs" did not like the decision of Umpire Trainer and when his language became too fiery he was chased off the field. Woonsocket lost the game, 7 to 6. Keane had a hit and a run and stole two bases, but in his fielding was a little off, having two errors in six chances.

Denies Newspaper Report.

Captain A. L. McAllister wishes to deny the report made in last evening's issue of the St. John Times to the effect that since the steamer Victoria has been turned over to the new company, articles have been stolen from the boat. The captain, who since April 1st, has been in charge of the Victoria and Elaine, says that he has made frequent visits to the boats and he reports that no pilfering has been going on either of them. A shareholder of the Victoria said last night that the warps were at first thought missing, but an investigation proved that they had been safely stored away.

62nd March Out.

The 62nd Regiment, under command of Col. J. L. McAvity, had a most creditable march out last evening and the soldiers as they marched in excellent formation along the streets to the music of the regimental brass and bugle bands were complimented by the large crowds of people who lined the route of march. On the return to the drill shed five bandmen were called to the front by Col. McAvity and presented with long-service medals for the completion of twenty years in the service. The medals were given by W. H. Jones, A. E. Jones, W. H. McIntyre, C. F. Bridgen and W. G. Y. Stokes.

25TH MAY EXCURSION.

Steamer Majesty will leave her usual time, making all landings, connecting with Steamer D. J. Purdy, which will be held at Hampton until 3 p. m., arriving at Indiantown about 7 p. m. Tickets good to return until 27th for single fare. The steamer D. J. Purdy will issue round-trip tickets for single fare from all landings from Fredericton to St. John, or from St. John to Fredericton, good until 28th.

LARGE CROWD AT TRADES AND LABOR FAIR

Auspicious Opening of Big Bazaar in Keith's Suite Last Evening.

THE NAMES OF THOSE WHO WON THE PRIZES

Rooms Present Attractive Appearance — Booths Gayly Decked for Event — Plenty of Amusements for all.

Keith's Assembly rooms were en fête last evening when the Fair under the auspices of the Trades and Labor Council opened. The large auditorium and ante-rooms were tastefully decorated, the booths of the different trade unions were especially well trimmed with multi-colored bunting and flags. The assembly room itself was given over to the booths, every union being represented, as well as the St. John Women's Suffrage Association. In the ante-rooms were the refreshment booths and games.

That the fair will prove an unqualified success is assured, large numbers attending last evening, taking great interest in the booths, while the games were patronized in a most liberal manner. The Sons of England Band was in attendance, their music being much appreciated by the visitors and labor men alike. This evening the City Cornet Band will play.

Keen competition was evidenced in the different games, the prize winners being as follows:—Air gun, a pipe, donated by W. W. Williams, won by Edward McGuire, bowling alley, ladies' prize a clock, donated by Ferguson & Page, won by Mrs. Monahan; gentlemen's prize an angle brace, donated by Miles E. Agar, won by James Daly; bean board, gentlemen's prize, a pair of boots, donated by Francis & Vaughan, won by H. D. Smith; ladies' prize a silver tea pot, donated by Quinn & Co., won by Mrs. Reynolds; ticket \$3.75 captured the door prize, a set of dishes donated by L. P. D. Tilley, M. L. A. The holder of the lucky ticket can secure the dishes at the fair rooms.

The booths and those in charge are as follows:—Machinists' Association, President Edward McGarrigle, Secretary Oscar Dick; Typographical Union, Pres. J. C. Merrill, Sec. Herman Campbell; Carpenters' Union, Pres. Charles Stewart, Sec. H. M. Pratt, business agent, W. Reynolds; Plumbers and Steamfitters' Union, Pres. Walter Quinn, Sec. M. J. Burns; International Longshoremen's Association, Pres. John O'Neill, Sec. C. G. Langbein; Business Agent, J. E. Tighe, president of Athletic Coast Division; Trades and Labor Council, Pres. J. L. Sugrue, Sec. F. J. Hyatt; Women's Suffrage Association, Pres. Mrs. E. S. Plake, Sec. Mrs. W. P. Hatherway; International Molders' Union, Pres. Frank Perry, Sec. Wm. Blackwell; Journeymen Barbers' Association, Pres. John Russell, Sec. Bartlett Smith; Cigar Makers' Union, Pres. N. Mercer, Sec. Charles Stevens.

ST. JOHN LADY'S NARROW ESCAPE AT PRESQUE ISLE

Special to The Standard.

Presque Isle, May 21.—Through the unexplained starting of an automobile while being cranked by its owner, Mrs. Peter Stewart and eight months' old child, of Fredericton, who are visiting here, nearly lost their lives this week. The machine leaped forward without warning and struck the rear of the buggy in which Mrs. Stewart and her child were driving. The car started on the run, clearing himself from the buggy which struck against the gate posts at the Bangor and Aroostook railroad crossing. Mrs. Stewart and the child were badly shaken up, but have, it is believed, escaped injury through a seeming miracle.

Curtains sold at retail at wholesale prices at P. A. Dykeman & Co's. They buy them direct from the manufacturers in Nottingham, and buy them at the same price as the wholesaler, and their store gets very little more profit, if any, than the wholesaler. We consider this a good argument why you should go to their store for curtains. This it over for yourself. In addition to this they pay spot cash for them and take all the discounts they get. Their prices run from 45 cents a pair to \$7.50. But they mention several that are special because they are wonderfully good value at \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00. These have a fine lace appearance and are decorated with rounded, button hole edges and come in single and double borders.

VICTORIA DAY EXCURSION — ST. MARTIN'S RAILWAY.

Return tickets sold at I. C. R. ticket office to all points at single fare the 23rd and 24th, good to return Monday 26th, connection for St. Martin's on the 23rd will be made with train leaving St. John at 5.15 P. M., returning Monday connection will be made with train arriving St. John at 9 A. M.

LIQUOR MAN FINE \$25

Robert Carson Adjudged Guilty of Allowing an Intoxicated Man on His Premises—The Courtenay Bay Blasting.

Yesterday afternoon in the police court, Magistrate Ritchie reviewed the case where Robert Carson was charged with allowing an intoxicated person in his saloon and adjudged him guilty imposing a fine of \$25.

Superintendent Stewart of the Courtenay Bay Construction Company, with his counsel, J. A. Belyea, were in court on a charge preferred some weeks ago by Commissioner McLellan for setting off blasts at East St. John that did damage to the Municipal House and also caused considerable annoyance to the general public. Mr. Belyea stated to the court that he would like judgment given on the case as his client was losing considerable time in attending the court. At the previous hearing Commissioner McLellan with County Secretary J. King Kelley were present but these gentlemen were not in the court yesterday afternoon. Mr. Belyea remarked to the court that perhaps he should not say it in court, but he had spoken to Commissioner McLellan about the matter and the commissioner informed him that he, McLellan, would have nothing to do with it but the other commissioners could do as they pleased.

Magistrate Ritchie, on hearing Mr. Belyea make the above statement, said "That's all right. I will look into the evidence and when I am ready to give judgment I will inform you and the others concerned." The case was then adjourned until a future date.

CIVIC AUTHORITIES ON INSPECTION TRIP

Mayor and Commissioners Visited North End Yesterday, and Inspected Civic Jobs in Hand.

The Mayor and Commissioners Agar and Wigmore made a trip yesterday afternoon to the North End to inspect a number of civic jobs in progress there. They first went out to the Douglas avenue and looked over the Board's Head road to investigate the complaints of some residents who thought the road there was in several places and then visited the site of the excavations for the Adelaide street sewer. Coming in they went to the new work on Newman street where the water service is being extended. From there they went out Douglas avenue and looked over the situation at Alexandra Heights, and considered the propositions made by the owners with a view to having the city provide for the creation of streets there. They then inspected the work on Douglas avenue in connection with the extension of the water and sewer systems, and after looking over the outlet down by the Strait Shore road they went for a trip out the Sandy Point road to see how things looked there.

TWENTY-THREE YEARS OF GREAT PROGRESS

C.M.B.A. Branch 134 Passes Another Milestone — Excels in Program to Mark the Anniversary.

One of the most successful and beyond doubt the most enjoyable celebrations ever held by Branch 134 C. M. B. A. took place last evening in the smoker's rooms, Union street, when the members including many charter members, assembled to celebrate the twenty-third anniversary of the founding of that association in this city.

The celebration took the form of a smoker and interesting stories of the society in its infancy and inspiring addresses were given. A varied but well chosen programme of musical and literary numbers was carried out. The meeting was opened by R. J. Walsh, president of the branch, who, in an interesting talk, reviewed the growth and rapid advancement of the C. M. B. A. since first organized in St. John.

In the year 1890, at a meeting held in St. Malachi's Hall, Branch 134 Catholic Mutual Benefit Association was organized with an enrollment of 24 members. The society soon increased in numbers and became one of the prominent associations in the city. With Hon. John L. Carleton as its first president, Branch 134 first occupied rooms in the Furlong building, Charlotte street. Later a move was made to Canterbury street and finally the present rooms were secured which have proved most suitable and comfortable quarters.

ACTIVITY BUILDING IS MARKED NOW

More Construction Than in Any Year for Very Long Time.

GOOD MEN SCARCE, SAYS MR. HODGES

Metcalfe Construction Company Officially Declares He Could Put 100 Men to Work this Morning, if they could be got

While building operations in the city are not being carried on the scale that it was expected they would be, there is a building boom of considerable proportions in progress, and the number of new buildings in process of construction is considerably larger than in any previous year for a long time. In addition to the important structures being built or remodelled on Prince William street, dwelling houses are being built in large numbers in practically every section of the city. In East St. John quite a number of new dwelling houses are being put up and in the west end and the north end the new structures being put up are numerous. In Fairville a good deal of building work is going on, and in the Lancaster Heights district not a few people are putting up homes.

Several contractors who have bought lots in the Tisdale Place are putting up a type of dwelling which, it is said, will go a long way to solve the housing problem as it exists in St. John. They are building cottages with seven rooms and a bath, well finished in wood throughout, which, it is said, they will be able to sell for \$2,000, including the land.

Owing to the high cost of materials for both wooden and brick buildings, and the fact that the cost of building factories are working with reduced staffs, it is said that quite a number of people who planned to build homes this year decided to wait till a more favorable time. The price of bricks in St. John today is higher than it has been for a good many years, \$15.00 being asked where a short time ago \$9.00 was considered a big price. The stringency in the money market, and the new by-law prohibiting the erection of wooden buildings more than two stories in height are also said to have had a deterrent effect upon many people who planned on building this year.

The Metcalfe Construction Company are making fair progress with the C. P. R. elevators, and are putting up the forms for concrete side walks. F. R. Hodges said last evening that the company were advertising steadily for men, carpenters and laborers, but were unable to get as many as they wanted, though they were paying good wages as anybody in town. He said he could put 100 men to work in the morning if he could get the men. "There are a lot of men in St. John who don't want to work," he said. "In the last ten days I have given discharges to about 75 men. Quite a number of men work a few days and when they get a few dollars they never come back."

U. S. WAR SECRETARY IN SUIT TO RECOVER \$67,000

New York, May 21.—Lindley M. Garrison, secretary of war, came here today from Washington to testify in a suit to recover \$67,000 brought by himself and others against George R. Sheldon, formerly treasurer of the Republican National Committee, and Wm. S. C. Prentiss, secretary of the firm of W. C. Sheldon & Company, the Union Bag & Paper Company, and Howard K. Durant.

Durant and the plaintiffs, according to the testimony, entered into an arrangement some years ago to buy up timber lands in the La Ronge district in Canada and ultimately bought the lands for \$200,000. A stock company was formed and arrangements made with two Canadian firms to handle the timber. When the proposition did not pay, Durant, it was alleged, obtained power of attorney and sold out to the Union Bag and Paper Company. It was charged in court that Durant entered into a conspiracy with the Sheldon Company whereby he obtained a commission on the deal unknown to the plaintiffs. Secretary Garrison testified that all through the negotiations Durant had been guilty of gross misrepresentation of fact. The case was not finished.

PERSONAL.

M. G. Teed, K. C., was in Fredericton yesterday.

W. A. Lusheran, of West St. John, who has been in Fredericton attending the funeral of his niece, Mrs. Herbert A. Webb, returned home yesterday.

WILL ADVOCATE A MONEY COMMISSION

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, May 21.—W. F. MacLean has given notice that on the third reading of the Bank Act he will move that a monetary commission be appointed to study the question of increasing the banking facilities of Canada, with a view of recommending more comprehensive legislation to that end.

DIED.

WEST—Suddenly at Rothesay, on May 20th, Mary Gordon, wife of Frank S. West.

Funeral on Friday, the 23rd inst. from St. Paul's church, Rothesay. Service begins at 2.30 o'clock.



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