

THE GREAT STORM.

Worst Known in New Brunswick for Many Years.

RAILWAY SERVICE DEMORALIZED BY HEAVY SNOW DRIFTS

No Trains Arrived Here Today.

THE BLIZZARD AT ST. JOHN AND ELSEWHERE.

The wildest storm that the city has experienced during the present winter set in last evening and at three o'clock this afternoon showed little sign of abatement. It is a typical old-time blizzard, and has already caused a serious interruption of traffic. About fifteen inches of snow has already fallen and has drifted very badly in many places about the streets. The storm is accompanied by a strong north-easterly gale, and with the thermometer down to the zero mark, the conditions out of doors are naturally anything but pleasant.

The storm is by long odds the worst of the season, and nothing to surpass it in fury has been experienced here for several years.

The traffic on all the railways in this section has been seriously interrupted and it will be several days before the trains get settled down to schedule time once more. The train from St. John on the Fredericton branch got away on time this morning and managed to reach Fredericton Junction. The main line between the junction and St. John is completely blocked and there has been no train over it today, and it is doubtful if one will get through before tomorrow.

C.P. R. train from the West was reported three hours late at noon, and there was no word from the Boston train.

The Woodstock train on the Gibson branch got away on time this morning and reached Mirville at eleven o'clock. The line has since been drifted very badly and it will be pretty late when the down train arrives this evening.

The storm was very severe along the Fredericton branch of the I. C. R. and all out-going trains had to be cancelled for the day. The express from Loggieville was at Boiestown at three o'clock and should arrive sometime before six.

The snow plough contractor was out early this morning trying to clear the sidewalks but made very poor headway with the work. The snow drifted back almost as quickly as it was removed and the contractor will be able to accomplish but little until the storm subsides.

The public and provincial normal schools had to be closed this afternoon on account of the storm. The attendance this morning was rather slim.

St. John Demoralized.

St. John, Jan. 26.—Citizens went to work this morning on snow shoes.

All branch railway lines are tied up, and local trains are all cancelled.

The meteorological department reports the worst storm since 1898. Fifteen inches of snow fell on the level. No street cars have moved since 10 o'clock last night and the service is temporarily suspended.

The teamsters are still on strike. Funerals set down to be held today were postponed owing to the impassable roads.

All the schools had one session. At the Victoria school this morning there were only ten pupils out of six hundred, and the High school had only thirty.

The Storm Elsewhere.

Halifax, Jan. 26.—Today's storm is the worst known here for many years, yet the street cars have managed to keep running.

Amherst, Jan. 26.—There is a regular tornado and snow drifts are many feet deep.

Boston, Jan. 26.—The streets are blocked, trains cancelled and railway traffic demoralized.

New York, Jan. 26.—All surface lines are blocked, there is much suffering among the poor, and five deaths from exposure. A New York central train is stalled in a drift 50 feet deep at Irvington, on the Hudson.

A WOODSTOCK WEDDING.

A pretty wedding took place at Woodstock Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at the residence of Mr. H. Paxton Baird, when his daughter, Ethel H. S., was united in matrimony to Dr. Joseph H. Hatheway, a

young and thriving physician of Rochester, N. Y. The officiating minister was Rev. Geo. A. Ross, pastor of the Methodist church. Very prettily decorated was the room in which the ceremony took place. Miss Katie Baird, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid, and Mr. Herbert Baird, son of Senator Baird, of Andover, supported the groom. The invited guests were confined to the relatives and immediate friends of the young couple. Dr. and Mrs. Hatheway left by the evening train. They will visit a number of Canadian and American cities before settling down in their home in Rochester.

DOWN ON NEGROES.

Woodstock Editor Wants the Bad Ones Driven Out of Town.

Woodstock Despatch: Tuesday evening there was a riot on the streets of Woodstock. A miserable nigger attacked a white man and bit his hands and face badly. It happened about seven o'clock in the evening when Marshall Kelley was at his supper and before Nightwatchman McCarron came on his beat. There was a big pow-wow, several blows were struck between the blacks and the whites, and some of the black men were armed with ice-picks, which fortunately they did not use.

The next morning one Hudlin, a black man, for assaulting him and eating at his face and hands. Hudlin swept across the line to the United States and can't be found. He is better out of the country. He has a tendency to cannibalism, for less than a year ago he ate the end off another man's finger.

Among the native colored citizens of Woodstock are some of the most admirable people we have. They are law-abiding, industrious, ambitious. Many of them own their residences and some of them equip these with modern bath rooms, and one family at least is giving its children the advantages of University education. All respect and all praise is due these people; but we have in town another class of coloured people who are not native. We can call them nothing but niggers. They are lazy, lawless, and generally undesirable, and the sooner we drive them out of town the better.

It is said that Woodstock is the haven of rest for all the bad niggers of the province. If that is true we had better form a citizens' league and by forceful means persuade them to go away. They are neither useful nor ornamental, and their presence here has a tendency to give us a sympathy with the white people in the Southern States, who take the law in their own hands.

A NAVAL PANDEMONIUM.

Chained Desperadoes on Board a French Cruiser.

London, Jan. 24.—The Chronicle publishes the following from Paris:—A painful impression has been caused here by the accounts received of the disgraceful scenes which marked the departure of the cruiser Gaichen, from Brest, for service on the China Station.

A press gang scoured the town for hours and finally dragged some hundreds of drunken and cursing men on board. Many of them fought like madmen to get on shore again, and several even jumped overboard. Over 120 were put into irons and will be court-martialled during the voyage.

The ship was still deficient of its full complement of men, and at the last moment the shortage was made up by a draft of sixty men from the naval prison. Among these men was a well-known desperado, with "Death to all Officers" tattooed across his forehead, while many of the others bear most evil reputations in the service. They were taken on board chained together like convicts, and loudly cursing their fate. They swore all kinds of revenge, and more than one of them took a solemn oath that he would scuttle the ship. Sentries with loaded rifles and orders to shoot at sight soon cowed the men into something approaching discipline.

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THE IDEAL CHURCH.

Should Extend Its Tentacles Into the Deserts of Sin.

Ideal Church Official Also Discussed by Rev. Mr. Hincks.

"Some of the greatest frauds in the word are to be found among so-called Christian Churches, which, like parasites, absorb everything they can lay hands on, but give out nothing," said Rev. W. H. Hincks, LL.D., in Trinity Methodist Church, Toronto, Sunday night in discussing the "Ideal Church."

Some churches received tens of thousands of dollars, even millions, but there was nothing to show that they were sending out their tentacles into the desert of sin. It was the duty of every church to enrich the life of every person living within the radius of its influence. It was impossible for the church to be too good. In conclusion, Rev. Mr. Hincks said if the devil were killed tomorrow and hell shut up, there would still remain in the human heart the tendency toward sin, and, consequently, work for the church.

The "Ideal Church Official," was the pastor's subject in the morning. The first qualification demanded was that he should be a man of good general reputation. "No church official should be a gambler," said Rev. Mr. Hincks, "he should not participate in any form of gambling on the turf or elsewhere, he should not be a tippler, lifting whiskey as a beverage and he should not be a sweeter of the poor, grinding them so that there is blood as well as sweat hanging to the money they earn for him. Usually church officials were of good reputation, and it was as reasonable to say that because the Earl of Warwick was a pirate, all the British peerage was tainted with piracy, as to say that because one church official was a man of bad reputation all church officials were of that class. The ideal church official should be a spiritually minded man.

"It is a crime," said the preacher, "to appoint as an official of the church a man who is not spiritually minded, but whose only reason for appointment is his wealth."

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