

FIRST DRIVES
IN TODAY IN THIS
PART OF PROVINCE

Conditions For Stream
Driving are of Best —
Dam Reported Out at
Oromocto Lake.

The best stream-driving conditions in years is the general report in this section. The time of driving on many streams is being cut in two and the water has been at an excellent pitch. Warm weather is the need now as the snow is deep in the woods. Rain would make too much water which already has been troublesome on some streams.

The Fraser Drives.
Fraser Companies Limited which operates for the Victoria Mill in this city on a number of streams has received most encouraging reports. On the Nashwaak the drive will be in today. On the North Branch of the Oromocto the drive will be in today or Tuesday. On Greer Creek the drive will be in by the middle of the week. The Victoria Mill according to W. J. Glen manager, will start on the season's operation on Monday next, with logs which have been carried over and those which have been cut on the Nashwaak.

On the Keswick.
On the Keswick River the main crew of the E. Burt Lumber Company goes in today. By the end of the week well up to two hundred men will be at work on the drives of that company. During the past day or two ice has been dynamited extensively in parts of the river. Conditions are very promising.

Driving Dam Carried Out.
It was reported Sunday that the driving dam at the outlet of Oromocto Lake on the North Branch of the Oromocto River had been carried out by the lake ice. This dam is the property of the River Valley Lumber Company. R. B. Smith ex-M. P., left Oromocto this morning for the scene to investigate the extent of the damage and take measures.

On the Nashwaak.
On the Nashwaak River driving conditions are excellent. Half a million feet of lumber was in the booms above Marysville Sunday with more coming in all the time. Nine million feet was cut on Nashwaak waters for the Nashwaak Pulp & Paper Co. a much smaller quantity than usual.

Stanley Douglass Ltd.
Stanley Douglass Limited with mill in Devon has drives on the Dunbar, Tay and Cross Creek in Nashwaak waters and on the Macnaquac. From all drives the reports are most encouraging except that there is rather too much water on the Macnaquac. The company expects to have its mill in operation in about a fortnight.

CITY AFFAIRS

More Signs of Spring.
"The Silent Policemen" and the "No Parking Signs" have been placed in position for the season.

His Favorite Pest.
The fellow who "gets my goat," remarked a Queen Street business man is the one who steps into the revolving door at the Post Office at the same time I do, and waits for me to swing the door for him.

Lights Off For a Time.
Owing to an accident the circuit supplying current to the western end of Queen street, was out of commission for a time Saturday night. Places of business were inconvenienced.

Forty Hours' Devotion.
The "Forty Hours' Devotion" opened at St. Dunstan's Church Sunday morning. It will close Tuesday night. Rev. Father Mullen of the Redemptorist order is here from St. Peter's Church, Saint John to assist in the services.

Death at Burt's Corner.
Mrs. James E. Jones widow of Richard Jones died at her home in Burt's Corner, Sunday, after a week's illness. She was aged eighty two years. The deceased had been twice married her first husband being Thomas D. Phillips. Surviving are one son Hedley W. Jones of Lower Hainesville and four daughters Mrs. E. N. Reynolds of Devon, Mrs. William Morris of Upper Hainesville, Mrs. John McGibbon of Burt's Corner and Miss Lillian Jones of Portland, Me.

J. F. Whiteley of Halifax is a guest at the Queen.

PRESENT WEEK
WILL DETERMINE
POTATO MARKET

Glut at Boston Will
Work Off But Maine
May Flood the Market
There Again.

W. W. Boyce of this city, a well known shipper of farm produce has returned from Boston where he was looking over conditions in connection with the potato market. He states that the Boston market was glutted badly by over shipment but that the prospect was that the market would be cleared up during the present week with a possibility that the price would rise again.

Maine Shippers Govern.
The governing feature will be the action of the State of Maine shippers. If the latter attempt to realize what they can get and flood the market again the price will drop. The lateness of the farming season in Maine will have some influence on the situation as the later the planting season the less the likelihood of heavy shipments of potatoes.

First in Southern States.
The crop in three Southern States which produce early potatoes received a setback some ten days ago by frost and the quantity of potatoes in the United States and Canada is not large enough to depress the market unless thrown on in a body. Developments this week are expected to determine whether the market will break or remain firm.

Held Memorial Service.
Marysville Lodge, Knights of Pythias held a Memorial Service for the late Rev. J. J. Pinkerton who died at Fairville, in the Marysville Methodist Church, Sunday night. There was a large attendance. The deceased when in Marysville was prelate of the Marysville Lodge. Rev. Mr. Rice conducted the service.

City Engineer Coming Tuesday.
A telegram from John D. MacKay who was appointed City Engineer last week, states that he will arrive in Fredericton Tuesday. Mr. MacKay has been engaged on construction work where the big aluminum plant is being constructed. The wire was from Jonquiere, Que.

R. W. Cogger of Woodstock is registered at the Queen.

RIVER NOW
OPEN IN LOWER
SECTIONS

Ice-jam at Swan Creek
Broke Sunday—Damage
by Ice at Sheffield
Saturday.

The Saint John River at this point rose at a slower rate since Sunday than it had risen before. Reports from Southampton and other up-river points are that the water rose there Sunday. For that reason a further rise is expected here. Cool weather is preventing the snow from melting rapidly and that is keeping the water at steady pitch. On the upper waters of the Saint John there is less snow than in this part.

Navigation Begins
The steamer Majestic left Saint John today to make an attempt to reach Gagetown returning to Saint John the same day. The opening on the lower river was later than in this part the belt of ice in Long Reach not running out until Sunday. The opening in that part of the river was the latest in seventy-two years and only once in a hundred years has it been later.

The Bellisle and Washademoak ice had not moved on Sunday.
Jam at Swan Creek

A jam formed at Swan Creek on Saturday. Ice piled on the Sheffield shore. The highway sustained some damage. The telephone line leading to the residence of Dr. Kierstead was broken and other residential lines also were broken. The main line remained intact. On Sunday the jam broke and the ice ran out.

Upper Gagetown had a Maypole on Saturday and numerous other places on the lower river had them also.

Late Mrs. Hannah B. Clarke.
The funeral of the late Mrs. Hannah B. Clarke, widow of Henry B. Clarke took place Sunday afternoon. Service was conducted at the house by Rev. F. H. Holmes and interment was made in the Rural Cemetery. There were many beautiful floral pieces. The mourners were H. M. Clarke, Edwin H. Clarke, Walter R. Clarke, Henry Clarke of Saint John, Amos Macpherson, Louis Macpherson, Carleton Risteen, Robie Risteen, R. S. Barker, R. B. VanDine, S. L. Morrison.

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