

AROUND THE CITY

Fire Alarm Box Broken.
The police report that the glass was broken in fire alarm box 52, Pond street, Saturday.

Empty Mail Bags Found.
Policeman Wittler reports finding two empty mail bags on Princess street Sunday morning.

Union to Meet.
The members of the Painters' Union will hold a meeting in their rooms Charlotte street this evening at 8 o'clock.

Highest String.
Thomas Cosgrove won the prize, a turkey, for the highest single string on Black's alleys yesterday. Mr. Cosgrove rolled 127.

Arrested for Assault.
Saturday afternoon George Collins assaulted a man in the C. P. R. station and was later arrested by Detective Killen on Main street.

For Sunday Violation.
Sergeant Kilpatrick and Officer Ward have reported Meyer Gordon for doing business in his grocery store, 441 Main street, on Sunday last.

Will Meet This Afternoon.
The monthly meeting of the Women's Aid Committee will be held at the Home for Incubables, this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Who Lost a Key?
Detective Killen found a key on Charlotte street and the owner can receive the same on application at the central police station.

Children's Festival.
On Wednesday evening the annual festival of the children of St. Luke's church will be held in the church schoolroom. A pleasant programme is being arranged and an enjoyable evening is assured.

Christmas Turkeys.
Many of the city firms presented their employees with turkeys for Christmas, among them being the Canadian Consolidated Rubber Co., Ltd., T. S. Simms & Co. and Hugh Gregory.

Ticket Found.
A few days ago a gentleman found a railway ticket on the street, and handed it to a police officer who left it at the central police office where the owner can receive it on application.

To Arrange for Church Merger.
Rev. Messrs. E. J. Pearson of Harvey, W. H. Smith of Fredericton and Gordon Dickie of this city will leave tonight for St. Stephen to arrange for the merger of the St. Stephen and Milltown congregations.

Albert County Prosperous.
Among the visitors to the city last week was E. A. Smith, of Hopewell Cape, who reports Albert county a very prosperous condition as the result of good crops and satisfactory industrial conditions.

A Sunday Runaway.
On Sunday afternoon a horse, attached to a carriage, and owned by McGuire, Brotherton ran away on Wright street and was captured on Hazmarket Square. The wheels of the carriage were broken.

Taken Ill in Police Station.
Saturday night Benjamin Fish, an old offender, was arrested on a warrant for assaulting Mrs. Jacob Nottell of the Marsh Road. Sunday afternoon Fish took very ill in the police station cell, and was attended by Dr. D. B. Berryman.

Gone South.
The steamer Governor Cobb, which has been hauled up at East Boston for some time, receiving repairs to boilers and machinery and undergoing a general overhauling, left Boston last Friday for Knights Key, Fla., to commence her winter service to Havana.

Saturday Evening's Fire.
At 9:10 o'clock Saturday night a fire was discovered in a barn off North street, which is owned by the St. John Real Estate Co., Ltd., and rented by a man named Lavigne. The fire had quite a start when the firemen arrived and it was some time before it was put out. The damage done is considerable, and a horse owned by Lavigne was suffocated.

Presented With an Address.
The morning service in the German street Baptist church last Sunday was of an exceptional character inasmuch as the Sunday school children had complete charge of affairs and carried out a very pleasing programme. During the programme an address, given on parchment, was presented to Supt. W. C. Cross of the Sunday school, who is retiring after twelve years of faithful service. He will be succeeded by Donaldson Hunt.

Christmas Day Football.
There were the usual Christmas dinners on the steamships in port yesterday and the crews made merry. It was a sure sign of Christmas on the C. P. R. steamships, as alongside of the flags they flew to the breeze at the trucks a small Christmas tree. Two teams from the Empress of Britain played a football match on the Market Square, Carleton, yesterday afternoon much to the delight of about 500 spectators.

Treat for Sailors.
A Christmas treat for sailors will be given at the Seaman's Institute on Wednesday. A huge Christmas tree, appropriately decorated, will be one of the features, and 500 comfort bags, containing sailor's housewives and other gifts will be distributed to the fellows who go down to the sea in ships. An excellent programme of musical and vocal selections will be furnished by the landlubbers of the wharf. Rev. Dr. Flanders will be present and will deliver a brief address.

Repairs to Wharf.
The chairman of the board of public works and the city engineer visited the West Side on Saturday to see what damage had been done to the wharf by the Empress. They will hold a conference with Supt. Downie today to arrange for the repairs to the wharf and decide whether the repairs will be made by the C. P. R. men or the city staff. The C. P. R. is liable for the cost of repairing the damage. The city engineer stated last evening that the hole in the wharf would not inconvenience the shipping. He added that he thought the cost of repairs would run up to \$2,013.

HON. J. D. HAZEN IS PLEASED WITH DR. BARNES' INVENTION

Minister of Marine Tells of New Instrument Designed by McGill Professor to Detect Presence of Icebergs—Will be Tested on One of Government Steamers Next Spring.

Hon. J. D. Hazen, minister of marine and fisheries, who came to St. John to spend Christmas, is greatly interested in an invention which is intended to eliminate the danger to navigation due to icebergs. When seen by The Standard on Saturday the Minister said he had made arrangements for a cruise of one of the government vessels next spring, when the inventor, Dr. H. T. Barnes, professor of physics at McGill, will give an opportunity to demonstrate the merits of his invention.

"If the invention does all that is claimed for it," said Mr. Hazen, "it will greatly lessen the dangers of ships sailing the Straits of Belleisle. The instrument has already been successfully used in a trip which Dr. Barnes took to Hudson Bay on the government steamer Stanley last year. The instrument is an electric micro-thermometer which records the minute variations in the temperature of water, and thus enables the mariner to detect the presence of ice.

"The characteristic iceberg effect, as revealed by the new instrument is a slight rise of temperature when the vessel enters the fringe of fresh water which surrounds an iceberg, followed by a rapid fall in the temperature.

"Hitherto marine temperatures have been taken entirely by the 'drop back' method at stated intervals. This, however, gives by no means an accurate idea of the true water temperature. The new thermometer is of the electrical resistance type, which the variations of the resistance of a metal wire serve to give a measure of the changes of temperature of the medium in which the instrument



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TURKS AND ITALIANS ON THE SARDINIAN

Allan liner from London and Havre Arrived Yesterday Afternoon After a Tempestuous Passage.

The Allan liner Sardinian, Captain G. Hamilton, arrived here from London via Havre, yesterday at one o'clock and docked during the afternoon. The Sardinian is the first of the Allan boats to come here this season from London. She carried 42 second and 125 third cabin passengers—168 in all. The steamer encountered several heavy gales during the passage over, especially while coming down the English channel, which caused her to be a day late at Havre. This accounts for the fact that the vessel arrived yesterday instead of Saturday, when she was due.

Among the passengers were Misses Emma Bosley and Annie Eldridge of London, Eng., who expect to change their names to Montreal and Peterboro respectively at an early date. Another passenger of interest was Miss Rose Burri, of Genoa, Italy. All the male members of this young lady's family, which comprise her father and two brothers, are at Tripoli with their regiments and have been in all the fighting at that place. Miss Burri is en route for Montreal where she will reside till the war is over, when she will be joined in Canada by the remainder of her family.

To offset this there was a party of Turks on board who came to the land of the free, presumably to escape serving under the crescent and star in the present Turco-Italian war. The passengers were all inspected and passed by the immigration officials before five o'clock. They were then put ashore and departed for their new homes by a special train that left the wharf at 6:30 last evening.

The Sardinian will leave here next Thursday en route for Havre and London via Halifax. She will take about fifty passengers back to Europe.

POLICE MADE BIG LIQUOR SEIZURE

Saturday Night Visit to Vendome Hotel Resulted in Capture of Many Bottles of Joy Water.

About 9:30 o'clock Saturday night the police made a raid on the Vendome Hotel on the corner of Duke and Prince William streets, kept by Michael Hargreaves, and made the largest seizure of liquor that has been made for some years. In all they captured between one and two hundred dollars worth of brandy, whiskey and gin and the patrol wagon had to make two trips before it was all carried to the central police station. It is said that in all there was in the vicinity of 150 bottles. The officers who made the raid were Sgt. Campbell and Constables Lucas, St. Perry, Wittrein and Goelline.

A CHILDREN'S RALLY NEW YEAR'S MORNING

Fourth Annual Rally of Methodist Sunday Schools of City to be Held in Centenary on Monday.

The fourth annual rally of the Methodist Sunday schools will take place in Centenary church on New Year's morning at half past ten. It is expected that no less than eleven Methodist Sunday schools will take part and it is believed that the capacity of even so large a church as Centenary will be taxed to the utmost to hold the gathering. The galleries of the church have been reserved for visitors, and it is expected that quite a number will be present.

The chairman of the gathering will be Rev. G. A. Ross, and short addresses will be made by his worship the mayor and Rev. H. E. Thomas. Telegrams of greetings will be exchanged with similar gatherings in the west and the chairman of the executive, F. R. Murray, has just heard from Ottawa that His Royal Highness the governor general will send a message of greeting.

It was hoped that Halifax would have a similar gathering this year, but this has been deferred for another year. When this is done it will complete the chain from coast to coast.

After the meeting is dismissed a march will be made to King square where it will be joined by the Presbyterian-Congregational gathering and will conclude with the National Anthem.

PERSONAL

Miss Hattie Chisholm, of St. Stephen came to the city on the Boston train last evening. She will be the guest of Miss J. E. Henegar, of 125 Orange street, during her visit here.

Miss Margaret Sutherland, of East Providence, R. I. is here visiting her sister, Mrs. J. H. Davidson.

Alexander McLean, son of Inspector McLean, came in on the C. P. R. at noon yesterday from the west to spend the holiday season with his parents at 164 King street east. Mr. McLean has been engaged in ranching in northern Saskatchewan during the past ten years.

J. B. Gibben arrived home on Sunday from Montreal and Toronto.

Grand Concert.
The Empress of Britain Rainbow Pollies will give a grand concert in the Seaman's Institute tonight at eight o'clock. This clever troupe of entertainers greatly delighted a crowded house during their last visit. They have prepared an excellent programme and will secure a hearty welcome from the citizens of St. John. The entire ground floor of the Institute will be reserved for this, their only performance this visit. Admission, 25 cents.

A Pleasant Surprise.
Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Kessen received a very pleasant surprise on Saturday afternoon when the directors of the Bank of New Brunswick called at their home and presented them with a beautiful silver tea service.

Finger Crushed.
Yesterday morning a shipplaborer named George Dangan, got a finger caught in one of the slings and had it badly crushed. His injury was attended to at the Emergency Hospital at Sand Point.

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