

ZERO WEATHER CONTINUES BUT WILL MODERATE

20 BELOW WAS LAST NIGHT'S OFFICIAL MARK

Plumbers Reaping a Harvest This Week—Many Believe in Prophecy of Professor Porta.

The weather is still of the zero type although there seems to be an indication that the temperature will not drop as low as it has earlier in the week. The official minimum temperature last night at the meteorological station at the U. N. B. was twenty below zero. This shows a steady upward tendency as the minimum the preceding night was twenty two below and on Tuesday night twenty-six below.

Many Believe Prophecy

There are many in this vicinity who profess to believe that the cold wave is justification of the prophecy of Prof. Porta who foretold dire calamities following the 17th inst. as the result of sunspots produced by planetary influence.

Harvest for the Plumbers

The harvest of the plumbers has occurred this week as result of the cold wave. Many freeze-ups took place each plumbing shop having scores of calls. Freeze-ups will continue even if the temperature moderates as buildings have had their temperature lowered to such an extent that it will take several days' heating to restore them to normal conditions and in the meantime the plumbing will suffer.

Cold at Woodstock

Woodstock also reports a low temperature for last night the thermometer registering twenty below the cipher. The probabilities today forecast milder weather for Saturday and telegraphic reports state that points west of the Maritime Provinces which have had severe cold are now having warmer weather.

So Warm and Kumfy

Another lot of down comforts just received at Edgcombe's. So nice for a Christmas gift you know.

Confined to His Home

Mr. A. D. Thomas of this city has been confined to his home on George Street for the past few weeks with poor health.

Condition is Improved

The many friends of Mr. Fred. Murphy who has been seriously ill at his mother's home, King Street, will be pleased to hear that his condition is improved today.

Met Last Evening

Whitstone Preceptory, Royal Black Knights of Ireland met last evening, only routine business being carried out. The election of officers will take place on the third Thursday in January.

Another Call to Auld Kirk

The firemen were called out this morning to the Auld Kirk Apartments. The side of the building next J. D. Black's house started blazing and was put out in a short time.

Seriously Ill

Mr. W. K. Tibert, of the D. S. C. R. is seriously ill at his home, George Street with pleurisy and complications. His many friends in the city will regret to learn of his illness and will wish him a speedy recovery.

Fires at Noon Yesterday

At noon yesterday the firemen received two calls one from the home of Mrs. Robert Hamilton, Charlotte st., for a chimney blaze and one from the home of E. G. Merrit, King Street, the fire resulting from an overheated furnace pipe. Both were extinguished without much trouble.

Say it With Flowers.

Your Xmas gift. What is more appropriate or more cheerful than a bright potted plant? Say it with roses. What is more beautiful and what expresses our thoughts better than flowers? Nothing more suitable for any occasion than flowers. You can't do better than express your thoughts with a potted plant or a box of cut flowers. Ada M. Schleyer, Florist.

Granted a Bonus

The Canadian Bank of Commerce has declared a cash bonus to the staff of 10 per cent to those receiving salaries up to \$5,000 per annum, and 5 per cent to those receiving upwards of \$5,000 with a minimum of \$500. In addition, a general increase in salaries has been granted on an approximate scale of 10 per cent exclusive of the highest salaried officers.

Kindergarten Closing

The Kindergarten held its Christmas closing Thursday morning in the Church Hall. A large number of the parents of the children in attendance were present. A large well decorated Christmas tree adorned the room bearing presents for all the parents which were made by the children and were a credit both to the children and to their teacher Miss Carvell who takes great interest in her work. The exercises at the closing were splendid and were very much enjoyed by those present. The children presented Miss Carvell and Miss Smith her assistant with nice gifts, Miss Carvell receiving a purse of money amounting to twenty-three dollars being a gift from the twenty-three children in attendance.

ALONZO R. STILES PRESIDENT OF THE INSTITUTE

INTERESTING DISCUSSIONS ON VARIOUS SUBJECTS

Criticism of Number Teaching by Inspector Hanson—H. H. Hagerman Gave Paper on Writing.

This morning's session of the York and Sunbury Teachers' Institute opened at 9 a. m. with the President F. J. Patterson in the chair. The meeting occupied itself with the election of officers following which several papers on elementary work in the grades were made. Several periods of discussion were also opened by Inspector R. D. Hanson.

The first article on the program was the report of the Nominating Committee which was as follows:

President, Alonzo R. Stiles.
Vice President, Miss Z. Hallett.
Secretary Treasurer, J. E. Page.
Members of Executive, J. W. Smith, and Louise Scott.
Hon. Member of Executive, Miss E. L. Thorne.

Mr. W. M. Burns presented the claims of the Educational Review and succeeded in getting numerous subscriptions.

Interesting Discussion

A paper on "Number" prepared by Miss Mabel Wood was read by Miss Blanche Ebbett on account of the illness of Miss Wood.

Inspector R. D. Hanson stated that the results from Number work in the rural schools were very poor. The rural teachers had great difficulty on account of irregular attendance and frequent changes of teachers. He urged the teachers to engage in a discussion both for their own help and that of others.

The President then called upon Miss Cecile Gallagher who spoke briefly on the subject. She was followed by other speakers including Miss Lawson, Mr. Monahan, Miss Harvey, W. M. Burns, Miss Anita Gallagher and others.

Writing

Mr. H. H. Hagerman was called upon for his lesson on "Writing". He emphasized the following:

That the characters used must be well known, that they must be made easily and rapidly, that one must be a good writer himself, that one must drill, continually.

Mr. Hagerman's lesson was followed by a discussion led by Inspector Hanson. Referring to the practice of pupils writing left handed Miss Hallett

DOMINION DIRECTOR HERE ON FIRST TOUR

L. W. GILL INTERVIEWS OUR EDUCATIONISTS

Will Go to Halifax—Former Member of Queen's University Faculty—Saw Service Overseas.

Mr. L. W. Gill, M. Sc. Director of Technical Education for the Dominion, working under the Department of Labor, interviewed Dr. W. S. Carter, Chief Supt. of Education, this morning and also Mr. Fletcher Peacock, Director of Technical Education for New Brunswick.

Mr. Gill was appointed to his present position about a fortnight ago and is on his first official tour. He will leave Fredericton tonight for Halifax. His tour is connected with the expenditure of the Federal grants for Technical Education in the various provinces.

One of Three Provinces

New Brunswick is one of three provinces which already have agreed to the terms for the Federal grant. It will total \$700,000 for the year ending March 31st. After that it will be increased until it reaches a total for the Dominion of \$1,100,000. The apportionment of the three Maritime Provinces for the present year is as follows: New Brunswick \$39,897.80; Nova Scotia, \$51,830.18; Prince Edward Island, \$17,963.35.

Prominent in Education

Mr. Gill has been prominent in educational work for some time. He was graduated in Science at McGill in 1896 and was professor of Electrical Engineering at Queen's University, Kingston, Ont., from 1900 to 1916. In that year he went overseas as officer commanding a battery of artillery recruited at Queen's. He spent twelve months in France where he was gassed, spending two months in hospital. For the next nine months he was with the Ministry of Munitions in a technical capacity and afterward with the Canadian Khaki University as Assistant Director of Education. He left that position in August last.

Col. T. A. Murphy and Major E. O. Thomas of St. John are here today on official business.

thought it ought to be corrected.

Miss Emily Thompson read her paper on "Composition in the Third and Fourth Grades" which was very agreeably commented upon.

This was followed by a discussion in which several members of the Institute took part.

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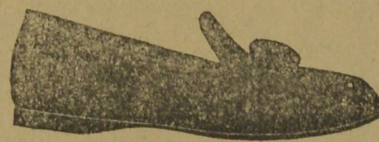
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