g breath of the out-door air and r dusky Dan Taylor followed and

the station there was the same of stir. The cab drove to one of side doors of the train shed and the ners were kept in it till just a they were taken quietly to their without attracting the attention of if a dozen people.

murder for which Higgins was ricted was committed Friday, Aug. On the following Monday afternoon lie Doherty's battered body was nd in the park, and at the first sesof the inquest Wednesday night as found that he was murdered by let wounds and blows on the head. ng the rest of the week the poland newspapers worked on the with the result that Higgins and dspeed, frightened by the published in the papers, attempt-Friday, Aug. 8, to escape to the es. They were captured at Vancethat night and brought back to



ohn Saturday, Coronation Day. night the inquest was comd when Goodspeed told his start-

story of the cruel murder of rty by Higgins. day, August 19, the preliminary ination was completed and Hig-was committed for trial, Goodng held as a witness. A h's respite was secured by Higcounsel and the regular trial be-Sept. 16, continuing its dramatic e until Wednesday, Sept. 24, when ry brought in a verdict of guilty. days later Higgins was sentto die Dec. 18. Mr. Mullin, after ng unsuccessfully for a new devoted his efforts to securing a ation of the sentence. After a o Ottawa with a petition he sucand a few days before the day the execution the reprieve was Through the whole time Higas maintained a cool, impassivurpassed in the annals of crime alked to the train this morning he same smile that greeted his each day he entered the court during the trial.

and before I knew it he was ng over me and had the end of olver pressed in my hair. sked him if he would please take colver away, that it made me s, and if he would take it would not attempt to arouse

the centre of the room was a with a rocking chair by it. He ed me to sit there, hissing at f you make a sound I will kill

on't know how long I sat there,

nad a good opportunity to study

had funny little eyes. They mall and flittered around in a rk face. He was really inter-His face was the kind you call intelligent. He was well i, and I really believe he was rprised as I was."

ou dare to utter a cry,' he re-'I will kill you,' but I am sure

r I had promised to sit still I the first time that there was man in the room. He came the alcove near the bed. burglar said: 'Say, Billy, you tairs and tell Jack to get out. care of this lady.' Wasn't he call me a lady?

ked him to sit down and talk, laughed and said 'No,' and as he heard a whistle down beacked out of the room. r waiting for a few minutes I mamma's room and told her, called out the police." hurber reported to the polic

e burglars got \$60 in cash and

FUND COMPLETE.

Methodist Thank Offering of \$20,000 000.

Anneunced at Triany Church Watch Meeting in Sprin, field, Massachusetts-Most No abl Affort of Protestant Church in America.

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 30.—On the stroke of 12 at the watch-night service in Trinity Methodist Church tomorrow night formal announcement will be made of the completion of the \$20,000,000 fund, known as "the twentieth century Methodist thank offer-

lows:

MONCTON.

To the United States.

Among prominent Methodist clergymen who will take part in the exercises are Rev. Edmund, H. Mills of Elmira, N. Y., secretary of the thanks offering committee; Bishop Charles H. Fowler, Rev. Dr. W. F. McDowell of New York, secretary of the

Methodist Episcopal board of education, and Rev. Dr. S. F. Upham of Drew Theological Seminary.

The thank offering movement had its inception at a meeting of the bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Trinity Church in this city, Nov. 1, 1888, and for this reason Trinity Church has been accorded the honor of this most notable watch night service in the history of the Methodist Church in the United States.

The \$20,000,000 thank offering is in many respects the most notable financial undertaking of the Protestant Church in America. Briefly stated, the purposes of the fund are the endowment of the Methodist educational institutions, the providing of an endowment for city evangelization, the maintenance of invested funds for the assistance of superannuated ministers, the endowment of charitable and philanthropic work, and the payment of the debts of Methodist churches throughout the country.

The honor of being secretary of a commission to raise \$20,000,000 appalled the first man who was chosen. Finally Dr. Mills, a presiding elder in the New York central conference, was selected.

In his efforts to advance the work Dr. Mills visited every conference in the United States, making personal appeals to the supporters of the church in every state in the union.

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accomprision, are moving neaven and earth to keep from josing their positions next year."

For the surpose of paying off church indebtedness \$3,000,000 will be devoted, and it is the expectation of the directors of the fund that not a Methodist church in the United States will be in debt when the payments are complete.

Besides the big fund, it is the aim of Dr. Mills to secure \$1,500,000, which will be devoted to a permanent fund for the support of wornout Methodist clergymen. Over \$600,000 has already been subscribed, and on Sunday, Jan. 4, a collection will be taken up in every Methodist church in the country toward swelling the fund.

In New York city, John E. Andrus, the son of a Methodist clergyman, has offered \$50,000, if the conference will raise \$100,000, and it is understood that \$70,000 of the amount needed has already been subscribed.

The fund is apportioned among the specified bemeficiaries, and each educational brobber institution will govern the expenditure of its portion.

Hillon destars for its endowment.

EXCHEDS \$21,000,000.

LAPORTE, Ind., Dec. 30.—Histop Joyce Minacapolic, who has just dedicated a sw Mcthedist church here, will sail Jan. 6 om New York for Bouth America, where will greside over two important Mcthediconferences. Histop Joyce said today at toxorrow night would see the completen of the "20th century thank offering" of the Mcthedist Church, which exceeds \$21,000,00, the largest fund ever raised by a single meministion as a thank offering.

MONCTON SHIPPING

For the Twelve Months " ust Ended.

MONCTON, Jan. 1.—The statistics MONCTON, Jan. 1.—The statistics of the export trade of Moncton and outports for the calendar year 1902, as furnished the Sun by Collector Briuney and staff, show some gain as compared with 1901, though they are sugar trade will occur tomorrow when the so-called equality or factor plan will be done away with by the American sugar Refining Co. and the national and still below the total of 1900, which was 5625,048. The total value of exports

last year was \$498,548, as compared with \$443,269 the previous year. There was a slight falling off in the export plaster trade at Hillsboro, but the values are higher. The exports by ports in the last two years have been as follows: Penobscot Bay.

> With Hardships During the Fieres Storms of Winter.

The details of the exports are as fol-F. W. James, 3 vessels, 369 tons, 352 ords wood; value, \$1,758.

J. Nelson Smith, 1 vessel, 96 tons, 92
1-2 m. feet boards; value, \$694.

Totals, 4 vessels, 465 tons, 352 cords wood, 921-2 m. feet voards; value, \$2,-

wood, 92 1-2 m. feet voards; value, \$2,452.

SHEDIAC.

To Great Britain:

J. L. Black & Sons, 8 vessels, 4,307
tons, 1,978 st. h. deals, 628 m. feet
boards and scantling; value, \$37,005.

E. J. Smith, 3 vessels, 1,543 tons, 553
st. h. deals; value, \$14,631.

George McKean, 2 vessels, 1,112 tons, 305 st. h. deals, 219 m. boards and scantling; value, \$11,132.

M. Wood & Son, 1 vessel, 586 tons, 170 st. h. deals, 14 m. feet boards and scantling; value, \$5,107.

Totals, 14 vessels, 7,548 tons, 2,106 st. h. deals, 861 m. feet boards and scantling; value, \$67,875.

DORCHESTER.

To United States:

James Anderson & Son, 5 vessels, 561 tons, 633 m. boards and scantling, 435 m. laths; value, \$8,395.

T. B. Calhoun, 1 vessel, 124 tons, 159 m. boards and scantling; value, \$1,584.

Totals, 6 vessels, 685 tons, 792 m. boards and scantling; value, \$1,585.

Totals, 6 vessels, 685 tons, 792 m. boards, etc., 435 m. laths; value, \$9,-981.

HILLSBORO.

Totals, 9 vessels, 9,924 tons, 3,149 st.

MATINICUS ROCK LIGHT. "Pure soap!" You've heard BOSTON LETTER.

Life Off the Rugged Coast of Soap you have the fact.

Not So Bad in Summar, But Replete

.\$443,269 \$498,548 (Maine Cor. Springfield Republican.) lying islands of Penobscot Bay, Me., does not fail to observe, far out to sea, a huge cylinder-like towers, rising abruptly from the ocean. Under this rock, nearly 25 miles from the mainland, wind-buffeted and storm besieged, there stands one of the most important light stations on the dangerous coast of Maine, as well as one of the most

next callar was complete.

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The long night core away at last, and the working seems of the storm or lasts, 1,322 m. feet boards, 495 m. laths; value, \$1,0270.

POINT WOLFE.
To United States:

A. G. Bishop, 3 vessels, 372 tons, 255 m. feet boards, 700 m. laths; value, \$2,783.

J. W. Matthews, 2 vessels, 198 tons, 130 m. feet boards, 700 m. laths; value, \$2,783.

A. J. Daly, 2 vessels, 192 tons, 690 m. laths, 200 m. laths; value, \$4,760.

Chas. T. White, 2 vessels, 193 tons, 91 m. feet boards, 1,015 m. laths; value, \$1,783.

C. W. Rockwell, 1 vessel, 92 tons, 93 m. feet boards, 2,05 pos piling; value, \$4,760.

Totals, 11 vessels, 1,291 tons, 523 m. feet boards, 2,291 tons, 523 m. feet boards, 2,2603.

WATERSHDE.
To United States:

L. L. Richardson, 2 vessels, 72 tons, 76 cords wood; value, \$120.

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To United States:

L. L. Richardson, 2 vessels, 188 tons, 140 cords wood; value, \$224.

W. H. Martin, 1 vessel, 36 tons, 40 cords wood; value, \$224.

W. H. Martin, 1 vessel, 36 tons, 40 cords wood; value, \$224.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2—An important measure in the sugar trade will occur tomorrow when the so-called equality or factor plan will be done away with by the American Sugar Refining Co. and the national and granulated will be quoted at 4,660. per pound net, 20 days, less one per cent for cash, without rebate.

the words. In Sunlight

AP REDUCES EXPENSE

Ask for the Octagon Bar. to the life. But among them all, none are more heroic than the keepers, on these ionely ocean outposts, of those lights which guide the homing sailor on his course and warn him off the treacherous reefs and ledges with which our coast abounds.

THIS FOX WAS WISE

How He Got the Better of a Party of

Well-Equipped Hunters. (Philadelphia North American.)

The Radnor Hunt went a-hunting vesterday and came near to catching a fox. It was the annual Christmas hase. The snowclad hills and meadows, the sharp air and the "spread" in the great old dining room afterward were as good as anything of the kind in an old-fashioned English novel. The riders, among whom were many wo-men, gathered at the clubhouse at 10 J'clock and a few minutes later John P. Valentine, the M. F. H., gave the signal for the start. David Sharp was the huntsman and Harry Harrison the whipper-in. Out spread the pack of about forty hounds and with a loud blast they were off.

hounds took up a scent and presently dislodged a large and lively fox. Then the fun began. He set off in full view of the hunters and in an instant they were all galloping hot on his trail. Through the Ellison and Drexel estates the chase led, skirted the place of Rudolph Ellis and finally reached the farm of Stewart Wood. Hardpressed by the hounds the fox here made straight for a big old tree, went up it like a brown streak and nestled

comfortably on one of the upper branches. The unsportsmanlike behavior nonne unsportsmanlike behavior non-plussed the hunters for a while. They sat and looked at one another. The horses pawed the air impatiently. Round the base of the tree the hounds huddled and yelped hungrily. Then Paul Dencia Mills swung a leg over the side of his horse and continued the chase along. He climbed upon sed opinious on customs and habits in come out. He did in half a minute, and he was away before Mills reach- ate at the Montreal hotel where he ed the ground again and found his companions staring at one another harder than ever, some of them with

the suspicion of a smile.

When everybody had recovered, L. C. Attemus and George McFadden took three of the hounds and set out again. They found the scent, but did not get within speaking distance of the fox, who merrily tripped along un-til lost to sight in the offing.

He finally found cover in the Lewis farm, and the hunters could not start him again, so they went back to the clubhouse and to luncheon. Reynard won the hunt.

ONE CONSCIENCE-STRICKEN PASSENGER (Pittsburg, Penn., 'Chronicle-Tele-

graph.) rived in port this morning the chief clerk, A. B. Bron, handed Captain James A. Henderson a letter from a New Martinsville, West Va., resident, enclosing \$1. The sender, who did not give his name, said that it rightly be-longed to the boat, he having ridden on the vessel and not paid for his fare. The passenger evidently had become conscience-stricken. Capt. Henderson said he had been identified with the river interests for years, has heard thousands of hard luck stories told by

persons who would beg for transpor-tation, saying that is soon as they got home they would send the money, but no money was ever paid in the many instances he knows of. Capt. Hender-son said that the letter received today is the first one of the kind he ever knew to be received by any steamboat and as the incident is so rare, the let-ter and the dollar bill will be framed and hung in the office of the steamer. NO CHANCE TO BUY. (Brooklyn Eagle.)

It happened in the South-not the new South, but the old South, where they lived in the same old way. The enterprising Yankee thought h saw some "opportunities."

"This looks like good land," he com-"It is," replied the native, carelessly.
"But the people here don't make the

"They don't," admitted the native.
"I could make three times as much out of it as they do."

A CURIOSITY. Mrs. C. F. Regan of 37 Brittain street
is the possessor of a sample of dust
from La Soufriere volcano. The dust
fell on the island of Barbadoes at the
time of the last eruptions, having travelled over a hundred miles through
willer Fisher, formerly of Truro, N.

S. where interment occurs.

An Enormous Slump in the City's Export Trade.

U. S. Consul General at Montreal Has Made Himself Very Unpopular With Canadians.

Recent Weddings-Blew Out the Gas With Usual Result-Deaths of Former Provincialists-The Small pex. Epidemic-Coasting Trade Declining-Lumber and Fish Markets.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) BOSTON, Jan. 3.—The figures just made public showing an enormous slump last year in Boston's export trade, has afforded business men and others interested in the welfare of the port ample opportunity to consider how they can be useful to the city. The decline in grain exports has been so pronounced that a really satisfactory explanation is not readily obtainable.

At Kimball's farm, a mile away, the no reason to change the opinion pre-

viously expressed that the treaty will be squelched by the senate. Col. John L. Bittinger, United States consul general at Montreal, who is now on leave of absence, appears to have on leave of absence, appears to have made himself unpopular with the Canadians; in fact the attention of President Roosevelt has been called to find the carried and Georges are held by jobbers at \$6: 50 and medium at \$5 to 5.25. Large dry bank are worth \$5.50 to \$5.75, and the carried and Georges are held by jobbers at \$6: 50 and medium at \$5 to 5.25. Large dry bank are worth \$5.50 to \$5.75, and

the side of his horse and continued sed opinious on customs and habits in the chase along. He climbed up as Canada and the United States, to the near the fox as he could get, shook the boughs with all the strength of his arms and yelled lustily to the fox to keepers, and also said that the food he

stayed was very poor. It appears that Bittinger was able to obtain board at the hotel in question at reduced rates, which were lower than those paid by any other guest. The wedding occurred recently at St. Stephen's Episcopal church here of Reginald H. Welling of Shediac and Miss Ethel V. Cockle of Wellesley. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Frederick W. Fitts.Mr. Welling, who

was formerly with T. McAvity & Sons, the Sumner Company, wholesale plumbers' supplies, of this city.

Among other recent weddings here was that of Robie Crafton Cumming of New Glasgow, N. S., and Miss Annie Bell Macleod of Pictou, N. S. Rev. Alexander D. MacKinnon officiated, and complexion, but that made no.

When the steamer Queen City arrived in port this morning the chief chief A B Bron handed Captain MacGregor Macdonald, the chief chief A B Bron handed Captain MacGregor Macdonald, the chief captain and was captured, and then he enlistputative heir to millions in Scotland, ed in the 102nd, Ohio volunteer who died in Providence this week, fantry. came to New England from Pictou, N. came to New England from Pictou, N.
S. Investigation shows beyond a
doubt that the "fortune" was a myth.
Macdonald was a carpenter. He was
eccentric at thmes, believed to be due
to a fall sustained several years ago.
Of late he had been a quite heavy
drinker, and there is a theory that he
met this death by falling down striker.

When the boat blew up he landed insensible on a raft of driftwood, and

widow knows nothing of it.

It looks as if some of the Canadians coming to Uncle Sam's territory are ignorant of the deadly nature of illuminating gas and are in need of in-minating gas and are in need of in-minating gas and are in need of instructions how to extinguish it. Dur-ing the past few days several cases, two of them fatal, have been recorded. One fatal case occurred in Boston. The victim was Alexander D. McKay of Mabou, C. B., who came to spend

"You could, if you could get it."

"Can't I get it?"

"Well, hardly."

"Not if I pay twice what it's worth to the present owners?"

"You couldn't buy it for ten times what it's worth to them."

"Why not?"

"Stranger," said the native, wearily, "Stranger," said the native, wearily, "of course."

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"Stranger, native of Prince Edward of Prince Edward Island; in Stoughton, Jan. 1, Thos. Dowden, aged 40 years, formerly of P. E. Island (Dowden was burned to death in a mill fire); in Norwood, Dec. 29, Hugh Albert Palmer, formerly of New London, P. E. I. (Palmer was brakeman on the New Haven road and was crushed between a car and shed); killed in Chelsea, Archibald Warner, aged 32, formerly of Hallfax; in this city, Dec. 19, and he was taken to the Yorkylle ponce court.

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the air. It is very fine and of a greyish color. Mrs. Regan received the dust from her aunt, Mrs. Hinkson, who lives in Barbadoes.

His Honor Judge Forbes has also received from his daughter who now resides in Trinidad a bottle of the same kind of dust.

Massachusetts last year, and 773 in the city of Boston. There are still 29 cases in the Boston pest house.

There is no likelihood of J. Wilfrid Blondin, the convicted wife-murderer. kind of dust.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Jan. 4.—Lewis B. Beaulieu, 11 years old, was drowned today in the Westport river, on which he was attempting to cross upon thin ice.

Inter is no intended of J. Wilfrid Blondin, the convicted wife-murderer, being released from the state prison. It is said Blondin's counsel will ask the new governor, Hon. John L. Bates, for a pardon, but it is stated

elect granting the petition.

Fewer coastwise vessels by about
2,000 entered Boston harbor during last
year than in 1901, the respective figures being 8,516 and 10,415. The falling off in numbers shows a decrease in tonnage of 1,500,000 tons, for the gross-tonnage in 1902 was 7,291,931 against 8,724,118 in 1901. Schooners take first place in the number of vessels tering port during the year, with 2,382 as a grand total.

On Christmas day, Miss Minnie

Graham disappeared from Taunton, where she was employed. She and a young man named George Nieforth, belong in Halifax. The two were practically engaged to be married. When the girl left she wrote a letter to-Nieforth stating that her body would be found in the water. He says he cannot account for her action. The day she disappeared she returned from a visit to her sister, Mrs. Robert Ervin of South Boston and appeared to be in excellent spirits. The police are searching the ponds in the vicinity of Taunton, but think the young woman may not have ended her life. The supply of spruce lumber here is small. The demand continues fair, for are fully sustained. Laths are perhaps a little weaker, due to a fall in New York, but as yet the market here has not been greatly affected. Ten and 12-in. dimensions are yet pronounced that a really satisfactory explanation is not readily obtainable. Regarding the falling off in corn shipments, the cause is attributed to a poor crop. The cattle embargo is also affecting the city considerably and will make quite a hole in the figures for the present year.

A meeting of the salt and fresh fish matched heards 18 to 18.50; 5-in. and up merchantable boards, \$17. for the present year.

A meeting of the salt and fresh fish dealers and handlers of this city was held today, to assist the Hay-Bond treaty with Newfoundland. Many Boston fish handlers are in favor of the arrangement, although it is being the arrangement, although it is being the arrangement. Boston fish handlers are in layor of the arrangement, although it is being to 32. Cedar shingles are steady at bitterly opposed by fishing interests in \$3.50 for extras, \$3 for clears, \$2.50 for extra No.

The fish market has not been active, due to the holiday season, but at wholesale, trade is good again and salt fish are firm. Codfish are scarce and some of his expressions of opinion. A large pickled bank \$5.50. Pickled herlarge pickled bank \$5.50. Pickled herring continue in small supply, with a who made the complaint, and it is said he expressed the opinion that any said he expressed the opinion that any \$6.75 to 7.50, and medium, \$5.50 to 6. Canned lobsters are steady and unchanged. For one pound talls, \$3 to 3.25 is asked by wholesale, and for 1-1b. flats, \$3.25 to 3.50. Live lobsters are 20 cents. Extra frozen smelts fro

Medium, 10 cents, and native, fresh, 20. Children Cry for CASTORIA.

PENSION CLAIM A THRILLER.

Dime Novel Story Told in This History of a Soldier's Life. A strange story is related in the case of Mrs. Leander Merchand of Steu-

benville, O., whose claim has just been secured. The facts form a weird-St. John, is a travelling salesman for the Sumner Company, wholesale plumMerchand, her husband, was born in Florida, his father being a white man, and his mother an Indian. His mother died when he was young, and a trader took him to South Carolina and

The same minister also recently mar- difference. ried Hector Maclean Fraser of Nova
Scotia and Miss Sarah Simons of Mississippi planter, but escaped, and

He was captured by the confed-

met his death by falling down stairs.

Some, however, still think that while drinking he became involved in a quarrel and then received the injuries which caused death. Contractor Dobson, for whom Macdonald worked, says he never heard the man say anything about a fortune in Scotland. The sensible on a raft of driftwood, and

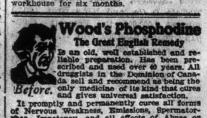
says he never heard the man say any thing about a fortune in Scotland. The widow knows nothing of it.

It looks as if some of the Canadians became a harmless lunate, and wan-

New York Journal. HE'S WORN SKIRTS 20 YEARS.

"Becker" Says He did It So as to Hold His Job as a Cook. Mabou, C. B., who came to spend Christmas with his son, Neil J. Mc-Kay, sexton of the Scotch Presbyterian church, on Berkley street. A few days ago Miss Clara Larkill, aged 21, who reached the city on Monday from Charlottetown, blew out the gas at a south end lodging house, but she was rescued before life was extinct.

The following deaths of former provincialists are announced: In this city, Dec. 9, Mrs. Margaret M. Sanderson, widow of Charles Sanderson, aged 70 years, native of Prince Ed-



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The Wood Company.

The Wood Company, Windsor, Ont., Canada. After.