

## THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Fresh southwest-  
erly to southerly winds, a few  
local snow flurries, but for the  
most part fair and moderately  
cold.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Fore-  
cast: Northern New England—  
Fair and warmer Monday;  
Tuesday fair. Winds—North At-  
lantic, moderate, west.

Toronto, Dec. 27.—A few light  
local snowfalls or flurries have  
occurred in all provinces, but  
the weather has been for the  
most part fair, and in Ontario  
and Quebec not so cold.

Temperatures.

	Min.	Max.
Vancouver	40	46
Edmonton	10	14
Battleford	14	4
Calgary	32	32
Moose Jaw	19	6
Regina	24	10
Winnipeg	16	4
Toronto	14	26
Ottawa	20	26
Montreal	10	20
Halifax	14	18

—Below zero.

## Around the City

LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
BY-ELECTION

W. B. Tennant, Chairman.  
Phone Main 484.  
G. Earle Logan, Secretary.  
Phone Main 1300.

## For Shelter.

Four protectionists sought shelter in  
the police station Saturday night from  
the bitter cold.

## Police Make Peace

The police were called into Joseph  
Nichols' house on Lombard street Sat-  
urday night to quell a disturbance.

## Found

The police report finding on Satur-  
day night two bars of iron on Dock  
street, a lady's veil on King square,  
and a man's fur-lined glove on Union  
street.

## Horse Rescued

About one o'clock yesterday morn-  
ing the police found a horse and  
sleigh, owned by Charles Crawford,  
wandering about on Brussels street  
and placed the same in Mr. Craw-  
ford's stables on Germain street.

The St. John Protestant Orphan's  
Home

The following additional subscrip-  
tions are acknowledged by the treas-  
urer: James Myles, \$10; Mrs. L. H.  
Roberts, \$5; friend, \$50; Christmas  
service (United Presbyterians held in  
St. Andrew's church, \$30.35).

## Small Blaze

A small fire occurred in the house  
of Stephen Shaw, Station road, Fair-  
ville, on Saturday morning. It broke  
out in the wall, under the sink, in the  
kitchen, and although the fire depart-  
ment quickly responded to a call the  
blaze was easily extinguished without  
its aid. No great amount of damage  
was done.

## Mr. Hazen Called Away

On account of being called away by  
urgent business Hon. J. D. Hazen  
was unable to pay a visit to the St. John  
Conservative Club on Saturday even-  
ing as he had intended doing. A large  
number of the members of the club  
gathered at their rooms in the Mar-  
ket building in the expectation of  
meeting the Minister and they were  
much disappointed when it was an-  
nounced that he had been unexpect-  
edly called away.

## Christmas Tree

The Christmas tree exercises in  
connection with the Municipal Home  
were held Saturday afternoon. Large  
trees were loaned to the children and  
each inmate received a useful present.  
There was candy and fruit for the  
children. Many visitors from town  
were present and inspected the build-  
ing. This was the first Christmas ex-  
ercises held since the installation of  
the electric lights in the Home.

## Founded Chinese Class.

During the closing exercises of the  
United Baptist Sunday school, Brus-  
sels street, yesterday, the superinten-  
dent, L. A. Belyea, on behalf of Wal-  
ter H. Golding, presented to the Chi-  
nese department of the school a por-  
trait of Mrs. John Golding, senior.  
This gift was highly appreciated not  
only by the teachers but by the Chi-  
nese boys. It may be mentioned that  
Mrs. Golding was, perhaps, one of  
the first to take an active interest in  
Chinese Sunday school work in the  
city, and was the means of organizing  
a Chinese choir. The portrait will be  
hung in the room where the Chinese  
class meets.

## Christmas Cantata.

Special music was provided yester-  
day evening in Fairville Methodist  
church, the choir singing the cantata  
"The First Christmas." The regular  
routine of service was dispensed with,  
the rendering of the cantata, which  
consists of fifteen numbers, occupying  
the entire evening. There was a large  
congregation, notwithstanding the cold  
weather. The choruses were sung with  
fine effect, as were the solo parts which  
were taken by Mrs. H. M. Stout, Miss  
Blanche McColgan and H. M. Stout.  
So well pleased were those who heard  
the music that it is likely "The First  
Christmas" will be repeated.

Christmas Service at Seamen's Mission  
About seven sailors were present at  
the Christmas service in the Sea-  
men's Mission last evening. Special  
music was provided, the men of the  
sea joining heartily in the Christmas  
hymns. A short address was given by  
Rev. Mr. Champion of Zion Methodist  
church. Solos were given by Hew  
Walker. At the close of the meeting  
tickets were distributed for the an-  
nual Christmas treat to be given by  
the ladies' auxiliary on Wednesday  
evening. A large number of sailors  
are expected and active preparations  
have been going on, making the much  
prized comfort bags which are given  
to each sailor.

HON. MR. BAXTER ENDORSED  
BY ELECTORS OF SIMONDS

Enthusiastic Political gathering Saturday, at Gard-  
ner's Creek—Attorney-General and other prom-  
inent Speakers.

One of the most enthusiastic politi-  
cal gatherings ever held in the Parish  
of Simonds took place at Wallace's  
Hall, Gardner's Creek, on Saturday  
evening. The meeting was called in  
the interests of the Hon. John B. M.  
Baxter, Attorney-General, and the ap-  
plause that greeted the remarks of  
Messrs. Baxter and Carson and gave  
them a great majority over their op-  
ponents.

Mr. Logan said that Coun. John  
O'Brien of Fairville, one of the leading  
Liberals of the county, had signed  
Hon. Mr. Baxter's nomination paper.  
Coun. O'Brien would probably remain  
a member of the Liberal party, but he  
believed Mr. Baxter was the proper  
representative for St. John County  
and consequently was giving him his sup-  
port.

Coun. O'Brien was the next speaker.  
He said he desired merely to address  
a few remarks to the meeting, speak-  
ing from the practical standpoint of  
what served for the best interests of  
the people of St. John County as a  
whole. "I am a member of the Liberal  
party, but I support Hon. Mr. Baxter  
because it is my firm conviction that  
he is the best man we can send to  
Fredericton," said Mr. O'Brien. The  
interests of the people of St. John  
County would be well looked after by  
Hon. Mr. Baxter who was a man of  
great worth. Irrespective of party af-  
filiations, he felt the electors of this  
county would be justified in giving  
their support to the Attorney-General,  
who was now in a position to do even  
more than ever before for the people  
of St. John. Hon. Mr. Baxter was a  
man who had a distinguished career  
in his chosen profession, as well as in  
the Common Council and Municipal  
Council and later in the Legislative  
Assembly at Fredericton. So long as  
he continued to work for the best in-  
terests of St. John County, he could  
count on his own people's hearty  
support. In Coun. Thomas Carson, M.  
L.A., Mr. Baxter has a colleague whom  
the speaker highly esteemed and a  
man who also worked for the best in-  
terests of his parish in the Municipal  
Council.

Coun. O'Brien said he was particu-  
larly impressed with the efficiency of  
the organization of the club and con-  
gratulated the members of the club  
they were doing. He concluded by ex-  
tending the members the greetings of  
the season.

Luther B. Smith, who contested  
Queensbury at the last Dominion  
election, was the last speaker of the  
evening and he paid a high tribute to  
the worth of Hon. Mr. Baxter. He  
pointed out the absurdity of any op-  
position to Mr. Baxter's election.

Mr. Smith spoke in a humorous man-  
ner of some of the leaders in the op-  
position ranks. There were familiar  
faces at the gathering of friends of the  
opposition at Fredericton, and many of  
those distinguished politicians had  
been connected with some of the most  
pernicious transactions in the history  
of the province of New Brunswick, in-  
cluding the Central Railway and the  
scandal in connection with the Inter-  
colonial Railway tickets. There did  
not seem much danger that the people  
of New Brunswick, who since 1908  
had been given an honest adminis-  
tration of public affairs would change to  
the disorganized methods that prevail-  
ed under the old regime and which  
many of the men supporting the old  
regime would like to foist upon  
the people of the province. New  
Brunswick had advanced in a most  
satisfactory manner under this admin-  
istration. The great development  
of the club to continue their organiza-  
tion so that they could prove as effec-  
tive a factor as possible in giving Hon.  
Mr. Baxter and Mr. Carson a hand-  
some majority at the next general elec-  
tion.

The meeting—one of the most mem-  
orable in that section of the county—  
closed with cheers for the King and  
Hon. Mr. Baxter.

HOW SOLDIERS  
SPENT SUNDAY

Army Service Corps par-  
aded to Ludlow Street  
Baptist Church—Dr. Ray-  
mond conducted service  
on Island.

Yesterday the members of the Army  
Service Corps on duty on the West  
Side paraded to the Ludlow street Bat-  
tist church where a special sermon  
was preached by the pastor, Rev. W.  
R. Robinson. The ladies of the church  
had invited the members of the corps  
to an entertainment to be given in the  
church hall on Tuesday evening.

Rev. Dr. Raymond, chaplain of the  
3rd Regiment, who went to Partridge  
Island Sunday morning to conduct di-  
vine service for the artillery men sta-  
tioned there, had a rather trying ex-  
perience. The motor boat on which he  
went down to the island got aground  
and the Archdeacon had to make the  
trip to the mainland in a rowboat.

The provisional schools for artillery  
officers which have been closed for  
Christmas will be re-opened this eve-  
ning. One school is conducted at the  
armory and the other on Partridge Is-  
land.

The Army Service Corps has recruit-  
ed its full complement and a large  
number of volunteers had to be turn-

ed down. The corps has six officers  
and 185 men. The officers believe they  
have the finest corps organized in Can-  
ada. The men are being drilled daily,  
and are getting in fine shape.

Owing to the large number of men  
on leave the 26th Overseas Regiment  
did not hold a church parade  
yesterday. Most of the men on leave  
are expected back today, and the usual  
routine of work will be resumed.

## Scows Adrift

Last night about 8.30 two lumber  
scows broke adrift from the steamship  
Scottish Monarch lying at Sand Point  
and drifted up the harbor. They were  
secured at the head of the harbor by  
Boatman Doherty without any real  
damage being done.

## Thursday Night's Big Event.

The seating plan for the New Year's  
Eve theatricals in Imperial Theatre  
is on view at the stores in the theatre  
building. The public sale of tickets is  
going on at Nelson's, King street and  
the Imperial. Box reservations have  
been made by Col. J. L. McAvity of  
the 26th Overseas Regiment, Mayor  
Frank, the Hon. J. D. Hazen and oth-  
ers. Aside from the meritorious en-  
tertainment—the British military dra-  
ma "Ours"—it will be a gala welcom-  
ing of what everybody expects will be  
our Emperor's first year. The High  
School Alumnæ are to be commended  
for their effort in aid of the Belgium  
and Red Cross Funds.

## WILL HOLD A RALLY.

There will be a grand rally of Hon.  
Mr. Baxter's friends and supporters  
in Beacomfield at the Local Govern-  
ment Committee rooms, 19 Dufferin  
Row, on Tuesday evening. Addresses  
will be delivered by Hon. Mr. Baxter,  
Hon. John E. Wilson, C. B. Lockhart,  
M. L. A., and others.

## PARK HOTEL, KING SQUARE.

PRINCIPLES  
WHICH MAKE  
FOR PEACE

Dr. W. C. Kierstead depre-  
cates spirit revenge, and  
expresses faith in tri-  
umph of human brother-  
hood.

We will conquer in this war but let  
us not allow ourselves to be conquer-  
ed by the spirit of hate and revenge  
for only by adhering to the principles  
of Christianity can we hope to arrive  
at conditions which will assure perma-  
nent peace, was the message deliver-  
ed by Dr. W. C. Kierstead to a large  
congregation in the Germain street  
Baptist church last evening. The  
preacher dwelt upon the causes of the  
present war, and gave an eloquent ex-  
position of the principles upon which  
ultimate peace might be established.

Deeper than the antagonisms of  
race, deeper than the passions which  
war loose, was the fundamental  
principle of human brotherhood, he  
said. In an age of caste, when the  
common people counted for nothing,  
Christ had preached human brother-  
hood and human equality. Against  
the haughtiness, the harshness, the  
ruthless rule of force, the oppression  
of the masses which characterized the  
Roman civilization, Christ had pre-  
sented the principle of service, the ex-  
ercise of love, the doctrine of human  
brotherhood, as the only principles  
upon which humanity could build to  
the glory of God and the happiness of  
mankind.

The speaker said that the war in  
Europe was at least demonstrating  
the practical quality of men. In val-  
or, in efficiency, in self-devotion and  
contempt for death, there was little  
to choose between the English,  
French, Russians, Germans, the yellow  
races from Asia, or the black races  
from Africa. Wounded soldiers on  
the battle field helped enemies in  
worse plight than themselves and  
helped them when the hatred and pas-  
sions evoked by war fell away before  
the recognition of human brother-  
hood.

Let us not nourish hatred or a de-  
sire for revenge, said the preacher.  
Let us not allow ourselves to be seized  
by that spirit which says that be-  
cause the enemy has committed atro-  
cies, destroyed towns and priceless  
objects of art, and brutally treated  
non-combatants and women and chil-  
dren, we must also lay their cities  
waste, destroy their objects of art and  
weak vengeance upon women and  
children. We should try to keep an  
open mind and not allow prejudice  
and passion to effect our attitude to  
stories of atrocities committed by the  
enemy. Some of these stories were  
no doubt true, but others were prob-  
ably exaggerated if not wholly un-  
founded. In any case we should not  
hold whole people responsible for  
the acts committed by individuals.  
We should ask for a fair investigation  
and seek to have the guilty punished,  
but we should not be vindictive and  
want to punish the innocent for the  
crimes of the guilty ones.

War fuses the people of a nation  
in a union of antagonism against the  
enemy, and at such times the impor-  
tance and rights of the individual  
were often lost sight of. In Par-  
tisan times, under the old tribal system,  
an enemy one member of a tribe was  
taken up by the whole tribe of the  
offender. Evil was requited with evil.  
At times war might be necessary  
when it was a question of fighting for  
those ideals and principles upon which  
which our liberties depend, but we  
could not be Christians if we nursed  
a spirit of hatred and revenge to all  
the people of a nation against whom  
we might be at war. Christianity  
taught the essential brotherhood of all  
men and the worth of the individual,  
and nothing was surer than that  
peace could be realized only by the  
cultivation of the spirit of Christian-  
ity and the incorporation of its prin-  
ciples into our industrial, social and in-  
ternational relations.

The speaker expressed the hope  
that this war would impress upon the  
minds of the people of the world the  
awfulness and horror and barbarism  
of war to such an extent that perma-  
nent peace might be assured in the  
future and the truth of Christ's teach-  
ing that the principle of service, the  
exercise of love, would finally over-  
throw the rule of force, be demon-  
strated the world over.

## Cold Weather.

Perhaps these cold days remind you  
that you can't get through the season  
without warmer clothes. F. A. Dyke-  
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have come to that conclusion. They  
are offering a lot of very fine, heavy  
weight and warm clothes at immense  
reductions. For instance, pure wool,  
heavy weight blanket cloths can be  
had in the 56 inch width for 75 cents,  
and some heavy weight tweeds worth  
\$2.25 are on sale at \$1.45. Heavy cut  
cloths in black and brown at \$1.45.  
Heavy surges at 75 cents. They have  
a few very comfortable warm ready-  
to-wear coats which they have just  
reduced in price.

## SIMONDS NO. 3.

The local government supporters of  
Simonds No. 3 will meet at Mayall's  
tonight at 8 p. m. G. Fred Stephenson,  
Chairman.

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Imperial's Bumper Show.  
The motion pictures of the opening  
of the C. P. R. docks at West St. John  
a short time ago, which was a most  
enthusiastic occasion, should prove a  
great attraction to the thousands who  
were caught by the camera on that  
blustery day. So will the pictures of  
the 26th Regiment, as the boys pro-  
ceeded along Germain and down King  
streets. The vaudeville and a splendid  
chaffy act, there will be Heart-Sellie's  
Weekly, a two-reel Lubin and the open-  
ing number of the great string of rail-  
way adventures "The Hazards of  
Helen."

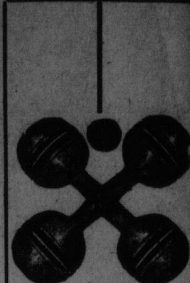
## Gifts for the Athletic Lad



Good, healthy exercise is the making of the boy  
or girl of any age, and, presents that make for  
strong, robust bodies are both practical and sen-  
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ing Department and let us help you make selec-  
tions:

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Indian Clubs, 50 cents to \$1.35 the pair.  
Punching Bags, \$1.95 to \$9.00 each.  
Punching Bags, with Platforms, \$11.50 each.  
Boxing Gloves, \$2.15, \$2.70, \$3.25, \$4.00, \$4.25,  
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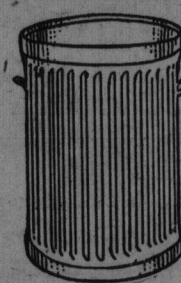
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