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ST. JOHN IS SORRY TOO.

Evangelical Alliance Expresses Regret at Dr. Caven's Death.

The regular monthly meeting of the Evangelical Alliance, was held this morning in the Y. M. C. A. parlors. There were present. Revs. W. S. Pritchard, Dr. Wilson, S. Howard, J. W. A. Nicholson, A. J. Prosser, A. B. Cohoe, C. Burnett, D Lang, Dr. G. O. Gates, Dr. Fotheringham, J. A. Clarke, C. W. Hamilton, David Long, B. N Nobles, H. V. Marr, M. S. Trafton, R. W. Ferguson, T. H. Marshall, John C. Coleman, and J. C. B. Appel.

On motion, it was decided to hold the week-of-prayer, January 1st. to 8th. A discussion followed as to the best method of holding it, and a resolution was passed that the preachers in the south end be notified to make arrangements for their section. The north and west ends to do likewise. On motion, a resolution was passed expressing the sympathy of the alliance with the family of the late Principal Caven in their recent bereavement. The resolution was as follows:

The St. John branch of the Evangelical Alliance desires to express its sense of the great loss sustained by the interests of evangelical religion by the death of Principal Caven, of Knox, College, Toronto. In him the cause of church union found an able and devoted advocate. As president of the Lord's Day Alliance, he spared no pains in furthering, by voice and pen, the effort to preserve the sanctity of the Christian Sabbath. He is a life-long abstainer and his last communication to the public, through the press, was an appeal to both political conventions, meeting in Toronto, to adopt such a policy on the subject of temperance as would effectually close the public bar-room in Ontario. In him evangelical truth found a broad-minded but uncompromising defender. No one man can quite fill the gap which his removal has made.

The Alliance would respectfully tender its sincere sympathy to the bereaved family and pray that they may be sustained in their great trial."

Rev. D. Lang, read a paper on Biblical Teaching concerning the Holy Spirit. A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Lang from the Alliance.

The alliance adjourned to Monday next, to hear the report of the committee on the week of prayer.

EXPOSING A HOODOO.

"I think Sir Walter Scott is largely responsible for the superstition as to opals," said the travelling salesman of jewellry. "Be that as it may it is still widespread. There is a large jewellery house in one of the big cities which will not handle opals. This means a loss of thousands of dollars annually. The founder of the house put a bar on opals and the third generation is keeping it up.

"I was behind the counter of a house in the East, A lady came in, and, handing me a breastpin set with opals, said:

" 'Mr. Jones, what will you give me for these stones? They are an heirloom in my husband's family, but since they have come into my possession my husband and I have had nothing but misfortune. We have lost our residence by fire; there has been sickness in the family all the time, and he is experiencing business reverses. I must get rid of the opals; so make me an offer for them.'

" 'Madam,' I said, 'are you sure that your troubles are due to them?'

" 'Oh, perfectly sure.'

" 'You cannot think of any other cause?'

" 'No, make me an offer, please.'

" 'Madam,' I replied, deferentially, I regret to inform you that those stones are imitations.' "

FAMINE IN RUSSIA.

Okhotsk, Russia, Dec. 3.—A severe faminine prevails in the district of Gischiga owing to the small catch this year, and the failure of the arrival of two steamers loaded with provisions. The authorities propose despatching relief sledges drawn by reindeer and dogs, but it is doubtful whether this will be a success. Mails sent thence by these means last winter did not get through.

Two coal steamers arrived in port today from Nova Scotia. The Baines Hawkins, from Fort Hood. C. B., with 785 tons and the Cape Breton, from Louisburg, C. B. with about 2,000 tons of coal. The latter is discharging at the new Robertson wharf and the Hawkins at the government pier.

The secretary of the associated charities reports that there is at present comparatively little destitution in the city; but there is a good deal of sickaess; but not of a very serious character.

British barkentine Hornet Captain McLennal arrived at Havana last Friday from Mobile. Schooner Helen E. King, Captain McLean, arrived at Gulfport last Friday from Havana.

Jack Bustin who has been studying at Wolfville Academy, returned home on Saturday night, to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents.

In the six-day bicycle race in New York today, Patrick Keegan of Lowell, was seriously and perhaps fatally injured.

Steamer Flushing Captain Farris with coal barge No. 6. in tow arrived in port this morning.

The case of Beverly vs Hannington will be resumed at the police court on Friday next.

MR. RUSSELL'S REPLY TO CHARGES AGAINST HIM.

Four Members of Government and Several Newspapers Will be Called on to Retract Scandalous Statements Made Relative to Him and the Daily Telegraph.

Montreal, Dec. 5.—(Special.)—The Gazette today publishes the following letter from David Russell:

"A few days ago a certain irresponsible journal in Ottawa published an article in which I was subjected to an extremely scurrilous and entirely unwarranted attack. It is quite apparent to me that this attack was inspired, and the article prompted, by people not directly concerned in the publication of this obscure sheet, whose editor probably desired the notoriety resulting from a criminal trial. For this reason I saw no necessity for making any public statement at that time in connection with the matter touched upon. However, as this article has now been reproduced by a Toronto paper of some prominence, I find that the time has come for me to take the necessary steps to refute the libellous charges made against me, to vindicate my character, and to disprove fully and completely the insinuations against my honor.

"It is quite true that there are several contractors among the shareholders of the Abbey Effervescent Salt Company, but all the shares of this company that have been sold to the public, have been disposed of for working capital. I have not only, not sold any of my own stock, but moreover have at the present time more than $100,000 of my own money actually invested in this enterprise.

"Although I have been actively connected with the directorate of this company since the business was first established in Canada seven years ago, I have never in all that time received any remuneration for services rendered, and have not even been reimbursed for actual expenditure for travelling expenses to and from New York and London, in connection with the company's business. These facts will be laid before the general meeting of the share-holders to be held in London in February. When the company's accounts are laid before the shareholders they will prove that the business has been honestly administered since its inception, and managed not in my interests, but in those of the shareholders. There is nothing to hide in any of my transactions.

"As regards the St. John Daily Telegraph, the statement that I acquired this property improperly is absolutely untrue. When I formed the present Telegraph Company. I was joined by a number of prominent citizens of St. John, and there were also a number of subscribers from other parts of Canada, who subscribed from interested motives, as it was understood that The Telegraph would become the organ of the liberal party in New Brunswick.

"One or two of these subscribers paid their subscriptions in cash; the others gave me their notes, which I discounted at my bank.

These notes were not paid by the promisers but by myself, and are now in my possession, and when the policy of the paper was changed by me I repurchased from the then shareholders all the outstanding stock excepting that of two small shareholders in New Brunswick, who each held $500 and declined my offer.

"Besides these two men, there is only $21,000 of Telegraph stock that has not been paid for by me, and this consists of two subscriptions of $15,000 and $6,000 respectively, and these subscribers were duly notified that their certificates will be issued them at any time they may wish.

"It will thus be seen that I personally am the owner by actual purchase of the large majority of the stock of the company, and when I changed the policy of the paper and requested the government to withdraw its patronage. I was dealing in an absolutely legitimate manner with a business proposition in which my own interests were those chiefly involved.

"It is my intention to request the liberal leaders to appoint an auditor to investigate and confirm the statements I have made here, and it will probably be somewhat of a surprise to the Premier and others that a number of men were enjoying the credit of assisting in the establishment of the St. John Telegraph, who as a matter of fact never contributed one dollar.

"All the vouchers and papers in this connection are at the disposal of the proper parties for examination, and as soon as their report has been drawn up, I shall exact retractions not only from those journals that have published these extraordinary and foundationless statements but also from no less than four members of the Laurier administration, who have made themselves parties to the dissemination of this scandalous libel.

"Yours faitnfully,

(Signed "DAVID RUSSELL."

Montreal, Dec. 4.

Editor Telegraph, St. John—I have just read an article in the Manitoba Free Press, which prints an interview with Henry R. Emmerson, in Ottawa, in which he speaks of two Americans who were in New York when he was there just before the Canadian elections, and who, he says, were after large Grand Trunk contracts. The two Americans referred to by Mr. Emmerson, who "were after large Grand Trunk contracts." were Dr. E. J. C. Kennedy, a well known physician of Montreal, and Mr. John Good, bookkeeper in my office in the Windsor Hotel. Emmerson should certainly be on the Pinkerton detective force with his man Friday.

(Signed DAVID RUSSELL.

ASKS FOR DAMAGES.

W. C. R. Allan the Plaintiff in Suit Against the City of St. John.

The city has another suit for damages on its hands, and the complainant in the present case is ex-ald W. C. Redman Allan. A summons was served on the city council today issued by the supreme court. It is said while Mr. Allan was driving along Douglas Avenue some time ago, his horse plunged into an alleged unprotected sewer and was injured. Hence the action.

LATE PERSONALS.

S. J. Sturgis, of Moncton, is in the city today en route to his home in Greene Corner, Me., where he will spend the Christmas with his family. While in the city he is at the Grand Union.

M. McCarron, I. C. R. train despatcher at Gibson, N. B., is in the city, on his return from a visit to his family in Moncton. Mr. McCarron was for some years in the I. C. R. train despatcher's office at Moncton and when the Canada eastern was taken over by the I. C. R. Mr. McCarron was transferred from Moncton.

Miss Margaret J. Naves, who has been visiting for the last three months at Mrs. John Tobin's, Paradise Row, left this morning for her home in Brockton, Mass.

Jack Young, who has been playing with the Dailey Stock Company here received a telegram this morning stating that the scenery which the company was taking with them in their tour of Springhill, Amherst and Moncton, had not been forwarded. As it was too late to send it to Springhill in time for the performance he will probably send it to Amherst. The company will have to do without it tonight.

Charles Lavoie of Toronto, 4th vice-president of the tobacco workers International Union, is in the city. Mr. Lavoie is Canadian organizer for the Tobacco Workers' Union, and will address the different labor unions here.

WILL TAKE HIM BACK.

James Haughton, Deserting Soldier Will Return to Quebec Tonight.

James Houghton, who deserted from the Royal Canadian Garrison of Quebec, was brought before the magistrate this morning. He will be taken to Quebec on this evening's train.

Houghton absented himself from his company in August last when they were stationed at Fort Dufferin. He has been in or about the city since then, but the military authorities at Quebec were unable to locate him. It is said that his whereabouts was disclosed by his sweetheart.

Sergeant Adams and Private Wood arrived here on Saturday and will take him to Quebec on this evening's train.

Houghton expressed himself as perfectly willing to go.

REV. C. W. HAMILTON

Talks of Post Office Affair and Civic Matters.

In the course of his address on temperance in Union hall yesterday afternoon, in the W. C. T. U. course, Rev. C. W. Hamilton mentioned the recent post office disturbance, asserting that liquor was probably at the bottom of it.

Mr. Hamilton touched but briefly on the post office matter, merely claiming that there was reason for believing that strong drink was an important factor in it. He also hinted that the civic interests were shackled because of intemperance.

"The liquor trade," he said, "produces a most disastrous influence over our civic interests, and take that disgraceful thing which has been in the courts in our papers during the past week. I understand that the whole matter has grown out of the injurious influence of liquor."

Tonight at Brindley Street Salvation Army there will be a great united meeting of all City Corps. Service will be conducted by Adjt. Cooper.

THROUGH A STONE WALL.

Alleged Maine Burglars in Grand Falls Jail.

GET CLEAR AWAY.

They Were Suspected of Burglarizing a Store at Fort Fairfield ... Made Successful Break For Freedom Last Night.

Grand Falls, Dec. 5:—(Special)—The two alleged Maine burglars, who were arrested here Friday morning on suspicion of having burglarized, Edwards' store, in Fort Fairfield, Me., and stealing over $600, succeeded in escaping from the jail here, last night. Through a closet they worked their way to a cellar, with the aid of an iron bar, and then pried through a stone wall,: their movements were very quiet since the jailer heard no noise. On Saturday morning an information was laid against them before the Police Magistrate here charging them with bringing stolen money into Canada and they were remanded on that charge. Their preliminary examination was to take place at 2 p. m. today. Undoubtedly they would merely be held on this charge until an application was made for an extradition warrant. It is believed they received aid from their wives to make good their escape. Edmunston and outlying towns have been communicated with by telephone, to be on the lookout for the fugitives.

WILL MAKE TELEPHONES.

Combine Formed in Chicago With Capital of $700,000,000.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—The Chronicle today says: "A scheme which is the preliminary step to the organization of a gigantic telephone manufacturing combine involving capital estimated at $700,000,000 and which will put out of existence all independent telephone manufacturing companies in the country has come to light in Chicago with the announcement that the representative of an eastern syndicate is endeavoring to obtain options on several independent factories in the city and has obtained a few. Similar options are being sought from all the independent telephone manufacturing companies throughout the country with the object of forming a big combination of manufacturing telephone interests on about the same order as other large corporations such as the United States steel corporation, in order to eliminate competition in this line. W. J. Halands of Chicago who is said to represent eastern parties in the movement, declared that the proposed combination had proceeded so far that there was very little doubt its consummation.

THE DEATH ROLL.

J. P. Pollock.

Conductor John P. Pollock died in Halifax last evening at six o'clock. He contracted pneumonia about two weeks ago, but kept at his work until last Wednesday.

Truro, Dec. 5:—Special)—John B. Pollock, I. C. R. conductor died at his home here this morning after a short illness. Conductor Pollock returned on his regular trip last Thursday and complained of illness. Since that time he has gradually failed, death ensuing. He leaves a wife and family.

John B. Pollock was one of the best known men on the I. C. R. His geniality and affability made him a genial favorite on the I. C. R. For many years he ran between Truro and Moncton, but for some time has had charge of the night express between Halifax and St. John. Last Wednesday at the Victoria Hotel, in conversation with the writer Mr. Pollock complained of feeling unwell. He left for home on Wednesday night and since that time has been sinking His many friends all along the I. C. R. will regret to hear of his death.

The funeral will be conducted by the Brotherhood of Trainmen on Wednesday afternoon, from St. John's church. Conductor Pollock, was a son of the late Stephen Pollock, who lived in the early years, at Grand Lake, Yarmouth Co., later moving to Truro where he kept a hotel. The deceased began his career on the railway in 1880, as brakeman on the I. C. R., being advanced to the position of conductor in 1888. At the time of his death, he was a conductor on Nos. 9 and 10 trains between Halifax and St. John. He leaves a widow and four sons, viz' George of the firm of Angus & Pollock, John of the I. C. R. freight office. Howard, a brakeman on the I. C. R., and Bert, bookkeeper for Cummings & Sons, all of Truro. Conductor Pollock was one of the best and most highly respected officials in the train service. He was a consistent member of St John's Episcopal church.

Edward H. White.

Edward H. White, formerly of Moncton, but for the past five years a resident of Cambridge, Queens County died on Dec. 1 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Murray Flemming, Norwood (Mass.), in his eighty-first year. Mr. White was well known throughout this province.

Tomorrow is the 50th anniversary of the Y. M. C. A. Arrangements are being made by a committee, for a celebration to be held at a date to be fixed later.

A congregational meeting will be held in St Stephen's Church School room tomorrow evening to moderate in a call to a minister.

AGITATION FOR REFORM SPREADING OVER RUSSIA.

Mass Meetings Protest Against Bureaucratic Government and Call For Changes in Constitution, Freedom of Speech, Parliament and Other Changes...Passport Regulations.

London, Dec. 5.—A despatch from St. Petersburg to a news agency says: A remarkable meeting of a thousand persons, the cream of the Russian intelligent classes was held here Saturday night. Among those in attendance were Maxim Gorki, Somevsky the historian; Mme. Galino, the poetess; Mme. Shapi, the novelist and other writers. Numerous resolutions were adopted, demanding constitutional reforms, freedom of speech, a parliament, etc. A poem was read denouncing the bureaucracy for carrying on an unjust war in Manchuria. The meeting closed at three o'clock in the morning amid shouts of "Down with the autocracy."

St. Petersburg, Dec. 5:—The marked independence of the attitude of the various classes in the recent Zemstvo meeting is evidenced by the action of the bar association to-day on the occasion of the anniversary of the codification of the laws under Alexander II., The association assembled at the regular hall set apart for this purpose by the government but found the doors closed by order of the procuritor of the court of appeals corresponding with the attorney general. Thereupon, the three hundred members marched up Newsky Prospect to the town hall. There the president declined to preside, declaring that the meeting was illegal but the members refused to disperse, elected a chairman and passed a resolution censuring the procurator which will be officially lodged with interior minister Sviatopolk-Mirsky The association entered into a general discussion of the causes why many of the laws passed 40 years ago remained dead letters and adopted resolutions declaring that the laws could not be in living force and protect citizens against misrule, until the inviolibility of domicile and freedom of the press, conscience and association were guaranteed.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 5:—The commission which has been instituted to revise the passport regulations and to which the question of the recognition without discrimination of American passports has been referred by the foreign office has been enlarged and strengthened by the interior minister Sviatopolk-Mirsky, M. Malevesky Malavatch, succeeding Baron Tanbe as representative of the foreign office. The commission has not yet reached the question raised by the United States, The Novoe Vremya, discussing the subject contends that so long as the present Jewish laws are in force in the empire, it is impossible to grant foreign Jews greater privileges than are granted to native Jews. Besides, the paper argues, from the frequency of lynching and the general treatment of negroes, in the south there is more race prejudice in the United States than in Russia.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 5:—The celebration of the fortieth anniversary of the reform in the administration of Justice in Russia, was held at St. Petersburg, and Moscow today by a meeting of legal bodies. Resolutions were passed to the effect that the reforms could not be regarded as entirely satisfactory so long as guarantees of the inviolability of person and domicile, as well as freedom of the press and opinion, are withheld.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 5.—Great enthusiasm is expressed by the press over the appointment of M. Kutler to be assistant minister of the interior. his is the most important of Minister Sviatopolk-Mirsky's appointments so far. M. Kutler is a man of wide experience and has been identified with all the branches of peasant reform work. His appointment is expected to aid greatly to the progress of reforms among the working classes.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 5.—The lecture of Prince Temisheff in the hall of Jurisprudence Saturday evening, was vastly overcrowded. A thousand people entered the hall which is only capable of comfortably holding 800 and a big crowd overwhelmed the police outside. Lt Gen. Fulion, the chief of police ordered out detachments of cossacks and police. Many of the crowd were trampled upon and severely but not fatally injured.

CAN'T LOCATE HER CHILDREN.

Mary Ellen Kelly Says She Has Two But Does not Know Their Whereabouts.

Bernard Breen was arrested on Saturday at the instance of Mary Ellen Kelly, who is in a delicate state of health.

The case came up at the police court this morning. The woman is about twenty-four years of age and her home is near St. Martins, where it seems she married a colored man named Frank Cooper, and has two children, of whose whereabouts she is uncertain. She has, for some time, been employed in the city, and said that she was intimate with Breen.

The case is being defended by Daniel Mullin K. C. and S. Merritt Wetmore appeared in the interest of the Alms House Commissioner.

The case was resumed this afternoon.

The case was resumed before the magistrate this afternoon. It was dismissed and the prisoner was allowed to go.

WILL MEET EARL GREY.

Ottawa, Dec. 5.—(Special)—The railway commission received a telegram today from W. H. D. Millar, of the transportation branch, of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, Toronto, protesting, on behalf of the Association, against the Canadian Pacific and Grand Trunk Railway, advancing the grain rates without giving the notice required by the act.

There was a meeting in the governor's general's office in the eastern block on Saturday to make arrangement's for receiving Earl Grey, Canada's new governor general.

There were present Sir Elzear Taschereau, administrator; Sir Richard Cartwright, Col. Hanbury Williams, Col. Pinault, Col. Vidal, Col. Sherwood, and the mayor of Ottawa. It was decided to meet the new governor at the railway depot with a military escort and accompany His Excellency to Rideau Hall. Later in day, at an hour to be arranged for, the mayor and city council will wait on Earl Grey and present him with an address.

THE SHAH AND THE CZAR.

Moscow, Dec. 3.—Mirza Riza Khan, (former Persian minister to Russia, and now Ambassador of Persia at Constantinople), and the deputation from the Shah of Persia, arrived here today on their way to St. Petersburg. In addition to an autograph letter to the Emperor, Mirza Riza Khan is bringing the Shah's portrait in a frame set with diamonds. The party is travelling in a special car and is escorted by a representative of the Russian foreign office.

A team owned by O'Neill Bros. and driven by Bernard Stafford ran away on Carleton St. this morning. The horse ran down North St. and was stopped at Mill street by Officer White.

FAST IN THE ICE.

Government Steamer Aberdeen Caught in the Lachine Canal.

Ottawa, Dec. 5.—(Special.)—The government steamer Aberdeen is caught in the ice in Lachine Canal. A tug has been sent to break the ice ahead of it so as to get the Aberdeen to Toronto for repairs.

Sir Charles Ross of the Ross Rifle factory, Quebec, who is here says that there are 5,000 rifles ready for inspection before being taken over by the government.

DEATH DUE TO ASPHYXIATION.

Dundas, Ont. Dec. 5:— (Special)—Two men, William McDonald and Wilber Lawrence, farmhands, who resided in East Flamboro, were asphixiated in a room in the Melbourne Hotel, between midnight and noon yesterday. The two applied at the Melbourne for a room at midnight on Saturday. About noon yesterday, gas was noticed coming from the room occupied by the men and on the room, being entered one man was found lying on the bed and other underneath the bed.

MORE DELAY ON THE I. C. R.

And More American Passengers Fail to Make Connection.

No. 9 train from Moncton which is due here at 7 o'clock was two hours late this morning. A passenger on the train, in conversation with a Times report?r, said that the train was on time leaving Moncton, but during the trip to St. John the engine's steaming qualities were of such a character as to cause the delay, and several American people who were on their return home were unable to make connections here, and were consequently compelled to remain over until the Boston train tonight.

The question of loss of time on I. C. R. trains has already been ventilated in the Times. The fuel inspector, M.C. Lockhart ascribes it to the coal used. An experienced engineer says that while the coal is bad the engines are not in fit condition.

A few more delays with protests from the travelling public will probably lead to an investigation, which might solve the problem.

The cold weather continues throughout the Dominion. This morning at 9 o'clock the temperature at Montreal was 8 above zero. Quebec 8, Chatham 4, Charlottetown 8, Sydney C. B. 8, St. John 8, New York 6, and as far south as Bermuda the Thermometer registered 6 above. There is strong indications that an important storm will develop on the Atlantic coast and that gales will prevail on Tuesday or Wednesday.

BIG TIME FOR DIAZ.

Mexico's President Inaugurated Yesterday ... Sir Wm. Mulock a Guest.

Mexico City, Dec. 5.—Under the radiant tropical sun and through streets whose edifices were lavishly adorned with flowers wrought into designs of great beauty, and whose balconies were hung in the old Spanish fashion with lace and tapestries as well as modern bunting, passed yesterday a great procession in honor of the inauguration of President Diaz. Some ten thousand persons took part in the great parade, largely a civic and military pageant. Hundreds of thousands lined the streets, filled the balconies and even sat on flat roof tops. The procession contained representatives of all trades, callings and professions, bearing banners and the display of allegorical cars and floats was the finest ever seen here. Each division of the great procession was headed by a detachment of Mexico's finest cavalry in their buff leather jackets, who made a picturesque show. Among the distinguished northern visitors was Sir William Mulock, postmaster general of Canada and party.

WANTED TO LIVE.

Chicago Man Cuts His Throat But is Sorry...He Died Just the Same.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—When B. S. Wasson, a publisher, felt himself living after he had cut his throat, he urged the physician who was bending over him to save him. While preparations were being made to remove the man to a hospital he died. The tragedy took place in the bath room of the home of Wasson's mother, in Drexel Boulevard. Wasson had been engaged in the publication of a railway magazine. a brother, Jesse G. Wasson, being associated with him. Mr. Wasson could assign no reason other than temporary insanity for his brother's act. The dead man leaves a widow and two children.

ICE WAS THIN, BOY DROWNED.

Moncton, N. B., Dec. 5.—(Special)—While sliding on the ice with companions at Shediac Bridge on Sunday afternoon, a nine year old adopted son of Gilbert Boudreu broke through and drowned. The ice is in a treacherous condition. Young Boudreu went too far on the thin ice which gave way beneath him. The occurrence took place within a short distance of the lad's home, but before assistance could reach him life was extinct. The body was recovered immediately after.

J. E. Price, general superintendent of the I. C. R., left this morning on an inspection trip over the Canada Eastern.

THE WEATHER.

Toronto, Dec. 5.—Maritime.—Westerly winds, fair and cold Tuesday, southerly gales with sleet and rain.

WINTER PORT NOTES.

The Allan liner Corinthian, from Liverpool, arrived at Halifax, last night, and landed the mails, and a small portion of her cargo. The Corinthian sailed for St. John at 9 o'clock this morning and is expected to reach here tomorrow morning. The Donaldson liner Concordia, moved over to No. 4 berth, at Sand Point this morning. The Concordia will sail the last of the week and will take about 450 head of cattle.

The Donaldson liner Alcides, left port last night at 9 o'clock, direct to Glasgow.

The Elder-Dempster steamship Etolia, 2113 tons register tonnage, Captain Harvey, arrived yesterday from Montreal via Sydney, C. B., with part cargo for South Africa. She will finish loading here at the I. C. R. wharf.

The Donaldson line Kastalia left Glasgow last Saturday for this port, direct with a large general cargo.

Manifests for the following United States goods were received at the Custom House today for shipment to United Kingdom viz: 38 cars barley, one car lard, two cars lumber, by winter port steamers.

ANOTHER CONFERENCE.

The Hague, Dec. 3.—An international conference concerning the status of hospital ships in war time, will meet here Dec. 13. A majority of the powers will be represented by their respective ministers. Russia sending professor De Martens, (Professor of international law at the university of St. Petersburg), who will be accompanied by a naval officer.

DEPUTY SUSPENDED.

Madrid, Dec. 3.—Senor Zabala, a representative of the province of Bilbao, in the Chamber of Deputies, has been suspended because of his publication of pamphlets of a separatist character. As the pamphlets were printed in Mexico, the Spanish government intends to protest to the Mexican government because the censor failed to suppress them.

DIED FROM INJURIES.

Chatham, Dec. 5.—(Special)—John Springer, who fractured his spine by falling down stairs backwards, about two weeks ago, died this morning. He was 30 years old.

Up to the time of going to press today the Times had received no news of any importance from the seat of war in the far east.