

THE EVENING TIMES, ST. JOHN, N. B. MONDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1909

Clearing Prices On Ladies' Fur and Fur-Lined Garments

We have had a splendid trade on Ladies' Fur and Fur-Lined Garments, so find on going through our stock we have a number left in broken sizes. These we wish to clear out before the New Year comes in, so we have marked them away below the regular price, and advise keen buyers and those who wish to save dollars to take advantage of this exceptional opportunity to purchase Reliable Furs at a big discount on the regular price.

IF YOU RECEIVED MONEY AS A GIFT, HERE IS A GOOD INVESTMENT

Table with columns for Pony Coats, Muskrat Coats, and Russian Lamb Jackets. Includes prices like \$49, \$54, \$63, \$82 for pony coats; \$52, \$85, \$90, \$110 for muskrat coats; and \$90, \$60, \$45 for Russian Lamb Jackets. Also lists BOCHARAN JACKETS at \$75, \$75, \$75.

Table for Fur-Lined Coats listing various styles and prices: Black Broad Cloth Shell, Hampster Lined, Alaska Sable Collar (\$60); Black Broad Cloth Shell, Marmot Lined, Black Martin Collar (\$46); Black Broad Cloth Shell, Muskrat Lined, Black Martin Collar (\$64); Black Broad Cloth Shell, Koluga Lined, Black Martin Collar (\$37.50).

In addition to the above mentioned we have marked our other lines at equally big reductions, including Ladies' Seal and Persian Lamb Jackets, Fur Stoles, Ties and Muffs, Men's Fur and Fur-Lined Coats, Fur Collars, Gloves, Caps, etc. For this week only. This sale should not be missed.

D. MAGEE'S SONS, Manufacturing Furriers, 63 King Street

BRONSON AND MATTY BALDWIN GO TWENTY ROUNDS TO A DRAW

A Challenge for Tom Foley—Fitzsimmons is Knocked Out—Baseball, Bowling, Curling and General Sport

New Orleans, La., Dec. 26.—Ray Bronson of Indianapolis and Matty Baldwin of Boston, fought twenty rounds to a draw before the West Side A. C., in McDonoughville this afternoon. The fighting was part of both men. They weighed in at 183 pounds.

The following is from the Halifax Recorder: Glouce Bay, C. B., Dec. 21. Sporting Editor Recorder: Dear Sir,—I, Vincent Marks, backer of Jim McInnis, do hereby challenge Tom Foley, of Halifax, on any date suitable to him to box McInnis.

Baseball: George Stallings was sorry to lose Ray Demmitt, but in Ayres of Alabama, he believes he has an outfielder who will equal Ty Cobb in base running. In addition, Ayres is a slugger, brilliant fielder and good thrower.

An application has been made at the patent office for a patent on a baseball bat which promises to solve the problem that is bothering the baseball world at the present time by increasing the interest and popularity of the national game. The two principal advantages which are claimed are:

First—That foul balls that now glance off the round bat will take a more perpendicular direction, enabling the catcher to have opportunities to put out the batter which he now lacks, and incidentally avoiding the annoying monotony of watching ball after ball disappear over the grand stand, while the catcher dashes into the boxes or gains the net in the vain effort for an out.

Second—Increasing the chances for a fair ball, and with more precision as to direction and distance. It is evident that a flat surface even of half an inch will offer a much greater degree of certainty to the batter than with the round bat, where one point must meet the ball in order to drive it straight ahead, and, similarly, if the ball strikes above the centre of the bat, the tendency will be to glance upward from a flat surface.

Hockey: Hal, Clawson, who is so badly wanted by the All-St. John hockey club and who was suspended by the M. P. A. & A. for playing with professional ball teams, and George R. Crosby the crackjack ball player of the Portland Y. M. C. A. have received notification of their reinstatement by the Maritime body.

The Montreal Star says that a real amalgamation movement is on foot among the warring hockey factions. If successfully carried out it means the formation of one big hockey league. Under what name is not yet decided, but it might possibly be "The National Canadian Hockey Association."

It is said that the proposals to organize this league came out of the two existing pro-

weather was warm and 12,000 spectators witnessed the fight.

Sport Briefs

Says the Montreal Star: O'Neill, of Halifax, holder of the amateur sculling championship of America, has announced his intention of not attempting to defend his title during the coming season. This, of course, means retirement, and perhaps it is a wise decision, for he cannot win anything higher than the championship he has that already. It is well for an amateur to know when to stop. His only prize is the satisfaction and honor of winning. He can get nothing beyond that, and amateur laurels last longest that have never been nipped by the frost of defeat.

Having walked 12,822 miles around the borders of the United States in two years and 19 days, Start Cronley of Toledo feels well warmed up to the work of seeking the promoters who sped him on his way from Ohio on October 25, 1907, with promises of fame and fortune. Cronley is not 800 feet of the latter, but he does not balk at a job of a few thousand more miles if he can meet his old friends.

Bowling: In a well played and exciting match on Black's alleys on Christmas day, Black's team won from a picked team 1859 to 1263. The following were the teams:

Table with columns for ALLEY TEAM and PICKED TEAM. Lists names and scores for various bowlers.

F. Nugent won the turkey offered by the management of the Victoria alleys for the highest Xmas score. His total being 331. U. S. Perry was second with 310.

MORNING NEWS OVER THE WIRES: The bodies of Eric Hanson and Miss Terpen Pigg were found in a lodging house in Boston, on Saturday. The room was filled with gas from open jets but the police have not been able to determine whether death was accidental or suicide.

A trolley car jumped a switch and plunged in a lodging house in Boston, on Saturday. The motorman and conductor were drowned. The passengers escaped.

Three miners were burned to death in a house near Harrison, (W. Va.) yesterday. Two men believed to have set fire to the building are sought by the police.

In New York 19,000 Christmas dinners were provided for the city's poor. The Salvation Army alone fed 25,000 and other charitable organizations dispensed liberally. On the Bowery "Big Tim" Sullivan fed 7,000 east sides in accordance with the wish of his cousin "Little Tim" Sullivan, the Tammany alderman who was buried last Friday.

ROBINSON COMPANY WARMLY GREETED

Presentation of Mikado and Show Girl—Company Much Improved.

Two bumper audiences greeted the Robinson Opera Co., in the Opera House on Christmas afternoon and evening at the Mikado and the Show Girl. The company has been materially strengthened since its last visit and a number of new faces are seen among the principals and chorus.

In the Mikado at the matinee, the various members of the company showed to excellent advantage. Lucia Nola, as Yum Yum, increased her favor with St. John audiences and Esther Barlow played the part of Katsiela, the jilted lady, admirably. Minna Storm and Marie Priestess, two new principals, were also excellent.

Frank D. Nelson added further laurels to his list of successes in the role of Lord High Everything Else and was given a cordial welcome on his appearance. The same measure was accorded Jack Henderson, the favorite comedian, who played the part of Ko-Ko in his original, happy style. The new tenor, Charles Fulton, is the possessor of an excellent voice and was loudly applauded for his work as Nanki-Puss.

The performance in the evening was also most creditable. In the Show Girl the company landed the company, who played the roles of the Mikado and the Show Girl, in the hands of those mentioned in connection with the Mikado and the manner in which they were carried out in the part of Lady Betty, on her first appearance here as a principal was favorably received and proved worthy of the reception she was accorded.

Both operas were directed by Frank D. Nelson and the musical parts were under the direction of George R. Priestess. The Mikado will be repeated tonight and should be well attended.

MORNING LOCALS

Rev. G. Thos of Port William, (N. S.) occupied the pulpit of the Ludlow street Baptist church last night.

Rev. M. L. Gregg, B. A., of New Hamp-shire, occupied the pulpit of the German street Baptist church at both services yesterday. Mr. Gregg is a fluent and forceful speaker.

A communication has been received by the local police asking that a watch be kept for a young man named John Bevington who is wanted in connection with the robbery of £1100 from the Launceston & Yorkshire Bank in Manchester (Eng.) He is supposed to have come to this country.

A circular has been issued by the Nova Scotia police asking for the arrest of a man named Vin. Dineen charged with the death of Mary Hubbard at Yarmouth. It is said that he once resided in this city.

In the absence of Acting Sergeant Finley, who is confined to his home with an attack of grip, Policeman S. Hamm was acting sergeant in the North End police division last night.

In Ludlow street Baptist church yesterday morning John F. Richards presented to the pastor, Rev. W. R. Robinson, on behalf of the congregation a solid leather traveling companion, and to Mrs. Robinson a beautiful gold brooch. In the afternoon R. H. Parsons presented to Mr. Robinson, on behalf of the young ladies Bible class, a handsome oak English chair.

SCHLEY STILL BELIEVES IN DOCTOR COOK

Rear Admiral Calls on Peary to Submit His Poofs

University of Copenhagen Should Pass Upon Them, He Says—Declines to Say Why He Still Has Faith in Cook's Claims

Washington, Dec. 26.—Affirming his complete confidence in Dr. Cook, Rear Admiral W. S. Schley, retired, has called upon Commander Peary to submit his proofs that he reached the North Pole to some scientific body other than the National Geographic Society. This, the admiral declares, should be done at once in the interest of justice, and to establish beyond question the claims of Peary.

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"The Danes are the best body of men in the world on Arctic matters," he said. "The constatory of the University of Copenhagen should be given the opportunity to examine the Peary proofs, for in that way they would be submitted to the same standard that was applied to those of Cook."

The admiral declined to say on what grounds he took exception to the findings of the University of Copenhagen. He merely reaffirmed his belief in the explorer, adding that he believed that Peary, too, had gained the top of the earth.

The admiral has had wide experience in the far north. Members of the National Geographic Society declined to discuss Admiral Schley's suggestion.

Employees of A. E. Hamilton gathered in the office of the mill and Daniel T. Vincent, on behalf of the men read an address, at the conclusion of which George H. Brown, presented to Mr. Hamilton a handsome fur-lined coat.

Mrs. M. C. Hendry, matron of the King's Daughters' Guild, was presented with a pair of fur lined kid gloves and the assistant matron, Miss J. M. Currie, received a silver brooch from the ladies at the guild.

Friends of Policeman Jan. Gosline called at his home on Christmas night and on behalf of those present, Thomas McGovern presented him a handsome gold watch and chain and charm, on which were engraved his initials, and also the emblem of the I. O. F.

On Christmas morning Rev. C. R. Flanders was made the recipient of a purse containing \$155 from officials and members of the congregation of Centenary church.

Dangling jet tassels were used as a finish to some of the dressy shoes.

AMUSEMENTS FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS

STAR'S NEW BILL TONIGHT

The Star Theatre in North End broke all records on Christmas Day with the merriest, happiest, best-attended crowd of picture patrons that ever graced its cozy interior. Tonight it will commence the pre-New Year week with a programme of pictures as good as ever has been shown there, the striking feature of which will be Thomas A. Edison's gorgeous dramatic effort called "The Heart of a Clown," with some of the finest vaudeville and circus scenes ever thrown upon a curtain.

Next to this feature par excellence will come a comedy which is brimming with laughing material, labeled "A Lesson in Domestic Economy," followed in rapid succession by another farcical picture act "A Wonderful Magnet," one of Pathé's astounding trick photos, Miss A. L. Newington will sing a late ballad and the Stars' usual bright and breezy musical accompaniments will rule. All this week this theatre is to be supplied with holiday pictures and New Year's Day 1910 will be ushered in right grandly.

TWO SPLENDID ACTS AT THE ORPHEUM THIS WEEK

Harry Jordan, the sensational trapeze performer, who was engaged for last week and disappointed, arrived in the city this morning, and will occupy a prominent place on the Orpheum bill this week. He will be associated with one of the best comedy sketch teams ever heard in the city, in the persons of Martine & Hardy, a lady and gentleman of pronounced abilities, who occupy a good position on the vaudeville stage.

The usual high standard of picture programme will be maintained during the week. The Orpheum is becoming weekly a more popular place of entertainment. The new management has ideas for radical improvements which will gradually place it on a much higher level.

RECORD CHOWDS AT THE OLD VICTORIA

Never did the popular old Vic. have a more auspiciously successful holiday than last Saturday, when the real skating season formally opened. Both afternoon and evening the big ice surface was crowded with delighted hundreds, who were led in their parties of the new management, for the various changes and improvements made for the betterment of conditions.

The 62nd Band gave the delightful programme, and the only complaint from skaters was to the effect that the skis seemed so short. Tomorrow evening the skidding and competing skater intends going to the usual connection.

SPEAKING OF TIPS

(From the Nebraska State Journal) The light breaks fast on the tip business last month a Chicago jury commissioner held that a habitual receiver of tips is not morally competent for jury service.

Last week Collector Lock, who is making himself famous as a graft limiter, discharges a customs inspector for taking a tip. "Not a man shall remain in this service who accepts a tip from a passenger," says Mr. Lock. Why? Because a tip can mean nothing but pay for a special privilege, either preference of the tip giver over other passengers, or a lenient eye on the dutiable goods in his trunk.

The one involves injustice, the other crime, and both are intolerable in a public servant. But are justice and integrity to be entered only in public service, and is the receiver of a bribe to lose his job while the giver thereof escapes even censure?

HE'S OFFERED TO MAKE CARRIE NATION HIS BRIDE

Hats Off to Slatter, The Bold Virginian Who Would Wed the Bar Smasher

(From the Baltimore Sun) Let the name of a "Virginian named Slatter" be scratched over the main entrance to the Hall of Fame, between those of Roscoe the Snake Eater and "my friend Carl Akney of Chicago," who choked a lion to death with his bare hands and crushed a leopard's lungs with his bare hands. The Washington correspondents—being busy, no doubt, with their Christmas shopping—have neglected to send out the given name of Mr. Slatter, but regarding his valor they are opinionally eloquent. He is no common hero of the garden variety—no cheap pursuer of runaway horses or rescuer of boat rockers at Sunday school picnics or slayer of senile hippopotami—but a veritable Olympian, heaven-kissing, uninvincible, unflinching to the point at once, Mr. Slatter has offered to marry Carrie Nation.

The true quality of this remarkable offer, we fear, will not be apparent at once. On its face, indeed, it appears to be nothing more than an act of reckless bravado—a symptom of an arrogant spirit, more picturesquely than brave. But a careful examination of the nature of human marriage, and particularly of marriage with an elderly widow armed to the teeth, invests it with colossal daring.

Even under circumstances the most favorable the ordinary man turns pale at the altar. Elaborate precautions are taken to divert his mind from the future, but with all that he still trembles. It were not for the fact that his faculties are benumbed by the loud music, the rattling of bangles and artificial palms, and the ecstatic hurrying of the unmarried ladies in the audience, and the further fact that his mistrust is allayed by the appearance of the bride, who is carefully schooled in shrinking gentleness, he would jump out of the window.

But the man who marries Carrie will be met by no such benign deities and anodynes. If there is any music at all it will be the alarming cacophony of fife and snare drums. And Carrie herself will wear no mask of tulle and tulle. Upon her face will be that same stern frown which bartenders see in the silent watches of the night; upon her head will be that same black bonnet which has long breathed such eloquent threats, and in her hand will be the ancient symbol and instrument of her grim calling—her glittering hatchet with its sinister hystorical handle.

Fancy the agitation of the bridegroom when her glance fixes him! Fancy it—and then fall on your face before that Virginian named Slatter. He belongs to the old race of giants. Of such were the men who braved the demons beyond Jehol-al-Tarik and rid the earth of goblins, tyrants and necromancers.

Rev. W. O. Raymond addressed a large gathering at a meeting of Thorne Lodge yesterday afternoon, speaking on the habit of beer drinking in Germany. He commended the efforts of Thorne Lodge and fraternal societies in the interests of temperance.