ONE MAN KILLED AND COMPANION INJURED BY STREET CAR TUESDAY

James Ryder, Terribly Mangled, Wedged Under Fender for Half an Hour

Neck Broken, Doctors Say, and Death Was Instantaneous—Capt. Tufts Now in Serious Condition in Hospital—Mrs. Tufts Under Care of Physician---Men Were Crossing Street and Did Not See Rapidly Approaching Car in Time.

Wednesday, Dec. 13.

Struck down by a rapidly moving street car in Main street between Sheriff and Simonds streets at 8 o'clock last evening, James Ryder, of 56 Sheriff street, aged 63, was almost instantly killed, and Captain Benjamin Tufts, of 123 Acadia street, was badly injured and now lies in the General Public Hospital in a serious condition. Ryder was knocked down by the fender, dragged under the car and so firmly wedged that half an hour elapsed before the car was raised and he could be extricated. The doctors found on his being taken out that his neck was broken, one of his arms and a leg broken, that he had a serious scalp wound and marks of electrocution. Captain Tufts had one leg dislocated at the ankle, bruises on his face and a general shaking-up, but is expected to recover.

Intense excitement prevailed in the North End following the accident and groups remained about the scene of the tragedy throughout the evening discussing in awed voices the startling suddenness of the call which came to Mr. Ryder and the narrow escape of the other man. Dr. W. F. Roberts, the coroner, will hold an inquest and it is expected that the cause of the accident will be thoroughly investigated. John Reynolds was motorman of the car, Hary Smith, conductor, and the number was 69.

Says Gong Was Sounded.

The police will have at the inquest an eye-witness of the accident, a member of the crew of one of the steamers in port, whose name is withheld for the present. This man says that he saw Ryder and Tufts, both elderly men, step off the sidewalk on the northern side of the street and start to cross to the other side. The car was coming down the hill, city bound, and he says the gong was ringing as is required in making the crossings. When the men left the sidewalk a team came along and the witness says they were ahead of the team and apparently did not see the car until it was close upon them and they were on the track. One man then grasped the other by the arm, and one evidently pulled one way and one the other. Becoming confused they were stricken down and as this was a very dark bit of street they had not been sighted by the motorman.

When the car struck the men, however, the motorman threw on the brakes and the car stopped in the length of itself. The witness called out to the conductor that there was a man under the car and this was the first that the crew knew of the men being on the track. Tufts had been struck by the fender, but was thrown clear and was found lying on his face just behind the car. A crowd soon collected and there was an instant demand to have the car raised. The suggestion was made that the car be upset by the men who had gathered, but this was not considered practical and an effort was made to have the jacks secured to raise the car and release the man underneath. One man in the crowd called out that he saw the head move and this caused a strong feeling to have the car buoyed up at once.

Benjamin A. Carson was driving by and he, as a contractor, took charge of the work of raising the car. Jacks were at length secured from Samuel Johnson, Simonds street, and the work of raising began. Dr. C. M. Pratt and Dr. Roberts were awaiting the release of the man and when the body was drawn out, Dr. Pratt was one to assist. The head was wedged in between the brakebeam and the forward axle and was dislodged with difficulty.

The medical men at once pronounced Ryder dead and the body was carried into G. M. Ross' drug store. It was later removed to Chamberlain's undertaking rooms where a jury will probably view it this morning.

The police were on hand keeping back the crowd and after making inquiries and securing names of the crew and of the witnesses, they decided not to hold the car or detain the motorman. Traffic on the main line was held up about one hour by the accident.

Had Just Left Home.

Ryder had been an employe at Hilyard's mill on the Strait Shore for many years, and was much respected in the North End. Captain Tufts called at his home only a few minutes before the fatal accident and the two went out together, as was their custom. They went to James McDonald's liquor store, 481 Main street, and Mr. Ryder purchased two glasses of port wine and brandy, for which he paid, and the two friends then started to return home when they met with such an unhappy fate. Mr. Ryder had on a pair of loose low shoes and when he was struck these slipped off and were later picked up in the street. His pocketbook, containing $80, was found safe in his pocket when the body was searched at the undertaker's, and given over to the coroner.

Dr. Pratt, who made an examination of the body, found that the spinal column was dislocated and that there were evidences of electric contact about the neck. A large part of the scalp at the back of the head was torn off and there were several cuts on both sides of the head, while the lower left leg was broken and a bone in the lower arm broken near the elbow.

Dr. Pratt said that the man had also been treated for a weak heart and that the shock in itself would have been sufficient to cause death. With such frightful injuries, death must have been almost instantaneous.

Mr. Ryder is survived by his wife, who is at present in Boston; four daughters—Mrs. Harry Whidden and Mrs. Walter Miller, of Boston; Misses Edna and Lizzie, of this city—and two sons, Fred and Walter, of this city.

When Capt. Tufts was picked up after being thrown by the car he was not unconscious and after being taken into Ross' drug store was able to talk intelligently but said that he could give no explanation of the accident, that it all happened in an instant. He was taken to the hospital in the ambulance by Policeman Merrick and did not complain of any pain except in his broken ankle.

Mrs. Tufts Prostrated.

A more serious result of the accident may be its effect on Mrs. Tufts who, by a strange coincidence, was spending the evening at the home of her daughter, Mrs. G. Gayton, 482 Main street, almost directly in front of where Capt. Tufts so narrowly escaped death. Those in the house did not know of the accident until they saw the crowd gathering and on inquiry then were told that one man had been killed and another badly hurt and that one was Capt Tufts. Mrs. Tufts has only recently recovered from a severe illness and she was again prostrated when told of her husband's injury. Dr. Pratt was called in to attend her and found her very ill.

One topic of conversation was the responsibility for the death of Mr. Ryder and some men expressed the opinion that a greater effort should have been made to release the deceased from under the car.

Hazen McLean, superintendent for the street railway, said it would have been impossible to tip the car over at once and that it would not have been of the slightest use as the man was almost instantly killed by having his neck broken from contact with the brakebeam. The motorman, he said, was doing all that was required of him when he rang his gong at the Sheriff street crossing and there was no evidence to show that the car was going too rapidly. Mr. McLean pointed out that there was no light at the Simonds street corner and that the street was very dark at this point.

A Jury's Recommendations.

In May, 1908, May Howe, a six-year-old girl, was killed by a street car in Carleton and at that time a coroner's jury brought in a verdict exonerating the motorman but making several strong recommendations for the adoption of precautions to prevent destruction of life by street cars. The jury's recommendations were sent to the county secretary and have never been fully enforced.

The portion of the jury's verdict containing the recommendations follows:

"In our opinion the fender was too high and we do not consider this type of fender an adequate protection.

"We strongly recommend that the management of the said company strictly enforce the rule regarding the ringing of gongs at all cross walks.

"We also recommend that the speed of all street cars be regulated by legislature and that a speed indicator be placed in all street cars.

"We further recommend that the equipment of street cars as regards alarms, brakes and fenders be regulated and controlled by government."

GREAT IMPROVEMENT IN COASTWISE SHIPPING

Freight Rates Are High and Vessel Owners Are Encouraged—Local Freights Far Above the Average—Several Vessels Going South for Winter.

There has been a marked improvement in coastwise shipping and owners of vessel property today are quite cheerful. The agents of sailing craft have been hanging on with a dogged persistence. The turn, apparently, has now come and with a reported improvement in the American lumber market and a scarcity of tonnage there is every indication that the limit has not yet been reached.

Coal freights from New York have reached about the highest level that has been paid in many years. The rate being paid to St. John is from $1.35 to $1.50 a ton, which is almost double the rate paid, but a month or six weeks ago. The rate to Halifax is $1.75. This state of affairs has been brought about from the fact that tonnage coming this way is exceedingly scarce, as many vessels about this time are going into the southern trade.

Lumber freights are now $3.25 a thousand from this port. These, too, are likely to go higher. A case was recently cited of a charter having been fixed for a lump sum of $2,000 from Liscomb Mills, near Halifax, to New York for a schooner of 336 tons register.

The American market, which has been off for some time, is reported as showing signs of life and this, coming at a time when tonnage is scarce, fills shipping men with hope.

OBITUARY.

Miss Ruby Earle.

Miss Ruby Earle, a popular school teacher, died at the residence of James Vauwart, Tennant's Cove, on Saturday last after an illness resulting from abscess on the brain. She was twenty-one years of age and her early death will be greatly regretted by a large circle of friends. She is survived by her father and mother, two brothers, Harry and Everett, at home, and two sisters, Miss Edna, of Worcester (Mass.), and Mrs. A. Ernest Bovaird, of Hampton. Much sympathy is expressed for the family in their sad bereavement.

Capt. James M. Allen.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 11—(Special)—Capt. James M. Allen, one of the old-time master mariners of Nova Scotia, died today, aged about seventy-five years. He was a native of Yarmouth and began his seafaring life when he was fourteen. He owned and commanded several big vessels in the days of wooden ships, and for the past fifteen years has lived in semi-retirement in Chester and Halifax. A son is Prof. J. M. Allen of the Cincinnati University.

Miss Helen Greenfield.

Amherst, N. S., Dec. 11—(Special)—The sudden death of Miss Helen Greenfield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Clifford Greenfield, Spring street, occurred this morning following an operation for throat trouble. Deceased was twenty-nine years of age, and is survived by her father and mother and one brother. Since her early girlhood she had been a faithful and active worker in Trinity Methodist church especially in the Sunday school department.

Miss Ellen McElroy.

Wednesday, Dec. 13.

Miss Ellen McElroy, a well known resident of the North End, passed away at her late residence, 610 Main street, yesterday afternoon succumbing to an attack of pneumonia contracted only a few days ago. She was a daughter of the late Thomas and Ellen McElroy, and is survived by one sister, Mrs. John Kelly, of Rockland road; and one brother, Hugh McElroy, Main street. The funeral will be from her late residence, Friday morning to St. Peter's church for requiem high mass.

Mrs. Margaret Burchill.

St. Martins, N. B., Dec. 8—The death occurred today after a short illness of Mrs. Margaret Burchill, widow of John Burchill, at the advanced age of 86 years. She leaves four daughters and five sons. The daughters are Mrs. Mary Kelly, Mrs. Charles Rice, Mrs. Frank Harkin, all Dorchester (Mass.), and Johanna, at home. The sons are John and Minnie, of Roxbury (Mass.), Thomas, of St. John (N. B.), and William, at home. The funeral took place on Monday morning at 10.30. Interment was made in the Chapel Hill cemetery at West Quaco, St. Martins (N. B.) The service was conducted by Rev. Father Porier.

J. Temple Presley.

Boston, Dec. 12—(Special—J. Temple Presley, architect and attorney, died at his home in Malden yesterday. He was born in Moncton forty-five years ago and studied law in Dalhousie University.

Mrs. Mary Dolan.

The death of Mrs. Mary Dolan, widow of John Dolan, of Golden Grove, occurred at the home of Edward Hogan, 338 Union street, Tuesday night after a lingering illness. She was in the 81st year of her age, and was well known in this city. She is survived by two sons and six daughters. The sons are Peter, of this city, and Martin, of Golden Grove.

The daughters are Mrs. D. Hagerty, of Boston, Mrs. M. E. Hogan of Stanwood, Wash., and Mrs. E. Hogan, Mrs. M. Driscoll and Misses Hannah and Gussie all of this city. She was a daughter of the late Peter and Rachel Carney of Red Head.

Miss Ella Lowery.

Thursday, Dec. 14.

Word of the death of Miss Ella Blanche Lowrey, a nurse formerly of this city, but living for some time in Dorchester (Mass.) was received yesterday. She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Anne Lowrey, of North End, and two sisters, Miss Maud, at home, and Mrs. Henry Bond, of this city. Miss Lowrey had been away from home about seven years. Her body will be brought here today.

Alton Williams.

Thursday, Dec. 14.

The body of Alton Williams, a young Prince Edward Islander who was killed last week in Dorchester (Mass.), was brought to the city yesterday morning in passage to its last resting place at his birthplace in Graham's Road, P. E. I. It was accompanied by his mother, Mrs. J. W. Williams, his brother, Edward H., and his uncle, William Williams. The news of the accident was received with grief at his old home, as he had been popular there. He was only seventeen years old, and lived with his aunt, Mrs. Addie Burns, in Callender street, Dorchester.

The young man met death by being struck by an express train just a few minutes after he had left home on his way to work in the store of Cobb, Bates & Yerkes in Summer street. He was about to board another train, and had not seen the express approaching, and death was instantaneous.

Mrs. John P. Lunn.

Albert, N. B., Dec. 13—(Special)—The death occurred at her home in Albert today of Mrs. Lunn, wife of Capt. John P. Lunn. The deceased lady was about forty-five years of age and was formerly a Miss Belyea, of St. John river. Besides her husband she leaves a family of eight children, the eldest seventeen years of age.

Capt. George A. Coonan.

Hopewell Hill, N. B., Dec. 13—(Special)—Capt. Geo. A. Coonan, one of the best known residents of Harvey, died at his home there last night, after two weeks' illness, his death causing sincere regret among a wide circle of friends and acquaintances.

Captain Coonan was seventy-five years of age, and was for many years a deep sea shipmaster, and widely known in shipping circles. He retired from the sea quite a number of years ago. He is survived by his wife, who was formerly a Miss Oliver, and a family of five sons and four daughters. The sons are Captain Wm. Coonan, sailing out of New York; Vernon and Vinton, of Boston; Fred and George, living in Winnipeg. The daughters are Mrs. Duffy, at home; Mrs. Bowie, of Indiana; Mrs. Burpee Steeves, of Alberta, and Mrs. Atkinson, of Shediac (N. B.)

Sylvester T. Wathen.

Richibucto, Dec. 12—Sylvester T. Wathen of this town, passed away on the 7th inst., at the home of his half-brother, George A. Wathen, of Doaktown, where he had been for about nine weeks. His death was due to tuberculosis of the lungs. He was sixty-six years of age, and unmarried. He was a son of the late John M., and Margaret Wathen, and is survived by two bothers—J. Moss Wathen, of this place, and Neales Wathen, of Harcourt; and a half-brother, Geo. A. Wathen, principal of the Doaktown school.

The body was brought here on Friday for interment; a funeral service in St. Mary's church, as well as at the grave, being conducted by Rev. F. W. M. Bacon. The pall bearers were W. E. Forbes, H. H. James, Malcolm MacKinnon, Peter Bernard, J. D. McMinn, and F. S. Sayre.

Richard Blackstock.

Chatham, N. B., Dec. 13—(Special)—Richard S. Blackstock, aged eighty years, son of the late Richard Blackstock, died last night. He was born in Chatham and received his education at Kings College, and returned to Chatham, where he had been a much respected citizen for the whole of his life. Being possessed of an independent fortune, he did not follow any profession or business calling, but lived quietly on the family homestead. He was a well known citizen and widely esteemed. One sister, Mrs. Samuel Habberley, survives.

The Chatham curling club has decided to send rinks to St. John to meet the visiting Scotch curlers on January 5 and 6.

John Maloney.

Harvey Station, Dec. 13—John Maloney, a well known and much respected farmer of Cork Settlement, died suddenly at his residence there on Monday. He had not been in good health for some time, but was able to be around, and visited Harvey a few days before. He was a man of sterling character and integrity, and had many friends. He was about seventy years of age, and is survived by his wife and two brothers, Patrick and James Maloney, residing at Cork.

Mrs. Catherine Clark.

Fredericton, Dec. 14—The death occurred at the home of her son, William Clark, Brunswick street, at an early hour this morning, of Mrs. Catherine Clark, widow of James A. Clark. The deceased was in her 77th year and death was due to the infirmities of old age. She is survived by two sons, William and John, of this city, and one daughter, Mrs. Archibald Burden, of Woodstock.

Mrs. James Braydon.

The papers some days ago noted the death of Mrs. Matilda Brayden in Dorchester, Mass., on Dec. 7. She was the wife of James Brayden and was before marriage, Miss Duncan, of Germain Brook, Kings county. Soon after her marriage to Mr. Brayden, who was then proprietor of the Loch Lomond Hotel and for a time in business in this city, they went to Dorchester and had since resided there. She had many warm friends in this city who will learn of her death with regret. She is survived by her husband, three daughters—Mrs. John Hunter, Mrs. William Cleary and Miss Edith, all of Dorchester; and one son, James, of Salem, Mass. The funeral took place on Sunday, Dec. 10.

TO ALL SUBSCRIBERS

The Semi-Weekly Telegraph is now issued on Tuesday and Friday mornings and is intended to reach subscribers on the morning of Wednesday or Saturday. It has been suggested that publication a day earlier would enable a great many subscribers to receive their papers sooner than they do at present. Suggestions concerning this matter will be welcomed. If you are interested write on the subject to the editor of The Semi-Weekly Telegraph, St. John, N. B.

LOCAL NEWS

Correspondents who send letters to The Semi-Weekly Telegraph and who wish to have them returned if they are not printed, must send stamps for return postage.

W. B. Tennant has sold to His Lordship Bishop Casey the vacant lot on Leinster street adjoining St. Malachi's Hall, formerly belonging to the ice company.

Alex. G. Veniot, of Bathurst, is the author of a Christmas carol, published by the College Music Co., of Toronto, with the music by Arthur A. Penn, of New York.

The axe has fallen pretty vigorously on the Earl Grey staff. We hear that all the deckhands but one, all the stewards but one, and three men in the engineer's department have been fired. In the Minto all the stewards but one have gone. Pilot Angus Smith, of the Earl Grey, has been suspended pending investigation.—Pictou Advocate.

The damage sustained by the Queen hotel, Summerside, has been appraised. The damage to the house was placed at $2,300 and to the furniture at $1,075. The damage to the piano was estimated at $100 and to the furnace at $250. Ed. T. Higgs and R. W. W. Frink represented the insurance companies. The Queen will be made ready for business again with all possible despatch.

The contract for castings for the I. C. R. has been awarded to J. Fleming & Sons. There were four tenderers—Messrs. Fleming; Smith Bros., Fredericton; J. E. Wilson Ltd., and McLean, Holt & Co. (J. L. McAvity.) The lowest tender was from Messrs. Fleming and the work will therefore remain in St. John. It is quite an important contract, giving work all the year round to a number of men.

Carl Bonnell, of Ketepec was Monday morning committed for trial before the supreme court by Magistrate Allingham, of Fairville. The charge, which was preferred by Carl Basson, was of assaulting the latter and threatening to do him bodily harm. J. King Kelley appeared for the plaintiff, and F. S. Bonnell went bail for the defendant. The case of Jacob Gritz vs. Bonnell did not come up, owing to a misunderstanding, but will be taken up at a later date.

Miss Annie Stephenson, who is to be one of the principals in an interesting event within a few days, was tendered a linen shower at the home of her father, James Stephenson, Marsh road, Monday evening. Among the large number of beautiful linen pieces were included lunch cloths, tray cloths, towels, etc. The Stephenson home was taken possession of by the party, and after an excellent musical programme, refreshments were served and at the close Miss Stephenson was the recipient of the good wishes of all. On Christmas day, Miss Stephenson will become the bride of Percy Stevenson, of the C. P. R. employ in Winnipeg, the wedding to take place in the western city.

HEAD OFFICE IN ST. JOHN

Canada West India Co., Ltd., to Start With Capital of Million

Thursday, Dec. 14.

Dr. E. S. Kirkpatrick, formerly Canadian trade commissioner to Cuba, and who resigned his position to promote a company to develop trade between Canada and the West Indies, was in the city yesterday on his return from Ottawa where he has just been granted a federal charter for such a company called the Canada West India Company, Ltd., which, he says, starts with a capitalization of $1,000,000.

When interviewed by a reporter, Dr. Kirkpatrick said he was very well pleased indeed with the progress he had made in arousing interest in the company. He was making a special effort to interest dealers throughout Ontario and hoped by this means to be able to secure a better market for the New Brunswick potatoes which were now going forward to the other provinces, but which would be required in much larger quantities when they became better known. Dr. Kirkpatrick said the day of New Brunswick was coming and that much would be heard of the province in the next four or five years.

With regard to the West India trade, Dr. Kirkpatrick said the company required the large capital to be able to purchase a suitable steamer of its own for the St. John-West India service and that she would make her first trip some time next fall. The company will eventually buy large tracts of land in Cuba and other Islands and seek to develop the fruit trade with Canada. He said that the West India fruit sent to the United States market had to compete with free importations from Porto Rico and Hawaii and the home product of the Southern States and that the native growers were able to secure only a small price for their products. He instanced the case of pineapples which are bought in Cuba for three cents apiece, much larger and juicier than those sold here for 15 to 30 cents. He believes that tropical fruit can be made cheap and popular in Canada and that there is a great opportunity in developing the trade.

The headquarters and general offices of the million dollar company will be in St. John and the first meeting will be held here on the 28th inst. Dr. Kirkpatrick said he had come down on a special mission and left the city against last evening.

MEETING OF THE MARITIME BEE-KEEPERS' ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the Maritime Beekeepers' Association was held in the board room of the winter fair building on the 6th inst. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, E. L. Colpitts, Petitcodiac (N. B.); vice-president, C. W. McLellan, Falmouth (N. S.); secretary-treasurer, B. W. Baker, Amherst (N. S.); directors, R. L. Todd, Milltown (N. B.), W. B. Wallace, Newport Landing (N. S.), W. N. Tanton, Charlottetown (P. E. I.)

The association, though its membership is small, seems to be doing good work. When one realizes the fact that the season just past was one of the poorest ever experienced by maritime bee-keepers, a very creditable display was made in the exhibits of honey by members of the association at the Maritime Winter Fair.

A committee to revise the prize lists of the apiary departments of the maritime exhibitions, was appointed as follows: B. W. Baker, Amherst (N. S.); I. C. Craig, Amherst (N. S.); R. L. Todd, Milltown (N. B.) A general discussion took place on the advisability of recommending the appointment of an expert bee-keeper to promote bee-keeping in the Maritime provinces. Nothing definite in the matter was done, it being generally felt present obstacles can be removed by another year, and then some further steps can be taken.

With the exception of the province of New Brunswick which had an expert bee-keeper in the field part of the summers of 1910 and 1911, the departments of agriculture of the Maritime provinces are doing nothing to build up this important and remunerative industry. The fruit-growers are beginning to see the necessity of bees in their orchards and will take the matter up from their standpoint. The association will continue the work of distributing literature and answering inquiries concerning bee-keeping. The officers of the association are ready to advise any one interested in bees at any time.

FOR THE ORPHANS' HOME

The following subscriptions are gratefully acknowledged by the board of management of the St. John Protestant Orphans' Home, H. C. Rankine, treasurer: George McKeen, $25; Emerson & Fisher, Ltd., $20; W. E. Earle, Mrs. C. F. Woodman, W. H. Golding, Mrs. Horace King, Canadian Drug Company, George McAvity, Mrs. C. H. Peters, $10 each; "A. O. F.," E. E. Fraser, Sydney (N. S.), deB. Carrite, Mrs. David Brown, St. Martins, E. J. Secord, $5 each; Allan H. Wetmore, J. R. Woodburn, A. Stewart Everett, George A. Horton, $3 each; F. H. Flewelling, E. R. Machum, Miss Pauline Wittaker, R. R. Patchell, T. H. Wilson, Fairville, Rev. Gordon Dickie, Charles E. Macmichael, C. H. Flewelling, Cash, S. S. Hall, $2 each; W. J. Myles, L. P. D. Tilley, Rev. David Lang, Rev. J. H. A. Anderson, Mrs. George K. McLeod, Mrs. John A. Bowes, H. W. Machum, Cash, Miss Grace Fairweather, Mrs. J. E. Leonard, S. S. deForest, Mrs. C. H. Dearborn, Dr. F. G. Sancton, Robert Reid, J. Rutherford Jack, $1 each; Friend, J. S. Vincent, 50 cents each; Miss Mary deForest, 25 cents.

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WEDDINGS

Thursday, Dec. 14.

A very pretty wedding took place last night in Portland Methodist parsonage, when Miss Maud Matthews, of Burgeo (Nfld.), was married to Wililam Tower. The bride was attired in a dress of pale grey poplin with white lace trimmings. She was attended by Miss Martha Tower, sister of the groom, her dress was of cream muslin with lace trimmings. Thomas Harvey supported the groom. Mr. and Mrs. Tower will reside at 68 Moore street.

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EGGS ABOVE REACH OF THE AVERAGE MAN

Enormous Prices Quoted for Fresh Eggs—The Price of Turkeys May Drop—Yesterday's Wholesale Quotations.

The Christmas season so far has had no effect on the prices in the local markets. In the country market fowl is quite plentiful and selling at a fairly reasonable price. Indications are that by the end of next week the price of turkeys, which are now selling at from 21 to 23 cents per pound, wholesale, will take a slight drop. Eggs are very scarce and selling at a price beyond the reach of the average buyer. Hennery eggs yesterday brought 50 cents a dozen wholesale.

The following wholesale quotations were given out yesterday:

COUNTRY MARKET.

Beef, western	0.09	to	0.10½
Beef, butchers	0.08	"	0.10½
Beef, country	0.06½	"	0.08
Mutton, per lb	0.08	"	0.09
Pork, per lb	0.07	"	0.08
Native cabbage, per doz	0.40	"	0.50
Spring lamb, per lb	0.09	"	0.10
Veal, per lb	0.08	"	0.10
Potatoes, per bbl	1.75	"	2.00
Eggs, hennery, per doz	0.50	"	0.00
Eggs, case, per doz	0.30	"	0.40
Tub butter, per lb	0.21	"	0.24
Creamery butter	0.30	"	0.32
Ducks	1.00	"	1 25
Fowls, pair, fresh killed, per lb	0.11	"	0.12
Spring chickens, pair, fresh killed, per lb	0.15	"	0.16
Turkey, per lb	0.21	"	0.23
Lettuce, per doz	0.40	"	0.50
Maple syrup, per gal	1.00	"	1.25
Maple sugar, per lb	0.14	"	0.00
Bacon	0.14	"	0.00
Ham	0.00	"	0.15
Carrots, per bbl	0.00	"	1.25
Beets, per bbl	0.00	"	1.25
Mushrooms	0.50	"	0.00
Squash	0.01	"	0.01½
Turnips, per bbl	0.00	"	0.75
Calfskins	0.15	"	0.00
Wool (washed)	0.21	"	0.22
Wool (unwashed)	0.00	"	0.14
Beef hides	0.00	"	0.11½
Lamb skins, fresh	0.70	"	0.75
Rendered tallow	0.00	"	0.05½

FRUITS, ETC.

Apples—			
Bishop Pippins, No. 1	2.00	"	2.25
Bishop Pippins, No. 2	1.75	"	2.00
Ribston Pippins, No. 1	0.00	"	2.00
Ribston Pippins, No. 2	0.00	"	1.75
Grenoble walnuts	0.14	"	0.15
Marbot walnuts	0.12	"	0.13
Almonds	0.15	"	0.00
California prunes	0.12½	"	0.14
Filberts	0.11	"	0.12
Brazils	0.00	"	0.20
Pecans	0.14	"	0.16
New dates, per lb	0.06	"	0.08½
Peanuts, roasted	0.10	"	0.11
Bag figs, per lb	0.04	"	0.05
Lemons, Messina, box	3.50	"	0.00
Cocoanuts, per doz	0.00	"	0.70
Cocoanuts, per sack	4.00	"	4.50
Corned beef, 2s	3.35	"	3.45
Peaches, 2s	1.95	"	2.00
Bananas	1.75	"	2.75
California navel, box	4.00	"	0.00
Val. oranges	4.00	"	5.00
American onions, bag	3.00	"	3.25
Ontario onions, per sack	0.00	"	2.00
New figs, box	0.10	"	0.15
Cal. peaches	1.50	"	2.00

GROCERIES.

Choice seeded raisins, 1s	0.09½	"	0.10
Fancy do	0.10	"	0.10½
Malaga clusters	2.35	"	3.00
Currants, cleaned, 1s	0.08	"	0.08¼
Cheese, per lb	0.15¾	"	0.16
Rice, per lb	0.03¾	"	0.04
Cream tartar, pure, box	0.24	"	0.25
Cicarb soda, per keg	2.10	"	2.20
Molasses, fancy Barbados	0.40	"	0.41
Beans, hand picked	2.50	"	2.55
Beans, yellow eye	2.60	"	2.65
Split peas	7.00	"	7.10
Pot barley	7.50	"	7.60
Cornmeal	3.45	"	3.50
Granulated cornmeal	5.00	"	5.25
Liverpool salt, per sack, ex store	0.70	"	0.75

SUGAR.

Standard granulated	5.90	"	6.00
United Empire granulated	5.80	"	5.90
Bright yellow	5.70	"	5.80
No. 1 yellow	5.40	"	5.50
Paris lump	6.75	"	7.00

PROVISIONS.

Pork, domestic mess	21.00	"	22.00
Pork, American clear	21.25	"	22.75
American plate beef	18.00	"	18.25
Lard, pure, tub	0.12¾	"	0.13¼
Lard, compound, tub	0.10½	"	0.10¾

FLOUR, ETC.

Oatmeal	5.75	"	5.85
Standard oatmeal	6.35	"	6.45
Manitoba high grade	6.45	"	6.50
Ontario medium patent	5.30	"	5.40
Ontario full patent	5.45	"	5.50

CANNED GOODS.

The following are the wholesale quotations per case:

Salmon, cohoes	7.25	"	7.50
Salmon, red spring	7.75	"	8.00
Finnan haddies	4.40	"	4.50
Kippered herring	4.25	"	4.40
Clams	4.00	"	4.25
Oysters, 1s	1.35	"	1.45
Oysters, 2s	2.25	"	2.50
Corned beef, 1s	2.00	"	2.10
Peaches, 3s	3.00	"	3.05
Pineapple, sliced	2.10	"	2.15
Pineapple, grated	2.10	"	2.15
Singapore pineapples	1.75	"	1.85
Lombard plums	1.10	"	1.15
Raspberries	2.05	"	2.10
Corn, per doz	1.00	"	1.05
Peas	1.20	"	1.80
Strawberries	1.85	"	1.90
Tomatoes	1.75	"	1.80
Pumpkins	1.05	"	0.10
Squash	1.20	"	1.25
String beans	1.20	"	125
Baked beans	1.15	"	1.25

GRAINS.

Middlings, car lots	28.00	"	29.00
Mid., small lots, bagged	29.00	"	30.00
Bran, ton lots, bagged	25.50	"	26.00
Cornmeal, in bags	1.75	"	1.80
Provincial oats	48.00	"	50.00
Pressed hay, car lots	10.50	"	11.00
Pressed hay, per ton	12.00	"	13.00
Oats, Canadian	0.51	"	0.53

OILS.

Pratt's Astral	0.00	"	0.18½
White Rose and Chester	0.00	"	0.16
High grade Sarnia and Arclight	0.00	"	0.16
Silver Star	0.00	"	0.15½
Linseed oil, boiled	1.07	"	0.00
Linseed oil, raw	1.04	"	0.00
Turpentine	0.00	"	0.67
Extra lard oil	0.87	"	0.00
Extra No. 1 lard	0.81	"	0.00

FISH.

Small dry cod	4.60	"	4.75
Medium dry cod	6.25	"	6.50
Pollock	3.75	"	4.00
Grand Manan herring, bbls	5.00	"	5.50
Grand Manan herring, half-bbls	2.75	"	3.00
Fresh haddock	0.03	"	0.03½
Pickled shad, half-bbls	8.00	"	11.00
Fresh cod, per lb	0.03	"	0.03½
Bloaters, per box	0.85	"	0.90
Halibut	0.10	"	0.15
Kippered herring, per doz	0.30	"	0.00
Finnan haddies	0.00	"	0.06

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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THE NEW RIVER BOAT

To the Editor of The Telegraph:

Sir—It has been reported that the new boat which J. F. Williamson is building engines for, is likely to go on the Fredericton-Gagetown route.

Now, I wish to contradict this rumor, as the owners of boat, and numbers of people living along the lower waters, have made made an agreement concerning her route, and she is being built for the St. John-Wickham route, by a company known as the Long Island S. S. Co.

By kindly publishing the above you will oblige

T. V.

Hampstead, Dec. 11, 1911.

The post office at Marsh bridge has been raised from its former status, which was practically on a par with the rural offices, to the standing of a branch of the St. John office. This has resulted in a pronounced improvement in the service. Formerly the office had to depend on the Mispec and St. Martins stages for collecting its mail, but now a letter box and parcel box have been placed there, and there are three collections daily. As the delivery system extends to that part of the city, the only mail delivered from the office is that for persons beyond the city limit, and parcels too large for the carriers. The branch can now accept registered letters and issue money orders. Benjamin Robertson has been confirmed in the position of postmaster.

"Now, Willie," said the superintendent's little boy, addressing the blacksmith's little boy, who had come over for a frolic, "we'll play Sabbath school. You give me a nickel every Sunday for six months, and then at Christmas I'll give you a ten-cent bag of candy."—Woman's Home Companion.