

News Briefs

SHOWING IMPROVEMENT

Improvement was noted in the condition of Fred H. Phillips, of this city, who was operated upon at the Victoria Public Hospital this week. He spent a fairly comfortable night.

APPEAL COURT MEETS

The New Brunswick Appeal Court is meeting this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock at the parliament buildings. It is probable that several judgments may be delivered and several common motions are to be considered.

RETURNS FROM TRIP

A. O. I. Crookshanks, assistant superintendent of the C.N.R., has returned from a trip to Moncton and Newcastle, where he was engaged on routine business for the past several days.

GOVERNMENT MEETING

The provincial government which has been meeting here for the past several days will continue its meeting this afternoon, and will likely wind up this evening. Routine business was considered at last night's meeting, and no announcements were made by Premier A. A. Dystart this morning.

PROGRESS ON BRIDGE

Slow but steady progress is being made on the salvaging of the C.N.R. bridge, with the Garson Wrecking Company busy this week on cutting up its second span. The remnants of the first span has already been cut up and piled up on the Devon shore. About twenty men are employed at the present time on the work.

MAKING PROGRESS

Friends will be pleased to learn that there is steady improvement in the condition of Roderick Bidlake, of this city, who has been confined in the hospital here, following an accident at the site of the C.N.R. bridge salvage operations in which he suffered a slight concussion as the result of being struck on the head by a piece of pulpwood.

FIRE SITUATION EASED

The tense situation which had developed earlier this week when several forest fires were reported to the forest service here, was eased today by the coming of rain. Rainfall was general in the province. The two outbreaks, one at Upper Gagetown, and the other in Albert county, had been under control anyway, and G. L. Miller, chief forester, said this afternoon that there were no further outbreaks.

WANT INDUSTRY PEPPEP UP

A delegation from the town of Chatham waited upon the provincial government here yesterday, urging industrial activity largely in the lumbering industry and also discussed with the government measures financial and otherwise pertaining to the town of Chatham and the districts nearby. The Mayor of Chatham E. S. Jack, and the president of the Board of Trade headed the delegation, which was a large and representative one. The government promised consideration of the delegation's requests.

P IN S EXAMS END

The examinations for teacher's licenses which have been going on this week at the Provincial Normal School here come to an end today. The exams started on Tuesday and the students have been writing all the way from two to four and six papers per day. Minot Brewer has been in charge of the examinations. The final examinations in the graded schools of the city commenced today, and this afternoon the students of the Fredericton high school began their June final papers. The closing exercises of the Fredericton High School will take place on the evening of June 29, and the closing of the common grades will be on the morning of June 30. The high school entrance papers will be commenced at the Normal school on June 22.

ASSUMES DUTIES MONDAY

Rev. W. H. Moorhead, of Saint John is expected to arrive in this city on Monday to assume the duties of his new office of Dean of Christ-church Cathedral here and the Anglican diocese, succeeding Very Rev. Dean J. H. A. Holmes. Rev. Mr. Moorhead will be installed at a special service to be held on the evening of June 24 at the Cathedral. At this service His Grace Most Rev. J. A. Richardson will officiate and Ven. Archdeacon H. A. Cody of Saint John will be the special preacher. Rev. Mr. Moorhead will preach his last sermon at the St. Paul's Valley church at Saint John on Sunday evening, and at the close the congregation will gather in the schoolroom to bid Mr. and Mrs. Moorhead farewell. Next week the new dean will go to Lennoxville to deliver the convocation sermon at Bishop's College. He will receive the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity at these exercises.

TWO SPECIES OF INSECT MAKE APPEARANCE

Outbreak of Forest Tent Caterpillar in York-Sunbury—Cankerworm Again Attacking Fredericton Elms.

The outbreak of the forest tent caterpillar and the fact that the fall cankerworm is again attacking Fredericton elms was reported today by R. E. Balch, entomologist in charge of the Dominion laboratory here.

The outbreak of the forest tent caterpillar which has occurred in parts of York and Sunbury during the past three years and extended into other parts of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia last year is being continued this year, although there will be considerable variation from place to place.

In the Maritimes, this insect prefers poplar and is enabled to develop large outbreaks chiefly where considerable areas of aspen occur as the result of fire. From such areas it spreads to other trees such as birch, alder, apple and hard maple. It will eat the new foliage of spruce and balsam when migrating but will not touch red maple. Poplar is sometimes killed outright.

This year many trees will be defoliated in the district around Long's Creek. In the general neighbourhood of Fredericton, however, the insect will be very much reduced in numbers and comparatively scarce. In general, the infestation throughout the province will probably be lighter than last year.

The orchard tent caterpillar, the closely related species which makes the unsightly tent of silk webbing so noticeable at this time of year, is numerous again.

The fall cankerworm is again numerous in Fredericton, attacking the elms in the lower part of the city. Many trees, particularly in the Waterloo Row area, will have the greater part of the foliage eaten. The black droppings are a nuisance in gardens and trees are disfigured. Although this injury is not serious enough to kill trees it will weaken them somewhat, and if the Dutch elm disease were present it would be imperative to protect them from this insect as the disease is encouraged by weakened trees.

The best method of control is to band the trees in the fall with tree tanglefoot to prevent the females, which are wingless, from climbing the trunks.

The cankerworm also attacks apple, basswood, oak and some other species but in the present outbreak in Fredericton it shows a distinct preference for elm and basswood.

RETURN FROM CONFERENCE

Fredericton and Devon members of the local Rotary Club have returned from Moncton where they attended the district Rotary convention. Among those who attended from this city were Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Cooper, Dr. A. F. VanWart and Mrs. VanWart, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Barry, and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. MacKay. Police Magistrate Whitman A. Haines and Mrs. Haines of Devon also attended the convention and have returned home.

TEA ROOM OPENED

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HON. F. B. GREGORY DIED YESTERDAY AT VICTORIA, B.C.

Well Known Jurist, a Native of Fredericton, Whose Death Will Be Learned With Sincere Regret by His Many Friends Here.

A telegram received here last evening by Mrs. Hedley V. B. Bridges, announced the death in Victoria, B. C., yesterday of Hon. Francis B. Gregory, retired judge of the Supreme Court of British Columbia. The news of the death of Judge Gregory came as a shock to relatives and friends in this city who, although they knew he was in poor health, were not aware that his condition was serious.

Mr. Justice Gregory was born in this city and attended the Fredericton schools and later graduated from Harvard Law School in 1884. He practiced in Fredericton for a short time in partnership with his uncle, the late A. J. Gregory, K.C., but later moved to Victoria, where he made his home. He frequently visited Fredericton and always received a hearty welcome from many old friends.

When he was appointed to the Supreme Court bench of British Columbia Judge Gregory was one of the youngest men ever to sit on a Supreme Court Bench in Canada. Another unique feature of his appointment was that he and his father, the late Mr. Justice George F. Gregory were Supreme Court Judges at the same time, the father in New Brunswick and the son in British Columbia. The late Mr. Gregory came of a family which took a leading part in the legal affairs of this province. His father previous to going on the Supreme Court bench was recognized as one of the leading legal practitioners in New Brunswick. His uncle, the late A. J. Gregory, was a prominent barrister in this city. He himself was an eminent lawyer and an able jurist. Two nephews of the deceased gentlemen have in recent years become prominent at the New Brunswick bar. One of these is the Hon. Francis Bridges, speaker of the N. B. Legislature, and the other is G. F. G. Bridges of Moncton.

The late Mr. Justice Gregory was 73 years of age. He is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Nan Thompson, eldest daughter of the late Senator F. P. Thompson, and sister of Alexander Thompson of this city; two sons, George Frederick, who has completed two years in the University of British Columbia, and Francis B., a student at a boys' school in Victoria. Two sisters, both residing in this city, also survive. They are Mrs. Hedley V. B. Bridges, and Miss Edith Gregory. The late J. Fraser Gregory of Saint John and the late Mrs. Alexander W. MacRae were a brother and a sister. Donald G. MacRae, member of the Saint John Vocational staff, is a nephew. The Misses Beverly and Mrs. Fred P. Robinson of Brunswick street in this city are aunts of the late Judge Gregory.

Among the guests at the Queen hotel today is Sir J. Douglas Hazen of Saint John, former chief justice of the New Brunswick Supreme court.

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BOARD OF TRADE WILL CONSIDER BUS SITUATION

Railways Ask Local Board to Endorse Regulations Governing Passenger and Freight Bus Service—Ministerial Assoc. Appear Before Executive.

The Fredericton Board of Trade have received a request from the officials of the Canadian Pacific and the Canadian National railways wherein these companies ask the Board of Trade to endorse certain regulations governing passenger and freight bus service on routes where the railways claim they are giving adequate transportation to the public at the present time. They asked also for regulations regarding the employees of the bus companies, including hours, wages and qualifications of drivers.

This matter was brought up at the executive meeting of the Board of Trade last evening and the suggestion was made by the executive that the retail merchants' section of the Board of Trade co-operate with the city council in taking whatever action may be deemed advisable in connection with the situation.

At last night's meeting of the Board of Trade executive a delegation composed of Rev. J. W. Bartlett, Rev. G. W. Guion and Rev. George Telford were present representing the Ministerial Association. They asked the executive to use their influence towards having the store of the Liquor (Continued on Page Five)

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