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New of a Day

An Eruption.
Almonte, Ont., Jan. 29.—This town is having a hard time getting councilors. Only three citizens out of a population of three thousand have offered themselves for the six positions.

Committed Suicide.
Cornwall, Ont., Jan. 29.—Mrs. R. W. Woods, wife of the Grand Trunk Railway agent at Rainville, ended her life by hanging in a woodshed during a temporary mental aberration. She had been suffering from mental prostration.

W. E. Stavert.
Halifax, Jan. 29.—It is rumored here that the general manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia would be offered to W. E. Stavert, of the Bank of Montreal. Mr. Stavert was connected with the Nova Scotia Bank some years ago, and was in line for the position now vacant.

Irishman Quited.
Ann Arbor, Mich., Jan. 29.—Seamus MacManus, the Irish story teller, who appeared here last night in a lecture to the students of Michigan University, was unable to finish his address owing to illness. He was taken to a hospital where physicians diagnosed his case as incipient pneumonia.

Narrow Escape.
Fredericton, Jan. 29.—Reports from the Youkon tell of the narrow escape of Harry Waugh, the famous miner, formerly of Fredericton. His party, who was rescued by the mounted police, after being lost for two weeks in the McKenzie River delta while en route to the Little Wind River country with an outfit.

A Strange Plea.
Chicago, Jan. 29.—"If he did not beat me once in a while, I would think he did not love me any more and maybe was running around with some other woman," said Mrs. Mary Duffy, to Municipal Judge Crowe here, in pleading for the release of her husband, Peter Duffy, arrested on complaint of neighbors for beating his wife.

Mrs. Christy Falls.
Zanesville, Ohio, Jan. 29.—Mrs. Howard Chandler Christy's initial efforts to obtain legal possession of her daughter, Natalie, by habeas corpus proceedings, have failed. After a hearing, which showed in evidence on many dubious proceedings on the part of each of the child's parents, Probate Judge H. C. Smith committed her to-day to the care of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Christy, at Duncan Falls, near here.

More Representation.
Ottawa, Jan. 29.—The Maritime Province members, irrespective of party, met this morning and decided to take action to prevent any further reduction in the representation of these provinces in the House of Commons. Mr. Kite will propose a resolution on the subject on Monday. The effort will be to restore the representation which each province had when it entered the Union.

The Strathcona Fund.
Toronto, Jan. 29.—The Minister of Education has concluded arrangements with the executive council of the Strathcona fund by means of which Ontario schools may share in the benefits of the Strathcona fund for physical and military training in the schools. The arrangement does not

make the formation of cadet corps compulsory. Physical training is to be the basis of the course and teachers are not prevented from becoming officers if they desire, of any cadet corps that may be formed.

Dog Scare.
Toronto, Jan. 29.—Ward seven has a mad dog scare, and stray canines owned by George Heintzman are being kept out of the ward. On Thursday night, while confined in Heintzman's automobile. When the door was opened yesterday morning the brute escaped and was later shot by a squad of police detailed to hunt for it. Several other dogs were shot yesterday morning after attacking citizens on the streets.

Indian's Starve.
Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 29.—Destitution and starvation among Indians of the far north are explained in letters received from beyond the barren lands. Vast herds of reindeer took twenty-two hours to pass a given point. They made a remarkable trek away across the Rockies through the Yukon into Alaska. Indian bands reported to the usual hunting grounds, but found no game and many were starved to death before they could get back. Musk oxen, which heretofore always have gone southwest from the barren lands, migrated this year to the Hudson's Bay territory.

LOCAL

Vital Statistics.
In the week ended Saturday there were 8 marriages and 5 births—3 males and 2 females. Eleven burial permits were issued by the Board of Health.

The Truant Court.
On Saturday morning a fine of \$40 was imposed on the father of Roy and Frederick Campbell for neglecting to see that the boys attended school. William Donaldson, aged 8, was placed in care to await the arrival of his father.

May Move McAvity's Brass Foundry.
T. McAvity & Sons' brass foundry, which may be moved from St. John to some western city. The matter has been under consideration for some time past and Mr. Thomas McAvity, when interviewed, said that a final decision would be reached in a month or so. He said Port Arthur, Toronto and Hamilton were among the places to which the business could be moved to advantage. Mr. McAvity spoke highly of the city of St. John, and said that still is under consideration and that a decision may be expected soon.

Property Sales.
At Chubb's Corner on Saturday, Sheriff Ritchie sold the Ernest Caning property at Pleasant Point, Lanarkshire, to J. P. Sanford, became the purchaser at \$150. Mr. T. L. Latham offered for sale the brick dwelling, 218 King street east, owned by Mrs. Alice Peters, and withdrew it at \$500. The St. John Real Estate Co., Ltd., have purchased the S. McLaughlin four tenement house and leasehold lot on Winter street; also a four tenement double house with freehold lot at the east end of Orange street.

In The Police Court.

In the police court on Saturday the case against James Seal charged with breaking and entering the office of the Imperial Life Insurance Company was heard. Mr. O. O'Leary, a reporter on The Standard testified to seeing the prisoner jump the fence on Wednesday night and of his subsequent conversation with him as already reported. Selma Nickerson, who boarded with Seal, gave evidence of seeing blood on his coat. Malcolm McPhail told of finding the window broken in and seal. Other charges of the office and of blood stains on the breaking into D. K. McLaren's store and entering the house of Mrs. Margaret Stephens on Waterloo street were laid against Seal and he was remanded until today. Harry McDonald, charged with stealing a gold watch from Frank S. Rogers pleaded guilty and was remanded.

GREEK CABINET IS FORCED TO RESIGN

Athens, Jan. 29.—The Cabinet, upset by the Military League, has been now the controlling body in the affairs of Greece. The Ministers held a protracted session last night at which it was decided to tender their resignations to King George. Later Premier Mavromichalis decided to meet Parliament before he resigned and compel a hostile vote so as to avoid the appearance of yielding to the dictation of the Military League. It is believed that M. Diagoras will be entrusted with the formation of a new Ministry.

DEMAND FREE CANADIAN BEEF

Six Hundred Manufacturers Met Together at New York Declare For Competitive Market in Food Stuffs.

COMBINATIONS AND THE CONTROL OF PRICES

Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 29.—Cleveland was today selected as the centre of the state-wide investigation into the cost of living to be instituted early next week by the legislative investigation committee appointed for that purpose.

The Summit County grand jury, after a two weeks' session at Akron, adjourned today declaring that "a part, at least, of the increased prices is due to unlawful and artificial means caused by the way of combinations and agreements to control prices. We refer to the large meat packers, to the railroad and transportation companies, cold storage concerns and wholesale dealers in large distributing centres."

Vegetables and Fruit.

New York, N. Y., Jan. 29.—Six hundred representative manufacturers, mostly men of wealth, ate a dinner today at the Machinery Club of nothing but vegetables and fruit. There was no speech, but an informal discussion of the advanced cost of living indicated that the universal protest of the nation has the support of business men as well as working men.

War of Words.

The war of words between the packers, the wholesale dealers and the meat retailers, continues with the injection today of a new issue. Wholesale dealers are protesting against the duty on Canadian, Argentine and Mexican beef. "Look at the London market," said one of them. "Free competition in beef from Canada, the Argentine and even from Russia, the rules there, with the result that an Englishman can eat Canadian beef, grown just across the border from us, cheaper than American beef, can eat their own western steers."

A mass meeting at Madison Square, at which a movement in imitation of the Boston tea party, was to have been launched against meats by the National Progressive Woman's Suffrage Union, was postponed owing to the weather.

"Eat no meat," in large letters was posted all over the west side on shop windows and in many private houses. Twelve of the posters are in butcher shops.

In Boston.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 29.—Advocates of postal reform, government ownership of railroads, Socialism and "dietary righteousness," presented arguments of personal beliefs as sure cures for all the ills of the rising public of the necessities of life at a public meeting of the "No Meat Club" of Boston at Faneuil Hall tonight.

Some 500 people attended, half of whom signed the pledge to abstain from meat until the prices had been reasonably reduced.

John J. Gallagher, secretary of the Brotherhood of Railroad Car Men of America, advocated government ownership of all the monopolies. Socialism, vegetarianism, and the downfall of the Standard Oil Company were other remedies suggested.

B. D. Lewis, a Harvard graduate, who said he was the son of a prominent ranchman, said he was the rule of the cattle-raiser of the west. He said his father sold his beef and pork at the prices dictated by the trust and no one, and such was the rule throughout the west. The ranchman received an average of but seven cents a pound for beef and five to six cents for pork, making less than \$200 in each bunch of seventy head of cattle shipped to the market.

FOUR FATALITIES TO I. C. R. TRAINMEN

Maritime Statistics For Past Month Issued at Moncton—W. B. Chandler Resigns City Solicitors.

Moncton, N. B., Jan. 29.—The month which ended on January 29th marked by no less than four accidental deaths in a total of five in the ranks of the I. C. R. Employees' Relief and Insurance Association, according to the report of Secretary W. C. Paver. Two of those killed were in the regular association and two belonged to the temporary employees' accident fund. The four were Albert Brisson of River du Loup, who had \$250, and J. W. McIntosh, New Glasgow, yardman, who had \$1,000. The temporary employees' killed were Achille Rioux of St. Flavie, and Joseph Campbell of St. John's. The fifth death was that of J. H. Wilson, St. John, who had \$250. Fees and levies for the month are: Class A, \$1.20; class B, eighty cents; class C, sixty cents.

Having been appointed solicitor for the Moncton Street Railway Co., W. B. Chandler, who for the past twelve years has been city solicitor, has resigned the latter position. He was appointed city solicitor in 1897, when Hon. C. W. Robinson was mayor. There are many applications for the position.

WORK OF RELIEF MENALIKUNS

Paris Emerging From First Effect of Great Floods—Gigantic Task Before Army of Rescuers.

TRADEPEOPLE ARE MOBBED BY VICTIMS

Paris, Jan. 29.—General Brun and Bernsteln made a tour of the devastated suburbs to inspect the work of the soldiers. The French Red Cross, the Societe des Dames Francaise and the Societe des Femmes de France are rendering immense assistance, the authorities in the relief of the sufferers. The last two named societies were organized after the war of 1870 and have large resources of money and supplies, which were collected to meet the emergency of possible war or a national calamity, and their entire reserves are now being put to use in the relief of the sufferers. The Societe des Dames Francaise, which was organized in 1870, has a large number of members, and its members are doing much good work in the relief of the sufferers. The Societe des Femmes de France, which was organized in 1870, has a large number of members, and its members are doing much good work in the relief of the sufferers.

Great Devotion. The local government authorities are displaying great devotion and zeal in the work of saving and relieving the sufferers. The conditions, especially in the country districts, are pitiful. The houses of farmers are submerged to the roofs and in many cases the inhabitants have lost everything including their livestock.

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Boston, Jan. 30.—If during the next few days anyone should happen to see a little, blue-eyed, brown-haired boy about five years old, without hat, coat, shoes or stockings, wandering along Huntington avenue or playing on the Common, it would be well to take warning, the recent over-zealousness of the Gerry Society in New York and not give him in charge of a policeman until it is ascertained whether he be Menalikuns Duncan, who arrived here today with his parents. They will give a series of educational Greek dances at Jordan Hall.

It is quite possible, indeed, that the anxiety of the above-mentioned society in behalf of little Menalikuns, who costume of a single sleeveless shirt and a pair of sandals did not seem quite the thing in which to face the blizzard of a fortnight ago, may lead to an action for damages being brought against them by the child's father.

Already in response to a request from Washington brought about by the action of the Gerry and assessor, M. Corcoran, Governor Hughes has intervened himself in the matter, and Mayor Gaynor has written Mr. Duncan that he will investigate.

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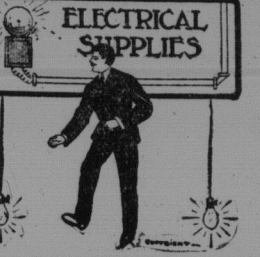
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DEBEC.

Debec, Jan. 28.—The "Comet" Sewing Club which has been recently organized, met at the home of Miss Jennie Meagher (one of the young ladies who was instrumental in the organization of the club). About twenty ladies were present. Miss Lulu Sanderson assisted Miss Meagher in receiving and a very enjoyable evening was spent by all.

Scarlet rash has broken out in the village but the disease does not appear to be of a malignant type, there being no deaths reported. Miss Clara Henderson and Miss White of Houlton, Me., were the guests of Mrs. Gordon Neal this week.

Much sympathy is felt for Mr. and Mrs. Turner, Hemphill at the death of their infant son, which occurred very suddenly Sunday morning of heart failure. The funeral was held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. G. McDonald of McKenzie Corner, officiating at the house and grave.

Mrs. (Rev.) McDonald has returned home from Harvey Station, where she was called owing to the serious illness of her mother Mrs. Smith. The members of the Methodist choir met for rehearsal at the home of Miss Lulu Sanderson, the organist.

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Secretary made a visit to this village, the guest of his aunt Mrs. Wm. J. Craig.

Alfred Patterson spent Sunday at Debec. Marshall Owen Kelly of Woodstock was in this village Monday in connection with the case of Wm. Kelly. David Dykeman of Kirkland was a visitor in this village.

Abner Wardsworth, who has been in the C. P. R. office here learning telegraphy has passed the necessary examinations and has been assigned a position as assistant at Carleton Place.

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson Kerr, of Oak Mountain, are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a boy. Miss Minnie Menow of Waterville, Me., spent Wednesday at this village, the guest of her aunt Mrs. L. Wright.

Mrs. Mathias Meagher, who was seriously ill with rheumatism, is improving rapidly. Fredrick R. Blair, the popular C. P. R. agent, is unable to perform the duties at his office as he is suffering with rheumatism of the hand. Mr. Blair is supplying until Mr. Blair's condition is improved.

Miss Emma Sperr, of Sperrville, is in this village the guest of her cousin, Mr. J. S. Kennedy. Miss Margaret Deakin is visiting her sister, Mrs. P. R. Blair.

S. A. Nason, of Deer Lake, spent Sunday with his family at Debec. Owing to the condition of the roads Rev. Edmund Ramzy was unable to fulfil all of his appointments and in consequence he was able to attend the union Sunday school at Debec.

Rev. Calvin Currie preached in the Foresters' Hall Sunday evening.

MIDLAND ITEMS.
Midland, Jan. 28.—Owing to the January thaw the beautiful sleighing is at an end for the present. Miss Ada Folkins, Hampton, spent Sunday with her parents here. The many friends of Mrs. B. C. Marven regret very much to hear that she is suffering from a severe attack of la grippe. Mr. and Mrs. Orin Hayes are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a young son. A number of the young people of Midland attended the party at Mrs. C. Cosman's, Springfield. Mr. F. E. Sharpe is attending the county court at Hampton. Mr. Vincent spent Sunday at Mr. Jno. Walker's. Mr. W. H. Sharpe spent the week-end in St. John. Mr. Dewitt Johnson spent Wednesday in Sussex. Miss Sharpe entertained a number of her friends very pleasantly on Wednesday evening, Jan. 19. Mr. Union, Dickie Mountain, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. M. Jones. Mrs. Golding spent the week with Mrs. Hugh Johnson. Master Duncan Menzie, accompanied by his sisters, Amy and Flossie, were guests at Mr. F. E. Sharpe's on Friday.

RARE BARGAINS BEFORE STOCK TAKING

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