SHIP NEWS.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Arrived.

Oct 23—Str Otterspool, 1340, Farnell, from New York, J H Scammell and Co, bal.

Sch Silver Wave, 99, McLean, from New York, F and L Tufts, sand.

Coastwise—Schs Athol, 70, Sterling, from Parrsboro; Ruby, 15, O'Donnell, from Musquash; Electric Light, 34, Baird, from Digby; Nellie D, 32, Deveau, from Salmon River; Alice M, 5, Craft, from fishing; Lone Star, 22, Richardson, from North Head; Sarah E Ellis, 19, Houghton, from fishing; Mabel, 38, Maxwell, from Sackville; Yarmouth Packet, 76, Shaw, from Yarmouth; Alph B Parker, 46, Outhouse, from Tiverton; Economist, 13, Parker, from fishing voyage; Viola Pearl, 23, Wadlin, from Beaver Harbor; L M Ellis, 34, Lent, from Westport; Souvenir, 27, Robichaud, from Meteghan; str Lord Kitchener, 110, Stevens, from Sydney; str Flushing, with barge No 4, from Parrsboro.

Oct 24—Str Calvin Austin, Pike, from Boston, W G Lee, mdse and pass.

Sch Quetay, 123, Robinson, from New York, J M Taylor, coal.

Sch Abbie C Stubbs, 295, Colwell, from Boston, master, bal.

Coastwise—Sch On Time, 19, Guthrie, from Sandy Cove; str Centreville, 32, Graham, from Sandy Cove, and cleared; sch Happy Home, 34, Thompson, from fishing and cleared.

Oct 26—Str Elaine, from Sydney.

Str Aurora, Ingersoll, from Grand Manan.

Str Brunswick, Potter, from Basin of Minas ports.

Str Westport III, Powell, from Westport.

Sch R D Spear, 200, Richardson, from Newburyport, J A Gregory, bal.

Coastwise—Schs Hazel Glen, 29, Melanson, from River Hebert; Avis, 124, Tufts, from River Hebert; Carrie Easler, 179, from Maitland Shamrock, 52, Morris, from Londonderry; Jessie, 17, Spicer, from St Martins; Two Sisters, 55, Rennie, from River Hebert; Dora, 63, Canning, from Parrsboro; Only Son, 12, Mennis, from French Cross; Trader, 72, Rector, from Parrsboro; str Lillie, 49, Heater, from Annapolis; sch Henry Swan, 63, Cole, from River Hebert.

Cleared.

Oct 23—Sch H A Holder, McIntyre, for Weymouth, Mass, A Cushing and Co.

Sloop Shamrock, Price, for Eastport, master.

Coastwise—Schs Murray B, Baker, for Margaretville; Bonita, Calder, for West Isles; Economist, Parker, for Hall's Harbor; Mabel, Maxwell, for Sackville.

Oct 24—Sch Temperance Bell, Wilcox, for Boston.

Sch Fanny, Urquhart, for Boston.

Coastwise—Schs Ruby, O'Donnell, for Musquash; Nina Blanche, Crocker, for Freeport; Valetta, Cameron, for River Hebert; Stella Maud, Miller, for St George, to load for Bridgeport, Conn; Fred and Norman, Cheney, for Grand Harbor; Foster Rice, Brenton, for Annapolis; Citizen, Woodworth, for Bear River; Exenia, Barry, for Beaver Harbor; On Time, Guthrie, for Sandy Cove; Hattie, Parks, for Port George; Oriole, Simpson, for West Isles; Corinto, Graham, for St Stephen; Souvenir, Robichaud, for Meteghan.

Oct 25—Sch Ida May, Gale, for New Haven.

Coastwise—Barge No 2, Wadman, for Parrsboro; schs Lennie and Edna, Stuart, for Beaver Harbor; Rowena, Merrian, for Port Greville; Thelma, Apt, for Annapolis.

Sailed.

Oct 23—Str St Croix, Thompson, for Boston via Maine ports, W G Lee.

Oct 24—Str Dahome, Leahton, for West Indies via Halifax.

Oct 25—Str Calvin Austin, Pike, for Boston via Maine ports.

DOMESTIC PORTS.

Arrived.

At Chatham, Oct 21, str Helen Horn, Braack, from Bristol.

HALIFAX, NS, Oct 23—Ard, str Silvia, from New York, and sld for St John's, Nfld.

HALIFAX, Oct 25—Ard, strs Ulunda, from Liverpool via St Johns, NF; Veritas, from New York; Ask, from Jamaica; bark Ragna, from Limerick.

Sld, Oct 25, str St John City, Bovey, for London.

At Hillsboro, Oct 23, schs Margaret G, Knowlton, from New York; Island City, Day, from Boston; Earl of Aberdeen, Roberts, from New York.

Cleared.

At Chatham, Oct 22, bark Prince Victor, Markussen, for Dublin.

At St Martins, Oct 21, sch Harry Morris, McLean, for Boston.

At Hillsboro, Oct 21, sch Calabria, Glen, for New York; 23rd, str Nora, Stabell, for Chester, Pa.

BRITISH PORTS.

Arrived.

At St John's, Nfld, Oct 22, str Ulunda, from Liverpool, for Halifax.

At Kingston, Ja, Oct 11, str Ask, Hansen, from Halifax via Santiago.

At Savana-La-Mer, Ja, Sept 7, barks Emma R Smith, Foote, from Bahia; 9th, Altona, Collins, from Barbados, and sailed 14th for Green Island and New York.

At Port of Spain, Oct 3, str Ocamo, Fraser, from St John and Halifax via Barbados, and sailed for Demerara.

At Barbados, Oct 14, sch Melba, Dodge, from Pernambuco.

BEACHY HEAD, Oct 23—Passed, str Ran, from Pictou, NS, Sydney, CB, and Wabana, Nfld., for Rotterdam.

MOVILLE, Oct 23—Ard, str Ionian, from Liverpool, for Montreal.

BIRKENHEAD, Oct 22—Sld, str Holmsea, for Dalhousie.

At Demerara, Oct 6, str Ocamo, Fraser, from St John and Halifax via West Indies and Trinidad (to sail 14th on return).

GLASGOW, Oct 24—Sld, str Corinthian, for Montreal.

INISTRAHULL, Oct 25—Passed, str Peruvian, from Halifax, NS, via St Johns, NF, for Liverpool.

MOVILLE, Oct 25—Ard, str Parisian, from Montreal and Quebec, for Liverpool (and proceeded).

GLASGOW, Oct 25—Ard, str Sardinian, for Montreal and Quebec, for Liverpool (and proceeded).

GLASGOW, Oct 23—Sld, str Araucania, for Lessport, NY.

LIVERPOOL, Oct 24—Sld, str Damara, for St Johns, NF, and Halifax.

Sailed.

From St Johns, Nfld, Oct 23, str Ulunda, from Liverpool for Halifax.

FOREIGN PORTS.

Arrived.

At Havana, Oct 21, bark Mary A Law, Wetmore, from Philadelphia.

At Montevideo, Sept 14, bark Stranger, McKay, from Bridgewater, NS.

At Portsmouth, Oct 20, schs Hope Haynes, from St George; Alma, from Port Reading.

At Delaware Breakwater, Del, Oct 21, ship Brynhilda, from Iloilo; sch Fortuna, from Philadelphia, for Boston.

SALEM, Oct 23—Ard, schs Mary F Pike, from Dennysville, for Eddysville; Rowena, from St John, NB, for New Bedford; H M Stanley, from Boston, for St John, NB.

PORTLAND, Oct 23—Ard, schs Josephine, from Bear River, NS, for New York.

Cld, str Tauric, for Liverpool; sch Jesse Hart 2nd, for Calais and New York.

CITY ISLAND, Oct 23—Bound south, bark Cuba, from Windsor, NS, for Newburg; schs H H Kitchener, from Tusket, NS; Millie Mace, from do; Bluenose, from Windsor, NS; Aldine, from St John, NB; Frank and Ira, from do; Manuel R Curza, from St John; Baden Powell, from Chatham; Emilie I White, from Stonington; Morancy, from Ship Harbor, NS.

BOSTON, Oct 23—Ard, strs Sylvania, from Liverpool; Halifax, from Halifax, NS; schs Annie Harper, from St John, NB; Viola May, from Calais.

Sld, strs Lancastrian, for London; Stf, for Louisburg, CB; Prince Arthur, for Yarmouth, NS.

BOOTHBAY HARBOR, Oct 23—Ard, schs Chas E Sears, from Calais; Falmouth, from Windsor.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct 23—Ard, schs Frank W Benedict, from Windsor, NS; Lottie R Russell, from Shulee, NS; Wm Marshall, from St John, NB, via Boothbay Harbor.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass, Oct 23—Ard, and sld, sch Susie Prescott, from Providence for St John, NB.

Ard, schs T W Allen, from New Bedford, for Calais; Roanoke, from Halifax, NS., for Stamford, Conn.

Sld, schs Andrew Peters, from Bayonne, for Eastport; Reporter, from Port Johnson, for St John, NB; J L Colwell, from Providence, for do; Priscilla, from Stonington, for do; Laura C Hall, from Providence, for Provincetown and Bathurst, NB; Scotia Queen, from Elizabethport, for Wolfville; Golden Rule, from New York, for St John; St Croix, from Jersey City, for Bangor; C B Wood, from Port Reading, for do; Elwood Burton, from St George, for Portland.

Passed, sch Swanhilda, from Edgewater, for Yarmouth, NS.

At Delaware Breakwater, Oct 21, ship Brynhilda, from Iloilo.

At Manila, Oct 23, str Himera, Lockhart, from Newcastle, NSW.

At Philadelphia, Oct 22, bark St Peter, Hascal, from New York.

At Bangor, Oct 22, sch Lizzie D Small, from Port Johnson.

At New York, Oct 22, brig Dixon Rice, Belleveau, from Baracoa; schs Potomac, Page, from San Blas; Clarence A Shaffner, Kennedy, from San Domingo City; J K Dawson, Emeno, from Baracoa; Charles L Jaffrey, Theall, from Stonington.

BOSTON, Oct 24—Ard, str Prince George, from Yarmouth, NS; schs Neva, from Bear River, NS; Manhattan, from Bridgewater, NS.

Sld, strs Saxonia, for Liverpool; Halifax, for Halifax, NS.

BOSTON, Oct 25—Ard, strs Prince Arthur, from Yarmouth, NS; schs Valdare, Anthony, from Bear River, NS; Josephine, from do; R Carson, from St Martins, NB; Annie, from Salmon River, NS; B B Hardwick, from Annapolis, NS.

Sld, str Prince George, for Yarmouth, NS.

PROVIDENCE, RI, Oct 25—Sld, sch S A Fownes, for St John.

CITY ISLAND, NY, Oct 24—Bound south, sch Hugh John, from Hubbard's Cove and Sea Cliff.

CITY ISLAND, Oct 25—Bound south, schs Edna, from Teneny Cape, NS; Marjorie Sumner, from Bathurst, NB.

BOOTHBAY HARBOR, Me, Oct 24—Sld, sch Beatrice, for Chatham, NB.

PROVINCETOWN, Mass, Oct 24—Ard, schs Priscilla, from Stonington, Conn, for St John; J L Colwell, from Providence for do; Laura C Hall, from Providence for Bathurst, NB.

NEW HAVEN, Conn, Oct 24—Ard, str Franconia, from Sydney, CB.

PORTLAND, Me, Oct 24—Ard, sch Brenton, from Meteghan, NS.

Sld, Oct 25, strs Tauric, for Liverpool; Hilda, for Parrsboro, NS; schs George S Walcott and Oakley C Curtis, for Philadelphia.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass, Oct 24—Returned, schs Scotia Queen, from Elizabethport for Wolfville, NS; Susie Prescott, from Providence for St John.

Sld, schs Roanoke, from Halifax for Stamford, Conn.

Sch Scotia Queen lost her starboard anchor and 12 fathoms of chain while anchored off Bass River during the fresh northerly wind this morning. She returned here and procured another.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass, Oct 25—Ard, schs Decorra, from Providence for Machias; Annie Gus, for Calais; Union, for St John.

Returned, sch C B Wood, from Port John for Rockland.

At Wilmington, NC, Oct 23, sch Lillie, Davis, from Port Spain, Trinidad.

At Bangor, Me, Oct 22, sch Lizzie D Small, from Port Johnson; 23rd, schs Menawa, from New York; Ann Louise Lockwood, from do.

Aa Bourgas, Bulgaria, Oct 16, str Usher, Cann, from Palermo.

Cleared.

At Boston, Oct 21, schs Lizzie Dyas, Walter, for Port Gilbert; Pardon G Thompson, McLean, for St John.

At New York, Oct 21, bark St Peter, Godfrey, for Philadelphia.

At Boston, Oct 22, sch Exception, for Axim, WCA.

At New York, Oct 2, schs Alcaca, Zinck, for Macoris; D J Melanson, Leblanc, for Jacksonville; Zeta, Lecain, for Carteret; I N Parker, Lipset, for South Amboy; Lavonia, Pettis, for Port Greville; E Merriam, Hatfield, for Windsor.

At New York, Oct 22, schs Laura, Innes, for Lego, WCA; Alice Maud, Howx, for South Amboy; Gypsum Queen, Carmichael, for Windsor; 24th, bgt G B Lockhart, Sheridan, for Curacoa; sch St Bernard, Burgess, for Elizabethport; barges J B King and Co No 20, Monroe, and Lizzie Burrill, Harvey, for Windsor.

At Boston, Oct 24, bark Belmont, Ladd, for Buenos Ayres.

Sailed.

From City Island, Oct — sch Swanhilda, for Windsor.

From Bangor, Oct 23, sch Helen G King, for New York.

From Bridgeport, Oct 23, sch Union, bound east.

From Buenos Ayres, Sept 11, sch W N Zwicker, Emeno, for Montevideo and New York.

From City Island, Oct 23, sch Lavonia, Pettis, for Port Greville.

MEMORANDA.

Passed Cape Race, Nfld, Oct 17, str Pydna, from Chatham, NB, for Sharpness.

In port at Buenos Ayres, Sept 16, barks Bristol, Lawrence and Luarca, Burgess, for New York, Lakeside, Fancy, for Delagoa Bay; sch W N Zwicker, Emeno, for Montevideo and New York.

Passed N Port Mulgrave, NS, Oct 16, sch Harry Knowlton, Henderson, from Halifax, for Bathurst, NB, and Philadelphia.

Passed Sydney Light, NS, Oct 22, strs Melville, Symonds, from Cape Town for Sydney; Louisburg, Gould, from Sydney for Halifax.

Passed down at Reedy Island, Del, Oct 20, sch Fortuna, from Philadelphia for Boston.

Anchored off Reedy Island, Oct 20, brig Venturer, from Philadelphia for Campecho, Mexico.

Returned to Portsmouth, Oct 20, sch Manuel R Curza, from St John, for New York.

In port at Port Spain, Oct 8, bark Abeona, Matson, from Sierra Leone, arrived Sept 30, for New York.

From Fernandina, Oct 22, sch Lilian Blauvelt, Goodwin, for Teneriffe.

From Bangor, Oct 23, sch C R Flint, for New York.

From Savannah, Oct 2, bark Sidonia, Marshall, for Rio Grande do Sul.

Passed down at Quebec, Oct 18, str Concordia, Webb, from Montreal for Glasgow.

Passed out at Cape Henry, Oct 22, str Herald, for Annapolis.

Passed Sydney Light, Oct 24, str Hestia, Ferguson, from Sydney for New Haven; 23rd, str Melville, Jones, from Sydney for Montreal.

In port at Matanzas, Oct 17, bark Hattie G Dixon, Shanks for Philadelphia with scrap iron.

Awaiting orders at Delaware Breakwater, Oct 24, ship Brynhilda, Meikle, from Iloilo.

SPOKEN.

Bark Alert, from Digby, for Buenos Ayres, Oct 17, lat 42.37, lon 61.50.

Ship Owneet, from Delagoa Bay for Liverpool, Oct 12, lat 56.16, lon 12.47.

Bark Cedarbank, from Iquique for Baltimore, Oct 18, lat 27.42 N, lon 63.04 W.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

PORTLAND, Me, Oct 19—Capt Bunker of the sch Gea E Walcott, arriving here Sunday, reports having passed when off Boon Island what appeared to be a black can buoy adrift. The buoy was numbered 6, but Capt Bunker could not locate it on his chart.

The spar is in the direct path of south bound vessels and is dangerous to navigation. It is thought that this is the same obstacle that Capt Bragg, of the North Star, reported last Friday afternoon.

NEW YORK, Oct 23—The Lighthouse Inspector of the Third district gives notice that on Oct 20, 1903, the obstruction buoy placed to mark a pile of stone accidentally dumped from a scow at the junction of the Swash and main ship channels, New York lower bay, on July 7, 1903, was withdrawn, the obstruction having been removed.

Reports.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass, Oct 21—Sch Sainte Marie, from Musquodoboit, for New York, sailed today for destination after making temporary repairs to her sails which were damaged in a recent gale.

Sch Morancy, from Ship Harbor, NS, for New York, passed here this afternoon with loss of her jibboom.

THE MARKETS.

COUNTRY MARKETS.

Wholesale.

Turnips, per bbl	0 70	"	0 00
Beets, per bbl	1 00	"	0 00
Canadian beef	0 07	"	0 08
Beef, butchers', carcass	0 07	"	0 08
Beef, country, quarter	0 04	"	0 06
Lamb, carcass	0 06½	"	0 00
Mutton, per lb	0 04	"	0 05
Veal, per lb	0 06	"	0 07
Pork, carcass	0 06½	"	0 07
Shoulders, per lb	0 12	"	0 00
Ham, per lb	0 13	"	0 15
Roll butter, per lb	0 20	"	0 22
Tub butter, per lb	0 15	"	0 18
Turkey, per lb	0 14	"	0 16
Eggs, case, per doz	0 17	"	0 18
Fowl, per pair	0 50	"	0 70
Chickens	0 50	"	0 80
Carrots, per bbl	1 00	"	0 00
Potatoes, per bbl	0 90	"	1 10
Hides, per lb	0 06	"	0 07
Calfskins, per lb	0 10	"	0 00
Sheepskins	0 40	"	0 00
Cabbage, native, per doz	0 40	"	0 60
Squash, per lb	0 01	"	0 00
Tomatoes, per lb	0 02	"	0 05

Retail.

Beef, corned, per lb	0 10	"	0 12
Pork, per lb, fresh	0 12	"	0 14
Pork, salt, per lb	0 10	"	0 14
Ham per lb	0 15	"	0 18
Bacon, per lb	0 16	"	0 20
Tripe, per lb	0 08	"	0 10
Butter (dairy), rolls	0 22	"	0 25
Butter, (tubs)	0 18	"	0 20
Lard, per lb	0 16	"	0 00
Eggs, case	0 20	"	0 22
Eggs, henery, per doz	0 25	"	0 28
Onions, per lb	0 04	"	0 05
Beets, per peck	0 20	"	0-00
Carrots, per peck	0 20	"	0 00
Cabbage, each	0 06	"	0 08
Squash, per lb	0 02	"	0 00
Turnips, per peck	0 16	"	0 00
Potatoes, per peck	0 20	"	0 00
Fowl, per pair	0 75	"	1 00
Turkey, per lb	0 18	"	0 20
Chickens	0 70	"	1 00
Ducks	0 90	"	1 25

FISH.

Large dry cod	4 25	"	4 35
Medium	4 25	"	4 85
Small cod	3 00	"	0 00
Finnen haddies	0 06	"	0 00
Gd. Manan herring, hf bbls	2 40	"	2 50
Bay herring, hf bbls	2 25	"	2 30
Cod, fresh	0 05½	"	0 06
Pollock	2 25	"	2 30
Smoked herring	0 12	"	0 00

GROCERIES.

Cheese, per lb	0 12	"	0 12½
Rice, per lb	0 03½	"	0 03½
Cream of tartar, pure, bxs	0 23	"	0 24
Cream of tartar, pure, bbls	0 23	"	0 00
Bicarb soda, per keg	1 70	"	1 75
Sal sola, per lb	0 00½	"	0 01½
Molasses—			
Porto Rico, new	0 42	"	0 44
Barbados	0 00	"	0 38
New Orleans (tierces)	0 29	"	0 36
Sugar.			
Standard granulated, yellow bright, yellow, equalized rates.			
Barbados, per lb	0 03½	"	0 03¾
Paris lumps, per box	0 00	"	0 00
Pulverized sugar	0 05	"	0 05¼
Coffee—			
Java, per lb., green	0 34	"	0 36
Jamaica, per lb	0 24	"	0 25
Salt—			
Liverpool, ex vessel	0 00	"	0 00
Liverpool, per sack, ex store	0 60	"	0 62
Liverpool butter salt, per bag, factory filled	0 95	"	1 00
Spices—			
Nutmegs, per lb	0 50	"	0 70
Cassia, per lb, ground	0 18	"	0 20
Cloves, whole	0 15	"	0 18
Cloves, ground	0 21	"	0 24
Ginger, ground	0 15	"	0 20
Pepper, ground	0 18	"	0 21
Tea—			
Congou, per lb, finest	0 22	"	0 23
Congou, per lb, common	0 15	"	0 50
Oolong, per lb	0 30	"	0 40
Tobacco—			
Black chewing	0 45	"	0 64
Bright, chewing	0 45	"	0 74
Smoking	0 45	"	0 74

FRUITS, ETC.

Currants, per lb	0 06	"	0 06¼
Currants, per lb, cleaned	0 07	"	0 07½
Dried apples	0 04¼	"	0 04½
Grenoble walnuts	0 14	"	0 15
Alicondas	0 13½	"	0 14
California prunes	0 05	"	0 08
Filberts	0 10	"	0 11
Brazils	0 13	"	0 14
Pecans	0 14	"	0 15
Dates, lb. pkg	0 06	"	0 07
Dates, new	0 04½	"	0 05
Beef tongue, per lb	0 18	"	0 00
Peanuts, roasted	0 09	"	0 10
New figs	0 12	"	0 13
Bag figs, per lb	0 04	"	0 05
Malaga London layers	1 80	"	2 00
Malaga clusters	2 75	"	4 00
Malaga, black, baskets	2 15	"	2 25
Malaga, Connoisseur, clusters	2 10	"	2.25
Jamaica oranges, per bbl	4 00	"	0 00
Onions, Canadian	3 40	"	3 60
Onions, Spanish, per case	1 00	"	0 00
Raisins, Sultana, new	0 00	"	0 00
Raisins, Valencia, new	0 00	"	0 00
Bananas	1 00	"	2 25
Lemons, Messina, per box	4 50	"	5 00
Cocoanuts, per sack	3 00	"	3 25
Cocoanuts, per doz	0 00	"	0 60
Evaporated apricots	0 12	"	0 13
Evaporated peaches (new)	0 10	"	0 12
Apples, evaporated	0 06¼	"	0 06½
New apples	2 00	"	3 00

PROVISIONS.

American clear pork	18 00	"	20 00
American mess pork	0 00	"	0 00
Pork, domestic	18 00	"	19 00
Canadian plate beef	12 50	"	13 00
American plate beef	13 50	"	14 50
Lard, compound	0 09½	"	0 10½
Lard, pure	0 10	"	0 11

FLOUR, ETC.

Cornmeal	2 70	"	2 80
Manitoba	5 15	"	5 20
Canadian high grade	4 60	"	4 65
Medium Patents	4 30	"	4 40
Oatmeal	4 15	"	4 40
Middlings, small lots, bag'd	24 00	"	25 00
Bran, car lots	21 00	"	22 00
Bran, small lots, bag'd	22 50	"	23 00

GRAIN, ETC.

Hay, pressed, car lots	11 00	"	12 00
Oats (Ontario), car lots	0 40	"	0 00
Beans (Canadian, h. p.	2 15	"	2 20
Beans, prime	2 05	"	2 10
Beans, yellow eye	2 05	"	2 10
Split peas	5 20	"	5 25
Pot barley	4 40	"	4 50

OILS.

Pratt's Astral	0 21	"	0 22
"White Rose" and Chester "A"	0 20	"	0 21
"High Grade Sarnia" and "Arcohlight"	0 19½	"	0 20½
"Silver Star"	0 19	"	0 20
Linseed oil, raw	0 00	"	0 54
Linseed oil, boiled	0 00	"	0 57
Turpentine	0 00	"	0 85
Seal oil (steam refined)	0 00	"	0 59
Olive oil (commercial)	0 00	"	0 95
Castor oil (com'cial), per lb	0 08½	"	0 09
Extra lard oil	0 78	"	0 85
Extra No. 1	0 65	"	0 70

Retail.

Cod and haddock, per lb	0 04	"	0 05
Smelts, fresh, per lb	0 06	"	0 10
Boneless codfish	0 12	"	0 00
Kippered herring, per doz	0 20	"	0 00

THE SMALLPOX PEST.

Dr. Ryan to Go on Duty at McAdam at Once.

Dr. Ryan on Saturday went on duty at McAdam Junction to as health officer in warding off the smallpox which threatens to reach New Brunswick from infected towns in Maine. Dr. E. B. Fisher of Marysville, secretary of the provincial board of health, received a telegram from Dr. Montizambert of Ottawa, director general of public health, stating that, in compliance with Dr. Fisher's request, the minister of agriculture had reappointed Dr. Ryan to the duty at McAdam. Dr. Ryan was stationed there during a former outbreak of smallpox. Dr. Fisher has requested the officer to report as early as possible.

A letter from Madawaska states that Victoria county is free from smallpox at present, but in Madawaska county it is on the increase. There are five or six cases at St. Basil, several at Green River and at St. Leonards. There is not sufficient precaution taken to prevent the spreading of the disease. In Aroostook county (Me.), where smallpox was so prevalent last winter, there is not a case now.

MORTIMER DURAND.

British Knight Who Likes Americans to Succeed Sir Herbert as Ambassador.

Promoted From the Court of Madrid—Noted Diplomat and Lawyer, a Protege of Lord Salisbury—His Wife in Delicate Health.

LONDON, Oct. 24.—Sir (Henry) Mortimer Durand has been appointed British ambassador to the United States to succeed the late Sir Michael Herbert. His appointment astonishes diplomatic circles, since Sir Mortimer as he is called, having dropped the Henry, is not a foreign office man.

He was imported into the diplomatic service from the Indian civil service, where he attained a high position.

Sir Mortimer was a protege of the late Lord Salisbury, whose exalted opinion of his diplomatic skill was based on his conduct with Russia in the delicate matter of the Afghan boundary delimitation.

His father was an eminent general in India, but Durand has none of the social pull which tells so largely in determining big diplomatic appointments

AN ASTUTE DIPLOMAT.

Sir Mortimer was minister to Teheran before he was appointed to his present post as the ambassador at Madrid. He was considered in St. Petersburg the most astute diplomat Great Britain ever sent to Teheran. He has often expressed a great liking for Americans, and has had a desire to receive an appointment to the United States.

His promotion comes more or less in the ordinary course of diplomatic changes, but one of the strongest recommendations that appealed to foreign secretary Lansdowne was his reputation as an excellent lawyer. He was called to the bar in 1872. A similar qualification had much to do with the appointment to this country of the late Lord Pauncefote.

Sir Mortimer left London yesterday for Madrid, where, at his own desire, he will personally announce his promotion. He will then go to the United States without delay. The official announcement of the appointment will not be made until Monday, when the king will sign Sir Mortimer's commission.

LADY DURAND

Is not very strong, but it is hoped that the American climate will benefit her health and enable her completely to fulfil her duties as hostess of the British embassy.

Their daughter is much liked in Madrid society. Their only son is an officer in a Lancers regiment.

Sir Henry Howard, the British minister at The Hague and Luxemburg, and Sir Nicholas O'Conor, the British ambassador at Constantinople, were among others considered for the post. But Sir Mortimer Durand was finally selected as the most suitable.

Sir Mortimer is an expert shot and had many adventures with big game while hunting in India, where he was closely connected with Lord Roberts, serving as his political secretary during the famous Cabul campaign.

Sir Mortimer who was born in 1850, is a son of the late Major-Gen. Sir Henry Durand. He married in 1875 Ella Reve, daughter of Teignmouth Sandys, of the British civil service. Sir Mortimer was appointed to the British privy council in 1901. He is the author of a life of his father, Sir Henry Durand, and of Helen Treveryan.

IMPORTANT MOVE IN BANK CIRCLES.

The Metropolitan May Unite With the Halifax Bank.

Mr. Stairs' Scheme—His Alliance Bank Has Already Acquired the People's Bank of Halifax.

(Toronto News.)

A very important move in banking circles is being discussed in Toronto today, by which it is possible that the Metropolitan Bank may become part of a vast banking syndicate having operations throughout Eastern Canada. In June last a charter was secured by John F. Stairs, R. E. Harris, George E. Boak and Graham Fraser of Halifax, and Alex. Gibson, jr., M. P., of Marysville, New Brunswick, for a corporation to be known as the Alliance Bank of Canada. Power was given to acquire and amalgamate with other banks, and the authorized capital was placed at five million dollars. Mr. Stairs, who is a well known Halifax capitalist, was at the head and front of the group which obtained the charter, and although it was strongly opposed by certain members it was finally granted. The first step taken by the new corporation was to secure control of the People's Bank of Halifax, a concern which, according to banking returns for 1902, has a paid-up capital of $700,000. The News was informed by a well known Toronto financier that Mr. Stairs now controls about seventy-five per cent. of the capital stock. The founders of the new Alliance Bank have of late been trying to form an amalgamation with some bank in the province of Ontario, and negotiations are today on foot with the Metropolitan Bank to this end. Mr. Stairs' confidential adviser, W. M. Aiken, arrived in Toronto some ten days ago, and discussed the proposition. Yesterday morning Mr. Stairs and Mr. Aiken arrived in Toronto, and have since been discussing terms.

FOUR DROWNED

In the Harbor of Portland, Maine—Deaths for Which U. S. Navy is Largely Responsible.

PORTLAND, Me., Oct. 25.—Three men belonging to the U. S. transport Kilpatrick and a Portland man were drowned in the outer harbor last night. The victims were a sergeant of one of the companies on board the ship, the captain's cabin boy, a ship's carpenter, and Fred Staniford of Portland, a man about 28 years of age, who was employed at the fish market of Quincy Dyer on Portland pier. The names of the soldiers were not known.

So far as can be learned the affair was not reported to anyone on shore by any of the officers of the ship before she sailed at 6 o'clock this morning for New York with two companies of Coast Artillery for Fort Schuyler. What is known here about the affair was learned from Capt. A. W. Yates of the U. S. quartermaster's department, stationed in this city. Capt. and Mrs. Yates were on board the transport when the accident occurred. According to the story told by them, a man from the city came up to the transport, which was anchored off Fort Georges, about 6 o'clock last evening, with a party of soldiers from shore. He had started to leave, when he was asked if he would not take another party ashore, and consented. He took the men into the boat, but so heavily was she loaded that on leaving the ship she took in water and sank almost immediately. It was dark, but boats were lowered and an attempt made to pick up the men who were struggling in the water. When all who could be found were on board it was learned that the three soldiers were missing. The man who had charge of the boat was also lost.

At Dyer's fish market it was stated that Staniford volunteered to take the men down to the ship for $1.50, and borrowed one of Mr. Dyer's boats to do so.

JOE HOWE DICKSON

Of Albert Co., Says Canada Don't Want Annexation.

(November, U. S. National Magazine.)

We like our institutions, which are formed after the pattern of those of the motherland as nearly as the circumstances will permit. Under them we enjoy the greatest possible freedom in the exercise of the rights and privileges of self-government, with the minimum of restriction and expense. Our laws are most ample for the punishment of crime and for the protection and security of the civil rights of the people.

While there is much to admire in the way our republican neighbors administer their affairs, yet there are many things that do not commend themselves to our more conservative people. The disturbance to business caused by presidential elections; the election of judges, and the facility of the divorce laws, are all matters that we think we do well in having avoided. The negro problem, too, with its lawless lynchings, which must result either from defective laws or the inability of the authorities to enforce them, is a blot upon the national escutcheon with which Canadians would not care to be identified.

There was a time, perhaps, in our history when our destiny seemed somewhat obscured, and men of sense and ability differed as to what it should be; but that day has gone by. Our ambitions are in the direction of closer relationship with that great empire, which, although her flag "for a thousand years has braved battle and the breeze," and floats over 400,000,000 subjects, is yet in its infancy. All our efforts are directed toward the unity of the British empire now in progress and of which we feel that, in the words of the Right Honorable Joseph Chamberlain, recently uttered, "United we can become the greatest empire in history and the greatest blessing to the universe."

EUGENE WAS BORN NOT EUGENIE.

But Now Eugene Cannot Marry; He Must Prove He's Not Eugenie.

PARIS, Oct. 24.—The town clerk of Crauzille was thoughtless one day away back in 1878. Tortured by love or a toothache, preoccupied by debts or a rendezvous, mister the clerk wrote in Crauzille's civil register:

"Born, this day, a child, Eugenie Sauxanet, parents"——

Concerning the parents it matters not. The clerk should have written: "Born, a child, Eugene"—not "Eugenie."

All unconscious of the clerical error, the child grew up and every one caled him Eugene. Necessarily. When he was old enough he was conscripted and served his military term, as the army is not particular about first names.

Being a handsome man a young girl fell in love with him and he with her. Everything had been arranged. Mademoiselle Marie's papa and mamma had consented, the amount of the little dot had been fixed, pere and mere Sauvanet were delighted——

Then the wondrous marriage law of France came into play. Spinning red tape by the metre the law examined the civil register of Crauzille and discovered that Eugenie, not Eugene, Sauvenet was born that day in 1878.

"How is it possible for Eugenie to marry Marie?" asked the law, enveloping itself in red tape authority.

Now the wedding dress is put away in lavender. Mademoiselle dissolves herself in tears. It remains for Eugene to prove to the law that it is Eugene and not Eugenie who burns to marry. And it will take several months to prove this, grace to the law's red tape.

WOLFVILLE AND ACADIA.

WOLFVILLE, Oct. 26.—Ulisses G. Bigelow, son of J. W. Bigelow, died on Friday at his home in New Britain, Conn., of typhoid fever. His remains were brought to Wolfville on Monday for interment. He leaves two brothers, James and Horace, who are at present in Wolfville, and two sisters, Mrs. Edgar Whidden and Mrs. S. Whidden, both of Antigonish, and a young wife, formerly Miss Louise Cowin of Wolfville, well known as an accomplished vocalist.

Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Haley, who were staying in Wolfville for a few days, have returned to St. John. Mrs. Haley has been visiting her old home in Yarmouth. Miss Muriel Haley is a member of the Acadia senior class.

An old and much respected resident of this town, Mrs. Brown, wife of the late Frederick Brown, a well known business man, died this week at the hospital in Ottawa, where she had resided for the last year. Her remains were brought here for interment in the Episcopal cemetery.

Calvin Bishop, who has bene spending a few weeks in St. John and other points, has returned to his home in Kentville.

Mrs. Messenger, wife of the late Lewis Messenger, who was killed in August by the express from Halifax, and family will come from Canard to Wolfville for the winter. Miss Messenger is a member of the college.

Miss L. Jewett of St. John is visiting friends here for a few weeks.

On account of the great demand it is very difficult for the orchardists to obtain barrels for their apples. Many are placing their apples in bins for the time being.

The Wolfville Protection Co. was caleld up at three o'clock Thursday night to render assistance in extinguishing a rather serious fire at Port Williams. The barrel factory, several small houses and barns and the large house of Silas Gates were burned.

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