

Evening Dress Suits!

Each season sees some little innovation in the style of Evening Dress Suits.

Not Every Man

changes his apparel to conform with this, but in buying an Evening Dress Suit it is obviously well to secure what is positively down-to-date and correct.

Our 20th Century Brand Evening Dress Suits

are here in the latest mode. Absolutely right—not only in style but in quality of tailoring, in fabric, in fit.

We have the exclusive control of the 20th Century Suits in this city, and most well-dressed men admit that they are uniformly the best of ready-tailored suits.

Evening Dress Suits - - - \$25.00
To Special Measure, \$28.00 to \$40.00

GILMOUR'S
68 King Street.

The Merchants' Bank of Canada

Capital \$6,000,000. Reserve Fund \$5,400,000
Total Assets, over \$76,000,000

St. John Branch; 58 Prince William St.
A General Banking Business Transacted.
Absolute Security to Depositors. Your Account is Invited

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Is a good investment for your money; it gives a good return with every prospect of an increase in capital value. The Company is doing a very large business and making excellent profits, a good proportion of which are annually transferred to Reserve thereby building up the strength of the concern. If you have not already investigated, write for particulars.

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BANKERS
St. John and Montreal
MEMBERS MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE

We Offer Any Part of 300 Shares

Acadia Sugar Preferred

Dividends 6 p. c., payable May 1st and December 20th.
Par Value \$4.80.
Price 103 p. c., ex-div., to yield 5.50 p. c.

One half of the outstanding bond issue was redeemed in 1905 and it is expected the balance will be paid off at maturity in 1913. This will place the Preferred Stock in a very strong position. Earnings have shown a satisfactory yearly increase for several years past, and for the year ending September 30th, 1911, give a substantial surplus over Preferred and Ordinary dividend requirements.

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Established 1873.
Members Montreal Stock Exchange.
ST. JOHN, FREDERICTON, HALIFAX, NEW GLASGOW, MONTREAL.

BARGAINS

—IN—
Fancy Boxes, All New Goods, Get Our Prices.
All Kinds of Fruits and Juts.
3 lb. Cream Mixture for 25c.

Boston Confectionery
33 Charlotte Street.

LOCAL NEWS

Have you tried Bond's ice-cream?

Try Duval's. What for? Anything.
10783-12-23

Skate depot, Duval, 17 Waterloo street.
10782-12-23.

Holly and Mistletoe. J. E. Quinn, City Market.
10783-12-23.

Queen's Rink will open for skating on Saturday afternoon with band. 1074.

Ask for Frank White's own make hard mixture.
10619-12-26.

Apples from P. Nae & Sons, Ltd., 600 up, Corner Main and Bridge. 12-27

Good apples for sale cheap at the Bakers, Ltd.
10619-12-26.

Fresh Xmas goods at Vincent's.
10619-12-26.

Great sale of men's Christmas ties at Corbet's, 190 Union street.

Xmas tree trimmings cheap—Phillip's Main and Union streets.
10778-12-23.

Do not forget C. F. Francis & Co's annual sale of Xmas confectionery. 12-23

Jack Johnson arrived in New York today. He weighs 233.

Feed your stock Stein Bros' celebrated cornmeal.
10704-2-19.

Turkey supper tonight, 25 cents, at Wannamaker's.
10705-12-26

If you want to save money, buy your confectionery and fruit at the 2 Bakers, Ltd.

Dead on Carleton Rink Christmas afternoon and evening; admission 15c.
10784-12-23.

There is no place like well Duval's Umbrella Store for gift umbrellas without gift price attachment.
10784-12-23

The 2 Bakers are selling special raisins and like, a lb.; best dried fruit, a lb.; citron peel 1 lb.; a lb. of orange peel 1 lb.

APPOINTMENT.
Frank Giggie, of Stanley ward, has been recommended by the patronage committee for a position as letter carrier.

Malaga grapes 1 lb., 2 lbs. Xmas candy for 25 cts.; good oranges, 2 doz. 35 cts.; 2 lb. mixed candy, 15 cts.—Phillips' Union and Main streets.

THE BATTLE LINE.
S. S. Allison, Captain Lockhart, from Gloucester for Buenos Ayres, arrived at Antwerp today.

600 Doz. cassanque and Xmas stockings in bright colors, arrived late, will be sold cheap to clear—C. F. Francis & Co., 72 Mill street, 141 Charlotte street, 12-23

Best brand flour \$3.00, 100 lb.; best Manitoba flour \$4.00, 100 lb.; very heavy guaranteed by the 2 Bakers, Ltd., 100 Princess street, 111 Brunsell street, 141 Main street, 246 King street, 10608-12-26

The 2 Bakers, Ltd., 100 Princess street, King street, west end, are offering this Christmas tree electric lights, flash lights, miniature lamps, toasters, stoves, irons, electric lamps and repairs. Telephone 1217, J. Hunter, 88 Princess street.
10608-12-26

Don't miss the big turkey supper at Hamilton's Restaurant, 74 Mill street, "upstairs." Saturday night, Dec. 23. Served from 5.30 to 12 o'clock.
10709-12-26

ANNUAL MEETING.
The annual meeting of the Charlotte County Free Owners' and Weir Fishermen's Union, will be held at St. George on December 29 and promises to be particularly interesting.

The public's favorite rink, Victoria, reopened last night with exceedingly large and scorable crowds. The ice was extra good, and with the lights everybody enjoyed a fine, healthy all-around skate.

XMAS PARCELS POST.
The parcels post department in the post office will be open on Saturday until ten o'clock at night, and on Monday, Christmas day, will be open until noon for the purpose of Christmas deliveries.

The 2 Bakers' prices will save your money; chocolates from 2 to 25c; up; regular 40c. chocolates 25c; 5 lb. box 12c; a lb. can of condensed milk, 10c; Xmas mince candy, from 5c. a lb.; new figs 1 lb. a lb.; green grapes 2 lbs. for 25c.

FUNERAL OF MR. DOHERTY.
The funeral will be held on Saturday afternoon at three o'clock from 90 Wentworth street. The service at the house will commence at half-past two o'clock. His sister, Mrs. Edwin Wallace, of Beverly, Mass., arrived in the city today to attend the funeral.

AT CITY HALL.
The laborers' fortnightly pay roll distributed today was made up as follows: Public works \$1,000.00; Water \$2,082.18; Ferry \$260.48; 83,473.12.

The Royal Theatre in Carleton, formerly West End Nickel, wish to call your attention to their big week end show big vaudeville attraction, "The Great Cleveland Handoff Manipulator and Escape Artist," Friday and Saturday, 22nd and 23rd; big Christmas prize competition starting tonight. Send your children to the big matinee on Saturday; change of pictures every night—107-12-21.

"THE BUSY UPTOWN STORE."
Make this your Christmas store. If you never decide upon what to buy, come and let us help you. We have everything imaginable for men and boys. Our prices are the lowest in the city; we have lots of salesmen to wait on you and a large, bright store to shop in. You have only one day left—Henderson, Hurd, 17-19 Charlotte street.

OVERCOAT SALE.
Away back in the olden days our forefathers wore overcoats only a protection against wind and rain. But that was little or nothing. But it is that way today. The overcoat is not only a protection against wind and rain, but it is a warm, it must look like your own. It must not lie your new coat, it must be a ready-to-wear overcoat, made at home, for comfort and service and all at low being cleared at discounts of 10 to 25 per cent.—68 King street.

FREDERICTON NEWS

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 22.—The McFarlane Wagon Works at Nashwaakias were afire today but the blaze was soon extinguished.

The York and Sunbury Teachers' Institute today elected—President, R. D. Hanson; vice-president, Joseph F. Alexander; secretary-treasurer, Miss Ellen Thorne; executive, C. M. Lawson, Miss Rhoda McDougall and Miss F. Fox.

A Boiestown man under the influence of liquor attempted to assault Policeman Sturgeon last night and was arrested. He cut himself badly with a broken gin bottle.

Willard Kitchen, railway contractor, intends leaving for the west early in the new year to look over the country with a view of locating.

SCHOONER MEN DROWNED

Yarmouth, Dec. 22.—The Digby schooner Loran B. Snow reports the loss of two men, John Quimpe and Young Taylor, both of Victoria Beach, who failed to return during a squall while fishing off Yarmouth Cape last night.

ORANGE OFFICERS INSTALLED.
The installation of the recently elected officers of York, No. 3, Loyal Orange Lodge, took place last evening in their hall in German street. The officers are: W. M., George Oldford; Sec. Secretary, James Gillett; Fin. Secretary, J. Billard; Treasurer, Chas. Beers.

Foreman Comas, Wm. Russell, Insd. Tyler, David A. Gordon. The installation was conducted by the grand secretary, Neil J. Morrison, assisted by Deputy District Master James Sullivan. Reports showed that the lodge is in a most prosperous condition with a cash balance of \$300. Several Christmas donations to old members of the lodge were approved.

CRIDITORS' MEETINGS.
Representatives of the creditors, chiefly Hixson and Montreal firms, of W. V. Ducloux, tailor, of Chipman, met yesterday afternoon in the office of H. H. Pickett. The assignment to Mr. Pickett was confirmed and he was instructed to dispose of the assets.

The creditors of the creditors of Stanley A. Gallop, general merchant, of Tobique River, held yesterday afternoon in the office of H. H. Pickett and ordered the final dividend of 18 cents was ordered paid. The liabilities were \$10,000 principally owing to St. John firms.

The creditors of A. W. Heane, builder of this city, met yesterday in the office of H. H. Pickett and ordered the final dividend. The liabilities are \$1,400 and the assets \$200.

NOT ARRESTED.
The statement that H. Percy Mills, aged 34 of Annapolis, N. S., had been arrested on Wednesday evening at Boston on charge of theft appeared in a despatch from Boston in a morning paper. A gentleman who called at this office this morning said that the name, age and address were his but wished to make it known that he had not been arrested. He has been in Portland, Maine, for some time and left there last night on the return home. He first learned of his alleged arrest when he picked up St. John paper and made haste to correct it. The first thing he did was to write his family at Annapolis to remove their fears in case they had heard of the story and taken in at all seriously.

ST. JOHN CREDITORS.
S. Brady, of Springfield, who operates three stores, carrying on clothing, dry goods and furniture, assigned on Wednesday to Mr. Moffatt, the official assignee in Annapolis. The liabilities are \$20,000 and the assets are given at the same figure. The creditors are principally in St. John and Montreal.

On account of a protest made by George A. Perley, of Margville, M. P. for Sunbury, a survey will be made for an alternate route for the Gibson & Minor Railway, to be situated so as to include Lakeville Corner. The alternative route will be some miles south of that now surveyed. The new survey will begin next week.

PRESENTATION.
Miss Brittain, matron of the Kings Daughters' Guild, was happily surprised last evening when she was made the recipient of a Christmas gift by the boarders at the guild. Miss Dorelli made the presentation.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 22.—According to reports received from the town of Jolfa, a suburb of Japhan, Persia, the Persians yesterday attacked a Russian detachment. The firing lasted all day and artillery took part in the engagement.

Telegraphic communication with Persia has been interrupted.

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS
Too late for classification

WANTED—Children to board. Good care Box 4. Times office. 10786-12-27

TO LET—Flat and furnished light house-keeping rooms. Phone West 31. 10782-12-29.

GENERAL GIRLS and cooks always get best places. Women's Exchange, 158 Union street.

LOST—By way of King to Wentworth two valuable cushion tops. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at Times Office. 1715.

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Some new styles of Ladies' Slippers received yesterday

Attractive Patterns from 70c. to \$2.00. Each one a real pleasure giver.

Long High Cut Boots for the Boys, with the Buckle Fastenings.

Overboots, Shoe Packs, Creepers, Moccasins and a lot of other useful articles just the thing for a present.

Open Each Evening Till 11 p. m.

PERCY J. STEEL
Better Footwear.
519 Main Street.

Gift Bargains For Last Minute Buyers

Here are gift items representing broken assortments desirable to close out completely, so that shoppers coming in time to get them will save considerable money.

Walking Sticks, sterling silver mounted, reduced one half to clear, now \$1.00 to \$5.00
Piver's Perfumes and Toilet Water, regularly sold at \$1.50, now per bottle 1.19
Sovereign Perfumes, different odors, plush box, regular price 50c, now per bottle 37c.
Imitation Ebony Hair Brushes, now 19c. and 29c.
Dressed Dolls, regular 35c. and 50c. kinds, now 19c. and 29c.
Genuine Ebony Hair Brushes, in gift boxes now 73c.
Shaving Mirrors, were 50 to \$3.00, 25c. to \$1.50
Special Vacuum Bottle, keeps liquids hot 24 hours, equal to \$3.49 kind; 1 qt. size, now \$1.75
Real Ebony Military Brushes, regular \$1.45, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$3.00, now per pair \$1.79
Real Ebony Hat Brushes, regular 50c., 75c., 90c. kinds, now each 35c.

Moir's Chocolates, box 30c. to \$6.50
Nelson's Chocolates, box 20c. to 3.75
Huyler's Chocolates, box 25c. to 3.50
Frank White's Hard Mixture, 1 lb., 25c. Five pound box 1.00

WASSON'S 100 KING STREET

LATE SHIPPING

PORT OF ST. JOHN

Arrived Today.

Stuns Rossano, 3367, Bailey, Sydney and cleared; Westport 111, 40, Cogan, Westport, and cleared

Cleared Today.

Schr Dana C. 40, Berry, Vineyard Haven. Coastwise—Sims Gensler Bros, 49, Wapock, Clance Harbor; Schr G. H. Perry, 99, McDonough, St. Martins.

PRESIDENT OF ECUADOR PASSES AWAY SUDDENLY

Guayaquil, Ecuador, Dec. 22.—Emilio Estrada, president of the republic of Ecuador, died here suddenly at midnight.

President Estrada was elected to office on January 11, 1911, and was inaugurated in September.

GOOD MARKSMEN.
Certificates of merit from the Canadian Rifle League have been received by the members of the St. John Rifle Club, who qualified in the competitions during the past summer, as follows:

First-class, L. O. Bentley—average 87.25.
First-class, A. G. Staples—average 93.
First-class, Geo. W. Hazen—average 93.

First-class—F. Archibald—average 90.75
First-class—N. J. Morrison—average 90.25
Second-class—R. A. C. Brown—average 82.50.

Second-class—Geo. Fletcher—average 82.75.

In addition, A. G. Staples won the silver silver, presented by the dominion government for the best aggregate in the four matches shot for this trophy, having a total of 376, or an average of 94.

Get Your Fall Clothing From the Union Store
223 Union St. Ideal Easy Payments.

(The charge of inserting notices of Births, Marriages or Deaths is fifty cents.)

BIRTHS

LAIDLAW—In Halifax, on December 22, to Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Laidlaw, of St. John, N. B., a son.

DEATHS

DOHERTY—Suddenly, in this city, on Dec. 21, 1911, Henry A. Doherty, aged 57 years.

Funeral from his late residence, 96 Wentworth street, on Saturday at 3 p. m.; service at 2.30.

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Our Stock-Taking Furniture Sale

Is still attracting interested buyers each day. The entire stock is marked down and must be reduced before Jan. 1.

USEFUL CHRISTMAS GIFTS

MORRIS CHAIRS, FANCY CHAIRS, WILLOW ROCKERS, COBBLER ROCKERS, LADIES' DRESSERS, HALL RACKS,

SHAVING STANDS, CHINA CLOSETS, BUFFETS, DINING CHAIRS, KIDNEYWARE, ETC.

Children's toy sets, rockers, dolls, carriages, chairs etc.

AMLAND BROS., LTD.
14 Waterloo Street.

"Seconds in Women's Umbrellas."

WE OPENED TODAY A LINE OF "Slightly Imperfect" Umbrellas, with Long Mission Wood Handles.

Regular Value \$2.50 Selling for \$1.00 each. CARLETON'S, Cor. Waterloo and Brussels Sts.

Dr. Farris S. Sawaya
Dentist

57 Charlotte St., Corner of South Market St. St. John, N. B.

Phone 901 21 King Dental Parlors

Foley's Fire Clay Stove Linings Last!

Linings Put In and Grates Supplied For All Stoves. Make Appointment by Mail or Telephone; Main 1535-31.

FENWICK D. FOLEY.
"Don't Let The Fire Burn Thru to the Oven"

SPECIAL VALUES FOR SATURDAY SHOPPERS

On Saturday, the last day before Christmas, you will find a chance to secure a useful present for very little money. Come and join the merry crowd, and we will do our utmost to serve you well and help you select something that will be appreciated by the friend that you give it to.

Splendid assortment of Ties, put up in fancy boxes, from 25 cents up.

Fancy Armlets, from 25 cents up.

Fancy Braces, 25 cents to 75 cents.

Suit Cases, \$1.25 to \$6.00.

Mufflers, from 25 cents to \$1.00.

Men's Fancy Slippers, 85 cents to \$2.00.

Men's Rubbers, from 75 cents up.

Men's Gloves, 50 cents to \$2.75.

Men's Caps, from 50 cents to \$1.75.

Men's Overcoats, from \$5.00 to \$18.00.

And many other useful presents too numerous to mention. Buy early and avoid the rush. Don't forget that our special low cash prices means a great saving to you.

CHAS. MAGNUSSON & CO.,
Cor. Dock Street and Market Square,
St. John, N. B.

TOMB VIOLATED AND GEMS ARE STOLEN

Paris, Dec. 22.—An extraordinary sensation was caused in Paris today by the announcement that the tomb of a Parisian actress, Madame Louise Lantelme, in the cemetery of Pere Lachaise, was broken into last night, and valuable jewels were stolen from her body and carried off. The Gaudie died almost instantly. Gaudie was engaged to be married to Cosgrove's daughter.

A CHRISTMAS TRAGEDY

New York, Dec. 22.—Joseph Cosgrove and John Gaudie were trimming a Christmas tree in their home in Brooklyn late last night, when they got into an argument. According to the police, Cosgrove, who is sixty-three years old, knocked Gaudie down and while the children looked on, cut Gaudie's