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How much more pleasant it is to make all your purchases in comfort with careful consideration given to the choice of gifts, than to wait until everyone in the store is overworked in the task of coping with the wave of business that comes with the last few days. We are much better prepared to fill your needs now than the Christmas stocks are complete, and salespeople are ready to give you all the attention you need.

- Women's Neckwear, a complete assortment, 25c. to \$1.75 each.
Kid Gloves, a splendid variety, .60c. to \$1.50 pair
Handkerchiefs, of every description, 4c. to \$1.50 each.
Ladies' Belts, stylish designs, .25c. to \$1.25 pair
Ladies' and Children's Hose, extra value, 20c. to 75c. pair.
Ladies' and Children's Fabric Gloves, in endless variety, 15c. to \$1.00 pair.
Dress Goods at greatly reduced prices, \$1.00 goods for 50c. yard.

DOWLING BROTHERS 95 and 101 King St.

Clothing For Christmas

Economies effected by buying the Suit or Overcoat here will leave the Holiday Purse in condition to purchase more Christmas Cheer for others. And the economies of our clothing are REAL economies. The prices are moderate—and the VALUE is exceptional. We offer new Suits of Sterling Worth, in black or blue all wool, and finely finished fabrics, at \$16, \$18, \$22 and \$25. Also tweeds and worsteds of the newest modes at \$10, \$12, \$15, \$18 to \$25.

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The smart-shouldered, roomy models that are both correct and comfortable. Single and double breasted. Many shades and patterns. \$10, \$12, \$15, \$18, \$20, to \$25. Good Christmas Gifts—Knitted and Fancy Vests in exclusive designs, \$2 to \$5.

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68 King Street Tailoring and Clothing "A GOOD PLACE TO BUY GOOD CLOTHES"

Stores open evenings until after Xmas.

Gift Umbrellas

ATTRACTIVE SHOWING OF THE FINEST QUALITY FOR GENTLEMAN AND LADIES, In Anderson's Window Direct From the Makers, in Silk and Linen, with neat covers and handles in Gold, Pearl, Gun Metal, and others

\$2.00 up to \$15.00 INITIALS ENGRAVED FREE

ANDERSON & CO. Manufacturing Furriers. 55 Charlotte St. Store open evenings

Trunks, Suit Cases, Valises

What could be more suitable as a Christmas Gift? Now is the time to buy. Prices will never be more in your favor. SUIT CASES, \$1.75 to \$6.75 VALISES, (All Sizes) \$1.50 to \$4.50 TRUNKS, \$2.95 to \$5.00

S. W. McMACKIN 335 Main Street.

A SYSTEM

Controls our practice of dentistry. When a properly directed system—and skill—control practice—the result is perfection. It is in our case—in our work. Our practice is divided into departments—each in charge of experts in that work—and all equipped with the most perfect facilities—mechanical and operative. Our system enables us to do more work—better—and yet quicker—consequently cheaper, quality considered. Agents for the Famous Hale Method of Painless Dentistry.

BOSTON DENTAL PARLORS Dr. J. D. Maher, Prop. 527 Main Street.

CIRCULATION

Table showing average daily circulation of the Times for the last eleven months: January 6,716; February 6,978; March 7,165; April 7,189; May 7,003; June 7,029; July 7,028; August 7,022; September 7,029; October 7,018; November 7,063.

The Times does not get its largest sale through newboys. It is delivered at the homes. That is the kind of circulation which is of value to advertisers.

THIS EVENING

Santa Claus, moving pictures, Master Charles Parker and other features at the Nickel. Motion pictures and illustrated songs at the Star, north end. Skating at Victoria Rink. Queen's Rink open for skating. Concert in Seaman's Institute by Pierrot Troupe of R. M. S. Tunnison.

LOCAL NEWS

A pair of spectacles found in Charlotta street may be had at the office of the chief of police.

A useful wall calendar has been received from Geo. O. Dickson City, general agent of the Law Union & Rock Ins. Co., Ltd.

Norwegian steamer Karen, Captain Pedersen, arrived at R. Reford Co. today from Boston and Havana to load for Havana.

B. B. Hardwick, of Annapolis, one of the best known travellers among the commercial men, was at the Victoria yesterday on his way home for Christmas, after a long business trip.

On Sunday last E. M. Sipprell, teacher in the Order of the Brotherhood in Victoria street Baptist Church, received a handsome and costly travelling bag, with his monogram engraved in gold letters, from the members of the order. The presentation was made in recognition of the many services he has rendered while instructor.

C. P. R. steamship Lake Michigan, Captain Troop, sailed this morning at 8 o'clock for London and Antwerp via Halifax. She took twenty-five passengers here and about 100 more will join the ship at Halifax. The Michigan took away a full cargo, including 435 cattle.

For the convenience of the general public, Hon. A. T. Dunn, collector of customs, has given orders that the parcel post at the post office be kept open till 11 o'clock on the nights of the 23rd and 24th for the delivery of Christmas parcels; also on Xmas day till 12 o'clock.

The funeral of Miss Amelia A. Northrup was held yesterday morning from her late residence, Kingston, Kings county. The body was taken to the church burial ground in Trinity churchyard, where Rev. H. S. Wainwright officiated at the services. The pallbearers were: C. Peters, L. Belyea, A. Paddock and R. Foster. H. E. Northrup, of this city, a brother of the deceased, returned yesterday from Kingston.

In the Inter-Society bowling league tonight the Knights of Columbus will play the I. L. & B. Society and Holy Trinity will play the C. M. B. A. If they defeat the C. M. B. A. tonight, Holy Trinity team will win the league. If they lose they will tie with the former for the honor. Tonight will also be the last opportunity to win the pipe for the highest individual average which is at present held by Walter Harris.

British steamship Teodora de Larrinaga, Captain Bess, sailed this morning for Boston and New York to load for the River Plate. Thomson line steamship Bertha (Nor), Captain Anamorth, sailed today for Havana, with a large general cargo, consisting of potatoes, oats, lumber, etc. South Africa Elder-Dompteur line steamship Benin, Captain Cole, has cleared for Cape Town, Port Elizabeth, Durban and Port Natal, with a large cargo, consisting of flour, machinery, etc. The steamer will go direct.

CHRISTMAS

TRADE IS GOOD SAY MERCHANTS

Several merchants speaking of the Christmas trade this year, stated yesterday that it has been most satisfactory and the general expectation is that the volume of business will considerably exceed that done in the past few years. Every day, for the past few weeks, the stores have been thronged with buyers, but as many 'put it off' until the last, and as only very few stores will close before Christmas, the rush is likely to be greater than ever. Almost all the stores will be open tonight, Thursday and Friday, and clerks will be kept busy supplying the wants of the shoppers.

SEEGE WILL APPEAL

Land Case to Be Taken to Higher Court After Christmas, He Says

John A. Seege, the defendant in the recent land dispute in which the Turnbull Real Estate Co. was the plaintiff, said this morning that through his lawyer, Dr. J. A. Curry, he was going to appeal from the decision given by Judge Ritchie in the police court, and have the case taken before Judge Forbes in the county court, a little after Christmas. Mr. Seege still contends that the property which was under dispute, is his by right of pioneer settlement, and says he will try to recover it in a higher court.

N. W. BROWN WILL SPEAK

Many persons in different parts of Canada are taking advantage of the Canadian system of old age annuities. St. John people will have an opportunity to learn all about this system next Monday evening, when N. W. Brown, government lecturer, will speak in the Every Day Club hall, Union street, and fully explain the subject. Mr. Brown is a very interesting speaker and should be greeted by a full house. The meeting will be free to all.

MAIL RUSH FAR AHEAD OF OTHER YEARS

Forty Per Cent. Increase—Six Extra Carriers on the Route Today

Six extra men are assisting the regular carriers today in distributing the mails about the city and thirteen extra men are assisting the post office staff in sorting the record breaking accumulation of mail matter that has piled in for Christmas. Last week there was an increase of about 25 per cent over the same week last year, and this week the increase has amounted thus far to about 40 per cent. The employees are kept busy well into the night to keep up with the work.

It is expected that several teams will have to be secured for a few days to carry around the large number of parcels that are coming in from all over the country. To assist the staff at the post office an arrangement has been made whereby the mails for New Brunswick points from the United States are sorted in the new postal room of the Union depot. If some such arrangement had not been made the work in the post office would be very much congested.

One of the officials at the post office today referred to the fact that many people here are sending to Great Britain and other European ports post cards which are dusted with mica or other rough material. These cards, he said, are not allowed to go through the mails to these places and many have been thrown aside to be returned to the senders, if they are known, or if not they will be destroyed. If enclosed in an envelope and sufficient postage is affixed, they would go through all right. English mails via New York will close tomorrow and will go from New York on Friday, reaching the old country in time for New Year's.

XMAS TREES STOLEN FROM KING SQ. LOT

Here's a Fine Spirit for the Happy Season—One Dealer Loses More Than Twenty

In many homes in St. John the opinion prevails that without a tree Christmas day loses much of its attractiveness. But it would seem from the statements made by some of the 'tree merchants' in King Square that some people have but little scruples as to the manner or place in which to acquire their Christmas trees. On Sunday evening last almost forty trees disappeared from the long lines along the side of the square, and their owners are at a loss to know their present whereabouts. A number of them belonged to a young man named Morrill, he counting more than twenty among the missing. The aid of the police was invoked in the matter, but with few exceptions, those who made love to the trees, leaving no clue to their identities.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN PAYS \$8 FINE

No Worry to Namesake of the Fistic Gentlemen as He Has \$200 Roll—Police Court Today

Judge Ritchie dealt with a number of cases this morning in the police court. Morris Daley pleaded guilty to a charge of assaulting his brother, James, in Bennett street on Dec. 18. The warrant was sworn out on that day and the defendant has been working on different steamers since. His brother pleaded guilty to the charge and asked that he be excused.

John Daley said that his brother had told him that he had not intended to hurt him, simply giving him a playful shove. His honor said that this yarn was rather flimsy and he remanded the prisoner.

William Lasker pleaded not guilty to using abusive language to Captain Gale on the tugboat W. H. Murray. The complaint said he did not wish to press the matter and the case was dismissed.

Henry Belyea pleaded guilty to a charge of using insulting language to John Vincent in the lobby of the Star theatre. He said he was intoxicated at the time and was not responsible for his words. He was fined \$8 and apologized to him.

Mr. Vincent said that he would like the charge withdrawn as he did not think the language would have been used if the defendant were in full possession of his senses, as he was a respectable man. The case was dismissed.

A gentleman bearing the illustrious name of John L. Sullivan forfeited a deposit of \$8 on a charge of drunkenness. He was arrested last night, and will hardly miss the greenbacks as he had a roll of a couple of hundred in his possession.

George Arsenault, a boy aged twelve, was in court, charged with trespassing on the I. C. R. wharf and stealing coal from the wharf with a small hand-cart and seeing some pieces of coal lying about put them in his cart. I. C. R. Policeman Smith happened along and told him that he would be reported for taking the coal, and so he put it back.

Policeman Smith spoke very favorably of the lad's behaviour. He said that when he accosted the young fellow, the latter spoke very truthfully in answer to his questions. His honor said that it was not the value of the coal, but the fact of its being taken. He warned the boy about keeping away from the pier and allowed him to go as the policeman had spoken very favorably of him.

I. C. R. SPECIAL HOLIDAY SUBURBAN TRAINS ANNOUNCED It has been decided by the Intercolonial Railway to run a special passenger train between Hampton Station and St. John for the accommodation of suburban patrons on the twenty-second, twenty-third, and twenty-fourth and thirty-first December as follows:—Leave Hampton 12.30 o'clock, arrive St. John 1.15 o'clock, returning leave St. John 2.30 o'clock, arrive Hampton 3.25.

USEFUL XMAS GIFTS

- FOR THE BABIES WARM SLIPPERS . . . . . 48c.
FOR THE CHILDREN, WARM SLIPPERS . . . . . 48c. and 68c.
FOR BROTHER, SKATING BOOTS . . . . . \$1.68 to \$2.48
FOR MOTHER, WARM SLIPPERS . . . . . 48c. to \$1.18
FOR FATHER, WARM SLIPPERS . . . . . 88c. to \$1.38
OR AN OVERCOAT . . . . . \$3.98 to \$12.48
OR A NICE WARM, FANCY VEST, WITH KNITTED BACK, \$1.48, \$1.78, \$2.48
OR A COAT SWEATER . . . . . \$1.48, \$1.78, \$2.48
OR NICE SILK TIES IN GIFT BOXES AT . . . . . 25c., 35c., 50c.

Does the Boy Need an Overcoat? Here they are \$1.98, \$2.48, \$2.98 and \$3.98

Your friends will appreciate these useful gifts just as much at these prices and you will save the difference

C. B. PIDGEON, Cor. Main and Bridge Sts



Do You Want to Give a Useful as Well as Ornamental Present—Then Buy a Glenwood Range

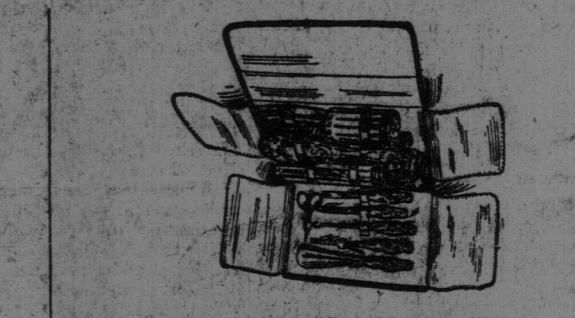
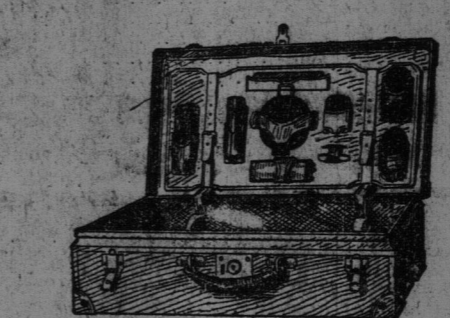
While we are putting Glenwood Ranges into homes this week we can put one in for you. It makes a useful as well as ornamental Xmas present, one that the longer you have it, the better you will enjoy it. We have several ranges to put up between this and Friday afternoon, and if you are still thinking about a Glenwood Range we would like you to order at once. The Glenwood Ranges are well spread over the city. Everyone we sell, sells another. They are made in St. John. Details of all kinds that make good Xmas presents. Store open every evening till Xmas.

McLean, Holt & Co. Phone 1545. 155 Union St.

Open evenings till Christmas December 22, 1909

Gifts Among Leather Goods

Exclusive Gifts, Beautiful Gifts, Useful Gifts—Our Leather Goods department can supply almost any need of the gift-seeker. One of the most practical gifts for anyone who travels is luggage.



- Leather Valises . . . . . \$2.75 to \$20.00
Suit Cases, all kinds at any price
Fitted Suit Cases . . . . . \$15.00 and up
Club Bags . . . . . \$3.50 to \$25.00
English Kit Bags . . . . . \$7.50 to \$25.00
Crush Collar Bags, all colors . . . . . 75c to \$2.50
Pocket Books and Bill Rolls . . . . . 50c to \$1.50
Fitted Dressing Cases . . . . . \$3.00 to \$15.00
Travelling Sets with complete fittings that roll up . . . . . \$1.25 to \$12.00
Shaving Sets with Magnifying Glass . . . . . \$1.75 to \$8.50
Military Brushes with or without case, two in a set . . . . . \$1.00 to \$5.50
Military Brushes and Clothes Brush in fancy box . . . . . 4.50 to \$6.50
Smoking Sets . . . . . \$1.00 to \$5.00
Pipe Backs . . . . . 75c to \$2.50
Vest Buttons and Cuff Links to match . . . . . \$2.75
Stick Pins . . . . . 50c to \$2.50
Watch Fobs . . . . . 50c to \$3.50

King Street Cor. Cernialb GREATER OAK HALL SCOVIL BROS. LIMITED, St. John, N. B.

This Store is Holiday Headquarters

Because of the Superiority of Its Assortments, Qualities and Values

It is at this time that demands upon a store's stocks are greatest and most exacting. We meet them with the fullest displays of 'good will' goods and with prices that enable the purse to extend to its full scope of remembering the greatest number. Beautiful gift things abound—extra salespeople insure prompt serving. Do not fail to visit this great Christmas bazaar often—each day will possess a new interest.

- Ladies' Silk Hose . . . . . 85c. to \$4.50
Ladies' Lisle Hose . . . . . 50c. to \$1.20
Ladies' Cashmere Hose . . . . . 25c. to \$1.05
Ladies' Gaiters . . . . . 50c. to \$1.20
Ladies' Overstockings . . . . . 30c. to 75c.
Children's Cashmere Hose . . . . . 20c. to 60c.
Children's Wool Hose . . . . . 20c. to 60c.
Children's Gaiters . . . . . 75c. to \$1.00
Children's Overstockings . . . . . 20c. to 50c.
Children's Overalls . . . . . 60c. to 90c.
Ladies' Motor Veils . . . . . 75c. to \$3.00
Ladies' Novelty Veils, all prices.
Hand Painted Pillows . . . . . \$4.00 to \$6.00
Handkerchief and Glove Sachets, 25c. to \$2
Fancy Pin Cushions . . . . . 20c. to \$1.00
Art Needlework Novelties, all prices.
Fancy Stock Collars . . . . . 15c. to \$2.00
Lace Stock Collars . . . . . 20c. to \$1.50
Lace Yokes . . . . . 40c. to \$3.00
Lace Collars . . . . . 25c. to \$5.00
Lace Sets . . . . . 50c. to \$8.00
Embroidered Collars . . . . . 15c. to 30c.
Fancy Bows . . . . . 15c. to 35c.
Lace Scarfs . . . . . \$1.00 to \$9.00
Crepe de Chene Scarfs . . . . . 75c. to \$10.00
Lace Jabots . . . . . 35c. to \$2.00
Mufflers . . . . . 25c. to \$1.50
Sash Ribbons, Hair Ribbons, Christmas Ribbons, Fancy Ribbons, all prices.

All M. R. A. Stores Open Tonight Until 10 o'clock ANNEX—GROUND FLOOR. Manchester Robertson Allison, Ltd.