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We have a good stock of Hot Water Bottles, ranging in Price from \$1.50 to \$3.00.
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The Ross Drug Co., Ltd
THE REXALL STORE
100 King Street. St. John, N. B.

Extra Special Prices Tonight

Take Stock Next Week, so Want to Have Just as Few Hats as We Can

Trimmed Hats at a mere fraction of their price.
Quality Velour Hats—All colors, many styles, Today, \$4.00
You Will Find Many Most Exceptional Value Here Tonight!

MARR MILLINERY CO., LTD.

LADIES' FUR COATS

RELINED

We have a large assortment of Plain and Fancy Satin Linings to choose from, suitable for Persian Lamb, Muskrat, etc.

Special Prices After the Holiday

F. S. THOMAS

539 to 545 Main Street.

BOYS' OVERCOATS

Sixty-five Boys' Overcoats on sale. We are selling our entire stock of Boys' Overcoats at Cost Price.

Store Open Evenings

Call Early and Make Your Selections



440 MAIN ST. St. John, N.B. COR. SHERIFF

Dine Your Holiday Guests at the Royal Gardens

The Cafe De Luxe of St. John, where the well-varied, menus, sumptuous, toothsome meals, prompt service and luxurious comfort have won the favor of discriminating people.

GARDEN CAFE Special Menus As Ordered ROYAL HOTEL
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The Hockey Season's On

and we are ready for all demands with a full line of Hockey Sticks, Pucks, Skates and other accessories.

Our fine line of Hockey Sticks includes the following well known varieties:

- Spaldings—Regular 65c.
- Spaldings—Long 65c.
- Indian Groove 65c.
- Indian Plain 60c.
- Build-up Goal \$1.50
- X Heel 40c.
- XX Heel 45c.
- King 75c.
- Boys' Painted 20c.

Sporting Dept.—Second Floor

W. H. THORNE & CO., LTD.

New Advertising Record Established by Times

Back in May, 1916, The Times smashed all local advertising records by printing 368 1/2 columns of advertising in a single week.

Local	279 1/2
National	122 1/2
Classified	52
Total	454

Local	308
National	143 1/2
Classified	53
Total	444 1/2

All of which merely indicates again that the paper with the circulation naturally carries the business.

LOCAL NEWS

MARRIAGES AND BIRTHS.
Ten marriages and ten births—five boys and five girls—were recorded during the week.

FORTY HOURS.
The Forty Hours Devotion commenced in St. Peter's church yesterday morning and is being attended by many. Last evening services were conducted by Rev. George Daly, C. S. S. R.

NEWSBOYS TO BE GUESTS TO-NIGHT.
More than 150 newsboys will be the guests of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y.M.C.A. tonight in the association building. There will be an entertainment and a supper, and the little fellows will be given the freedom of the athletic plant as well. A large corps of ladies are ready for the fray.

FIRE IN NORTH END.
A wooden dwelling house, owned by H. J. Pratt and situated at 470 Main street, was quite badly damaged by fire early this morning. The fire originated around the fire in the centre of the house and before it was extinguished considerable damage had been done. The loss is partly covered by insurance.

WILLIAM J. McADOO.
Many will learn with regret of the death of William J. McAdoo which occurred last night at his residence, 23 Haymarket square. He was seventy-two years old. Besides his wife, he leaves two sisters and three brothers. The funeral will take place on Monday afternoon from his late residence.

TWENTY DEATHS.
Twenty deaths were reported to the board of health during the week, as follows:—Pneumonia, eight; acute nephritis, one; meningitis, one; pneumonia, one; heart disease, one; acute nephritis, one; general peritonitis, one; spinal meningitis, one; influenza, one; influenza, one; heart and tubes dorsalis, one each.

READY FOR THE SNOW STORMS.
The public works department is in a state of readiness for the worst onslaught of Old Boreas, Mother Carey, who plucks her chickens and all other fabled characters having to do with blizzards. The plows are ready, the scrapers, walkways and other equipment. This time last year St. John had a good coating of snow, and at an earlier date a real oldtime downfall.

NEXT TUESDAY.
The suits against J. K. Flemming and W. B. Tennant for the recovery of Valley Railway monies, which were to have been continued before Chief Justice McKernan this morning, have been set over until Tuesday, owing to the fact that the chief justice had been called out of the city by the death of his brother-in-law, Rev. G. M. Campbell, and did not return until this afternoon.

SON ALSO RETURNED.
Corporal Robert Bickertstaffe, of 298 Westworth street, arrived home yesterday after a two years' sojourn at the front. He was away with the 118th, was transferred to the 140th, and wound up in the redoubtable 20th. He is only nineteen years old at present, which made him a boy of seventeen at the time of his enlistment. His father, R. P. Bickertstaffe, arrived home from the front a short while ago.

LOSS IS HEAVY.
The loss of two fine buildings on Parkside last evening by fire is felt keenly by the local military officials. It is estimated that the buildings were worth in the vicinity of \$60,000, were worth in the vicinity of \$60,000, and were still in the contractor's hands. It will be a matter of three or four months before the exact amount of the loss will be known. The members of the 9th Siege Battery Depot, who were quartered in one of the buildings which was burned, are now quartered in the small barracks on the island.

A NARROW ESCAPE.
An auto accident occurred in Montreal on the afternoon of the day before Christmas while a party of three were motoring from Montreal West towards the Main. When crossing a railway crossing they saw no danger as the back gate of the crossing was open until they were on the tracks of an incoming train. The owner of the limousine saw there was no way of preventing a serious accident but to put on full speed and crash through the front gates which were closed. One of the party was Miss Edna Thompson, formerly of St. John, and her two friends were both of Montreal. All escaped uninjured with damage to the limousine.

McINTOSH-LORDLY.
In Bond street Congregational church, Toronto, on December 23, Rev. Dr. W. G. Millar united in marriage Frank Newton McIntosh and Mary Osborne Ayling Lordly. The bride's traveling suit was of navy blue, with large black pressed beaver hat and seal furs and corsage bouquet of violets. The many beautiful presents received testified to the popularity of the young people both in Toronto and St. John. The bride who is a St. John girl, has been for the last year a member of the Toronto District Office of the Board of Pension Commissioners. Mr. and Mrs. McIntosh left on a honeymoon trip to Montreal and St. John. On their return they will reside in Toronto where the groom is a member of the general office staff of the C. P. R. Mr. and Mrs. McIntosh are at present the guests of the bride's mother, Mrs. O. A. Lordly, 143 Leinster street.

MATTER OF HARBOR COMMISSION IS LOOKING BETTER

Conference of Mayor and Commissioner Bullock With Hon. F. B. Carvell

As a result of a conference by Hon. F. B. Carvell, minister of public works, and Mayor Hayes and Commissioner Bullock for the city, which was held this morning, the prospects for completing negotiations for placing the harbor in commission appear much brighter than they did in the light of the case and asked the mayor and commissioner to appear at Ottawa when he and the minister of marine could go into the matter more fully. He promised to arrange for the conference on his return to Ottawa, soon after the New Year.

Hon. Mr. Carvell will spend this afternoon with Premier Foster on matters of mutual interest to the Dominion and provincial governments. He may leave this evening for Woodstock and at the first of the week will return to Ottawa.

GAVE UP THEIR TREAT TO HELP THE POOR

Christmas Offering of the Ludlow Street Baptist Sunday School

The Christmas offering of the Ludlow street Baptist church Sunday school for the poor took place last evening in the vestry of the church. The members came laden with parcels of groceries and provisions to be distributed to the poor of the city without regard to creed. R. H. Parsons, superintendent, was in the chair, and Miss M. E. Mullin acted as accompanist. Hon. Supp. John P. Ring conducted the devotional exercises. There were choruses, by the primary department, solo by Miss Marie Murray and class.

Capt. G. A. Kuhring delivered an intensely interesting address on his reminiscences of Gallipoli, the Island of Lemnos and other places in the war zone. His tribute to the heroism of the nursing sisters and to the moral and spiritual tone of the soldiers was very felicitously given.

Rev. W. R. Robinson, the pastor, in behalf of the Working Ring Society, presented to Hon. Supp. John P. Ring a solid gold set-ring. He made a feeling reply. Rev. Mr. Robinson also presented in behalf of the teachers of the primary department to Hon. Mr. Parsons, a solid leather bound memorandum book with the title address.

"Dear Mr. Parsons—Your primary department would like you to accept this small gift as a slight reminder of the Christmas season, and with all good wishes for the new year. Signed on behalf of the primary department, Edna M. G. Codrington, Mrs. F. Cheyne, Mrs. M. E. Stewart, Miss I. Beattie, Mrs. Alban B. MacKenney."

HON. MR. BAXTER A WITNESS AT POTATO ENQUIRY TODAY

Hon. J. B. M. Baxter will be the chief witness at the session of the inquiry into the "potable" potato transactions of the former government, which will be continued before Commissioner McQueen in the court house this afternoon. It is expected that he will give evidence regarding the \$50,000 which he paid to W. B. Tennant, according to the latter's testimony to help make up the amount secured from Mr. Tennant for political purposes, and possibly about other matters.

GARMANIA, NOW NEARING HALIFAX, HAS FINE WAR RECORD

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 28—H. M. transport Carmania, a former Cunarder, now nearing Halifax with 4,000 returning Canadian soldiers, and which is expected at four o'clock tomorrow afternoon, has one of the most distinguished war records possessed by ships of the merchant marine. At the outbreak of the war the Carmania was refitted as an auxiliary cruiser and on September 14, 1914, while off the coast of Brazil, she fell in with the Cap Trafalgar, a German liner similarly armed. The action began at 9,000 yards and lasted for one and three-quarter hours. The Carmania, under the command of Captain Noel Grant, was skillfully handled and her excellent gunnery decided the issue. Though the British vessel had to depart prematurely, owing to the approach of a German cruiser, she left her antagonist sinking in flames. The Carmania was later placed in the transport service in which she has done valiant work.

WOOD MARKET REVIVED.
The wood market at the head of Brussels street, which has been vacated for the last year or so by the local refuse wood dealers, is again the scene of considerable activity, but the sellers this time are from the country. Strange to state the local dealers are not yet much in evidence, for the reason, it is explained, that their wood is sold on local demand by telephone and by house to house solicitation. The market recommenced in Brussels street a few days ago when a lone country team stood there for a while, sold out, went home for more wood, and re-appeared the next day. The news spread, and now it looks like old times in this locality.

MACAULAY BROTHERS & CO.

IT WOULD BE HARD TO FIND A MORE COMFORTABLE OR GOOD-LOOKING LINE OF Warm Wool Knitted Gloves For Men and Youths

BEAUTIFUL SOFT ANGORA WOOL GLOVES, so comfortable that they will warm cold hands; some with leather bound tops and snap fasteners, others with closed top, fitting tight to wrists.
Colors: Fawn, Brown, Grey.
SCOTCH HEATHER KNIT GLOVES, in Dark Grey, or Tan, snap fasteners or close fitting to wrists.
EXTRA QUALITY REAL MOCHA LEATHER GLOVES, with knitted wool lining. This is in fact a glove within a glove, the whole hand and fingers being knitted to fit close inside the leather. This assures greater warmth; smooth, close fitting and much better wear than any other lining. All sizes, 7-12 to 10, in Grey or Brown Leathers.
All the New Shapes in "ARROW" COLLARS.
NEW SOFT COLLARS in Silk or Pique.
\$1.00 each for PENMAN'S FLEECE-LINED DRAWERS OR UNDERSHIRTS. They are \$1.50 quality. Boys' sizes, 75c.

MACAULAY BROTHERS & CO.

Barrett's is Essentially the Store of Complete Kitchen Utensils

Barrett's is so handy, and so convenient, and so reasonable in its prices that it is only natural for instructions to be given husband or daughter—or whoever is delegated to make purchases for the kitchen—to "drop into Barrett's and get a new Tea Kettle," or what not?
Just as a sample of genuine values, let us quote:
Electric Toasters—Making it possible to serve toast made right at the plate. . . . \$2.89
Aluminum Double Boilers, from \$2.75 to \$4.75
Aluminum Sauce Pans from . . . 75c. to \$1.90
Aluminum Coffee Pots \$1.75 to \$3.25
Aluminum Stew Kettles \$1.75 to \$3.15
Franco Flashlights—All sizes. Prices go from 90c. to \$2.50
Never know when a flashlight may be needed. No fumbling in the dark for matches when an emergency calls for light.

D. J. BARRETT, 155 Union Street
Clearwood Ranges—Store Open Saturday Evenings

Complete Stock of Winter CLOTH COATS—PLUSH COATS

Drastically Reduced

Many of you have received a substantial cheque, or maybe gold, for Christmas, and are undecided just how to make the best use of it. What better way than to procure a New Winter Coat at these prices:

\$18.50, Now \$14.80	\$40.00, Now \$31.95
24.00, Now 19.20	60.00, Now 47.95
29.50, Now 23.60	80.00, Now 63.95
34.00, Now 27.20	95.00, Now 75.95

And Many Other Prices Not Mentioned

This represents a remarkable assemblage of distinguished styles—offering choice of tailored types and smart belted models, many with fur collars and cuffs, surpassing all precedent.

COLORS: Maduro, Taupes, Burgundy, Greys, Blacks

STYLES: Belted, Semi-Belted, Loose-Back, Fur Trimmed, Tailored

FURS: All Fur Coats and Fur Sets at Greatly Reduced Prices During This Coat Special.

OAK HALL SCOVIL BROS., LIMITED ST. JOHN, N. B.

Fixing Baby up "Snug as a Bug in a Rug"

Tucked in in one of these Bassinettes with the soft, gentle woven spring bottom baby could ask for nothing better.

Made of light, substantial wood, white enamel finish, which is always neat and pretty; equipped with smoothly running rubber-tired wheels, making the Bassinette easily transported from room to room, this little crib will answer mothers' desire to secure the very best little bed for the baby, and make baby feel that she has actually found it.

This Bassinette has had a most ready sale in this store, and we are sure that only an inspection of it will be necessary to place one in the home of any baby who is looking for the best.

PRICE \$5.40

A. Ernest Everett
THE HOUSE FURNISHER
91 CHARLOTTE STREET

We Have the Very Easy Chair You've Wanted

Now For Fur Coat Bargains!

WEEK-END SPECIALS

We find the holiday business has greatly depleted our present stock of Near Seal Coat the balance of which are at a Special Price, \$135.00 only. They are \$150.00 garments.

Also you can purchase an excellent street or driving coat of Natural Marmot for the exceptional Price of \$110.00. These garments were \$125.00.

D. MAGEE'S SONS, LIMITED
EVER SINCE 1859
63 KING STREET, ST. JOHN, N. B.