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ST. JOHN, N. B., FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1905.

EIGHT YEARS IN KLODYKE

Fred Carman is Visiting His Father After a Lengthy Stay in the Land of Gold--He Tells the Times an Interesting Story.

To leave his native city and to go and reside in the far-famed "Klondyke" for over eight years was the experience of Fred E. Carman, who is at present visiting the home of his father, C. Carman, 29 Charles street.

Mr. Carman said that he left Vancouver on February 12th, 1898, and went to Atlin, B. C., where he remained an entire season; and in 1899 he landed in the famous city of Dawson, and since that time he has been in the "land of gold."

CITY SCHOOLS CLOSED TODAY

Appropriate Programme Carried Out in High School and Medals presented.

School children are today rejoicing in the knowledge that they are free from their tasks until January 5th.

JAPS FEAR REPETITION OF THE MAIN DISASTER

Therefore the Fleet Now En Route to Honolulu Will Not Visit 'Frisco.

HONOLULU, Dec. 21.—The Japanese consul here says that the visiting squadron, which will arrive in Honolulu on Friday, will not proceed to San Francisco, as originally intended, because a repetition of the Maine disaster is feared.

ASKS AN INVESTIGATION

Roosevelt's Summary Dismissal of Negro Troops to be Enquired Into.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Senator Foraker occupied the attention of the senate in its last session before the holiday recess today in an extended criticism of the basis of President Roosevelt's action in discharging the negro troops of the 25th infantry, on account of the Brownsville raid.

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OTTAWA, Dec. 21.—(Special.)—Col. Gourdeau and Captain Spain leave for Halifax on Sunday to take over the dock yards from the Imperial authorities.

OVER 15,000 BALLOTS WERE POLED TODAY IN TIMES VOTING CONTEST

Contest Closed at Noon and Votes Were Poured in All Morning--They Came in Suit Cases, Boxes, Parcels and Baskets--End of Greatest Newspaper Contest Ever Known in St. John.

All roads seemed to lead to the Times office this morning. The voters carried off their ballots to carry off the prize in an extraordinary contest.

A Storm of Ballots

The storm of ballots commenced to break yesterday afternoon, when two large baskets full of mail were received for the Contest Editor.

Many Votes Lost

About a quarter to twelve one of the band representatives (who was watching the contest, in company with representatives of the other leading organizations, in the office of the circulation department) where the ballots were being received.

ALMOST MURDER IN KING EDWARD HOTEL

James D. Driscoll Beaten Into Insensibility by Michael S. O'Garra a Negro--Charles Wilkins Also Badly Hurt--O'Garra Under Arrest.

James D. Driscoll, proprietor of the King Edward Hotel, King Square, is lying seriously ill in his bed in the hotel as the result of an assault committed by Michael S. O'Garra, a West Indian negro.

CONSTABLE WAS BEATEN

Moncton Constable Roughly Handled While Attempting to Execute Scott Act Commitments.

TOWN TOOK A HOLIDAY

Mrs. Walton, of Comelville, Pa., Had Triplets and the Whole Town Celebrated.

KAUFFMAN AND GARDNER

Kauffman Will be a 10 to 7 Favorite When They Meet Tonight.

A WATER SUPPLY FOR SUMMERSIDE

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—James A. McNeill, of St. P. Grady, has been elected water commissioner of Summerside.

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FUNERALS

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What Happened to a Southern Negro Who Committed Felonious Assault.

THE EMPRESS HAS ARRIVED

Empress of Ireland Docked at Two O'clock--Had a Boisterous Passage.

The steamship Empress of Ireland, Captain J. J. Moran, arrived at Halifax on her second trip of the season, on her arrival at the wharf.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—A despatch to the world from Los Angeles says: Al Kauffman will go into the ring here tonight at 10 to 7 favorite over George Gardner.

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THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

HIRAM TELLS A STORY. Mr. Hiram Hornbush was in a very jolly mood this morning.

COUNTRY MARKET

The country market supply is good today, and Saturday shoppers will find no difficulty in making a selection.

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THE WAR CLOUD.

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A TURKEY SUPPER

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