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Cardigan Jackets for men, were \$2.65, now 65c.
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THE STAR.

INVESTIGATION.

By Coroner Berryman Into the Recent Harbor Collision.

At the police court last night Coroner Berryman and a jury began an inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the collision on Wednesday morning last in the harbor between the D. A. R. steamer Prince Rupert and the Grand Manan schooner Princess Louise. A number of witnesses were examined and then an adjournment was taken till Friday night. The evidence so far in shows that the schooner was anchored in the channel when she was run down. Capt. Potter's evidence as to the distance from Reed's Point to the red buoy, where the collision occurred, and the time it took the Prince Rupert to cover that distance, would seem to indicate that the steamer was running at a fast rate, but it is thought when Capt. Potter produces the chart and his log this will be made to appear somewhat different. Capt. Potter estimates the distance from his wharf to the red buoy as a little over two miles, and he says he ran this distance in about eight minutes. This would show that the Prince Rupert went at the rate of fifteen miles an hour, which would be almost full speed. He was just as sure, however, that she steamed but five knots. There was a strong current down the harbor at the time, which added to the speed at which she went.

The inquiry was to have begun at 7 o'clock last night, but as the Prince Rupert did not reach here from Digby on account of the storm till after half-past seven, it was not commenced till 8 o'clock. In the hurry to get to the court Capt. Potter and his officers forgot to bring with them the chart of the harbor and the ship's log. There was a large attendance of people at the session.

The jury consists of D. J. McLaughlin (foreman), A. W. Adams, John Sealy, Thos. Gorman, P. W. Thomson, Joseph A. Tilton and John E. Irvine.

Coroner Berryman made a short address before beginning the investigation, referring to the collision by which Capt. Chesley H. Ingalls of the Princess Louise lost his life. The attorney general had instructed him to hold the inquiry relative to the death and loss of Capt. Ingalls. Under a recent act authority was given to hold such an inquiry without the usual view of the body. This jury had the distinction of being the first one to act upon such an inquiry.

W. H. Trueman appeared for the Crown, and C. J. Coster, K. C., for the D. A. R. The witnesses examined were Lloyd A. Zwicker, the sailor who was saved from the Princess Louise, Harbor Master Taylor, Capt. Potter, of the Prince Rupert, and Pilot Henry Spears. The inquiry will be resumed at seven o'clock on Friday evening.

FERRY INVESTIGATION.

The ferry investigating committee sat last evening and heard Capt. Mc-

Caffrey, Mate Harry Lord, Deckhand John Casey, Collectors Campbell and Coughlan and Gaiemen Matthews and Sullivan. The requests for increased pay were the same as those preferred at the last meeting, but the gentlemen do not press for a janitor for the toll-houses. A great deal of the time is spent in trying to discover why the ferry regulations are not enforced, and it is safe to assume that in future there will be some improvement in the cleanliness of the waiting rooms and the comfort of the passengers.

ITALIANS WILL STRIKE.

LONDON, Feb. 17.—A despatch to the Central News from Rome says that at a great meeting of laborers, held there today, it was decided to submit the question of a general strike to the vote of the various labor unions.

After the adjournment of the meeting the laborers paraded the streets. There were several clashes with the troops, the correspondent continues, and the cavalry finally charged, clearing the streets. The city was on the verge of a panic.

BARCELONA, Feb. 17.—At the strikers' meetings held here yesterday several anarchists, some of whom were women, made violent speeches inciting the strikers to burn the unsanitary dens of the workmen and seize the palaces of the rich.

Infants too young to take medicine may be cured of croup, whooping cough and colds by using Vapo-Cresolene—they breathe it.

MONTREAL, Feb. 17.—Recorder Weir dealt out a wholesome lesson to election telegraphers this morning when he sentenced Albert Chaffoux, Ulrie Lemoureaux and Henry Armstrong to ten months' imprisonment, a fine of \$500 or six months additional. Eugene Gagne got fifteen days, a fine of \$500 or six months. All four were arrested while attempting to telegraph votes in recent municipal elections.

Ex-Mayor Prefontaine returned from Europe today. He declared that legal proceedings were instituted without his knowledge, and that he had no desire to alter the existing state of affairs. All he desired was to oppose a Tarte nominee if one appeared in the field. The ex-mayor stated that while in London he discussed the Fast Line project with Lord Strathcona and feels sure that it is nearing a stage when an arrangement will be effected. The feeling in London favors a choice Sydney, St. John or some maritime province port as an all-year round terminus of the line.

THE S. P. C. A.

Annual Meeting and Report of the Secretary.

The annual meeting of the S. P. C. A. was held this afternoon in the board of trade rooms. Secretary Wetmore presented the following annual report:

To the president and members of the executive committee of the New Brunswick Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals,

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit the twenty-first annual report of the society, and in doing so, may say while there has been the usual number of cases reported or come under the notice of the agent, only four have been taken to court to settle. I find in a large percentage of cases of neglect and ill-treatment to animals that I have only to draw attention of the owners to the fact and they will admit their fault and promise to be more careful in the future and as far as I can learn the most of them keep their promise.

Owing to the number of boys who are engaged as teamsters for the various merchants about the city, I have a good deal of trouble trying to prevent them from ill-treating the horses by their reckless driving, and have on several occasions not only cautioned them but have reported them to their employers.

Another hard thing to deal with is that of heavy loaded teams on the ferry, especially at low tide in the spring and fall of the year, often owing to the condition of the floats horses which might not be called overloaded in other parts of the city, have to strain every nerve to haul their loads up the floats, and in some cases are not able to get up without assistance. Teamsters who are regularly crossing the ferry know the rise and fall of the tide and should load accordingly, but some of them seem to make no distinction. A few however do most of their hauling while the tide is high.

For the year past there has not been as many letters or complaints received from other sections of the province as in former years. Perhaps the branches may have been called upon, or what would be still better, acts of cruelty in country districts are decreasing.

I am very much pleased with the decided improvements which have been made by Mr. Osborne, general superintendent of the C. P. R., in the stock yards at Sand Point. A large number of new sheds have been built, and the old ones altered so that they are all roofed over and in splendid condition and the animals while in them must be as comfortable as they would be in a well-built barn.

The stock yards at Sand Point at present are second to none in the Dominion, and too much praise cannot be given to the management of the C. P. R. for the improvements made there, which the society has been helping for since the business started at Sand Point. Three large shipments of horses have been made from here to South Africa, and I am informed that Colonel Dent, who had charge of them, was so pleased with the accommodations here for the horses and the quick dispatch in loading them, that he has recommended St. John (west) for any further shipments. As to the handling of cattle in driving from the stock yards to the steamers this winter I have not had much complaint to make. The men employed try to handle the animals well, but I have to check or caution them. It is more trouble to get at the small boys who seem to delight in prodding and ill-treating the cattle, and whose thoughtlessness makes them cruel; they may be called upon some day to appear in the police court for their acts.

As to the shipment of cattle and sheep by the river steamers, I have made it a point to be at Indian town as often as possible on the arrival of the steamers, and while I have had on some occasions to caution some of the deck hands and teamsters, about handling the animals too roughly, or overcrowding in wagons, I find them willing to submit to my request. I have taken trips during the summer on the steamers and found while there the men handled the animals fairly well. In the shipment of sheep to the United States from P. E. Island and Antigonish through this city, I think in some cases the animals are confined in the cars over the time by law allowed (28 hours). In one case I stopped two cars of sheep here, which were bound for the United States from Antigonish, and had them removed from the cars for food and water, and then wrote the general freight agent at Moncton calling his attention to the matter, and received a reply that in the future all the sheep from Antigonish would be fed and watered at St. John, and those from P. E. Island cared for at Point DuChene. This, as far as I can learn, is being done.

As to the working horses in this city I think they compare well with those of other cities which I have visited, but there are, and I suppose always will be some exceptions.

In class of horses used in the wood business, and on the Douglas avenue and Fairville route, there is to a large extent room for improvement, but looking back in the matter I am satisfied the horses now used in the wood business to a considerable extent are of a better class. Those used in the Fairville and Douglas avenue route when brought out for inspection in the spring are far superior to the class of horses that are used after the inspection, and it is queer the nonpareils those should fall so soon and have to be ordered off the streets. To keep the horses up to the standard they were in when inspected would require

inspector to spend about all his time on the route.

You will note by the tabulated statement quite a decrease in the number of cases of neglect and ill-treatment of women and children, but in a large number reported, after hearing their complaint, have referred them to police magistrate, and made no note of them.

The thanks of the society are due to Dr. A. A. Stockton, solicitor, who has at all times been ready to give counsel and advice when called upon; also Dr. J. H. Frink and W. H. Simon for their valuable assistance rendered; chief of police and his officers who have ever been so willing to assist us in our work, and to the police magistrate and police clerk for their valuable assistance to us on so many occasions.

Our thanks are also due to the Royal S. P. C. A., the American and Massachusetts S. P. C. A., for sending regularly monthly copies of the Animal World, Our Animal Friends and Our Dumb Animals; also to the press of this city for their great help to us in our work.

Annual passes have been given your agent by the C. P. R., Star line, Washademoak and Grand Lake steamers, for which our thanks are due.

Before closing I wish to thank our many friends who have given me aid in my work, and owing to the fact part of my time is taken up in other business, would most respectfully ask them if at any time they notice any acts of cruelty, to notify me either by telephone No. 282 or by letter, giving all the facts of the case, and I will attend to it, and not use their names without their consent. As I have stated in previous reports, anonymous letters will receive no attention.

I remain, very respectfully,
S. MERRITT WETMORE,
Secretary and agent.
St. John N. B., December 31st, 1901.

TABULATED STATEMENT.

Work of New Brunswick S. P. C. A. year ending Dec. 31st, 1901:

Horses—Removed from work for	21
Lameness	13
Sores under harness	11
Unit for work	29
Horses—Owners and others cautioned for	63
Overloading	38
Overworking	14
Over-driving	18
Lameness	30
Neglected	30
Ill-treated	14
High-check	4
Sores under harness	4
Tin in flesh	16
Bad harness	3
Neglected to blanket	2
Deserted	4
Destroyed	4
Injured	5

Cattle and other stock:	227
Ill-treated	10
Injured	15
Overcrowded	22
Tied-down	6
Shooting and poisoning	4
Shipment inspected	118
Doubling cattle	11

Other Animals:	245
Dog fighting	2
Dogs ill-treated	7
Cats ill-treated	6
Deers ill-treated	2
Injured and destroyed	11

Children and others:	28
Children ill-treated	19
Children neglected	24
Women ill-treated	15
Women neglected	15
Men neglected	2

Total..... 631

Cases taken to Court included in above:

Neglect to blanket, 1; fined \$8 or 2 months jail. Injured dog by chewing its tail, 1; fined \$50, allowed to stand. Conveying sheep tied to a selected out of court, 1; fined \$50. Neglect of family, 1; cautioned by court. Total 4.

S. MERRITT WETMORE, Agent.
Saint John, N. B., December 31, 1901.

COMMERCIAL.

DAILY QUOTATIONS.
Furnished by W. S. Barker, Banker and Broker, Palmer's Building.
Feb. 18, 1902.

Names of Stock.	Cigs.	Op'n.	To-day.	11 a.m.	Noon
Amalgam Copper	71 1/4	71 1/4	70 3/4	69 3/4	69 3/4
Am. Sugar Refn.	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2
A. T. and S. G. pfd.	88	88	87 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2
Am. Copper	106 1/2	106 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2
Brooklyn R. Tran.	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2
Canadian Pac.	115	115	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Ches. and Ohio	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2
C. Mill and St. P.	166 1/2	166 1/2	166 1/2	166 1/2	166 1/2
Chic. R. I. and P.	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
C. and Gt. West.	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
Colorado Sa.	19	19	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2
Consolidated Gas	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2
Den and Rio G. pfd.	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2
Erie	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2
Erie Ind. pfd.	70	70	70	70	70
General Electric	232	232	232	232	232
Illinois Central	141 1/4	141 1/4	141 1/4	141 1/4	141 1/4
Louis and Nash	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2
Manhattan Ry.	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2
Metrop. St. Ry.	171 1/2	171 1/2	170 1/2	170 1/2	170 1/2
Pac. Gas L. and C.	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2
Mo. Kan. and T.	55 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2
Missouri Pacific	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2
N. Y. Central	164 1/2	164 1/2	164 1/2	164 1/2	164 1/2
N. Y. O. and West.	34	34	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2
Penn. R. R.	151 1/4	151 1/4	151 1/4	151 1/4	151 1/4
Pac. Gas L. and C.	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2
Reading R. R.	58 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2
Read Co. 1st pfd.	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2
Reading Co. 2nd pfd.	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2
South Pac. Co.	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2
South Railroad	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2
Tenn. Coal and Iron	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2
Union Pac.	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2
Union Pac. pfd.	89 1/2	89 1/2	89 1/2	89 1/2	89 1/2
U. S. Steel Com.	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2
U. S. Steel pfd.	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2
Wabash	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
Wabash pfd.	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2

STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Opening of market was slightly irregular, but the majority of present stocks showed gains. These were restricted to small fractions except in the case of Minneapolis, St. Paul, and Sault Ste Marie, which rose 1/4. Amal. Copper was heavy. The stock market opened irregular.

COTTON.
NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Cotton, futures opened quiet and steady. March, 8.65; April, 8.50; May, 8.30; July, 8.15; Aug., 8.31; Sept., 7.97; Oct., 7.85.

MORNING'S NEWS.

LOCAL.

There will be a band at Queens rink tonight and a perfect sheet of ice.

The machinists will meet this evening in their hall, Brussels street, at 8 o'clock. A full attendance is requested.

Bicyclists and all athletes depend on BENTLEY'S Liniment to keep their joints limber and muscles in trim.

The ninety-fourth anniversary of Queen Square Methodist Sunday school will be held on Sunday evening next.

The damaged schooner Princess Louise has been purchased by Andrew Miller, who will repair her.

The mission band of Victoria street Free Baptist church will give a concert in the church this evening.

The ladies of the Carleton Methodist church will conduct an entertainment in the church this evening. There is a good programme.

At the meeting of the Y. M. A. of Centenary church last evening the scheduled debate upon Canada's future was postponed for two weeks.

The members of St. Peter's Y. M. A. at their regular meeting last night, had an interesting debate upon the question, "Which have done more for England, Statesmen or Warriors?"

About 6.15 p. m. yesterday an alarm was rung in from box 213 for a fire in the chimney of O. Craft's house on Guilford street, Carleton. There was but little damage.

The ladies of the North End W. C. T. U. intend holding a bazaar at Easter in aid of the fund to erect a monument to the men of the first contingent who died in South Africa.

An important special meeting of the Ladies' Association of the Church of England Institute is called for Wednesday at 2 o'clock. All members are requested to attend.

The collection of county taxes is proceeding satisfactorily. More than \$5,000 has been already gathered in, which amount is well in excess of the taxes for the same seasons of previous years.

In spite of the severe storm, a merry party composed of the employees of W. H. Thorne & Co. and a few of their friends, drove last night to the Ben Lomond house, where a bountiful dinner was partaken of and a very pleasant evening spent.

Word was received yesterday of the death Sunday at Roxbury, Mass., of Miss Teresa Bowes, daughter of the late Robert Bowes. The family lived in St. John, but removed to the states some years ago. Miss Bowes was survived by her brother, Robert, and her mother, Mrs. Mary Bowes, in Roxbury. She was a niece of Andrew McEvoy, and cousin of Mrs. P. C. Sharkey of this city.

An entertainment is to be given this evening in the Market building, under the auspices of the Victoria Temple of Honor. Among those to take part are Misses Wetmore and Armstrong, in readings; J. E. Cameron, E. W. Appleby, Miss Drake and Mrs. Hay, in vocal music; Miss Dunn and an orchestra, in instrumental music, besides two piano duets, and Mr. Maxwell will give gramophone selections. There are also other well known entertainers.

At a meeting of the Teamsters' Protective Union in Sutherland's hall last night the officers were re-elected for the coming year: John E. Kelly, president; Henry Cullinan, vice-president; Chas. E. Colwell, secretary-treasurer; R. Harris, recording-secretary. George Campbell, J. Ratcliffe and John Stevenson were elected trustees and S. Cook and John Jeffrey conductor and warden respectively. The union is in a flourishing condition. Thirty-one new members were added last night and considerable other business transacted regarding the procuring of badges whereby they can be distinguished as union men.

GENERAL.

J. H. Barry of Fredericton is likely to be the government candidate in York Co. in the election to fill the seat vacated by Fred P. Thompson.

The senate at Washington has ratified the Danish West Indies treaty.

There are now seven cases of smallpox in the Holy Ghost and Us community at Shiloh, Me.

A branch of the United Irish League has been organized in Quebec. W. Redmond and C. E. Devlin, the Irish delegates, will be invited to visit Quebec.

A. J. Moxham has resigned his position as general manager of the Dominion Iron and Steel Co. He will continue to be a director and vice-president of the company, but finds it necessary to give up the management to attend to his interests in the United States.

Last night's storm was so severe in Halifax that street car traffic was suspended.

A London cable states that Marconi will leave for Canada on Feb. 20th. Heavy floods have recently done great damage in Cape Colony to houses, bridges and railroad property. Twenty-five persons have been drowned.

HOUSES TO LET.

Citizens having houses or flats to let should take advantage of the Star's wide circulation to advertise them. The columns of this paper are eagerly scanned by thousands every evening. The Star's rate for these advertisements is half a cent a word.

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Junior Boys' Race—1-2 mile.
Boys' Race—one mile.
220 Yard Dash.
440 Yard Dash.
Half Mile Race.
One Mile Race.
OFFICERS' RACE—Open to all officers Police Force.
Special Race—Officers Hamm, Earle, Thorne.

Patrolman's Race—Half-mile.
Snow-Shoe Race—Quarter mile; open Snow Shoe Race—Police.
Street Railway Men's Race—Half mile.
Letter Carriers' Race—Half mile.
Firemen's Race—Half mile; open to all city firemen.
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