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SPORTING MATTERS. WRESTLING. JENKINS-STEURS' BOUT. (Montreal Gazette.) After losing the only fall in the contest in the first round, Jenkin Steurs, the Belgian giant, Tom Jenkin, the former American champion, won the match owing to an injury to his opponent, who was compelled to stop wrestling.

HART TRIES WRESTLING. LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 28--Abandoning pugilism for the time being in favor of wrestling, Marvin Hart, Christian, engaged in a bout on the mat with Alex. Swanson, the waterweight champion, and was returned the winner. The conditions required that Swanson must secure three falls in no more than an hour, or the bout was a draw.

THE RING. BOUTS FOR THE WEEK. Tuesday. Joe Gans v. Kid Herman and Adam Ryan v. Lew Powell, Tonopah, Nev. Dave Desher v. Charley Ryan, Milwaukee. George McFadden v. Tom Connolly, Waterbury, Conn. W. McNamara v. Freddie Weeks, Chicago, Ill. M. Schreck v. J. Rodgers, Shelburne, Ind. Willie Lewis v. Guy Ashley, New York.

WEDNESDAY. Jim Jeffords v. Morris Harris, Philadelphia. Thursday. Chester Goodwin v. Billy Clinton, Lowell. Friday. Jack (Twin) Sullivan v. Jim Flynn, Los Angeles. Saturday. Andy McGarry v. Unk Russell, Philadelphia.

There is no question but what it will be on the level, and it is generally believed that Gans will win inside of 15 rounds. He is taking a very poor stand at the present time in drawing the color line.

I. C. R. STATION AT JACQUET RIVER ROBBED. Thief, Captured by Detective, Confesses His Crime--The Stolen Money Recovered.

CAMPBELLTON, N. B., Dec. 31--The I. C. R. station at Jacquet River was burglarized on Saturday night, about \$25 being taken. The door leading from the waiting room to the office was broken open and the cash drawer smashed open even though he only Sunday evening I. C. R. Inspector Noble took a special to Jacquet River, and with his usual sagacity and energy located the thief and brought him to Campbellton this evening and placed him in the lockup. It was a quick job, considering the difficulty in obtaining a clue.

Does any fair-minded sport see a color line at all? A prize fighter is a fighter, nothing more. He has no social life, he leads no cotillon. Jim Corbett, Frank Erne, Battling Nelson, Terry McGovern, Young Corbett, Alvin Karpis, George Lavigne, all fought negroes. Are there any better fighters or any better gentlemen in the ring today than those great little fellows?

PRIEST REFUSES TO MARRY COUPLE; GIRL SUICIDES. Disappointed Olive Bancroft Put a Bullet Through Her Brain--She Was a Protestant and Lover a Catholic.

MONTREAL, Dec. 31--Because she could not marry her sweetheart, Olive Bancroft, a sixteen-year-old girl, living in St. James street, killed herself today by putting a bullet through her temple with her brother's revolver. Sudden disappointment over her inability to marry a youth not more than a year older than herself, led the impulsive girl to commit the rash act of self-destruction.

CUSTOMS RECEIPTS SHOW LARGE INCREASE. The following is a comparative statement of customs revenue collected at the port of St. John, N. B., for 1905 and 1906, which shows an increase of \$46,924.69 for the year just closed.

Table with columns for Month, 1905, and 1906. Totals: 1905, \$1,149,518.54; 1906, \$1,196,515.94.

YOKOHAMA, Dec. 27--8id, str Empress of Japan, from Hong Kong for Vancouver. LIVERPOOL, Dec. 30--Arr, str Bohemian, from Boston. GLASGOW, Dec. 29--8id, str Catharine, for Philadelphia via St. John, N. B., and Halifax.

SAUNDERSTOWN, R. I., Dec. 31--Arr, str Alaska, from River, Kitchener, N. S. for Bridgeport, Conn.; Addie and Beatrice, from Shelburne, N.S. for New York. Sailed, str Persia A. Colwell, for New York.

OTTAWA, Dec. 31--A report sent from Ottawa to Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick was to be knighted tomorrow, was not done prematurely. Over three years ago the dominion government was advised that such honors were to be given in the king's birthday, Nov. 9, or on the day for its celebration in May, so that there are not likely to be any announcements tomorrow.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 31--Arr, str Scythos, Clegh, from New York to load for Europe; schs Lois V. Chaplin, Robinson, from Bear River for New York; Temperance Ball, from St. John, N. B.; for Boston; Alaska, Edmunds, N. S. for New York.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 31--General Hiram Schofield, of Washington, Iowa, died here yesterday at the age of 77. General Schofield served with the Union army throughout the civil war and was commended for distinguished service.

LOCAL NEWS. Day and evening classes reopen tomorrow at the St. John Business College.

The gas buoy off the Old Proprietor Ledges was replaced in its position yesterday. Carpenters' Union regular quarterly meeting Wednesday evening at 8 p. m., Jan. 2nd. 1-1 each.

Best cane granulated sugar \$4.10 per hundred. Apples from \$1.00 per bbl. up. The Two Barkers, 100 Princess, Acadia, Brussels. 26-12-1f. Sir Frederick Borden passed through the city yesterday en route for Ottawa.

Miss Norma Baskin, daughter of W. D. Baskin, of the West side, who has been seriously ill, yesterday showed slight signs of improvement; and her physicians are hopeful of her recovery. W. S. Wilkinson, of St. John is a guest at the Barker House having been transferred to this city by the Bank of Nova Scotia to relieve Mr. Arnold, who is unwell.--Frederick Gleason.

The trustees of the R. E. White Co., Ltd., have sold the stock of merchandise of the company to R. R. Patchell, he being the highest bidder. The horses, wagons, fixtures, etc., of the company will be sold by public auction next Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

A still alarm was sent in last night about 6.30 o'clock from the Ottawa Hotel on King Square. The chemical fire responded and extinguished the blaze which started in a wooden ash barrel and extended to the side of the hotel. Very little damage was done.

Nova Scotia is to have two new daily newspapers very soon. The Colchester Star, of Truro, is to publish a daily edition, and also the Colonial Standard, of Pictou, which is now a weekly. The Standard was sold recently to a prominent young business man of Woodstock, and the wedding was arranged for tomorrow.

Arriving here a few days ago, he arranged another date, one day prior to the proposed wedding with the Woodstock man, and carried his lady love off to his western home. Large crowds were at the station to bid the happy couple bon voyage. The groom is in the employ of F. H. Hale, ex-M. P. of this county, now in business in British Columbia.

BATTLESHIP SUPERB NEXT. Third of the Dreadnought Class to be Built at Newcastle. LONDON, Dec. 31--The contract for the third battleship of the Dreadnought type, which is to be named the Superb, has been placed with the Armstrongs of Newcastle-on-Tyne. The machinery will be built by the Wallsend Shipway Company.

The death of John McFawn took place at Gaspeaux on Wednesday last. Mr. McFawn was ninety years of age, and for fifty years had been a member of the Orange order. For years he had been crippled by rheumatism, but his faculties remained undimmed until near the end. His acquaintance was wide and he was very highly thought of. He was a staunch member of the old Free Baptist denomination, and was widely known in the district.

YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, while Albert, the eight-year-old son of Geo. Burgess, of Lombard street, yesterday, Mrs. Donald had been ill since last August. She was a daughter of the late John Hackett, and had only been married about a year. She is survived by her husband, who is in the employ of the American Express Co., and her widowed mother, Mrs. Hackett. The funeral will be held on Wednesday at 2.30 o'clock from her late residence.

PUEBLO, Col., Dec. 31--Thomas H. Bowen, formerly United States senator from Colorado, died yesterday, aged 71 years. He was prominent in state politics for many years as a republican. THOMAS WILLIS.

THOMAS WILLIS, one of St. John's most respected citizens, died last night at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Alexander Gray. Mr. Willis was in his eighty-third year and had been ill for some time. He was a native of Edinburgh, Scotland, but came to this country when a child. He located in St. John and kept a machine shop on Brunswick street. He became an expert at manufacturing fire, and his fires were famous among the fishermen of the city.

Mrs. John O'Brien died last evening at her late residence, 186 Rockland road. Mrs. O'Brien was seventy-four years old, was in her usual health up to Christmas Day, when she contracted a cold, which later developed into pneumonia. She was the daughter of the late Mrs. Catherine Curran, who was well known in the North End.

Mrs. O'Brien is survived by her husband, who was formerly superintendent of St. Peter's Sunday school, and by her sister, Frances O'Neill of Rockland road. LONDON, Dec. 30--The foreign office announces that King Edward has approved the appointment of James Bryce as ambassador to the United States.

New Year's Gifts!

We have a beautiful line of Morris Chairs, Fancy Rockers, Willow Rockers, Fancy odd pieces for parlor, Odd Bureaus and Commodes, Secretaries, Bookcases, China Closets, Buffets, etc., at prices to suit everyone's purse.

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AMUSEMENTS. OPERA HOUSE. THE POPULAR. Robinson Opera Co. Including Jack Henderson, Frank D. Nelson, Frank V. French, George A. Fritsch, Rudolph Koon, John Moore, Harry Nelson, Mae Kilcouny, Ethel Wallace, Essie Barton and Daisy Howard.

AWAY WITH THE NEW LOVE; BACK TO THE OLD. Woodstock Girl Weds Former Fiance, While the Intended Groom is Deserted.

WOODSTOCK, N. B., Dec. 31--A pretty and romantic wedding took place this afternoon at the home of the bride, when Miss Lena Burt, daughter of Wilnot Burt, of Gaspeaux, was married to Norval Brittain, and the happy couple left this evening for their future home in Riverview (B. C.).

KEITH'S. Commencing Monday Matinee Dec. 31st, 1906. DAILY MATINEE. Special Holiday Programme. INCLUDING TRAVEL VIEWS. ADAIR and DAHN. Novelty Wire Walking. W. B. MACGANN. Songs. LUCIAGUE. PROF. CLARKE'S PERFORMING DOGS AND PONIES. FRED & DARE. Comedians. D. F. PERKINS & H. A. LAPE. In Deeds.

FRIENDSHIP. CHARLES and FANNIE VA. Musical Comedy. THE BIOSCOPE. Prices: Matinee, 10c, and 20c. Year's Day, 10c, 20c, 30c. Night, 20c, 30c.

A Few Smokers. Have not yet tried THE BEST Cigar Ever Sold, the PIXE. Those who buy it once buy it again. MADE BY NEW BRUNSWICK CIGAR CO. 507 MAIN ST.

REGENT DEATHS. MRS. ALEXANDER B. DONALD. The death of Mrs. Alexander B. Donald occurred at her home, 57 Lombard street, yesterday. Mrs. Donald had been ill since last August. She was a daughter of the late John Hackett, and had only been married about a year.

REGENT WEDDINGS. MCCOSH-PORTER. The wedding took place last evening at 8.30 o'clock, at 22 Brussels street, of Miss Kathryn Evelyn Porter, formerly of Doncaster, N. B., but recently of Foxwarren, Manitoba, where she has been engaged as a school teacher, to Wendell John McCosh, of M. E. A's employ. Rev. A. E. Coloe, pastor of Brussels street Baptist church, officiated. Only the immediate friends and relatives of the contracting parties were present. The newly-wedded couple will reside at 22 Brussels street.

CAIN - HASLETT. A very pretty wedding was solemnized at the residence of the officiating clergyman, Rev. P. J. Stackhouse, when Miss Louise Haslett, daughter of William Haslett of White Head, Kings Co., was united in marriage to Charles Cain of this city. The bride, who presented a charming appearance, wore a navy blue travelling suit and hat to match, with white trimmings and was unattended. The groom, who is well known in the city, is employed by the Maritime Mail Works. The couple will reside at 154 Adelaide street. Many beautiful and costly presents were received.

ST. JOHN'SHURY, Vt., Dec. 31--Rev. E. D. Eaton, pastor of the North Congregational Church of this city announced tonight that he has decided to accept an invitation to return to Beloit College, Wisconsin, to resume the presidency of that institution. Mr. Eaton has resigned as pastor of the local church.

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