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**MONTREAL HARBOR COMMISSIONERS HERE**  
Visitors From Big Summer Port to See What the Winter Port Looks Like  
Parquhar Robertson and Colonel E. A. Labelle of the Montreal harbor commission arrived in the city at noon today and at one o'clock were the guests of Hon. J. D. Hazen at the Union Club. The chairman of the commission, W. G. Ross, did not arrive and the other two members will make the inspection of the harbor and facilities alone. It is arranged that the commissioners will visit the west side this afternoon and inspect the works there and on Wednesday morning the government steamer Curlew will take the visitors about the harbor and to the new wharf construction work on the west side of the harbor and the Courtenay Bay developments.

**KIDDIES HAVE GOOD TIME**  
The kiddies of Exmouth street Sunday school had a most enjoyable time yesterday at their annual Christmas party, held in the school room of the church. The youngsters began to arrive at three o'clock, and from then till supper time enjoyed themselves playing games. At six o'clock they all sat down to tables nicely arranged and decorated, and ate their fill of all the good things provided. A Christmas programme was then given by the children. E. E. Thomas, acting as chairman, after which Santa Claus (Gordon Stevens) distributed to all pretty Christmas boxes of candy, etc. The affair was under the charge of Miss Mabel Sandall, superintendent of the Beginners Department, with Miss Helena Willis assistant teacher, and Miss Laura Myles, superintendent of the Primary Department; Miss Nellie Sandall, assistant. The children all agreed that this party was the best yet.

**ATTEMPT TO BREAK INTO A PETERS STREET STORE**  
It is evident that despite the vigilance of the police an epidemic of crime is spreading among a certain youthful element in the city. A few nights ago a bold attempt was made to force an entrance into the watch repair store of George B. Huggard in Peters street. The thieves cut away a portion of the window sash of the front window, but evidently were disturbed, for they gave up the attempt and went to the rear of the house and there succeeded in forcing a window. Their labors went for naught, however, for they found themselves in the ice room of O. B. Akersley, and as it was locked they were forced in their attempt to enter the store. They evidently became discouraged for no other signs of an attempt to break in were discovered. The work is supposed to be that of boys, and it is thought that they were attracted by some watches that Mr. Huggard had in his front window.

**FOR THE SOLDIERS**  
The Y. M. C. A. work being conducted for the soldiers at the army has afforded much pleasure and entertainment to the thousand or more soldiers there. Their quarters, which are situated in the left wing of the exhibition building, have been enlarged recently, some soldiers who were stationed there having been removed. Messrs Pendleton and Hill, who are in charge of the work, are endeavoring to secure a piano and picture lantern. If any citizen is in a position to loan these, those in charge give assurance that they will receive the very best of care. None but the Y. M. C. A. officials will handle the lantern.

**FOR THE ORPHANS**  
The treasurer of The St. John Protestant Orphan Home has received the sum of \$25 from Loyal True Blue Association "Victoria Lodge," (per R. F. Goodrich, master), in aid of the funds of the home.

**Xmas Stock at Bargain Prices**  
Come and examine the values  
Space will not permit a complete list  
**GILBERT'S GROCERY**  
**Winter Caps**  
Inside Knit Bands, Fur Bands And Plush Bands, Driver, Jockey The Tops And Golf Shapes  
**50c to \$1.50**  
**Winter Weights in Golf Shapes**  
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Gifts that are Serviceable, Seasonable, Sensible  
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In Furs for Kiddies we offer an unusually attractive line which includes the newest and prettiest effects of the season.  
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**BELGIAN FUND**  
The following contributions have been received by the Belgian Relief committee—Hugh H. Turnbull, \$1; Donald O. Turnbull, \$1; Botherway Boys, \$5; Trinity Sunday School, Nace's Bay, per Dewey Craft, \$4.50; R. W. Gilbert, Major's Island, Sheffield, \$5; People of Emerson, N. B., collected by Timothy O'Leary; J. J. Beers, \$3; Cornelius O'Leary, \$1; Timothy O'Leary, \$1; Mrs. Angus McLeod, \$1; E. J. Ellis, \$1; Robert McCray, \$1; Mrs. Robert McCray, \$1; Perley H. Beers, \$1; James McGloan, \$1; Mrs. Wm. Miller, \$1; Harvey Chapman, \$1; Mrs. Wm. Miller, \$1; Harvey Chapman, \$1; Matthew Miller, \$5; Robert Lynds, \$5; John Ogden, \$5; Herbert Beers, \$5; Wm. Foster, \$5; Reid Lynds, \$5; Corv. Beers, \$5; Mrs. J. M. Beers, \$5; Marion McCray, \$5; Hartford Beers, \$5; John Livingstone, \$5; Mrs. Cornelius O'Leary, \$1; total \$18.

**\$3,000 FOR BELGIANS FROM YUKON VILLAGE OF 300 INHABITANTS**  
A noble example of generosity comes from the frozen Canadian north. In a letter to this city, George Wilson, postmaster of Whitehorse, Yukon, which has a population of 300 people, says that the little place has just subscribed \$3,000 to the Belgian Relief fund. He said that the amount was individually subscribed in a very short time, and has been forwarded to the authorities. He felt proud of the spirit the natives of the place displayed, and hoped that in other places people will display the same generosity to the starving people. In contributing this amount, there was an average individual subscription of \$10 per capita. If St. John people granted as liberally there would be a fund of more than half a million dollars here.

**RUSSIAN ROBBED OF HIS LITTLE FORTUNE**  
Some of \$500 Stolen From Beneath His Pillow While He Slept—The Savings of Years Gone  
Eric Kinkneff, a Russian, who resides at 538 Main street, went to bed a few nights ago at a reasonable, comparatively speaking, and awoke in the morning to find that he had been robbed of all his fortune, which aggregated over \$500. He is unable to speak English, but through the assistance of friends who can converse in his tongue, he told the following story:  
"I went to bed and put all my money, which was considerably over \$500, under my pillow. When I awoke the next morning I put my hand under my pillow to feel if it was safe and then discovered that I had been robbed. I think somebody must have known that I had the money and, consequently, while I slept, quietly entered my room and took it." The unfortunate man is heart-broken as he says the money was the result of many years' savings.

**PROVINCIAL MEETING IN INTERESTS OF THE CAN. PATRIOTIC FUND**  
Hon. H. B. Ames, honorary secretary of the Canadian Patriotic Fund, expects to visit New Brunswick between January 6 and 11. His Honor the Lieutenant Governor has called a meeting of committees and representatives from the Canadian Patriotic Fund in St. John and elsewhere throughout the province at the Board of Trade rooms in St. John on the afternoon of Wednesday, January 6, at which Mr. Ames is expected to make an address on subjects relating to organization and administration of the Canadian Patriotic Fund, and will also hold a conference with those representatives who may be present. His Honor would like to see as many as possible of the different branches of the Canadian Patriotic Fund throughout New Brunswick represented at this meeting.

**THE POLICE COURT**  
In the police court this morning one drunk was fined \$5 or two months in jail. Another, who was given in charge by his mother for being drunk and acting in a disorderly manner in her home was remanded.  
A teamster who allowed sawdust to fall from his team on the public streets was fined \$2 or five days in jail.  
Joseph Rommie, a small boy who was found wandering about Mill street at an early hour this morning and not able to give a satisfactory account of himself, was remanded until his parents could be notified.

**MILLION FOR NEW NAVE OF NEW YORK CATHEDRAL**  
New York, Dec. 29.—Trustees of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine have signed contracts with architects of Boston for construction plans and design for the building of the nave of the cathedral. The entire cost will be more than \$1,000,000.  
The contracts do not include any exterior decoration or involve the building of the two large transept towers or the four towers to be placed at the corner of the nave proper.  
The nave will be 170 feet high and about 240 feet long and constructed of Peabody granite.

**ST. JOHN BOYS' CLUB**  
Another lively contest in addition was held at the Boys' Club last night. Twenty-one boys entered, which was as many again, as entered the first contest. Frank Smith finished first, time, seventy seconds, Wm. McGrath was second, and Wm. Tait third. The boys were full of holiday spirit and a fine social evening's programme sent them all home happy. Visitors are welcome any evening at the club to see the "men in the making" enjoy themselves.

**FOR THE ORPHANS**  
The collection taken up in St. Peter's church, Christmas Day for the orphans amounted to \$356.10.

**PRESENTATION TO JANITOR**  
William Shea, principal of St. Peter's boys' school, presented to Thomas Hurley, janitor of the school, a very pretty amber stem pipe as a Christmas gift. The recipient was both surprised and pleased and, in a few well chosen words, thanked the donor.

**BRILLIANT BOWLING**  
The daily roll-off on the Victoria alleys Monday was won by Roy McIlveen with a score of 182. The exhibition of rolling was one of the best seen on the alleys for some time, as the winner only had four spares. Percy Howard was second with a score of 158.

**THE BREAKWATER LIGHT.**  
A correspondent writes that the light on Negretown Breaker should be kept lit all night for the safety of tugs and scows and that this is not always the case.

**A NICE ONE.**  
An excellent picture of a horse's head adorns an attractive calendar received from B. Taylor, sausage manufacturer, Bridge street.

**ON LILY LAKE.**  
The Lily Lake has been cleared of the snow and several good rinks are now available. The skating is declared excellent.

**Macaulay Bros. & Co., King Street, St. John, N. B.**  
**Advanced Showing of Serviceable Wash Fabrics**  
The excitement of Xmas being over, our minds naturally turn to preparing for spring, by making garments during the dreary winter days, which are now with us, and this advanced showing of serviceable wash fabrics will enable everyone to make a selection of the most up-to-date materials at reasonable prices.  
**WASHABLE CREPES**—White ground with beautiful small floral designs, in a host of combination color effects. They are thoroughly fast in color, and require no ironing; 36 inches wide, 20c. a yard.  
**RIPPLETTES**—A crepe-like fabric, in pretty stripe designs which are specially adapted for children's rompers, school dresses, etc. These come in most useful colorings; 29 inches wide, 20c. a yard.  
**RESILDA CREPES**—In all new plain shades, stripe effects and black and white checks. An ideal fabric for kimonos, waists, etc.; 27 inches wide, 25c. a yard.  
**PLISSE CREPE**—This dainty soft crepe material which is now so much in demand for underwear, etc.; 80 inches wide, 25c. a yard.

**MACAULAY BROS & CO.**  
**Going Out of Business!**  
On Tuesday Morning, Dec. 29, will be started a sale having for its object the speedy clearance sale of 15,000 dollars worth of New High-Class Boots and Shoes  
**A T**  
**The Slater Shoe Store**

**Rattling Good Bargains In Our End of the Month Sale Wednesday---Thursday**  
The last two shopping days of each month are important days in the conduct of our business. They are days not given to the mere offering of bargains—the needs of the season are uppermost as well as the low price.  
We give you below a partial list of the goods on sale giving you an idea of the savings you can make, and on account of limited quantities in many instances we advise you to be on hand early.  
**Boys' Winter Caps**—Inside band to pull down over ears, Regular prices, 50c., 60c., 85c., \$1.25. Sale price, 35c., 40c., 60c., 85c.  
**Boys' Washable Blouses**—Regular price, 35c. each. Month-End Price, 3 for 77c.  
**Children's Play Suits**—Regular price, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.25. Clearing Price, 90c.  
**Boys' Winter Reefers**—Ages 6 to 14 \$5.00 Reefers ..... Now \$3.95 \$6.75 Reefers ..... Now \$5.40 \$8.00 Reefers ..... Now \$6.40 \$9.00 Reefers ..... Now \$7.20  
**Boys' Russian Overcoats**—Ages 3 to 8 \$4.50, \$7.50, ..... Clearing at \$4.95  
**Men's Fleece-lined Shirts and Drawers**. Regular prices, 50c., 60c. Month-End Price, 39c.  
**A Big Special in Men's Sweaters**. Regular prices, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3.00. Month-End Price, \$1.59 \$4.50, \$5.00, \$6.00. Month-End Price, \$3.83  
**Men's Heavy All-Wool Socks**—Regular prices, 25c., 30c. Sale Price, 19c.  
**Men's Heavy Black Leather Mitts with knitted lining**. Regular price, 50c. .... Sale Price, 39c.  
**Men's Silk Neckwear**—Regular price, 25c., 35c. .... Clearing at 19c.  
**Men's Fur-lined Mocha Gloves**—Regular price, \$2.50. Sale Price, \$1.78  
**Men's Linen Handkerchiefs**—Regular price, \$1.50 per dozen. Sale Price, 95c. per half dozen  
**Heavy Working Braces**. Special Month-End Price, 19c.  
**NO GOODS ON APPROVAL.**  
**Men's Winter Caps**—Regular 50c. 75c. .... Sale Price, 37c. Regular 85c. .... Sale Price, 69c. Genuine Velour Soft Hats—Were \$5.00, \$6.00, ..... Clearing at \$3.48  
**Men's Fancy Vests**—Clearing our complete stock now on hand. Regular prices, \$2.50 to \$5.00. Sale Price, Only 98c.  
**Men's Worsted Trousers**—\$3.00 Trousers ..... Now \$2.38 \$3.50 Trousers ..... Now \$2.70 \$4.00 Trousers ..... Now \$3.10  
**Men's Velour Dressing Gowns**—Regular price, \$3.50, \$4.50. Month-End Price, \$2.68  
**Men's Winter Overcoats**—Odds and Ends. Regular prices, \$10.00, \$12.00, \$15.00. Month-End Price, \$7.85

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**BLACK LYNX STOLE AND SCARFS**, ..... \$45.00, \$50.00, \$55.00, \$60.00  
**BLACK LYNX MUFFS**, ..... \$50.00, \$60.00, \$65.00  
**BLACK FOX STOLE AND SCARFS**, ..... \$40.00, \$50.00, \$60.00  
**BLACK FOX MUFFS**, ..... \$15.00, \$18.50, \$18.00, \$20.00 to \$27.50  
**BLACK WOLF SCARFS**, ..... \$22.50, \$25.00, \$27.50, \$30.00, \$35.00  
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**RESULTS OF LEAGUE GAMES IN Y.M.C.A.**

**High School Boys in Fast Basketball - Senior Bowlers - The League Standings**

The High School basketball league played off another of its schedule games yesterday afternoon. Nixon's and McAndrew's teams met in a very exciting game, Nixon taking the game by the score of 20 to 11.  
Both teams were in fine shape, and a very hard game was played. McAndrew's meeting his first defeat since the opening of the league. The line-up was as follows:

Holder	Forward	Ketchum
Bustin	Forward	Connolly
McAndrews	Centre	Gillon
Haley	Guard	Porter
Summerville	Guard	Nixon

Score: McAndrews, 11; Nixon 20; field goals, Nixon 6, McAndrews 3, Ketchum 3, Porter 1; foul guards, Nixon 2, McAndrews 1.

**Standing**

McAndrews	8	1	750
Dummer	1	2	333
Nixon	1	2	333

**Y. M. C. A. Senior Bowling League**

Last night the senior bowling league played another match game. Mr. Stevens' and Mr. Parker's teams met in an exciting game. Mr. Stevens again made a clean sweep for his team. The scores follow:

B. Stevens	88	88	100	276-92
Foley	70	70	70	210-70
Ward	76	94	70	240-80
Peacock	87	87	72	246-82
Stevens	79	90	80	259-86 1/2
	400	429	392	1231

**Standing**

Parker	74	80	89	243-81
M. Latham	80	86	100	266-88 1/2
Stevenson	88	74	63	197-65 1/2
Simmons	74	70	61	205-65 1/2
W. Latham	70	70	70	210-70
	386	380	385	1121

**Standing**

A. G. Stevens	18	9	813
F. G. Bent	8	4	667
G. Tapley	4	8	338
Megarity	5	7	417
W. Parker	2	10	167