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 These are very complete and compact, the cases being handsomely finished in black with heavy nicked leeks and clasps. Each case is equipped with Vacuum Bottles, Drinking Cups, Food Boxes, Plates, Knives, Forks, Spoons and Napkins, for 4 and for 6 persons.
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 Keep Drinks Ice Cold for 72 hours, and Piping Hot for 24 hours. They have all the advantages of the more expensive kinds, with several exclusive features besides. They come in Pint and Quart sizes; plain or corrugated, brown or green enamel finish, also plain or corrugated nickel.
TAKE ELEVATOR TO SECOND FLOOR
W. H. THORNE & CO., LIMITED

LOCAL NEWS
THE BANK CLEARINGS.
 St. John bank clearings for the week ending today were \$2,214,746, corresponding period last year, \$2,116,198; corresponding period 1916, \$1,792,169.
ON MISSION WORK
 Rev. George Daly, C. S. R., who was recently transferred from Regina, Sask., to St. Peter's church, arrived in the city yesterday and has taken over his new duties. He will leave this evening for Nova Scotia where he will conduct missions for a short period.
BURIED TODAY
 The funeral of Mrs. Alexander McAfee took place this afternoon from her home in Quispamsis following burial services conducted by Rev. Mr. Mortimer of Hanston. Interment took place in Fernhill.
 The body of Mrs. Harriet Howard was taken to Fairfield for interment following funeral services which were conducted at the home of J. Harvey Brown.

BERRY PRICES VARY
 The berry market at Indiantown today was brisk with quotations by the crate rate of thirteen cents. Evidently the promised slump of week has not yet arrived, if indeed it is going to arrive at all. The lowest figure to date was ten and eleven cents Friday. A Sussex train official told The Times at noon today that twenty-seven crates were being asked for strawberries in the section he travels this morning, the scarcity evidently being due to large shipments to Montreal. Agents from the upper Canadian city have been buying up all the berries they could find at fancy prices.
LEG BADLY CUT
 Edwin Davis, son of Dr. E. N. Davis, Wentworth Hall, Elliot row, is confined to the house with rather severe injuries to his leg inflicted on a stone while bathing at Hatfield's Point a few days ago. It was while diving that Mr. Davis received the gash, in which it was necessary to take eight stitches. After the accident the young man was hastened to the city in an automobile but the auto broke down because of the condition of the roads in the downpour of that day. The delay fortunately did not cause any serious results to the swimming accident, however. Edwin Davis is soon to join the flying corps.

SOUTH END PLAYGROUND
 The opening of the south-end playground may have to be postponed, only eight men were at work there last evening. These, on the way home at dark saw other men at the corner and along the street who are not yet convinced that they should do everything to make the south end safer and better for its boys. A fine, large playground is in the making and the few men who are helping to make it deserve more support than they are getting. There is a good deal of grading yet to be done before the ground can be rolled. Twice as much should have been done last evening as the eight men were able to do. The South End Swimming League will be organized on Monday evening next, get behind this recreation field and for other useful purposes.
ROCKWOOD PLAYGROUND
 It is expected the seventeen acres at the entrance to Rockwood Park, presented to the Historical Association by Joseph Allison to be used as a recreation field will be transferred at once to the city. Mr. Allison has long advocated that the whole park be taken over by the city and if possible made more accessible to the people. As soon as the recreation field is transferred, the city will be in a position to expend the thousands of dollars recently received to make a baseball diamond and half-mile running track as a beginning of recreation development for the entrance to the park. The mayor and president of the Playgrounds Association discussed the matter with Mr. Allison yesterday afternoon in Rockwood Park.

MRS. JOSEPH MATHEWS
PASSES AWAY IN STATES
 The death of a former resident of St. John in the person of Mrs. Joseph Mathews occurred recently in Jamaica Plain, N. Y. Mrs. Mathews, who was eighty years of age, resided in this city at the time of the great St. John fire, her husband being in business here at that time. She is survived by two sons, Joseph and Christopher, three daughters, Mrs. E. Browning and Mrs. H. Weddihoffer of Jamaica Plain and Sister St. Paul of the Cross, who is in the Convent of the Precious Blood, in Cuba.

CANADA ALREADY HAS 38,000 PENSIONERS
 Vancouver, July 1.—Commander J. K. L. Ross, chairman of the Pension Board of Canada, said here yesterday, that if the federal government does not see its way to give the Pension Board a free hand in the administration of its own affairs he will be compelled to resign as a member.
 He said that on June 30 last, there were 38,000 pensioners in Canada, representing an annual total payment of \$19,000,000, and by March 31 of next year, at the present rate of increase, pensions will call annually for \$17,000,000.

AUTOMOBILE TRAFFIC TO AND FROM P.E.I. SUSPENDED FOR TIME
 Moncton, July 18.—The large amount of freight now offering between the mainland and P. E. Island and vice-versa, has made it imperative that automobile traffic of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick cars to the Island and Island cars to the mainland be temporarily suspended. The embargo, which was issued by General Manager Hayes of the C. G. R., to-night, will take effect on Monday, July 22.

BONUS FOR LETTER CARRIERS AND OTHERS
 Ottawa, July 18.—Col. P. E. Blondin, Postmaster General, told J. C. Watters, President of the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress, yesterday, that the letter carriers, sorters and porters, will receive the bonus voted them by parliament last May. Colonel Blondin has just returned from overseas.

British Bank Amalgamation.
 London, July 18.—The Times understands the government has sanctioned the amalgamation of Lloyd's Bank and the Capital and Counties Bank and of the National Bank of Scotland and the London and River Plate Bank.

GUNNER KING
KERR IS DEAD

North End Soldier Succumbs in Hospital in Etaples, France
 The all-too-familiar yellow slip bearing the information that a loved one has passed away in France has brought its sad message to yet another St. John home. This morning a telegram was received by John Kerr, 74 Camden street, notifying him of the death of his son, Gunner King Kerr in the 28th Central Hospital, Etaples, France. His death occurred on July 17.
 The result of his illness was seriously ill was received by his family some time ago, but as the young man was of rugged build and a cheerful worker who endeavored to be hopeful that he would recover. The news of his death came as a sad blow.
 Mr. Kerr, prior to his enlistment, was employed for some years in the St. John post office. A courteous and obliging young man he made many friends among the patrons of the office, and his fellow employees remember him as a cheerful worker who endeavored himself to all. On the outbreak of war he enlisted in the First Divisional Ammunition Column, but on account of his ability and experience, he was transferred to the postal corps, going overseas with that unit. On arrival in France he found the life of a postal clerk rather tame, and, craving the excitement which can be obtained only "up the line," applied for and received a transfer to the artillery, where he had remained since.
 It is a coincidence that the news of Mr. Kerr's death should come at the same time as the news that Driver Harry Carson was suffering from blindness as a result of a deed of heroism in sacrificing a quantity of blood to help more unfortunate comrades in France. The young men had been close friends all their lives, and it was partly in order to be with his pal that Mr. Kerr transferred to the artillery unit, of which Driver Carson was a member.
 Gunner Kerr was a prominent member of the St. John branch of the L. O. L., and his father and four brothers also are members. He was a brother of Francis Kerr, barrister, of this city. An older brother, John, who enlisted in Winnipeg, was recently in the city after being discharged from the army. A third brother, Harry, is now serving with the Royal Dublin Fusiliers in Palestine.

IN HOSPITAL WITH
FRACTURED RIBS

News of Pte. Wm. A. Smith as Casualty Reaches Wife Here
 Word was received this morning by Mrs. Annie Smith, 212 Charlotte street, that her husband, Pte. William A. Smith, had been admitted to the Second Field Ambulance, France, suffering from two fractured ribs.
 Private Smith enlisted in 1915 with the C. M. R., afterwards transferring to the P. E. L. O. He has been acting as a dispatch rider, and it is presumed that he met his injuries while carrying on with duty. Private Smith is a veteran of the Boer War, having served with an imperial unit in that campaign.

GAVE LIFE IN WAR

THIS IS A PICTURE OF SERGEANT JOSEPH ALFRED BIDDISCOMBE, SON OF MR. AND MRS. JOSEPH BIDDISCOMBE, OF CHARLETON, N. B., WHO WAS KILLED IN ACTION IN FRANCE ON JUNE 23. HE WAS A BROTHER OF DETECTIVE BIDDISCOMBE OF THE LOCAL DETECTIVE STAFF.


WAS TEACHER HERE FOR MANY YEARS

Miss Harriet O. Howard, aged sixty years, sister of Mrs. J. Harvey Brown, "Crigit Lee," East St. John, and also of Mrs. Thomas Ratcliffe, Saco, Me.; Mrs. James Moffat of Perdue, Sask., and John N. Howard of Brooklyn, Wash., will be buried beside her parents in the Fairfield Burying Ground, near St. Martin's, St. John county, this afternoon, Rev. Mr. Cox of this city, officiating.
 Miss Howard died on Tuesday at the home of Mr. Brown after a long and patiently-borne illness. She will be remembered very kindly by a large circle of friends, and particularly those who came in contact with her sweet and helpful personality in the public schools. For nearly a quarter of a century Miss Howard was a teacher, most of that time in the Victoria building annex, where her pupils were of the junior grades.
 Many men and women who today have families of their own, will read of Miss Howard's death with tender memories of their childhood days under her watchful care and tutelage.

COAL MAN HERE

Alex. Dick, general sales manager of the Dominion Coal Co., Sydney, passed through the city on the Montreal express today. He was met at the train by Frank P. Starr, of R. P. & W. F. Starr. Mr. Starr conferred with Mr. Dick during the lunch time between trains.

MACAULAY BROTHERS & CO.
 Stores Open Till 10 o'clock Every Friday Evening—Closed Saturday at 1 p.m.

Reduction Sale For Friday (Tomorrow) All Day And Evening
FIRST FLOOR.
 \$9.80 each for Handsome Summer One-piece Dresses of Chambray, Voils, Lawns and Muslins. These Dresses are reduced from \$5.50 to \$8.00. All now at \$3.80 each.
 Ladies' and Misses' Middy Suits in Striped Repp and Panama, with deep white collar, cuffs and pockets. They are our latest Summer Suits marked to sell at \$7.50 each. The season being backward we shall clear these most desirable Summer Suits at \$5.50 each. Your choice of the large variety at the important reduction.
 Ladies' Real Panama Hats in White, all the latest shapes, at \$1.50 each. This will be found the greatest bargain of the season in Real Panama Hats.
 Tailored Trimmed Hats—Every choice model of imported style, regardless of cost to us, will be sold for choice of range at \$3.90 each.
 This includes our \$8.00, \$10.50, \$11.75 and \$15.00 Hats. Many are just adapted for mid-summer and early fall wear, being Feather and Flower Trimmed.
SECOND FLOOR.
 Ladies' Seamless Silk Lisle Stockings, with extra 6 fold spliced heels and toes. Every pair with new fine elastic woven tops, which insures comfort and durability to wearer. 60 cents a pair in Black or White. All sizes 8-12 to 10 in. feet.

MACAULAY BROTHERS & CO.

SEE THE "HANSON" REFRIGERATOR BEFORE YOU BUY
 We are now showing a full line of the Celebrated HANSON Refrigerators, in ten different sizes and styles, in oak and birch cases, galvanized and enamel lined. The Hanson Refrigerator has a large roomy provision chamber with beautiful snow-white enamel lining, and while our present stock lasts, we are selling them from \$12.50 to \$45.00.
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 Wheat, Beef, Pork—These are the weapons that you may fight with. Canada Food Board

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TODAY MARKS THE BEGINNING OF OAK HALL'S Annual Mid-Summer Sale
 Thousands of people have been waiting for this sale—which has come to be recognized as **St. John's Greatest Mercantile Event**
 NOW it is here—take the best advantage of it by Shopping Early.
 A few items worthy of special consideration:

\$28.00 Men's Suits	Now \$21.30	\$14.00 Boys' Suits	Now \$8.85
\$1.25 Negligee Shirts	Now .89	9.00 Boys' Suits	Now 5.85
60 Men's Socks	Now .43	85.00 Ladies' Suits	Now 26.85
\$1.25 Leather Gloves	Now .84	2.00 Ladies' Suits	Now 1.43
\$4.00 Panama Hats	Now \$2.69	2.00 Girls' Middies	Now .98

 Motor Rugs, Club Bags, Dress Suit Cases, Trunks.
 See page 9 for further items of interest.
 Shop Early. Mail Orders Filled. No Goods on Approval.
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Shirt-Waist Boxes and Cedar Chests

 Are most useful for every woman, and can also be made an ornament to the room and to serve as a handy seat when closed. We have them both matting covered and solid red cedar construction, some with trays, others without.
Prices Range From \$4.25 to \$18.00
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A. Ernest Everett 91 Charlotte Street
 THE HOUSE FURNISHER

A Week-End Surprise
 We are going to offer something much out of the ordinary, this week-end—Thursday, Friday, Saturday—Women's, Misses' and Kiddies' GENUINE SOUTH AMERICAN PANAMA HATS AT DISCOUNT PRICES.

KIDDIES' GUARANTEED PANAMAS,	MISSSES' AND WOMEN'S PANAMAS
Regular Prices \$5.00 and \$4.00.	\$12.00, \$9.00 and \$8.50 Qualities.
WEEK-END PRICES \$3.50 AND \$3.00	WEEK-END PRICES \$9.00, \$7.50 AND \$6.50

 WE GUARANTEE that if given REASONABLE CARE these Hats may be cleaned many times.
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