

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Strong northeast-
erly winds, with snow or rain
in some localities; not much
change in temperature.

Toronto, Jan. 4.—A distur-
bance which was over the mid-
dle Atlantic coast Saturday
morning has moved out to sea
and a fairly pronounced high
area has come in over Lake
Superior. With the exception of
some local snow falls in West-
ern Ontario this weather has
been for the most part fair and
mild throughout the Dominion.

Temperatures.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	44	52
Vancouver	42	52
Kamloops	34	44
Calgary	16	35
Edmonton	14	34
Battleford	8	34
Prince Albert	9	28
Medicine Hat	22	46
Regina	7	35
Winnipeg	10	20
Port Arthur	2	20
Parry Sound	22	30
Toronto	23	38
Ottawa	24	32
Montreal	20	28
Quebec	22	26
Halifax	26	38

AROUND THE CITY

Good bargains await those who keep
their eyes on the add of H. Mont Jones,
54 King street, for list of offerings
in our big fur sale.

Fishing Lots

At the meeting of the common council
today the matter of arranging for
the sale of the fishing lots in the harbor
will be discussed, and probably
several lots will be withdrawn, so as
not to interfere with the harbor de-
velopment work.

Temperance Meeting

A successful public temperance
meeting was held last evening in Car-
marthen street Methodist church after
the regular service. The speakers in-
cluded F. G. Moore of Albert county,
grand worthy patriarch of Sons of
Temperance; Rev. R. Robinson,
grand scribe; Rev. George Steele and
Rev. T. J. Deinstadt. Special musical
numbers by the church choir under
the direction of F. Bullock were given.
E. S. Hennier presided.

To Rate Dredge

The underwriters to whom the Nor-
ton Griffiths Company have abandoned
the sunken dredge Leacockfield have
awarded E. O. Lahey of St. John the
contract for raising it. The dredge
is lying on her side, well down in
the mud and it is expected it will be
a difficult job to raise her. It is pro-
posed to remove the string of buoys
before an attempt is made to lift
her. Work will be started at once, as
a heavy gale from the southwest
might break her up or cover her with
mud.

Preservation

The approaching departure of Geo.
N. Mott from St. John was made the
occasion of an interesting ceremony
yesterday after the close of the Sab-
bath school of the Waterloo street
Baptist church. Mr. Mott has been
superintendent of the Sunday school
and active in the choir and church
work, so as a tribute to his services,
he was presented on the part of his
fellow-workers in the Sunday school
with a handsome toilet set. Rev. Mr.
Wentworth made the presentation and
voiced the general regret at losing
an efficient superintendent of the Sunday
school. Mr. Mott goes to Moncton to
engage in business.

Interesting Lecture

In the C. M. B. A. lecture course, last
evening, Rev. William Hogan, C.S.S.R.,
was the speaker. He discussed inter-
estingly on "Papacy and Church
History." Father Hogan is considered
one of the leading lights of oratory in
the Redemptorist Order, and his lec-
ture last evening in the C. M. B. A. had
before a large audience, was excep-
tionally interesting. Although Father
Hogan has appeared in the pulpit before
church congregations on many oc-
casions, last evening was his
first appearance on the public plat-
form. The lecture was instructive as
well as interesting, and at the conclu-
sion of his remarks Father Hogan was
tendered a hearty vote of thanks.

Evangelical Alliance

The Evangelical Alliance has ar-
ranged an interesting series of ser-
vices in connection with the week of
prayer opening today. Today Group
I, consisting of Brussels street, Ex-
mouth street, St. Mary's, Tabernacle,
Waterloo street, St. Stephen's, Zion,
Calvin, Congregational and the Re-
formed Baptist church will meet in St.
Stephen's church; and Group 2, con-
sisting of Centenary, Leinster street,
St. David's, St. John Presbyterians,
Carmarthen street, Germain street,
St. Andrew's and Queen Square
churches will meet in the Queen
Square church. There will also be a
service in Ludlow street church in the
West End with Rev. W. R. Robinson
as leader, and Rev. J. H. A. Anderson
as speaker; and at St. Matthew's
church in the North End with George
E. Knight as leader, and Rev. W. A.
Barracough as speaker.

PERSONAL

John A. Graham of New York, who
had charge of the construction of the
Ford automobile factory at Coldbrook,
was in the city on Saturday.

Frank Scully left last evening for
Montreal where he will continue his
medical studies at McGill University.

J. R. Nugent will leave this evening
for Montreal to resume his study
of medicine at McGill.

Miss Kathleen Leonard of Woodstock
is spending a few days in St. John.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Sutton have re-
turned from a visit to Chatham.

George Wahamaker has left on a
trip through the southern states. He
expects to be absent some months.

A passenger from the city last evening
on the Montreal express was Miss
Roxina McIntyre who will enter the
Order of the Good Shepherd Sisters in
Montreal.

Frank Scully, who has been spend-
ing his Christmas vacation with his
parents in West St. John, left for
Montreal last evening to resume his
studies at McGill.

FISHERMEN WILL FIGHT THE PACKERS

Movement on Foot to Stop Shipping to the United States.

Lobster fishermen of St. John and
Charlotte counties will offer vigorous
opposition to the effort made by the
packers to induce the government to
prohibit the export of medium lobsters
to the United States. The movement
among the packers originated in Nova
Scotia, where the packers have had
difficulty getting supplies owing to
the export of live lobsters to the Am-
erican markets. What is known as
medium lobsters are those measuring
from nine to ten and a quarter inches
in length. If the government would
prohibit the export of lobsters under
ten and a quarter inches the packers
would be able to buy the medium sized
lobsters for canning purposes.

In St. John and Charlotte counties
the canning of lobsters has practically
ceased. Nearly all the catch this sea-
son has been shipped fresh to the
markets in Canada or the States, and
the fishermen get much better prices
for their lobsters than they did under
the conditions prevailing years ago.
The move being made by the Nova
Scotia packers has naturally alarmed
the lobster fishermen in this district,
as the government would have to apply
the same rule here that it might do in
Nova Scotia and the fishermen would
again have to sell a portion of their
catch to the packers at low prices.

While the bulk of the lobsters sold
in the American market are above
medium size, M. H. Nickerson, who is
an authority on the fisheries estimates
that the fishermen of Western Nova
Scotia sell at least half a million dol-
lars worth of medium lobsters in the
Boston market each season.

Broken lots of medium lobsters have
been selling in Boston this winter for
18 and 19 cents a pound, while the
Nova Scotia packers in the western
section of the province have only been
paying eight cents a pound, and in
sections where the fishermen can not
reach the live lobster market only four
cents.

The ostensible object of the move to
prohibit the export of medium lobsters
is to protect the packers, but the fish-
ermen claim such a regulation would
be in restraint of trade, and would
greatly decrease their earnings in or-
der to swell the dividends of the pack-
ing companies. It was stated by
local fishermen yesterday that petitions
would be circulated in St. John and
Charlotte counties protesting against
the proposed prohibition.

MEDIUM LOBSTERS BRING HIGH PRICES

Canning Factories in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia want Catches — Petition Government.

Wilson Dalton, of 127 Broad street,
was the victim of a coasting accident
on Saturday evening, when the tobog-
gan on which he was coasting collided
with a telephone pole at the foot of
Carmarthen street hill.

Mr. Dalton was rendered uncon-
scious and his left leg broken about two
inches above the ankle.

Despite the pain Mr. Dalton, with
great fortitude, caused for spirits, bind-
ing his leg in such a manner as to
cause the journey to his home practi-
cally painless. Mr. Dalton was taken
home on a toboggan and Dr. A. E.
Macaulay called. After setting the
break Dr. Macaulay had the injured
man removed to the hospital, where
last evening he was resting as com-
fortably as possible under the circum-
stances.

Boy Breaks Leg

During a junior hockey match in
the Queen's rink, Saturday morning,
Alexander McIntosh, the fifteen year
old son of Dr. McIntosh, was tripped
by an opposing player, sustaining a
broken leg.

Just how the accident occurred is
not known, but in the heat of a mix
up in front of the goal the injured boy
collided with an opponent and fell, a
stick crashing against the fallen boy's
ankle.

Charles Leonard, one of the specta-
tors, hurried to the injured boy's side
and rendered first aid. McIntosh was
later removed to his home in Coburg
St. and Dr. Murray MacLaren called.
He was reported to be resting com-
fortably last evening. Much sympathy
is felt for the injured boy, not only
among his young friends, but among
the older generation as well, with
whom he was deservedly well liked.

WILSON DALTON BREAKS LEG COASTING, AND ALEXANDER MCINTOSH IN JUNIOR HOCKEY GAME.

Rev. W. H. Barracough Believes Church's Duty To Oppose Drama.

A MIGHTY POWER FOR GOOD OR EVIL

About 5000 Theatres and 25,000 Moving Picture Houses in United States and Canada.

"In view of the immoral influence of
the theatre, I believe it is the duty of
the ministry and the church to oppose
it," said Rev. W. H. Barracough, in
the course of a sermon delivered in
Centenary church last evening.

There were only three courses open
to the church, he said. The church
could oppose the theatre or it could
conform to it, or it could transform
it. As it was generally admitted that
the theatre exercised a bad moral in-
fluence upon actors and audiences, the
church could not without nullifying
itself conform to the theatre. Efforts
to transform the theatre would be
futile. Hence the ministry and the
church should oppose it.

Rev. Mr. Barracough said there
were about 5,000 theatres in the United
States and Canada. The dramatic
writer classified 2,000 of these as legiti-
mate; the balance were in the unde-
fined class. In addition to the
theatres proper, there were about 25,
000 moving picture houses. The the-
atres and moving picture houses were
probably present by more people than
the churches gathered together on
Sunday. They were therefore a
powerful influence for good or evil.

It was said that the drama held up
the mirror to human society. Its prop-
er function should be to represent the
higher moods of humanity, but in nearly
all ages it had pondered to the low-
er.

Before the Christian Era, Socrates,
Plutarch and other ancient moralists
had condemned the theatre as being
destructive of good morals. In Rome
the theatre was allied with the bloody
arena. The early Christians necessari-
ly opposed the theatre.

The Puritans were not alone in their
opposition to the theatre. Before the
appearance of Puritanism there was
vigorous denunciation of the immoral
tendencies of the drama. Charles
Lambert, who presented the Golden Age
of the English drama was an age marked
by public hypocrisy, ecclesiastical pre-
dication and political tyranny and cor-
ruption. At present the Bishop of Lon-
don and prominent church dignitaries
were waging war upon the drama in
England.

Rev. Mr. Barracough did not think
there was much hope of reforming the
theatre, certain dramas might be ele-
vating, but even the Passion Play, if
commercialized, might lose its influ-
ence for good.

The speaker said he had no knowl-
edge of conditions in St. John, but un-
derstood that owing to its peculiar
geographical position, vicious produc-
tions were seldom seen here. He said
he had no doubt of the high character
of the personnel of the stock company
or playing here.

As for moving pictures, he said they
could play a great part in educating
and elevating the character of a com-
munity, but he would be glad to
question the judgment and moral sense
of the censor. But he had been told
that sometimes the vaudeville features
introduced in the moving pictures were
not all they ought to be.

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FISH VALUES IN NOVEMBER

Fishermen did well in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia — Value by Counties.

Except for occasional heavy winds
towards the close, the month of No-
vember was a fairly good one for fish-
ing, according to the last bulletin of
the Gloucester Fishery Station, issued
by the authority of the minister, Hon. J. D.
Hazen.

The value of the fish caught by New
Brunswick fishermen during Novem-
ber was \$127,026.

The lobster catch in Charlotte county
was valued at \$38,597, and in St.
John county \$18,977.

The following are the catches in the
other fishing counties:

Westmorland county—Smelts, 40
cwt., landed, value \$200; used fresh
Oysters, 200 bris., landed, value \$1,900;
used fresh. Clams, 160 bris., value
\$390; used fresh. Value of all fish
landed \$1,590.

Kent county—Cod, 2 cwt., landed,
value \$6; used fresh. Oysters, 1,665
bris., landed, value \$5,964. Value of
all fish landed \$5,970.

Northumberland county—Oysters,
497 bris., landed, value \$1,913.

Gloucester county—Cod, 600 cwt.,
landed, value \$11,115; 71 cwt., used
fresh, 245 green-salted, 13 dried. Smelts,
325 cwt., landed, value \$1,125; used
fresh. Tomcods, 300 cwt., landed, value
\$225; used fresh. Oysters, 20 bris.,
landed, value \$120; used fresh. Clams,
10 bris., landed, value \$10; used fresh.
Value of all fish landed \$2,895.

Restigouche county—Cod, 3 cwt.,
landed, value \$18; used fresh.

Early in the month mackerel were
found in the mouth of the Fox Point
Mill Cove, Lunenburg county, than
they have been for many years. Some
good hauls were also made about the
middle of the month in Shelburne
county. Net fishermen did well at
mackerel fishing in Digby county when
the weather permitted them to go
a-fishing.

Since October 1, the oyster fishery
has yielded 20,593 barrels, against 17,
384 barrels during the corresponding
period last year.

Lobster fishing commenced on the
15th of the month in Charlotte and St.
John counties, N. B. The catch to
the end of the month amounted to
3,436 cwt., against 2,190 cwt. to the
same date in the preceding year.

Great annual whitewear sale at F.
A. Dykeman & Co's commences this
week. The money-saving event of the
year. Many people will recollect the
extraordinary values they got at their
last whitewear sale. They are going
to do better this year; and in addition
to handling the Queen's products,
they are going to place on sale, for the
first time, goods from the French and
English makers. These foreign-made
goods have the touch of daintiness
which must appeal to every lady and
while the price is very moderate.

Gowns, worth 95 cents, during the
sale 49 cents; gowns, worth \$1.25, dur-
ing the sale \$1; other prices in pro-
portion up to \$3.50 each; skirts, \$1.50
value, during the sale 75 cents; \$1.50
value, during the sale 81 cents; corset
covers, a huge assortment of these—over
a thousand to choose from—prices 19
cents to \$1.25; their 1814 waisters are
especially priced for this sale, many
of them marked 89c, 95c, and \$1 each,
would pass muster in other stores at a
half more.

STILL AT IT

Giving the biggest snags in gent's
furnishings and hats of any store in
the city. Regular 95 and \$2.50; soft
hats \$1.25—Ward & Green, up to the
minute haberdashers, 37 Charlotte
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ment of fur sale at H. Mont Jones' fur
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A Great Chance to Save at This **Fur Sale** Commencing This Morning

Fashionable Coats, Muffs and Stoles to be Cleared at Much Reduced Prices

PERSIAN LAMB COATS. 32 in. long, reg. \$275.00. Sale price \$225.00; 36 in. long, reg. \$250.00 and \$285.00. Sale prices \$195.00 and \$240.00; 40 in. long, reg. \$325.00. Sale price \$260.00; 50 in. long, reg. \$450.00. Sale price \$365.00.	STONE MARTEN STOLES Reg. \$30.00. Sale price \$25.00.	BLACK PONY STOLES Reg. \$3.75. Sale price \$2.50.
BALTC SEAL COATS 52 in. long, reg. \$150.00. Sale price \$125.00; 50 in. long, reg. \$168.00. Sale price \$145.00; 36 in. long, reg. \$200.00. Sale price \$170.00; 40 in. long, reg. \$215.00. Sale price \$180.00; 46 in. long, reg. \$235.00. Sale price \$175.00.	RACCOON STOLES Reg. \$19.50. Sale price \$16.00. Reg. \$21.50. Sale price \$17.50. Reg. \$25.00. Sale price \$20.00. Reg. \$27.00. Sale price \$22.50.	GREY SQUIRREL STOLES Reg. \$10.50. Sale price \$8.00. Reg. 6.50. Sale price 5.00.
NATURAL MUSKRAT COATS 50 in. long, reg. \$60.00 and \$117.00. Sale prices \$50.00 and \$105.00; 52 in. long, reg. \$135.00. Sale price \$110.00.	BLACK MUSKRAT STOLES. Reg. \$21.50. Sale price \$17.50. Reg. \$45.50. Sale price \$35.00. Reg. \$32.25. Sale price \$26.00.	MINK MUFFS Reg. \$55.00. Sale price \$47.50. Reg. 57.25. Sale price 50.00. Reg. 60.00. Sale price 52.00. Reg. 64.50. Sale price 55.00. Reg. 65.00. Sale price 55.00. Reg. 68.00. Sale price 57.50. Reg. 71.50. Sale price 62.50. Reg. 75.00. Sale price 65.00. Reg. 78.75. Sale price 68.50. Reg. 86.00. Sale price 75.00. Reg. 122.00. Sale price 100.00. Reg. 136.00. Sale price 110.00.
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MINK STOLES Reg. \$22.50. Sale price \$19.00. Reg. \$27.50. Sale price \$23.00. Reg. \$37.50. Sale price \$30.00. Reg. \$45.00. Sale price \$38.00. Reg. \$55.00. Sale price \$45.00. Reg. \$60.00. Sale price \$50.00. Reg. \$65.00. Sale price \$52.00. Reg. \$75.00. Sale price \$60.00. Reg. \$80.00. Sale price \$62.00. Reg. \$94.00. Sale price \$75.00. Reg. \$130.00. Sale price \$98.00. Reg. \$97.00. Sale price \$87.50.	PIECED PERSIAN LAMB STOLES Reg. \$18.00. Sale price \$13.50. Reg. \$21.50. Sale price \$15.00. Reg. \$23.00. Sale price \$17.00. Reg. \$15.00. Sale price \$10.00.	BLACK FOX MUFFS Reg. \$64.50. Sale price \$50.00.
BEAR STYLES Reg. \$11.25. Sale price \$9.00.	PIECED PERSIAN LAMB TIES Reg. \$ 9.00. Sale price \$ 6.50. Reg. \$12.25. Sale price \$ 8.50. Reg. \$13.00. Sale price \$ 9.50. Reg. \$15.75. Sale price \$12.00.	BLACK MARTEN MUFFS Reg. \$33.00. Sale price \$27.50.
BEAVER STYLES Reg. \$36.00. Sale price \$30.00. Reg. \$38.75. Sale price \$32.00. Reg. \$42.50. Sale price \$35.00.	COLUMBIA SABLE STOLES Reg. \$5.50. Sale price \$5.00. Reg. \$7.50. Sale price \$6.00.	ERMIN MUFFS Reg. \$71.50. Sale price \$60.00.
NATURAL PONY STYLES Reg. \$19.00. Sale price \$5.00.	BEAR STYLES Reg. \$11.25. Sale price \$9.00.	BEAVER MUFFS Reg. \$32.50. Sale price \$28.00. Reg. 36.00. Sale price 27.50.
		DYED COON MUFFS Reg. \$19.50. Sale price \$16.50.
		BLACK RUSSIAN MUSKRAT MUFFS Reg. \$22.25. Sale price \$18.50.
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