

An Exclusive Story

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Kent walked listlessly into the city room, sauntered over to his desk at the farther end, tossed his hat upon it, lighted a cigarette, glanced at the clock, and sat down. He unfolded a couple of "evening" editions and was giving them a cursory and indifferent examination when he heard the sharp call: "Kent!"

I am far from being rich, and yet people keep saying that I am. Even he thought so. "Did I tell him about it—the money?" She looked up at Kent's question, surprise in her eyes. "Why, of course—yes. That was very natural, was it not? I don't know exactly how it came up; he was talking about money, I think, and explained it to him one evening, very carefully. It was so easy to talk to him about things that would seem embarrassing; he was always so interested and kind. I remember the conversation quite well, because it was one of the last we had."

LOCAL NEWS

SAILORS' CONCERT Scamers' Institute tonight at eight; 10 cents. "Chale," class with orchestra Tuesday night; Friday pupils also requested to attend. The Henderson & Hunt will be open this evening and every evening till Christmas. What is there that makes such sensible Christmas gifts as clothing, furnishings or footwear? Come, see our display—Wizels' Cash Stores, Union street.

BRING THE CHILDREN TO TOYLAND

If you would give the children a treat, bring them to Marcus' Toyland. Their little hearts will be gladdened and it will do you good to see them happy



This handsome pair of Rocking Horses, strongly built and nicely decorated... 85c. Others with upholstered seats and toy boxes, from \$1.20 to \$2.80. Larger sizes to... \$9.20

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Kitchen Furnishings for the Xmas Cooking. Our line is most complete, everything from a Nutmeg Grater to a GLENWOOD Range. We have just opened a large case of Aluminum, in Tea Kettles, Tea Pots, Coffee Pots, Preserving Kettles, Sauce Pans, Double Boilers, Etc., and fully guarantee their wearing qualities.

FEARFUL SCENES IN TIME OF FLOOD IN CHINA

Desperate Measures to Escape—Dead Bodies of Entire Family Found

Washington, Dec. 14.—The Chinese government, through American Minister Reisch, is urging the American Red Cross to influence American bankers to advance an immediate loan of \$5,000,000 on the proposed Hunan River project so that sufferers from the late flood in that district may be kept from starvation through employment on the great reclamation work.

RECENT DEATHS

The death of Mrs. Fred J. Richards occurred suddenly on Saturday at her home in Ottawa. She was formerly Miss Plummer of Gagetown and is survived by her husband and a sister, Mrs. J. Fraser, Horsfield street, and a brother, Wallace Plummer of St. John. Interment will be in Fredericton.

PERSONALS

G. H. Arnold returned from New York on Saturday. Premier Clarke and Hon. John Morley are in Fredericton today. Thomas L. Golding, manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia branch in Victoria, B. C., is at his home here on a holiday visit.

FOR THE SOLDIERS

One of the most pleasant affairs for the soldiers was held last evening in the lecture room of St. David's church. About fifty were present and were entertained informally by the young people of the church. Members of the choir sang several songs and led in the singing of the hymns selected by the men. Refreshments were served. The experiment proved so successful that it was decided to make this a regular feature each Sunday evening.

WOUNDED BELGIAN BOY HERE

One of the passengers on the steamer Missambie, which arrived in port last Friday night, was a small Belgian boy en route to Montreal. On his right leg he had a large scar, which those in charge of him said was the result of a bayonet in the hands of a German. It was caused they said when the Germans were driving a large number of the inhabitants from a certain section of the city where the child and his parents resided.

LIQUOR RETURNED

A lot of liquor seized in motor boats near Eastport has been returned to the owners, the law holding there must be evidence that the liquors were actually intended for sale in Maine before they could be seized. These liquors were apparently consigned to parties on the Canadian side.

DEATHS

SEELY.—In this city on the 13th inst. Elmer Peckham, youngest son of Roy and Hazel Seely, aged eighteen months. Notice of funeral later.

DOMESTIC TROUBLE

Robert Stockley, charged with assaulting his sister, Mrs. Mary Dickson, by hitting her on last Friday and giving her a black eye, was fined \$20 or two months in jail, but was allowed to go on suspended sentence, as it was shown that he had some \$150 patients. William Madden said that Mrs. Dickson, who lives in the same house in Brussels street, pulled out her hair so that his wife was kicked in the ribs by Mrs. Dickson. Stockley said he was a member of the 62nd regiment.

CHILD DEAD

Friends will extend their sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Seely in the loss of their young son, Elmer Peckham, aged eighteen months, whose death occurred yesterday.

JUST RECEIVED

Another lot of military caps complete sizes now in stock price \$4.50; also, water-proof cap covers.—C. B. Tidgson, corner Main and Bridge streets.

IN TWO SECTIONS

The Montreal train was brought to the city today in two sections. The first was forty-five minutes late. The second was taken to West St. John with steamboat passengers and baggage.

"DISSOLUTION SALE" THIS WEEK, ENDS ON SATURDAY, DEC. 19

We start today on the last week of this great clothing sale. That means only six days for you to share in this bargain feast. Every department is still overcrowded with seasonal goods tremendously reduced in price. Shop in the morning if you can, but come anyway. The store will be open this evening and every evening till Christmas.—Donaldson Hunt, 17-19 Charlotte street.

OUR SHOWROOMS WILL BE OPEN EVERY EVENING UNTIL CHRISTMAS—The Eastern Electric Co., Ltd., cor. Union and Dock streets.

SHIPPING NOTES

The schooner Irma Bentley, Captain S. B. Rice, arrived safely at City Island this morning. The Donaldson line Cassandra has one hundred second and third class passengers; also a general cargo.

WAS AT FUNERAL

Mrs. John Kelly of Britain street, returned home this morning after a visit to Boston, occasioned by the news of the death of her sister, Miss Mary Power, a former St. John woman well known here. She arrived in Boston just too late to be with her sister before she died.

SUBURBAN

New Summer House 20 x 20, resting on concrete post, 10 foot verandah, large lot 75x245, only about 200 yards from Fair Vale Station. Must be sold immediately.

The Best Quality at a Reasonable Price

A Howard Watch For Christmas

Give a man a Howard Watch for Christmas and you have given him the last word in fine watch making. Other factories may case some of their watches—products they are particularly proud of—but the Howard factory cases every watch—and the price is fixed there—from the 17 Jewels movement in a Gold-Plated Case at \$40.00, to the 23 Jewel movement in a Solid Gold Case at \$150.00. You'll find a splendid assortment of Howard Watches at Sharpe's. An especially attractive box is provided for each one of them.

L. L. Sharpe & Son

Jewelers and Opticians 21 King Street, St. John, N. B.

DELICATESSEN

Cakes and Puddings. Orders taken for Fancy Christmas Cakes and Pies. 15c and 20c. 61 Petes St. Phone 1986-42.

When you feel a Cold coming on think of Laxative Bromo Quinine Cures a Cold in One Day

It acts as a tonic-laxative and removes the cause of all colds and also "relieves the feverish conditions and headache which are usually associated with colds."

Colds cause Headache, Neuralgia and Grip—Laxative Bromo Quinine removes the cause. This remedy is better than the ordinary Quinine as it combines the tonic and other properties of Quinine, with a laxative and can be taken by anyone without causing nervousness or ringing in the head.

—but remember there is Only One "Bromo Quinine" To Get The GENUINE, Call For The Full Name Laxative Bromo Quinine USED THE WORLD OVER TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Look for this signature on the box. Price 25c. E. J. Rath

SON OF THE GERMAN CHANCELLOR REPORTED WOUNDED AND PRISONER

Paris, Dec. 14.—Reports here today from Berné state that a son of the German Chancellor, Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg, has been injured seriously at Pieterkow, Russian Poland, and that he has been captured by the Russians.

GENERAL HUGHES LEFT OTTAWA THIS AFTERNOON

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 14.—Major-General Sam Hughes left this afternoon. He will spend tomorrow in Quebec. In St. John he expects to visit Fredericton, Halifax and Sydney, but does not expect to go to Prince Edward Island.

MRS. PLUMPTRE HERE

An interesting visitor to the city today is Mrs. Plumptre of Toronto, who is the guest of Mrs. James F. Robertson during her stay in St. John. She will give an address this evening on the "Romance of the Red Cross" in Stone church school room at which Lieut. Gov. Wood will preside.

SPRINGHILL FATALITY

Lumber Taylor, who operated a saw mill near Springhill, N. S., was thrown from his carriage on Thursday night and so badly injured that he died in a short time.

MONUMENTS

And All Kinds of Cemetery Work H. McGRATTAN & SONS Wholesale and Retail Granite Manufacturers St. John Office: 55 Spring St. Phone 8 720

TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

CHRISTMAS SALE of Fancy Work, Fruit and other Cakes, Doughnuts, Mince and Lemon Pies. Orders taken.—Women's Exchange, Tea and Lunch Room, 158 Union street

COAL! COAL!

Scotch and American Anthracite Minnie, Broad Cove, and Sydney coal by the ton, load, barrel or bag. FORD H. LOGAN 90-98 City Road. Tel. Main 275-

FOR SALE—Double Seated

FOR SALE—Solid Quarter Oak dining room suite, comprising six chairs one 8 ft. extension table, heavy chairs, and buffet. Write C. care Times 1978-12-7

FOR SALE—Near the corner of King

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FOR SALE—Self-contained home

FOR SALE—Two tenement leasehold on West Side. Large lot. Recent built. Presents good investment. Etc. terms. Will sell cheap for quick sale. For further particulars inquire Mul Realty Co., 53 1/2 Dock street. Tel. 2662. 1978-12-7

TO LET—House 10 rooms, cor

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