

Toilet Rolls and Sponge Bags

An appreciated Gift for either Ladies and Gentlemen at whatever price fits your list. Just in from England—handily arranged Sponge Bags and Traveling Rolls. Used all the time by their fortunate owners. Regular Sponge Bags start at 25c. These fussy ones start at 90c. and end at \$1.50. They are rubber lined and nicely patterned. Some have outside pockets for Tooth Brush, Paste and Soap, the \$1.50 kind have the pockets inside and are larger with lots of room for shaving things.



Toilet Rolls or Holdalls as some call them, start at \$1.25—those suitable alike for Ladies or Gentlemen being available also at \$1.35, \$2.35 and \$3.75. They have two large and two small pockets, except the \$3.75 type, which have a full length inside pocket. Shepherd Plaid or bright floral patterns.

At \$4, \$5 and \$5.50, Men's Khaki Holdalls have still more pockets and size and are excellent material.

Not a bad idea for a Gift!

Ross Drug Co., Ltd. The Rexall Drug Store

Buy a Fur Coat This Xmas

This year, if you have any notion of buying a Fur Coat, you should do it while prices are low. HUDSON SEAL COATS are dollars lower than they have been or will be another season. We offer you the best that can be made in plain, 42 inches long at \$325.

Beautiful FRENCH SEAL COATS, handsomely trimmed with Grey Squirrel, \$165.

Let us show you these garments.

F. S. Thomas Limited 539-545 MAIN STREET

LOVELY CHINA LASTS A LIFETIME

Our China and Crystal are frequently and rightly regarded as heirlooms. Though they keep daily trays at your table, you will never tire of their beauty of pattern and design. If you should have the misfortune to break a piece the damage may be quickly repaired, an exact replica can be promptly secured.

W. H. Hayward Co., Ltd. 85-93 PRINCESS STREET,



"So Thoughtful of You—Dear!" A CHEST OF SILVER

Pleasing the wife calls for just a little thinking back. Surely, there's been a time she's hinted for beautiful Silverware for her home or... stroke admirably of a Silver Service she'd seen in the home of a friend? Act on that suggestion now! We'll help you select it!

- Chests of Silver in 1847 Rogers', Community and R. Wallace & Son's, Silver Plate. Priced from \$20.00 to \$75.00, according to the number of pieces in chest. Chests of Silver made up to your selection.

W. H. Thorne & Co., Ltd. KING STREET and MARKET SQUARE



URGENT SHOPPING MORNING HOURS IS REPEATED

Here are Some More Good Things Found in Shopping Tour

Every day is a particularly busy one now in the stores, with the rush on to make selection of Christmas gifts as the time before the great festival becomes very short. Merchants are looking for a Saturday rush and a certain amount on the days of next week. They are desirous of seeing as many shoppers as possible in the mornings, as there is more time to give each then. The buyers, too, benefit much by this. Here are some more results of visits to the stores by Times-Star reporters.

JAMES G. CARLETON With his large show-windows and store attractively trimmed in the season's colors, James G. Carleton, 248 Waterloo street, is well prepared with a large stock to look after the Christmas trade. This store features staple lines of medium price and a gift can be found here for every member of the family. Boxed handkerchiefs in the latest colors are featured in the women's department, as well as stockings in various shades and fabrics. For men a gift of a pair of warm woolen socks for during the winter months is ever welcome. Special boxed neckties and shirts in a wide range of prices suggest many a suitable present. Specials in woolen goods are featured in the children's department, including knitted caps, sweaters, stockings, etc. The "lady of the house" would be delighted with a gift that could be used for the fine assortment of oilcloths, linoleums, squares, curtains and draperies.

DALLARD'S, KING STREET. This store, in King street, always popular with women, especially attractive this season. The complete stock of ladies' underwear is a special feature and contains no end of valuable gift suggestions. In crepe de chine is found the popular "dancing set," complete step-in, with garters to match; envelope chemises, nightgowns and pyjamas in all the delicate shades; also tricotized caps, bloomers and vests in orchid, pink, peach and blonde. D'Allard's are also showing a complete line of pongee underwear. What girl isn't pleased with a gift of pongee, with its wonderful wearing qualities and neater appearance. A charming specialty in the underwear department are handsome broadened pyjamas in beautiful golden shades. The display of dresses offers a wonderful opportunity for gifts. Evening gowns in chiffon, velvet, crepe, silk and the fashionable metallic cloth are featuring the newest shades, with the beautiful skirt much in evidence. Attractive afternoon dresses are in unlimited supply. D'Allard's are also showing a charming line of serge dresses—just the thing for the business girl. To complete the tour of this popular store, an inspection of the special selection of tailored white full silk blouses, complete with "Tom Boy" shirts, offers many suggestions for gifts.

ENERGY SUPPLY CO., LTD. Electric appliances of varied assortment, radios, ranges, washing machines, vacuum cleaners, reading lamps and shades, flash-lights and Christmas tree lighting sets, are displayed in this store at 44-46 Dock street, and offer the shopper an excellent opportunity to purchase a gift both practical and ornamental. The appliances include Hot-Point toasters, electric irons, table grills, and water heaters. A new feature this year is the piano lamp, a small and very attractive article that casts the glare of light will not annoy the player. The lamp is up in art metals with frosted glass shades in pretty color scheme. Then there are the electric fixtures, displayed as they would see them in your own home, a space in the rear of the main store, being specially trimmed and fitted for this purpose. Those inclined towards electrical furnishings should visit this store without delay.

C. H. TOWNSEND PIANO CO., LTD. With a large stock of beautiful Heintzmann and Weber and Schubert pianos, offered at special prices, as a Christmas gift, featured. Townsend's are at 54 King's street, are to the front in shopping competition. In the small musical instrument line, the store is replete with violins, accordions, mandolins, ukuleles and harmonicas, all suitable presents. Sheet music and music books of latest numbers, are on display and figure in the holiday program. In the household furniture line this firm is offering, living-room suites of red, three pieces, upholstered in best grade of tapestry. Odd reed chairs, in cretonne and tapestry are also shown. Library tables nicely designed, in fumed and golden oak, tea-wagons, Windsor chairs, fern-baskets, cedar chests, end tables, night tables, kitchen tables and pedestals are in elaborate array. The Kroyter divanettes, as well as beautiful living room and dining room suites are being featured.

AT HYDRO ROOMS The N. B. Power Commission's quarters in Canterbury street are attractive for those who wish to give the housewife a gift that will bring her joy and happiness every day in the year for the rest of her life and reduce own home duties to a minimum. Here will be found on display electric ranges and refrigerators. A purchase of an electric range relieves a man from the duty of taking out the ashes from a coal stove and the installation of an electric refrigerator does away with the necessity for carrying in ice for the old fashioned ice chest. They have also on display a line of electric grates for the den or living room.

LETTER HERE. There is a letter at this office for Leonard Dryden, care of the Sports Department.

ALMANAC FOR SAINT JOHN, DEC 17.

Local News
CARDS ENJOYED The weekly card party of St. John's parish held last night at Eastmount hall, was very largely attended and greatly enjoyed. The lucky winners cards were as follows: Ladies, first, Miss Bertha Logue; second, Mrs. John Ryan; gentlemen's first, J. Hamlin; second, John Masters. The door prize was won by ticket 87, held by Miss Crawley.

OFFICERS NAMED The Society of the Blessed Sacrament of the Cathedral parish at its meeting last night, in the vestry elected the following officers: President, Miss Josephine McNamara; vice-president, Mrs. J. H. Duddy; recording secretary, Miss Robie Stack; financial secretary, Miss Ethel M. Flaherty; treasurer, Miss Mary McGrath.

CLASS LEADERS The pupils of Grades 4 and 5, in Miss DeVitta Smith's room in the Beaconsfield School, received a surprise this morning, when Santa Claus arrived and presented a gift, and a box of candy to each. The leaders in grade 4 for the last term were James Rowley and Doris Fox, each making an average of 88. The leaders in grade 5 were Audrey Calvin with an average of 84, and Helen Fosbury with 83.7.

UNDERGOES OPERATION A. M. Marshall, who was injured while at work in the Saint John Iron Works last July, was admitted to the Maritime Sanatorium on Wednesday to undergo an operation. Following the accident Mr. Marshall was taken to the General Hospital and after some time discharged from that institution, the arm however failed to heal properly and it was found necessary to operate Wednesday.

MARINE DEGREE SAILS. The Marine Degree of the Sons of England of the ship Marlborough sailed last night with the captain, H. E. Thompson, in command and a good crew of mariners on board. The business of the evening consisted of a review of the year's sailing and good wishes for the coming year. Arrangements were made for holding the next sailing in January, when the election of officers will take place. At 10 o'clock refreshments of sandwiches and soft drinks were served and when the National Anthem was played the Marlborough was safe back in dock.

MAILS FOR BRITAIN
Arrangements Made For Week Ending Dec. 25
The chief superintendent of Railway Mail Service advises the despatch of the Long and the Reach ferries during the week ending Dec. 25 will be as follows:—
Correspondence specially addressed for the New York route to connect with S. S. Minnehaha sailing from St. John on Friday, Dec. 24, 10:30 p. m. Dec. 22.
Full mail for Great Britain and continental Europe to connect with the C. P. S. S. Montclair, sailing from Saint John to Liverpool on Thursday, Dec. 23, 11 a. m. Dec. 23.

River Frozen Over At The Long Reach
The Saint John River is frozen over on the Long Reach and the people have been crossing on the ice at Brown's Flat during the last few days. The ice is reported to be from four and a half to five inches thick but up to the present time no one has ventured across with a team. Although the ice is strong on the Reach the Gondola Point ferry has continued in operation, the ferry channel being kept open. The water at Gondola Point is swifter and the passage very much more difficult and ice is later formed. The Millidgeville ferry, Maggie Miller made her last trip of the season about two weeks ago.

Address Is Given By Rev. F. J. LeRoy

The Girls' Branch of the Women's Auxiliary of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Miss Olga McGuire, president, met in the church hall last evening. The senior W. A. and members of the congregation were present. Rev. F. J. LeRoy led devotional exercises and gave an interesting lecture on "The Land and China." An offering was taken for missions. The Branch Christmas and New Year's party will be held at the Sunday School at St. Martins.

As Hiram Sees It

"Do you mind," said Mr. Hiram Hornbeam to the Times-Star reporter, "when they used to have the two old ferryboats, Wun Gooey and 'Wun Lung'?"
"I remember them well," said the reporter. "Occasionally one of them would wander down the harbor, and both of them had a weakness for Navy Island Bay."
"But they wasn't no liquor inspectors in them days," said Hiram.
"True," said the reporter. "Wun Lung was a dry dock."
"Well," said Hiram—"with all their fallin' the Wun Gooey and 'Wun Lung' didn't chalk up no such de-faults as the boats you got now. I see one of 'em has another 'leak somewhere.'"
"Leak?" said the reporter. "Are you looking for leaks, too?"
"Nothin' like 'em' in the fashion," said Hiram. "Ain't everybody doin' it? I hear they're gonna have a meter put onto every ferry that works for the city."
"Isn't that a pipe-dream?" queried the reporter.
"It's what a feller told me up to the market this mornin'," said Hiram. "That settles it," said the reporter.

STOCKINGS FOR SOLDIERS ARE FILLED TODAY

Red Cross Workers Are Busy at Provincial Rooms Here

The Provincial Red Cross rooms in Prince William street were the scene of bustling Christmas preparations this morning, when the Provincial Red Cross Committee met to fill the Christmas stockings for the soldier patients at East Saint John and Lancaster hospitals. The bright red stockings soon developed in great quantities as the ladies crowded in the delightful gifts. These included a handsome tie, pair of warm wool socks, package of cigarettes, pound box of chocolates, package of figs, nuts, a toy and an orange.

THOSE HELPING.

The members who were present this morning to assist in the work were: E. J. Sturges, Mrs. W. D. Foster, Mrs. W. A. Harrison, Mrs. J. H. Duddy, Mrs. W. P. Bonnell, Mrs. G. E. Barbour, Mrs. J. R. Thomson, Mrs. Frank Fairweather, Mrs. C. B. Allan and Miss Margaret Tilley. The Provincial Red Cross Hospital Committee have also sent to Moncton stockings and the funds to fill them. They will go to the soldier patients at River Glade. The committee have already filled candy bags to be used on trees at East Saint John and Lancaster and the results of this morning's work will be sent to the hospitals in time for distribution at Christmas. Any patients able to go home for the holiday are given their present before leaving the hospital.

REGRETS PASSING OF FRANK B. ELLIS

Civic Power Commission in Session, Sales Detail is Requested

At the meeting of the Civic Power Commission, yesterday afternoon a resolution of regret on the death of Frank B. Ellis was ordered placed in the minutes and a copy sent to the family of Mr. Ellis. The chairman, F. S. A. McMullin, in speaking to the resolution, referred to the very loyal and devoted services rendered by Mr. Ellis personally and through the columns of his paper. The secretary read the certificate of the common clerk of the city that the members of the Commission had been reappointed for a period of two years. This was ordered spread on the minutes.

With reference to the amount of \$2,004.49, of which \$1,014.13 was on capital account, were ordered paid. Mayor White said he would like to have a statement at the next meeting, showing the details of the sales department. A. M. Rowan, chairman, there should also be available a statement of the cost of getting business. The secretary said that the Commission brought the Commission a revenue of \$20,000 a year for current.

TOM COPELAND IS REMEMBERED HERE

Entertainer, Formerly of London Eight, Passes Through on Way to England

Tom Copeland, Scotch comedian and manager of the London Eight, a travelling vaudeville and concert party, heard in this city nearly two years ago, passed through this city and left for London this week. Mr. Copeland, who is working alone now, has been for more than a year touring the smaller places of the Canadian west as a humorous lecturer, folk musician and Scotch comic. He has labored particularly among the Scotch Churches and travelling alone Mr. Copeland was able to perform in some secluded and isolated towns and villages where showpeople seldom get. In London, where his home is, Mr. Copeland was for years a church organist. Talking with a Times-Star reporter the redoubtable "Tom" said the other members of the London Eight are spread about. Suetette Terry, soubrette (Mrs. Copeland) is in London; Joan Duff, pianist (Miss Copeland) is earning a large salary in a vaudeville circuit on this side; the lady violinist and Mr. Alexander, baritone, are in concert work over here and Wilfrid Virgo, tenor, is in Toronto doing church work. Tom Copeland is to return to Canada for engagements booked in Regina as a starting point.

REGRET DEPARTURE

Y's Men Express Appreciation of Iker Fownes' Work

Appreciation of the services of Iker Fownes, as treasurer of the club, was expressed at the meeting of the Y's Men's Club held last night with Harold Northrup as chairman. There was general regret at his coming departure from the city. A suitable letter was ordered to be sent by Mr. Northrup to Iker. He was appointed treasurer to fill the vacancy. Two reels of educational motion pictures, film showing the method of manufacturing electric light bulbs were shown and were much enjoyed by the members. The films had been kindly loaned by the Webb Electric Company and a vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Webb. Vocal duets by Harold Williams and Gerald Williams with Harold Williams playing ukelele accompaniment were greatly enjoyed.

Mother will Love Us For These!

Makes no difference if you each have but ten cents—McAvity's is the place to get Mother what she has been wanting all along. Or the young children may club together and get her something big to cook with. A real bargain and beautiful is the Double Roaster of White Enamel—bakes the largest Turkey without basting—worth \$4, but going for \$2.95. There are about a million Kitchen Utensils to put in Mother's Stocking at 10c. Other hints are Teapots from 30c.—set of five utensils of \$1.25 value for 95c. A Coffee Percolator in Gift Box from \$1.40. Four dollar set of Grocery containers (5 in all) for \$2.50. No matter what your money, there's something nice here to help Mother out in the Kitchen.

McAvity's

Santa Claus at Oak Hall Tomorrow Morning at 9

A Gift Intimate Vests, Bloomers, Glove Silk Underwear Slips, Gowns

BOXED DANCE SETS of Glove Silk or Crepe de Chine, including Brasieres and Steeps, daintily lace trimmed, priced from \$5.25 to \$6.50

Women's Shop - 3rd Floor Every housewife will be delighted with a pair of these

Lovely Embroidered Pillow Slips Large size, very fine cotton, beautifully embroidered in solid or cut work effect, priced per pair from \$2.50 to \$3.75

Gloves Lingerie Sweaters Dresses Hosiery Kimonos Breeches Coats

CHRISTMAS NECKWEAR

Silk and Wool Ties, the kind most men prefer, beautiful new patterns. A real man's tie from a real man's shop. You're sure to please \$1.50

Other Ties 50c. to \$3

Gloves Mufflers Shirts Smoking Jackets Hosiery Sweaters Pyjamas Dressing Coats Slippers Caps

Big Bargain Basement Special Rayon Silk Lace Scarfs

Dainty and acceptable. Lovely Rayon Silk in lace weave, with silk fringed ends and pivot edge. Colors: Flame Honeydew, Cherub, Marie Antoinette, Paloma, Pumpkin, Beige, White, Black, Powder Blue, Tango, \$1.49 Pink, Absinthe.

Washing Done Out Of House

With Christmas speeding down on us, who wants to be bothered with a Wash Day? You'll smile all over at the tiny cost when the New System driver comes back with the rapid return delivery. And your eyes will pop at the whiteness of everything, the sweetness of it. No woman has strength to wash things that well—it takes tons of water, sudding and rinsing. Separate treatments. Have more energy left for Christmas by getting this trouble out of your path. Telephone

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