DYKEMAN'S

A Hearty Right Royal Joyous Christmas

with especial good wishes to those who have contributed in giving us the largest Christmas business that we have had in our eleven years of business. With strong special attractions this store has drawn many new faces to visit it, and we trust that your pleasant faces may be seen with us often.

A few hours yet left to do some shopping. Remember that the great sale of Ladies' Jackets, Wrappers and Ladies' Skirts now going on at our store offers a splendid opportunity to buy Christmas presents for the ladies at a great saving over the usual prices.

F. A. DYKEMAN & CO.

LOCAL NEWS.

If you are hard to please Ungar's heavy pliable finish will suit you.

Christmas skating at the North End Rink. Band afternoon and evening (weather permitting). School boys' and girls' season tickets \$1.00. A fine Xmas present. For sale at W. A. Wetmore's. 158 Mill street and Durick's Drug Store. Main street. H. H. Belyea, manager.

Golden Eagle makes white bread. Golden Eagle makes light buns. Golden Eagle makes flaky pastry. Golden Eagle Flour is guaranteed.



THEM CHEAPER AT ARNOLD'S.

Dolls, all kinds, 1c, to \$5.00 each.
Toys, 5c, to 5.00 each.
Hundreds of Calenders and Books.
Calenders 5c, to \$1.00 each.
Christmas Cards and Booklets.
Juvenile Picture Books from 1c, to

Arnold's Department Store.

A SMALL QUANTITY OF Hard Wood,

SOUND AND DRY. Only \$1.60 per load DELIVERED.

CHEAPEST SOFT COAL IN CITY

J.S. FROST, St and St Smytho Street

Proposal to Purchase Ships Building
For Argentina.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—An offer has been made to the Argentine government by an English firm for the purchase of two cruisers now being built for Argentina at Genoa. These vessels are called the Moreno and the Rivadavia.

They are each of about eight thousand tons and were contracted for during the crists between Chili and Accordance of sympathy shown during their recent ing the crists between Chili and Accordance of the Chilian about the same time the Chilian

sand tons and were contracted for during the crisis between Chili and a during the crisis between Chili and a during tina—about the same time the Chilian government ordered the construction of the two battleships just purchased by Great Britain.

It is not known on behalf of what country the present offer has been made but it is generally believed to be for the British admiralty.

The Canadian Pacific steamer Lake Champlain, which salled from Liverpool, Eng., at three p. m., Tuesday, Dec. 22, had four saloon, twenty-two second and five hundred and twenty steerage pasengers. She should reach here about New Year's Day.

FLYING MACHINE THAT FLIES.

MORFOLK, Va., Dec. 18.—The trial of a flying machine made yesterday near Kittyhawk, N. C., by Wilbur and Orville Wright, of Dayton, Ohio, was a success. The machine flew for three miles in the face of a wind blowing at the velocity of 21 miles an hour and then gracefully descended to the earth at the spot desired. The machine has oballoon attachment, but gets its force from propellers worked by a small engine.

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A puglifistic encounter took place on Tuesday at the General Public Hospital and then gracefully descended to the earth at the spot desired. The machine has oballoon attachment, but gets its force from propellers worked by a small engine.

About sixty friends of Captain and Mrs. George Perry last evening pre-

SACKVILLE, N. B., Dec. 23.—David Allison's funeral took place today at 5.00 from Dr. Allison's residence. The service was conducted by Dr. Stewart Dr. Paisley, Dr. Andrews, Prof. Wat son and Rev. George Steel. Interment was made in the rural cemetery. The pall-bearers were: A. W. Bennett, W. A. Harrison, Chas. W. Fawcett, H. Wood and Hilton Pord. LeBaron Wilmot, M. D., who at one time was assistant physician at the public hospital, is spending Christman at his home in Oromoto, Dr. Wilmot is now physician on the C. P. R. stenmer Lake Megantic, and considera himself lucky in being in St. John at this sesson.

Fancy China, Dolls, Crockery Silverware.

Walter S. Potts

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Choice variety of pipes, at 35c. each, at Louis Green's.

Celebrated Broad Cove coal, \$7.00 per chaldron delivered, at Watters', Walk-er's wharf. Tel. 612.

Mrs. J. G. Armstrong will continue her sale of art and fancy work at her house, 128 St. James street, until Christ-mas.

Christmas Trees for the children. Order promptly, as the supply is limited. Kirkpatrick. Tel. 1112. There will be service in St. Stephen's church tomorrow morning at eleven o'clock. Rev. D. J. Fraser will offici-

A. Duncan, grocer, 55 Paradise Row, is giving a chance for \$10.00 in gold with each pound of Paradise Blend Teas. Look in the package for a numbered coupon; the winning number takes the cash. Try a pound, Mrs. Thos. Wilson, of Chesley street, left by train this morning for Portland, Me., to spend the Christmas holidays.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Coastwise—Str Westport, for Apple River.

The trains did a little better than usual today, the one from Boston being only half an hour late and the Montreal an hour and three-quarters.

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Grand Sweep Sale TONIGHT!

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Every Toy, Doll and Came in this Store must be sold regardless of cost to make room for our Spring Stock of Whitewear, Prints, Etc., so come alongenough for everybody.

Nobody Sells Cheaper Than We Do The Whole Year Through.

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STEAMER ASHORE.

vent on Rocks at South Norwalk This Morning-Passengers

HELP SANTA CLAUS

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In the midst of the Christmas preparations going on in this city, there are many who are looking forward to no festivities, even of the very slightest kind, tomorrow. Not only that, but they are in actual need of the barest necessities of life, food, clothing, fuel, and with no money to procure them. The different churches and charitable institutions of St. John are doing much to help the poor, but there is plenty yet to be done, and at this season of the year, especially, those who have abundance should share with those who have not, to the extent, at least, of relieving suffering. It is Christmas eve, and a good time for any charitably disposed persons to do something for their poorer brothers in this city.

The managers of the Shamrock base-ball team are now negotiating for the purchase of two valuable horses, which will be disposed of by lottery for the purpose of starting the baseball season next year. Mr. Haney, acting for him-self and others, is trying to secure John E. Moore's Ituna, time 2.16, and E. B. Etter's, Amherst, mare Tonita F., time 2.11-2. Mr. Moore wants fifteen hundred dollars for Ituna, but this price has not yet been agreed up-on, and it is understood that the base-ball neanled do not feel like giving highball people do not feel like giving higher than thirteen hundred.

Mr. Etter asks in the vicinity of one thousand dollars for Tonita F.

MARCUS WINS MEDAL.

A very pleasant reception was held in the rooms of the C. B. U. last night, when nearly four hundred people were entertained.

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The final test for the medal was the main feature. Five of the leaders took part resulting in Marcus capturing the medal. The final score stood: Marcus, 606; R. Mayer, 554; J. Long, 512; D. J. Corr, 500; A. G. Cumming, 484. Marcus won the cash prize. Diplomas were presented to Frank B. Fleming, Perley A. Jones, Harry B. Doherty, Alice M. Brannan, Mary C. McCaffrey, and Albert E. Macaulay. The rooms were tastefully decorated by the students.

HOLY LAND ORANGES.

Messrs. Potts & Co. have just received a fine lot of oranges grown in Palestine. Imported expressly for Xmas trade. Also Spanish Oranges in fancy gold papers. If the retail trade wants something fine call at Potts & Co.'s, Market square.

WILL NOT HOLD A RECEPTION.

The Y. M. C. A. will not hold any New Year's Day reception next year, as it has been found that such affairs are not successful. St. John people as a rule either stay at home or attend the theatre or some other place of amusement. The last reception held was not very largely attended.

SOCIETY NOTICE.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris Harding Jefferson Lewis have gone to the hub to spend the holidays, also to celebrate their wooden wedding.

Steamer Manchester City, Capt. Forrest, from Manchester, left Halifax today for this port.

Morrell & Sutherland

TONIGHT

And then Christmas with its realization of many thousands of happy dreams.

You can condense a great deal of Shopping into three or four hours, and remember, our supply of attractive and useful Xmas gifts is by no means ex-

Belts Special. A lot of Ladies' handsome Black silk Belts, with all black and oxidized buckles and back ornaments, worth up to \$1.75,

Tonight For 98c.

Kid Gloves. What can you buy that will be more appreciated than a nice

pair of Kid Gloves? Our stock is still complete with a splendid range for Men and

Prices up from \$1.00

too, are always desirable Umbrellas, Umbrellas, for gifts. You will find here tonight a choice collection Handles on strong, well

Prices up from \$1.00

Curious how melting snow hunts out heles and cracks in one's Shoes, Maybe, you've been discovering this lately. Did it suggest our Store as an easy way out of the difficulty? If nct, we will. We have Stormy-weather Rubbers, Arctics and Alaskas, for Grown ups and for Children.

First quality, perfect in every way, and made to fit the

For Women-Storm Rubbers, 60C. Croquet Rubbers, 50c. Storm Alaskas, \$2.15. Button Arcetis, \$2.00. For Men - Self-acting Rubbers, 95c. Storm Cut

For Children-Storm Rubbers, 50c. Plain Rubbers, 45c. Arctics, some made to fit spring heels, \$1.25.

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Special Assortment for Xmas Trade.

Extra Quality Prize Beef (from Toronto Fat Stock Show.) Small and Medium Turkeys; Large Roasting Chickens, Geese and Ducks; Fat Bacon, Roll Bacon, Sugar Cured Hams, Cape Cod Cranberries, Cucumbers, Cauliflower, Celery and Squash.

See our display before ordering, you will be sure to find something

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