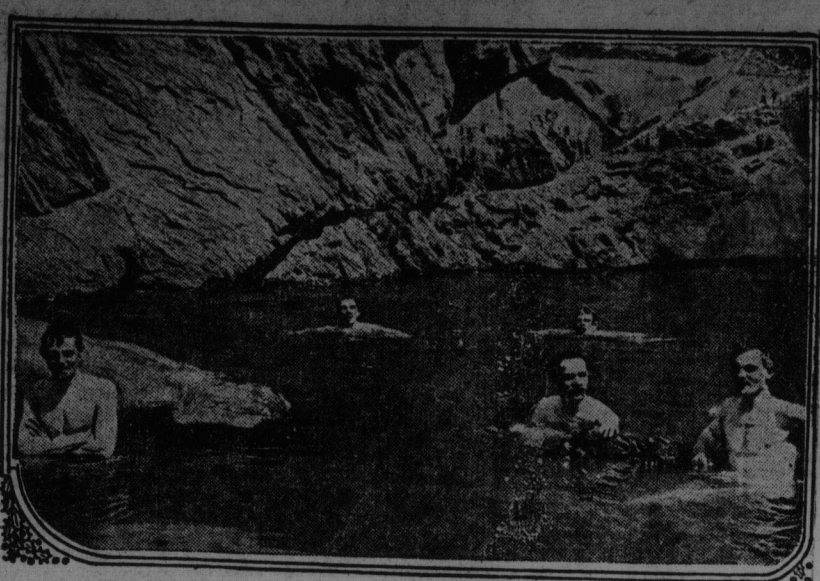


# Xmas Under Southern Cross



BATHING IN THE RIVER ON CHRISTMAS, NEAR LADYSMITH, SOUTH AFRICA.

To one who has never been south of the equator, it seems more than strange to celebrate Christmas day in the middle of summer—that in a country which has regular summers and also cold winters. A day of ideal Dominion Day weather—hot and dry and dusty, flowers blooming everywhere, the fragrance of their perfume is wafted on every wind—such a day is Christmas day in the southern hemisphere.

To us Canadians it would not seem much of a Christmas if the temperature stood at 90 or 100 degrees Fahrenheit, but the people of the far south enjoy their Christmas just as we do.

Bathing beaches are crowded, fishing parties are numerous, picnics are popular with everyone, outdoor games and amusements are universally enjoyed throughout South Africa Africa and Australia.

## STOCKINGS TO WHAT CANADA HAS TO OFFER THE INVESTOR

**Lydia Sipkowska Says Women Should Discard Stockings as Unhealthy—Fewer Clothes the Better, She Opines.**

Boston, Mass., Dec. 14.—If Lydia Sipkowska, a Russian songbird of the Boston Opera-House, has her way, stockings would be worn but little by women. The fair prima donna declares that woman is greatly hampered in her physical development by many unnecessary articles of clothing.

"Now, stockings are a necessity when one is out walking, or visiting, or on the stage, but worn constantly through the day they are a source of evil. Give the limbs a chance. Don't hem them in as if they were prisoners that are to be punished. Let the blood circulate freely through the veins. Put the stockings in the same class with the corset as a necessity that the sooner rid of the better for the wearer.

"When I am home, I confess that most of the time I am stockinged. Talk about ease and pleasure. Women whose limbs are encased in stockings the whole day long know not what ease is. In the summer let women go about barefooted.

"Oh, I do not mean when visitors are around. That would be somewhat shocking. But as much as one possibly can without breaking any of the conventions a woman should go about stockinged. Just imagine a man wearing his gloves constantly.

"I do not pose as a physical expert, but commonsense would teach every woman that stockings may be looked upon as an article of wear that constantly used become a source of harm. Women generally wear too many clothes."

## THE BITTER BITTEN IN GREAT BRITAIN

**Tricks Played on a Yankee Tenderfoot in London—Some Things the Englishman Knows How to Charge For.**

New York, Dec. 14.—"If there is any Yankee who thinks he can sell wooden nutmegs to a Britisher nowadays he'd better guess again," said an American who returned recently after working in Europe for many years for a New York concern. "Englishmen have profited by lessons taught them until nowadays they do the other fellow.

"When I was dumped in London for the first time I went to live in apartments. There was a valet attached to the apartments, a sleek, well-fed individual, whom I go to know familiarly as Henry. I had never enjoyed the luxury of having a gentleman's valet before, and when I found that Henry would look after my clothes for half a crown (62 cents) a week, I rejoiced, especially as they needed pressing.

"But no, Henry didn't press clothes. Still there was a tailor near by who did, and he would be glad to take them there for me.

"I sent out my overcoat and my best suit. Pressing these would have cost me in New York about a dollar, or a dollar and a half at the outside. When the clothes came back a bill came with them almost a foot long. Each garment was charged for separately, and among the items was sewing button-hole, 2d.; sewing on button, 6d., and so on. The total was 10s. 6d. (\$4.87).

"Well," I gasped, "take this back to the tailor and tell him it is outrageous," I told Henry. He returned and said the tailor said it was correct. As a result of what I told him Henry went once more to the tailor's and came back with the bill diminished to \$3.62. I was still far from satisfied but sent the money. After I had done a bit of investigating I found shops where I could have similar work done for 75 cents or a dollar. The other tailor had looked at the labels in my clothes, and soaked me just because I was a bloomin' Yankee.

## NOTE DOWN MOTION ON MILITARISM COOK AS FAKIR

**Presbytery of St. John Will Take No Part in Politics—Much Business at Quarterly Meeting Yesterday.**

The quarterly meeting of the Presbytery of St. John was held in St. Andrew's church yesterday morning. Rev. L. B. Gibson, moderator, presided. Those present were Reverends F. Baird, Sussex; G. Dickie, St. John; Dr. Smith, Fredericton; A. B. Dickie, Sackville; E. Thorpe, St. George; J. Macpherson, Hanover; H. Boyd, Warwick; W. W. Rennie, Milltown; S. Farley, Norton; G. M. Ireland, Woodstock; J. J. McCaskill, H. R. Reed, James Ross, W. M. Townsend, A. A. Graham, L. A. McLean, D. Lang, St. John. The elders present were Judge Forbes, W. J. Parks and Dr. McLaren, St. John, and H. S. Campbell of Fredericton.

Rev. F. Baird, secretary, read the minutes of the last meeting, which were adopted.

**Reports on Organization.**

Rev. W. W. Rennie submitted the reports of the roll committee, showing the organizations of the different congregations and the year of organization as follows: St. Andrew's church, St. John, 1784; St. James, 1855; Greenock, St. Andrew's, 1824; St. Paul's, Fredericton, 1823; Richmond, 1834; Woodstock, 1834; St. Stephen's, St. John, 1834; Springfield, 1834; St. Stephen's, St. Stephen's, 1834; St. John's, Moncton, 1833; Hanover, 1839; Chipman, 1840; Napiwaak and Stanley, 1843; St. John's, St. John, 1844; Carleton, 1845; Prince William, 1849; Calvin, St. John, 1855; St. George, 1856; Sussex, 1857; Glassville, 1864; Florenceville, 1867; Kincardine, 1874; Grand Falls, 1875; Sackville and Sackville, 1881; Lorneville, 1886; James, Milltown, 1893; Fairville, 1895; Waterford, 1896; St. Matthew's, St. John, 1896; Fort Kent, 1897. These congregations will be guided by seniority as to the number of delegates.

The report also recommended this list be accepted as the roll of congregations for the general assembly, also any former congregation which is now a mission station or a group of stations, which may hereafter be raised to the status of mission charges or congregations, be placed upon the roll with the date of such action.

This recommendation was accepted unanimously.

**For Incorporation.**

Rev. Dr. Smith submitted a resolution from St. Paul's, Fredericton, as to the congregation accepting the act of incorporation. The resolution asked that the trustees need not.

Judge Forbes protested against any violation of the general sections of the act granting incorporation, and the Presbytery should not interfere with any municipal action by St. Paul's to secure the necessary legislation.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Smith the resolution was passed, authorizing St. Paul's to take necessary steps to secure legislation.

The moderator, Rev. Mr. Gibson, reported that he had sent a letter of condolence to Rev. Fringlie, who had lately suffered the loss of his wife.

Rev. J. H. Anderson, reporting on matters of exchange, said that the work had proven profitable. The expenses incurred during the period of exchanges was \$252 for each minister. The report was adopted on motion of Rev. J. J. McCaskill, who thanked extended to the committee for their efforts.

**Home Missions.**

Rev. G. Dickie, submitted the report of the Home Mission committee. Several reports had been received since the last meeting. The committee recommended that the deficit of \$48 be paid to the theological student in charge of Stanley. The motion was carried.

By the time those killed in battle in the first act had risen to their slippers and upon the stage. The orchestra played and the stage was set. The cymbals stopped clanging but the drums made thunder as the hero—young Ho Lai Toy—strutted into view in his gorgeous robe with the clanking sword. The eyes of Toy as he approached were upon the little "girl" crouched at the feet of Mamma Ceung.

He bowed and started to sing his love song that sounded like the warblings of the Spanish parrots in the cage at the Bronx zoo. Toy's voice rose and quavered and the little "girl" looked strangely at him.

Then the three men and the nine eggs played their part. The eggs divided; some struck the head of Toy and some struck the head of the dancing girl and the man Ceung, who was the centre of a group that asked noisy questions behind the faded curtains, were there three empty spaces on the back of the first row bench.

**Moral and Social Reform.**

The report on the Moral and Social Reform Association was brought to the attention of the court by Rev. A. A. Graham. The past year had been a most satisfying one. It had been learned from Ottawa that instructions had been issued to the I. C. R. regarding the matter of carrying liquor into Scott Act territory and special efforts would be made to carry on the work.

Including the deficit of \$200 from last year it was reported that \$11,000 will be needed for the general fund. Contributions from each congregation will be asked and a committee was appointed.



CAPT. AUGUST W. LOOSE.

Will the affidavit of this man overturn the claims of Dr. F. A. Cook to the discovery of the north pole, and make of Cook's claims the greatest hoax in history?

Capt. Loose, expert navigator of New York, swears he "faked" the records that the Brooklyn physician sent to the University of Copenhagen, and that he got only \$260 for his work, when he and another man were promised \$6,000.

He is a Norwegian, and has a reputation among navigators. With Lewis Nixon, the great shipbuilder, he sailed a small boat from Constantinople to New York in the teeth of storms. He is praised by Nixon as one of the most daring sea captains alive.

Capt. Loose also holds medals and testimonials for his work, and has been a student of the lore of the sea and the Arctic.

When the affidavits of Capt. Loose and of Geo. H. Dunkle, his partner in negotiations with the Brookline explorer, were made public they were hailed as proof that Dr. Cook was a fraud and an impostor in the world. Later Dunkle was denounced as a liar.

Whatever the outcome of the controversy, it is certain that Captain Loose is an interesting character.

## LONELY VIGIL IS REWARDED IN CASH

Regina, Sask., Dec. 14.—The lonely vigil of Charles Farr, who waited on the steps of the Dominion Land Office from Thursday night last until Saturday morning to secure a coveted homestead, was then thrown open for settlement, netted him a plum worth about \$4,600. It was the most desirable quarter section and competition for it was very keen. On Friday night when the weather was bitterly cold Farr was provided by friends with a chair and blankets and stuck to his post with his hand on the door knob.

The remains of the General Assembly were then taken up and referred to the various committees. Church union was discussed and deferred until a later date.

The matter of preserving the names of members in the roll after their removal from the Presbytery was taken up. Rev. Mr. Graham said there was nothing on the remits which would show which Presbytery roll would contain the names of those members. The matter was referred to a special committee.

Judge Forbes moved that Rev. Messrs. G. Ross, G. Dickie and J. J. McCaskill be appointed a committee to prepare a suitable memorial of the death of the late Rev. Dr. MacRae. Carried.

**Protest Against Militarism.**

Rev. J. J. McCaskill brought to the attention of the meeting the tendency which at present exists towards militarism and the attitude of the Government in regard to the Canadian navy. He condemned the Government for shouldering its responsibility on the subject. The protest should be strong and therefore he would move that this Presbytery deplores this tendency for war and especially the military tendency existing in Canada at the present time and the attitude of the Government as regards a navy though it approves of contributing to the naval support of Great Britain.

Rev. A. A. Graham thought this was a matter of politics and should not come before the meeting.

Rev. D. Lang also was of this opinion and thought that as a political question it should be referred to Ottawa.

The motion of Rev. Mr. McCaskill was seconded by Rev. F. Baird. It was lost by a large majority.

The meeting then adjourned.

## CAPTAIN LOOSE WHO BRANDED THREE KILLED IN TRAIN CRASH

**Rear-on Collision on Big Four Railway Yesterday Kills Three and Injures Thirty More.**

Erie, Pa., Dec. 14.—The Big Four Twentieth Century No. 26, eastbound, second section, en route from St. Louis to New York, ran together in a rear-end collision with passenger train No. 10 on the Lake Shore Railway at Notham, Pa., sixteen miles east, last midnight. By a seeming miracle but three Italians were killed, seven other persons seriously injured, and probably 25 more or less cut and bruised. According to the story brought here by persons aboard a relief train sent from here, passenger train No. 10, for some reason or other as yet unknown, has not made the Northeast Siding in time to give a clear-hour flyer. According to persons who were aboard train No. 10, a stop had been made at Northeast delaying the train for some time. Without warning of wood, and before any warning cry could be uttered the rear coach of the train No. 10 had been splintered by the heavy engine hauling the Twentieth Century. Northeast being but a hamlet and at night cut off except by railway telegraph lines from outside world, news of the wreck traveled slowly. After midnight a relief train had run together, head-on, at Northeast, with no fatalities. By a roundabout way the report was found to be erroneous.

**Relief Trains.**

Immediately relief trains were rushed from this place and Conneaut, Ohio, loaded with nurses and physicians. Hospitals in both places were notified to be prepared to take care of many injured. Ambulances and dead wagons were lined up at the railway depot here in anticipation of a terrible catastrophe. At 3:40 a. m. a relief train arrived here, bearing the mutilated bodies of three Italians, and seven persons seriously injured. These were taken to the morgue and hospitals.

Persons aboard the fast flyer were hardly aware that the collision had taken place, as the engineer of the flyer, upon seeing the signal lights of No. 10 applied emergency brakes in time to save damage to his train except the mutilation of the pilot and the headlight of his engine. Traffic was delayed about two hours, until the demolished coaches in which the three men met their death had been cleared from the right of way.

The following partial list of injured was given out at the Lake Shore General offices here: Mrs. Edna Louisa, New York city, head bruised; Geo. F. McEnagle, Indian Harbor, Conn., slightly bruised; A. H. Whitney, Dunkirk, N. Y., spine injured, face cut; Frank F. Cook, Greenbay, Wis., legs cut, ribs fractured; E. L. Clogeson, Jamaica Plains, Mass., leg fractured, hands cut; W. L. McFadden, Buffalo, N. Y., spine injured, face cut; left shoulder broken; L. Elsie, Cincinnati, slightly bruised; Clayton Chapman, Elyria, Ohio, rib fractured; W. F. Burr, New York city, generally bruised; T. J. Hadding, Cleveland, Ohio, head bruised; M. Masters, Cincinnati, head bruised; unknown Italian, slightly bruised.

**Kinrade For West.**

Hamilton, Ont., Dec. 14.—Mr. T. L. Kinrade and his family intend moving to Calgary, where Mr. and Mrs. Montrose Wright are now located. One son, already has left for the West and other members of the family will follow this week. Mr. Kinrade has disposed of much of his real estate in Hamilton.

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**FOR SALE**—Instruction has been given by the President of the Board of Education of the Freehold lot of land No. 6 on plan of Chipman property, 1844 feet, Nos. 85, 87, 89, situated on the north side of the highway in the City of Saint John with four story brick building, known as the Old Fellows Hall, by private sale.

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## Found Drowned.

Winnipeg, Dec. 14.—A 15-year-old son of Peter Ambrose sent to cut a hole in the ice to get water for the cattle was found by his father face downward in the hole he had cut deep. He had been drowned in water only 2 1/2 feet deep.

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