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ST. JOHN, N. B., FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 1904.

We Wish All
A Happy
And Prosperous
New Year.

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ICH MUSIC

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Pope Severely Critic-

Asks Reform.

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The Observator Ro-

is a letter from the pope

Reugh, vicar-general of

expressing a desire for a

n choir music. The pope

is satisfied with the

a offhand and vespers.

it is musical composi-

tion instituted for the de-

vout psalmody of the clergy. They
resemble old theatrical opera, and are
of little worth, only serving to feed the
curiosity of people of minor intelligence.
His holiness enjoins strict observance
of the rules of his predecessors, pre-
scribing the use of the Georgian chant.
His condemnations the transforming of such
services into concerts, and says the
organ is to be used only to support
not to drown, the singers. Long organ
preludes and intermissions are not to be
allowed. The piano must never be used
in church, nor any other noisy, frivol-
ous instruments, like the drum, cym-
bals or bells.

St. John, N. B., Jan. 1, 1904.

Happy New Year!

ou Bright, Happy and Prosperous New Year.

use of this year finds our business almost double
yearago. For this we wish to thank all those
so generously patronized this store. We have
endeavored to give the best CLOTHING VALUES
ST. JOHN, and this we are in a better position to do
over.

HARVEY, TAILORING AND CLOTHING,
199 and 201 Union St.

1904 FOOLED ST.
JOHN PEOPLE.

New Year Came Too Late for
the Celebration.

The Real Death of 1903 Did Not
Come Till 24 Minutes After
Midnight, Our Time.

Last night when the chimes of Trin-
ity rang out the midnight hour, several
thousands of persons gathered in the
city churches, bowed their heads or
knelt in silent prayer, in welcome and
thanksgiving for the new year. The
church bells chimed merrily, organs
played hymns of praise, and in scores
of private houses those who had gath-
ered wished each other a happy new
year.

Then the people who were out, went
home and crawled into bed happy and
satisfied in the thought that they had
welcomed 1904 in the most approved
manner.

They were all piously fooled, and not
until most of them had temporarily
forgotten their watch night and other
celebrations did the new year really
begin.

St. John clocks are set by Atlantic
standard time, which, not very long
ago, was generally adopted throughout
the Maritime Provinces. This differs
from the true time by twenty-four min-
utes and sixteen seconds. Consequently,
when the clocks here indicate noon
the sun has still twenty-four and a
quarter minutes to travel before reach-
ing its highest point. Thus, when the
congregations in the churches last
night thought it was midnight it was
really only twenty-four minutes to
twelve.

The services ended very shortly af-
ter the clocks struck the hour and the
people dispersed to their homes. Many
of them were snoring before the new
year really entered, but among those
who were still awake there was a cer-
tain curiosity as to why so many
steambath whistles were blowing.

Over at Sand Point all the winter
port steamers carry Greenwich time,
and as is usual on all ships, their
clocks are adjusted according to the
longitude in which the vessel may be.
Thus the steamers had true time, and
were not to be fooled by Trinity chimes
or any other civic subsidized affair. At
precisely 24 minutes sixteen seconds af-
ter the city clocks struck midnight the
whistles on those steamers were blown
and the strangers in St. John's winter
were the only ones who welcomed the
new year when it actually arrived.

A hand concert in John's winter
was a rather unusual affair, and is
still more unusual when it occurs at
King Street, where rather surprised last
night when the strains of a lively
march disturbed the peaceful air. The
Victoria rink had been entertained
by R. J. Armstrong to an order sup-
per at Breen's and afterwards went to
the Victoria hotel, where they played
the new year in—according to Atlantic
time. As Trinity sounded the chimes
gave Old Hundred. This was followed
by British Grenadiers and the Nation-
al Anthem, listened to by quite a large
crowd. D. W. McCormick treated the
boys to cigars.

Watch night services in different city
churches were well attended last night.
In Centenary a united service of that
congregation with that of Quinlan
Square and Carmarthen street church-
es was held. Rev. G. M. Campbell and
several appropriate selections were
given by the choir. In Trinity Canon
Richardson and Rev. G. R. E. McKim
aid officiated. In St. John's Stone, Rev.
John deBoys spoke; and in St. Luke's
Rev. R. P. McKim delivered an in-
teresting address on the past year. In
Zion church Rev. Dr. Wilson dealt with
the principal events of 1903, and in St.
Stephen's church Rev. D. J. Fraser
spoke on the lessons taught during that
year.

There came very near being an acci-
dent at the falls this forenoon and it
was only by lucky chance that a boy's
life was saved. A young fellow named
Johnson was playing with others on
the piece of land on the farther side
between the two bridges. The ground
was very slippery, being covered with
ice and hard snow, and the boy, ven-
turing too near the face of the rock,
began to slide. Realizing his danger,
he screamed for help, but would have
been over the bank and down to the
water, a drop of fully sixty feet, had
not his foot happened to catch on a
small stone projecting above the snow.
This stopped him, and falling on his
knees he managed to hang on at the
very edge of the rock until assistance
arrived.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

Between ten and eleven o'clock last
night, a large scow loaded with lum-
ber which was being transferred to
the Manchester City at Sand Point
broke away from its moorings and
was carried up the harbor by the cur-
rent. The scow when going through
the falls caught on West Head, under
the cantilever bridge, and was hung
up for some time, being badly pounded
on the rocks. While in this position
some of the lumber was lost and will
not be recovered. The scow, which was
a new one, was owned by W. Malcolm
McKay and will be a total loss.

SCOW WRECKED.

Rev. E. J. Bodman, pastor of the
Bible Baptist Christian Church, Fall
River, Mass., has among his flock a
number of the mill operatives whose
wages were cut 10 per cent. recently.
Mr. Bodman concluded that the salary
of \$800 per year should suffer the same
cut, so he voluntarily reduced it by
\$80, the same to remain in effect as
long as the local depression exists.

Bourke (Victoria) has been visited by
a plague of mosquitoes. So great was
the number that the lamps were ex-
tinguished and for the remainder of the
night the town was in absolute dark-
ness.

RUSSIA SHOWS HER HAND;
WAR IS ALMOST CERTAIN.

Japanese Proposals Refused—England
Gives Up Hope For Peace—Both
Sides Ready.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—Baron Hayashi,
the Japanese minister here, has been
informed from Paris that Russia has
decided not to grant the Japanese pro-
posals.

This is the first intimation anyone
here admits having received since the
Russian reply.

The baron said to a representative of
the Associated Press: "If my informa-
tion from Paris is borne out by the
wording of the Russian reply and if
the Japanese government adhere to
its present determination, there seems
to be small possibility of averting
war."

The British foreign office is unable
to confirm or deny Baron Hayashi's
information. The officials, however,
say they are not surprised at the tenor
of his advice.

The foreign office seems inclined to
think that Russia will, if possible,
avoid making a reply of any kind to
the last Japanese note.

NO HOPE FOR PEACE.

LONDON, Jan. 1, 5.50 p. m.—Foreign
secretary Lansdowne has informed one
of the foreign ambassadors that he has
practically given up all hopes of peace.
At the embassy here, the statement
made by Baron Hayashi, the Japan-
ese minister, today, that he had been
informed from Paris that Russia has
decided not to grant the Japanese pro-
posals, is regarded as being most
grave, especially in view of the minis-
ter's statement that his information
came from Paris and the fact that he
permitted such information to become
known at this critical stage.

GERMANY STILL DOUBTS.

BERLIN, Jan. 1, 4.45 p. m.—The Ger-
man government has been informed that
Russia's reply to Japan is not
intended to satisfy Japan. The aroused
state of Japanese public opinion is
not believed that war is within the pro-
babilities, and this view, the Associated
Press learns, has been communicated
to the representatives of the pow-
ers in Berlin.

RUSSIA'S REPLY, IT IS UNETHICALLY AN-
HOUNDED, WAS SENT TO JAPAN YESTERDAY.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—In a special
cable from London today the Herald
discloses the following: Bennett Burleigh,
writing to the Daily Telegraph from
Tokyo, says: "Though New Year's day
has been celebrated with great festivi-
ties throughout Japan, the situation
remains most serious and has grown
worse, if that be possible.
"Japan has hurried forward the com-
pletion of several new torpedo boats
and arranged to fit out certainly three
of her best mercantile vessels as arm-
ed cruisers. The greatest activity and
vigilance is being displayed by her
navy.
"Since January last, Russia has been
stealthily increasing the number of her
fighting ships in the Far East. At that
time her total tonnage was 100,000
tons, but at the beginning of the new year
it will be 200,000 tons more.
"Of the ships under orders of Japan,
the total tonnage is about 170,000. An-

GOOD RESOLUTIONS.

Some New Year's Decisions Made
Last Night by People Known
in St. John.

The Star is fortunate enough to be
able to present to its readers a few of
the good resolutions that were made
as the old year died last night. We
have columns of them on hand, but
only publish a few of those in whom
the city may be most interested. Here
they are:

I will be a candidate.—Col. Tucker.

No, you won't; I will.—Col. McLean.

No, you won't; I will.—Harry Mc-

Keown.

No, you won't; I will.—Dick O'Brien.

Barkis is willing.—Ed. Lantulum.

I will lead the St. John Herald.—The

Globe.

I will . . . Say, hold on a minute;

wait till I call up Ottawa. "Hello; is

that Ottawa?" "Is that you give me

Dave Russell?" "What's that you say

Can't find him?" Oh, darn. No I have

no New Year's resolution formulated

yet.—The Telegraph.

I will never say another naughty

word about that dear Grand Trunk

Pacific Railway.—Blair.

I will keep on hoping.—Emmerson.

I will buy again the first chance I

get.—The ferry boat.

I will try cereal food for a change.—

The I. C. R. Elevator.

I'd just as soon be mayor, if you ask

me.—Deputy Mayor McCordick.

I will not love the Chief of Police.—

Magistrate Ritchie.

I will not love the magistrate.—Chief

Clark.

Wait till you see me next year.—An

Old Maid.

We will never, never forsake the

common council.—The Aldermen.

One of the officials of the Hungarian

railways, a lawyer, has started

his colleagues by resigning—yep, up-

pointment and becoming a showmaker's

apprentice. He is a follower of

tol.

A PITILESS
INVESTIGATION

More Arrests in Co
With Chicago F

Latest Figures say 582

Injured and 312 Miss

Result of Disaster

CHICAGO, Jan. 1.—Pitiless

tion of the Iroquois Theatre

today divided attention with

of the dead. The removal

from the public morgue

undertaking establishments

fresh element of uncertainty

ing totals of dead and mis-

count of actual corpses most

agreed upon was 582, in-

cluded and 312 unidentified

missing vary greatly, one

putting the total at 511. It

figured as 104. More arrests

who may be held responsible

today to be not impossible.

Twelve arrests made as a

ordered on information that

the stage employees were

leave the city.

Early this morning

the central station

Punkett, assistant

the theatre, and a

"moonlight" picture

about to appear on t

fire started at Punk-

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