ATALE THAT IS TOLD.

Some Practical Thoughts on the Closing Year.

A Good Story or a Bad Story-Rev. Dr. Talmage Makes Some Suggestions as to Right Living.

Experiences of the Past as Guides for the Future Years of Our Lives.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31, 1899.-In this holiday discourse Dr. Tulmage takes the opportunity of offering some practical and useful suggestions; text, Psalms xc, 9, "We spend our years as a tale that is told."

a tale that is told."
The Israelites were 40 years in the wilderness, and during 38 years of the 40 nothing is recorded of them, and, I suppose, no other emigrants had a duller or more uninteresting time than they had. So they got to telling storics—stories concerning themselves or concerning others; stories about the brick kilns of Egypt, where they had tolled in slavery; stories about how the waters of the Red Sea piled up into lalisades at their crossing; story of the lantern hung in the heavens to guide them at night; story of ibises destroying the reptiles of the wilder icss; stories of personal encounter. It must have been an awful thing to have had nothing to do for 38 years except to get lost every time they tried to escape from the wilderness. So they whiled away the time in story telling. Indeed there were persons whose one business was to narrate stories, and they were paid by such trifles as they could pick up from the surrounding listeners. 'To such instances' our text refers when it says, "We spend our years as a tale that is told."

At this tremendous passage from the year 1899 to the year 1900 it will do us all good to consider that our whele life is a story told-a good story or a bad story; a tragic story or a mirthful story; a wise story or a foolish story; a clean story or a filthy story; a story of success or a story of failure. "We spend our years as tale that is told."

In the first place I remark that every person's life is a very interesting story. My text does not depreciate "a tale that is told." We have all of us been entertained by the story teller when snow bound in the rail train; or in the group a winter's night in the farmhouse; or gathered around a blazing hearth with some hunters at the mountain inn. Indeed it is a praiseworthy art to impersonate a good story well. If you doubt the practical and healthful and inspiring use of such a story, take down from the library Washington Irving's "Tales of a Travor Nathaniel Hawthorn's "Twice Told Tales." But as interesting as any of these would be the story of many an obscure life, if the tale were as well told. Why do we all like biographies and autobiographies? Because they are stories of eminent numan lives. But the story of the life of a backwoodsman, of a man who locks stupid, of one about whom you never heard a word, must be just as thrilling on a small scale as on a larger scale is a life of a Cyrus, or a Carsar, or a Pizarrro, or a Mark Anthony, or a Charlemange, or the late General Gordon, who was upon a parapet leading his soldiers with nothing but a stick in his hand, and his troops cried, "Gordon, come down. You will be killed." But he did not come down, and one of his soldiers said: "It is all right. He don't mind being killed. He is one of those blessed Christians.'

AS OLIVER CROMWELL on the anniversary of his greatest victory followed his darling daughter to the grave, so in the humblest and most unpretending life there has been a commicgling of gladness and gloom, of triumph and despair. Nothing that David Garrick ever enacted at Drury Lane Theatre in the way of tragedy or Charles Matthews ever played in Covent Garden in the way of comedy excelled things which on a small scale have been seen in the life of obscure men and women. Many a profound and learned sermon has put the audier ce to sleep, while some man whose phrasectogy could not be parsed and whose attire was cut and fitted and made up by the plainest housewife has cold the story of his life in a way that melted the prayer circle into

tears as easily as a warm April sun

dissolves the snow of the previous

right.

Oh, yes, while "we spend our year cas a tale that is told" it is an interestving story. It is the story of an immortal, and that makes it interesting. He is launched on an ocean of eternal years, in a voyage that will never terminate. He is striking the keynot of an anthem or a dirge that will never come to its last bar. That is what makes the devotional meetings of modern times so much more interesting than they used to be. They are filled not with discourses by laymen on the subject of justification and sanctification, but with stories of what God has done for the soul-how everything suddenly changed; how the promises became balsamic in times of laceration; how he was personally helped out and helped up and helped on. Nothing can stand before such a story of personal rescue, personal transformation, personal illumination. The mightiest and most skillful argument against Christianity collapses under the ungrammatical but sincere statement. The atheistic professor of

version. The New Testament suggests the rower of the "tale that is told." Christ was the most effective story teller of all the ages. The parables are only cales well told. Matchless stories: That of the 'raveller cut up by the thieves and the Samaritan paying his board bill at the tavern; that of the big dinner, to which the invited guests sent in fictitious regrets; that of the shepherd answering the bleat of the lost sheep and all the rural reighbors that night helping him celebrate the fact that it was safe in the the universe is full of listening ears, have even gone so far, apparently, as barnyard; that of the bad boy, reduced as well as of gleaming eyes. I sup- to make your own English."

ratural philosophy goes down under

the story of that backwoodsman's con-

avens in com about leprosy, about paralysis, a catalepsy, about dropsy, about thalmia—stories that he so well present and will roll down through

The most of the Old Testament made up of inspired anecdotes about Esau, about Anab and Jezebel, about Jonah, about Daniel, about Deborah, about Vashti, about men and women of whom the story gave an accurate photograph long before human photography was born. Let all Christian workers, prayer meeting talkers, Sunday school teachers and preachers know the power of that which my text calls the "tale that is told."

IN WHAT WAY the fact that infidenty not help any one die well be so power fully presented as by the incident concerning a man falling ill in Paris just after the death of Voltaire, when a professional nurse was called in and she asked, "Is the gentleman a Christien?" "Why do you ask that?" said would never see another infidel What discourse in its moral and spiritual effect could equal a tale like that? You might argue upon the fact that those fallen are brothers and sisters, but could we impress any one with such a truth so well as by the scene near Victoria park, London, where the shoring gave way and a great pile of earth fell upon the workmen. A non stood there with his hands in his rockets looking at those who were try-ing to shovel away the earth from those who were buried, but when some one said to the spectator, "Bill, your brother is down there," then the spectator threw off his coat and went to work with an agony of earnestness to fetch up his brother. What course of argument could be so well as that incident set forth that when we toil for the salvation of a soul it is a brother whom we are trying to save? A second reading of my text reminds

me that life is not only a story told, but that it is a brief story. A long narrative stretched out indefinitely oses its interest. It is generally the story that takes only a minute or half a minute to rehearse that arrests the attention. And that gives additional interest to the story of our life. It is a short story. Subtract from our life all the hours of necessary sleep, all the hours of incapacity through fatigue or illness, all the hours of childhood end youth before we get fairly to work, and you have abbreviated the story of life so much that you can appreciate the psalmist's remark when he says. "Thou hast made my days as a hand's breadth." and can appreciate the Apostle James' expression when he the first year of this century. Not a peareth for a little season and then

vanishes away." It does not take long to tell all the vicissitudes of life—the gladness and the griefs, the arrivals and the departures, the successes and the failures, the victories and the defeats. the ups and the downs. The longer we live the shorter the years. We hardly get over the bewildering fatigue of selecting gifts for children and friends and see that the presents get off in time to arrive on the appropriate day than we see another advancing group of holidays. Autumnal fruit so sharply chases the summer harvest and the snow of the white blossoms of springtime comes so soon after the snows of winter. It is a remark so often made that it fails to make any impression and the platitude that calls forth no reply, "How rapidly time goes."

Every century is a big wheel o years, which makes a hundred revolutions and breaks down. Every year is a big wheel of months and makes 12 revolutions and then cesses. Geolo gists and theologians go into

FILABORATIONS OF GUESSES as to how long the world will probably test; licw long before the volcanic forces will explode it, or meteoric stroke demolish it, or the cold of a long winter freeze out its population, or the fires of a last conflagration burn

My friends, as cur life is short punctuality is one of the important virtues, and lack of punctuality one of the worst of crimes. How many who know nothing of punctuality They are late at church and annoy all who have promptly taken their places the late comers not being as good as a Christian woman who, when asked how she could always be so early at church, replied, "It is part of my re ligion not to disturb the religion of others." The taidy ones mentioned are apt to speak the word of counsel when it is too late. They are resolved to repent at some time in the future, but when they come up "the door is

shut." They resolve to save a soul when it is already ruined. But short as time is it is long enough if we rightly employ it. The trouble is we waste so much time we cannot catch up. Some of us have been chasing time we loot at 20 years of age, or 30 years of age, or 40 years of age, and if we lived 250 years we

could never overtake it. A third reading of my text reminds me that life is not only a story told, but a story listened to. There is nothing more vexatious to any one than to tell a story when people are not attending. One cannot tell a story effectually unless there are good listeners. Well, that which in my text is called the "tale that is told" has plenty of listeners. There is no such thing as being alone. God listens, and the air is full of spiritual intelligences all listening, and the world listens to the story of our life, some hoping it will be successful, others hoping it will be

a failure. We all talk about public life and private life, but there is no private life. The story of our life, however insignificant it may seem to be, will win the applause or hiss of a great multitude that no man can number. As a "tale that is told" among admirers or antagonists, celestials or pandemonaics,

e the population of the intellig n, that the story of our life might be fit for such an audience in such an auditorium! God grant that wisdom and fidelity and earnestness and truth may characterize the "tale that is

nd be redeemed by a "tale that is told." We are all telling, each in his own way the story of the Loveliest o ute as soon as he landed. Shepherd's dog baying on the hills that Chris ght was better treated than this rescuer of a race, yet keeping right on, brambles on brow, feet on spikes, flagellated with whips that had lumps of lead fastened to them, through midgot blacker until they ended in a noon-day with the sun blotted out.

MIGHTIEST TALE EVER TOLD, And keep on telling it until the las sorrow is assuaged and the last ani-mosity is quenched and the last desert is white with the lily, and golden with the cowslip and blue with the gentian and crimson with the rese. While reading my text the fourth time I bethink myself that the story of life will end when the group breaks up. The "tale that is told" hen the listeners depart. Some we have been in groups interestedly listening to some story told other engagements or the hour of the night demanded the going of the guests. That stopped the story. By this exit of another year I am reminded that these carthly groups will break men were digging a deep drain and up! No family group or social group or religious group, or political group stays long together:

The family group breaks up. Did you ever know a household that for 25 years remained intact? Not one. Was there ever a church record the same after the passage of 25 years, or 15 years, or 10 years? The fact is that the story of our life will soon end, becarse the group of listeners will be gone. So you see if we are going to give the right trend and emphasis must give it right away. If there are old people in the group of our influ-ence, all we can do for them will be in five or ten years. If there are children ground us, in 10 or 15 years they will be fashioning the story of their own life. "What thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might.' Passing all, passing everything, as "tale that it told."

My text, in referring to the years, reminds me that in 12 hours this year will forever have gone away. Ninety nine out of the hundred years of this century will have disappeared. We have only one year of the century left. There ought to be something especially suggestive in the last year of the century. It ought to be a year of unparalleled industries, of unheard of consecration. Not a person in any of our audiences this day can remember compares life to "a vapor that ap- person in any of our audiences to-day will ever again see the last year of a century.

Oh, crowd this last year with prayers, with hosannas, with kind words with helpfulness. Make the peroration of the century the climax of Christlike deeds. Close up the ranks of God and during this remaining twelve months charge mightily against the host of Abaddon. Have no reserve corps. Let swiftest gospel gallop, and heaviest moral artillery roll, and mightiest evangelistic batter ies thunder on the scene. Let minist ers of the gospel quit all controversy with each other, and in solid phalanx march out for the world's disinthrallment. Let printing presses, secular and religious, make combined movement to instruct and emancipate the world. On all hills let there be Elijahs, praying for "a great rain," and on every contested field Joshuas to see that final victory is gained before the sun goes down, and every mountain become a transfiguration, and every Calilee a walking place of him who can hush a tempest. Let our churches be thronged with devout assemblages. Let the chorals be more like grand marches than requiems. Let this coming year see the last wound of Transvaal and Philippine conflict, and the earth quake with the groundling arms of the last regiment ever to be marshalled, and the furnaces of the foundries blaze with the fires that shall turn the last swords into plowshares.

And may all those whose lives shall go out in this last year of a century, s.; meny will, meet in the heavenly world those who in the morning and noonday of this hundred years toiled and suffered for the world's salvation, to tell them bow much has been accomplished for the glory of Him whose march through the last nineteen centuries and through all the coming centuries the Scriptures describe as going forth "conquering and to conquer." Oh, the contrast between that uplifted spectacle of eternal triumph n the presence of God and the Lamb and these earthly scenes, where "we spend our years as a tale that is told!"

A Successful Concert at Beulah-Fish-

TOOLETON, Kars, Kings Co., Jan. 3. On Saturday evening, Dec. 30th, the Sabbath school scholars of the Bethel and Raulah Baptist church, at Kars. held a successful and largely attended concert in the Beulah meeting house. An important feature of the programme was Santa Claus, carrying a large Christmas pie. Bags of can-dy were presented to each scholar. The concert was a decided success, owing to the hearty co-operation of the scholars and the untiring efforts of Mrs. .W J. Cordon, who was in-

ing for Bass.

strumental in getting it up.

There is plenty of snow here now and the ice is becoming sufficiently strong for teams to cross. Already a large number of men are fishing for bass in the Belleisle.

CARRYING IT TOO FAR.

"Look at me," said Rockingham; "I'm a self-made man. I ain't never had no help from nobody." "I believe you," said the young man who was applying for a job. "You

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

THE INTERNATIONAL LESSON LESSON II. January 14.

GOLDEN TEXT. And Jesus increased in v stature, and in favor with God and nan.—Luke 2: 52.

THE SECTION actudes the story of the childhood ar youth of Jesus, till He was ready to enter upon His ministry. (Luke 2: 21-52; Meut. 2: 13-23).

PLACE IN THE LEFE OF CHRIST. Childhood and youth up to 30 years of age. His training. The silent years Charit numbers 8, 9 and 10.

HISTORICAL SETTING.

Time.—Jesus lived in Nazareth from erusalem was April, A. D. 9. The Passover was that year March 29 (Lewin's Fasti Sacri). Jesus was 12 years old December, A. D. 8, and this was the following spring. Place.-Nazareth and Jerusalem.

Jesus.-Between 12 and 13 years old. iving in Nazareth. Rulers.—Augustus Caesar, en of Rome, toward the end of his Herod Antipas (son of Herod the Great), ruler of Galillee and Perea. THE CHILD JESUS VISTS JERU.

SATEM .- Luke 2: 41-52. Read Matthew 2: Luke 2: 21-38. Commit verses 49-52. 41. (a) Now His parents went Jerusalem every year alt the feast of the passover.

42. And when He was twelve years old they went up (b) to Jerusalem after the custom of the feast. 43. And when they had fulfilled the days, as they (c) returned, the (d) child Jesus tarried in Jerusalem; and (e) Joseph and this mother knew not of

44. But they, supposing Him (f) have been in the company, went a day's journey; and they (g) sought Him among their kinsfolk and acquaintances. 45. And when they found Him not,

they (h) burned back again to Jerusalem, (i) seeking Him. 46. And it came to pass, (j) that after three days they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions.

47. And all that heard Him were (k) astonished at His understanding (1) and answers.

, 48. And when they saw Him, they were (m) amazed; and His mother said unto Him, Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? behold, thy father and I (n) have sought thee sorrowing 49. And He said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that must be (o) about My Father's busi-

50. And they understood not the saying which He spake unto them. and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them; (p) but His mother kept all these sayings in her heart. 52. And Jesus (q) increased in wis dom and stature, and in favor with God and (r) man.

REVISION CHANGES.

Ver. 41. (a) And. Ver. 42. (b) Omit to Jerusalem Ver. 43. (c) Were returning. The boy. (e) And His parents knew it not.

Ver. 44. (f) To be. (g) Sought for Ver. 45. h) They returned. (i) Seek Ver. 46. (j) Omit that. Ver. 47. (k) Amazed. (l) And His.

Ver. 48. (m) Astonished. (n) Omit lave. Ver. 49. (o) In my Father's house. Ver. 51. (p) And. Ver. 52. (q) Advanced. (r) Men.

LIGHT ON THE TEXT.

41. Went . . . every year-As was required by the Jewish law. Passover -The great feast of the Jews, lasting seven days, in commemoration of the saving of their firstborn, and escape from Egypt (Ex. 12; Deut. 16). 42. Twelve years old-The age when the Jewish children were to go to the

feasts. 46. Three days One in going toward home, one in returning, the third in searching for Him in the city. Temple-Not the temple proper, but a room in one of the temple buildings Doctors-Teachers, Hearing . . . and asking-The way they taught-a kind

of Bible class. 49. How is it that ye sought me?-Why did you not at once think that I would be here in the temple, and not spend long hours searching elsewhere? Wist-Knew. I must be about my Father's business—Or as R. V., "in my Father's house." The noun for house or business is not given in the Greek. Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's . . ? "The expression may according to Greek usage, have either a docal meaning, the house of, or a moral, the affairs of. The forme sense is required by the idea of seeking; and if, nevertheless, we are disposed to adopt the latter as wider, the first must be included in it. Where my Father's affairs are carried on, there you are sure to find me." -Go-

152. Justis increased - Advanced grew. He was a human child, as well as divine, and must grow up as other children do. In wisdom-Jesus was wise in every direction,-in His common sense as applied to daily life, in mental studies and opinions, and in His moral decisions. And this wisdom was one great source of His strength. The bad habits which weaken boysthe idleness, gluttony, waste of nerve power in smoking, drinking and other bad habits—are all the fruit of folly. In favor with God-Favor is the same word as grace in v. 40. He was such a bov as God was pleased with. He was religious. And, more than this, Jesus being such a boy as made good use of all God gave Him, God favored Him, aided Him, helped Him, in a way land degree it is not possible to favor a bad boy. Flavor with . . . man -So long as religion does not bring its possessor into conflict with the customs, pleasures or sins of men, it is very beautiful and attractive, even to worldly people. In its reality it is far more attractive than vice.

SUGGESTIVE QUESTIONS. (For written and oral answers.) oject:—Message of the Youth Jesus to the Young People of Roday.

I. The Early Experie —Where did Jesus spend most of His youth? (Matt. 2: 22, 23). Where was Jesus taken soon after the visit of the wise men? What was the occasion of II. The Boy Jesus Goes to a Great

Religious Meeting (vs. 41, 42). Where did the parents of Jesus go every year, and why? How far was it? What and why? How far was 1? What does this teach us?

III. In His Father's House; about His Father's Business (vs. 48-50).—
How old was Jesus when He first went to Jerusalem? What are the first recorded words of Jesus? What was Jesus doing in His Father's house? What is our Father's business for us the should we do in to be about? What should we do in

our Father's horse? IV. His Life at Nazareth (v. 51). How long did Jesus live at Nazareth: (Luke 3: 23). What is said of His life there? What promise to obedient children? (Ex. 20: 12; Eph. 6: 1-3; Prov. 6: 20-22.) What can you tell about His studies. His suroundings, etc. V. The Portrait of a Perfect Child (v. 52).-Write out the different qualtties you find not only in this verse

but in all the description of His early how to obtain the favor of God and of man; and that Jesus was tempted just as children are today.

BIRTHS.

COLPITTS—At Little River, Coverdale, N. B., on Dec. 28th, to the wife of Lemue Colpitts, a son.
CURREY—On Jan. 2nd, to Mr. and Mrs. L A. Currey, a son.

MARRIAGES.

ALLEN-BOLES—At Houlton, on Dec. 28th.
Thomas A. Allen cf. Fredericton, N. B.,
and Georgia A. Boles of Amity, Maine, by
Rev. C. E. Owens.
BRADLEY-PETERSON—At the residence of BRADLEY-PETERSON—At the residence of the bride's father, Marysville, York Co., N. B., Dec. 27th, by Rev. J. T. Parsons, George A. Bradley of Gibson and Elizabeth Jane, eldest daughter of T. Aaron Peterson of Marysville.

BUBAR-GRACE—At the residence of the bride's father, on Jan. 1st, by the Rev. G. M. Campbell, Chas. P. Bubar of Bath, Me., to Effic F., youngest daughter of Henry Grace.

DEATHS.

FERGUSSON—At Moneton, N. B., Jan. 2nd. Maude, wife of W. F. Fergusson and daughter of Geo. N. Knowles of Wolfville, N. S., in the 3th year of her age. HARVEY—In Faheuil, Mass, Dec. 20, Susan F. Harvey, aged 78 years, 9 months and 22 days. (Liverpoot, N. S., papers please copy.) 22 days. (Liverpool, N. S., papers please copy.)

KEITH—At her residence, 42 Spring street, Jan. 2nd, May C., wife of Bev. W. Keith, aged 29 years.

McKINNON—At Moncton, N. B., on Dec. 31st, widow of the late John McKinnon, aged 75 years, and daughter of the late John McPhail of Argyle Shore.

TUCKER—At Little River, N. B., Tuesday, Dec. 26th, infant son of Clarence and Edith Tucker, aged 7 months.

VRADENBURGH—At Highfield, Queens Cu., N. B., Dec. 31st, Hannah S., beloved wife of Arthur H. G. Vradenburgh, in the 51st year of her age, leaving a husband, bist year of her age, leaving a husband, one brother and two sisters to mourn their sad loss. Boston papers please copy.)

COLE'S ISLAND.

A very pleasant event occurred at the Cole's Island House on the evening of Dec. 27th, when Miss Iva Cole and James A. Murray of Long's Creek were united in marriage. The popularity of the parties concerned was fully attested by the large number of guests that filled every room in the Island house some time before the hour for the ceremony had arrived. The happy couple were supported by Walter and Miss Emma Secord as best man and bridesmaid respectively, while Miss Helen Parker and Miss Marion Ryan officiated very prettily as maids of honor. The impressive marriage service of the Presbyterian church was performed by the Rev. Mr. Campbell, pastor of this place. The surrounding country was largely represented. Some of the more notguests from a distance were: Dr. A. A. Stockton, Burpee Wetmore, Howard Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. Cruikshank, Grant Murray, Councillor David Hamilton, A. C. Worden and others. The bride and groom, after receiving the congratulations of the assembled guests, lead the way to the large dining room, where a very agreeable and tasty repast had been prepared by Mr. and Mrs. John S. Murray, whose excellent qualities as host and hostess are well known to the travelling public. It is sufficient to say that all enjoyed themselves thoroughly and returned to their homes feeling that they had witnessed the leading social event of the season. It is doubtful if a more pleasant and agreeable function has ever occurred in this part for many years. The happy couple were the recipients of a large number of presents of a suitable kind, both useful and ornamental, including vases, statuary, paintings, engravings, as well as considerable cash and jewelry, including a handsome gold bracelet, presented to the bride by the groom. Both the contracting parties are exceedingly popular among their associates, and begin their married life with the best wishes of the entire community.

MAUGERVILLE.

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MAUGERVILLE, Sunbury Co., Dec. 29.—
The supper and concert given by the ladies on the new Baptist church on Wednesday night was a complete success. Nearly pinety doltars were realized, which will about liquidate the floating indebtedness against the building in its present condition. It is now all complete and only remains to be furnished. It is a neat, substantial structure, with a seating capacity for one hundred and fifty. The church will not be dedicated for some time yet, although services will be held in it during the winter.

William C. Dykeman's health is in a precarious condition at his son's home. William C. Dykeman's health is in a pre-carious condition at his son's home. George Johnson of Lower St. Mary's will take charge of the Central school at the beginning of the new year. Miss Perkins of Fredericton has been engaged by the trustees of the Upper school. Miss Sewell will return to No. 1. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A Stream of Kings. will return to No. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Strange of Kingsclear are visiting their daughters here.

A. R. Miles will take his horse and pung
with him on his survey beat this winter, on
the head waters of the Miramichi. Capt. C.
W. Shields has gone to the Tobique.

NO MONEY TO WASTE.

"Julia, you ought to see the doctor about that cough." "So near Christmas as this? indeed!"-Chicago Record.

SHIP NEWS.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

from Swansea, Wm Thomson and Co, bal.
Sch Nimrod, Barnes, from Boston, bal.
Jan 2—Sch Lena Mand, 98, Giggey, from
Boston, master, bal.
Sch Walter Miller, 124, Barton, from New
Bedford, N C Scott, bal.
Jan 3—Sch Parlee, 124, Shanklip
Boston, McCavour and Fanny, 91, Sypher, from Boston, J A Str La Tour, 98, Smith, from Campobello
Jan 4—Str Prince Arthur, Kenney, from
Boston, A C Currie, mase and pase.
Str State of Maine, Thompson, from Boston, O E Lacchier, mase and pass.
Str Lake Superior, Evans, from Liverpool via Halifax, Troop and Son, passengers and general cargo.

Jan 3-Str Alcides, Stitt, for Glasgow. Str Montrose, Evans, for Liverpool Sch Irene, Sabean, for Boston,
Coastwise Sch Eric, Harrington, for Annapolis; str La Tour, Smith, for Campobello; seh Dora, Canning, for Parrsboro,
Jan 4-Str Prince Arthur, Kenney, for Str State of Maine, Thompson, for Bos

> CANADIAN PORTS. Arrived.

HALIFAX, NS, Jan 3-Ard, str Lake Su-erior, from Liverpool via Moville, for St onn.
HALIFAX, NS, Jan 5—Ard, str Montrose,
rom St John, NB, for Liverpool.
HALIFAX, Jan 4—Ard, schs Emulator,
from Newark, NJ; Malakar, from Boston.

HALIFAX, NS, Jan 2-Sld, str Halifax, for Boston.

From Annapolis, Dec 30, sch Pearline, for Porto Rico (with lumber shipped by Pickles and Mills.)

BRITISH PORTS. Arrived.

FLEETWOOD, Jan 2-Ard, bark Pioneer FLUETWOIL, Jan 2—Ard, bark Pioneer, from Chatham, NB.
LIVERPOOL, Jan 2—Ard, str Monteagle, from St John, NB.
At Barbados, Dec 30, sch B R Woodside, McLean, from Norfolk.
At Bermuda, Dec 28, sch Bessie Parker, Carter, from Fernandina.
LONDON, Jan 4—Ard, str St John City, from Halifax.
LIVERPOOL, Jan 4—Ard, str Teutonic, from New York Sailed:

MANCHESTER, Jan 2-Sid, str Manches-From Port Elizabeth, Jan 3, bark Douglas, Crosby, for Barbados.
From Hong Kong, Nov 16, bark Belmont, Ladd, for Astoria, O.

FOREIGN PORTS. Arrived.

At Philadelphia, Dec 31, bark Landskrona, Starratt, from Philadelphia for Cape Town (in distress).

BUENOS AYRES, Dec 7-Ard, bark Herbut Black, from Poston.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass, Jan 2—Ard, sch Eureka, from Bridgewater for Halifax (and sailed).

PORTLAND, Me, Jan 2—Ard, strs Parisian, from Liverpool; Louisburg, from Louisburg BOSTON, Jan 2—Ard, str Turret Age, from Sydney; sch Marion, from St John.
Sld. strs Boston, for Yarmouth: Prince George, for do; sch Emma D Endicott, for St John. At Algoa Bay, Jan 2, barktn Sunny South, McBride, from Buenos Ayres.
At Rosario, Dec 3, bark Carrie L Smith, Classon, from Buenos Ayres.
At Havana, Dec 25, str Salamanca, Reynolds, from Porto Cortez. At Santos, Nov 23, bark Hebe, Coon, from Paspeblac.
At Jacksonville, Jan 2, seh Dove, Esdale, from Havana. from Havana.

At Pensacola, Jan 2, sch Sierra, Willey, from Havana.

At Curacoa, Dec 13, brig G B Lockhart, Sheridan, from New York (and sailed 19th for coast, to load sait for New York).

BOSTON, Jan 4—Ard, strs Boston, from Yarmouth: Prince George, from do; Halifax, from Halifax; brig Gabrielle, from Pensacola; sch Helen and Maud, from Merigonish.

Cleared. At Portlan I, Jan 1, sch Chas L Jeffrey, for Porto Rico. At New York, Jan 2, sch Alcaea, Zinck, for Halifax. Sailed.

From Delaware Breakwater, Dec 31, ship Calara, Swatridge (from Iloilo), for New York. York.
From New York, Dec 31, schs Roma, Himmelman, for Halifax, NS; Beatrice L Corkum, Corkum, for do.
From Jacksonville, Dec 29, sch Gladstone, Milberry, for Neuvitas.
From City Island, Jan 1, str J J Hill, McLean, from Norfolk for New Bedford.
From New York, Jan 1, sch Rosa Mueller, for Philadelphia.
From Pascagoula, Jan 1, brigtn Ora, for Martinique. From Pascagoula, Jan 1, brigtn Ora, for Martinique.
From Santos, Nev 26, bark Egeria, Langlier, for Rosario.
From Buenos Ayres, Dec 1, bark Stranger, Leibke, for Algoa Bay.
From Colastine, Dec 20, bark Argentina.
McQuarrie, for New York.
From Rio Grande do Sul, Nov 9, bark Hornet, McDonald, for Falmouth.
From Natal, Dec 6, sch Rhoda, Innes, for New York. From Rosario, Dec 6, bark Grenada, Gard-ner, for Port Elizabeth.

MEMORANDA.

CITY ISLAND. Jan 2—Bound south, sch Alice Maud, from St John, NB. Passed Anjer, Nov 29, barks Osberga, Mc-Kenzie, from Manila for New York: 30th, Hamburg, Caldwell, from do for do.

SPOKEN. Ship J D Everett, Crossley, from Sharp-ness for Mobile, Dec 26, lat 47, lon 7.

NOTICE TO MARINERS. BOSTON, Mass. Dec 30—Notice is given by the Lighthouse Board that northwest end of Lower Middle red iron spar buoy No 10, in the main ship channel, Boston Harbor, has been replaced. This buoy was taken up Nov 14, 1899, on account of dredging operations. Portland, Me, Jan 1, 1900.

(Kennebec River, Maine.)
Mile Ledge buoy, second-class can, red
and black horizontal stripes, reported
adrift Dec 23, 1889, was replaced Dec 29, (Carver's Harbor, Maine.) Colt Ledge busy No 2, a red spar, ported adrift Dec 23, 1899, was replaced

(Muscongus Sound, Maine.) Garden Island South Ledge buoy No 2 red spar buoy, reported adrift Dec 23, 18 was replaced Dec 30, 1839.

BOSTON, Jan 2-No 2 red painted s buoy at Cold Ledge, in Carver's Harbor, which went adrift Dec 23, has been placed.

Red painted spar buoy, before repor placed.

Red painted spar buck, before reported adrift from Garden Island South Ledge, in Muscongus Sound, Me, has been replaced.

Second class buoy on Mile Ledge, Kennebec River, was replaced Dec 29.

REPORTS.

BIDDEFORD, Me, Jan 2—The two-masted sch Bessie, Captain Trefry, owned by W K Smith of Plympton, NS, and engaged in the lumber trade between the States and the Provinces, went ashore late last night on Lobster Rocks, while bound from Boston to Port Gilbert, NS, light. The vessel was badly strained and was leaking considerably this afternoon, but Captain Trefrey is of the opinion that she will be floated with little damage. Efforts in this direction will be made tomorrow if conditions are favorable. be made tomorrow if conditions are tavorable.

ST JOHNS, NF, Jan 2—The sch. Puritar was driven ashore on Cahot Island in a heavy gale yesterday, and eight out of her crew of nine were lost. Six were married men with families. The survivor broke his arm. It is feared that other disasters will be chronicled within a day or two as the results of the same gale.

ELLSWORTH, Me, Jan 4—The sch Georgia Berry, Captain Tuttle, of Rockland, which was dismasted Monday on Cape Elizabeth, and drifted to Isle au Haut, was towed to Rockland today. The crew are safe.

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