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NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers in the Star are reminded that to ensure insertion their copy should be handed in not later than TEN O'CLOCK in the morning.

LOCAL NEWS.

Furness line steamer Evangeline arrived this morning from London via Halifax.

Steamer St. Buntin, 2,170 tons, arrived this morning from New York. She will load hay for South Africa.

Daniel Fullerton has been reported by the police for driving a cab for hire in the city without a license.

There are better teas for other markets, but to please the people of the maritime provinces Union Blend is without a superior.

Mrs. Herbert Everett will continue her sale at the W. H. Johnson Co's place until Saturday, 28th. Goods at greatly reduced prices.

Dr. J. D. Maher will open dental parlors on King street about the first of the year--this will be a branch of his North End business.

Between eight and nine o'clock last evening Officers Smith and Burchill were called into Matthew Hardjap's saloon on Main street to eject Collin Taylor, who was creating a disturbance there.

A meeting of the manufacturers of St. John will be held at the Board of Trade rooms, 85 Prince William street, on Friday, 27th inst., at 8 p. m., to consider matters of importance. All interested are invited to attend.

HORSES RAN AWAY.

A most exciting runaway which was attended with rather serious results took place this morning. A pair of horses attached to Worden's coach, while standing on the International wharf, became frightened when the whistle of the steamer was blown and started off at a furious gallop along Britain street. They turned the corner at Carmarthen street, and the driver, Price's drug store on the corner of Queen street, took to the sidewalk, the coach rocking to and fro as the frenzied animals rushed along. From Carmarthen street the pair turned into Mecklenberg street and still keeping to the sidewalk dashed towards Queen square, where, on one of the granite posts around the square they came to a sudden stop and were captured. On Carmarthen street the door of the coach, which was open, struck a telephone post and was smashed to pieces. In the collision with the post on Queen square the coach was badly damaged and both horses received severe cuts.

Robert Thomson's fine pair of greys attracted considerable attention at the I. C. R. depot yesterday afternoon. A wheel of the carriage became caught in the car track and caused the animals to become violent. They were, however, prevented from running away, but the carriage was somewhat injured.

HORSES FOR SOUTH AFRICA.

The second shipment of horses for South Africa arrived at Sand Point yesterday morning. There were in all seven hundred and thirty animals, all in excellent condition, and they were brought from Montreal in two trains, the first reaching Sand Point at two o'clock a. m., and the second at 8:45 a. m.

The horses were at once taken into the buildings and at nine o'clock this morning the work of loading them on the Hurona began. From the time the first horse left, the stables until the last one was in place on the steamer, the time occupied was only one hour and fifty minutes. It is worthy of note that every horse sent from Montreal was put on board the steamer in good condition. Colonel Dent expressed himself as being highly pleased with the manner in which the horses were handled and announced that the next shipment from this port would be on January 28th. There will be a shipment every month during the winter. The Hurona will sail tonight.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. J. M. Godard left this morning in steamer Prince Rupert to visit her mother at her old home, Bridgetown, N. S.

G. W. Ganong, M. P., will address a meeting at McAdam Junction this evening in the interests of Dr. McLeod.

Mrs. P. C. Fokins of Boston, Mass., is spending Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Robt. McEean, 224 Princess street.

W. C. Rankin and wife, nee Miss Green, formerly of this city, but now of Boston, are here to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Miss Della Green, a teacher in the Deaf Mute Institution in Fredericton, came home on Tuesday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Green, Elm street.

Dr. Frederick Bayfield, who has been under quarantine in the General Public Hospital for some months, is now visiting his parents in Charlottetown.

SELLING OUT CHEAP.

The sale of dry goods and furs at 17 Charlotte street, which drew such crowds Christmas week still continues, and will continue until the stock is cleared. As Mr. Fairall is leaving the city, he is making great sacrifices to get rid of the large and varied stock which he carried, reducing prices one half. Among the bargains this week are all English cambrics, reduced from 14 cents to 8 and 7 cents per yard; his own manufacture of woollen shirts from \$1.50 to 75 cents, and socks from 50 cents to 25 cents.

THE DRY DOCK.

Either at the board of works meeting this afternoon or the common council tomorrow, the dry dock delegation will make a report. Director Cushing, Aid. Christie and Aid. Maxwell are favorable to a wooden dock, but there is diversity of opinion as to whether the entrance shall be stone or wood.

POLICE COURT.

Twenty-Six Sad-Eyed Citizens Before the Cadi.

He Called Them "Things"—Felix Trembled—A Too Merry Christmas and a Crowded Jail.

A row of seats stretched right across the police court will afford accommodation for exactly twenty-six persons. This fact was well-known today when the record number of prisoners sat in gloomy silence awaiting the inevitable consequences of their Christmas celebration.

At the instant the hands of the clock pointed to the hour of ten a dull-murmuring sound arose from the lower portion of the building and immediately the air of the court room became laden with an overpowering odor of coming unfortunates. The rumbling noise increased, as did also the stench, as slowly two flights of stairs tramped fifty-two feet, bearing twenty-six prisoners, the result of the policemen's activity. A reception committee, composed of six of the "finest" received them and pointed out the positions assigned to each. When all were seated the windows throughout the building were opened, disinfectants scattered about and other efforts made to dispel the odor—not of sanctity—which hovered about the prisoners. Twenty-six men, picked up from almost every part of the city, filthy, unshaven, ragged, in many cases cut and bruised, formed a group so utterly disgusting in appearance that spectators wondered where such things came from.

Drawn with the natural consequences of mixing the drinks some of them sat holding their heads, heedless of the remarks of companions, whose headaches had departed or indifferent as to their probable fate.

It was well that Magistrate Ritchie had fortified himself with a good dinner yesterday, for otherwise the sight and smell of the delinquents on the bench might have proved too much even for him, to whom such characters are not unfamiliar.

"Twenty-six. Are there any Jews among you? Not one. You are all Christians and you have celebrated Christmas day, by getting beastly drunk. No, not beastly drunk, that is a libel on the beast, for they know when they have had enough. You are not even beasts. You are just—things."

As rapidly as possible the names of the prisoners were read and fines imposed. Some of the men had no recollection of their conduct. This was not considered a reflection on their credibility. The stress of circumstances was quite sufficient to obliterate from more impressionable minds all memory of subsequent events. Others knew that they had been drunk, but thought it was absolutely necessary to have a little fun when they were with the boys. One grizzled old reprobate murmured that the last thing he had done before he got drunk was to drink a glass of ale. This he did and then got drunk. Felix Holland, true to the name of his fathers, lent a partial mouth to Holland's gin and this morning like his namesake in sacred history, Felix trembled.

The magistrate, in spite of the impenitency of the task before him, appeared to be in a slightly humorous vein, and being musically inclined formed what is to be known as an ad libitum quartet. It is composed of David Hennessey, tenor, whose voice on account of an abundance of corn seemed somewhat husky; Thomas Fleming, second tenor; Felix Holland and Michael Fitzsimmons, first and second basses. They were instructed to devote all their time during the next two months to practice.

Of the twenty-six prisoners seven were arrested on St. John street, three each on Prince William and Britain, two on Charlotte and the others singly. Seventeen of the men belong to New Brunswick, three to England, two to Ireland and one each to Nova Scotia, United States, Norway and Greece.

In the whole lot the total amount of money found was \$6.43, of an average of less than 25c each. Cartage was paid in only one instance. The fines were not excessive, eight dollars being the highest and four the lowest. In all the sum of \$152 was imposed and no less than 700 days' imprisonment meted out. One of the prisoners, the only colored man in the bunch, who considered that his race should be represented on such an occasion, paid a fine of eight dollars and thus reduced the number of days of servitude.

Four of the prisoners were remanded. They were Robert Nixon, Nicholas Barbour, Christian Hansen and Harvey Knowles. Dixon was arrested on Protection street, west end. Lockhart's store on the corner of Barker and Somerset streets and creating a disturbance. He is said to have assaulted the proprietor and broken the windows. Barbour was arrested by Officer Gosline last night for stealing clothing and money from James Barber's in Mrs. Patterson's boarding house on Protection street, west end. Christian Hansen, besides being drunk, is charged with using profane language and breaking a window in the Seaman's Mission. Henry Knowles was found by Officer Baxter in A. J. Lordley & Son's furniture store on Germain street and arrested on suspicion of breaking and entering the store. A representative of the firm stated today that the key of the establishment had been given to Knowles, who was an old and trusted employe, in order that he might find shelter there. These four cases will come up tomorrow.

On Christmas Eve a number of prisoners whose time had almost expired were released from jail, leaving thirty to be accommodated there. Today twenty-five others were sent in, of which one afterwards was discharged, so that now there are fifty-four prisoners divided among eight cells.

The jailer says that the place will hold them provided they can be persuaded that sleeping two tiers deep is a luxury.

THE SMALLPOX.

Three More Cases Reported—Situation in Ontario—The Symptoms of the Disease.

The smallpox record of cases is closing to the century mark. Today two cases were added to the list, which now numbers one hundred cases. The latest victims are Alex. Duncan, an old employe in the I. C. R. yard here, and Michael Quinn, who lives on Middle street, which in reality is an alley which extends from Waterloo street, opposite the General Public hospital, to Brussels street. Duncan is the proprietor of the boarding house at 35 Lombard street, in which there are five cases. There are five inmates in the house who have not yet developed the disease.

Another case broke out in the Duncan house this afternoon. The victim is John Steele, the sixth in the house. This afternoon the Blair house on Brindley street was released from quarantine. Mr. and Mrs. Blair are the survivors in the household which was infected. Their two children, who contracted smallpox succumbed to its ravages.

Dr. Morris reports that Mrs. H. A. McKewen's condition was improved last night. She is afflicted with the confluent type.

Three inmates of the isolation hospital have nearly recovered and will be discharged in a few days. These are J. H. McNamara, James Hyson and Wm. Mumford. For the detection of convalescents one of the cottages on the Morland farm has been fitted up. Here those who have recovered will remain while they are undergoing disinfection.

Dr. Morris, on behalf of the occupants of the hospital, thanks Mrs. Dr. Murray McLaren and Mrs. Herbert Flood for Christmas remembrances.

Mrs. McGrath, who was supposed to have developed smallpox a week before her case was reported to the board of health, has the disease in serious form.

Miss Newman was taken to the isolation hospital yesterday. This afternoon Miss McDermott will be removed.

Fumigating at the General Public hospital is being slowly continued. The generator has been giving some trouble and causes delay in the work, but it is expected that the fumigating of the main building will be completed by tomorrow forenoon.

All the nurses who were employed have gone to their homes except the two who are now doing duty in the epidemic hospital. The cooks, ward-maids and other help are still on duty, but will be given a holiday later on.

Today the board of health appointed Dr. W. A. Christie to vaccinate people free of charge at the board's office, Princess street, on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 3 to 4 o'clock p. m., commencing tomorrow.

NO SMALLPOX AT ROTHESEY.

Dr. Wellmore, chairman of the Kings County Board of Health, and Dr. Routhier, of Rothesey, have decided that the suspected case of smallpox near Rothesey station is not smallpox at all, and the placard has been removed from the house.

SMALLPOX IN OTTAWA. (Ottawa Free Press, Dec. 24.) A death from smallpox—the first since the disease has broken out in Ottawa took place yesterday morning. The fatality was in a family named Groulx, living at S. Andrew street. The victim was a child two years old. Dr. Law says the case has evidently been concealed as the health department was not notified until a late hour. Dr. Routhier says that a woman living at S. Andrew street called at his office Saturday night and notified him that her child had been sick for some days with smallpox. The doctor states that it was very late and he notified the proper authorities with the understanding that the ambulance was to call and remove the little one to Porter's Island. The child, however, died a few hours later.

Dr. Routhier afterwards issued a certificate of death from smallpox and the child was buried this morning.

Dr. Law stated today that he had reason to believe that some parties were concealing certain cases and he is thinking of instituting proceedings against those who have been so remiss.

Part of the county jail is under quarantine on Sunday morning. A man named Brunette of Cathcart street, who has been in the goal a few days developed smallpox. He was removed to Porter's Island. Some eight prisoners who have been kept in the same corridor will be under quarantine for two weeks. A few of these were to have been released today, but they will have to spend Christmas behind the bars.

Three cases of smallpox were removed to Porter's Island on Saturday afternoon and Sunday. Over 90 patients will spend Christmas at Porter's Island.—Ottawa Free Press, Dec. 24.

IN ONTARIO.

TORONTO, Dec. 24.—The provincial health authorities have issued a statement which shows that there are at present 542 cases of smallpox in Ontario, and that in all 180 cases have occurred since October 1st. The disease now exists in 63 municipalities in 21 counties as follows:

- Brace, 5 cases; Carleton, 144; Haldimand, 8; Huron, 11; Kent, 40; Lambton, 1; Lanark, 1; Leeds and Grenville, 3; Middlesex, 1; Muskoka and Parry Sound, 29; Norfolk, 1; Peterborough, 1; Prescott and Russell, 20; Renfrew, 11; Dundas, Stormont and Glengarry, 13; Welland, 2; Wentworth, 1; York, 1; Algoma and Thunder Bay Districts, 56.

The mildness of the disease has been remarked, only three deaths having been reported. It is noticeable that the disease is widely disseminated.

SYMPTOMS OF SMALLPOX.

(New York Herald.)

Although there can be no reasonable excuse for the physicians of the Fordham hospital not detecting a case of smallpox in a patient who had been under their care from Sunday until Wednesday the circumstances prove the necessity on the part of ordinary

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people at least of being on the lookout for the initiative symptoms of the disease. Especially should this be the case when the malady in question is more or less epidemic.

Ordinarily there should be no difficulty in suspecting the presence of the ailment even before the eruption appears. The patient from nine to 15 days after an exposure is seized with a chill, followed by intense frontal headache, severe pains in the back, vomiting and high fever. These symptoms when taken together always place the physician on his guard, and quite naturally alarm the patient. Under the circumstances medical aid should always be promptly summoned. When the eruption shows itself—usually on the fourth day, and generally first on the forehead and wrists—the case is plain enough; but then contagion has obtained the fullest possible headway with any unprotected person who has

been in contact with the patient.

To the one who is stricken the lesson of prevention comes, alas! too late. If each one who has not heeded the warning to be vaccinated could realize what a smallpox case in his family would mean to him, with the health department ambulance at his door, and the pest house in waiting, there would be no need for constantly urging the preventive measures which are so available, so cheap and so effective.

FAIRVILLE'S NEW TEACHER.

The Riverside correspondent of the Moncton Times says: It is to be regretted that Angus Dewar of St. Stephen, in accepting the principalship of the Fairville school, St. John, has severed his connection with the Riverside school. He is an excellent teacher and has given good satisfaction in his work. He will be greatly missed by his many men friends, among whom he became very popular during his brief stay.