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**ONCE LIVED  
IN ST. JOHN**

Mrs. Wallace, of Calais, 101 Years Old on Last Saturday — Does Household Work.

Calais, Dec. 12—One of the oldest women in Maine, or Eastern Maine, at any rate, is Mrs. Matilda (Hyman) Wallace of Calais, who was 101 years old on Saturday, December 9. Mrs. Wallace says: "They were not lavish with middle names when I was christened, so they named me just Matilda."

She became the wife of John Wallace on May 10, 1843. The ceremony took place in Paradise Church, Nova Scotia, and Rev. Edwin Gilpin, brother of Bishop Gilpin of the Episcopal church, was the officiating clergyman.

The union was blessed with thirteen children, of whom two only survive. The son, John A., who never married, is a seafaring man, with New York city as his home port. The surviving daughter is Mrs. Margaret Kelley, a much respected citizen of Calais, with whom Mrs. Wallace makes her home. Mrs. Wallace's husband passed away in April, 1922.

Of Mother Wallace's thirty-four grandchildren, thirty are living, also twenty-seven great grandchildren, and she is tremendously proud of them. The subject of this article is a really remarkably active woman, busy with light housework, ironing, cooking and helping with meals for the household, as well as knitting mittens and socks for grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She is a splendid conversationalist and even keeps herself in touch with world news, her memory being remarkable. Although her sight is a little dim her hearing is as acute as when she was a girl. It is a pleasure for Mrs. Wallace to receive callers and the attention of friends, whom she can entertain by interesting conversation.

These traits combined with a wonderful disposition and blameless life have deservedly gained for Mother Wallace a large circle of friends and admirers. Two years ago on the occasion of her ninety-ninth birthday these friends presented her with a purse of money, one dollar for each year, and on her hundredth birthday she was again remembered with a goodly sum.

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**MONTCALM TO  
TAKE THOUSAND**

Christmas Ship to Get Away from Sand Point This Afternoon.

The Canadian Pacific steamship Montcalm, is to sail this afternoon for Liverpool with approximately 1,000 passengers, mostly people going to the northland to spend Christmas. Among the cabin passengers are Mr. and Mrs. J. Burns, Dr. J. A. L. Henderson, Miss Mary E. Thomas and J. I. Wilson of this city; Philip Bradshaw of Montreal; John C. H. W. and Mrs. Clinch of Blithworth, Eng.; George D. Cushing and party of twenty from Salt Lake City, Utah; Commander T. B. Drew O. B. E., of Liverpool, Eng.; George Mason, a prominent lumberman of Manchester, Eng.; C. L. Sibley, editor of the Montreal Herald; James E. Ashworth, New York; J. H. Shimmens of San Francisco, Cal., and people returning from the Orient to spend Christmas with relatives in the Old Country.

The majority of the passengers reached the city in two special trains, one which came through from Winnipeg, and the other a special made up for Montreal. Both trains arrived at this afternoon around 1.30 o'clock and went right to the ship's side at Sand Point.

Those who arrived in the city previously were taken in a transfer train from Union Station this morning to the ship's side.

**TO JOIN DUMBELLS.**

Of Alonso Johnson, one of Moncton's most popular young men, who has gone to Toronto to join the Dumbells Company, the Transcript says:—

"He will be greatly missed in musical circles, as well as by his many friends in Moncton. He has always been generous in giving his services to any worthy cause, has been a big help in amateur productions and was leader of St. Bernard's choir. Mr. Johnson has all the necessary requirements to be one of the famous cast of the Dumbells. He is a returned man, has a rich baritone voice and a thorough knowledge of music, besides a wide experience in stage work. Following the evening service in St. Bernard's Church on Sunday he was presented with a check, and a substantial purse was presented to him today by his fellow workers in the audit office, C. N. R. His friends also gave him a fine club bag at the home of Mrs. Alvin Lutes on Sunday."

**WAS ONCE ST. JOHN PRINTER.**

Moncton Times: Rev. W. W. Weeks, D. D., of Richmond, Va., was the preacher at the opening service of the new Baptist church edifice at Dufferin street, Toronto, on Sunday, Nov. 19. Dr. Weeks formerly resided in St. John and was a member of the firm of Weeks & Powers, printers. Dr. Weeks was at one time pastor of the First Baptist church in Moncton. It will be interesting to note that Dr. Weeks preached his first sermons at Grand Bay, N. B., now one of the best known summer resorts near St. John.

**ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED.**

Moncton Times: Mr. and Mrs. Alonso Jonah, Dawson, A. Co., announce the engagement of their daughter, Myrtle N., to Mr. Frank H. Duffy, Somerville, Mass., the marriage to take place at an early date.

**LOCAL NEWS**

**ARTISTIC CALENDAR**

The Blue Ribbon Beverage Co. has issued a very artistic calendar for 1923.

**VARIETY SHOWER**

Friend Ryan collected the Granger gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dunn, 28 St. Andrews street, last evening, and tendered her a variety shower. Mrs. Granger, who is to be a principle in an interesting event in the near future, was the recipient of many useful gifts of cut glass, silver and linen.

**LIQUOR CASE.**

John Connell pleaded guilty this morning to having intoxicating liquor in his beer shop in Union street. Inspector Ellen and Carson visited his premises yesterday afternoon and found a bottle of alleged hard liquor. An alarm from box 251 soon had the fire apparatus on the scene and it was not long before the blaze was extinguished.

**FIRE CALL**

Fire broke out a little after 1 o'clock today in the Fowler Spring Co., Ltd. factory in City Road. It is said to have started in the cellar and worked up along the wall to the roof where a considerable portion was damaged. An alarm from box 251 soon had the fire apparatus on the scene and it was not long before the blaze was extinguished.

**BOYS' SKATING RACES**

The management of the skating meet which is to be held in the new arena on next Monday evening under the auspices of the Carpenters and Joiners Union and the St. John Rowing Club, announce that changes have been made in the boys' races as follows: Events for boys under 12; for boys under 14; for boys under 16; for boys under 18 and for boys under 20. The other events stand as previously published.

**BURIAL AT ST. MARTIN'S**

The funeral of Mrs. Patrick H. Nugent of West Quaco was held from her late residence on Monday morning to the Catholic church at St. Martin's where Rev. Harold L. Coughlin celebrated requiem high mass. Interment was in the little cemetery adjoining the church. The esteem in which Mrs. Nugent was held and the general sorrow in the community and elsewhere were shown by the beautiful floral tributes and spiritual bouquets and by the many friends who attended the funeral, not only from the community but from St. John city and other parts of the county.

**THE NEVINS WILL**

Miss Susie Smith has given notice of appeal to the Supreme Court from the decision of Judge H. O. McInerney, Judge of Probates, in connection with the will of the late Charles T. Nevins. In this connection Daniel Mullin, K. C., was asked this morning about a published statement that the solicitors for the proponents of the will had filed notice of appeal. Mr. Mullin said that Miss Smith was the only one who had given notice of appeal and that she was not a proponent of the will but one who was cited to appear as an interested party by the executors, who were the proponents.

**SAYS CARS OVER-CROWDED**

A citizen who complained to the Times today that overcrowding of street cars is becoming a public menace. He said he was a passenger on a Fairville car a few nights ago and that the motorman and a company official kept crowding the people in until they were jammed to the front vestibule to the rear. As a result, he says the car got beyond control of the motorman and a crowd of street cars he had not sufficient freedom to work the brake and for a time it looked as if a serious accident was imminent. He said he witnessed a similar occurrence on other occasions.

**REAL ESTATE NEWS**

The following property transfers have been recorded recently in St. John County:

L. V. Lingley to the St. John Milling Co., property in Celebration street; Executors of Irene M. Simpson, Ellen Lynch and others, property in Main street.

**Kings County.**

Bessie L. Anderson and husband to C. F. Alward, property in Havelock and Salisbury.

Martha C. Carleton to M. C. Wallace, property in Sussex.

Canadian Credit Men's Trust Association, assignee, to Hugh Alton, property in Sussex.

Helen of George Gibson to Michael Guilfoyle, property in St. John.

William Jamieson to B. E. Mosher in Sussex.

F. Keith to C. F. Alward, property in Havelock and Salisbury.

Grace S. Keith and others to C. F. Alward, property in Havelock and Salisbury.

Combe-Eveleigh, Ltd., to E. G. Titus, property in Sussex.

G. G. Morrison to J. H. McFadden, property in Sussex.

W. A. Price to C. F. Alward, property in Havelock and Salisbury.

**RUSSIAN SHIPS  
WITH REFUGEES  
IN SAD PLIGHT**

Shanghai, Dec. 12—Fourteen Russian ships carrying refugees from Vladivostok are now in the harbor here, five arriving today. All are short of fuel and food, and the authorities will not permit the passengers to land, although charitable organizations are planning measures to relieve the immediate needs of the hungry Russian refugees.

Of the original fleet of fifteen vessels comprising the Russian Asiatic navy, one is missing and it is feared it may have been lost.

On the ships now here are more than 500 officers and soldiers of the former White Guards with their families, including 200 wives and daughters. There are also 370 orphan boys, former cadets at the military school in Vladivostok. With strict economy, it is said, the supplies aboard the ships will be sufficient to support life until January 1. Fuel and clothing, however, are lacking.

**WORLD TOUR HAD  
TO BE SHORTENED**

L. R. Ross was Taken Ill While in China

Is Recuperating and is at his Desk in Union Depot—Speaks of Customs of the People and Other Features of Oriental Visit.

A tour around the world which he had in view when he left St. John on September 1 was cut short by sickness, compelling him to return from Hong Kong by the shortest route, so L. R. Ross, general agent of the C. N. R., here told a Times reporter in an interview this morning. Although he was quite ill for a time, Mr. Ross said today that he was improving considerably in health and hoped so to continue.

During the three months that he was away, however, Mr. Ross managed to cover some 30,000 miles and had many novel experiences. He was accompanied by his son, Arthur G. Ross, who joined him at Montreal and returned as far as that place with him, and his nephew, Herman Lordly, who remained in the east and will visit England on his way home, going by way of Singapore.

After leaving Montreal, Mr. Ross and his party went to Vancouver and after a short visit in San Diego, California, returned to and sailed from Vancouver on one of the C. P. R. Empress steamships. The party landed at Yokohama and spent some time in Japan, visiting amongst other places Tokyo, Kobe and Nagasaki. From Japan they journeyed to China, landing at Shanghai, and proceeded as far as Manila in the Philippine Islands.

Returning to China they had just reached Hong Kong when Mr. Ross took severely ill and he immediately traveled to Shanghai and left on the first trip for Vancouver via Yokohama. He had planned going from China to Singapore and thence through the Suez Canal and back to America by the Atlantic route, but his illness necessitated the change in plans.

Mr. Ross said that it would be impossible to describe the everyday life in the Orient, so vastly different it is from that of this section of the globe—it must be observed personally to be appreciated. He declared that the water in the east was very bad and it was extremely difficult for travelers to get accustomed to it; it was to this fact that he partially attributed his illness.

It was Mr. Ross' intention to take a trip of the Orient, but after arriving at Shanghai he learned that conditions were so disturbed that the transportation companies would not sell tickets to inland points.

Although he did not come directly in contact with any of the disturbed conditions, Mr. Ross heard many stories of ill-treatment and injustice inflicted on innocent residents and travelers by insurgents, particularly in the province of Honan where most of the unrest is centered. In one case he was told of a body of rebels who carried Christian missionaries in front of their forces to prevent the government troops from firing on them.

Describing economic conditions in the Orient, Mr. Ross said that, although prices were high, there seemed to be plenty of work and everybody appeared to be busily engaged in one occupation or another. He was particularly struck by the fact that in Japan the stevedore work was carried on by women as well as men. The feminine laborer received the same wage for her services as did her brother, and from his observations was capable of doing an equal amount of work as well as and as expeditiously as any of the men. The wages amounted to the equivalent of about twenty-five cents a day. The crews engaged in bunkering steamers in Japanese ports were made up of both women and men.

Mr. Ross paid a hearty tribute to the service which the C. P. R. was maintaining on the Pacific. Not only were their steamers almost invariably right on schedule, but the officials and crews spared nothing to assure the passengers of the best service and the greatest convenience possible. They were ever ready and willing, he said, to provide information and service and seemed to go out of their way to look after the needs of all classes of passengers.

Mr. Ross is being welcomed home by many friends and it is their hope that his health will be back to normal in the near future. Despite his indisposition, Mr. Ross was at his desk in the Union Depot today picking up again the threads of his occupation where he laid them down more than three months ago.

**BAIL REFUSED  
FOR MRS. PARKER**

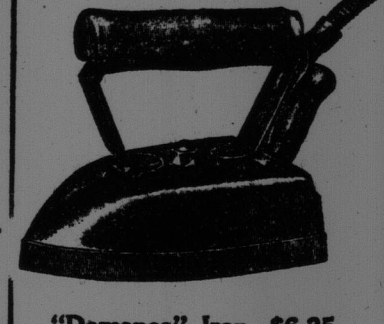
Chief Justice McKeown Declines to Grant Application—Case in Circuit.

In chambers this morning an application for bail in the case of Bessie Rose, charged with the murder of Mary Frontin, was refused by Chief Justice McKeown. When the application was made last week before the police magistrate he ruled that he had not jurisdiction. E. S. Ritchie made the application today in behalf of the prisoner, J. J. Henneberry appeared for the Crown.

In Circuit Court this morning the case of Worth vs. Brittain was continued before Mr. Justice Crockett. This is an action arising from alleged breach of contract, damages being claimed for wages alleged to be due the plaintiff from the defendant in connection with the unloading and weighing of sugar at this port from steamer J. S. Tait appears for the plaintiff and F. R. Taylor, K.C., the defendant.

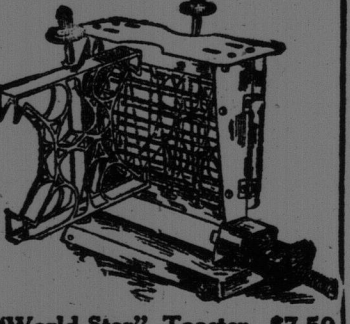
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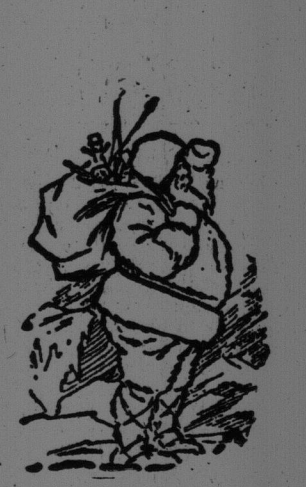


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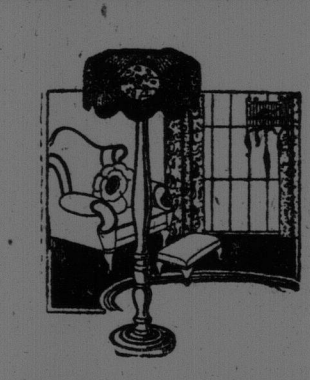
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Yours of the Christmas Spirit,  
Until Saturday Morning,  
**SANTA CLAUS.**

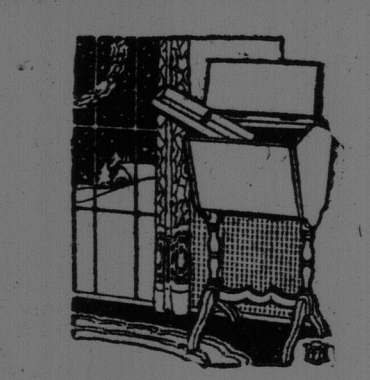
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