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All grocers handle them—No work to sell them.
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At \$5, \$6, \$7.50, \$8 and \$8.75
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MRS. MARY ROGERS MUST HANG TODAY.
Execution Takes Place This Afternoon—Reprieve Refused—History of Crime and Legal Fight.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION, Vt., Dec. 8.—Although Governor Bell agreed early today to hear what the attorneys for Mrs. Mary M. Rogers had to say in



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inquiries he said, "I am going to bed. I have nothing to say."
Secretary Walters stated early today that he had heard of nothing that could prevent the execution.
WHITE RIVER JUNCTION, Vt., Dec. 8.—Early today Attorney F. H. of counsel for Mrs. Rogers, handed Governor Bell a letter from Justice Powers of the Vermont Supreme Court, requesting him to show clemency.
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"The defeat was brought about, of course, by the Irish party through its representatives. This is not the first time the party has shown its power. We have shown that in the long run no British government which tries to ignore the righteous demand for home rule can long escape defeat. The political future is most encouraging. The great mass of the Liberals will follow the lead of the new premier, and John Morley on the Irish question. The views of these men as well as their actions have been consistent. Lord Rosebery's objections will have little weight.
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ALDERMEN DISPLEASED WITH ENGINEER BARBOUR.
His Presence Has Been Needed and He Couldn't Be Found—He Is Coming Tomorrow.

Engineer Barbour is due to arrive in the city tomorrow morning on the early train from Amherst and has sent word that he would like to meet the mayor and aldermen some time tomorrow. There is a hitch right here as the aldermen are men of business and Saturday is a very busy day with them and there is sure to be a big kick if they are called away from their business for several days to certify to work contracts which the mayor will not approve until Mr. Barbour signs the necessary papers. Mr. Barbour's assistant, Mr. Hunter, has been looking for his chief for two days but did not know where to locate him.
Mr. Barbour wants to leave for Boston tomorrow night but it now looks as if he would have to attend to the St. John affair as there is considerable discontent over the delay.

GEORGE WILLIAMS ARRESTED; STOLE ARMY COLLECTIONS.
Says He's a St. John Man—Moncton Police Believe He is a Lunatic From the State of Maine.

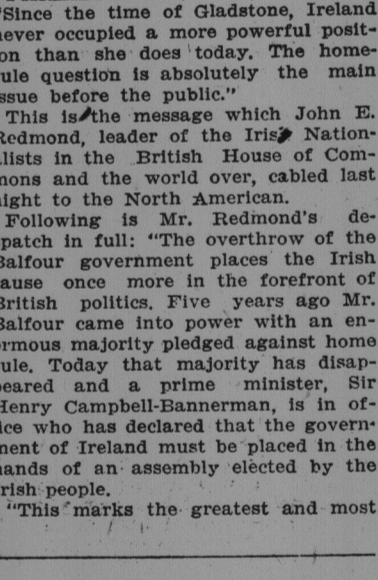
MONCTON, N. B., Dec. 8.—A man who gave his name as George Williams was arrested this morning for stealing a Salvation Army box from the Brunswick hotel. The box contained three or four dollars, and Williams says the theft was committed by another party whose name he does not give.
Williams registered at American hotel as John Williams, of St. John, but he is believed to belong to Maine. When arrested he was in the Bank of Nova Scotia, trying to negotiate a loan of a thousand dollars in the strength of a document alleged to have been signed by J. B. Walker, lumberman, of Bass River, Kent County, transferring to him property worth two thousand five hundred. Williams then gave the name of George Murray. It is thought he is of unsound mind.

POWERS ACCEPT THE SULTAN'S COMPROMISE.
CONSTANTINOPLE, via Sofia, Bulgaria, Dec. 8.—The ambassadors of the six powers at a conference just held have accepted some of the modifications proposed by the Porte to the original scheme for the financial control of Macedonia and an amended agreement has been forwarded to their respective governments for ratification. This is expected promptly, when the incident will be closed. The modifications accepted apparently in no way affect the efficacy of the scheme, but are a sop given to the Sultan's self-esteem and his claims for recognition of his sovereign rights by the inclusion of an Ottoman representative in the financial control work and in agreement that the commission's decision shall be submitted to the Sultan for formal imperial sanction.
For 75 cents cash in advance the Semi-Weekly Sun will be sent to your address for one year. 27c.

SENATOR HAD TOOTH PULLED; IS DYING
PORTLAND, Oen., Dec. 8.—At 3 o'clock this morning the physicians attending U. S. Senator Mitchell, who is critically ill from loss of blood following the extraction of a tooth yesterday, were administering saline solution with increasing frequency. The doctors say he may survive several hours yet.

MURDER THE CHARGE DR. PRESTON FACES.

HOME RULE IS THE DOMINANT ISSUE.
Ireland's Position Never So Powerful, Says Redmond
Irish Nationalist Leader Confident That the Change of Government Will Bring Erin Her Heart's Desire.



JOHN E. REDMOND.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 8.—"Since the time of Gladstone, Ireland never occupied a more powerful position than she does today. The home rule question is absolutely the main issue before the public."
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TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION
WANTED—Girl for general housework. No laundry work required. MRS. W. FRANK HATHAWAY, 71 St. James street.

LARGE, well furnished front room with board terms reasonable. Apply 156 King Street East.

Preliminary Examination Began This Morning
Howard D. Camp Will Be Tried Separately, Probably as an Accessory—Dr. W. F. Roberts on the Stand.

Dr. Edward A. Preston was arraigned in the police court this morning on the charge of murder.
His preliminary examination was then begun and continued till noon when it was adjourned till two o'clock this afternoon. Dr. W. F. Roberts was on the stand at that time and returned again in the evening. On this occasion Mrs. Clarke was present. The temperature this day was something over 102. He had suspicion of pneumonia but could find no signs from examination. He remained with her about half an hour at that time and returned again in the evening. On this occasion Mrs. Clarke was present. The temperature by this time had gone up a half degree and she was not quite so well. The next visit was on Friday at noon, Nov. 17th, she still complained of a pain in the chest. There was no physical signs and he suggested at that time it might be due to neurasthenia. She showed signs of being weaker and her temperature had fallen suddenly to 97.
The witness did not change his opinion much regarding her condition. He had called there three times on Friday, as she was weak and her condition indicated a serious illness. The entire group of symptoms indicated pneumonia throughout. The second visit was about six o'clock. During these visits Mrs. Clarke was present. Mrs. Clarke did not ask witness how sick she was, but she was a very sick girl. She was told that probably three or four times during her whole illness. Her temperature remained sub-normal on Friday and did not indicate anything unusual in her case as he understood it at that time. On Friday night about 11 o'clock her pulse was bad and she was given a hypodermic injection in the left arm to tone up the heart. The next visit was about noon on Saturday. The conversation was similar to that on previous occasions, except that she said she was weaker. The temperature was about normal and pulse of a better quality. He saw her again Saturday evening at six o'clock. Mrs. Clarke and Miss Reynolds were there at this visit. There was a conversation he had with another person in the afternoon. He called on her then as a result of a call by Miss Reynolds.
"I visited her again," went on the witness, "that night in consequence of a summons from Mrs. Clarke and got there about 11 o'clock. Mrs. Clarke and Miss Reynolds were there in the house. I sat down by the girl's bed and said, 'Miss Clarke, I want to know if you are keeping back anything from me. I am blindfolded as to your condition by your secrecy, and it is my duty to you. She looked at me and started to cry and said, 'Papa will kill me if he knows this, and I will be disgraced for life.' I told her to confide in me if she might be attended to properly.
She said she had exposed herself two or three months ago. On examination he found that the patient had been pregnant. I had previously told her she was in a serious condition and if she would reveal to me her condition I would keep her secret for the time being. I informed her that an operation would have to be performed and she was willing. I gave her another hypodermic injection that night."
Witness then told her if the operation was not performed that she certainly would not get better and would die. He found that there had been a case of pregnancy and abortion.
It being one o'clock the court adjourned until two o'clock this afternoon.
When the examination was resumed this afternoon Miss Maxwell, one of the Victorian nurses, was put on the stand. She will be followed by Miss Muir, the other nurse, and by Dr. Roberts, whose evidence will be concluded this afternoon.

DROWNED MAN WAS NOT JOSEPH WHITE.
Mrs. Jimmie of Chatham has wired that her brother, Joseph White, who it was thought might be the man who was found drowned back of the Salvation Army hall on 3111 street, left Chatham, Friday, Dec. 1st. The dead man was seen at Torryburn on Thursday, so it cannot possibly have been White. The remains are still at Chamberlain's undertaking rooms.

In an advertisement the idea must be true and convey an impression of seriousness and veracity—Geo. A. Macbeth, Pittsburg.