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STORE AND WAREHOUSE FOR SALE.—Splendid opportunity for getting good business stand cheap. Successful grocery and food business carried on here for years. Leasehold, ground rent \$30 per annum. Buildings in good repair. For particulars apply to J. H. KELLY, Solicitor, 24 Prince Wm. street.

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Advertisements under this head inserted free of charge.

WANTED—By a middle aged man, employment as bookkeeper or for general office work; long experience; best of references. Address "Scribe," care of Sun Printing Co.

OTTAWA.

OTTAWA, Nov. 25.—Military officers have been notified that no more applications for commissions in the 5th Artillery Regiment, Halifax, could be entertained, as the establishment is now complete.

Sandford Fleming has declared himself in favor of a government transcontinental line from Quebec to Fort Simpson. This line will open up valuable mineral and timber sections of Canada, and would make a saving of 1,425 miles between Liverpool and Yokohama, as compared with the New York-San Francisco route.

There will be no medals and no war gratuity for members of the last four regiments Canadian Mounted Rifles who went to Africa. A letter has been received by his excellency, the governor general, which states that the question of state and that he has decided that no relaxation can be made of the date of the limit of grant of the medals or war gratuity.

HALIFAX, N. S., Nov. 25.—Caterer Pearson of this city, who had charge of the banquet to Sir Frederick Borden at Canning, a couple of months ago, says he is hard at work trying to get \$45.10 from the banquet committee, the cost of a dinner which he says was stolen at that function.

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PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES.

The approach of winter directs attention, once more to the necessity of being on guard against a possible visitation of smallpox. There are cases in Kent county, in the Maine lumber camps, and in several New England towns. We read of schooners arriving at United States ports with cases on board, and there is always the possibility of a case coming this way. The city is of course well equipped for dealing with such a case, but there still remains the individual responsibility of citizens to aid the authorities by making vaccination universal. Most stringent measures are being taken in the city of Boston, which is practically never free from the disease, and which is in close touch with St. John. There is no occasion for alarm, but there is good reason for precautionary measures; and if there are children or adults in St. John who have not been recently vaccinated they owe it to themselves, their relatives and the public to attend to the matter before they are subjected to contagion from any source. The last visitation was expensive in itself and dealt a heavy blow to the business interests of the city for several months. There should be no hesitation in taking the fullest precaution against a possible repetition of that unwelcome experience.

A CONTRAST.

When it was proposed to erect an abattoir on the site of the old Dunlop shipyard, there was first a meeting of school teachers and later a gathering of other influential citizens, impressed with the belief that such a building would be most objectionable, if not detrimental to the morals of the community. Subsequent disclosures in the police court, which indeed were already a matter of common knowledge, show that in the same neighborhood groups of boys congregate on Sunday and other evenings, and are guilty of bad conduct and the use of very bad language. The fact has not caused any vigorous outbreak of saving zeal, nor has any of the civic boards or even the board of health been requested to look into the matter. The facts appear to involve some rather nice questions in ethics. Which is more detrimental to the morals of the community—a smell or a torrent of foul language? Is it more debasing to kill an animal behind high walls, or to break the commandments on the public street? If a threatened abattoir demands a public agitation to protect the people, what about the actual slow killing of the better nature of a group of boys by the conditions at present prevailing among them? There appears to be here some food for serious consideration.

Recent arrests in Philadelphia reveal a state of affairs unparalleled for horror in modern criminal history. There has been unearthed the existence of a syndicate the sole purpose of which has been the luring of young girls by promises of profitable employment or desirable marriage, from their homes in quiet German and French villages to this country and then forcing them as slaves into a life of shame. Some of the leaders in this trade of infamy have been arrested and the authorities intend to probe the matter to its depths. For the lost honor of thousands of these girls and in the interests of thousands more toward whom the nefarious organization is stretching its tentacles the rigor of the law should be exercised in its utmost for the punishment of the creatures who could conceive and carry out such an unspeakable traffic. Cases sometimes arise which seem to afford a partial justification for lynch law.

The Victoria Colonist says: "The proposition made the city by Capt. J. E. Bernier, the famous Arctic explorer, that for the consideration of small monetary aid, he will build and equip his vessel here and sail from this port on his momentous trip in search of the North Pole, was received with great enthusiasm by a large number of Victorians to whom a Colonist reporter spoke yesterday. Agreement was general on the point that the outfitting here and departure from this port of Capt. Bernier would prove a stupendously excellent advertisement for 'Victoria.' It will be remembered that on Capt. Bernier's visit to St. John he suggested that his ship might be built at this port—for, of course a small monetary consideration. The opportunity was not grasped."

The first cost of the Doukhobors to Canada was \$4.50 a head.—Victoria Colonist.

A Doukhobist would be pleased to pay fully \$5.50 per head—of government money—to get rid of them.

THE WEATHER MAN.

Cool day, isn't it? The Star thermometer showed eight degrees of frost at eight o'clock this morning. But there should be little complaint for the weather man has been remarkably considerate of late. Many nice things have been said about him in consequence and, hardened to exorcutions, he is accepting his latter day popularity with bewilderment. The people who have heaped scorn and hate upon him ever since he held the job have been repenting and have cooed loving affection into his unaccustomed ear until he hasn't known what to make of it. But he has deserved it all. He has again proven the doctrine that there is good in the worst; that reformation is possible even at the eleventh hour. These passing weeks have been his chance to get even with his persecutors, but he has shown the loving spirit of forgiveness and may it be accounted always to him for righteousness—has tempered the mercury to the shorn coal bin. Here it is, the last of November; coal prohibitive and wood a minus quantity in the sheds of all but the affluent; and the skies have been warm and kindly and the sun has beamed with unseasonable pleasantness. Forgive us our many unkindnesses, weather man. Be gentle with us but yet a little while and all the great army of those who were unready and who purchased not their winter fuel last spring will rise up and call you blessed.

Why are some people rich and others poor? The share of each person depends on the value of his contribution to production, whether by labor or by the use of property. There is no claim that the system rewards moral excellence, but only that it rewards economic service; there is no claim that the system exists not because it is just, but because it is inextricably mixed up with the system of production. Moralists have long since seen the evil of unequal distribution of wealth, and the economist can explain that the inequality is wasteful because each successive increment of expenditure yields less enjoyment to the spender. A wide dissemination of such teaching as is sketched out would do away with a vast amount of disastrous obstruction to desirable changes—Engineering.

Neither the coal miners nor the operators are finding in the process of arbitration the bliss that was advertised. The court of arbitration shows all the delay of the court of law without the restrictions of legal procedure. The arbitrators sit and take evidence and draw pay voluminously from day to day. Meanwhile the combatants have gone away into a corner to shake hands without a mediator and they'll probably beat out the court of arbitration in a satisfactory settlement with months to spare. Next time they'll prefer to fight it out in the open.

The Historical Society of Buffalo, N. Y., has put in a request for the personal belongings of the assassin, Czolgosz. The relics include an old grip-sack, two towels, some old trousers, writing paper, blacking brush, pair of shoes and a pair of socks. The society wants these trifles for its collections. Conceivably the state of alleged mind that would put these things solemnly on show in rooms frequented by clean citizens. Czolgosz's socks. Priceless treasure. Distinguished from the socks of other tramps by the label.

In Kingston last week a young lady was tendered a "tin shower." Has this anything to do with a lawn sprinkler?

HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Annual Meeting Held Last Evening—Officers Elected.

The annual meeting of the N. B. Historical Society took place last evening. Jonas Howe, the president, was in the chair. Following officers were elected:

President, Jonas Howe.
Vice-presidents, Rev. W. C. Gaynor and Colonel Cunard.
Treasurer, H. H. Pickett.
Secretary, C. Ward.
Corresponding secretary, D. R. Jack.
Librarian, George A. Henderson.
Council, W. P. Dole, Dr. Inches, Rev. W. O. Raymond, S. D. Scott and Rev. C. T. Phillips.

Rev. W. O. Raymond, on behalf of Miss Ellen Murray, presented the society with a portrait of the late Miss Francis E. Murray. A resolution of appreciation of the gift was passed. On several occasions the society has discussed the question of a celebration of the three hundredth anniversary of the discovery of the St. John River by Champlain. The celebration would be due on St. John's day, June 24, 1904. A commemoration which would do honor to the occasion cannot be arranged on short notice, and the society took the first step yesterday by appointing a committee to consider the subject and make suggestions. Rev. W. O. Raymond, Dr. A. A. Stockton, W. P. Dole, D. R. Jack and S. D. Scott, with the president, were asked to give some attention to the subject.

Lieut. Jonas Howe read a paper on Lieut. Hare and the Birkenhead, which was listened to with much interest. After some conversation on this paper a vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Howe.

BELL ON GRAVE.

Reformed Drunkard Carried His Temperance Sermon With Him.

(San Francisco Chronicle.)
J. Roscoe Hodgdon, known in San Juan, Cal., as "Yank," was born in Bangor, Maine, in 1837. The last of the Franciscan friars, Father Anasau, had left San Juan Bautista Mission for Spain when he landed in San Juan in 1865. He was a carpenter by trade, and a good one. Those were the days when the inhabitants were abandoning adobe and pretending to frame roofs, so that there was plenty of work for a builder from among the Maine pines. When he had been there a year and had \$2,000 in a can beneath his bed and some small change in his pockets, Hodgdon was ready to pay court to one of the American girls of the town. He won, and she promised to marry him. But, contrary to the rule in such matters, the man was the one who deferred the day. He wanted a home worthy of his wife, and he believed that he could double his money within a year.

The land-poor ranchers of the valley needed money, and badly they needed it, too. They would let Hodgdon name enormous rates of interest on his savings, and then double that to get the money. He had vision of the glories of the future, and he planned for his bride, and he named his all. Alas for human calculation! The next egg was loaned, the nest egg was broken, and not even the shell came back. The following year was the least prosperous one the ranchers had ever experienced, and a certain note of \$2,000 was nullified in a bankruptcy court.

To Roscoe Hodgdon the blow was final. He had staked his future upon a quick return, and he did not believe that his trade would give him the money to support a wife as he wished to support her. Not even his added perquisites as sexton of the only Protestant church in the place, and custodian of the village fire bell, were enough, in his judgment, to warrant him in asking the girl of his heart to keep her promise. He believed himself a ruined man; he hung his head when his sweetheart passed, and in the end he took to drink. The sensation of the year in San Juan was the fall of the irrepressible Hodgdon.

It was at about this time that the village fire department, by a series of entertainments, had raised enough money to buy a new fire bell. It was brought into town upon a decorated wagon and escorted to the town hall by the full department in uniform of old shirts and glistening rubber hats. As keeper of the fire house "Yank" Hodgdon was there to receive them, full of zeal and of good, red, San Juan liquor. In his state it occurred to him a good plan to test the metal of the bell. So when it was being hoisted from the ground to the belfry, Hodgdon broke through the crowd and struck it a blow with a sledge that cracked the metal from top to bottom.

The destroyer of the town's pride waved back the crowd and proclaimed that he would buy the town a new bell and a better one. He kept his word, but his habits had cut into his means and the new bell that calls out the volunteer fire department of San Juan is only two-thirds the size of the first one.

Hodgdon presented the new bell with the single proviso that he be given the old one; and it was turned over to him on the spot. The junk man made a bid, but Hodgdon shook his head. "I have a grand purpose for the bell," he said. "It's going to make me a changed man. It's going to stand on the porch of my carpenter shop, and every time I pass in and out it will be there to show me the folly of strong drink and what comes of it."

He was as good as his word. The big bell was hauled to the front of his shop and set up on the porch. Roscoe Hodgdon drank no more. As he sat before his combined shop and dwelling when the day's work was done, he used to tilt back his chair, put his feet on the bell and draw resolution through his toes.

The executors of Roscoe Hodgdon were faithful to their trust. A neat coping of stone incloses his resting place. The strange monument which arrests the attention of even the traveler along the road is a bell three feet high, which rises from a pedestal at the northeast corner of the lot. Above the bell there stands a simple slab of marble, upon which are the words:

J. R. HODGDON.

Died

June 19, 1895.

Aged 58 years.

As if the vivid color might be out of place in such surroundings, the masons secured upon the surface of the bell a thin coating of cement, but time is peeling this; and as the months go by the good red paint of other years is coming once more into view.

No words were graven in the stone to tell the story of the bell, or why it stands above the grave, and surely none are needed. For in the mind of every man who lives in old San Juan the tale is carried with a freshness far beyond tradition.

FREDERICTON.

FREDERICTON, Nov. 25.—Dairy superintendents J. Frank Tilley and Harvey Mitchell have accepted the offer of the imperial government and entered into a five years' agreement to go to South Africa and instruct farmers in dairymaking methods and supervise the establishment of butter and cheese factories. Saxby Blair, horticulturist at Nappan experimental farm, also goes under a similar agreement. They are to be in South Africa by April 1st next.

The Y. M. C. A. is meeting with great success in their canvass for \$9,500 to pay off the debt upon the association building. After only ten days' canvass upwards of \$4,000 has been pledged.

To cure a headache in ten minutes, use KUMFORT Headache Powders.

TO ADVERTISERS.

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All New Styles and Fashionable Colorings.

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NOTE—The above comprises all of the above class of goods we shall have to offer at Reduced Prices during this season, and we anticipate a very quick sale. Intending purchasers will therefore be guided accordingly, by securing these wants early.

M. R. & A's Unrivalled \$10.00 Suits for Men.

Manchester Robertson & Illisk

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Owing to the purchase and installation of new plant, the undersigned will, in a few weeks, have the following articles for sale:

5 Imposing Stones with Stands.

1 Staple Binder.

1 Card Cutter.

2 Job Presses.

1 Counter, with 6 drawers, walnut top, 9 1/2 feet long.

SUN PRINTING COMPANY,
St. John, N. B.



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35 cents a box at all druggists, or by mail on receipt of price.

FRANK WHEATON
FOLLY VILLAGE, N. S.
SOLE AGENT FOR CANADA

MONCTON NEWS.

MONCTON, Nov. 25.—Returns of the building inspector show that about \$75,000 was spent here this season in building operations. The principal new structures are the hospital and Times printing office.

While Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stockton were driving to their home in Forest Glen, Albert Co., from a visit to Mrs. Stockton's parents, some miles distant, their four months' old child died from some unknown cause. The child was in all appearances as well as usual when they started, and on the way Mrs. Stockton looked at it, thinking it asleep. On arrival home they found the child dead.

As the accommodation due here last evening from St. John was passing Jones' siding, a few miles west, Conductor Broad heard the discharge of firearms, and on examination found in the car door what he believed to be bullet marks. The matter has been placed in the hands of the railway police.

THE COAL QUESTION.

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—A serious hitch has occurred in the plans for a settlement of the coal controversy, and it is now probable that the final adjustment of the points at issue will be again referred to the commission. At a meeting between the presidents of the coal roads and a large number of independent operators, the latter entered a protest against treating directly with the miners, and it was unanimously agreed that it was best to go on with the hearing before the commission. The protest was presented by C. D. Simpson, representing the independent operators, and was signed by twenty-four firms. Mr. Simpson, in presenting the protest, said that the operators believed that the wages paid their men have been large and in proportion to the intelligence required and the willingness of the men to work.

"We think it highly desirable that any attempt at a compromise should immediately stop, that the investigation should continue and that one or two of the individual operators with your representatives should collect and tabulate figures of earnings for the purpose of presenting them in evidence. Later on a statement was issued from the meeting of the operators and railroad men, which mentioned the fact that Mr. Simpson had presented a protest and read a paper. It was agreed that the conditions were such that a substantial progress can be made by the suggested meeting, and in the judgment of the operators it is best for them to go on with the hearing."

Chronic constipation surely cured money back. LAXA-CARA TABLETS never fail. Small, chocolate coated easy to take. Price 25 cents. At druggists!

BIRTHS.

BROWN—At Trinidad, Colorado, on Nov. 19th, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Brown, son.

RING—On Nov. 24th, to the wife of Geo. T. Ring, west end, a son.

MARRIAGES.

BURKE-HOVEY—At the residence of bride's father, Aaron Hovey, Royallton, Nov. 19th, by Rev. E. P. Parker, B. Willis R. Burke of Knoxford, and Laella Burnice Hovey of Royallton.

DEATHS.

FLEWELLING—At Clifton, Nov. 23rd, a baby, beloved wife of Thomas F. Flewelling, aged 26 years, leaving a husband and three children to mourn their sad funeral on Tuesday at 2 o'clock, p. (Telegraph and Globe please copy.)