

FOREST FIRES NOT DANGEROUS AT THIS TIME

CONDITIONS AGAINST FIRE IN THIS WEATHER

**Victoria Day Will be Risky if
Preceding Days are Warm
—Some Claim Danger
is Past.**

The forest fire situation in New Brunswick at present is not causing the Department of Lands and Mines or the fire-wardens any great anxiety as the recent rains have dampened the woods and made fires very unlikely. The weather in the next few days will determine the extent of the fire-risk. Hot weather with fresh breeze will dry out slash and similar material and make it inflammable. If the weather remains cloudy there will be little danger.

Victoria Day, May 24th, is an additional risk as hundreds of fishing parties go out all over the province. In the past these have been exceedingly careless with fires and have caused considerable damage. If there is hot weather before the holiday fires will be expected the 24th and the next day. There are heavy penalties for causing fires in this way and fishing parties will be watched closely.

Chief Forester Returns

G. H. Prince, Chief Forester of New Brunswick, has returned from Quebec where he attended quarterly meeting of the directors of the Canadian Forest Association. The publication of propaganda dealing with fire-protection and the danger arising from fires at this season of the year was the chief matter taken up.

While in Quebec Mr. Prince saw a pumping demonstration by a new pump which has been built especially for the Quebec Government. It acts along the lines of the pump used in fire-fighting in the woods in this province.

The Province of Quebec has twenty five units of this pump built for fire-fighting this season. Certain advantages are claimed for it.

Some Say Little Danger

The claim is made in New Brunswick by many interested in the forests that there will be no great fire-risk in this province until late in the summer. They state that the spring has been sufficiently wet to carry the woods over the danger period of May and that after the leaves get on the trees there will be little danger until the extremely hot weather of the late summer.

CITY ASKED TO UNDERTAKE TREE-PRUNING

MAYOR APPROACHED BY LOCAL IMP. ASSOC.

**City Employees Now Qualified
After Instructions—General
Feeling Trees Should
Be Cared For.**

The city has been asked to carry on the pruning of the shade trees about the streets. Col. Loggie president of the Local Improvement Association took the matter up with Mayor Reid this morning. It is probable that action will be taken. There is a strong feeling among the citizens that Fredericton should make more out of the asset which the city possess in its magnificent trees and that greater care must be taken.

Employees Instructed.

The demonstration in pruning was carried on under the direction of Prof. Pulling and Prof. Claridge of the Forestry School of the U. N. B. some time ago resulted in two of the city employees Messrs. McLaughlin and Forest, becoming qualified in scientific pruning. It now is proposed to prune the trees of "Fenety Avenue" which is that portion of Queen street and Waterloo Row which was set with a double row of trees through the efforts of the G. E. Fenety many years ago. The demonstration work was done on Smythe street between Queen and George streets. Lack of funds prevents the Local Improvement Association from undertaking the work and City Engineer G. C. McDowell has withdrawn the city employees from it because of no appropriation by the City Council. The suggestion is that the supervision of the work be continued by Prof. Pulling and Prof. Claridge but that the two qualified city employees be assigned to the work.

Market Improvement.

The proper pruning of trees results in a marked improvement. In the past numerous trees about the city have been mutilated and disfigured by employees of the city and public utilities. In the future it is intended to stop that.

To Arrive Tomorrow

A schooner-load of furnace coal egg size left St. John today consigned to R. T. Baird. It will be screened at the wharf and delivered for \$16.90 per ton.

FISHERIES REGULATIONS ARE CHANGED

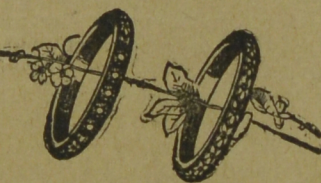
GENERAL CURTAILMENT OF TIME FOR CATCHING

Protection for "Black" Salmon is Desired—Good Run of Gaspereaux But Little Fishing.

The fisheries regulations have been considerably altered and fishing in the St. John River in this section is concerned in the changes. The general intention in making the changes is to afford greater protection to some of the varieties of fish. The so called "black" salmon which has been taken previously in Miramichi waters in large numbers is concerned.

The Shad Season.

The open season for shad in non-tidal waters will open May 16th which is Tuesday. The season will extend to June 30th. Last year the dates were the same but extension was given until July 30th. The weekly period for fishing has been reduced one day being four instead of five. Nets cannot be set legally on Fridays, Saturdays or Sundays. A limit of thirty fathoms per net is set and there is a limit of two nets per family. A license at a fee of one dollar per net is required. The St. John is the only non-tidal



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CITY AFFAIRS

Quelled Disturbance

Saturday night the police were called by telephone to quell a disturbance in a restaurant.

Traffic Law Violation

Saturday night there was another violation of the traffic law reported by the police. A team of horses from the country were allowed to stand heading the wrong way.

Operated on For Appendicitis.

Gerald Bolster son of Mrs. Shenton Bolster, aged eight years, was operated upon for appendicitis at Victoria Hospital during the week-end. The operation was successful.

Returned From College

Charles E. Harrison of this city who completed the second year of the law course at Dalhousie University, Halifax, returned home Saturday night.

Bicycle Changes

Up to Sunday night the police were about even in the matter of bicycles reported stolen and those found. During the week-end. There was one report in each class.

Still Alarm This Morning.

The motor-truck of the Fire Department was called shortly before noon today to the home of W. A. VanWart, Allen and George streets, because of a slight fire. There was little damage.

Health is Improved

Dr. T. C. Allen and Mrs. Allen have returned from Montreal where Dr. Allen consulted a specialist. The report was that his health was improved to a marked extent.

Had Auto Ride

Ex-Warden John Scott who on Saturday celebrated his ninety-first birthday was entertained to an auto ride during the afternoon by his daughter-in-law, Mrs. W. J. Scott. The latter owns and drives a handsome limousine.

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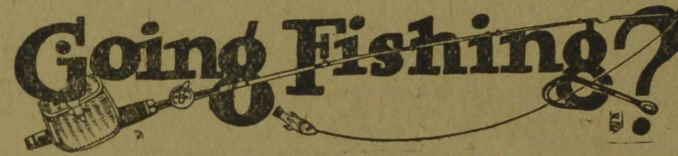
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