

TO-DAY'S MESSAGES.

ROMANS PROTEST INCREASE.
ROME, Dec. 15.
As a protest against an increase in the price of bread, Socialists last night ordered a two hours' strike, which was not generally observed. Street cars were held up and lights extinguished, however, and newspapers were forced to appear before the strike began.

FROM THE REPUBLICAN SIDE.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.
Congress, under a resolution introduced yesterday by Representative Burke, Republican, "would go on record, as appealing to the British Government to withdraw armed forces in Ireland, and to give recognition to a Government established by the majority will of the Irish people."

INTERESTING LITIGATION.
TORONTO, Dec. 15.
The Manitoba Free Press and thirteen other dailies are bringing action against the Fort Frances Pulp and Paper Company, for a refund of money, paid by them for newsprint in excess of prices fixed from time to time by Government officials, amounting to one hundred and twenty-four thousand, seven hundred and fifty-nine dollars. The defendants have for a counter claim, on the ground that various controls had no authority, for two million, four hundred and forty-nine thousand, two hundred dollars.

SOME STATISTICS.
OTTAWA, Dec. 15.
During the month of November, prices continued downward, according to the Labor Gazette. Retail prices for the average cost of a list of staples in sixty Canadian cities were \$15.32 at the middle of November, as compared with \$15.83 at the middle of October, \$14.23 for November, 1919, and \$7.96 for November, 1914.

STORM ON GREAT LAKES.
TORONTO, Dec. 14.
Very heavy gales prevailed to-day throughout a great part of the Province of Ontario, being especially strong in the northern section of the Province. The Great Lakes were swept by terrific wind, accompanied by rain, the wind being West and Northwest. No serious damage was reported, however, up to a late hour to-night. Toronto and district escaped the worst of the wind storm and very little rain fell here to-day.

GERMAN CABLE CONFERENCE.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.
A conference here, as to the disposition of former German cables, which to-day arrived at Modus Vivendi until March fifteenth next, in order that British, French and Japanese delegates may consult their governments, has but taken the first steps. In what may be a serious subject for international negotiations for a long time to come. Great Britain, United States, Japan and France, the two last named only, after much persuasion, agreeing to Modus Vivendi. It is believed to be unlikely that if the special delegates were unable to arrive at an understanding, Ambassadors, who are to continue, will be successful.

LABOR COMMISSION'S REPORT.
LONDON, Dec. 14.
A majority of members of the Labor Commission have returned to London from Ireland. Acting Chairman Cameron expressed the conviction that no settlement is possible until the Army of Occupation and Black and Tans are completely withdrawn from Ireland. The Parliamentary Labor Party at a

meeting to-day adopted a resolution expressing the hope that the Irish members of Parliament would respond to the Premier's offer to negotiate, but regretting the imposition of martial law as likely to endanger prospects of peace. A telegram was read from members of the Labor Commission, still in Ireland, declaring they were convinced that Cork fires were the work of Crown forces.

CLERGYMEN MISHANDLED.
CORK, Dec. 15.
Among the victims of Saturday night's terrorism, preceding the fires here, were two Priests, Rev. Patrick McSwiney, related to the late Lord Mayor and Father McCarthy, who are reported as being severely handled by armed uniformed men.

NEARLY HALF MILLION.
PARIS, Dec. 15.
France will retain all German ships which she has been managing provisionally under the Treaty of Versailles, says the Matin, which asserts that recent Franco-British conversations on this subject have resulted in an agreement. The ships aggregate four hundred and thirty thousand tons.

A MATTER OF DIGNITY.
HAGUE, Dec. 15.
A lengthy explanation by the Foreign Office of the Serbian Incident, resultant on which, the Dutch Minister left Belgrade, says there is no conflict with Serbia but the dignity of Holland would not permit the Minister to remain and receive flippant treatment.

NEARING OBJECTIVE.
VENICE, Dec. 15.
Former King Constantine, Queen Sophia and children arrived shortly after midnight from Laccarne, en route to Greece. A Greek cruiser waits in the harbor to convey them to Athens port.

NO SMALL FORTUNE.
ATHENS, Dec. 15.
A court decision gives the morganatic wife of the late King Alexander immediate possession of a fortune of some four hundred thousand dollars left by the late King.

NO GOOD GOING THERE.
ST. JOHN, N.B., Dec. 15.
The St. John Branch of the War Veterans' Association has issued a warning to unemployed to keep away from St. John, where there is absolutely no employment for hundreds of residents.

NOTE OF THANKS.—The Ladies of Cowan Mission beg to express their warmest thanks and appreciation to the Thursday Wanderers for their handsome donation \$474.75 towards the Cowan Home for Old Ladies.—dec15,11

Supreme Court.
In the Matter of the Insolvency of Ephraim Inkpen of Burlin.
Mr. Hunt for Inkpen, moves that the petitioner be declared insolvent. Mr. H. A. Winter for Bowring Bros., a creditor, moves that E. Watson be appointed in conjunction with Sir W. F. Lloyd as trustee. It is ordered that the petitioner be declared insolvent and Sir W. F. Lloyd with E. Watson be confirmed as trustees, and that petitioners costs be paid out of the estate.

NOTICE.—I, the undersigned, will not be responsible if you are disappointed in your Xmas Poultry, as I am now booking orders for Choice Turkeys, Geese, Ducks and Chickens. W. J. MURPHY, Rawlins' Cross.
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Police Court.

A drunk was discharged.
A man was charged with being drunk and disorderly and assaulting the police. The story, as told by Constable King, was as follows: King was on his beat in company with Constables Coady and Harris when they received a call to the house of the defendant. On arriving there they noticed that several windows were broken. They saw defendant's wife coming out of the house and asked her if she was going to give her husband in charge but she replied in the negative. As the Constables were about to depart a man shouted to them that the man in the house was not safe as he had fire arms with him. The police returned and had to force an entrance, in the meantime being bombarded with missiles from the upper windows of the house. Constable Harris was hit on the foot with a bit of iron but was not hurt much. Upon entering the house, King was attacked by the defendant with a carving knife. The Constable closed with him and in the scuffle had his thumb badly bitten. Another man who was in the house threatened to get a gun and shoot the Constable if he did not get out. Finally the police succeeded in getting their prisoner. The man was fined \$5 or 10 days.

A youth charged with loose and disorderly conduct pleaded not guilty. It was proved that in spite of a warning he had continued to behave in a disorderly manner and had used filthy language toward the police. When the latter gave chase the defendant ran away and, in his excitement, collided with a well-known accountant, providing the latter with a decidedly unwelcome mud bath, breaking his glasses and cutting his mouth. His Honour imposed a fine of \$25 or 30 days.

Heavy Loss.

We have been informed that the loss caused by the bursting of the water pipes in the store of Hon. S. Milley, lately, in the vicinity of \$10,000. The ceilings were greatly damaged, and a considerable quantity of the stock, including nearly all the Christmas goods, were almost ruined by being soaked with water.

Shipping Notes.

S.S. Corunna, Willett, master, arrived at Clarenville at 10.30 this a.m. coal laden to the Railway Commission.
Schooner Bohemia has arrived at Bay L'Argent from Western Bank with 120 qtls. codfish.
S.S. Digby left Liverpool yesterday morning for here.

Here and There.

Mrs. George T. McGuire will be "At Home" at 71 Military Road, on Thursday and Friday afternoons, Dec. 16th and 17th.
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Guaranteed Lever Movements in both Swiss and Waltham Wrist Watches are the kind you get at DULLEY'S. Have you seen our \$28.50 Special in 15 Jewel Lever with 20 year Gold Filled Case and Bracelet?
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A Splendid Tea, 40 cents, will be served by St. Mary's Women's Association in the Parish Hall, commencing at 6 o'clock this evening; also Candy and Refreshments. A few social hours for the young people at close of the Sale. Come with your friends.—dec15,11

KNOWLING'S
CHRISTMAS SPECIALS!

In our

East End, Central and Duckworth Street
SHOWROOMSwe have decided to offer during the Xmas Season
the followingEXTRAORDINARY PRICE CONCESSION
for Cash only

ONE THIRD OFF

ALL OUR

LADIES'
COATSin
Cloth, Tweed, Sealette,
Caracul.
Regular prices ranging
from \$7.50 to \$70.00.LADIES'
MILLINERY
HATS.Trimmed and untrimmed,
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Regular prices ranging
from \$2.95 to \$27.00.Ladies'
FursIn Sets and Single Pieces.
Regular prices ranging from \$1.70 to \$160.00.LADIES'
DRESSESin
Silks, Crepe de Chene, Serge
and Poplins, etc.
Regular prices ranging
from \$9.50 to \$80.00.LADIES'
BLOUSES.All our stock of
Crepe de Chene, Georgette
Blouses.
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from \$6.00 to \$27.00.Ladies'
Fur JacketsAll our Fur Jackets are being offered at LESS
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The Italian Market.

A SERIOUS SITUATION.

Several messages from Mr. W. A. Munn now in Genoa indicate that conditions in the Italian market are serious as far as the disposal of Newfoundland fish goes. One of the messages contains the information that the Consorzio have their present needs supplied, having received a shipment of some 6000 qtls. of French fish in boxes. Supplies are also coming in from Iceland and Norway, the latter selling on most favorable terms. The second message indicated that Mr. Munn, if given full and complete authority by the Government would probably be able to effect some sales. The Consorzio absolutely refuse to have anything to do with Hawes. Several fish exporters to-day were of the opinion that in a very short time the regulations would be lifted and one of these men was prepared to make a bet that way, giving his time limit as less than a month. The lifting of the regulations now, on the other hand is not looked upon with very great favor by others, as practically all the harm that they can do this year has now been done, and there is not much to be gained by making matters worse.

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Isaak Walton, Angler
and Biographer.

On December 15, 1683, Isaak Walton died, during a severe frost, at Winchester, in the house of his son-in-law, a prebendary of its Cathedral, and was buried in the north transept, where a black marble floor-slab bears an inscription written by Bishop Ken, author of the morning and evening hymns, "Awake, my soul, and with the sun," and "Glory to Thee, my God, this night." Walton's life was one of

remarkable changes, for born at Stafford in 1593 he was apprenticed to a London iron-monger, received the freedom of the Iron-mongers' Company, and had a shop for that trade at Chancery Lane. He made visits to Charles Cotton, a poet, in Staffordshire, and fished there in the River Dove. He therefore wrote his celebrated book, entitled "The Complete Angler," though of salmon fishing he knew nothing, for he was confessedly a bottom fisher, using worms, and had no idea of fishing upstream with the fly. But his mind enjoyed the silence and solitude which such recreation required, and for similar reasons attracted him. Although a tradesman he was friendly with a number of intellectual men with whom he came in contact, and wrote the biographies of many of them when they died. When engaged in fishing he with a love of nature could enjoy the sight of the fields and flowers which he describes. And his kind and humorous disposition, combined with piety, attracted learned men, both clergy and lay. Consequently he was a friend of John Donne, vicar of St. Dunstan-in-the-West, and afterwards Dean of St. Paul's, whose memoirs he wrote, and for the same reason he did those of the Rev. Richard Hooker, whose ecclesiastical works have continued to be authorities; George Herbert, the poetical divine; Robert Sanderson Bishop of Lincoln, and Sir Henry Wotton, diplomatist and poet.

Correspondents are requested to accompany contributions with their real names, not necessarily for publication but as a guarantee of good faith. In future no correspondence will be considered unless this rule is adhered to. It is also requested that all letters "For Publication" be so marked

Quarry Spalls.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Dear Sir,—I think it would be well if the City Commissioners reconsider their intention of spending five or six thousand dollars in crushing quarry spalls. If they spent half that amount in trying to improve our sidewalks and drains it would be more advantageous to the city. The rocks and boulders which protrude through the streets, particularly in around the King's Beach, are a disgrace to the city. Let the Commissioners give up crushing spalls for one year and re-gravel the streets, with the use of the steam roller. The nonsensical way in which they crush the stone makes it only fit for concrete. They crush the stones as fine as coarse sand and spread it on the streets where it soon becomes mud. Let us hope that something will be done in this matter.

Yours faithfully,
Dec. 15, 1920. REFORM.

Grove Hill Bulletin

THIS WEEK.
POT PLANTS for Xmas
(in full bloom).
AZALEAS—Pink.
CALLAS—White.
TULIPS—Red and Yellow.
HYACINTHS—White.
SWEET PEAS—Pink.Order early and secure the best. Prices on application.
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NOTICE.

Under and by virtue of "An Act respecting the General Hospital" George V. Cap. XIX., and with approval of the Governor-in-Council the Board of Governors of the John's Hospital hereby give notice that they have fixed and prescribed the following scale of fees to be levied from and paid by all persons who occupy beds or undergo treatment in the Hospital. The scale is to come into operation on the 1st day of January, 1921.

SCALE OF FEES.
Every person receiving treatment in the General Hospital shall, after December 31st next, pay fees according to the following scale:

Persons admitted to the wards \$1.00 per day; persons occupying private rooms \$10.00 per week, in addition to the daily fees of \$1.00. Every applicant for admission to the Hospital must bring with him or her a certificate signed by a duly registered physician that such applicant is a proper subject for Hospital treatment.

Under the provisions of the General Hospital Act, 1915, all patients who are unable to pay fees shall be required to bring with them a certificate of their inability to pay, which shall be signed by the resident relieving officer, or where there is no such officer, by a Justice of the Peace, a Clergyman or other responsible person. The fees of such patients thereupon become payable by the Commissioner of Public Charity by virtue of the said Act.

By order of the Board,
J. W. WITHERS,
Chairman.
H. N. WOSDELL,
Acting Secretary.

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