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NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

(J. M. Robinson & Sons, Members Montreal Stock Exchange.)

New York, Jan. 28.

	Prev. Close.	Open.	Noon.
Am Sumatra	91½	92	92⅜
Am Car & Fdy	138⅞	139	139
Am Locomotive	100¼	100	100
Am Beet Sugar	92⅛	....	....
Am Can	55⅛	55	55⅞
Am Int Corp	....	109¾	109¾
Am Steel Fdys	....	45½	45⅝
Am Smelters	69	....	....
Am Tel & Tel	....	98⅜	98⅜
Am Woolens	157⅝	160	159¾
Anaconda Mining	62⅛	62¼	62⅛
Atch, T & S Fe	84	....	....
Brooklyn R T	14¼	14⅜	14⅜
Balt & Ohio	31½	....	....
Baldwin Loco	117⅞	118½	118⅝
Beth Steel—"B"	98	99½	99½
[illegible]no Copper	37⅞	37⅞	37⅞
[illegible]sa & Ohio	....	55	55
[illegible]orado Fuel	42	41½	41⅛
[illegible]nadian Pacific	127⅜	127¼	128
Central Leather	93¼	93¼	93¼
Crucible Steel	226	227	227
Erie	12½	12½	12½
Great North Pfd	78¼	78⅛	78⅛
General Motors	301¾	303½	304
Inspiration	57	57⅛	57⅜
Intl Marine Com	41	41¼	40¾
Intl Marine Pfd	97¾	....	....
Industrial Alcohol	109	108¾	108¾
Kennecott Copper	30¾	31	31
Midvale Steel	49⅝	50¼	50½
Mex Petroleum	200½	201¼	199¾
Northern Pacific	78½	78	78
N Y Central	69	....	....
New Haven	26½	26¼	26
Pennsylvania	42⅛	42¼	42¼
Pierce Arrow	70⅜	70¼	70¾
Pan-Am Petroleum	95	95½	94½
Reading	75⅛	75½	75½
Republic I & S	115¼	115⅞	116⅝
St. Paul	37¼	....	....
Southern Ry	21¼	21⅛	21¼
Southern Pacific	100	100⅛	100⅛
Studebaker	104¼	104½	105⅜
Union Pacific	121⅞	....	....
U S Steel	106½	107	106⅞
U S Rubber	127	127⅜	127
Utah Copper	76½	75⅞	75⅞
West Electric	53½	....	....
Willys Overland	29	29	29⅛

MONTREAL STOCK MARKET.

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Montreal, Jan. 28.

Bank of Montreal—5 at 206½, 7 at 207.
Merchants' Bank—5 at 188½.
Union Bank—4 at 160.
Brew.—375 at 199.
Brazil—395 at 46, 45 at 45¾.
Brompton—25 at 83¾, 5 at 84.
Holt—2 at 68.
Abitibi—95 at 290.
Cement—25 at 71¼, 125 at 71.
Carriage—25 at 42½, 25 at 43.
Detroit—50 at 111.
Glass—10 at 64.
Laurentide—25 at 273½.
Power—60 at 89, 4 at 88¾.
Riorden—185 at 190½, 25 at 190¼, 50 at 192, 25 at 191⅝, 50 at 192½, 35 at 192¾, 60 at 191, 10 at 192¾, 150 at 191½, 100 at 191¼.
Forgings—105 at 221, 10 at 222, 175 at 222½.
Shawinigan—15 at 116, 2 at 115½.
Spanish—115 at 87½, 25 at 87⅜.
Steel Co.—30 at 84.
Flour—10 at 124, 4 at 125.
Sugar—20 at 89½, 125 at 90.
Quebec—100 at 30.
Spanish Pfd—90 at 127.
Riorden Pfd—5 at 100½.
Iron Pfd—5 at 90.
Ogilvie Pfd—10 at 104.
Cottons Pfd—5 at 82.
Asbestos Pfd—12 at 90.

CURRENCY AND PRICES.

(Toronto Globe.)

Explanations as to the cause of high prices have been made by thousands of people, and the conclusions reached are far from unanimous. Recently Lord d'Abernon, in a thoughtful address in the British House of Lords, ventured a theory which has since found wide circulation. He finds that the preponderant cause is increased currency and paper money, and bases his conclusions partly upon a recent British government report. He held that this report proved that reduced production was not the main cause of high prices. He said that, if scarcity was the real cause, we would expect to find a great reduction in the available amount of the larger articles of consumption. Instead, the figures showed the world wheat production of 1919 was 99 per cent of the pre-war average, barley, 104 per cent; oats, 97 per cent; maize, 104 per cent; linseed, 53 per cent; tobacco, 128 per cent; cotton, 73 per cent; and sugar, 96 per cent. The monthly production of coal in the United Kingdom, United States, France, Belgium, the Netherlands and Germany in 1918 was 99.6 per cent of the production of 1913, and pig iron 106 per cent. The world's production of wool in 1919 was estimated at 91.8 per cent of the 1913 production. Lord d'Abernon found that, excluding Russia, Austria and Turkey, who are the arch-inflators, the total amount of paper money in the world was in December, 1918, $30,000,000,000, against $6,250,000,000 in 1913, an increase of almost 500 per cent. The government report, he said, showed that prices in each country had risen very closely in accordance with the excessive issues of paper currency.

These observations might be supplemented with the fact that, with the increase of available money, great masses of people in all countries have raised their standard of living by adopting the deliberate policy, owing to the possession of more money than previously, of buying things to which they had not formerly been accustomed. This adds to the number of people who want a given article, as well as adding to the amount of wealth available to pay for given articles.

RUBBER TIRE INDUSTRY.

(N. Y. Evening Post.)

In view of the extensive production programmes of the many automobile companies in the United States for the current year and in view of the number of automobiles already in operation, very little doubt is expresed of the future of the rubber tire industry in the United States. This is further indicated by the announcement by one of the largest British tire concerns of the formation of a subsidiary to operate in this country. Were there any doubt as to the future of the business, it is hardly likely that an English concern would contemplate expansion in this country. The year which has just ended has been the most prosperous in the rubber industry in history, and this is shown by the statement of the various rubber companies already made public and estimates of others which are expected to be made public within a short time. An official of one of the large tire companies estimates that this year's output of tires will approximate 40,000,000. This, it is believed, will be necessary to equip 1,500,000 new cars expected to be built this year, and also maintain the 7,000,000 cars already in use. The 1919 tire output has been placed at 30,000,000, while the amount of cotton used in the manufacture of these tires is placed at 400,000 bales.

THE BUSINESS COLUMN

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Use Mails to Collect, But Loses Only 2 Per Cent of Accounts.

"Less than 4 per cent of our accounts go to our legal department; less than 2 per cent are lost," said Alfred J. Obst, credit manager of N. Sallinger's Peoples Credit Co., of Boston, in discussing the matter of honesty of the general public.

This small proportion of losses from more than 130,000 accounts carried by the company, is all the more remarkable because this company employes no collectors nor investigators. The customers either call at the office and pay in person or send their remittances by mail. When accounts lak, Uncle Sam's post office department is the only collection agency used. Of the 4 per cent of accounts turned over to the legal department, half of them settle after a letter or two are sent out.

Credit is either given to a prospective customer within from two to twenty minutes, or refused him. There are no long waits sometimes of two or three days, as is often the case with other credit houses. The customer gives references and these are investigated by telephone. So large a number of accounts are carried that many of the references given can be found on the company's own books and they prove to be the best references. Very often a new customer comes through recommendation of a customer already on the books.

The names are indexed and numbered. Card filing systems are used and the complete story of references, transactions and payments is kept on the card. The concern keeps in touch with customers who have used the company's credit through form letters, urging them to again take advantage of the company's credit system whenever they desire. These letters are sent out with more or less frequency according to the activity of the account, as long as the concern has the customer's address. Should the customer move away and the letters be returned to the company for a new address, then the form letters cease. No letters are sent while a customer's account is active unless the payments laps and lapsed accounts are not turned over to the legal department until every form of letter in the regular channels fails to bring a response.

A Three-Purpose Grocery Store Fixture.

Grocery stores as a rule do not seem to make use of window back-grounds as much as do stores in other lines. Skaggs United Stores, of Boise, Idaho, have built in a fixture that serves three distinct and worth-while purposes.

This is a three-shelf fixture that runs along one side of the store up against the window base with an opening allowed for the radiator. This serves first of all the necessary function of stocking the package crackers and cookies. It also gives the store an inside display of these goods. And, as it is open at both sides and against the window base, it serves as a background that means a window display of the same goods.

It was figured that as long as a fixture had to be designed to take care of the stock it might just as well display the goods inside and out.

Newspaper Ads Sold 865 Carloads of Potatoes

Price appeal, coupled with breezy advertising in newspapers, sold 856 car-lots of potatoes, valued at $1,048,000 wholesale, during a comparatively short period.

Such has been the experience of Charles Hechtman, a grower-shipper of potatoes of Osseo, Minn. Using space in the papers to tell of the merits of his "cash and carry" plan of selling car-lots of potatoes direct from the farm, Hechtman sold more than one-tenth of the total potato movement up to October 18 last, with only "one kick to every fifty-five cars," as he stated recently in one of his advertisements, and then proceeded to explain the complaints and tell how he rectified them.

The advantage of this system of selling is apparent. When he sells, Hechtman knows the exact amount he will receive as compared with shipping to a commission concern, when he doesn't know what he will get, or shipping to a delivery point buyer who may refuse the shipment, find fault with quality or condition and force an adjustment. This method also permits him to do business on a smaller capital, and because his selling expense is less, he can really sell for less.

Hechtman's advertising methods are original, even though his "copy" isn't always strictly grammatical. He usually pays no attention to spelling and punctuation but confines himself to "talking" in his ads direct to his trade. One of his advertisements telling of a complaint he received, read as follows:

"'Twas so soft that I was just about to advertise for some one to kick in with a complaint when—Bing! W. J. Shellenberger, Republican, Neb., somewhere out in the Tall Grass country. This man was wiring in at the rate of $2000 to $3000 per day. (I don't know him from a nickel pot of sour beans, but did know he was all wool and a yard wide—when I had some 10m—15m— dollars of his jack in my jeans, and he wired: 'Car so-and-so, at Dorchester, Neb., is a car of nutmegs, what-r-yu-goin-tu-do-about-it?' I said, Nothin to do about, but settle the Hechtman way—wiring the return of your money; you handle the car!' Another guy at Akron, Ohio, says: 'Like buying a pig-in-a-poke. Car is short-weight seventeen bushels.' Next day he fainted dead away when he found a draft for the sortage."

Now It's The Auto Department Store

Because the automobile grocery stores of the A. B. Flory Grocery and Baking Co., whcih operates thirty stores and routes in Canton, O., have proved remarkably successful in interurban sales. A. B. Flory plans to put into service a department store on a large truck. The store will be thirty or forty feet long, with entrance in the rear, with counter and meat refrigerator. One side will be stocked with groceries another with notions; another with drugs.

Two men will operate the auto department store in suburban villages and the rural communities near her. Hams and needles, bread and brooms, candy and pills will be available at the front door of every home along the auto store route.

GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. McCready Celebrated an Important Event in Their History.

(Sackville Post.)

Fifty years ago Monday, C. Ford McCready and Miss Louisa Trueman were married at the old Trueman homestead, Point de Bute; and yesterday afternoon and evening friends from far and near called at their residence on Squire street to offer the bride and groom of fifty years their hearty congratulations and best wishes. Some twenty or more of the near relatives were present at the tea hour, including S. F. McCready of Vancouver, a brother of the groom; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cutton of Stellarton, N. S.; Mrs. (Dr.) Chapman, Miss Chapman and Mrs. A. H. Lamy of Amherst; Clarence McCready and Miss Irene McLeod and Miss McLeod, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Ford, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Gillis, and Mr. and Mrs. A. H. McCready.

Later in the evening the house was invaded by a host of friends from around the town.

Shortly after eight o'clock the gathering was called to order and Rev. Mr. Thomas presented Mr. McCready with a handsome electric reading lamp and Mrs. McCready with a purse containing about $100.

Mr. McCready replied briefly thanking the friends for their generous gifts, and for their many expressions of good will.

During the day a number of letters and telegrams of a congratulatory nature were received from friends in distant parts of the provinces, who were unable to be present. Both Mr. and Mrs. McCready continue to enjoy reasonably good health.

DOGS KILLING SHEEP.

The municipal council of Westmorland last week had to consider bills of damage amounting to $1,888 for the killing of sheep by dogs.

AMHERST HAS TWO CASES

Amherst News:—Two cases of small pox are existent in Amherst. One case is at the Glen House—the other at the Spa Hotel. Neither cases are very serious. According to Health Officer Dr. Bliss, there is absolutely no danger of an epidemic, as every possible precaution and safeguard has been taken.

WILL SPEAK IN MONCTON

William MacIntosh, curator of the Natural History museum, St. John, will lecture before the Moncton Teachers' Association on the Geological History of New Brunswick in Aberdeen High School building this evening.

TO APPEAL CASE.

The case of Fletcher vs. Wetmore, a charge of alienation of the affections of the plaintiff's wife, which was decided yesterday against the defendant, G. A. Wetmore, is to be appealed. A verdict of $500 was awarded to the plaintiff by the jury yesterday.

NEW BILL AT OPERA HOUSE IS ENJOYED

The change of programme in the Opera House last evening attracted large audiences and, judging from their hearty applause, they enjoyed every number of the new bill. The outstanding acts were: Jean and Arthur Keeley, in a bag punching novelty; the Claire Sisters in a musical offering, and Gertrude George & Company in a vocal and piano offering.

The third episode of "The Black Secret," featuring Pearl White, was as good as the former chapters, and was enjoyed by all. The picture continues to hold keen interest.

Following the motion picture serial, the Claire Sisters appeared playing piano accordeons, and rendered several selections, which made a decided hit with the audience. They have a nice bright act, and well merited the applause received.

Jean and Arthur Keeley also made a hit in their novel bag punching act. The male member is one of the best performers seen on a local stage in years, and his imitation of the engine getting under way, etc., was a treat.

Gertrude George & Company have an interesting skit entitled "The Home Town Girl." The male member is a talented pianist and the young lady sings some original songs, which were enjoyed.

Arthur Whitelaw, "The Minstrel from Dublin," won hearty applause. His comic songs were greatly enjoyed, but some of his jokes might have been eliminated without detracting from his act.

Baldwin, Blair & Company have a comedy sketch entitled "The Petticoat Man." Their act is out of the ordinary run. On the whole, the performance was enjoyed and is expected to draw capacity houses tonight and tomorrow.

NOTABLES DEAD IN THE MOTHERLAND

London Jan. 28—(By Canadian Press)—Notables who died yesterday are:—Sir Kenneth Matheson a large highland land owner; Sir Frederick Bolton ship owner; George Adam Hicks distinguished Irish surgeon; H. A. Grant, editor of the Nottingham Express; Colonel the Hon. Lionel Vane formerly of the Durham Light Infantry.

DISASTER THREATENS THROUGH DEATH OF SO MANY CHILDREN

Geneva, Jan. 28—Disaster threatens Europe through the increasing mortality among children, and there will be a rapid spread of disease unless help is available, especially from Great Britain and the United States, according to reports of delegates to a "save the children" conference held here.

Lady Muriel Paget, one of the British representatives, said hundreds of children were dying in Czecho-Slovakia this winter from cold and lack of clothes. She said there was only one doctor for each 50,000 inhabitants of the country.

GOOD THINGS COMING TO THEATRES OF ST. JOHN

"MIRACLE MAN" STILL ATTRACTING THOUSANDS

Wonderful Photo-play at the Imperial Shown Again Today and Tomorrow.

That the George Loane Tucker production of the New York play-success "The Miracle Man" is repeating its triumphs of the bigger cities was evidenced by the tremendous business accorded the Imperial Theatre again yesterday at both afternoon and evening screenings. Doubtless today, and again Thursday, the final day for the feature, the fame of the picture will have spread sufficiently in local circles to keep up the high standard of attendance. All classes of citizens, that is the family folks, the professional critic, clergymen and everybody in fact who has seen the picture so far are praising it. It is the Imperial's high mark of film entertainment and expense has not been withheld in giving it rich scenic settings and musical accompaniment.

VETERAN SLAIN IN LEVIS STREET

Quebec, Jan. 28—Lucien Morissette, a great war veteran, who was three years overseas with the 22nd French-Canadian battalion, was murdered in cold blood last night in a dark street in Levis. Morissette, forty years of age and single, was employed in the yards of the C. N. R. at Levis. He left work at ten last night and a little before midnight his dead body, with two high velocity rifle cartridge holes in it, was discovered in Wolfe street.

Morrissette had gone with two telegraph operators, Alphonse Belanger and F. O. D. Guimont, to visit another operator named Baker, who lived next door to the Remillard family on Wolfe street. Baker had invited them to call on him after their day's work, and the three young men accepted the invitation; but in the dark, could not tell for sure which was the Baker or the Remillard house. They entered the Remillard house and there were entertained a short while by the woman of the house when, suddenly, the elderly Remillard, who, witnesses allege, was under the influence of liquor shouted to Romeo, one of his sons, to shoot "that bunch out," which the lad started to do with a high velocity rifle.

So soon as they heard the older Remillard talk in that way the three visitors took their leave, but Romeo opened fire. The first shot went wild, and by that time the men had reached the piazza.

Morissette turned around to see whether his companions had been hit and received one shot in the abdomen and the other in the groin.

Romeo Remillard was placed under arrest.

STERLING FAR DOWN AGAIN

New York, Jan. 28—English exchange rates dropped to another low level today when demand bills on the pound sterling dropped to $3.53 1-4, or 13-4 cents below yesterday's record low. In the first half hour demand sterling dropped to $3.52 1-2. Franc checks opened at the new low rate of 13.12 for the dollar, off 20 centimes from yesterday's close. Lire checks were quoted at 15.32, eighteen centimes below yesterday's record low.

German marks were quoted at 1.05 cents and Austrian crowns at 31-100 of one cent.

Heavy selling later depressed sterling to $3.50 3-4, francs to 13.32 and lire to 15.42.

SASKATCHEWAN FINANCES GOOD

(Canadian Press Despatch)

Regina, Sask., Jan. 28—In his budget speech last night in the legislature, Hon. C. A. Dunning, provincial treasurer, estimated that during the last year the increment of agricultural wealth accruing to the people of the province was $371,000. He showed the government had shown a gross surplus of $877,593 of receipts over expenditures during the last fiscal year, and that during the year the net debt had been reduced forty-eight cents a head.

The estimates showed an expected increase of $404,452 over last year. The announcement was also made that the government would abandon its war bonus for civil servants in favor of a scale of increased salaries over and above general raises and promotions recommended by the civil service commission on a merit basis.

IRISH BISHOPS ON EDUCATION BILL.

Maynooth, Ireland, Jan. 28—Strong condemnation of the proposed Irish education bill was expressed today at the assembly of the cardinal, archbishops and bishops here.

Speakers described the measures as the most demoralizing scheme put forward for Ireland since the act of union. They declared that until Ireland was governing herself any attempt to abolish the existing board of education, as proposed by this bill, would be resisted, as the measure deprived the clergy of control. If it were put in force, it was insisted it would be the duty of the hierarchy to instruct Catholic parents regarding the education of their children.

DISABLED ENGINE

The early train from Montreal, due in the city at 6.45 a m, today did not reach here until 12.15 owing to its engine becoming disabled near Greenville, Me. The Boston train was an hour and twenty minutes and the Maritime thirty minutes late.

DIFFER AT HALIFAX OVER COLD OR "FLU" ON MINNEKHADA

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 28—Military and civil port medical authorities at Halifax are apparently at loggerheads as to whether there is influenza on the steamer Minnekhada now at pier here. Dr. N. E. MacKay, chief port health officer, insists that there is no influenza on board, merely a few colds in the head, and the ship's doctor corroborates this. Military medical authorities think otherwise.

BOSTON STRIKE.

Boston, Jan. 28—The Freight Handlers Union of the B. & M., B. & A., and N. Y. N. H. & H. railroads voted last night to put into effect at noon today a strike at the sheds and docks in this city, originally set for Monday. The delay had been granted at the request of railroad officials to protect shippers of perishable freight.

International Trade

In the transaction of foreign business, knowledge and experience count for much. The experience gained by this Bank at its own offices in such centres of international trade as the following:

London, Eng. — Mexico City
New York — San Francisco

is available for extension of Canadian trade abroad. In addition it maintains a Foreign Department specially equipped to handle all foreign exchange transactions.

THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE

PAID-UP CAPITAL - - $15,000,000
RESERVE FUND - - $15,000,000

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St. John Branch, W. H. LUGSBIN, Manager

SAYS IT IS BUT THE OLD GRIPPE

Prominent Ottawa Doctor Says No "Flu" Epidemic in This Generation.

Ottawa, Jan. 28—"There will be no recurrence in this generation of the 'flu epidemic.'" Such is the hopeful conviction of one of Ottawa's foremost physicians, Dr. H. C. Church.

"Chicago and New York haven't got the flu at all," he declared. "The cases reported so faithfully from day to day in such numbers are nothing more or less than what is popularly known as grippe. The symptoms are not different and the death rate no higher than the old and more familiar affliction.

"In my Ottawa practice I do not know of one person who had been attacked with the flu who has had a recurrence. The attacks seem to have immunized those who once fell victims and survived, while those not attacked were not susceptible to the disease at all.

"This scourge undoubtedly has swept the world in past ages. Its origin is mysterious and its sweep is widespread and disastrous. But a generation, or perhaps many generations, will elapse before it comes again in the deadly form that it did in 1918."

DIVORCE GRANTED

(Special to Times.)

Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 28—In the divorce court this morning Judge Crocket ordered a decree of divorce to issue in the case of Booker vs. Booker an action from Carleton county. R. L. Simms was proctor. No appearance was made for the defendant. Witnesses examined were R. W. L. Tibbits, Rev. Edwin Turner, Fred T. Booker the plaintiff, Albion R. Foster sheriff of Carleton county. It was said that the defendant was living in Lewiston as the wife of another man.

In Parker vs. Parker, the parties in which reside in Minto, J. J. F. Winslow appeared for Walter Limerick, proctor. Witnesses examined were Lawrence Whitlock, R. W. L. Tibbits, Fred Vernor and Sidney A. Parker the plaintiff. The case will be continued this afternoon.

The executive of the New Brunswick short ship circuit will meet here on Thursday afternoon at the call of President Heckbert of Chatham.

CONDENSED NEWS

Unanimous endorsation of proportional representation system of election for the city council was given by the Ottawa board of control yesterday afternoon.

Police officials who have been conducting a frenzied search for a man who had been bitten by a mad dog found him at his home yesterday. He felt no ill effects from his wounds.

The Montreal board of trade yesterday afternoon went on record against renewal of the business profits war tax and in favor of closer trade relations with the West Indies.

Proposals that the salaries of members of the French parliament be increased have been received quietly by the country.

President Poincare, accompanied by Premier Millerand, left Paris last evening for Belgium and will present the French war cross to the cities of Furnes, Nieuport, Dixmude and Ypres.

Subscriptions to the new Italian loan are reported to have reached twelve billion lire.

Mayor M. M. MacBride of Brantford, and Hon. Walter R. Rollo, minister of labor and health in the Ontario government, have buried the hatchet, and the threatened disruption of the labor party in the legislature has been avoided.

Rt. Rev. David Joseph Scollard, Bishop of North Bay, is suing Le Syndicate D'Oeuvres Sociale, Limited, publishers of Le Droit, for alleged libel over a despatch from Sturgeon Falls, which contended that the Bishop was discriminating against French-Canadian priests in appointing a parish priest at that place.

Labor members of the Ontario legislature are reported taking a stand against "Druryism and the one-man government now going on."

President Wilson today asked Secretary Glass to make another appeal to congress for authority to loan $150,000,000 to Poland, Austria and Armenia to relieve their desperate food situation.

FERRY TRAFFIC DELAYED.

Traffic was delayed for some time on the East Side ferry floats this morning, when an auto truck got stuck in the snow and was unable to get up the steep grade. While efforts were being made to get the truck up, one side of the floats was used by teams going on and coming off the ferry.

YEGGMEN IN QUEBEC.

Quebec, Jan. 28—Two yeggmen held up at the point of revolvers the manager of the Delmonico Hotel in St. Peter street, this city, at seven o'clock this inally set for Monday. The delay had morning and rifled the cash register, making away with $122. They were masked and armed.

LOCAL NEWS

EX-MACHINE GUN N. C. O.'s.

If you are an ex-Machine Gun N. C. O. several vacancies open, 7th Canadian Machine Gun Brigade, Armory. Recruiting 7.30 p. m. 28th January.

PERSONALS

Miss Florence Isaacs has returned after a five months' trip to Hartford and Portland, Conn.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Marr will leave this evening for Montreal, Toronto and New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred. B. Edgecombe of Fredericton and their daughter, Miss Fredericka Edgecombe, will leave next week for Alabama, where they will spend some weeks.

Harvey Morehouse of Southampton, was brought to Fredericton yesterday and taken to Victoria Hospital to undergo an operation.

Dr. G. C. Melvin, chief health officer of the province, is expected to return from Philadelphia today or Thursday. The condition of his daughter, Miss Alice Melvin, on account of whose illness he went to Philadelphia, is reported to be improved.

Moncton Transcript: F. Neil Brodie, of St. John, is in the city. Mr. Brodie designed the Edith Cavell school, this being the thirteenth school constructed under his plans.

Mrs. H. C. Read of Sackville has returned home after a visit of several months to friends in various parts of the United States, having spent the greater part of the time with her mother in Kansas.

Dr. R. C. Archibald, formerly of Mt. Allison, but for several years connected with an American college, is visiting friends in Sackville.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Harrington of St. John spent the week-end in Moncton. Miss Thelma Ahearn of Moncton, is visiting Mrs. R. D. Harrington in St. John.

HALIFAX TO HAVE A GREAT HOTEL?

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 28—William Duff, M. P., announced last night that a proposal for erecting a two million dollar hotel in Halifax was assuming concrete form and that the success of the proposition now depended solely on the support extended by citizens of Halifax. He declared that the persons promoting the hotel were prepared to spend approximately $1,500,000, provided that Halifax citizens subscribed another $500,000.

HIT BY THE VALLEY TRAIN; OVER BANK.

Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 28—During a blinding snow storm yesterday afternoon Mrs. Edward Jones, who lives near Oromocto, drove her horse and sleigh up the St. John Valley railway tracks at Burton, mistaking the tracks for the highway, and was run into by a C. N. R. train. Fortunately the train was not going very fast, but the sleigh was partly wrecked and the horse, rig and driver sent down over a thirty-eight-foot embankment. The woman and horse escaped.

NEW COMMANDER FOR 71ST REGIMENT

Fredericton, Jan. 28—Major W. H. Laughlin of Milltown, N. B., will probably become commander officer of the 71st York Regiment within a short time It is understood that Lieut. Col. W. H. Gray, the present commanding officer, will soon retire voluntarily with his full rank.

ANOTHER STAR FOUND.

Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 28—The discovery of another new star was announced last night by the Harvard College observatory, the Nova being discovered in the course of examination of plates taken two years ago. The position was right ascension 16 hours, 48 minutes, 24 seconds; declination minus 29 degrees, 27.8 minutes (1900.)

DENIAL THAT GREY SUPPORTED ANY ONE FOR U. S. PRESIDENCY

New York, Jan. 28—The British consul in New York today made public the following from the British government:—

"It is entirely untrue that Lord Grey while in America ever took any action in support of any candidate for the presidency, or ever expressed any preference for any one candidate over any other."

WIRELESS TELEPHONE.

Madrid, Jan. 27—Successful wireless telephonic tests have been made between the station at Arancuz, near Madrid, and Chelmsford, England, a distance of seven hundred miles. Conversations were carried on without difficulty.

HAS RESIGNED.

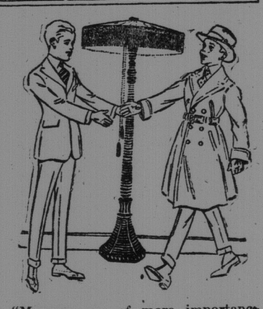
Washington, Jan. 27—Henry Fletcher has resigned as United States ambassador to Mexico to take effect in the course of the next few weeks.

Just So.

Somebody has invented the Talking Film, which, we suppose, is the direct descendent of the Speaking Likeness.—The Passing Show (London).

Let 'Em Flicker?

There is a distinction going on as to whether the pictures are bad for the sight. The general experience is that they bring a film before the eyes.—The Passing Show (London).



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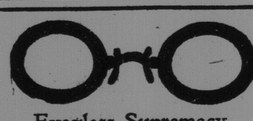

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High Tide	4.24	Low Tide	10.46
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PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Sailed Tuesday.

Str Fedora, for Antwerp.
Furness liner Glenspean, 3322, for Antwerp.

Arrived Jan. 28.

Coastwise—Str Keith Cann, 177 tons, from Westport, N S.

Sailed Jan. 28.

S S Caraquet, 2,975, for Bermuda and the B W I via Halifax.

MARINE NOTES.

The Furness liner Caterino arrived at Halifax yesterday morning on her way to St. John.

The S.S. Pretorian, C.P.O.S., will sail on Thursday with passengers and mail for Glasgow.

The Scandinavian, C.P.O.S., is expected on Thursday with passengers and a general cargo from Liverpool.

CANADIAN PORTS.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 28—Arvd 27th, stmrs Brighton, Anderson, Boston; Aghios Gerasimos, Castaropules, Ithica, Greece; Buffalo Bridge, Kruger, Lisbon; Caterino, Burnett, Liverpool; Wilpole, Gilloy, St. John; Manchester Mariner, Cabot, St. John; Hochelaga, McDonald, Louisburg; Minnekahda, Gates, London.

Sailed—Stmrs. War Vixen, Brow Head; Grampian Range, Hull.

MARINE NOTES.

The Furness Withy liner Glenspean will sail this afternoon for Antwerp with general cargo.

The Furness Withy liner Comino will sail tomorrow for Halifax.

The Anchor-Donaldson liner Cabotia is due to leave Glasgow today for St. John with cargo.

Too Much Soccer.

A London cable says: Manufacturers are organizing opposition to the playing of cup and league soccer matches in midweek. The loss resulting from attendance at such matches of, for example, 50,000 people at the Sheffield Wednesday-Darlington Cup match last Monday, is estimated at £25,000 sterling in wages. One hundred thousand pounds sterling trade loss is, it is urged, thus incurred at a time when every minister and economist is appealing for increased production as the only means to relieve the country's financial hardships.

THAT BIG BELGIAN ROLLING STOCK ORDER.

Ottawa, Jan. 28—It is understood here that large American firms know and are interested in the fact that the Belgian government is in the market for fifty locomotives, 18,000 freight cars and several passenger cars.

The proposal of Sir Henry Drayton that the companies themselves should extend five-eighths of the credit and the dominion government the balance, has been accepted by the companies. A fifty-fifty basis was originally suggested by the companies.

SHOTS FIRED INTO CAR IN IRELAND

Cork, Jan. 28—While Alexander M. Sullivan, sergeant at law and president of the Irish Association for the prevention of intemperance, was proceeding by train yesterday to Tralee to testify against eleven men accused of having attacked him on January -0, three shoots were fired into the car in which he was riding. Mr. Sullivan escaped injury, but a detective in the next coach was cut by broken glass.

FORLORN HOPE OF NEW YORK WETS FAILS.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 28—All hopes of wets that New York state might become the basis of a bone dry nation were dashed last night by the introduction in the New York legislative assembly of the Republican majority's programme providing strict enforcement of the federal constitutional prohibition amendment.