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SUNDAY SERVICES.

St. John's Church—Rector, Rev. J. de Moyres. Services tomorrow at 8 (Holy Communion), 11 and 7. Sunday school at 3.

Trinity Church—Rev. Canon Richardson, rector; Rev. G. R. E. MacDonald, curate. 3rd Sunday in Advent. Holy Communion at 8 o'clock. Morning service at 11 o'clock. Congregational Bible class at 2.45. Sunday school at 3 o'clock. Evening service, when all seats are free, at 7 o'clock. The rector will preach in the morning, and Mr. MacDonald in the evening.

Exmouth street Methodist church—11 a. m., Rev. Howard Sprague; 7 p. m., Rev. T. J. Deinstadt.

Zion Methodist Church, Junction of Wall street and Burpee avenue—Rev. Dr. Wilson, pastor. Rev. Henry Penna will preach at 11; Sabbath school at 2.30; pastor will preach at 7. Subject, A Talk About Non-church Goers.

Carmarthen street Methodist—Rev. C. W. Hamilton, pastor. Rev. C. Comben will preach at both services. Sunday. Men's class at 10.15 a. m. Sunday school at 2.30 p. m. Evangelistic service at 8.15 p. m. Usual services during the week. Everybody welcome. All seats free.

Centenary Methodist Church Sunday services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. The pastor, Rev. G. M. Campbell will preach morning and evening. Sunday school 2.30 p. m.

St. John West Methodist Church—Service at 11 and 7. Rev. Dr. Wilson in the morning, and the pastor, Rev. H. Penna, in the evening.

German street Baptist Church—Rev. G. O. Gates, D. D., pastor. Preaching services 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school, 2.30 p. m. Bible class, 2.45 p. m.

Tabernacle Baptist Church—Howard H. Roach, minister. Preaching at 11 and 7. Baptism at morning service. Seats free and all are welcome.

Victoria street Baptist Church—Pastor, Rev. David Long. Service at 11 a. m., by Rev. A. White, and at 7 p. m., by the pastor. Sunday school at 2.30.

Congregational Church, Union street—Rev. R. R. Morson, pastor. 11 a. m., Rev. Mr. Howard of Portland Methodist church will occupy the pulpit; 7

p. m., pastor will speak on Prohibition and its Results. Sunday school at 12 o'clock.

Christian Science services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.; subject, Sacrament. Sunday school at 12.15 p. m.; weekly meeting Wednesday at 8 p. m.; reading room open every weekday from 2.30 to 5 p. m., in Oddfellows' building, corner Union street and Hazen avenue.

Sunday meetings in the Charlotte street barracks will be conducted by Lieut. Col. Sharp, Major Howell, Capt. Perry of the Rescue Home will farewell at night for Toronto.

A gospel service will be held at The King's Daughters' Guild Sunday at 4 p. m. Subject, The Anchor of Hope. All are welcome.

Coburg street Christian Church—Preaching at 11 a. m. by the Rev. B. N. Nobles. At 7 p. m., C. W. B. M. meeting, at which the pastor, G. N. Stevenson will give an address. Sunday school at 2.30 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. on Monday evening at 8 o'clock. Prayer and social meeting on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock.

Douglas avenue Christian Church—Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. by the pastor, J. Chas. B. Appel. Sunday school at 9.30 a. m. Regular prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Y. P. S. C. E. on Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

M. C. A. boys' meeting at 10 a. m. Subject: How Weeds Grow. Leader, J. T. McGowan. Men's Bible class at 4 p. m., to which all men are invited. Leader, W. M. Kingston.

The Unitarian Church—Rev. W. L. Beers, minister. Sunday school and study class at 2.30 p. m. Service at 7 p. m. Sermon by the minister on Gethsemane and the Cross. Visitors are cordially invited.

Queen square Methodist Church—Preaching at 11 a. m., Rev. T. J. Deinstadt; preaching at 7 p. m., Rev. Howard Sprague. Sunday school at 2.30 p. m. All strangers welcome.

TO ADVERTISERS.
Copy for CHANGE OF ADVERTISEMENTS in the STAR should be in the office not later than 10 a. m. to ensure insertion in that day's issue.

ARTILLERY BAND AT HOME.

The Artillery band held an At Home last evening at McLaughlin's hall, which was largely attended by representative citizens and friends of the band. The room was prettily decorated and it proved a most enjoyable occasion. Major Crawford, the chairman of the band committee of the 3rd New Brunswick Canadian Artillery, was in the chair and filled the position with perfect satisfaction. The band gave a number of selections, all of which were admirably played. It was really the first time they attempted concert music in public since the band were supplied with their new instruments, and their performance was a revelation to all present. During the evening speeches were made by Mayor White, Aldermen Maxwell and McGoldrick, Dr. March, Hon. H. A. McKeown and Col. J. R. Armstrong. A quartette composed of Chas. Knight, Fred Atkinson, Edward Burrell and St. Crawford gave several selections. Light refreshments were served and smoking indulged in by all who cared for the weed.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The British Editors Were Charmed With its Beauty.

The British editors, who visited Canada last autumn were charmed by it. To them it was a revelation. In describing British Columbia the correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph," London, said: "British Columbia stands very much in the same position to the rest of Canada as California does with regard to the United States in general. They both form the natural and only outlet on the Pacific ocean to the rich trading countries beyond. They enjoy certain physical advantages in common; they are both young, only partially developed, and possess great future. Both are countries too, lying beyond a wonderful range of mountains, seemingly cut off from the rest of the world. But, while admitting the merits of the great state south of the boundary, I am convinced that British Columbia is a far richer, as it is certainly a far more beautiful country than its southern rival. On the coast line it enjoys a genial and temperate climate, somewhat moist, for the annual rainfall is considerable; but, at all events, it does not require irrigation in order to grow fruit. One of the unkindest remarks ever made about California was that a lady desires to wear her furs in July, she has only to cross to the shaded side of the street in San Francisco. No such treacherous extremes attend the summer months in British Columbia. In a measure this most western province of the great Dominion combines all the virtues of the rest of the country. Its chief industries are lumbering, fisheries and mining, and in the fertile belts of the land dove-tailed in between the glorious mountains, farming and agriculture are carried on in a small but successful way. Fruits are cultivated and thrive well, and a resident of Victoria assured me that never a Christmas Day passed but he plucked a rose."

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DIVISION NO. 1, A. O. H.

Expect to Hold a Big Fancy Sale in the Near Future.

On Thursday evening regular division No. 1, A. O. H., met and elected officers. The lady associates of the order have been meeting twice a week and preparing fancy articles, etc., for the sale, which will be held about January 19th. A number of the prizes are now on exhibition at John White's store, Charlotte street, also others at Amiland Bros., and can be seen at any time. The leading prizes are a handsome parlor suite, second prize, bedroom suite, and lotteries for each of the four tables: Rose, Canadian, Thistle and Irish.

During the past month three sewing machines have been hard at work getting out fancy work.

The total value of prizes will easily reach the sum of \$1,000. Two prominent prizes are those for the lucky ticket holder, a gold watch, Waltham movement, and the Foreign prize. This is a unique feature. The lucky ticket holders win a year's subscription to each of the daily papers. No tickets for this competition will be sold in the city or county.

SUDDEN DEATH

Of Dr. W. S. Harding at Six O'clock Last Night.

Dr. W. S. Harding dropped dead last evening about six o'clock, in the dining room of the house, opposite his residence. It was such a death as a man of his life long activities would have chosen had he the making of the choice. Henry Ward Beecher, who in his prime was of the Harding family type, rugged to the core, suggested one change in the Church of England litany that he loved so well. It was in the petition "from battle, murder and sudden death, good Lord deliver us." Put in the words "fear of" before sudden death. Dr. Harding had no fear of sudden death. He worked to the last. Yesterday he spoke of feeling well, and up to tea hour was an active man. Dr. Harding was born in January, 1814, and worked his way up as a young man by stubborn energy. For 47 years he was port physician of St. John, retiring in 1894. In his day St. John handled a volume of immigrants that would put the Sand Point facilities of today to a most severe test. Take the year of the ship plague for example. Eight hundred died on the voyage out, 600 on Partridge Island and 300 near the present St. John court house. These were out of some 15,000 people who left Ireland to settle in New Brunswick. In the days of the cholera outbreak Dr. Harding was a foremost figure and a standard authority on its treatment for ever afterwards. His writings to the press and his contributions to the medical records of the Dominion possess the value that attaches to the personal work of a devoted man with a mind not befogged by theories. Dr. Harding built up from results, not from conjectures or hypotheses. He was educated at Edinburgh, where he won high fame in his classes. He may be parenthetically remarked that he was one of the first physicians in North America who made a name in the treatment of diphtheria.

Dr. Harding leaves one daughter, Miss Phoebe Harding, residing in the city, Stanning H., of Welsford, and Rev. Geo. H. Church of England pastor at Riviere du Loup. His wife died many years ago.

The funeral will take place on Monday from his late residence. Dr. Harding's death will be mourned by a wide outside circle, who were endeared to him in by gone years by his kindly faithfulness as a personal friend and comforter as well as a medical man.

USING POOR COAL.

Moncton Transcript.) Very much of the slow time being made on the I. C. R. of late is said to be attributed to the poor quality of coal in use on the road. Trainmen say that it is almost impossible to keep up steam with the fuel of very inferior quality, most of it being the dregs of the American coal imported two or three years ago, and which was greatly damaged as the result of being piled up outdoors at different points along the line. Some of the coal used is considered inferior to run of mine, being so fine that it is difficult to maintain any sort of a fire with it.

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MT. CARLYLE COAL.

(Richmond Review.) It is reported that a five foot seam of coal has been discovered at the Mt. Carlyle coal mines at Coal Branch.

MORNING'S NEWS.

LOCAL.

There's Christmas cheer in a cup of Red Rose tea.

Principal Woodbridge of the Fredericton Deaf and Dumb Institute has resigned. Mr. Woodbridge intends to make his home in Fredericton, living on his Forest Hill farm.

Acting upon the decision of the board of works yesterday, the director will begin at once the erection of the shed which is to extend from No. 3 to No. 4 shed at Sand Point. The cost of the erection will be in the vicinity of \$5,000, and the Elder-Dempster line, who will use it, agree to pay the city \$250 for the same this season.

Fred Macneil, son of Rev. L. G. Macneil, pastor of St. Andrew's church of this city, who has been for several years a much valued employee of Scammell Bros. shipping office here, left last evening on a trip to England for a few weeks, combining business with pleasure.

Among the last appointments made at McGill University was one which will interest the friends of Dr. A. H. Gorden, who won the gold medal on his graduation in 1900. Dr. Gorden has been appointed demonstrator of physiology in the place of Dr. Scone, who has left Montreal.

Anniversary missionary services will be held tomorrow in Moncton Methodist churches. Rev. C. W. Hamilton of Carmarthen street will preach in the Central, the morning and the Wesley Memorial in the evening. Jie will leave today by the C. P. R. for Moncton.

A large number of primary and junior teachers met yesterday afternoon in the Germain street Baptist parlor and discussed the lesson for next Sabbath and enjoyed Mrs. Robinson's talk on Santa Claus and Christmas. The union adjourned to meet after the holidays on Friday, January 2nd.

At the ping pong tournament in the rooms of W. H. Thorne & Co., Chipman Hill, yesterday afternoon R. F. Wright defeated R. Frith 6-0-6-0, and W. D. Foster defeated R. Stockton, 5-2-7-5. Foster and Stockton played a very fast game. This evening there will be two games, H. T. Landry playing A. M. Frith at 7.30 and A. S. Hatfield playing Arthur Dick at 8.15.

Mrs. Dr. Sheffield held a tea from 4.30 to 6.30 yesterday afternoon at her home on Princess street in honor of her niece, Miss Ross. Mrs. Sheffield was beautifully robed in black silk. The young ladies who assisted at the function were the Misses Winifred Fairweather, Ethel Baird, Ethel Addy, Mary Inches, R. MacAvity, Ida Warwick, Miss Fugley, Miss Robertson.

The following have been elected officers, bearers of division No. 1, A. O. H., for the ensuing term: W. L. Williams, president; John Gallagher, vice-president; Fred L. Barrett, recording secretary; W. H. Coates, financial secretary; John R. McCloskey, treasurer; Thos. J. McGowan, sergeant-at-arms; James Mackin, sentinel; T. J. Ferrie, outside sentinel; John C. Ferguson, M. D. Sweeney, John Gallagher, John Stanton and H. L. Williams.

Lodge No. 32 of the Ladies' Orange Benevolent Association held its monthly meeting at the Temperance hall, last night, on Thursday evening. The officers elected were: Worthy mistress, Mrs. Robert Perry; deputy mistress, Mrs. Chas. Perkins; chaplain, Mrs. Andrew Long; recording secretary, Miss Mattie Roxborough; financial secretary, Mrs. C. E. Belyea; treasurer, Mrs. Joseph Howard; guardian, Mrs. C. E. Belyea; inner guardian, Mrs. Isaac McLeod.

The Trades and Labor Council held its regular session last night in Labor Hall. The report of the committee in connection with the tax commission was received. The winter ice carnival committee reported favorably, and were given full power to carry it through.

Trade reports were as follows: Teamsters, good; carpenters and joiners, dull; freight handlers, good; cigar makers, fair; printers, good; shingle punchers and sawyers, dull; ship laborers, dull; moulders, fair; hod carriers and mortarmen, dull; trackmen, good. The resignation of William Keefe was read and accepted.

At the regular meeting of St. John Council, No. 2, N. A. M. E., last evening, the following officers were elected for the year 1903, and installed by G. Secretary Morrison, President, A. S. Foster; 1st vice-president, Fred Lewis; 2nd vice-president, J. M. Pondrich; secretary, George T. G. Blawett; asst. secretary, Neil J. Morrison; treasurer, J. Fred Williamson; conductor, O. T. Berry; doorkeeper, B. C. Estabrooks; council, Messrs. Morrison, Williamson, Blawett, Allan, Hayter; auditors, N. J. Morrison, W. I. Barton; delegates to grand council, N. J. Morrison and A. S. Foster; alternates, Messrs. W. I. Barton and H. Allan. It was decided to hold the annual dinner on the evening of Tuesday, Jan. 6th, at which it is expected a large number will be present and a pleasant time is assured to those who will attend.

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Y. M. C. A.
Presentation Last Night by the Boys' Association.

There was a large attendance at the Y. M. C. A. last evening, when the following programme was carried out: Piano, duet, Misses Sandall; song, Miss Maud March; reading, Miss Brown; bones, Jas. Bond; whistie, A. Nixon; reading, Miss C. Hallie; address, Percy Willson.

During the programme presents were awarded for prizes to the membership competition, as follows: First prize, Wm. Comber, a camp ticket to the next summer camp; 2nd prize, R. Simms, a watch; and twenty boys tickets for the annual sleigh drive to be held in January next. W. S. Fisher presided at the meeting and the presentation of prizes was made by D. B.

\$100 REWARD.

The Baker and Confectioner, a journal published at Toronto in the interest of the trade, offers a reward of \$100 for information that will lead to the conviction of any person, firm or corporation using deleterious materials in the manufacture of confectionery. To this reward has been added \$10 by

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AUCTION SALE.

For sale by public auction at Chubb's Corner in the City of Saint John, on MONDAY, the FIFTEENTH DAY OF DECEMBER, at twelve o'clock noon, the leasehold lot of land No. 73, on the north side of Victoria street, with two story framed dwelling thereon. The lot is 20x100 feet and the annual rental of building \$100. Ground rent \$25.00 a year.

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Donald, chairman of the Boys' Association, Refreshments were served by the Ladies' Association.

TORONTO, Dec. 12.—Clergue was today awarded the contract for rails for the first sixty miles of the Temiscaming railway and for four miles of siding at \$32 per ton. The Temiscaming railway is being built by the Ontario government.

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