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### COMMERCIAL

WALL STREET.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Prices advanced from the outset through the buying was very moderate and quite evenly distributed between a half dozen of the most speculative features. After a number of stocks had risen substantially above yesterday's closing the demand slackened but there were no losses of consequence. The Mackay Company's stocks which were admitted to dealings on the exchange were in active demand the common selling up from 72 to 75.

BANK CLEARINGS.  
St. John clearings for week ending 24th January, 1907, \$1,178,768. Corresponding week last year, \$1,069,947.

NEW YORK STOCK QUOTATIONS.  
Chicago Market Report and New York Cotton Market.  
(Published by D. C. Clinch, Banker and Broker.)

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Amalg. Copper, ex div. 2	per cent.	114 1/2	114 1/2
Anacosta	127 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2
Am. Sugar Refs.	128 1/2	128 1/2	128 1/2
Am. Smelt. and Rfg.	140 1/2	140 1/2	140 1/2
Am. Car Foundry	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2
Atchafalpa	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2
Am. Locomotive	78 1/2	78 1/2	78 1/2
Brook. Rfd. Trst.	78 1/2	78 1/2	78 1/2
Balt. and Ohio	117 1/2	117 1/2	117 1/2
Ches. and Ohio	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2
Canadian Pacific	135 1/2	135 1/2	135 1/2
Chi. and G. W.	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2
Colo. F. and Iron	53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2
Erle	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2
Nipissing	184 1/2	184 1/2	184 1/2
Hillside Central	184 1/2	184 1/2	184 1/2
Kansas and Texas	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2
Louis. and Nashville	129 1/2	129 1/2	129 1/2
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Mexican Central	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2
Missouri Pacific	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
Nor. and Western	120 1/2	120 1/2	120 1/2
N. Y. Central	120 1/2	120 1/2	120 1/2
North West	121 1/2	121 1/2	121 1/2
Pac. C. and Gas. Co.	97 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2
Reading	128 1/2	128 1/2	128 1/2
Republic Steel	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
Penn. Ry.	128 1/2	128 1/2	128 1/2
Rock Island	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2
St. Paul	150 1/2	150 1/2	150 1/2
Southern Ry.	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2
Southern Pacific	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2
Northern Pacific	152 1/2	152 1/2	152 1/2
Union Pacific	176 1/2	176 1/2	176 1/2
U. S. Steel	47 1/2	47 1/2	47 1/2
U. S. Steel, pfd.	106 1/2	106 1/2	106 1/2

Sales in New York yesterday, \$22,700 shares.

CHICAGO MARKET REPORT.

May corn	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2
" wheat	79 1/2	79 1/2	79 1/2
" oats	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2
" pork	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2
July corn	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2
" wheat	79 1/2	79 1/2	79 1/2
" oats	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2

MONTREAL QUOTATIONS.

Dom. Coal	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2
Dom. Iron and Steel	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
Dom. L. and S. pfd.	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2
Nova Scotia Steel	70 1/2	70 1/2	70 1/2
C. P. R.	185 1/2	185 1/2	185 1/2
Twinn City	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2
Montreal Power	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2
Rich. and Ont. Nav.	81 1/2	81 1/2	81 1/2
Detroit United	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

Wed. Thurs.

January .. 9.23 .. 9.23 .. 9.23

March .. 9.27 .. 9.27 .. 9.27

May .. 9.46 .. 9.46 .. 9.46

July .. 9.53 .. 9.53 .. 9.53

### EXCITED ASSEMBLY

QUESTIONS SHAH

Would Know Whether He is Against Them

or Desires Persia's Improvement.

TEHRAN, Jan. 23.—The sitting of the Assembly today was marked by extraordinary excitement as the result of a report that a provincial governor was refusing to allow the election of members in his place, and that the body of a mullah had been followed by a mob.

The House was awfully crowded and there were several interruptions and displays of approval of the speakers.

The president was forced to use his authority from the chair to restore order.

It was resolved to send a petition to the Shah asking whether he was against the Assembly or wished the improvement of the country managed by foreign powers. The extremists, amid shouts, declared that the closing of the Assembly upset the government.

The Shah ordered today the opening of a private telegraph office on Artillery square, to communicate with the police direct to him any complaint against the Ministers or Governors.

Two of the assassins of the German Secretary have died in prison.

SENATOR ALGER DIED

EARLY THIS FORENOON

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—United States Senator Russel Alger, of Michigan, died suddenly at his home in this city at 8:45 o'clock this morning.

There were preliminary symptoms that the end was near. At half-past eight o'clock the Senator had a pleasant chat with Mrs. Alger in her room and then went down stairs. A few minutes later the Senator suffered a recurrence of heart trouble and death came quickly.

The Senator had not been feeling well for several days. Tuesday night he had expected to attend a dinner at the home of Representative William Alden Smith, but at the last moment word came that he would not be able to come. His physician had advised him against going out that night because of his not feeling very well. Mr. Alger had suffered for years from chronic valvular disease of the heart. Senator Alger was in the Senate Chamber Tuesday afternoon where he stayed throughout the session.

TWO MASTED SCHOONER

IS REPORTED MISSING

PORTLAND, Me., Jan. 24.—Nothing has been heard from the two masted schooner Thos. B. Reine, Captain C. H. Miller, of this city, since she sailed from Portland Jan. 11, and it is believed she was blown to sea. Fear is felt for Captain Miller and his crew. The schooner ran into the terrible northeast gale and snow storm of January 12.

Advertising is as necessary to business as steam is to machinery.—Macaulay.

## A TRAGEDY OF NICOTINE.

Evangelist Induces Fisher Folk to Renounce the Weed.

Whole Village of Port Republic Swears Off and Keeper of the General Store Burns the Local Tobacco Supply.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Jan. 23.—

In the serene little town of Port Republic, nestling along the bay shore a few miles from this city, lived just a week ago a happy colony of fisher folk, oyster growers and cultivators of the clam. Hardy men and virtuous women made up a population happy in the contemplation of its own routine and the absence of blighting influences of the outer world. No man looked his door at night for fear of burglars.

Time rolled on until the season for the coming of the travelling evangelist, an event looked forward to with that joy known only to a population whose life throughout the year has been one in which there could be found no blemish. News of "protracted meetings" was passed along from house to house and winter chores were rushed through to allow of early departure to the little church wherein the port's people are wont to gather the early surplus of religious energy to last them through the summer.

The "Evangelist" was a stranger to most of the audience that crowded the church for the first meeting, but that made little difference to people who for years have been accustomed to the methods of his clan for working up a militant spirit against the devil. Expectant faces awaited the opening of heavy vocal artillery fire against the forces of evil as understood by the denizens of Port Republic, while hymns sung with unwonted fervor rolled forth in encouragement of the man sent to lead the attack.

All hands were ready for a fervid assault on the evils of dancing; none would have been surprised had the evangelist rolled out thunderous denunciation of card playing, and the youngest of the throng in the straight-backed benches were ready to join in the "amen" always connected with the designation of the awful consequences of "backsliding." It other subjects of revival interest had ever been discovered the Port never had known them.

The blow fell without warning. "Hell," said the evangelist, securing a telling pause by the act of wiping his lips of remaining drops of water left after using the public pitcher, "is full of people who use tobacco." Men of the sea to whom the "plug" is rated as is the daily bread, started in their terror. "Tobacco" rolled from active duty and content if they can only have their pipes and a little "back" put hands to ears in fear that they had not heard right, while women folk, whose souls had long rebelled at the waste of money for tobacco, smiled their approval.

For an even hour the evangelist held forth on the subject of his text. First thought of opposition in the breast of the descendants of Jersey pioneers melted away under the Scotch of the preacher's nimble tongue as he carried them in a whirl through the good, old-fashioned hell fire and brimstone region set apart for the departed spirits of those who failed to heed his warning.

When he finished it was because his work was done. Surprised "quids" had been carefully extracted from bulging cheeks and dropped into dark corners. Pockets piled up as loads on the spirits of the owners, and men who have braved every danger of the treacherous sea writhed in agony as they remembered sinful preparations for a good night's sleep.

The first call for signers of the tobacco pledge brought every man to his feet and a scramble ensued to secure leading places on the roll. Finally there arose a woman, Miss Amanda Blake, keeper of the general store in the village. She had long been a source of viable supply of the evil weed. Miss Amanda extended an invitation to the congregation to join with her in her little store. Wondering, but superstitious not to miss anything of interest, they followed.

When she reached the store Miss Blake walked to the shelves and pulled down the boxes of Port Republic's "Fido," the cartoons of "plugs" and the varied assortment of pipes. "Carry them out and burn 'em," the little woman said.

Soon a heaping bonfire in front of the store sent flying heavenward every vestige of the entire marketable tobacco product in the village. Port Republic today feels that it is cleansed. The lesson has been a bitter one, but it must be lasting. No man has yet dared to break his pledge taken in the little steeped church, although the individual battles raised against the deep rooted habits of years have been soul rending.

The only casualty so far reported is the sickness of John Johnson, 80 years old, sexton of the church. In the revival Johnson's pipe had been his constant companion, and the old man has taken to his bed since the renunciation. Neighbors who ascribe his condition to the sudden shutting off of the influence of the narcotic, glory in his fortitude, and are sending their encouragement to assist in keeping off the enemy. The evangelist has left.

Tonight's race at the Queen's Rollway between Dean and Giew will probably be the best yet skated. Dean is fast, but this is his first chance to meet one of the fast ones and man who has beaten Viguel, Merritt and Pollis, is a fast one. Both men will skate to win, and it will be a race to place about ten o'clock. The rink is comfortably heated.

WALSH SALE AT M. R. A.'s.

Tomorrow morning in the Waltheims Department of M. R. A.'s there will be a sharp sale of flannelette, lustre and shabrous winter waists. A grand clearance of the whole remaining lot. Big values for little money. See advertisement in this issue.

## January Clean-up Sale

Twice each year we have this house-cleaning—not because we want to lose money, but because it is necessary that we may be able each season to offer nothing but new goods. It is a part of the losses that every progressive retailer figures on, for it's inevitable. At such times we do not consider seriously the cost. The goods must go—the loss must be borne. Short lines, small lots, broken assortments must all be sold this month. It's a matter of vital importance to right stocks now, before the spring season opens. Hence these offerings to clean up balance of winter stock.

### Ladies' Coat Cloths.

5 ends ladies' all-wool German Coat Cloths, in shades of grey, grey and brown mixed, grey and green mixed, in large check design of contrasting shades. Were priced at \$2.25;

To clear at per yard, \$1.50

### Ladies' Way Mufflers.

Ladies' all wool knit Way Mufflers, in shades of cream, black, grey. Were priced at 75c;

To clear at 50c

### Children's Wool Overalls.

Children's all wool heavy Rib. Overalls, in black and cardinal, in sizes from 5 to 10 years. Former price \$1.25;

To clear at per Pair, 85c

### Wool Boas.

Children's Lamb's Wool Boas, in 36 and 42 in. long, good full sizes—will wash and give satisfaction. Former prices, 25c and 35c;

To clear at 19c and 23c

### Ladies' Golf Jackets.

12 only ladies' Golf Jackets, assorted sizes. Cream grounds, with collars and cuffs, nicely trimmed in shades of blue and green. Former price \$1.25;

To clear at 85c

### White Table Linens.

60 in. white Damask Table Linen, Fleur de Lis pattern design, fine smooth satin finish,

To clear at per yard, 43c

### Table Napkins.

20 x 20 all linen Table Napkins in a neat floral design; very suitable for every day use;

Special to clear at per doz., \$1.00

### Linen Roller Towels.

5 doz. linen Roller Towels, 3 1-2 yds. long, colored border, all ready for use;

Special price to clear, 29c

### Blue Denim Remnants.

50 mill ends of Blue Denim, in lengths ranging from 2 1-2 to 6 yds., suitable for men's and boys' Overalls and Blouses—cheap at 18c;

To clear at per yard, 12 1-2c

### Damaged Lace Curtains.

25 pair fine white Lace Curtains, damaged by water running through transom—go on sale at half-price. The prices range from \$1.35 to \$4.50, and every price between.

To clear at 68c. to \$2.50

### Frilled Muslin Curtains.

25 pair frilled white Muslin Curtains, 4 in. frill, 2 1-2 yds. long, all odd lines. Are reduced in price for a quick clearance,

At per pair, 75c, 80c, 90c, \$1.45 & \$1.60

## F. W. DANIEL & CO.,

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## BIG WATER TANK WAS BURNED NEAR CALAIS

CALAIS, Jan. 23.—The big water tank of the Washington County Railway at Ayer's Junction was destroyed by fire early Monday evening, the blaze being started by the explosion of an oil heater used to keep the valves from freezing. The tank fortunately was blowing from the north and the flames made greater progress on the supports of the tank on the opposite side from the main line and, when the burning tank collapsed, it fell some distance from the rails. Had the wind been blowing from the opposite direction the falling tank would have obstructed the main line for some hours. The night express due here at 8:40 managed to get by the fire without damage, but the heat could be felt by the railway men and passengers who were anxious to witness the novel sight of the destruction of a water tank by fire. A similar accident occurred at Cherryfield two years ago.

## CONSIDERING PLANS FOR THE HAGUE CONFERENCE

BERLIN, Jan. 24.—Prof. De Martens, of St. Petersburg, lunched with Ambassador Tönnies and had a second talk with him regarding the attitude of the United States towards the second peace conference at the Hague.

Foreign Secretary Tönnies and Prof. De Martens had a preliminary meeting at the foreign office yesterday concerning Germany's wishes regarding the conference and the Secretary delegated Dr. Krieg of the International Law division of the foreign office to explain Germany's views, fully pointing out that Germany is ready to go into the conference whenever it is agreeable to the other powers.

The second peace conference is considered to be more important than the first as it will probably be seen its deliberation whether the world has really advanced to the point where it is realized that the relations between peoples and governments can be modified and adjusted by the counsel and moral weight of their neighbors.

## MAGEE'S FURS!

THE NAME "MAGEE" on a garment or article of Fur is a guarantee of quality and satisfaction. It is always our aim to satisfy customers. We use first-class skins, linings, trimmings, finishings, and employ skilled workmen to manufacture Furs in up-to-date styles. Our stock, though depleted from our good season's business, still affords a good selection in Stoles, Boas, Throw-Overs, Muffs, Fur Jackets, Fur-Lined Coats—for Ladies, Fur Collars, Caps, Gloves, Fur Coats, Fur-Lined Coats—for Men.

These are at reasonable prices.

If we have not what you want we will make it for you.

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63 King Street.

## Ladies' Lunches!

WHAT the Ladies have long desired can now be had in the way of LIGHT LUNCHEES, consisting of a nice Cup of Coffee or Tea and Cake or Pie, Sandwiches, etc., at

SCAMMELL'S,  
63 Charlotte Street. Tel. 1118.

## NAVY HAS FAILED THEM AT A PINCH

Wrath of British Journals Over Retrenchment.

Disgraceful That Jamaica Should be Left Unguarded and at the Mercy of Any Marauding Power.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—In the absence of explanation, what one newspaper describes as a perfect piece of mystification is afforded by the Swettenham-Davis correspondence. The editorials today have little more to say about the incident than was said yesterday, except that they add that it is their conviction that internationally the matter may be regarded as closed. On the other hand, with further contemplation of the whole occurrence, the wrath of the Opposition journals over the naval retrenchment increases, and editorial big sticks are shaken threateningly at the Government. The Standard says:—

"It is a new and painful experience for Englishmen to find that their navy has failed them at a pinch. If not a British vessel was at hand or within reach to perform the duties of common humanity, what kind of provision has been made against the surprise of war or the treacheries of peace? Jamaica has been lying as a prize for the first naval power which chose to land a small occupying force to overpower this tiny garrison of British troops. This dramatic revelation of unreadiness, of culpable carelessness, is, perhaps, the most important lesson that can be drawn from the events of the last few days in Jamaica. It is well known that the strategic value of the West Indies will be vastly increased when the great inter-oceanic canal shall have been opened to maritime traffic. For such a port of vantage there are Governments which would incur great risks, not even shrinking from the charge of perfidy. It is the imperative duty of the English people, after generously helping the stricken colony, to insist that the House of Commons shall take a munificent view of its imperial obligations. It is deplorable that Jamaica should have been left unguarded, and at the mercy of the first marauding power which might choose to make an entry. Day after day, probably for several weeks together, it has been exposed to the risks of hostile occupation. The world is at peace, we may be told, but it is an armed peace, in which any ill-disposed or discontented Government may be watching its chance for making war. We did not win the West Indies so easily that we can afford to lose them in a fit of Governmental economy or by Admiralty negligence."

Eighty-three years in one house.

MANCHESTER, Jan. 23.—An inquest was held yesterday at Walkden, Manchester, on Miss Annie Grundy, 83 years of age, who had lived in the same house all her life. Her death was caused by a fall.

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For Little Girls' Dresses.  
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For Everybody.

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6 Second-Hand Organs in good order, from \$15.00 up.

Also,  
6 Talking Machines, Second-Hand.  
8 Records free with each, from \$8.50 up.

These are great bargains for someone. Come and get first choice.

## BELL'S PIANO STORE

79 Germain St. - St. John.

## A CITY IN RUSSIA DESTROYED BY FIRE

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 24.—The central part of the City of Pskov in the province of Vittebsk, one of the most ancient cities of the Empire, has been destroyed by fire. The damage done is very heavy.

TONIGHT'S GRAND CARNIVAL.

This is the night of the grand carnival in Victoria Park. The doors will be opened at 6:30 o'clock to accommodate early comers, those who are desirous of making ready their costumes before the rush. Attendants will be on hand to assist in whatever way needed. At 8 o'clock the band programme will commence, and at 9 the judges are to commence their inspection. In all \$30 will be given away, \$10 of which is to go to lucky ticket holders. Everybody has a chance to win.

ARCH A THOUSAND YEARS OLD.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—A Saxon arch which has been discovered in Tolseybury Church, Essex, dates back to the first half of the ninth century.

3,000 LEPROS IN ARGENTINE.

BUENOS AYRES, Jan. 23.—The increase of leprosy in the Argentine Republic has caused great alarm. It is estimated that there are more than