#### FINE TAILORING TO ORDER.

Cloths for BLACK SUITS and COATS and VESTS—a large and well assorted stock of copular patterns. Prices begin with a Black Cheviot Suit at \$21—all qualities better up to \$35. BLUE SERGES—always popular. Here you may select imported Serges from \$18 to \$30

COOTCH TWEED SUITINGS — novelties in almost bewildering variety from \$20 to \$80—one suit pattern in each piece. SPRING TROUSERINGS-stylish patterns -\$6 to \$9 per pair.

#### SPRING OVERCOATS READY-TO-WEAR.

Any day now a lighter weight Overcoat may be required. Here are SPECIAL PRICES on a lot of Oxford Grey Overcoats.

Plain finish—\$8, \$9.50, \$10, \$10.80, \$12. Silk faced—\$10.80, \$12, \$12.80. Silk lined, \$16.

But a limited number at these extremely

A. GILMOUR, Fine Tailoring, 68 KING STREET.

### Seeded Raisins, 8c. per lb.

Seeded Raisins, 8c. per 10.

3 packages of Puddine, Jelly Powder or Mince
Meat, for 25c.

a state of excitement by a fire these exits would in a very few minutes be completely blocked and much loss of life might result. I could not help thinking yesterday what would happen if a fire were to break out while the halls were so crowded with bag-Meat, for 25c. 4 pounds California Prunes for 25c.

10 pounds Choice Onions for 25c.

### Pure Leaf Lard, 11c. per lb.

3 lb. tin pail, 35c., 5 lb. tin pail, 55c., 10 lb. tin pail, \$1.00, 20 lb. wood pail, \$1.95

Good Gooking Butter, 15c. per lb.

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## PRIZE COMPETITION

\$10.00. \$10.00. \$10.00.

TEN DOLLARS will be paid to the person who sends to the Star office the following coupon filled in with the correct-or nearest correct-estimate of the daily average circulation of the Star for the month of March, 1904. The following is a statement of the daily circulation for months of Jan-

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Average daily circulation for month of January, 4,438 copies. Average daily circulation for the month of February 5,318 copies. Every coupon containing an estimate must be accompanied by a cash

\$1.50 for 6 months, 6 chances \$3.00 for 12 months, 12 chances. If you are already a subscriber, have the paper sent to a friend who is not. Your friend may be living in the city, the country, or abroad; we will

send the paper to him if he resides within the newspaper postage limit.

COUF	ON.
I enclose	for which send the
ST. JOHN STAR to	
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The Contest Closes on the 20th March, at & n. m. To cure Headache in ten minutes use

Address,

A FIRE TRAP.

United States Immigrant Officials Condemn the New Building at Sand Point as Dangerous.

"The facilities are inadequate and there is absolutely no fire protection." This is the statement made yesterday Wm. Brown, to the Star by Col. Thomas, chief of the United States immigration offi-cials. It is well known that members of the United States staff, as well as some of the Canadian officials have lained of the way in which the complained of the way in which the building was arranged, but the result of their kicks have availed nothing and the building stands today a menace to public safety. In addition to the total lack of fire protection, the very insufficient and dangerous means of egress are the principal objections.

A Star reporter visited the shed yesterday and talked with many of the officials. One remarked:

"But what we consider the most

"But what we consider the most serious defect in the building is the total absence of any kind of fire pro-tection or means of egress should a fire take place. There are windows, it is true, all along the sides, but these windows are fully five feet above the floors, and none but the most athletic could manage to reach them if it came to a case of jumping out. Even then the wincows would be no means salvation, for on one side persons seeking safety would p into the water, while on the side they would fall on the railway tracks. This does away with the

tracks. This does away with the possibility of escape by the windows. "There are only two large doors, and Sunday when there was no undue excitement, when everybody was cool headed, it was only with the tumber of the windows will not cure in the time and hindered from making any possibility of escape by the windows. There are only two large doors, and Sunday when there was no undue excitement, when everybody was cool headed, it was only with the time and hindered from making any gists.

The committees of the Union Club Co. and the Union Club have approved of plans for the new club house, to be unmost difficulty that I could force un my way through the crowd, If such a number of people were thrown into a state of excitement by a fire these gage and people.

"Four fire escapes, so far as I know, are provided. One of the boys on our staff reached out of the window in our

room and with his hand twisted one of these escapes in such a manner that Dr. March, who happened to see it, remarked: 'The wind has blown your fire escape out of position.' I would not risk my life even in calm moments on one of these escapes.

"The water pressure at Sand Point as was shown by last year's fire, is by no means good, but as yet we have not in the building anything from which water might be hurriedly drawn in case of fire. There is not a foot of fire hose, not even a fire plug; no buckets of any sort, and I don't believe a drinking cup. Not only this, but there are no hand grenades, no chemicals or dry powder extinguishers, and if a fire once started under present conditions, the building would be in flames before anything could be done to save it.

ione to save it. I. C. R. PENSIONS.

How Some St. John Men Will be Af-fected by This Scheme. Now that the I. C. R. pension scheme has been placed before the men in cold type, frequent and vigorous comment is being made. On the whole the men favor the scheme, but there are several who have been so long in the ser-vice that the adoption of the scheme would force them to retire. This, of course, they do not like, as they conwork for many years.

Among those in the city who would

probably be retired are:
J. G. Stevens, gate keeper, has been over 25 years in the service, and earns about \$600 a year. His retiring allowance on the basis of the above salary and service would be \$225, but as the minimum allowance is \$20 per month he would get \$240. J. E. Vincent, wharfinger, say 30 years' service, pay \$407, would receive \$183 on the 1½ per cent. basis, but will get the \$240

Dennis Moriarty, employed in the round 42 years in the service. His percentage would give him \$236, which is four dollars below the low water mark.

F. Thorpe, gateman at Gilbert's lane, is credited with earnings of \$407, and is said to have served 35 years. He would come under the \$240 clause.

John Stewart, driver, say 44 years' service,

earnings (1901) \$936, retiring allowance over retiring allowance probably a little over James Smith, in freight office, income say

\$400, 15 years' service, allowance \$240. Dennis Driscoll about the same.

James Barkum, engineer, say 30 years' ser

Ungar's carpet process is the best.

LEINSTER STREET SOCIAL. A social meeting of the Baraca class in connection with the Leinster street Baptist church was held last night, Andrew Kee, the president, occupied the chair. A large number were present and the following programme was greatly enjoyed: Piano Duet-Misses Kierstead and

Reading-Miss Stella Wetmore. Solo-Miss Comben. Address-Rev. C. Burnett.

Impromptu addresses by several members of the class on subjects chosen by lot.
Piano Solo—Miss Amanda Vincent. The class had invited several lady friends and after the concert a social tea added to the enjoyment of the

NOVA SCOTIA ELECTIONS. HALIFAX, March 14.—The by-election cam-Sinclair, liberal, are actively at work. Premier Murray, E. M. McDonald, M. P. P., and other liberals are stumping the ceunty in Sinclair's interests. On the conservative side the principal speakers are C. E. Tanner, M. P. P., and C. S. Gregory of Antigonish. An enthusiastic conservative meeting was held at Canso tonight. D. C. Fraser had a majority of 889 at the last general election.

SPORTING NEWS. CURLING.

Hampton Defeats St. Andrews A return game of curling was played last evening in St. Andrews rink between Hamp-ton and St. Andrews. Only two rinks played, score were as follows:

Robt. Magee, Geo. Kimball, C. H. Ferguson, Robt. Smith, J. A. McAvity, E. G. Evans, Geo. Wilson, Thos. McDonald,

Chas. Troop, Leonard Peters, Wm. Angus, Thos. Blair,

bring coal from New York to St. John weeks and weeks ago. The Ravola spent nearly two months in New York, detained much of the time and hindered from making any move the rest of her stay. She was held up at Newton Creek for about a month.

Str. Manchester Merchant was to have left Manchester Saturday for St. John with cargo. She takes in cargo here and then goes to Philadelphia. She is scheduled to sail from St. John on the 24th instant.

The Donaldson str. Marina, Captain
Taylor, left Glasgow Saturday for St.
John. This will be her first visit to
St. John, but Capt. Taylor has been
here before.

ere after the Merchant of the same

TRINITY CHURCH Y. M. A.

AT THE LONDON HOUSE,

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TUESDAY, March 15th.

# Half-Price Sale Ladies' Raincoats And Odd Lines of Ladies' Underwear, &c.

Great bargains among these goods. Come and look over the lot. All laid out on tables up stairs.

#### Ladies' Raincoats less than half

\$13.25	Fawn Raincloth Coats for	\$4.75
<b>\$</b> 13.25	Grey Raincloth Coat for	4.75
\$12.50	Greenish or Fawn Coats for	4.75
	Fawn Raincoats for	

#### Ladies' Waterproof Coats.

protectors for those doing a lot of driving, &c.	
protectors and an analysis of	
\$7.50 Ladies' Waterproofs for	\$2.
\$5.75 Ladies' Waterproofs for	2.
\$3.75 Ladies' Waterproofs for	1.
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#### List of Odd Lines to Clear Up--Bargains.

\$2.98 Ladies' Long Kimonas for	\$1.50
\$2.25 Ladies' Flannel Waists for	75c
\$1.00 White Shirt Waists, odds, now	800
\$1.00 Colored Shirt Waists, now	250
\$1.25 Striped Wash Skirts for	50c
\$2.25 Navy Cashmere Walsts	
\$1.45 White Lawn Aprons for	730
\$1.25 White Lawn Aprons for	680
60c. Child5s Print Dresses for	39c
\$2.60 Child's White Dresses for	\$1.23
\$1.88 Ladies' Dressing Sacques for	94c

# F. W. DANIEL & 60.,

London House, Charlotte St.

#### Classified Advertisements.

Advertisements under this head: Half a cent a word. No less charge than 25 cents.

WANTED.—An experienced Kitchen Girl. Wages \$10 a month. Apply at CARVILL HALL, 71 Waterloo street at once.

HELP WANTED, MALE.

WANTED—To rent on Prince William or Water street, one or two large size rooms, uitable for holding meetings. S. L. GOR-sella, President Seamen's Mission Society.

STORES TO LET.

WHO DOES'NT LIKE TOAST?



vell. Whether it's dry or buttered, or HIEATT'S HYGIENIC BREAD is the

Hygienic Bakery,

been some unpleasantness between the U. N. B. resident students and the dean of the residency, and as a result all the students have left the residency. The particulars of the affair are reported to be that the students MAKING A MONKEY OF HIMSELE about three weeks ago were enjoyaing a sup-per in one of their rooms when Dean Scott knocked at the door, and getting no response

broke it open and demanded less noise. The dean, naturally anneyed at the additional trouble to which he was put, ordered the two students who occupied the room to leave the residency. A strike ensued, and the matter culminated today in the voluntary removal of all the students. A slight blaze on the roof of the Free Baptist parsonage called out the fire department Sunday p. m. Very little damage was done.
The civic elections held here today resulted in the election of the following aldermen:

St. Ann's ward—Ald. Ross, W. Egerton Evertt. Carleton ward—Ald. Farrell, Ald. Maxwell. Queens ward—H. C. Jewett, John McKnight. Kings ward—Ald. Edwards, Dr. F. W. Barbour.

Ald. Farrel led the poll, with Dr. Barbour a close second. In Wellington ward there was no contest, Ald. Scott and Stockford being re-elected by acclamation. Mayor Palm-

Curtains at Ungar's 50c. per pair, plain; pleated 75c.

CHAMBERLAIN RETURNS.

LONDON, March 14.-In the lobby of the LONDON, March 14.—In the lobby of the house of commons tonight there was much comment upon the unexpectedly early departure from Egypt on his return to London of Joseph Chamberlain. Many members of the house supposed he was hurrying home in anticipation of an early dissolution of parlament, but on the other hand Right Hon. Jesse Collings and others of Mr. Chamberlain's intimates maintained that he would spend two or three weeks in Italy and thus extend his holiday, as it was originally contemplated, to two months. This view was templated, to two months. This view was advanced with an air of great authority in advanced with an air of great authority in unionist circles, but the Chamberlain section of parliament, glorying in their triumph on March 9, already predict that if the unionists are defeated in the general election Mr. Chamberlain and not Mr. Balfour will be the leader of the oppositionn in the next parliament. They also talk of forcing the government in the coming budget to resimpose the sailling duty on grain.

Bicyclists and all athletes depend on BENTLEY'S LINIMENT to keep their Mrs. Mary N. Gallagher, a widow 78 years of age, who has been in the Home for Incurables for three years, fact that I think Burdock Blood Bitters the head wrifes on the market thinks the work the way the writer that the writer that the work the w Home for incurables for three years, the best blood purifier on the market half-past twelve this morning. half-past twelve this morning.

FLATS TO LET. WANTED—A girl for general housework in family of four. Apply to MRS. JOHN Mc-CONNELL, 282 Main street, North End.

WANTED—At cross seem Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.

WANTED.—At once, a cook for a small family. Wages \$3.00 a week. Apply to MISS FIANSON, Woman's Exchange, 154 Charlotte street. FLAT TO LET.-A nice little flat number WANTED.—A girl for general housework 11 Summer street. Screen doors, tidy stove and clothes line go with the house. Can be

WANTED.—A young man to operate ma-hinery. Apply to THE D. F. BROWN CO.

TO LET-From 1st of May, seven sockes, modern improvements, No. 267 Charlotte street, opposite Queen square. Wednesday, and Friday. WANTED .- A person to take an interest in and patent several useful inventions. Address "INVENTOR," care Star Newspaper. TO LET.-Large shop corner Charlotte and

Duke streets, suitable for dry goods or groe-eries. Also adjoining store on Charlotte street will be let with the large shop or separately. Apply to AMON A. WILSON, Barristey, Chubb's Corner. To LET The house and premises, No. 57 FURNISHED ROOMS TO LET at 117 Porchester street, from May 1st. Can be Elliot Row, Apply on premises. Durchester street, frem May 1st. Can be seen Wednesday and Friday atternoons, from 4 to 5 o'clock. Modern improvements. Hot and cold water. Self-sontained. Hot-air furnace. JAMES FRINCE, 57 Derochester street. TO LET.—May 1st, self-contained house, 8 Charles street, occupied by present tenant seven years. Can be seen Friday from 3 to 6. Alse house No. 6 Charles street, one door from Garden street. Can be seen Wydnesday and Friday afternoons. For terms, &c., &c., apply MRS. GILLIS, 109 Union street.

FOR SALE—STEAM ENGINE AND BOIL-ER. One 14 horse power boiler, upright, and 12 Horse Power Steam Engine, Hot Water Heater. All in First Class order. Only in use a short time. It will be sold at a low rate. Can be seen any time at 83 George streat St. John. A GREAT PIANO BARGAIN.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—NEWCOMBE PIANO at hai regular price. We have just received fee inmediate sale a Cabinet Grand "Newcombe" Piano in choice Burl Wainut Case, but a short time in use. Cost originally \$450, will be sold for \$275.00. This is a great snap. C. FLOOD & SON.

LOST.—Will the man that took the little white dog from the corner of St. James street and was seen going up Germain street, return him at once and save trouble. MRS. JENNIE CULLEN, 47 St. James street. LOST.-A short Gold Linked Watch Chain. Finder will be rewarded by leaving same at

GREAT BARGAINS in good Second Hand fachines, including New Williams, Rey-

Miss Bridle-Yes; wasn't it mean of Krupper - Mean of him? I don't think I understand.

Miss Bridle—I saw you, too; but I never should have mentioned it.—Bos-

me in the park on horseback?

Boils were so painful could not sleep at night.

APPEARED ON NECK, LEGS

### Burdock **Blood Bitters** CURED THEM.

It is well-known to all that bad blood is

Mr. Willard Thompson, McNeill's Mills, P.E.I., writes us as follows: "I wish to state to you what Burdock Blood Bitters has done for me. Some time ago my blood got out of order and many boils appeared on my nock, legs and arms. They were so painful that I could not sleep at night. After having tried many different remedies without any success, I finally decided, on the advice of a friend, to use Burdock nts limber and muscles in trim.

Blood Bitters. Before I had quite used