

THE WEATHER

Toronto, Dec. 14.—Pressure is low along the Atlantic coast and high over Canada and the central portion of the United States. Weather has been fair and somewhat colder in the Western and Maritime Provinces, and mostly cloudy to fair and cold in other parts of the country.

St. John 30 22
Prince Rupert 34 26
Victoria 34 24
Vancouver 30 40
Kamloops 22 28
Calgary 14 28
Banff 20 23
Prince Albert 22 24
Medicine Hat 28 32
Saskatoon 19 27
Regina 22 28
Winnipeg 23 30
Port Arthur 16 28
White River 24 18
Ferry Sound 3 14
London 20 28
Toronto 15 18
Kingston 16 18
Ottawa 8 16
Montreal 16 22
Quebec 16 22
Halifax 34 36
—Below zero.

Forecast.
Maritime—Strong winds to moderate gales north and northwest, decreasing tonight; some light snow, but partly fair and rather cold.

Northern New England—Generally fair Thursday and Friday; little change in temperature; fresh to strong northwest winds.

AROUND THE CITY

IN WINTER BERTH.
Steamer Majestic was taken through the Falls from Gregory's blocks yesterday morning, and tied up at her berth at Indian town.

FINE CALENDARS
The Standard has received a beautiful calendar from the Wilson Box Co. Ltd., also one from the Bank of Montreal.

LILY LAKE POPULAR
With an estimated crowd of two thousand spectators and skaters at Lily Lake, on Saturday, and hundreds visiting the lake daily, when skating conditions are good this spot is proving most popular.

FORMED PARTNERSHIP
Walker L. Jones and S. Alward Cheseman, St. John, have entered into a general co-partnership, under the name of the Peerless Motor and Machine Shop, to carry on business in this city.

MEMORIAL BADGE
In recognition of the service of Glendon Belyea, who, at the age of 21, died while a member of the Depot Battalion, Alfred Belyea, city foreman, and next of kin, has received from Buckingham Palace a memorial badge and scroll.

TOWARD XMAS TREAT
The Secretary of the Navy League has received for the Christmas treat for the sailors:
Fort Cumberland Chapter, I. O. O. F., Moncton \$35.00
The Sir Howard Douglas Chapter, Fredericton 10.00

NOT SERIOUS
The injuries of John Evans, the bosun of the C. G. M. M. Canadian Voyager, who was injured in a fracas on board his ship Tuesday night, were no so serious as at first believed. He was able to leave the hospital, and sail with his vessel yesterday afternoon bound for London.

WEST SIDE LOOP.
Negotiations towards having street car service resumed on the Loop line, West Side, are being resumed by Acting Mayor Dallock, and he hopes to be able to adjust matters so that the people of the south side of West St. John may have car service again.

HAS RETURNED HOME
Friends of Albert Ramsay, who has been seriously ill with pleuro-pneumonia in the St. John Infirmary, will be pleased to know that he has recovered sufficiently to return to his home at 143 British street. He and his family express grateful thanks to the doctors, sisters and nurses at the Infirmary for the care given him.

CARGO OF BOOZE
The ho' ho' and a cargo of rum! \$100,000 in all—the cargo that a small schooner is loading in the harbor here in bond for Nassau, Bahamas Islands. Two carloads of liquor, including 3,000 cases of whiskey and a number of drums of alcohol are being sent to see that the Islanders greet Christmas with the proper Yuletide spirit.

WANTS ANOTHER MINISTER
The secretary of the Board of Trade is in receipt of a letter from the Canadian Fisheries Association, Quebec, advising that the association favors separating the marine and fisheries services of the country and putting each under a responsible minister. The matter will be presented to the Board of Trade Council for consideration at its next meeting.

GIRL ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF THEFT
Police Mission Ross returned last evening from St. George with Elizabeth Fournier, who was arrested in the Charlotte county town on a warrant charging her with the theft of \$202 from Mrs. Robert McAdam of Long Wharf.

The girl's mother Mrs. Marie Fournier, was arrested on the same charge some few days ago. It is alleged that the mother and daughter stole the money while working for Mrs. McAdam some two weeks ago. The mother is thirty six, and mother of eleven children. Her daughter, the accused, is but sixteen.

Peerless Lodge Had Open Night

Were Visited by Members of Other I. O. O. F. Lodges Who Enjoyed An Excellent Programme.

Peerless Lodge No. 19 I. O. O. F., had an open night on Tuesday, 13th inst., when they were visited by members of Pioneer, Siloam and Golden Rule lodges, also by the Robekah Jewel and Sapphire lodges. All present were delighted with the good time given them by their hosts all through the evening.

The Noble Grand of Peerless lodge presented and gave a hearty welcome to the guests.
The following programme was a real good one with fine talent:
Musical Trio—H. E. Sibson with Mrs. Sibson and Son.
Solo John McEchern
Recitation Miss Vera Roberts
Duet Messrs Cain and Jamieson
Dancing Miss Angeline Gregory
Songs J. Simpson
Solo Miss Magee
Musical Selections

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Green Quartette Messrs. McEchern Bros
Solo Wm. McEchern
Hearty accolades were given to all the performers. Speeches were given by the Deputy Grand Master A. E. Jenner, G. C. Poole, M. D. Brown, P. Bryden, J. Robson on the good of the order.

F. W. Stanton and Miss Magee were piano accompanists.
Refreshments were served by the committee, G. Ledford, A. G. Staples, E. H. Marshall, J. C. Gorrie, F. W. Stanton, C. W. Seges, E. C. Tremain and Geo. Blizard and a Chipman. Dancing followed and was much enjoyed, and the lodge gave thanks to all who assisted. National Anthem closed the programme.

PERSONALS

Moncton Transcript: Friends of Mrs. Allan Kennedy, of the Victoria Hotel, St. John, N. B., will regret to learn of her serious illness of pneumonia at the Royal Hospital. Mrs. Kennedy was formerly Miss Thora Berg of Port Elgin, and a graduate nurse of the Royal Hospital, and is well known in Moncton, having practised her profession here for some time. Mrs. Thomas Gibson, of Campbellton is with her sister, Fredericka Gibson, Mrs. Wesley Kitchen is confined to her home on Northumberland street through illness. Mr. and Mrs. Stanton Wood and two daughters have arrived from Saskatchewan and taken up their residence with Mrs. Kitchen, Mrs. Wood being a stepdaughter of Mrs. Kitchen. Miss Revere, the Victorian Order nurse at Marysville, underwent an operation at Victoria Hospital Tuesday morning for throat trouble. Mrs. William Roseborough, who has been confined to her bed for the past weeks with blood poisoning, is able to sit up for a short time each day. In spite of her advanced age her complete recovery is now looked for.

Montreal Star: Brig. Gen. the Hon. Archibald Macdonell, C.M.G., D.S.O., is arriving in Toronto shortly after Christmas and will make his home there.

Ottawa Citizen: Hon. J. A. McDonald, of Shediac, arrived in town on Sunday.

William Weber, general agent for the C.P.S. Ltd., at Atlantic ports, returned to the city yesterday from Montreal.

J. McMillan of Montreal, manager of the C.P.E. Telegraph for this system is in the city on an inspection trip. He is accompanied by J. B. Mitchell, traffic superintendent of the eastern lines.

W. H. McLeod, of the general agent's staff in Montreal, is in the city. Tuesday he assisted the local staff in the handling of passengers leaving on the Empress of France.

L. C. Burns, late of the staff of the C.P.O.S., left Tuesday on the Empress of France for Ireland, where he will spend the winter visiting his mother.

Rev. Canon Armstrong returned yesterday afternoon from St. Stephen, where he delivered an address on France, on Tuesday evening before the Women's Canadian Club.

Rev. Walter M. Donahue arrived in the city yesterday afternoon from Johnville.

Arrivals in the city, last evening, on the Moncton train were Mr. Justice Grimmer and M. G. Teed.

Sonator and Mrs. F. B. Black of Sackville, were in the city yesterday and registered at the Royal Hotel.

George B. Jones, M.P., Apohaqui, was a guest at the Victoria Hotel yesterday.

W. J. Donahue, of Johnville, was an arrival yesterday at the Dufferin Hotel.

A. B. Copp, M.P., of Sackville, was a guest at the Royal Hotel yesterday.

H. H. Betherington, of Andover, registered yesterday at the Victoria Hotel.

Richard O'Leary, of Richibouctou, was an arrival at the Royal Hotel yesterday.

J. D. Byron, of St. Andrews, registered yesterday at the Victoria Hotel.

C. S. Evershed, of St. Andrews, was a guest at the Royal Hotel yesterday.

Among the arrivals yesterday at the Royal Hotel were P. Pasco, Montreal, and E. Hartly, P.E.I.

At the Victoria Hotel the guests included A. Anderson, St. Andrews, and C. R. Arthur, Montreal.

Those registered at the Dufferin Hotel included H. W. Purves, a Vancouver, Me., and J. D. Wickham, Montreal.

WHY SHOULD THIS BE?
The N. B. Power Co., Atlantic Sugar Refiners, and other local concerns have been importing coal from New Brunswick and, after paying freight and duty, have been able to purchase the fuel at something over a dollar cheaper than they could purchase Sydney, Cape Breton, coal. In the meantime, Nova Scotia miners are complaining of working conditions, and advise that orders are scarce.

The Associated Charities Meeting

Monthly Session of the Board Heard Report of Secretary—Resolution of Sympathy on Death of E. L. Rising.

At the monthly board meeting of the Associated Charities, held yesterday afternoon at 117 Germain street with W. Shives Fisher, the president, in the chair, the report of the secretary-treasurer, Miss Grace Robertson, was received, detailing activities for the last month. Her report showed that 681 applications had been received, 61 of which sought employment. Places were found for 38 of the applicants. 28 sought relief, which was granted for 24. 31 visits were made. Some clothing and a donation of knitted garments were received from the Douglas Avenue Circle. She also reported having received a cheque for \$30 from the Windsor Chapter I. O. O. F., and also \$25 from Royal Standard Chapter I. O. O. F. for the Christmas cheer, both of which were gratefully acknowledged. Generous gifts of money were also received from several citizens.

The unemployment question was fully discussed and several cases of destitution where relief would have to be given were brought before the meeting. A resolution of sympathy for E. L. Rising in his recent bereavement was adopted. The secretary was re-elected for the coming year. Other business transacted before the meeting, which was largely attended.

Marlborough Had Record Meeting

Officers Elected, Rev. Archdeacon Crowfoot Honorary Chaplain—Chas. Ledford's 28th Year as Secretary.

One of the largest meetings on record was held last night by Marlborough Lodge No. 207, S. O. E., in their hall, Germain street. It was the night for choosing officers and a keen interest was evinced in the election. It was decided to hold the installation in their own hall and invite the members of sister lodges to attend. By a unanimous vote Rev. Archdeacon Crowfoot, rector of St. Paul's church, was elected honorary chaplain of the Lodge. Charles Ledford was re-elected secretary and is now serving his 28th year in this office.

The election resulted as follows:—
E. A. Darby—President.
E. C. Tremain—Vice President.
F. J. Funder—Chaplain.
Charles Ledford—Secretary.
G. H. White—Treasurer.
H. W. Mills—Asst. Secretary.
T. H. Bird—1st Guide.
L. G. Mantle—2nd Guide.
W. G. Woodruff—3rd Guide.
A. L. H. Stevens—4th Guide.
J. J. Whalley—5th Guide.
James Curtis—6th Guide.
B. Youngman—Inside Guard.
H. White—Outside Guard.
W. Roberts—Past President.
I. Carless, E. A. Lawrence, R. Dickey—auditors.

T. E. Carter, B. W. Thorne, T. W. Pige—Trustees.
E. A. Darby, E. C. Tremain, Charles Ledford, G. H. Lewis—Advisory Board.
Rev. Archdeacon Crowfoot—Honorary Chaplain.
L. A. Belyea, G. T. Corbett and P. Horne acted as scrutineers.

Women's League of St. David's Church

Reports Received and Officers Elected at Annual Meeting Held Yesterday Afternoon.

At the annual meeting of the Women's League of St. David's church, held yesterday afternoon, officers were elected for the ensuing year. The League raised \$2,700 during the year, \$2,500 of which was used towards the payment of the church debt.

The officers elected were as follows: President, Mrs. N. H. Dunlop; vice-president, Miss Gertrude Campbell; secretary, Mrs. W. Nasse; treasurer, Mrs. D. W. H. Magee; executive, Mrs. D. Willet, Mrs. W. Bingham and Mrs. D. C. Malcolm.

FIRST AID CLASSES FOR THE "FINES"

Classes of instruction in First Aid for those members of the Police Force who have not already obtained their First Aid certificates will begin in the police court room at the central police station next Monday evening at seven o'clock. The majority of the force have already qualified for the right to wear the St. John Ambulance Society's badge on their uniforms.

A number of the men who qualified for the certificates last year but who were not presented with them at the time, will assemble at the police station this evening, and march in a body to the G. W. V. A. Hall, Wellington Row, where they will be publicly presented with the coveted certificates by the president at the Ambulance Society's annual meeting, which will be held there tonight.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCE.

The quarterly conference of the priests of the St. John district of the Diocese of St. John was held at the Palace yesterday morning. It was attended by His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc, Rt. Rev. Mgr. J. J. Walsh, P. G. D. P., Rev. Wm. M. Duke, P. P., Rev. A. P. Allen, Rev. Raymond McCarby, Rev. B. Oram and Rev. H. Ramage, of the Cathedral staff, and a number of other clergymen.

Parents Given Severe Lecture

Magistrate Hands Straight Talk to Parents of Boys Arrested for Stealing.

Five juveniles were before the police court yesterday morning on charges of theft. One was charged with theft of a mouth organ from J. M. Roche's, two watches from Harry Green's, and with acting together with three colored boys in stealing a can of milk from Briand's stable and an assortment of goods from the store of A. J. Markham. The first youngster pleaded to all four charges. He made a statement that exonerated the colored boys, whom he had accused in his talk with the detectives Tuesday night. They were allowed to go. He was also implicated with another lad in the theft of a camera from E. G. Nelson's but as the other boy's father was not present, the whole matter was set over until the afternoon.

The father of one of the boys and the mother of the other were present at the afternoon hearing, and were severely censured by the magistrate, who told them that, while they may have used means to correct the children's conduct on different occasions, they certainly had not adopted the right means or the boys would not be roaming around the streets and getting into trouble.

Detective Biddiscombe gave evidence concerning the recent misdeeds and also concerning the past records of both lads.

The magistrate deplored the sad condition in which the boys were situated and took occasion to lecture them on the ten commandments and the folly of having allowed themselves to be led into bad habits.

Both lads were remanded for a further hearing.

Cases Dealt With In Police Court

Mrs. Thomas Howes Fined for Obstructing a Constable—Four Sailors Fined.

The case against Mrs. Thomas Howes, charged by Constable Merryfield with obstructing, assaulting, molesting and hindering him in the discharge of his duty, was continued yesterday afternoon in the police court.

At the morning session, Constable Merryfield testified that on December 5, he went to the defendant's residence to serve a writ of execution on her husband. He said that he had asked the defendant if her husband was at home and was informed that he would be there presently. He said that Mr. Howes then came to the door and told him his name was Brown not Howes and attempted to shut the door in his face. Mrs. Howes, he said, then pushed him out of the doorway calling him some harsh names and telling him to take himself off the premises. He admitted showing his badge but did not announce his business there.

Mrs. Howes swore that she did not touch Merryfield or call him any names. She said that he had attempted to force his way into the house after her husband had gone out. She said she did not know he was an officer of the law. The defendant's twelve-year-old daughter corroborated her mother's evidence.

The magistrate expounded the law relating to the protection of officers in discharge of their duty and cited a case in which he took part some years ago, that set out the distinction between a layman and an officer and outlined the principles relating to the protection of the latter. He adjudged the defendant guilty and imposed a fine of \$30 or ten months in jail but suspended the sentence, allowing the woman to go with a warning.

Other Cases
Michael Driscoll, Charles Thomas, Douglas Conway and William Ryan were fined \$8 each for being drunk and creating a disturbance on the C. G. M. M. ship Canadian Voyager. They were allowed to go on payment of the fines.

William McGrath, Albert Barry, and Joseph Hayes, charged with wandering about and not giving a satisfactory account of themselves early yesterday morning, were remanded.

Charles Donaldson, charged with refusing to move when ordered to do so by Policeman Chisholm was remanded.

St. John Ambulance Association annual meeting Thursday, Dec. 15, at G. W. V. A. Hall. Presentation of awards and certificates. Speakers Public invited to attend.

A SUGGESTION.

To be a help at this glad Yuletide season in offering suggestions as to acceptable Christmas Gifts is one ambition of this Dykeman store on Charlotte street. Handkerchiefs that were sold last year for 45c. to 50c. each are here. It is only a few days since they arrived right from their home in Switzerland, and this year there's three in a box, nicely done up for 65c. You could hardly expect them to last Christmas. Better see them if you're interested.

SILK SHIRTS.

New lines of silk shirts, including pongee, opened yesterday; some have been waiting for these. An early call is advisable. Gilmour's, 68 King street.

The Women's Hospital Aid Meeting at the Board of Trade rooms today at three o'clock.

Clifton House, all meals 60c.

Dolls at Half Price

The largest and finest line of Dolls you'll find anywhere composes our showing of this season, and EVERY ONE OF THEM IS NOW PLACED ON SALE AT EXACTLY HALF PRICE. This means an unusually wide range to select from; there are Dressed Dolls from 6 to 18 inches high, Undressed Dolls of all sizes, Baby Dolls from 6 inches high to life size, Kewpie Dolls of all sizes. Already they are going rapidly.

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