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THURSDAY, JANUARY 24, 1935.
STREET PLOWING

The snow plow men who claim that they are working under the direction of the City Engineer have a very unsatisfactory way of working in certain parts of the city. For instance to take one section down town. This morning they were plowing away on Grey Streets and on Alexandra Street, where hardly any person lives, while children on Winslow and Lansdowne, and other sections were obliged to wade through the snow. This was needless as the plow could just as well have gone along Lansdown Street, and out Winslow Street where there are several small children and then into Gray Street. This would not have inconvenienced the residents of Gray Street and it would have provided accommodation for the small children on Winslow, Lansdowne, Gray and Alexandra Streets. It would also be an evidence that brains were being used.

Another objectionable feature is the plowing up of the snow at street intersections. By this some streets are shut off until the citizen, man or woman wades through the blockade made by the plow. In places where the street department use up-to-date methods these intersections are shovelled out by the second man on the plow. This unsystematic way of handling the street plowing is not the fault of the man who handles the plow although he gets the roasting from the people who have to put up with the inconveniences. It is the fault of those who give out the directions at the Chief Engineer's department. This unsystematic way of handling the plowing is not confined to any section of the city. The situation down town is given as an instance. There was the same complaint last year. It would not cost any more money to do the thing right than to do it in a jug-handled way as it is now being done.

THE ESTIMATES

Hon. E. N. Rhodes tabled the main estimates in the House of Commons yesterday. They totalled \$351,969,944. Last year the estimates were less than a million dollars in advance of this figure. It is probable that before the supplementary estimates are all in that this difference will be exceeded. There are increased amounts assigned to public works. An increased amount over that of last year will be given to the civil servants, as their salary cut will be reduced this year. Increases are also promised in several departments including post office, railways, naval militia and air services, canals, trade and commerce, and also in agriculture. It is to be sincerely hoped that all these increased expenditure will not mean an increased tax burden on the people of the Dominion. If the government is able to carry out all these increased expenditures without increasing taxes it should receive due credit for its energy in promoting increased work in the various departments at the present time. The people would welcome reduced tax burdens at the present time. If we can stop increased taxation and still have increased expenditures in the various departments of the public service we should be satisfied.

There is a good prospect that the revenues this year will be sufficient to balance the extra expenditure for this the government deserves credit.

CAPTAIN MASTERS

Many old friends in Fredericton will learn with sincere regret of the passing away at Moncton of Captain J. E. Masters. Captain Masters who was one of the few survivors of the days of "Wooden ships and Iron men" had a wonderfully varied and active career. He was a man who has done much for the advancement of affairs not only in his home city of Moncton but of New Brunswick in general. He was a kindly courteous gentleman who will be greatly missed and whose name will long be remembered. He and Mrs. Masters visited Fredericton on many occasions. Mrs. Masters is a sister of Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor.

SNAPSHOTS

This storm is a regular old-timer.
Easy picking—flaws.
First brew—Adam's ale.
Not a popular turn—topsy-turvy.
Some men wear spats and lots of women have 'em.

Too many people are always willing to give ear to chin music.

Naturally "Come, get up!" should be said with a rising inflection.

Spring not only follows winter but it comes soon after income tax time as well.

Being known publicly as the National Champion Liar isn't going to help much at 3 a.m. at the foot of the hall stairs.

Piccard says that from the stratosphere the world resembles a checker-board. All we know is that it has been a tough decade on occupants of the king row.

A New Jersey fan who dropped a balcony chair on a wrestler's head has been jailed. This senseless destruction of property must be firmly dealt with.

New Yorker advertises his willingness to solve cross-word puzzles at \$1 per. Now all we need is to hire some one to play golf for us.

A Coast phenologist insists that a flat head denotes a romantic nature. For some love letters that are read in the courts, it seems the likeliest solution.

I like the spirit of the Western fellow who advertised: "Happy New Year to everybody in the world except two. They know whom I mean."

Few men will allow any woman to bore them. Before marriage a man will dodge a tiresome or uninteresting woman as he would the plague or a creditor. And no hostess can force him to be attentive to a dull girl for more than three minutes. His agility in eluding a "washout" is a positive gift.

U. S. SCIENTISTS
READ SUN FOR
1936 WEATHER

Washington, Jan. 24—Strong new evidence that variations in the sun's heat control weather, and can be used for forecasting it years ahead has been discovered, the regents of the Smithsonian Institution were told at their annual meeting today.

Though he did not disclose details, Dr. Charles G. Abbot, secretary of the Smithsonian, said "very significant progress is believed to have been made in the study of dependence of weather upon variations in the sun's heat."

"Indeed, the indications already furnished by many test forecasts seem almost to verify the hope that the study of the sun will yield means of forecasting weather for seasons and even years in advance."

May Publish Details.

It was reported unofficially that Secretary Abbott soon will publish details of new experiments upholding the idea. In 1933 he announced evidence that the weather in various sections virtually repeats itself every 23 years. This is about twice the length of the 11-year period during which sun spots regularly increase and decrease in number.

Three Smithsonian observatories on mountain peaks in widely separated parts of the world have been measuring daily changes in the sun's heat for many years and have found evidence that it varies through several regular cycles.

More Progress

Other important scientific strides also have been made by the Smithsonian.

McLENNAN, Alta., Jan. 24—Harold B. Goodwin, 40, train dispatcher, Northern Alberta railways since 1927, died recently from a heart attack. Mr. Goodwin was active in community enterprises. He was a member of the Masonic and Elks lodges.

OUR MAIL BAG

"Charmaine,"
St. Leger Road,
Claremont Cape,
South Africa,
28th. December, 1934.

The Editor,
"Mail,"
Fredericton, N. B.

Dear Sir:
Being lonely twin-sisters (aged 19) we would welcome friendly correspondence with any of your kindly disposed readers.

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We thank you for publishing this letter and hope our appeal for friends will not be in vain.

With the Season's greetings.

Very sincerely yours,
Thelma and Marjorie Carsten

CABINET WILL
CONSIDER FLAG
OF CANADA

The Matter of a Distinctive Emblem For Our Dominion Will Be Discussed.

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 24—The contentious question whether Canada should have a distinctive flag will be discussed by members of the cabinet in an effort to end a debate that waged back and forth for three hours in the House of Commons today with no solution in sight.

When a series of Ontario Conservatives took the floor yesterday in opposition to a motion by C. H. Dickie (Conservative, Nanaimo, B. C.) to strike a new Canadian flag with the Union Jack in a conspicuous corner Secretary of State Charles H. Cahan appeared in the role of peacemaker. He said this question has been talked out two or three times and rather than repeat that unsatisfactory result he would discuss the subject with his cabinet colleagues and report back to the House.

Two Maritime members who entered the general discussion held opposing views on the subject. William Ernst (Cons., Lunenburg) believed something was needed to bind the country together, a flag or a symbol; while T. H. Myers (Cons., Queens), stated people of Prince Edward Island had never expressed to him any desire to have the flag changed. He would therefore have to oppose the motion.

It was private members' day in the commons, although Liberal Leader MacKenzie King made a futile effort shortly after the opening to devote the day to the Address debate and speed up the government's reform legislation. Prime Minister R. B. Bennett commented he had no intention of disregarding the rules of the House or depriving private members of their day.

In the last year, Dr. Abbot said, in spite of curtailed funds that greatly reduced the institution's activities.

"Very accurate data have been obtained," he said, "showing the influence of wave lengths of radiation for light) upon the absorption of carbon dioxide by wheat plants and upon the bending of plants toward the light. Interesting results also have been gained on the growing of wheat to maturity in air containing enhanced amounts of carbon dioxide."

If you are a true Scotsman, you will be at the Fraser Memorial Hall tomorrow night at 8 p.m. to celebrate Burns' Night. Songs, Dances, Bagpipes and Novelty features will be for your entertainment.

Dr. B. R. Ross is a guest at the Barizon-Plaza Hotel, New York City. Dr. Ross is doing post graduate work in Nerve Blocking, Exodontia and Artificial dentures and will return to the city after some weeks.

BORN

SWEED.—Born to Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Sweed, a son.

Main Estimates
For Fiscal Year 1935

(Continued from Page One)
In The Maritimes

In the public works appropriations amounting to \$13,024,050, public buildings in Nova Scotia will be erected or repaired to the extent of \$129,000, while \$520,700 will be spent in that province on harbors and rivers.

Prince Edward Island receives \$6,500 for public buildings, and \$67,000 for harbors and rivers. New Brunswick's portions are \$112,000 and \$391,200; Quebec, \$258,000 and \$1,744,500; Ontario, \$599,200 and \$880,500; Manitoba \$81,500 and \$49,500; Saskatchewan's public buildings have an appropriation of \$83,000, and Alberta \$72,500. The two list named share \$64,500 for harbors and rivers. In British Columbia, \$353,100 is being appropriated for public buildings, and \$361,250 for harbors and rivers.

The list of public works contained an item for \$50,000 for improvements and repairs to Dominion public buildings in the Maritimes generally.

Estimates for New Brunswick were: Essential undertakings: Bathurst—Dredging, \$35,000.

Campbellton—Wharf repairs, \$10,000.

Caraquet (Young Wharf)—Enlargement and repairs, \$16,000.

Harshman's Brook—Completion of harbor improvements, \$7,100.

Little Shippigan—Breakwater, \$30,000.

Lower Caraquet—Wharf repairs \$25,000.

Mace's Bay (Lepreau Basin)—Dredging, \$12,600.

McEachern's Point—Wharf, \$6,000.

Mills Point—Wharf repairs, \$22,000.

Miramichi Bay—Dredging, \$42,000.

Negro Point—Breakwater repairs, \$20,000.

Newcastle—Wharf, \$34,000.

Richibucto—Wharf reconstruction and improvements, \$30,500.

Harbors and rivers generally—For maintenance of service, no new works to be undertaken, \$100,000.

Of special interest to New Brunswick in the main estimates tabled in the House today by Hon. E. N. Rhodes, minister of finance, is the sum of \$112,000 to be spent in the next fiscal year on public buildings as compared with only \$10,000 in the current fiscal year.

There are as follows: Rexton \$12,000; St. Andrews, \$45,000; St. George, \$29,000; Saint John, addition to armory, \$20,000; for Partridge Island quarantine station, \$6,000.

The sum of \$100 will be expended on channel improvements at Saint John as compared with \$220,000 in 1934.

There are the usual amounts as additional financial grants to the Maritime Provinces, New Brunswick's share being \$600,000 but this year British Columbia is added to the family with a sum of \$750,000 and as in the other cases, pending final decision on provincial payments.

The sum of \$430,000 is asked as a loan to the Saint John Harbor Commission, a reduction of nearly \$50,000 from the current fiscal years.

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