

GOOD THINGS COMING TO THEATRES OF ST. JOHN

COUSIN KATE TONIGHT; A MATINEE TOMORROW

Tonight is the big night in local theatricals, the long awaited presentation of "Cousin Kate" by a select local cast, under the auspices of the Royal Standard Chapter.

NEW VAUDEVILLE, OPERA HOUSE TOMORROW NIGHT

The regular weekly change of vaudeville programme, opening at the Opera House tomorrow night, offers the usual variety of good acts, including Walton and Vivian in a comedy singing and chatting skit, written just for fun; Harry Ward, story teller, singer and dancer; Monroy Bros. in a comedy variety novelty; Elaine and Tatiana in a classical drama; Jowman and Brooks in a spectacular musical feature, and the fourth chapter of the serial drama, "The Woman in the Web." Usual two evening performances at 7.30 and 9; popular prices.

"THE SPY" AND A RATTLING COMEDY

Dustin Farnum in "The Spy," created a wealth of interest at the Gem last night. It is a revelation of German spy system workings and seems with its spectacular, though avoiding scenes of battle. The programme ends with a quick-fire comedy, one of the best the Gem has shown in a long time. Tonight at 7.15 and 8.45.

GEM'S PRICES

A mistake was made last evening in announcing the Gem's prices for tonight and Friday. They are: Afternoon, children, 5c; adults, 10c; balcony, 10c; down stairs, 15c.

The Tariff and Politics (Toronto Star)

The tariff issue is projected into politics by the platform of the Canadian Council of Agriculture, representing farmers in the Prairie provinces and Ontario—that is to say, all the chief agricultural provinces except Quebec.

The Globe and the Mail contend that the members of the government should stand together for the present, until measures of reconstruction are passed.

Some time ago Sir John Willison had a signed editorial in the Montreal Star which pointed in the same direction as Mr. Maclean's.

What will probably happen, especially in view of the probable absence of the prime minister during part at least of the session, will be an effort to postpone the consideration of tariff measures for the present. This measure, however, cannot last very long.

The question then arises whether there can be any permanent settlement of the tariff on which the East and the West, the farmers and the manufacturers, can agree.

ST. JOHN MAN GETS SIX MONTHS

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 12.—George Gibbith of St. John, arrested at Miramichi on Friday last on a charge of violation of the prohibition act, was sentenced at Oromocto to six months in Sunbury county jail for a second offence.

MOST OF POLICE OF MONTREAL ON STRIKE

Montreal, Dec. 12.—The majority of the employees of the police and water departments of this city went on strike this morning for a higher pay. The members of the fire department did not go out. They have accepted arbitration.

MESSAGE FROM HON. MR. BALLENTYNE RE SHIPS AND TROOPS AT HALIFAX

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 12.—D. MacGillivray, president of the board of trade, has received from Hon. C. C. Balleentyne the following telegram re reported proposed "switching" of Canadian hospital ships from Halifax to Portland:

MARTIN ELDRIDGE, AGED 60, KILLED IN COASTING ACCIDENT IN ST. GEORGE

St. George, N. B., Dec. 12.—Martin Eldridge, sixty years old, of Beaver Harbour, was killed last night in a coasting accident. The rear sled of a double runner slewed and upset him as he was crossing a street.

and sell their products without regard to anything but their own will and their own interests. They ought to be subjected to a law against combines and excessive prices as strict and effective as the customs law restricting importations for their benefit.

Free Niobe's Crew. Halifax, N. S., Dec. 12.—It is stated here that the crew of H. M. C. S. Niobe will be demobilized next week.

Notice of Births, Marriages and Deaths, 50c.

BIRTHS

ROBERTS—On December 11, to Mr. and Mrs. Roy C. Roberts, 48 Kennedy street, St. John, a daughter, Muriel Frances.

DEATHS

DUNHAM—On December 12, Helen S. Dunham, only child of Mr. and Mrs. Archibald Dunham, 20 Kennedy street, leaving her parents to mourn.

CAMPBELL—At West St. John, on the 12th inst., Elizabeth, wife of Andrew Campbell, leaving besides her husband, three sons and three daughters to mourn.

NORDSTROM—At his parents' residence, 15 Drury Lane, on the 11th inst., Roy, youngest son of Fred and Janie Nordstrom, aged one year, leaving father, mother, one sister and five brothers to mourn.

BARNES—Entered into rest on the morning of Dec. 12, 1918, George Henry Barnes, in the 83rd year of his age.

PIERCE—At Port Arthur, Ontario, on Dec. 5, after a short illness, William H. Pierce, of St. John, in his 27th year, son of Mrs. and the late James Turner Pierce, leaving his mother, three brothers and three sisters to mourn.

MORTUARY CHAMBERS, Main street, to Fernhill Cemetery at 2.30. Private.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Short wish to extend thanks to the doctors and nurses of the General Public Hospital for kindness and attention shown to their son, Harry, also to their many friends for kindness and flowers.

LOCAL NEWS

Christmas Suggestions. See Page 11. Lugin Photo Studio open at night for sittings, 38 Charlotte street.

For Sale—Set new furs. Apply evening. Duncan, 39 Paradise Row. Skill time to give your order for Christmas—Morin, ladies' and gent's tailor, 52 Germain. Lowest cash prices. 89677-12-19

Sunshine Circle sale of home cooking and fancy work, Saturday, 96 Germain street, 2 p.m. 89679-12-14

Regular meeting Railway Freight Handlers Union Friday night, Dec. 13. Members all requested to attend. By order of president. 89706-12-14

Victoria rink will not open tonight. Rink will open as soon as weather becomes cold.

MIRACLES TODAY. You will want to hear Evangelist Kenyon tonight, Brussels street church. Subject: "The Reason for Miracles." If you are not clear on this subject come tonight and hear what God's word says.

NEW BOOKS THAT HAVE JUST COME TO HAND. At the McDonald Lending Library include: "The Chivalry of Keith Leicester" (Robert Allison Ford); "The Room With the Tassels" (Carolyn Wells); "Jimmie the Sixth" (Frances Streett); "The Devil's Cradle" (Mrs. Alfred Sedgewick), and others. Paste this list in your catalogue, if you have one. If you have not there's one waiting for you at the McDonald Lending Library, 7 Market square. "Phone Main 1273.

JOIN THE WHITE PROGRESSIVE CLUB AT ONCE. Only a limited quantity of White sewing machines and talking machines will be sold on this club plan. The price is reduced, these special prices only during the sale. This is a real opportunity to buy the best talking or sewing machine at a great reduction. Twenty-five cents is all you need to join the White Progressive Club, then the balance in easy payments as scheduled elsewhere in this paper. Special on every final payment made before it is due we will refund ten cents. By taking advantage of this feature you can reduce the price still further. Come in today and let us tell you all about it. Act now, tomorrow may be too late.—Furnishers Ltd., 189 Charlotte street.

DIED TODAY. The death of Miss Annie Westdene Denison, daughter of the late Annie and James Denison of this city, occurred this afternoon in the Parkers Emergency Hospital from pneumonia. She was fifteen years old and leaves her uncle, Thomas White, of Harding street, with whom she made her home.

Esq. Ald. John Maxwell of Fredericton died this morning, aged eighty-five. The late Hon. Robert Maxwell was a son. Mrs. Thos. E. Dyer and Miss Lillian Maxwell of St. John are daughters.

POLICE CHIEF DISMISSED. Considerable sensation has been created in Montreal by the summary dismissal of Narcisse Grandcamp, chief of police. No reasons are stated, but it is likely that the dismissal may lead to a strike of the whole police force, at least the Policemen's Union so threatens.

BRUSSELS BAN ON GERMAN MATERIALS. Brussels, Dec. 12.—The board of aldermen yesterday approved a motion to insert in city contracts a clause barring the use of materials of German origin.

ASK INVESTIGATION OF RAID ON NOVITATE. Ottawa, Dec. 12.—A plea for full investigation into all the circumstances of the raid by military police on the Guelph Novitate was laid before the government today by a large delegation representing Orange lodges and the Guelph Ministerial Association.



Rev. O. P. Brown. Prof. Paul Duffy will sing tonight and tomorrow night. Song Service - 7.45 p.m. Prayer Service - 7.15 p.m. (Downstairs) Brussels St. Church Laymen's Committee (Undenominational)

THE BEST QUALITY AT A REASONABLE PRICE. Fine Watches for Christmas. In this choicest of all Christmas Gifts, we are prepared to take exceptionally good care of you.

Our stock of watches is especially attractive in the better grades of men's watches, in the leading American and Swiss makes, including Howard, Waltham, Decima, Tivvane, etc. Prices range from \$15 to \$125.

Many beautiful little bracelet watches in gold-filled and solid gold cases. A special value in a 15-jewel Swiss movement. Gold-filled, \$20 and \$22. Solid Gold, \$30 and \$35.

Military watches will continue to be popular with young men. A splendid stock, \$13 to \$30.

L. L. Sharpe & Son. Jewelers and Opticians. Two stores—21 King St., 189 Union St. Canada Food Board License No. 8-569

RETURNED SOLDIERS HELP IN CHRISTMAS MAIL RUSH

The following is a list of helpers appointed for the Christmas rush in the railway mail service.—F. E. MacBeth, Norton; J. L. Daley, C. K. Donovan, D. McNiven, R. W. Fraser, W. C. R. Ramsey, A. P. Mahony, of St. John; J. Sudbury, P. E. Island, and W. P. Phillips, St. John. All are returned soldiers.

MOTHER HASTENS TO HER SON'S BELSIDE

Mrs. John C. Kee, wife of a well-known railway mail clerk, will leave for London, Eng., on the steamer Metagama this afternoon to visit her son, Capt. William J. Kee, of the Imperial Army Veterinary Corps, who is seriously ill in No. 3 London Hospital with Spanish influenza. Word of the St. John boy's illness came yesterday, and the household was not long in deciding what should be done. Capt. William Kee is a popular St. John boy and equally well-liked for his efficiency and good-fellowship in the army.

RETURNED SOLDIERS' COMMISSION MEETING

A meeting of the New Brunswick Returned Soldiers' Commission was held this afternoon. Matters relative to demobilization were discussed along with other subjects. Among those present were Charles Robinson, Colonel MacKenzie of Newcastle, John D. Creighton of Chatham, Hon. William Wilson of Fredericton, and R. B. Steeves of Sussex.

WILLIAM AGNEW PATON IS DEAD IN NEW YORK

New York, Dec. 12.—William Agnew Paton, author, art student and former newspaper publisher, died in a hotel here yesterday in his seventy-first year.

LAST WEEK Laymen's Evangelistic Campaign

Tonight (Thurs.) Evangelist Kenyon Subject "The Reason For Miracles" Afternoon Meetings This Week 3 o'clock Addresses Given By Rev. O. P. Brown

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Order Your Christmas Fruit Cakes, Puddings, Mince Meat, Now Doughnuts, Frosted Cakes. We have a variety of Fancy Work.

WOMAN'S EXCHANGE, 158 Union St. Rent New Books from our Library.

HOME FOR BURIAL. The body of William H. Pierce, son of Mrs. Pierce and the late James Pierce of this city, who died in Port Arthur, was brought to the city today. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon from Brennan's undertaking rooms, Main street.

TAKING CHANCES. In the absence of a traffic officer at the Golden Bell corner this noon-hour, an auto delivery truck dashed around Union into Waterloo and, overtaking a private car—all of them with their tops up—crashed into it bow on. The driver of the private vehicle, not knowing there was a speeding car behind, diverted his car slightly, thus confusing the driver with the speedster. There was not much damage done to either car, but in a few seconds during which a bad smash-up seemed inevitable, there was considerable shouting and scurrying. The street was choked with teams and crossing pedestrians at the time.

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MARINE NOTES. The tug Mumford brought the schooner Margaret Parsons here from Parrsboro, N. S. The schooner has 20,000 feet of spruce lumber on board and is consigned to J. T. Knight & Co.

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Specially Priced MILLINERY For... FRIDAY and SATURDAY This includes all our Up-to-date Hats, trimmed and untrimmed; Mourning hats, and a large variety of Veils on hand. Frank Skinner Importer of Millinery - 60 KING STREET

LOCAL NEWS

DR. McALLISTER BETTER. Dr. Duncan H. McAllister, of Sussex, was a visitor to the city yesterday, looking quite well after his recent severe illness. The popular physician was warmly greeted by his friends.

NON-SUPPORT CHARGED. James W. Boyd was before the police magistrate this morning charged by his wife with non-support. Mrs. Boyd said that her husband since signing with the soldiers, two and a half years ago, had not given her any money. The magistrate asked if she had received separation allowance. She said she had not, as her husband filled out his military papers as a single man and naming his next of kin as his mother. Boyd was remanded after being informed that he was liable to a fine of \$500 or one year in jail.

WILL HOLD INQUEST. Coroner Kenney has empanelled a jury, of which J. Cameron is foreman, for an inquest into the death of Miss Annie Berryman who died as a result of injuries received in a runaway accident. It is said that the boy who was driving is under the legal age for drivers. The inquiry will be opened in the police court on Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

MILL STREET CORNER. Commissioner Fisher has made arrangements to meet S. H. White of Sussex on next Monday to see if some satisfactory arrangements can be made, whereby the city will secure a portion of his property, at the corner of Union and Mill streets, to widen the street.

BURIED TODAY. The funeral of Miss Annie S. Berryman took place this afternoon from her late residence, 19 Coburg street. Services were conducted by Rev. S. S. Fernhill, and interment was made in Fernhill.

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SHIPPING

ALMANAC FOR ST. JOHN, DEC. 12. A.M. High Tide... 6.07 Low Tide... 12.15 Sun Rises... 8.09 Sun Sets... 4.37 Time used is Atlantic standard.

PORT OF ST. JOHN. Arrived Dec. 12. Coastwise—Schr. Martha Parsons, 455 tons, from Cherie, N. S. L. Creaser master; str. Keith Cann, from Westport, N. S. Capt. S. L. McKinnon; str. Empress, from Digby, Capt. A. MacDonald; tug J. A. Mumford, from Parrsboro, N. S. Capt. D. D. Clayton.

Cleared Dec. 12. SS Sunland for Falmouth for orders, Capt. C. J. Mordant. Coastwise—Str. Empress, for Digby, Capt. A. MacDonald; tug J. A. Mumford, for Hantsport, N. S. Capt. D. D. Clayton; str. Keith Cann, for Westport, N. S. Capt. A. L. McKinnon.

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DIRECTOR OF REPATRIATION



H. J. Daly, of Toronto and Ottawa, who has accepted the office of Director of Reconstruction and Repatriation and will supervise all arrangements for demobilization of Canada's army, and also of industrial reconstruction.

PERSONALS

Rev. Michael O'Brien of Norton is in the city.

HUMPHREY'S PRICE LIST Choice Teas

- Frinton Orange Pekoe... 60c. Brentford Orange Pekoe... 65c. Lantyan Orange Pekoe... 70c. Merton Orange Pekoe... 80c. Golden Pheasant Oolong No. X... 80c. Golden Pheasant Oolong No. 1... 70c. Golden Pheasant Oolong No. 2... 65c. Golden Pheasant Oolong No. 3... 60c. Saryume (China)... 60c, 65c. Japan (Green)... 65c. Fresh Roasted Coffee, 40c, 45c, 50c, 55c. Pure Cocos... 40c, 60c.

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