

SUNDAY SERVICES

METHODIST CHURCHES

TOMORROW 11 A. M. 7 P. M. QUEEN SQUARE. Rev. J. B. Champion Rev. H. Johnson CENTENARY. Rev. W. H. Barraclough EXMOUTH STREET. Rev. J. Haughton Rev. W. G. Lane PORTLAND. Rev. M. E. Conron Rev. M. E. Conron CARLETON. Rev. G. Earle Rev. H. E. Thomas CARMARTHEN STREET. Rev. R. S. Crisp Rev. G. Stiel ZION. Rev. H. Johnson Rev. J. B. Champion

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Sunday Evening Illustrated Sermon—Subject: "Ben-Hur—A Tale of The Christ" Beautifully illustrated with colored views. Third and last sermon on how Ben-Hur found the Christ. This is the last in the series. EVERYBODY WELCOME

Exmouth Street Methodist Church

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1914 Class meeting 10 a.m. Service 11 a.m.—Preacher Rev. J. Haughton Men's Bible Class 12.15 p.m.—Lead. Rev. W. G. Lane Sunday School 2.30 p.m.—Special Christmas Children's Festival Service 7 p.m.—Rev. W. G. Lane Subject—"The Ray and Beam" Strangers Welcome to all Services.

Seventh-Day Adventist Services

I.O.O.F. Hall, 38 Charlotte St. SUNDAY 7 P. M. SUBJECT—"What Was Achieved When Christ Died Upon The Cross?" Evangelist Geo. H. Skinner

Coburg Street Christian Church

Rev. Lee Bussaliger of Lubec, Me., will preach morning and evening 11 A. M. Subject—"The Forgotten Lord" Bible School 2.30 p.m. Loyal Lookout Bible Class at 2.30 p.m. Evening Subject—"Crowded Out" ALL ARE WELCOME

BISHOP IN CHRISTMAS MESSAGE SPEAKS OF WA.

The Christmas greetings of His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc are printed in the New Freeman, in a message to the priests of his diocese. One of the passages referred to the war as follows:—"It is our duty to pray that this great struggle may soon be brought to a happy and successful issue as far as England and her colonies are concerned, and that a lasting peace may be restored to the warring nations of Europe."

PERSONALS

J. E. Parker, of Amherst, was in the city for Christmas, and with Mrs. Parker and their two children will return to that town on Monday. Miss Ethel M. Heenan will leave tonight to resume her studies in Newton Hospital, Newton, Mass., after spending Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Catherine Heenan, Elliott Row.

CANADIAN SOCIALISTS FOR PEACE

Members of the S. F. of C. are well aware that the war is only an effect, and they are all unanimously opposed to the cause. They possess inside and superior information which will be imparted to you at their meeting in Socialist Hall, 87 Union street, Sunday 8 p.m.—(adv.)

MARRIAGES

WADE-GOODWIN — At Victoria street Baptist parsonage on Dec. 24, 1914, Guy Wade, of Penniac, York county, to Evelyn Goodwin, of Moncton, N. B. JENKS-GILLES — In St. John, on December 24, by the Rev. F. W. Thompson, B.A., Private John J. Jenks, of Salisbury, England, and Agnes F. Gilles, of Ayrshire, Scotland.

DEATHS

HAYES—At her residence, 27 Dufferin row, West Side, on the 25th inst., Elizabeth, beloved wife of Captain James Hayes, leaving her husband to mourn. (Boston and Melrose papers please copy.) Funeral on Sunday afternoon at 2.30, from her late residence; friends invited to attend.

IN MEMORIAM

GREEN—In loving memory of Geo. H. Green, who died Dec. 26, 1911. WIFE AND FAMILY. SIMPSON—In loving memory of our dear mother, Mrs. J. Simpson, who departed this life on Dec. 25, 1910. Four years have passed away. Our hearts are still with sorrow filled. Four years have passed away. Our Christmas times are sadder. Since mother went away. DAUGHTER ANNIE.

LOCAL NEWS

CHRISTMAS MUSIC The choir of St. David's Presbyterian church, consisting of nearly fifty voices, under the leadership of Miss Blenda Thompson, will repeat their Christmas music tomorrow at both services.

A CALENDAR A handsome calendar for 1915 has been received from Charles Bush, Limited, manufacturers of inks and printers' rollers, etc., Toronto.

We have beautiful shoes, pumps and slippers that would make a handsome Christmas gift for any young lady—Wiesel's Cash Stores, Union street.

Former Chlet class members invited to attend New Years eve assembly. 12-31

STEAMER ARRIVES The steamer Borderville, consigned to J. T. Knight & Co., arrived in port last night, but owing to the heavy vapor including in the scope of the harbor. She docked this afternoon.

Ladies' cravenette button boots C and E widths at Wiesel's, Union street.

LOCAL MOTION PICTURES AT IMPERIAL MONDAY Opening of Sand Point Wharves and the 26th Regiment in Movies—Another New Series—Splendid New Vaudeville

Doubtless a very great deal of interest will attach to the showing of motion pictures illustrating the opening of the C. P. R. docks at Sand Point a short time ago, which will be presented at Imperial Theatre commencing Monday afternoon. This event, which was an important one in the history of transportation affairs in St. John and Canada, was attended by two federal ministers and a host of other dignitaries. Many thousands of St. John people were present weekly, and a very brilliant little "talking sketch" by George Scott and Helen Marke, entitled "A New Model." This is one of the best acts the Imperial has yet contracted for.

PHILLIPS STORES TONIGHT Peppermint chews, 12c. lb.; molasses candy, 12c. lb.; mixed candy, 10c. lb. 8 lbs., 25c. Wiesel's Cash Stores, Union street.

A FINE GIFT. Mrs. J. S. Flagler, president of the Kings' Daughters, acknowledges with thanks the receipt of a \$20 donation from James F. Robertson.

RUBBERS AS USUAL Men's rubbers 58c, 75c, 85c, 95c. Women's rubbers 48c, 65c, and 75c. Boys' rubbers 48c, 55c, and 65c. Misses and children's rubbers, 40c and 48c. Wiesel's Cash Stores, Union street.

"Chalet" Slass with orchestra tonight. SOMEBODY LIKES IT. The old proverb, "It's an ill wind that blows nobody good" can be applied to the extreme of the morning the plumbers were repairing a harvest.

There's no better filling for the Christmas stockings than our choice footwear Wiesel's Cash Stores, Union street.

WE still have time to do your repairing and engraving, Grandies, the Plater, 24 Waterloo street.

MIDNIGHT MASS In the Cathedral on Christmas Eve midnight mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Bourgeois.

IMPORTANT NOTICE Macaulay Bros. & Co's stores will be open until 10 o'clock tonight, Saturday.

NOTICE All East St. John property owners are requested to attend a meeting at city building at 8 o'clock sharp Monday afternoon to discuss with amalgamation with the city of this section.

The Best Quality at a Reasonable Price? It Is Not Speculation

Buying a Diamond now is not a hazard. It is simply good judgment—taking advantage of conditions that permit of your saving money.

At Sharpe's you can buy genuine perfectly cut Diamonds in all varieties of jewelry at prices that prevailed before war was declared.

Readjustment of the Diamond cutting industry in Belgium will not be conducive to lower prices or fine quality of workmanship, even when shipping facilities are once more normal. The time to buy Diamonds is now—the place is Sharpe's.

L.L. Sharpe & Son Jewelers and Opticians 21 King Street, St. John, N. B.

20% OFF Rather than carry over our stock of Toy Furniture and Children's Gifts until the following year, we have decided to clear out the balance of this stock at a reduction of 20 PER CENT. Goods Marked in Plain Figures Following is a List of the Sale Furniture: Doll Beds, Rocking Horses, Children's Rockers, Swinging Horses, High Chairs, Hobby Horses, Baby Walkers, Box Couches, Sleds and Frames, Writing Desks and Chairs in Mission, Toy Bedroom Sets, Doll Carts. A money-saving opportunity for those who have not yet purchased their gifts for the little ones.

Teach Your Children Economy Give Them a Penny Bank for Christmas Only 5 cents While They Last See Our Line of CHILD'S SETS CUP, SAUCER and PLATE in Gray, White and Blue Enamel, from 25c to 40c. BRASS GOODS IN JARDINERES and VASES make a most acceptable Xmas Gift. Prices from 75c to \$4.00. DON'T FORGET OUR XMAS TURKEY OFFER TO GLENWOOD PURCHASERS D. J. BARRETT, ST. JOHN, N. B. 155 Union Street - Successor to McLean, Holt & Co. Glenwood Ranges - Kitchen Furnishings

A \$400,000 RACE TRACK SWINDLE THAT COLLAPSED BECAUSE ONE MAN WAS HONEST (By Hugh S. Fullerton.) This is the tale of an honest man who turned crook for one day and by his crookedness balked, perhaps, the biggest money fraud ever attempted in sports; broke the gang that tried to put it over and wrecked a get-rich-quick concern that had looted the American public of millions. It will not do to tell the story with names; nor does it make much difference, since it was in the long ago of racing, and, besides, we are wise and, if so, can fill in the names and, if not, then the tale is just as good. There was a man who raised and bred and trained horses and raced them on most of the tracks in America, for the purses, and with little attention to the betting ring. Occasionally, when he felt a little confident that some colt he had bred and pampered would win a bet \$5 or \$10 to show his faith, and was as proud of the winning ticket as if it had meant thousands. He loved a horse, he loved horse racing; and through the entire game he was known as honest, and many thought him simple-minded in that he would not cheat as some did. In those days there was a company known as a get-rich-quick concern. At its head was a big man whose name was not mentioned, but who financed the thing, organized and reaped the harvest. The real head knew that it was a swindle. The other man thought it was a huge gamble. All over the country they had branches. They advertised that their system of beating the races was perfect and invited all to invest, guaranteeing 20 per cent at times. Their agents declared that with their capital they could stand losses; that they won nearly 80 per cent of their bets, which with odds of from 6 to 5, often up to 20 to 1, meant huge fortunes. There were nine horses in the race, a small stake event. The owners were summoned to caucus, the race was re-hegged, they agreed upon the winner, which was to be a moderately long price. Confidential agents were sent to every city in the country where bets could be laid, the agents of the get-rich-quick syndicate were instructed, the money was forwarded—and the plot was perfect—except— The exception was the honest old farmer-turkman—who sometimes bet \$5, who eschewed the book makers, and raced for the purses. He had a horse in the race. It was a bad horse, so bad that it was even money it would be running the wrong way of the track when the barrier flashed up. It was a notoriously bad starter, and in most of its starts it had been left behind. The night before the great killing was to be made one did come to the honest man and suggested that he draw out perhaps his suspicions were aroused— anyhow, that night he discovered some of the details of the scheme. The plan was that the gang should not bet a cent at the track on the horse chosen to win—but that, in the early betting, they were to wager heavily on one or two others to affect the odds. The money was to be bet all over the United States and Canada. That day from Maine to California bookmakers were stuned by the terrific plunge of a horse they figured out of the race. It was said afterwards that almost \$400,000 was buried at the gamblers. Their appeals for information from the fair grounds brought the news that there was no play on the horse at the track. The stake was set for the killing. An standing near the paddock at the fair grounds the old man smiled grimly as the horses cantered around to the starting line up at the barrier. One assistant was holding his horse by the bridle, and a buggy whip was held ready. The barrier flashed. The assistant starter threw the bad acting horse toward the barrier; a horse whip slashed its buttocks, and as the flag flashed down the horse leaped out—eight lengths in the lead in the first few jumps. The jockey had his instructions. He rode from start to finish—at desperate pace. The race was a procession—the honest man's horse won by six open lengths—with the horse the crook had elected to show in a bad second. And the honest man, cleaving a straw and grinning strangely, proudly showed a \$5 winning ticket on his horse. The little ones. The directors and the ladies' committee presented cash gift to the members of the staff. DELICATESSEN SPECIAL FOR THURSDAY Fancy Christmas Cakes, Plum Puddings Pound Cake, Layer Cake, Plain Cake Doughnuts, Cookies, Roast Pork, Boiled Ham, Head-cheese, Cranberry Sauce Cranberry Jelly, Crabbapple Jelly; order taken for Roast Turkey, Goose, Duck and Turkey. C. DENNISON, 61 Peters St. Phone 1986-42.