

NEW BRUNSWICK'S GREAT-  
EST SHOE HOUSE

## CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS

What a happy time Christmas is when the world lays aside its cares and worries, and bursts forth in smiles and joyous greetings.

To be supremely happy yourself make others share your happiness by kindly remembering them with a gift of Reliable Footwear.

A pair of Walking Boots, Dress Boots, Pretty Pumps, Cozy Slippers, Cloth Leggings, Fancy Moccasins, Skating Boots, Warm Overshoes or Dancy Pumps would make a practical and suitable present.

From our stock you can make a selection that will add to the joy of giving the knowledge that, after investigation, your judgment influenced you in buying at our stores.

### Waterbury & Rising, Limited

King St. Main St.  
Union St.

## \$280,000 ISSUE OF CITY BONDS

In \$500 Lots at Five Per Cent  
For Redemption Purposes—Elm  
Street Building Stands—Grants  
For Policeman and Widow

An issue of debentures to the extent of \$280,000 to meet payment and redemption of debentures falling due in May next, was decided upon by the city council at yesterday's meeting. The bonds will be in sums of \$500 each, carrying five per cent and payable in twenty years. The mayor in moving the adoption, described it as one of the largest issues of the city for several years, but he added that the recent issue of bonds had demonstrated that there was a good deal of available money and it was thought advisable to go on the market while things showed a good prospect. St. John had long since gone past the day of the 81-2 per cent issue. Yet compared with other Canadian cities St. John was in a fortunate position. There would be no great debt to meet until 1917.

There was a good deal of discussion on the encroachment of a shed being rebuilt by the department of public works on Elm street. Letters of protest were received from Armstrong & Bruce, P. J. Steele and the school board. The statements were that the street as being narrowed to the detriment of the public and one of the petitioners described the position as "turning a 66 feet street into a 24 feet alley". It was pointed out that the shed was urgently wanted to shelter the city appliances as the exhibition sheds were this year taken up by military uses. Finally the council adopted a motion making the street 35 feet in width, with a rider that it be widened "when the public need demanded."

The mayor as commissioner of finance moved that the chamberlain be instructed to transfer the sum of \$77,000 from the city debt sinking fund to the sewerage debentures sinking fund to retire sewerage debentures to the extent of \$77,000 on May 1 next. This was carried.

The mayor moved that Uriah Drake, Timothy Lantaul, and John Ross be appointed assessors of taxes for 1915, with the chairman A. W. Sharpe. Com. McLellan suggested that the time was opportune for a change in the method of assessment in the city, which was viewed with much disfavor by some. The recommendation was carried.

The commissioner of harbors, ferries and public lands recommended that a lease issue to Charles H. Belyea of lots Nos. 290 and 291, Brooks ward, for seven years, from Nov. 1 last, at \$20 per annum for each lot. This was agreed to.

The whole of the council were added to the committee for the sale of the fishery rights next month and a letter of Hugh Campbell asking for compensation for an injury he received last February through falling on an icy sidewalk was referred to the recorder. On motion of Com. McLellan \$200 was voted to the widow of Policeman Whitten, but not of a precedent, and \$200 to George Harty, who has been asked to resign on account of ill health. The commissioner said that the city would have to face the reorganization of the department and the retirement of some of the older men, for which an appropriation would be required.

The C. P. R. was given permission to place a man hole in front of their new building for \$6 a year and a coal and ash track for \$8 a year.

A request that Metcalf street be taken over by the city was referred to the commissioner of public works.

### NOW FRENCH IN FACT

Twenty-one Alsatian Communes Are Under Tricolor

Paris, Dec. 16—It is not often that a simple notice in the post office has the value of a historical document and the appeal of a bugle call. Both that value and that appeal are found by every Frenchman in a placard affixed in the chief post offices in France, that henceforward letters to twenty-one communes in Alsace require only a ten-centime stamp. That is to say, that "after forty-four years of cruel waiting," to use General Joffre's words, these twenty-one communes form a part in administrative fact, as always in imagination and sentiment of the soil of France.

### SCROFULA AND ALL HUMORS GIVE WAY

There are many things learned from experience and observation that the older generation should impress upon the younger. Among them is the fact that Scrofula and other humors are most successfully treated with Hood's Sarsaparilla. The great medicine is a peculiar combination of remarkable effective blood-purifying and health-giving roots, barks and herbs, and has been tested for forty years. Get it today.

## GRAY HAIR MADE LUSTROUS, NATURAL

Radiant Youthful Color Comes  
Back Quickly—Nature Does It

"Here's something that will make you ten years younger in ten days," said a well known druggist in town as he handed a bottle of Hay's Hair Health to a woman who was prematurely gray. You can't get away from it—gray hair does make one look old. Science has come to the rescue and makes it possible to do as the druggist says—restore gray hair and look ten years younger.

Hay's Hair Health does it—you simply apply this dainty, refined toilet preparation to your hair and it causes the oxygen in the air to so act upon each gray or faded strand that it actually comes back to the dark, lustrous color of youth. It doesn't stain, for it isn't a dye—simply causes nature to restore the natural color you so much desire. The good old-fashioned ingredients contained in Hay's Hair Health strengthen, revitalize and beautify the hair.

It makes the color even, and leaves a gloss so natural, that no one will know you are using anything on your hair. Any person who has thin, gray or scraggy hair and wishes to restore it to its fullness of color and luxuriance should go at once to E. Clinton Brown's and get a 25c, 50c or \$1.00 bottle of Hay's Hair Health. The Philo Hay Specialties Company, manufacturers, of Newark, N. J., authorize E. Clinton Brown to refund full price to any dissatisfied purchaser.

### FELL 300 FEET TO DEATH.

Canadian at Salisbury Plain Dropped  
Into Disused Well.

London, Dec. 16—Private Charles Matthews of the Second Field Ambulance Canadian Contingent at Salisbury Plain was engaged with other members of his corps on last Friday evening in carrying out some military movements on the Downs. Another man came across an old door on the ground, at the top of Lavington Hill and proceeded to move it. The door had been used to cover a well, which the men did not notice in the darkness, and at almost the first step Private Matthews dropped to the bottom of the well, 300 feet below. It was impossible for his comrades to render any assistance, and the body was not recovered until Saturday, when a firm of engineers were engaged to bring the body to the surface.



### An Interesting Collection of Diamonds

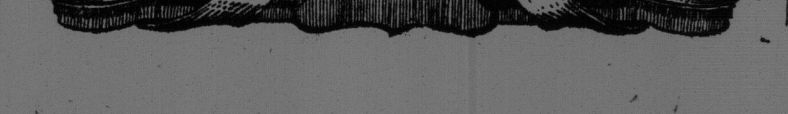
"Our Diamonds" are all of unquestionable quality, are mounted in the newest designs of settings, either in gold or platinum. They constitute a special feature of our large stock of "Fine Jewelry."

The assortment to be found here is always full of interest. The high qualities, exceptional designs and reasonable prices have attracted much in making our stock so attractive to lovers of Fine Jewelry.

We cordially invite your inspection.

### Ferguson & Page

Diamond Importers and Jewelers  
King Street



## 9 to 12 O'clock Sales in Three Departments For Thursday Morning

## 9 to 12 O'clock Sale of Boys' Overcoats

A Christmas Gift, to the boy, of a warm overcoat. What could be more sensible or practical? This before-noon sale will give you a chance to purchase boys' overcoats, the reliable, fashionable M. R. A. kind at considerable reductions. The sale prices hold good, remember, only until noon, no longer.

BOYS' REGULAR AND FANCY OVERCOATS—AGES 2 to 16 YEARS			
\$3.50 and \$3.75 Overcoats.	Morning Sale Price.	Each	\$3.20
\$4.00 to \$4.50 Overcoats.	Morning Sale Price.	Each	\$3.65
\$5.00 to \$5.50 Overcoats.	Morning Sale Price.	Each	\$4.40
\$6.00 to \$6.50 Overcoats.	Morning Sale Price.	Each	\$5.25
\$7.25 to \$7.50 Overcoats.	Morning Sale Price.	Each	\$6.20
\$8.00 to \$8.50 Overcoats.	Morning Sale Price.	Each	\$6.40

BOYS' CLOTHING DEPARTMENT

## 9 to 12 O'clock Sale of Ladies' Coats

LADIES' COATS—Your choice of fifty new Winter Coats, in the latest styles and cloths. Regular \$12.75 to \$18.75 garments. Morning Sale Prices, each. From \$6.75 to \$9.75

LADIES' EVENING COATS—52 to 54 inches long. Broadcloths in fawn, drab, helio, grey. Offered at less than half price. Morning Sale Price. Each \$7.75

COSTUME SECTION—SECOND FLOOR

## 9 to 12 O'clock Sale of Men's Furnishings

CUFF LINKS AND SCARF PIN SETS.	Morning Sale Price, 50c. and 75c.
SOFT CUFF LINKS—Half price during this sale.	Pair 75c.
EBONY MILITARY HAIR BRUSHES AND CLOTH BRUSH SETS.	Morning Sale price, \$2.50
UMBRELLAS—English made, fine silk mixed coverings, plain unmounted handles. Bargains at Morning Sale prices.	Each \$2.00 and \$3.50
BOYS' SWEATERS—Coat style, with high collars, in grey and brown.	Morning Sale price. Each \$1.25
SHIRTS AND DRAWERS—Heavy Scotch Wool shirts; size 40; Drawers, size 38 only.	Morning Sale price. Per garment, \$1.00
MEN'S COLORED SHIRTS—New, latest colorings, neat designs, reliable makes, fit and satisfaction guaranteed. A good variety, in sizes 14 to 17.	Morning Sale price. Each \$1.15
KNITTED MOTOR SCARFS—In white, French grey, cadet, white with colored borders.	Each 50c. and 75c.
SILK MUFFLERS—Long and square shapes, self colors, navy with white dots, and white with colored borders.	Morning Sale prices. Each 50c. and 75c.
PURE IRISH LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS—Hemstitched, half inch hem, six handkerchiefs in picture box.	For \$1.00
TAN MOCHA GLOVES—Seamless lining, exceptionally good value.	Morning Sale price, Pair \$1.00

MEN'S FURNISHINGS DEPARTMENT

Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited

AT DANIEL'S

Store Open Thursday and Friday Evenings Until 10 p. m.

## A CHRISTMAS SALE Women's Warm Winter Coats \$5.00 \$7.90 and \$9.50

We have only 45 coats to sell at the above prices so you must take up this offer at once if you wish to get your size. Every coat in the lot is this season's goods and of soft warm cloths such as have been most popular sellers this fall. Remember too, that you will have coats from \$8.90 to \$20.00 value to choose from. Sizes 16 to 44. No approbation or exchange at these prices. Alterations will be charged for.

CHRISTMAS SALE PRICES

\$5.00, \$7.90, \$9.50 Each

Daniel's Head King St.

### HANS SCHMIDT CONFESSES

New York, Dec. 16—Picturing himself as a liar, yielding "in a weak moment" to the temptation to tell the truth, Hans Schmidt, now under sentence of death for the murder of Anna Ammiller, has written a letter to Assistant District Attorney Delehanty, in which he admits that his pretended insanity at his trial was a sham, and says that he did not cut up the Ammiller woman while she was alive, but induced Dr. Muret to perform an operation upon her, from the effects of which she died. Mr. Delehanty received the letter yesterday, but did not comment upon it. Schmidt began his letter by saying that his insanity plea was an arrange-

ment between himself and Dr. Muret, by which both hoped to escape punishment for the illegal operation and its result. Concerning the alienists who examined him, he wrote: "They should have said: 'This man Schmidt is not legally insane, but a most astounding demented fool and sublime jackass.'" Schmidt admitted in his letter that he had little hope of convincing the public that he did not cut up the woman alive. "I am now in next neighborhood of the death chair," he wrote, "and growing kind of familiar with it. If the people should unexpectedly decide that I should not die in the chair it will not make much difference. There is nothing to hope for in my life."

Concluding, Schmidt wrote that his own consolation in confessing to murder and pleading insanity was that he was doing "one decent thing" in keeping his word to save friends to whom he "had promised to stick it out all alone." He had now lost even this consolation, he said, by becoming a "common squalor."

DR. A. W. CHASE'S 25c.  
CATARRH POWDER

is sent direct to the diseased part by the Improved Blower. Heals the ulcers, clears the air passages, stops droppings in the throat and permanently cures Catarrh and Hay Fever. 25c. blower free. Accept no substitutes. All dealers or Edmond's, 1100 & 1102, Toronto

## EDISON Diamond Disc Phonograph

A Gift that Brings Pleasure to all

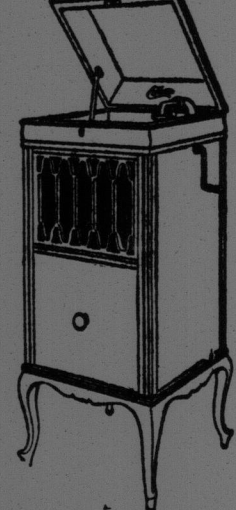
In this marvellous new creation of Mr. Thomas A. Edison there is more real pleasure, for folk of all ages, than in any gift one can bestow; and it is a new development in the realm of music, its rich, mellow voice growing out of a system of tone production on which its great inventor has spent the greater part of the past three years. With the permanent diamond as a producing point—eliminating the irksome changing of needles—the music possesses a sweetness that is unique.

The Edison Diamond Disc Phonograph stands alone in the production of all the overtones, on which music depends for sweetness, thus first opening to all the entire range of the world's music.

A few of the many styles we are showing are described below.

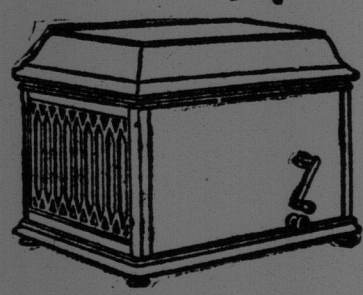
Model A 200  
MAHOGANY  
Price, \$250.00

Cabinet, Mahogany, Semi-gloss Finish; has large drawer holding 36 Edison Disc Records. Twelve-inch turn-table. Automatic record feed. Diamond Point Reproducer. Powerful spring motor with worm driven gears. Metal parts gold plated. Automatic stop. Dimensions: 47 inches high; 20 1/2 inches wide; 20 1/2 inches deep.

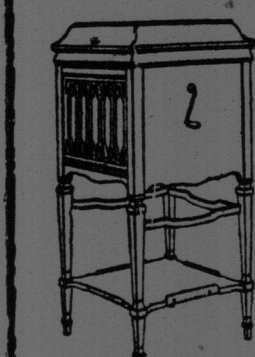


Model A 80  
MAHOGANY AND OAK  
Price, \$100.00

Cabinet, Mahogany, Semi-gloss Finish, or Quartered Oak, Golden Finish. Twelve-inch turn-table. Automatic record feed. Diamond Point Reproducer. Metal parts nickel plated, buffed and polished. Spring motor. Turn-table stop. Dimensions: 17 inches high; 18 1/2 inches wide; 23 1/2 inches deep.



Model A 150  
MAHOGANY  
Price, \$150.00



Cabinet, Mahogany, Semi-gloss Finish; has shelf for holding six record portfolios. Twelve-inch turn-table. Automatic record feed. Diamond Point Reproducer. Powerful spring motor with worm driven gears. Metal parts oxidized bronze. Automatic stop. Dimensions: 44 inches high; 20 1/2 inches wide; 20 1/2 inches deep.

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