

THE WEATHER.

Forecast. Maritime-Moderate winds, a few local showers, but mostly fair and mild.

Toronto, April 18.—Rain and sleet have fallen today in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, while in Alberta the weather has been fair and mild.

Table with columns: Location, Min., Max. Includes entries for Dawson, Prince Rupert, Victoria, Vancouver, Kamloops, Calgary, Edmonton, Battleford, Moose Jaw, Winnipeg, Parry Sound, London, Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax.

Around the City

Will Purchase Potatoes. M. Webber, one of Portland's enterprising merchants, arrived in the city last night en route to Dieby, where he will purchase a carload of potatoes for immediate shipment.

The Provincial Chapter. The annual meeting of Provincial Chapter, L.O.E., held at Fredericton, yesterday, resulted in a deadlock, as those elected according to the constitution of the order refused to act and there is at present no executive of Provincial Chapter.

Rapidly Recovering. Sergeant Clay of the 217th Battalion, who was admitted to the Military Hospital on St. James street on Tuesday night, is rapidly recovering. It was thought at first that he had sustained a fractured skull, but fortunately he escaped serious injury.

Fire Alarms Yesterday. About eight o'clock yesterday morning a blaze was discovered in the warehouse of the Atlantic Sugar Refineries, which resulted in 75,000 bags of raw sugar being damaged.

The Steamer "Hamstead." David Coy, who purchased the hull and machinery of the steamer Hamstead, which was partially destroyed by fire some months ago, is having the boiler and engine installed in a new hull which he had built in Nova Scotia.

Successful Box Social. The Newfoundland Society conducted a very successful box social at their rooms, Orange hall, last evening. The first business of the house was the disposing of the boxes and Auctioneer H. Milley succeeded in obtaining good prices for what he had to offer.

Entertainment at Garnett Settlement. On Tuesday evening Rev. W. R. Robinson delivered a lecture on social service, particularly as it pertains to the work of the Children's Aid Society, before the Church of England Band of Hope at Garnett Settlement.

Pleasing Presentations. Members of St. Stephen's Girls' Basketball League met last evening in the schoolroom of Knox Presbyterian church to celebrate the closing of one of the most successful seasons in the history of the league.

Another Daylight Saving Meeting Tonight. So much has been said in a scattered way about the daylight saving plan during the past few days that another meeting of those opposed to the idea until it is nationalized is to be held in the Board of Trade rooms this evening at 8.15.

Hon. W. F. Roberts came in from the Boston express last night from Fredericton.

HELLO GIRLS OPPOSE THE TIME CHANGES

Operators of New Brunswick Telephone Co. Unanimous in Opposition to Daylight Saving.

Opposition to the Daylight Saving time is developing. The switch board operators of the New Brunswick Telephone Company about 115 in number, at a meeting last evening, passed a resolution in opposition to the proposed system and asking the co-operation of the management in preventing its adoption.

The resolution passed by the operators at their meeting last evening is as follows: "Whereas the adoption of the Daylight Saving time in the city of St. John, and its non-adoption throughout the rest of the province means that your employees engaged in switch board work are put to a great deal of inconvenience, all of them from time to time having to remain on duty until 12 p. m., instead of an hour earlier, as would be the case at standard time, thereby unsettling home conditions as well as causing the necessity of having to walk home at an hour when the streets are deserted; and the streets are deserted; and

"Whereas these conditions are due to the fact that the rest of the province, from which toll calls to the city come at frequent intervals up to 11 o'clock by their time, is using standard time; and are further due to the fact that many more local operators are required to handle calls between 11 and 12 o'clock of the new time, owing to many people being forced for business reasons to use the old time; and

"Therefore your switch board operators would ask the management of the New Brunswick Telephone Company to use their influence in preventing the adoption of the Daylight Saving time until it becomes at least province-wide."

ALL FAVOR SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE

Carpenters Want Wages Increased—Seven Cent An Hour—The Team Owners' Boost Their Rates.

There was a representative gathering of the carpenters at the meeting last night held in the Odd Fellows building on Union street. The meeting was open to all the carpenters in the city, and a large number took advantage to express their views. It is the intention of the carpenters to ask for an increase on May 1st.

Several of the carpenters expressed themselves to the Standard as strong advocates of forty-five cents per hour as against thirty-seven and a half, which they are now receiving. The chair was taken by the president, W. Williams. Two delegates were elected to represent the association at the New Brunswick Federation of Labor which is to convene early in May. J. L. Sugrue and John Nixon were delegated to represent the St. John organization.

A complaint was made, to the effect, that eighteen men who were employed at the new elevator were only receiving thirty-five cents per hour. As the fair wage schedule is thirty-seven and a half cents, the secretary was instructed to take the matter up with the labor department. Team Owners Meet. At a meeting of the team owners of the city, held in Clayton's Hall on Waterloo street, last night, it was decided that there would be in the future a charge of \$7.00 a day for double teams and \$4.00 a day for single teams, an increase from the old rates of \$5.00 and \$3.00 respectively. The men will meet again tomorrow night at the hall to discuss the matter of organization.

Diamond Bargains. Gundry's are showing several selected lots of Diamond Rings from \$10.00 up in the display window. These are at the same prices that have ruled for the past several years. In fact most of this diamond stock has been made up from stones bought at least one and a half years ago.

Khaki-Kool Silks. Those new silks called Khaki-Kool silks, which are the latest thing from New York, can be obtained from P. A. Dykeman & Co. They have a very large assortment of these new silks in wide stripes and balloon spots. They are washable and give excellent satisfaction for spring and summer wear. Price from 90c. to 98c. per yard, 36 inches wide. This firm will be pleased to send samples of these silks on application.

Planture tickets on sale, Gray and Ritchey's. Buy "My Beloved Polius," at same time—a nurse's story.

DROWNING ACCIDENT IN HARBOR

Ritchie Simonds Falls From Landing Stage of Steamer and Loses Life.

Another name was added last night to the list of those who have lost their lives on the water front while pursuing their calling of longshoremen, when Ritchie Simonds of 594 Main street fell into the harbor about 7.30 o'clock from the landing stage of a steamer at the Pettigal wharf and was drowned. The unfortunate was a colored man and the gang he was in were working the after hatch of the steamer and as nearly as could be ascertained last night he stepped backward to clear a sling of sugar which was coming out of the hold, as he did so he tripped over the edge of the stage and fell backward between the steamer and the wharf. The tide was running out strongly at the time and he was rapidly carried down stream. He came to the surface once about 100 yards from where he had fallen in and that was the last seen of him.

The deceased was a married man and leaves his wife and one child about eight months old. Commissioner Russell was asked for the use of the grappling irons and this was immediately granted but up to an early hour this morning the body had not been recovered. Owing to the freshet it is doubtful if the body will ever be recovered as it would in all probability be carried into the channel and on out to sea.

WILL LICENSES BE CONFINED TO THE LOCAL DRUGGISTS?

Several of Present Dealers Interview Chief Inspector Wilson and Press Their Claims.

Considerable interest is being displayed locally among the applicants and others concerning the granting of the retail wholesale liquor licenses for medicinal purposes under the new prohibition measure. It was stated yesterday that the licensees would be confined to drug stores and that former dealers would not be granted licenses under the new act.

During the recent visit here of the Rev. W. D. Wilson, provincial inspector, several of the present dealers, who are applicants for licenses interviewed him and presented their claims for licenses. They expressed their willingness to live up to the provisions of the act, and said that in view of the fact that they have premises available they should be afforded an opportunity of using them in this connection. The inspector, contrary to reports, has not decided yet whom he will appoint as licensees, but his course in the matter will doubtless be actuated by fair treatment to all the applicants, having in mind the desirability and necessity of meeting the provisions of the act. The names of the new licensees will be announced early next week.

MAY LOSE SIGHT AS RESULT OF ACCIDENT

Employee of McAvity Shell Plant Painfully Injured While at Work Yesterday.

An accident occurred at the McAvity shell plant in the exhibition building yesterday afternoon which may cause one of the employees to lose sight, the loss of his sight. The young man was employed in removing varnish and paint from the shells which had been examined and had to be refinished. This is done by soaking the shells in a strong acid for some time after which the paint is wiped off. It is not known whether one of the shells fell into the vat, thereby causing the liquid to splash in the lad's face, or whether he was rubbing the shell and accidentally got the acid into his eye when wiping his face with his handkerchief.

His pitiful condition was first noticed by fellow workmen in the same section of the shop who immediately summoned medical aid. The young man was attended to by a doctor after which he was taken to his home on Braselton street. Both eyes were badly burned, but it may be that one of them may be saved. The injured lad had only been employed at the plant for about a week and only resumed work yesterday morning after a short illness of three days.

Owing to change of shifts at the plant The Standard was unable to ascertain the young man's name. Water and Sewerage. The workmen of the water and sewerage department after going down about thirteen feet reached the leak at the foot of Main street and found a joint blown out. Repairs will be rushed and the water will be turned on again shortly. Two new catch basins are being put in at the foot of Dorchester street. Engineer McInnis has about finished the work of preparing the specifications for the Lancaster extension and the tenders will be called for some time next week.

EIGHT ON THE ROLL OF HONOR ON WEDNESDAY

Recruiting Continues at the Rate of Three Battalions Per Year—General Military Notes.

HONOR ROLL. Neason Brown, Corn Hill, Kings county. Herbert W. Miller, Scotch Settlement, N. B. C. A. S. C. H. McCormack, Upper Woodstock, N. B. W. Kelly, Upper Woodstock, N. B. C. Milheron, Upper Woodstock, N. B. 8th Field Ambulance. Albert Moore, St. John, N. B. W. Renne, Campbellton, N. B. F. Murphy, St. John, N. B. 26th Kilites Battalion.

Recruiting continues in the city at the rate of about three full battalions per year. Yesterday eight men signed the honor roll, three of whom went with the Kilites. The 236th Battalion is gradually attaining strength and it is likely that this unit will be up to full strength before it is ordered overseas.

Officers in Conference. There was a meeting of the officers of the 62nd Regiment last night in the Board of Trade rooms. Lieut.-Col. J. L. McAvity occupied the chair. With the exception of a general outline of what is expected of the 62nd Regiment nothing of importance came up at the meeting. All that is necessary for active recruiting for the regiment is suitable quarters and special enrollment forms. The latter are expected any day from Ottawa.

Left For St. Johns. A draft for the Canadian Engineers left last night for the training camp in Quebec. The party was in charge of Q. M. S. M. R. H. Beattie, who recently returned to the city from St. Andrews. He will remain at St. Johns for instructional work. The following made up the party: William Craig, Newcastle; William McCallum and Renold McDonald, Newcastle; Clarence Hodges, Fredericton; Fred. J. Damah, St. Stephen; Thomas E. McQuinn, St. John, and George Cavanaugh of Red Head.

For the Signallers. Albert Stapleton of Melrose passed through the city last night en route to the training camp of the Signal Corps at Ottawa. Promotion in Ambulance. Sergeant F. C. Stocks of the 8th Field Ambulance was yesterday promoted to the rank of regimental sergeant major.

TWELVE-CENT BREAD NOW ON ITS WAY HERE

Advance to That Figure Expected to Come Soon—Eleven Cents Present Price

"I can't see any reason in the world why grocers or retail bread men should ask more than eleven cents for bread at the present time," said a prominent baker when told it had been reported that St. John would see twelve cent bread before the end of the week.

"The only reason which might be given for a justification of a two cent raise would be that bakers might think on an investment of ten cents they should make more than a cent. However, I have been connected with the bakery business for some time and as long as I can remember a cent profit was the most ever made." It was current in the city yesterday that owing to the advance of flour St. John would have to pay twelve cents for a loaf of the staff of life, but The Standard made numerous inquiries last night among the grocers and eleven cents was the standard price, and none of the dealers intimated there would be an increase.

Yesterday, owing to the advance in flour and other material used in the making of bread, the bakers were obliged to raise the wholesale price from nine to ten cents. This meant that the retailer, who was before selling it at ten cents, was obliged to increase the price one cent. Mr. Dwyer of the firm of Dwyer Bros., when asked if he thought there would be another increase said it all depended on the wheat market.

"We were forced to put the price up on account of the enhanced price of every material used in the manufacture of bread. Take sugar, for instance, it has practically doubled in price, and flour has been on the jump since the war began. Before the war we were paying \$5.75 and \$6.00 per barrel. Contrast this with the price of flour today, \$12.50. Bread was then selling to the retailers for seven cents, who in turn retailed it at eight cents, but conditions at the present time warrant the increase."

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PRESENTATION TO MISS HAZEL CLARKE. Members of Wednesday Night Class of Girls' Club Show Appreciation of Her Work. Busy Times on Waterfront. The harbor front is a busy place these days, every berth in full and three vessels are in the stream waiting for a chance to dock. While the prospects at the first of the month looked rather blue, if the present activities keep up until the end of the month the city will at least break even with last year.