

WOULD HAVE A
RESIDENCE FOR
THE GOVERNOR

Daughters of the Empire to Discuss the Matter With the Executive Council — Fund Now Available.

A delegation from the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire will wait upon the Provincial Government at its meeting here on Wednesday and ask for the restoration of old government house in this city. Just what reply will be made to the delegation is of course a matter of conjecture, but it is not likely to be altogether unfavorable.

The government has a fund of \$50,000, derived from the sale of the old Federal Government during the war, and this can only be used towards defraying the cost of providing an official residence for the Lieutenant Governor. The money is invested in provincial bonds, the interest of which amounting to about \$2,250 annually, is now turned over to the Lieutenant Governor and is devoted to entertainment purposes while the Legislature is in session.

Abolished Years Ago.

New Brunswick is the only province in the Dominion which does not maintain an official residence for its Lieutenant Governor. Government house, which was established here in 1828, when Sir Howard Douglas was Lieutenant Governor of the province, was abolished by the Blair Government in 1890. The late Hon. John J. Fraser was the last resident of Fredericton to hold office of Lieutenant Governor. He made his home at Farraline Place, on Queen street, which is now maintained as an old folks home.

CITY AFFAIRS

Just Arrived

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Overheated Pipe

The fire department was called out this morning to the residence of C. L. Dougherty on Smythe street, where an overheated pipe had caused a slight fire. The blaze was quickly extinguished.

Has a Double Here

Mr. T. T. Mortimer, a well known Toronto Commercial man is among the guests at the Windsor. Mr. Mortimer is one of the veterans of the road and has many friends here. He bears a rather striking resemblance to our esteemed townsman, Mr. F. B. Edgcombe and has been frequently taken for him.

Games Postponed

The scheduled Commercial hockey games postponed from Saturday night on account of poor ice facilities, have been put off until later in the season, probably until after the schedule is finished, when they will be played as per schedule. The Commercial League promises to be an interesting and close fight and much interest is being taken in it, both by the citizens and participants.

Fuel Dealers Hit.

A fuel merchant in speaking of the mild winter said that the dealers in wood and coal were among those hard hit because of it. That it had hurt the sale of these commodities to quite an extent. It is quite possible however, that their business may yet enjoy a boom before winter is over.

U. N. B. Hockey Manager

At a meeting held by the U. N. B. students for the purpose of electing a manager for the hockey team for the present season, Eldon E. Daggett, of the Senior class, was unanimously chosen for the position. Although no practices have yet been held the team candidates expect to be on the ice in a few days. Fred McLean has been engaged as coach and the team this year will to all appearance be stronger than in previous years. Captain Paul Doddridge has returned from his Christmas vacation and practically all members of last year's squad are ready for the ice. It promises to be a banner year for the U. N. B. hockey team.

SUDDEN DROP
IN MERCURY
OVER WEEK-END

The City Now in the Grip of the First Real Cold Snap of the Season — Good for the Lumbermen.

The capital city and vicinity came in for an abrupt reversal in weather conditions over the current week-end. For the past few weeks Fredericton has been having intermittent mild and cold weather spells, but none of the changes have been of the seasonable sort and the thermometer has only been below the zero mark on several occasions and then barely below.

New Year's Day and the few succeeding days were perhaps the coldest experienced here this winter and the temperature registered at about five degrees below the cipher mark. At a late hour last evening the official temperature showed the weather to be around 6 degrees below zero, and today it is but slightly higher.

The quick shift into colder conditions will not be a bad thing after all, for the inclement and unseasonable mild weather has caused a great deal of sickness about the city. Conditions in the lumber woods have not been too favorable, owing to the mild spells which have been occurring with greater frequency than in former years. A few days of the present cold weather and a good snowfall will make things ideal for the woodsmen.

Mockery at the Gaiety.

Lon Chaney adds one more laurel to his many characterizations in his role of a Russian peasant in "Mockery" at the Gaiety Monday and Tuesday. In this new part he gets away from the supermorbidity characters which presented him as crippled or deformed and creates quite a lot of sympathy as a slow thinking ignorant peasant. Barbara Bedford as Tatiana, the countess has poise and dignity and her close ups are especially attractive. Ricardo Cortez does well with his limited part or Dimitri. Emily Fitzroy is excellent as Mrs. Gaidaroff.

Government Meeting.

The provincial government will meet in this city tomorrow evening and continue in session until Wednesday evening when the members proceed to St. John for another meeting. It is expected that the report of the auditors on the provincial accounts will be submitted to the meeting. According to law this report must be published in the Royal Gazette within ninety days of the close of the fiscal year ending October 31st.

PROVINCE MAY
SOON HAVE A NEW
LIEUT. GOVERNOR

Hon. W. F. Todd's Term of Office Will Expire on February 28th — An Announcement is Expected Soon.

The term of office of His Honor Lieutenant Governor Todd will expire on February 28th of this year, and while nothing definite is known in regard to the matter it does not seem probable that he will be given a second term. The matter of course rests in the hands of Hon. P. J. Veniot, the Postmaster General, and will probably have consideration when he confers with his supporters at a gathering to be held at the Admiral Beatty Hotel, Saint John, some time this month. Lieutenant Governor Todd has proved himself a very capable chief executive and his numerous friends would be pleased to see him continue in office at least until the close of the ensuing session of the Provincial Legislature. It is not yet known when the Legislature will meet for the despatch of business, but presumably it will be on the second Thursday in March, which has been the opening day for several years past.

Lieutenant Governor Todd was appointed to office on February 28th, 1923, succeeding Hon. William Pugsley.

Among the names being mentioned in connection with the governorship are those of Hon. E. A. Smith of Shediac and Hon. Dr. J. E. Hetherington of Cody's, Queen's County.

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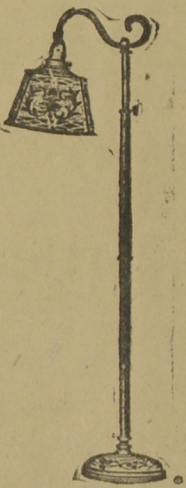
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