

FOOT OF SNOW IN FIRST STORM OF THE WINTER

Travelling Will be Improved and Woods Conditions Better — Not Too Much is Wanted.

The lack of snow which has hampered transportation in rural districts for some time and for that reason made travel slower than it otherwise would be, was remedied today when a foot of snow fell in the first storm of the winter. The snow began at an early hour and did not stop until afternoon. Rain is forecasted to follow the snow with cold weather after that. Weather of that kind will produce excellent roads. The hope is that there will not be storms following in close succession on this.

In the city the snow ploughs were not out until afternoon and pedestrians had a hard time during the morning.

Trains were quite seriously affected by the storm as the railways were not prepared. Telegraph and telephone lines came through well. There was little wind with the storm. Gales with sticky snow are hard on wires.

Better in Lumber Woods.

Travel in the lumber woods as elsewhere will be improved by the snow. The fear is that succeeding storms will bring too much as they have in the past. Up to the present conditions in all parts of New Brunswick but the extreme north have been ideal for yarding. A fall no heavier than the present will not hold operations back.

Will Help Christmas Trade.

Although the snow has come late in the business season preceding Christmas it will add considerably as good country travelling stimulates trade in all parts. It is expected that the mid-week market Wednesday, two days before Christmas will be a heavy one, as hauling will be good by that time.

City Affairs

Receiving Congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McNair are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a daughter at their home on Saturday afternoon.

Returned for Vacation.

Miss Elizabeth McLellan who is attending school at Stanstead, Que., has returned home for the Christmas vacation.

Christmas Pots of S. A.

The Salvation Army placed Christmas Pots on Queen Street on Saturday at the corners of York and Carleton Streets, for the support of the public in their Christmas work among the poor. This is the first time it has been tried in Fredericton, but it has been done in the larger cities for a number of years.

Reported To Be Sinking.

Charles T. Harrison who has been seriously ill at the home of his father Fisheries Inspector H. B. Harrison, University Avenue, is reported today to be sinking. Dr. Gordon of Montreal the specialist brought here in the case treated the patient on Saturday. Pleuro-pneumonia with septicaemia is believed to be the disease.

Silk Stocking Christmas.

A woman made a house-to-house canvass in November selling silk stockings and it is said she sold about a thousand dollars worth in this city. She collected a deposit on each pair sold. For weeks the post office has been flooded with these stockings which came C. O. D. for the balance due on them. One postman made a special trip with nothing but silk stockings. So as an observant lady says this is going to be a silk stocking Christmas.

Fredericton Otis Train Service.

On account of Christmas travel, special train service has been arranged by the C. P. R. as follows: On Wednesday Dec. 23rd, extra special will leave Fredericton at 4.00 P. M. Atlantic Time, arriving at Otis at 8.00 P. M. making all stops enroute. On Thursday, Dec. 24th, extra special will leave Otis at 4.00 A. M. due to arrive in Fredericton at 12 noon. On Thursday Dec. 24th, regular train No. 152 will be held to leave Fredericton at 4.00 P. M. and will make all stops enroute to Otis.

W. G. CLARK IS IN THE FIELD FOR MAYORALTY

Consents to Run — Mayor R. L. Phillips is Likely to Oppose Him—Two Full Tickets.

The acceptance by W. G. Clark of candidature for the mayoralty was announced this morning. The acceptance followed the presentation to him of a largely signed requisition prepared last week. Ex-Mayor Moses Mitchell circulated the requisition. The press today carries a formal announcement of the candidature of ex-Ald. Clark.

Contest Certain.

Opposition to Mr. Clark is practically certain as Mayor Phillips will be in the field again. This is stated today although the formal candidature of Mayor Phillips has not yet been announced. Full tickets of five aldermen running with each mayoralty candidate are to be in the field according to what is said by those interested.

Present Council Active.

Members of the present City Council are active in the matter.

Last week a meeting was held at which eight of the ten aldermen were present with others. Ald. D. W. Olts was out of the city and another was absent. The question of putting a ticket in the field representative of the present council was discussed and a decision so to do reached. The personnel is not yet shown. Ald Olts is understood to be retiring. Ald. David McCaughey said today that he had been urged to run but was not yet decided. Ald. W. L. Jennings made a similar statement. It is understood that the other two will be candidates.

Developments in both tickets are looked for within a day or two.

On Outside Duty.

It is understood that as the result of some reorganization of the staff of the Chief Liquor Inspector, W. L. McFarlane, Fraser Saunders will be devoting the greater part of his time to duties throughout the Province. The local sub-inspectors are to be Edward Duffy and J. Duff King.

Mr. and Mrs. James M. Torrence of Sussex are the guests of Mr. Holland Boone at North Devon.

VETERAN OF FIRST RIEL REBELLION

After Weekend in the Gaol Decided to Return to His Home — Is Entitled to Land-grant.

Joshua Walker the aged man who has been a source of anxiety and annoyance to both county and city authorities for a long time after spending the week-end in gaol on a remand on a charge of vagrancy, decided to return to the home which he had left with John R. Kelly on the Richibucto Road. This afternoon he left in Mr. Kelly's charge.

Red River Veteran.

The unfortunate man is a veteran of the First Riel Rebellion having served in what is now Manitoba in 1870-71. At that time Winnipeg was Fort Garry and there was no indication that great city was to spring up on the site. Mr. Walker as a young man on service on the Red River with Sir Garnet Wolseley is entitled to Western Land Grant. For some reason he never pressed his claim but still may do so. A land grant of the kind which he is entitled would be of considerable value and would make the value of the other property of which he is possessed sufficient to support him.

Some three weeks ago he was brought to the police cells here as a vagrant and although placed where he would be cared for again left last week.

Very Noisy.

He is very noisy whether in the policecells or in gaol and on Sunday residents in the vicinity of the gaol were able to hear the various appeals which he made from the windows of his cell. He has the hallucination that his arrest is for the purpose of extorting money from him. He also frequently desires that Anglican clergymen be brought to see him and on one occasion recently interviewed a prominent clergymen at his home.

Condition About the Same.

Mrs. F. H. Holmes today received word that the condition of her mother Mrs. George A. Kimball of Oromocto who is seriously ill, is about the same.

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