

RELIABLE SHIPPING.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

Date	Steamship	Arrived at	From
April 30	La Touraine	New York	Havre
May 1	Campania	Liverpool	New York
May 2	Ardenia	Quebec	Hamburg

Probabilities for the next 24 hours are as follows:
 Toronto, May 2, 11:00 p.m.—Lower St. Lawrence—Easterly winds; cloudy or partly cloudy with local showers. Little change in temperature.

MOON PHASES—First Quarter, Sunday, 9th May, at 4:42 p.m.

IMMIGRATION SEASON BEGUN IN BARNST.

THE S.S. "ARCADIA" ARRIVED YESTERDAY, AND Lands Seven Hundred and Eighty-Five Immigrants.

MOST OF THEM FOR THE NORTH-WEST.

SCENES AROUND THE DOCK.

OTHER SHIPPING NEWS OF INTEREST.

The ocean passenger season of the St. Lawrence, for the year 1907, was inaugurated under most favorable circumstances, yesterday morning, when the German steamer "Arcadia," Captain Martens, from Hamburg and Antwerp, landed 785 immigrants on the Breakwater. From an early hour Government officials connected with shipping and immigration at this port were astir, and seven o'clock found them in the vicinity of the Immigration Buildings, waiting the arrival of the big steamer. Amongst the number of those present could be found representatives of the Immigration Department, the Customs, the Intercolonial, Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific Railway Companies, the Canadian Pacific and Great North Western Telegraph Companies, Dominion S. S. Line, and the various consular and diplomatic officials, especially the latter, have not been idle in the ranks of the Government officials, and there were, consequently, many old faces amongst those who assembled on the Princess Louise Embankment yesterday morning. The Immigration Department appeared to have suffered most in this respect, but still there were enough of the veterans left to initiate the recruits into the duties and things went along smoothly enough. The morning was quite cold, the effects of a strong east wind, but the sky was cloudless and bright. While awaiting the arrival of the steamer, the representatives had a chance to inspect the Immigration Buildings. These were found in excellent order, everything being as neat, clean and bright as it was possible to make them. All were in readiness to receive the newcomers and afford them comfortable shelter and rest, until they were ready to proceed on the trains to their new homes in the North-West.

THE "ARCADIA" ARRIVES.

At 8 o'clock the "Arcadia" was seen rounding the point at Indian Cove, the first passenger steamer to arrive here this season from Europe. As she drew near to the dock, the crowd of people on the wharves and the Breakwater, large number of passengers. By nine o'clock she was safely moored at the Breakwater. After the passengers had taken of breakfast, the work of disembarkation commenced. This was accomplished in an orderly and quiet manner, without any hitch, and by ten o'clock the 785 souls forming "Arcadia's" passengers were safely landed and housed in the Immigration Buildings. From the time the ship moored at the wharf until the passengers were in the buildings, Mr. P. Doyle, Chief Immigration Agent, and his staff had a busy day attending to them. When the vessel landed the work of the railway officials commenced. This proceeded smoothly, the time-tried officers being well up in their business. It was no easy matter handling so many passengers, most of whom were wholly unacquainted with the language of the country, and had to make their way through the maze of railway tracks and their wants through interpreters. But it was done, nevertheless, without noise or confusion.

APPEARANCE OF THE PASSENGERS.

Most of the passengers being from Galicia and Northern Europe, their dress attracted a good deal of attention. Many of them were clad in sheepskin or rough homespuns, the make-up of which would drive our fashionable tailors and with envy. In some cases it was impossible to distinguish the male from the female. Despite the peculiarity of dress, the immigrants appeared to be healthy and hearty, and no doubt make good settlers. They were in fine spirits, notwithstanding the fact that they met with very heavy weather in crossing the Atlantic. Last night all the immigrants were safely on board the cars on their way westward.

THE "ARCADIA."

The "Arcadia" is a new vessel and is the maiden trip across the Atlantic. She is 4,442 gross tons, and 3,981 net tons, and is capable of carrying from 6,000 to 6,500 passengers on a draught of 24 feet. She is a steel steamer, built by Harland & Wolff, Belfast, Ireland, and was launched on the 15th of November, only four days in Hamburg, after being received from the builders, when she was dispatched on her maiden voyage. She was captained by Captain H. Martens, a favorite officer of the Hamburg-American Company, and who has had considerable experience in this service. The "Arcadia" has a special accommodation for passengers and is a first-class freight steamer, having special appliances for handling cargo.

THE PASSENGER.

Captain Martens reports experiencing very heavy weather from the time leaving Antwerp. April 16, until the Banks of Newfoundland were reached, a succession of westerly and south-westerly gales being experienced. On the Banks dense fog was met with and continued up the Gulf of St. Lawrence. No dense weather for the first six days the sun was never seen. In the Gulf heavy ice was encountered, and the ship was forty-eight hours in it. The weather cleared up after Cape Chatte was passed and continued fine to port.

DEATHS AND BIRTHS.

During the passage five young children died—four from inflammation of the lungs and one from weakness. All the bodies were buried at sea. Although there were five deaths, there was a case called for action by the Quarantine officials, and the ship received a call of health. There were two births on the voyage, one occurred three days before the ship reached Quebec. The mother and child are still on board and will be landed later on in Montreal.

THE CARBO.

The "Arcadia" has on board a general cargo, 700 tons of which is for port. After landing passengers she went into the Princess Louise Basin to discharge Quebec goods. Work commenced last night, and it is expected it will be completed this afternoon. Mr. Ed. Burns, stevedore, is in-charge of the operations.

MAIL STEAMERS—SCOTSMAN—The Dominion Line R.M.S. "Scotsman," Capt. E. Maddox, from Liverpool, April 22, is supposed to have passed Cape Race, yesterday morning, and is due in port to-morrow.

VANCOUVER—The Dominion Line R.M.S. "Vancouver," Capt. Jones, left Halifax, for Vancouver, on Saturday, with passengers, mails and general cargo. She is the last mail steamer from Halifax for the season.

ALLAN LINE—BRAZILIAN—The Brazilian, from London, passed Cape Race at 4 p.m. yesterday. Due in port this afternoon.

MANITOWAN—The "Manitowan," from Glasgow passed Cape Race at 1:30 p.m. yesterday. Due in port this afternoon.

QUEBEC STEAMSHIP COMPANY—CABRIER—The "Caribee" arrived at St. Kitts last Saturday from New York.

CONFAN—The "Confan" arrived at Summerside, P.E.I., at 6 a.m. last Saturday.

ABERDEEN—The Government steamer "Aberdeen" arrived from below on Saturday afternoon, and moored at the Queen's wharf.

CHARTERED—A steamer, 1,412 tons, six months, St. Lawrence coal trade, 4700 per month, is being chartered.

CORNWALL CANAL—Cornwall, May 1—The water was let in the Cornwall canal at an early hour this morning. The tug "Dunbar" backed up about 10.30 but no vessels have yet come down. The big float which is detained at the head of the canal is expected down at any time during the day.

SIGNAL SERVICE MARINE DEPARTMENT—QUEBEC, May 1, 1907.

Father Point (1074)—Inward at 5.10 p.m. str. Arcadia.

North Shore—Cloudy; strong east wind. Esquimaux Point—Sealing ship G.M.G.P. arrived, no seals; str. H. arrived, 72 small seals.

Berminus—Inward at 10 a.m. str. Otter. Magdalen Islands—Cloudy; north-west wind. Heavy rain on Saturday, with strong easterly wind. Inward yesterday str. Cynthia and Turret Chief.

SUNDAY, May 2.

River du Loup (1047)—Cloudy; east wind. Outward at 7 a.m. str. Arcadia.

Matane (1091)—Clear; north-east wind. Inward at 3 p.m. str. Arcadia.

Cape Magdalen (1014)—Clear; north-east wind. Inward at 1.30 p.m. str. Manitoban.

Cape Ray (1022)—Heavy open ice moving

Sailing Directory.

Transatlantic Steamers.

Line.	Steamer.	Sails.	Destination.
American.	Paris.....	April 28	Southampton
do	St. Paul.....	May 5	do
do	St. Louis.....	do 12	do
do	Paris.....	do 19	do
do	Nornia.....	May 8	Liverpool
do	Parisian.....	do 16	do
do	Carthaginian.....	do 22	do
do	California.....	do 30	do
Trans.	Mississippi.....	May 1	London.
do	Mohawk.....	do 8	do
do	Mokiki.....	do 15	do
do	Massachusetts.....	do 22	do
Liver.	Lake Superior.....	May 3	Liverpool
do	Lake Win'peg.....	do 12	do

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