

**CUSTOM RETURN
\$1,500,000 LESS
THAN LAST YEAR**

December Figures Are Also Less Than For Last Year

PILOTAGE MORE

All Other Sources of Revenue, Except Marine Dues, Show Decrease

A decrease of more than a million and a half dollars in the customs receipts for 1924 as compared with the previous year is shown by the figures given out this morning at the customs house. The returns for the month of December this season also showed a decrease over the previous year of \$188,192.21. The figures follow:

Table with columns for months (January to December) and revenue amounts for 1924 and 1925.

Totals By Months: 1924, 1925

Decrease, \$1,587,241.67

Figures for December:

Table with columns for Dec. 1924 and Dec. 1925, listing various revenue sources like import duty, excise tax, etc.

Decrease in Fredericton: \$29,618.02

Decrease in Fredericton. The calendar year 1924, compared with the preceding year, showed a falling off in customs and excise collections for the port of Fredericton. The total for the past year was \$815,302.30, compared with \$844,920.32 in 1923, a decrease of \$29,618.02.

PERSONALS

D. C. Clark and Miss Ella Clark returned this afternoon after visiting in New York. Dr. David Hutchinson returned this afternoon from New York where he has been spending the holidays visiting his daughter, Miss Edith Hutchinson. He said that his daughter expected to complete her work at the institution where she is nursing and return home this month.

W. E. Golding returned home this afternoon from St. John. Louis Ready of Lancaster, will leave tonight in company with his daughter, Geraldine, for New York where she is to meet friends and on January 6 sail for Tampa, Fla., where she will spend part of the winter months.

NOTICES OF BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS, 50 CENTS.

BIRTHS

SULLIVAN—On Jan. 2, 1925, to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Sullivan, 212 Prince Wm. St., a son, weighing 10 1/2 lbs.

DEATHS

MCKENNA—On Dec. 28, 1924, George McKenna, 2514 Manco street, Montreal, N. B.

PARKEB—Suddenly, at New York, on Dec. 27, 1924, George Parkeb, 1514 Manco street, West St. John, on Jan. 2, 1925, Elizabeth G. Dykeman, wife of Charles G. Dykeman, in the 77th year of her age.

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IN MEMORIAM

BRADBURY—In loving memory of my dear father, Richard Bradbury, who departed this life Jan. 2, 1924.

KIRKPATRICK—In loving memory of my dear father, who departed this life Jan. 2, 1924.

LONG—In loving memory of my dear father, James Long, who departed this life Jan. 2, 1924.

LAWSON—In loving memory of my dear father, James Lawson, who departed this life Jan. 2, 1924.

CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. Susan Garnett and family wish to thank their many friends for their kind sympathy and floral offerings extended to them in their recent sad bereavement.

LOCAL NEWS

MORE TAKEN OUT. The withdrawals at the St. John branch of the Dominion Savings Bank were about \$14,000 larger than the deposits for the month of December, 1924. The figures were as follows: Deposits, \$82,734.21; withdrawals, \$46,802.30.

IS NOW OUT PORT. Notice was received this morning at the Board of Trade that during from January 1, 1925, New Waterford, N. S., had been made an out port of customs and excise, under the survey of the port of Sydney, N. S.

MATTER SETTLED. Walter W. Bell, who was taken into custody on New Year's eve on suspicion of obtaining money from James Gregory, a Greek, by false promises in October 1922 was allowed to go this morning as the matter had been settled.

AUTO IS DAMAGED. An automobile, owned by Fred W. Kelly, was quite badly damaged yesterday while being towed to a garage. While proceeding along near the corner of Prince Edward and Union streets, it was struck and struck a telephone pole. One of the fenders and one of the head lights were broken.

VESSLS REPORTED. The Signal Service at the Customs House has received the following details about the movement of steamers bound to this port: At 3 p. m. yesterday the S. S. Canadian Conqueror was 720 miles southeast of Cape Race; at 9:05 p. m. yesterday the S. S. Brandon was 760 miles east of Cape Race. At 11:04 a. m. today the S. S. Parthenia was 500 miles east of Sable Island.

FUNERALS. The funeral of Mrs. Selma L. Stevens was held this afternoon from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Reverend Stevens, Reafoth. Service was conducted at 1 o'clock by Rev. Canon Daniel and the body was taken on the afternoon Montreal train to Ottawa for interment.

The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Breen was held on Thursday afternoon from her late residence, 140 St. James street. Service was conducted by Rev. H. A. Cady and interment was made in the Church of England burying ground. There were many floral tributes.

DIED THIS MORNING. At her residence, 155 Ludlow street, West St. John, Mrs. Charles Dykeman passed away this morning after a severe illness of several months. Mrs. Dykeman is survived by her husband and two sons and four daughters. The sons are Frederick W. Wallace and George H. Wallace. The daughters are Mrs. Wellington King, Mrs. Helena Donaldson, Mrs. Lottie Taylor and Mrs. Frank Irvine, all of St. John. There are 21 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; also one brother and one sister in Nova Scotia. The relatives will have the sympathy of many friends in their loss.

FELICITATIONS AT CITY COURT SESSION

Judge Henderson Extends Greetings to Lawyers and A. B. Gilbert Replies.

As yesterday was a public holiday business due to come before the city court was set over until this morning. Judge Henderson took occasion to make a few remarks, extending the season's felicitations to all lawyers who attend his court and to all those connected with its administration.

He expressed a hope that the same cordial relations would exist in the coming year as experienced in the last. He then wished all a very happy New Year.

A. B. Gilbert, on behalf of the bar, replied to the remarks of Judge Henderson and after reading reciprocal felicitations of the holiday season said he hoped that His Honor would be spared many years to administer in his present position.

New Year Weddings At Fredericton

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES-STAR. FREDERICTON, Jan. 2.—John Robert King and Miss Mary Edith McGirr, both of Prince William, were married on New Year's Day by Rev. F. S. Sutherland of St. Paul's Presbyterian church. They will make their home in Fredericton.

In the presence of a large number of friends and relatives Rev. F. H. Holmes, pastor of the Methodist church, married Miss Virginia Margaret Harvey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Harvey, of this city, and Albert George Mabey, of Devon, at the Methodist parsonage.

The bride was gowned in peacock crepe dress with black velvet hat and squirrel choker. The groom is an overseas man, having served with the 26th battalion, C. E. F. Mr. and Mrs. Mabey will reside in Devon.

Our Thanks and Best Wishes

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GORMAN ENTERS FOR MORE RACES

Wires Skating Association of Plans—Congratulated on Good Showing Made.

One of the chief topics of conversation throughout the city today was on the showing made by Charlie Gorman in the Middle Atlantic Skating Championship meet held at Newburgh, N. Y. yesterday. The fact that he had very little opportunity to train and his chief competitor Joe Moore, has been skating since late in September made his victory in the 440 yards and his placing in two other events outstanding.

Today the St. John Amateur Skating Association received a wire from the Skating Association of the United States, congratulating Gorman on his victory in the 440 yards and his placing in two other events outstanding.

The officials sent him the following reply: "Received both wires. Much pleased with performance yesterday. Good luck."

WORKERS MAY ASK FOR BIG INCREASE

British Movement Affects 2,000,000 Men With \$500,000,000 Involved.

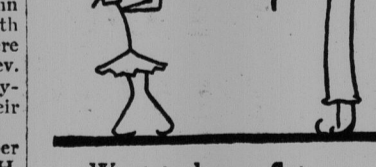
Canadian Press Despatch. LONDON, Jan. 1.—A concerted effort is to be made early in the New Year by the skilled and unskilled workers in the United Kingdom for an all-round increase in wages. It is understood that the industries affected will include mining, engineering and shipbuilding.

The employees concerned number about two million and the claims, it is estimated, will aggregate about \$100,000,000 a year.

The group of engineering and metal trades, involving about 800,000 men, want a flat 21 per cent increase. The shipbuilding workers ask about the same rate of increase, while the miners will fight for a uniform minimum wage of 12 shillings a day.

Editor of Jack Canuck Sentenced

TORONTO, Ont., Jan. 2.—David Campbell, editor of Jack Canuck, a weekly newspaper, was today sentenced by Mr. Justice Onda to six months in county jail for contempt of court in connection with comment appearing in the paper on the J. H. Cook alimony case. The Jack Canuck was also fined \$100 and the publication will be sequestered until the fine is paid.



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Today the Dominion has a population of 11,000,000. It has a railway system of 100,000 miles. It has a telephone system of 1,000,000 miles. It has a newspaper system of 1,000,000 papers. It has a government of 1,000,000 people.

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GOOD THINGS COMING TO THE THEATRES OF ST. JOHN

"THE SEA HAWK" REPEATED TODAY

Last Chance to See Wonderful Sabatini Story in Pictures

After a wonderfully successful holiday of comedy features the Imperial today returns to a final showing of Rafael Sabatini's wonderfully absorbing pirate romance "The Sea Hawk," which is town talk after its run the first three days of the week. Thousands of St. John folks have not yet seen "The Sea Hawk" though they have doubtless heard a great deal about it from their friends. Today this opportunity will be afforded. Shows at 7:15 and 9 p.m. The special scale of prices will obtain for today only. Tomorrow the Imperial will resume its New Year's Day programme of comedy features with "Leatherstocking" serial story in addition.

FIVE DEALT WITH. Five men were taken into custody on New Year's eve and yesterday on charges of drunkenness. Two were allowed out on deposits of \$8 and as they failed to appear in the police court this morning the money was declared forfeited. The other three were before Magistrate Henderson and after pleading guilty were fined \$8 or two months in jail.

ST. JOHN FOLK HEAR MCCORMACK IN SONG. Radio Fans, Listening in, Enjoy First Air Music by Famed Singers.

St. John radio fans were given their first opportunity last evening to listen in on grand opera stars and many tuned in on the concert which was broadcast from WEAF, New York, and other stations.

John McCormack, the well known Irish tenor, and Miss Luceria Bori, the Metropolitan Opera House star, New York, were the artists who were heard last night and their St. John listeners thoroughly enjoyed the privilege of hearing their voices coming through the air to them.

Every other week grand opera stars will be heard from WEAF and the artists allied with it and those who listened in last night are looking forward with keen anticipation to hearing other of the world's leading vocalists.

In the programme last night, Mr. McCormack sang "Marchella," "Mother Macree," "All Alone," several classical numbers and he sang a duet with Madame Bori.

The appearance of prominent artists on these programmes has been hoped for by the public almost since the advent of broadcasting on a general scale. There have been several deterrent factors, however, including doubts among the artists themselves as to transmission and voice reproduction.

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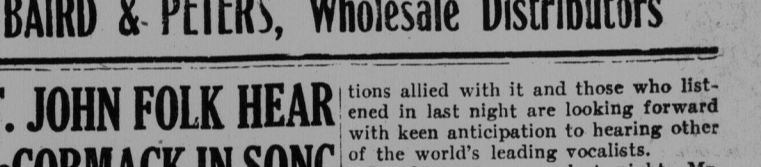
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