

T. J. EDENS.

500 bags P. E. I. BLACK OATS.
100 bags P. E. I. WHITE OATS.
200 bags MIXED OATS.
BRAN, CORN, CORN MEAL, HOMINY MOLASSINE,
CRUSHED CORN.

20 boxes PURITY BUTTER—2 lb. prints.
100 barrels 5 STAR FLOUR.
20 cases SEA-DOG MATCHES.
100 bags P. E. I. POTATOES.
25 barrels No. 1 HERRING.

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House and Contents Destroyed by Fire.

The house owned and occupied by John Snow, carpenter, of Sumner st., was destroyed by fire this morning. Practically all the contents and the sum of \$305 in cash were lost in the flames.

The alarm was rung in from box 257 on Freshwater Road at 4.50 a.m., to which the Central and Western Companies responded, but the fire had too far advanced for their services to be of any material assistance.

After a struggle with the flames

which were fanned by a strong breeze the "all out" signal was sent in at 5.45 a.m.

The loss to Mr. Snow is considerable, as it was only partly covered by insurance, the amount held on the house and effects being \$1,100. The origin of the fire is unknown, but a theory was expressed that a stove in the bedroom was responsible for the outbreak. The inmates suffered great inconvenience, seeking shelter at such an early hour, when a blinding snow storm was in progress.

Fashions and Fads.

Very good are the blouses of tullest French batiste, hand embroidered and lined with pink chiffon.

Tassels of braid, silk fringe or beads are found on everything, from hair ornaments to tailor-mades.

Separate skirts are of woolen plaids and worn with plain, colored, black, navy blue or green coats.

Evening wraps appear in very daring colors. Those of chiffon velvet are extensively worn at the opera.

Some of the velvet street costumes have extremely long coats, reaching nearly to the hem of the gown.

Silk is the most-favoured material at present, and the smart afternoon frocks are fashioned of this material or velvet.

The business girl will look smart and modish in navy blue. She should choose one of the hats of black velvet for her head.

Girdles are very important accessories to the costume, and they are made in all styles and sizes of every material.

The big muff must have on it a large bunch of flowers. They should be at its front, side, near the center, or near one corner.

The skirt of the fashionable garments must not fit. It is draped, usually gathered around the waist and is met by a baggy blouse.

Chic velvet hats are modish for outdoor wear. They are good either in black or colors. They match the sport coat or linen up the somber suit.

There is a slight change in the shape of the back of the collarless blouse. They are higher in the center front and lower on the shoulders.

Fashion has taken a fancy to light-colored suits. The tones known as safe as lait, biscuit, string, oyster and

pale pink have appeared in coats and skirts.

Sweaters have found their way into fashion's favour and are being worn in the country with suits of various colors over skirts of dull brown and blue.

A craze for antique velvet is predicted. Antique velvet is merely velvet in soft tones that have the appearance of being delicately faded like a piece of material half a century old.

Deputies Released.

Mexico City, January 2. — Twenty-six former Mexican Deputies imprisoned by Provisional President Huerta last October were released from the penitentiary to-day. This number does not include Rodolfo Reyes, former minister of justice, nor Jorge Vera Estanol, former minister of public instruction.

The judge of the district court who had charge of the investigation into the charges against them found there was no basis for the accusation of rebellion and their release was ordered.

Any Letter Any Moment.

Have you not often found it of vital importance that some letter, some quotation or some record should be promptly obtainable? Have you not often been at a loss because this important paper was not at hand? By the adoption of the Globe-Wernicke system of filing and transferring papers any letter of any date can at any moment be instantly produced. Why not inspect this system for yourself at the office of MR. PERCIE JOHNSON. Catalogue gladly supplied. The cost is light—surprisingly so.—dec27At

Cable News.

Special to Evening Telegram.
LONDON, Jan. 5.
The Lord Mayor of Bristol stated in the City Council that returns for the past year of shipping entering the Port, exceeded by two and a half millions, a growth of 25 per cent. in 5 years, an increase greater than at any other port in the country.

PARIS, Jan. 5.
The loan to Mexico was recently arranged here by an international group of bankers for the sole use of meeting the January interest on the Mexican Government and City of Mexico bonds, amounting to about \$5,900,000, of which total the New York bankers took \$390,000, London \$3,465,000, and Paris \$1,505,000.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.
A wireless message received by the agent of the Transatlantic Company, said that the steamer Manuel Calvo, of that line, was on the way to port, towing a disabled tank steamer, when at a point 15 miles east of Sandy Hook, the tank steamer sunk. No mention of any loss of life or of the name of the steamer was given.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.
With a 75 mile gale from the N.E., driving great seas against bulkheads, already weakened or broken through by a storm on Christmas night, the New Jersey coast points yesterday and last night underwent perhaps the worst experience they have had for many years. So far no loss of life has been reported, but damages to property already reach well into hundreds of thousands of dollars.

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 5.
The announcement that President Wilson's policy would remain unchanged, after John Lind's trip to Pass Christian, is a source of disappointment to most foreigners and many Mexicans, who believed that the interview between the President and his personal representative might result in some definite step to put an early end to the distressing conditions which, so far as business is concerned, are fast growing acute. To official Mexico, while outwardly Mr. Lind's visit to the President was of little significance, the apparent determination of the United States still to keep its hands off is known to be highly gratifying. As one official tersely summed up the relations with the United States: The best Mexico can expect of Washington is to be left alone to work out its problem. In spite of the critical financial outlook the administration appears to be highly optimistic.

Wedding Bells.

PECKHAM-NIXON.
A very quiet wedding took place at St. Thomas's Church, on Saturday night, when Miss L. Nixon and Mr. R. Peckham were united in the holy bonds of matrimony by the Rev. G. R. Golden. The bride was attended by Miss Blanche Rowe, the groom being supported by his brother, Mr. Harry Peckham. After the ceremony the bridal party drove to the home of the bride, where a sumptuous repast was partaken of. The presents were numerous and useful.

Portia Returns.

ROUGH TRIP.
The S. S. Portia arrived from the Westward at 6 o'clock last evening, after a very rough trip. Snow storms were frequent during the round trip. On her way west she was hung up at Bay of Islands and at Bonny Bay by storms. A similar experience was had at Trepassay on Sunday, as referred to yesterday. The Portia brought a large freight and as passengers:—Miss Lilly, E. Boone, C. C. Harris, J. Courage, Miss Kelland, Miss M. Bulger, G. Devereaux, J. Walsh, J. F. Brophy, Mrs. M. Redd; and 20 in second class.

Getting Ready For Banking.

By the Portia we learn that active preparations are being made along the southwest coast for this year's banking. The different captains are now engaged fitting out their vessels. The first winter trip will be made in February on the western grounds, as the fleet will be supplied the last of the present month.

DR. A. B. LEHR, Dentist, wishes to thank his patrons for their patronage during the past year and extends to the general public his best wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.—jan5,31

MAY VISIT ST. JOHN'S.—According to the Sydney Record it is likely that a team of Cape Breton hockey-ists will visit St. John's this winter and play a series of games with our boys. A request has been received by a well known sporting enthusiast of Cape Breton to send along a good team.

Note From Mr. Harkins.

Editor Evening Telegram.
SIR.—During the past week, I have heard at various times rumors of an interview which I gave about three years ago after leaving St. John's. For some unexplainable reason this interview has been "garbled" to such an extent that it is now made to appear that I had insulted, in that interview, the people of your city. I now wish to announce to your citizens the gist of just what I did say at that time.

After leaving here three years ago, we were detained at Port aux Basques for several days. To vary the monotony it was suggested that we give a performance in the Hall at Channel. We printed announcements that the doors would open at 7 and the performance begin at 8. That night a terrific storm commenced, and you can imagine our surprise on arrival at the Hall to find it crowded and not a ticket sold. We decided to allow the audience to pay their admission at their leisure, and everyone did. There was no curtain, no scenery, no dressing rooms, and very little heat. When questioned about this, the remark was made to me, "Why didn't you use icicles for tickets?" Later it was jokingly said to me, you can now make Channel a week stand every time you go to St. John's, and I replied then, and I repeat now, "Never again in a thousand years." That, Mr. Editor, is the extent of my offense.

It is now thirty-four years since I first came to St. John's, and in all that time I think I can say that the business men of St. John's have always found me upright and square in all my dealings—and the son of the man who worked for me on my first visit here is working for me now. In all my travels—and I have visited many countries—I have never received better or more hospitable treatment than I have from the people of St. John's, and I am proud to say that some of my most cherished friends reside here. From the Reid Mfd. Co. I have always received the most generous treatment, and in our delays—over which they have no control—they have always made it as pleasant for us as they possibly could, providing our meals, etc., gratis. I am sorry to have to take up so much of your valuable space, but I feel in view of the reports that are in circulation, that an explanation is due to the citizens of St. John's, and I trust that this will settle once and for all the different rumors that are in circulation. In conclusion, I wish to thank the large audience present last evening, and those who intend going to future performances for their generous support in the past, and I trust that they will continue it in the future. Thanking you for your courtesy, I remain, yours truly,
W. S. HARKINS.

Creditors Meet.

At 4 p.m. yesterday the creditors of P. F. Collins met in the Board of Trade Rooms to consider the tenders received for the purchase of stock as invited by advertisement. After all the tenders had been opened, that of G. Knowling was accepted. Mr. P. C. O'Driscoll was Chairman of the meeting and Mr. D. Baird acted as Secretary. The liabilities amount to \$28,637.70, of which \$2,084.44 are preferential claims. The other claims are as follows: English creditors, \$4,110.94; Canadian and American, \$4,197.44; and local creditors, \$18,244.88.

Durango From Liverpool.

The Furness Liner Durango, Capt. Chambers, arrived in port yesterday afternoon from Liverpool. The passage was an excellent one, being made in nine days. She brought 200 tons of cargo and a small mail.

"A RECORD."

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