

HEAVY FALL
OF SNOW HERE
THIS MORNING

Likely to Cause General
Inconvenience to Lum-
ber Operators

Streets in Bad Shape

Highway Conditions Re-
ported the Worst In
Many Years

Central New Brunswick was blank-
eted in a six-inch fall of snow today.
It was evident that snow fell during
most of the early morning and it con-
tinued all morning in the city. With
the month of March almost at its
close, and conditions under foot most
inconvenient due to melting ice and
snow, the latest snowfall will not
help things out any.

At the present time the lumbermen
are busily engaged in hauling opera-
tions prior to stream driving and to-
day's snow, if it proves to be a gen-
eral one, will make sledding difficult.

The maple sugar industry has al-
ready been delayed because of snow-
er conditions and with today's snow-
fall it will be even more delayed.
It is almost impossible to reach the
maple groves, such is the condition
of the highways. Also hot sunny days
and cool nights—conditions very ne-
cessary to the flowing of the sap—
have been sadly missing.

According to reports from the high-
way officials of the provincial gov-
ernment most of the roads are quite
impassable for traffic of any sort. In
many places the highways are worse
than they were at this time in
other years.

The danger still exists that with
the final arrival of spring and the
rising of the water in the St. John
river, that there will be a general
condition of flood in the valley. City
employees have been busy for the
past several days on the city streets.
Today crews of men were busy with
shovels again.

NEWS BRIEFS

WAS TAKEN ILL

Friends will regret to learn that
Mrs. G. C. MacDowell, who is visiting
her daughter, Mrs. A. G. Turney and
Mr. Turney, is confined to her room
with illness.

EXCURSION TRIP

About one hundred people, most
of them University of New Brun-
swick undergraduates, left on the spe-
cial excursion train for Saint John
at 1.30 o'clock today. They will at-
tend the intercollegiate basketball fi-
nal tonight between Acadia and Uni-
versity. The excursion train will re-
turn to this city at midnight.

FINED \$200 OR FOUR MONTHS

Freeman Ouellette, of Bogan Brook,
is the latest to be charged under the
game laws of the province with the
offense of deer slaughtering. Ouel-
lette appeared before Magistrate
Kertson of Grand Falls, this morning
and was sentenced to a fine of \$200
or four months in jail on a charge of
killing deer in close season. He was
also charged with carrying firearms
in a game resort in a closed season
without a permit and was fined \$20
or twenty days in jail. The Depart-
ment of Lands and Mines here was
notified of the conviction this morn-
ing.

FOREIGN MISSION RALLY

A rally of the Baptist Churches in
Fredericton, Devon and Marysville
was held Wed. evening in the Devon
United Baptist Church, in the inter-
est of Foreign Missions. R. B. Wal-
lace presided. Rev. John Linton, pas-
tor of the George St. Baptist Church,
Fredericton, led a singsong at the
opening of the meeting. The Scrip-
ture was read by Rev. David Kennedy,
pastor of the Devon Baptist Church.
Prayers were offered by Rev. Stead-
man Smith, pastor of the Marysville
Baptist Church and Rev. G. W. Gu-
loui, pastor of the Brunswick St.
Baptist Church, Fredericton. Short
addresses were made by Rev. Mr.
Linton, Rev. Mr. Smith, Rev. Mr.
Guloui and Rev. Mr. Kennedy. The
meeting closed by the singing of a
hymn, and with the benediction by
the chairman.

ASK REVISION
OF SAINT JOHN
ASSESSMENT BILL

Municipalities Commit-
tee Ask to Have Bill
Revised

Reconsider It Tuesday

Real Estate Owners Are
Strongly Opposed To
the Bill

A bill to further amend the Saint
John City Assessment Act was refer-
red back to the city for revision by
the Municipalities Committee of the
New Brunswick Legislature this morn-
ing. E. C. Atkinson, M. P. P., Sunbury
was in the chair. The bill will be con-
sidered in the revised form on Tues-
day next.

Harry D. Hopkins, Saint John City,
clerk supported the bill. Those op-
posing it were J. A. Whitebone, rep-
resenting labor, John M. Robinson,
and A. I. Garson, both representing
the Saint John Real Estate Owners'
Association.

The bill in brief, as stated by Mr.
Hopkins would be an experiment for
the purpose of causing more prompt
payment of taxes. It would do away
with the present discount and in-
crease the interest penalty on taxes
in arrears.

Harry D. Hopkins, clerk in the St.
John City Hall supported the bill. He
explained that the bill was more of an
experiment than anything.

J. A. Whitebone on behalf of labor,
opposed the bill, stating that those
in arrears in taxes should be given a
reduction rather than burdened with
more interest.

John M. Robinson, representing the
Saint John Real Estate Owners' As-
sociation, opposed the bill on the
grounds that it would not
be fair to the real estate owners of
Saint John.

A. I. Garson, also representing the
Real Estate Owners' Association, op-
posed the bill. He charged that the
City instead of giving a discount for
payment of taxes before a certain
date, they were imposing a penalty
on the taxpayers.

Mr. Hopkins, again speaking in sup-
port of the Bill, stated that the bill
was not meant to impose a penalty
on taxpayers or real estate owners.
He stated the bill was not mandatory.
They just wanted to try it out.

Premier L. P. D. Tilley, in speak-
ing on the situation stated that he was
fully in accord with the idea of giv-
ing a discount rather than imposing a
penalty. He agreed that the Real
Estate owners in Saint John had been
hard hit and did not think that they
should be further oppressed. He stated
that some provision should be made
to force payment from those who can
afford to pay their taxes, but that
those who actually cannot pay should
not be put in the same category as
those who can pay.

The bill was referred to the city of
Saint John for revision and is to be
presented again next Tuesday.

RETURNS FROM OTTAWA

His Worship Mayor W. G. Clark,
who has been attending the confer-
ence of the mayors of the various
cities in Canada, returned home today
from Ottawa. His Worship comment-
ed that the conference was a success-
ful one. Yesterday forty-five mayors
from the towns and cities appealed to
the Government that the administra-
tion assume the entire cost of direct
relief and that the cost be defrayed by
newly-created money based on the
Dominion's wealth. Before leaving Ot-
tawa the visiting mayors were guests
of Mayor P. J. Nolan and the Ottawa
City Council. The conference began
at Montreal.

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NEW BRUNSWICK
LUMBER MART IS
ENDANGERED

Russia May "Dump"
Timber in the British
Market This Year

N. B. Comment

Action Expected From
Canadian Govt To
Avert Loss

The announced proposal of the
Soviet Union to export timber to the
United Kingdom this year at low
prices is looked upon askance by the
Canadian Government and also lumber
operators in the Province of New
Brunswick. From London, England,
there comes a report that the Cana-
dian Government will lodge a protest
with Great Britain.

While no definite statement on the
matter was made by lumbermen here
today, the general feeling is against
such action on the part of Soviet Rus-
sia. The building up of the New
Brunswick lumber trade, which has
commenced in recent months, will be
set back if Russia is allowed to do
any "dumping." It is generally felt
here.

Under Article 21 of the Ottawa
Agreement, the British Government
must prohibit importation of any for-
eign goods which by state action are
exported at prices so low as to frus-
trate Imperial preference. It is antici-
pated that Canada will take action to

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