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LOCAL NEWS.

Harry Brown went to Sussex today to open an insurance agency.

T. Wilson Bell of Moncton came into the city by noon train today.

Ice is reported to be running freely in the river this morning.

There is good ice at the Carleton open air rink. The Carleton Cornet band will play tonight.

James Collins, 210 Union street, has a supply of No. 1 apples, also 50 tubs of choice butter. See advt.

In Lower Cove slip today there were opportunities for skating and the youth of the locality were out on the blades.

The steamer Northumberland today made her last trip for the season between Point du Chene and Summerside.

A special general meeting of the Royal Kennebecs Yacht club will be held in the club rooms of Monday evening, January 6th, at 8 o'clock.

Charles B. Robertson, F. G. Triton and Robertson Gass have formed a co-partnership, under the firm name of Robertson, Triton & Co.

Arnold's Department Store, 15 Charlotte street, will close every evening at six o'clock until further notice, Saturdays excepted.

The meeting of the Home for Incurables directors, to have been held yesterday afternoon, was postponed until Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The Junior Epworth League of Portland Methodist church, will hold an entertainment in the church tonight. It promises to be an excellent one. The members of the band have prepared a first-class programme. Refreshments will be served and a good time is assured to all who attend.

Commencing today the Cornwall and York Cotton Mills will start at 6:40 in the morning and run 60 hours per week, closing at 1 o'clock on Saturdays. Under the Parks management the mills started at 6:30 a. m. and closed at 12 o'clock on Saturdays. The new schedule will mean full time for both mills.

Some astonishing bargains are offered at Fairall's big sale, 17 Charlotte street. All prices are reduced one-half and in many cases still lower. The stock of general dry goods and furs is very large and of an excellent quality. It must be cleared at once, and intending purchasers will do well to call and examine. The store will be open every evening.

OUTSIDE PRECAUTIONS.

The board of health is taking precautions to prevent the spread of smallpox in the county as well as the city. On Monday Dr. Macaulay was sent by the board to vaccinate the occupants of a lumber camp several miles beyond Loch Lomond. The camp was also fumigated by Dr. Macaulay. Those precautions were taken because a man who developed smallpox at Loch Lomond had previously worked in the camp. To accomplish the work Dr. Macaulay was compelled to drive over 30 miles in a pouring rain on heavy roads.

CONDITIONS QUITE SATISFACTORY.

A number of business men who have been making careful enquiry regarding the health situation, discussed the matter quite fully today, and came to the unanimous conclusion that the conditions were now quite satisfactory, and that the efforts of the board of health in stamping out smallpox have been very successful, as the number of cases have been gradually lessening, and today there are but 9 cases under treatment in the city and 13 in the isolation hospital outside the city.

A BUSY DAY.

Rev. H. H. Roach had a busy day of it yesterday. Altogether he must have tramped a dozen miles, laden with offerings for the quarantined people. He had altogether some thirty bouquets of flowers to distribute besides a large amount of clothing and the like. He says that the need of the latter is considerable, especially for those who are just coming out of quarantine. These people have been forced to destroy most of their clothing, and it has been found necessary for various causes to supply a number of them with these articles. Bedding, too, is in demand, as the same fate which met the clothing, fell to them. These articles Mr. Roach is ready and more than willing to distribute to those who may need them. His parish just at present is rather an extensive one, so far as distance to travel is concerned; but Mr. Roach is quite contented in his work and will see the epidemic through. The bachelor quarters in the old Tabernacle Baptist church, occupied by Mr. Roach and Dr. Price, while not luxurious in their appointments, are nevertheless pleasant and comfortable. Mr. Roach is at the present time acting as chief cook for the establishment, and in that department, too, he is more than ordinarily successful. The donations which have been received for distribution are in what was the auditorium of the old church, and are carefully assorted. Of reading matter there has been an abundance sent in, and a stock of toys and such like was not lacking.

ARRESTED ON A SERIOUS CHARGE

Yesterday R. C. Elkin, managing owner of the schooner Etta A. Stimpson, received word that Captain Hogan and the mate of the vessel had been arrested on a serious charge.

Up to this afternoon Mr. Elkin says he had received no reply to his inquiries for particulars. Captain Hogan belongs to St. John, where his wife resides.

POLICE COURT.

A Few More Broken Resolutions and Panes of Glass.

"If you're waking call me early, call me early, policeman dear, For I would see the sun rise upon the glass, new year."

and five of them stayed out to see it. The ruck-off was not half so big as the one made during the Christmas festivities, only twelve sorrowing souls being on the list for treatment, as compared with twenty-six a week ago. Of these twelve, five were remanded on account of the city court business coming on. They were Percy Thorne and Herbert Phippin, who were arrested for being drunk and shouting on Charlotte street and for breaking a pane of plate glass in the Globe laundry; Allan Graam, Gus Wilson and Carl Anderson, for being drunk and disorderly in the Seamen's Mission, and for using threatening language to Stephen Parlee. Phippin left a deposit of \$50 as security for the cost of the glass.

William McMillan, arrested for being drunk and breaking a pane of glass in James Driscoll's hotel on King square, made a deposit of ten dollars and secured his liberty.

Of the other six, who were fined this morning, only one William Sheehan, had enough money to pay his fine. He settled the account for two dollars and departed, taking with him two silver spoons which were found in his pockets. The unfortunate results of a mixture of gin with porter were seen in the case of John Porter, who was arrested on Sheffield street between twelve and one o'clock on Tuesday night. He was sentenced to eight dollars or twenty days, as a punishment for his indiscretion. John Walsh, Robert Scott and John Harrington, found in different stages of intoxication on Prince William, Armisthen and Water streets, were fined four dollars or ten days each, and John Ferguson, drunk on Marsh road, was fined eight dollars.

SMALLPOX.

Thomas Nash, whose wife developed smallpox on Dec. 5, was reported as a suspect this afternoon. Nash lives at 152 Brussels street.

William Stack, who lives at 32 Erin street, is the latest smallpox victim. His case was reported. The man is a carpenter, and is a brother-in-law of Mrs. James Stack, who developed the disease on Dec. 4. Four families are quarantined in the house. A grocery store in the house is also closed.

An old man named Byron, who lives in the quarantined house at 104 Erin street, is reported seriously ill by Dr. Morris, but the cause is not smallpox. A daughter-in-law of the man is a victim of smallpox, but is recovering at the isolation hospital.

The board of health at its meeting today appointed Dr. W. A. Christie to devote the hours between 10 a. m. and 4 p. m. at the board of health. Dr. Christie, besides giving attention to routine work, will vaccinate free all persons who desire the treatment.

Before the end of the week the McAfee house, Red Head; Patterson house, in Carleton, and the Peckham and Mason houses will probably be released from quarantine.

MISS BAILLIE'S STAR SONG.

Miss Mary Baillie of this city is not only a popular elocutionist but a writer of much promise. Werner's Magazine for December contains a poem, which is not only excellent in form and finish, but is marked by simplicity and delicacy of sentiment. The poem is called De Tired Pickaninny's Star Song, and tells in the quaint dialect of the south a beautiful thought born of the simple religious faith of the old "mammy."

It is a high compliment to Miss Baillie to have her work recognized by Werner's. This is the first of her poetical productions to be published, but she has written others, some of them also in dialect, and has also written short plays, some of which have been produced at entertainments under her own auspices. Miss Baillie's friends, and all who have read the Star Song, will hope to see more of her work given to the public through the medium of the press.

TODAY'S FUNERALS.

The funeral of the late Mrs. James E. Whittaker, which took place this afternoon from her late home at 34 Dorchester street, was very largely attended. At half-past two o'clock services were conducted at her house by the Rev. George M. Campbell, after which the body was taken for interment to Fernhill cemetery. There were no pallbearers.

The casket was covered with many beautiful floral tributes, among which were bouquets of white carnations and of purple violets and hyacinths from these articles. Bedding, too, is in demand, as the same fate which met the clothing, fell to them. These articles Mr. Roach is ready and more than willing to distribute to those who may need them. His parish just at present is rather an extensive one, so far as distance to travel is concerned; but Mr. Roach is quite contented in his work and will see the epidemic through.

The remains of Mrs. Street, wife of the Rev. W. H. Street, who died suddenly at Campbell on Monday, were brought to the city by last night's train and taken to St. Paul's church. This afternoon at half-past two o'clock the burial service was conducted in the church by the Rev. A. G. H. Dicker, and afterwards interment was made in Fernhill.

The funeral of the late Benjamin Carter took place at two o'clock this afternoon from the residence of his nephew, William Carter, at Red Head. The body was brought to the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, where the burial service was conducted by the Rev. R. J. Coughlan. Interment was made in the new Catholic cemetery. There were no pallbearers.

NORTH END WEDDING.

A pretty wedding took place at the residence of the bride's mother, No. 318 Main street, last evening, when Miss Cassie A. only daughter of the late J. T. Leann, was united in marriage to Joseph Davidson, of Fredericton. The nuptial knot was tied by Rev. R. P. McKim. The bride was charming in a dress of blue trimmed with white satin. The presents were numerous and costly. The groom's gift to the bride was a handsome Astrachan coat.

A BOER PRISONER

Who Escaped From St. Helena
Last January.

Was at the Seamen's Mission This
Week and Told His Story
to the Star.

During the past two or three days, there has been at the Seamen's Mission on Prince William street, a sailor by the name of James Walters, one of the twenty Boer prisoners who escaped from St. Helena during the latter part of January, 1901. In conversation with a Star reporter he told the story of his experience in the South African campaign.

It is only fair to Walters to state that he did not know that he was speaking to a reporter and that he was much surprised to find that the fact of his being an escaped prisoner was known, as he had only mentioned it to one particular friend.

He was born at Beaufort West, one of the principal stations on the Cape Colony railroad from Capetown to Kimberley. At the age of fourteen he left home, and for the greater part of his life has been at sea, sailing, first before the mast and afterwards as boatswain, on different German and American vessels.

When the war in Africa broke out, Walters, who was at that time on a vessel on the eastern side of the Atlantic, hurried back to his own country as rapidly as possible, and, by means best known to himself, succeeded in getting up to join DeWet's command, which was at that time in Natal and the eastern part of the Free State. In regard to the source from which he received his arms and ammunition, Walters flatly refused to speak. He admitted that he had received his equipment in Cape Colony before joining the command, but would not say from whom it was obtained. Although he was not engaged in the battle of Spion Kop, he took part in considerable active fighting in that district during the opening weeks of the campaign, and before that battle he was transferred with others under the command of DeWet to the Kimberley district, where he remained until captured by the British. Most of Walters' fighting was done in the vicinity of Kimberley, the headquarters of the command to which he was attached being at a place called Beacon Hill, about two and a half or three miles from the town. About the middle of September, 1900, in an action with a portion of Lord Methuen's command, Walters, while riding, had his horse shot from under him and later he received two wounds in the right leg, one from a piece of shell which shattered the foot, and the other from a rifle ball which pierced the leg just below the thigh. While wounded, he was captured by the British and sent down the line to Wynberg. Here he remained in hospital for a short time, and was afterwards transferred with a large number of other prisoners to St. Helena.

In January 1901, Walters, along with nineteen other prisoners, whom he had induced to join their fortunes with his, swam, during the night, from the island to an American whaler, called the Greyhound, which was discharging oil, and stowed away on board of her. They were discovered some time after the vessel sailed but were not given over to the British authorities by the captain. Since his escape, Walters has been sailing on American vessels, and came to this port but a short time ago. Speaking of his experience in the campaign, Walters says that DeWet, with whom he served, is regarded by the men as being one of the best leaders in the war. Although only a farmer, he has led them through some pretty tight places. By nature he is very quiet, but very strict, and never lets his men become known. It is his custom to go away from his command for perhaps a week at a time, and, upon his return, start out on an expedition of which they had not previously heard.

Walters says that none of the Boer soldiers ever got any pay. They worked during the campaign. They supplied all their own food as well as that for their horses. The latter were easily obtained, for, during the first part of the war it was an easy matter to entrap British scouting parties made up chiefly of yeomanry, and take from them their horses and equipment. Later on in the campaign the British became more wary and the further supply of horses was obtained from the Boer farms.

In regard to his treatment by the British, Walters says that he could find absolutely nothing of which to complain. Every care was taken of him during his illness, and his one regret now is that by escaping and inducing others to escape with him, he has brought upon himself the dread of being shot by the British if recaptured.

WRECK UP THE BAY.

Word was received in the city today that the twenty-two ton schooner Marion, which sailed from this port on Tuesday last, had gone ashore on Cape D'Or just below Advocate Harbor, in Minas Channel, during yesterday's storm, and would probably be a total wreck. No further particulars in regard to the matter have been received.

The Marion was commanded by Capt. Sgor, who is also one of the principal owners, the others being residents of Parrsboro. She left St. John on Tuesday for Parrsboro and Canning, with provisions and general cargo, fully insured. So far as can be learned, the hull of the vessel was not insured.

FROZEN TO DEATH.

SALT LAKE, Utah, Jan. 2.—Win. C. Green, an old resident of this city, was found last evening at Cottonwood, frozen to death. The body was found on the banks of a pond. It is supposed that Green, who was 75 years old, had wandered into the pond, become chilled and died of exposure.

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MOUNTED RIFLES.

HALIFAX, Jan. 1.—For the past seven days Quartermaster Graham and his staff have been busy in equipping the Mounted Rifles. So far 750 men have been fitted out with everything but their khaki. There are more than eighty articles in each man's outfit. The khaki frocks and trousers are now being manufactured, and will be distributed on arrival. Up to the present there are here about 818 horses and more are expected every day.

HALIFAX STREET MILEAGE.

Ald. Mellet, chairman of the public accounts committee of the Halifax city council, says: No city with the same street mileage that we have, the increase in population during the past ten years has been only about 3,500, the street mileage has increased in the same time from 83.5 miles to 94 miles, and water extension from 51 1-2 miles to 63 miles.

NEW RIVER STEAMER.

Although there has been considerable talk regarding the purchase of a new river steamer to run between St. John and Upper Cagetown, nothing has yet been definitely decided except that a steamer will be purchased. In conversation with the Star last night Robert Orchard, manager of the Star line, said: "While there is, of course, a slight possibility that the present plans may not be accomplished, it is practically certain that a new steamer will be put on the river for next season's work. A number of those interested in the matter, including myself, have recently returned from Montreal, where we went to see a steamer which had been offered for sale, and which will be suitable for the intended work. No purchase has yet been made."

ENGINE AND FREIGHT.

In the C. P. R. shops at Montreal there has just been completed the finest and heaviest passenger engine that has as yet been turned out. It has been built for use on the Atlantic division and will leave Montreal on January 6th for St. John, arriving here on the 10th. The engine's number is 801, and it weighs, without the tender, eighty tons.

The last remnants of the blockade of freight which occurred on the C. P. R. between Brownville and Megantic during the recent washout has been cleaned up and every car of freight which left Megantic has either been received at Sand Point or is in motion.

In recognition of his good work in clearing the line, the officials of the

road have presented Superintendent Thomson with a fine pair of gloves.

THE TROUBLE AT ST. PHILLIPS.

The trouble between the congregation and trustees of St. Phillips' church has not yet been settled, nor do the latter seem at all anxious to hand in the report asked for by the committee appointed by the congregation.

Although the trustees were all elected by the church they do not now attend the services, but are regular attendants at other churches, and for this reason some difficulty is being experienced in persuading them to account for the money which has passed through their hands. The affair has not yet developed into a formal action, but the congregation are determined to have an account of expenditure the money granted to the school and church.

IMPERIAL REGIMENT FOR HALIFAX.

Royal Canadians May Go to South Africa.

It has been reported several times that the Royal Canadian Regiment would be sent to South Africa, says the Recorder, and once more is the rumor prevalent that they will shortly leave here, but this time there seems more foundation than heretofore, as it has been stated by those who are in a position to know that the Imperial and Dominion governments have been in correspondence with each other on the subject, the former having proposed to send here one of the regiments now on the line of communication in South Africa. Current report here is that it will likely be the Leinsters who will return here, as letters from members of this corps several times lately have said they have reports they were coming back here.

CASE IS ALMOST HOPELESS.

John C. Donald, engineer of the steamship Eretria, who was so severely injured yesterday, became conscious at an early hour this morning and during the day has been for short periods in that condition. He has improved slightly, but owing to the injury to his spine all the lower part of his body has become paralysed, and his case is considered almost hopeless. Dr. Emery visited the sufferer at the Seamen's Mission several times last night, and also today, and has done all in his power to relieve the intense pain being endured by the man.

The tea that suits the taste of the largest number of St. John people is Red Rose.