

# AROUND THE CITY COURTENAY BAY WORKS WILL BE ON NEW PLANS

**Concert and Presentation.**  
In the kindergarten of the Portland Methodist church, yesterday afternoon, the little tots gave their annual Christmas concert before a large and admiring audience of mothers, who afterwards presented each of the teachers with a pair of kid gloves as a Christmas gift.

**Open on Saturday Night.**  
An interesting announcement is made today by the Royal Bank and will be read with interest by merchants. The bank's fine street office will be open tomorrow, Saturday, evening from 8 until 11 o'clock and merchants will find it a measure of safety and convenience to be able to make a deposit before closing up for the holiday.

**Court Yukon's Officers.**  
The members of Court Yukon, No. 733, C.O.F., held their annual election of officers last evening with the following results: R. M. Thorne, C. R. A. O. Einar, V. C. J. E. Arthur, P. B.; A. A. Marshall, R. S.; R. W. Wigmore, treas.; H. Calvo, O. R.; Dr. G. G. Melvin, auditor; G. Dorey, S. W.; J. H. Pierce, J. W.; H. Stackhouse, S. B.; B. A. Williams, J. B.; Dr. G. G. Melvin, C. Phys.; J. O. Brown, H. D. Stackhouse, R. M. Thorne, trustees.

**"Snapshooting" Big Game.**  
Douglas W. Clinch, who has spent the last month in the woods studying wild life and taking pictures, returned to the city yesterday. Mr. Clinch spent most of the time on the headwaters of the South West Miramichi. He saw over 200 caribou and secured many fine snapshots of caribou and moose. He says he had a fine time and had no accidents or misadventures. He came out of the woods on snowshoes, taking three days for the trip. Mr. Clinch was accompanied by Mr. Hunter, of New York, a gentleman who has secured a large collection of photos of wild life.

**Funeral of Philip A. McGowan.**  
The funeral of Philip A. McGowan took place at 8:15 o'clock this morning from his parents' residence, 218 Main street, to St. Peter's church, where Rev. J. Borgmann, C. S. R., celebrated Requiem High Mass. Interment took place in the new Catholic cemetery. The funeral was largely attended, the members of St. Peter's, Y. M. C. A., and of Branch 482 of the C. M. B. A., marching in a body. The following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. Harry, John and Leo Dwyer, Edward McGuire and Frederick Mahoney. Among the many magnificent floral tributes were a wreath of pink and white roses from the head office of the C. P. R., employees of Carleton, and from Mr. Robert Gwyn, of the tie and timber department of the C. P. R.

## A CHRISTMAS STORY TO SET YOU THINKING

**Do Standard Readers Know of Any Little Boys and Girls who May be Forgotten by Santa?**

There came a ragged boy galloping along the sidewalk. At his heels a new painted sled cavorted wildly. And behind the sled came a fat man, a well known shopkeeper of St. John, in his shirt sleeves and with an apron around his waist. He did not require the wisdom of a Sherlock Holmes to surmise that the fat man was chasing the boy and the sled. But he was not saying anything; he was running so hard that he had no mind to waste in words. There came a big policeman marching around the corner, "sputtered the fat man on the run. Next moment boy and sled collapsed with the sturdy legs of the limb of the law, and their headlong career ended suddenly. As the policeman captured the boy the fat man came up puffing and blowing and growling wrathfully. "You little rascal," What do you mean by running off with my sled?" The boy watched the excited fat man with a stubborn face. "What's the trouble?" asked the policeman. "He looked that sled from in front of my shop and ran off with it like a streak of lightning," puffed the fat man. "I don't know what this town is coming to. Here, give me that sled, and you take that boy to jail." The policeman had a good natured visage. "Why did you steal the sled, my son?" he asked. "The boy's ragged coat sleeve brushed his eyes. "I wanted it for Sis. She wants a sled for Christmas," he whimpered. "The fat man had recovered his wind. He looked at the ragged boy with quickened interest, and growled gruffly: "Who's your father, boy?" "Ain't got none." "Well that's too bad," said the fat man. "Have you a mother?" "Yes, sir, but she's been sick, and says she can't get Sis any Christmas presents," said the boy. And then, taking heart of hope, he added: "Please, mister, don't send me to jail. I—I know it was wrong, but I just had to try to get a sled." A comical expression came into the ruddy countenance of the fat man, and he turned to the policeman. "Hey, Sergeant, you don't want to arrest that boy, do you?" "Do you," said the policeman, blinking solemnly. "People who had witnessed the race were hurrying to the scene. "Oh, bless the boy," snorted the fat man. "I've got to get back to my shop. Boys will be boys, I suppose, and now I remember I've stole apples and lots of things without no good excuse as this boy seems to have. Say, Sergeant, take the boy to his home, and take the sled along with you. If you find he is telling the truth, you can leave the sled with him, and say—" he passed out a bill—"you might see that Santa Claus gets around to Sis." "Sure, I will," said the policeman. And the guardian of the law went off in one direction with the boy and the sled and the fat man, looking as if he had done something he was ashamed of, hurried off in the other.

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**If Development is Carried Forward it will be on Lines Greatly Changed from Proposal of Laurier Government—More Work and Better Work at a Large Saving in Cost.**

It is understood, that in considering the proposed improvements at Courtenay Bay, many changes have been found necessary in the original plans, as prepared by the Laurier government. Should the work be undertaken—and there is every reason to believe that it will—it is said that the break-water will be built so as to extend further out towards the mouth of the harbor. In this way the basin will be considerably larger than was at first planned, and accommodation will eventually be provided for larger vessels. The pier also will be extended, and concrete will be substituted for the cribwork specified in the former plans. In this way a saving will be effected which will be sufficient to pay for the increased facilities planned. In this way 50 per cent. more accommodation will be secured, at a cost no greater than the original price of the Laurier contract. The additional section of the basin thus provided, will not be dredged and is provided to make extensions possible as the size of merchant vessels increase.

## INSPECTOR M'LEAN HEAD OF INSTITUTE

**W. M. McLean Chosen President of St. John Co. Teachers' Institute, at Election Held Yesterday**

At the closing session of the St. John County Teachers' Institute yesterday afternoon, Inspector W. M. McLean was chosen president for the year 1912. The other officers elected were: Miss A. M. Hens, vice-president; Miss Keegan, secretary; H. V. Hayes and Rex Cormier, members of the executive. The institute was one of the most successful yet held; all the papers were of a high order, and the discussion interesting. Chancellor Jones of the N. B. was present during the day, and addressed the teachers in session. At the morning session Dr. Carter, Chief Supt. Carter delivered an address in which he emphasized the importance of manual training in the curriculum, and expressing the hope that within a short time definite steps will be taken for the establishment of technical classes. As regards the summer school of science, Dr. Carter said that he expects that the Maritime school of science will be replaced by a provincial institution before next year. The importance of mechanical drawing was dwelt upon by W. J. S. Miles. Votes of thanks were passed to the board of school trustees for the use of the High School for the holding of the sessions, and to the press. At the morning session Dr. Bridges read an instructive paper on the Art of Questioning, in which he pointed out the importance of formulating questions so as to make the pupil think and reason before answering. Interesting papers on Oral History and The Teaching of Fractions were read by Miss Louise Lingley and Rex Cormier.

## INSPECTOR W. M. McLEAN, President St. John Co. Teachers' Institute.

**A Christmas Suggestion.**  
"The city of St. John would look happier and brighter on the Saturday and Sunday evenings before Christmas if the householders as well as shopmen would illuminate their premises and leave the window curtains and blinds braided up," said L. P. D. Tilley to The Standard yesterday. "This is a custom followed in other cities and it should be adopted in St. John. At this season the citizens should not be afraid of spending a little money on gas or electric lighting, and they should allow the light and cheer of their households to shine out upon the world."

## PERSONAL

**Turkey Or Fish.**  
In order to accommodate the large number of Christmas shoppers, the management of Wananmaker's restaurant will serve a fish or turkey supper today from 5 to 7 p. m. Twenty cents.

**Yesterday completed the 44th and by far the most successful year in the long history of the St. John Business College. The 45th year will begin Tuesday, Jan. 2nd, with better facilities and brighter prospects than ever before.**

**The man who loves the woods needs strong, comfortable footwear, and those who wear them say Humphrey's Solid Shoes are the best. Ask your dealer.**

**Turkey dinner and supper, at Bond's today.**

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## REPORT OF SALE OF DUFFERIN REVIVED

Story that Canadian Pacific Railway Has Purchased Block of Charlotte Street Property Again Being Told

A report that the C. P. R. has acquired the Dufferin Hotel property, and also the adjoining properties on Charlotte street extending down to the corner of Princess street is again in circulation, but efforts to secure a confirmation or denial of the report failed to develop any definite information.

C. C. Bostwick, owner of the Dufferin Hotel, declined to make any statement whatever in regard to the report.

Asked if there were any truth in it, he said he did not care to say anything about it at present, and to the query whether the C. P. R. was negotiating for the property, he returned the same reply.

Wm. Downie, superintendent of the Atlantic Division of the C. P. R. when asked about the report, said that if the C. P. R. had acquired the property he knew nothing about it.

John H. Bond, of Foster, Bond & Company, lessees of the hotel, said he had heard nothing of the report, and added that while their lease had still some time to run, they were applying for a lease for another term, and had been assured that they would be able to obtain it.

## Sale of Cut Glass and Papeteries at R. A.'s

All who would like to present Christmas gifts of cut glass will have the opportunity to purchase beautiful new designs at much lower prices. A wide variety of articles is included in this sale which will begin this morning at 8:30 in the Christmas show room. The entire stock of superfine papeteries now displayed in the millinery room has been marked at special prices for clearance. All are in gift boxes and at the reduced figures represent exceptional values. This sale will start this morning at 8:30. The sale of novelties in brass, copper, nickel and silver is still going on in the show room. This is a chance to secure some fine articles for gifts at much reduced figures.

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## SALE OF NOVELTIES IN BRASS, COPPER, NICKEL AND ART SILVER WILL BE CONTINUED THIS MORNING

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