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THE WEATHER.

Moderste west to southwest winds, fair today and on Friday. Not much change in temperature.

BANK EMBEZZLER CAUGHT IN CALIFORNIA MINE CAMP

William F. Walker, Wanted for Embezzling $665,000 From New Britain Bank, Arrested Yesterday---He Also Touched Baptist Church Funds and Fled To the West.

SAN DIEGO, Cal. Dec. 18—A special despatch to the Tribune from Ensenada says:—

"A man who was arrested in a mining camp about 100 miles back in the mountains and now in jail here awaiting identification, is supposed to be William F. Walker, formerly treasurer of the Savings Bank of New Britain, Conn., who is wanted to answer a charge of embezzlement in that city. He was only prevented from committing suicide by the timely intervention of the officers in charge."

NEW YORK, Dec. 18—Walker was arrested yesterday at a mining camp 150 miles from Ensenada, lower California, which is Mexican territory. He was taken by a representative of the detective agency at Los Angeles and a posse of Mexicans. The prisoner was removed to Ensenada, where his admitted identity was confirmed. He will be transferred to San Diego, California, and then brought east at once.

The arrest of Walker was brought about indirectly by information furnished the officials of the New Britain Savings Bank by the United States consul at Ensenada. The consul had seen the pictures of Walker sent broadcast after his disappearance and recognized the fugitive when he appeared some time ago in Ensenada. Before his capture could be effected, Walker, apparently suspecting that his identity was known, fled to the mountains in the vicinity of Ensenada and after wandering about for some time found shelter at the mining camp where he was located. Meantime Assistant Superintendent Hoffman of the Los Angeles office of the detective bureau, had been put on the trail and, enlisting the aid of several Mexicans familiar with the region, ran down the absconder. The fact that the posse was searching for Walker became known and led to reports of earlier capture.

Walker, when confronted by the officers, admitted his identity, and agreed to return east without raising legal obstacles. Further than this he had little to say.

"What I have to say, I will say when I am back in New Britain,' 'was his reply to inquiries concerning his theft and subsequent flight. Walker is in fairly good health, and does not appear to have suffered so much from his sojourn as might have been expected.

A reward of $5,000 had been offered for Walker if taken alive, and $1,000 for his dead body if found.

Walker is 61 years old and had long held an enviable position in the business, social and church circles of New Britain.

On February 10 he disappeared and soon afterwards it was discovered that $665,000 worth of securities had been stolen from the bank. Walker was also treasurer of the Connecticut Baptist conference, and after his flight it was found that $55,000 of the convention's funds had been stolen. At a meeting of the convention at Putnam, Conn., on October 15, last, it was announced that Walker's shortage had been made up by others. Walker had been one of the most prominent Baptists in the state, and at the convention a prayer for his ultimate salvation was offered.

NEW BRITAIN, Conn., Dec. 19—The outcome of the trial of William F. Walker, who was arrested in Mexico charged with the theft of over half a million dollars from the Savings Banks of New Britain, of which he was the treasurer, promises to uncover some startling facts. It was learned today that the bank officials expect to recover the missing securities of the Savings Bank. There are $100,000 worth of Eastern Illinois Railroad bonds which have never been negotiated, and it is thought that Walker knows where they are. It is stated that Walker will be the principal witness of the Gondorf case, which is assigned for trial in New York in January. Gondorf is an alleged wire tapper who was arrested some time ago in connection with the Walker case.

NEWS FROM FREDERICTON

Serious Accident To Mrs. A. F. Randolph --- She Fractured Her Arm Near the Shoulder.

FREDERICTON, N. B. Dec. 19—(Special)—Mrs. A. F. Randolph who returned last evening from a visit to St. John had the misfortune to fall while boarding a coach at the C. P. R. station and fracture her left arm near the shoulder. The injury was a very painful one and will confine her to her home for some time.

The Normal School and University have closed for the Christmas holidays and most of the students have departed for their homes. At the C. P. R. station yesterday afternoon 180 tickets were issued to the students.

River conditions here have not changed much during the last few days. The river is almost up to spring freshet and is completely blocked with broken ice. Local ice men say that there will be little chance to gather in the ice crop this season.

The police have not yet been able to lay hands on the colored girl who entered Mrs. McNalley's boarding house on Tuesday night and stole $18 from two Normal School students.

MR. WM. A. QUINTON DEMANDS APOLOGY

W. A. Quinton has retained John Kerr to take action against Alfred A. Clark as a result of statements made by the latter at the meeting in Keith's Assembly rooms last evening. This morning Mr. Kerr sent the following letter to Mr. Clark:

St. John, N. B. Dec. 19, 1907

Mr. Alfred A. Clark:

Dear Sir,—On behalf of William A. Quinton, Esq. I am instructed to call upon you for an immediate public apology and retraction of your slanderous statements made against him by you at a public meeting in Keith's Theatre on the evening of the 18th. of December, 1907, and referred to in the press of this morning. Unless a full and ample apology and retraction is made by you to the satisfaction of Mr. Quinton in all the papers published in the city by tomorrow morning it is Mr. Quinton's purpose to prosecute you criminally and endeavor to teach you to curb your tongue for the future.

Yours,

JOHN KERR.

POLICE COURT

Three prisoners graced the bench at the police court this morning and all were dealt with quickly as is always customary at the Thursday morning sessions.

James Tufts charged with lying drunk in an alley off Leinster street was remanded.

Thomas Nash, arrested for wandering about King street late last night and being unable to give a satisfactory account of himself to the police was remanded.

John McCullough arrested by C. P. R. Policeman Joseph Walsh for being a common vagrant with no visible means of support, also, with lying and lurking in an old shack on the west side, was also remanded.

THE EMPRESS OF IRELAND

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 19—(Special)—The Empress of Ireland, from Liverpool, with mails and passengers, was about 50 miles northeast of Sable Island at eight o'clock this morning. She is due in port about five this evening.

STEEL-COAL CASE

Argument Was Continued This Morning Before Supreme Court of Nova Scotia.

HALIFAX, Dec. 19 (Special)—In the supreme court today in the case of the Dominion Iron and Steel Company vs. the Dominion Coal Company, J. J. Ritchie, K. C., continuing his argument of yesterday, said that in order that a seller can be held under an obligation to supply goods for a particular purpose, where that purpose is not expressed within the four corners of the contract, there must be both common knowledge of the parties of the purpose for which the goods are to be used, and a reliance of skill and judgment of the seller in selecting the goods.

Wallace Nesbitt commenced his argument on behalf of the Steel Company, the respondents. He said that there was evidence to warrant nearly every finding was favorable to the steel company. Mr. Nesbitt went at length into the history of the dispute and the positions of the two big companies prior to the action. He said that had there been an honest endeavor on the part of the coal company to do what they had undertaken to do under their contract, this action would never have arisen. He said that there was, in all the pits from which the steel company was to be supplied, coal suitable for the purpose of making steel, but that the defendants refused to let the steel company have it. He said that this was not a matter of a covenant by implication, he would show later that the contract expressly called for coal suitable for the purpose of making steel.

FUNERALS

The funeral of Miss Gertrude F. King took place this afternoon at 2.30 from the residence of her grandfather, Frank Theal, west side. Service was conducted by Rev. W. H. Sampson and interment was in Cedar Hill.

The funeral of Mrs. Charles H. Bustin was held at 2.30 o'clock this afternoon from the undertaking rooms of T. Fred. Powers; interment was at Fernhill.

The funeral of Mrs. Betz took place this afternoon at 2.30 from her late home 188 Queen street. Service was conducted by Revs. C. W. Squire, G. W. Anthony and H. G. Marr; interment was in Fernhill.

MONCTON NEWS

MONCTON, N. B. Dec. 19—(Special)—An interesting wedding event took place yesterday at the residence of G. L. Burns I. C. R. auditor of disbursements, when Mrs. Burns' niece, Miss Elsie M. Brown was married to James A. Beckwith, a prosperous farmer of Berwick, N. S. The bride was given away by Mr. Burns, and the ceremony was performed in the presence of friends of the contracting parties by Rev. James Strothard, pastor of the Central Methodist church.

There was no insurance on the house occupied by Norman Wilson, which was badly gutted by fire yesterday. The building was owned by Hon. C. W. Robinson. The $110 destroyed in the fire belonged to the general fund of the local lodge of Canadian Foresters.

WHAT'S IN A NAME.

There was a tall Russian named Muski—
Wumiskiliviskivitchuski,
You may say his name twice
If you think it sounds nice,
But I'm sure it will make your voice husky.

—Canadian Courier.

CIVIC RESOLUTION ON DEATH OF DR. BAYARD

City Pays Tribute of Respect to Famous Physician and Excellent Citizen---His Funeral This Afternoon Very Largely Attended.

With an imposing ceremony in Trinity church and followed by a very large number of citizens from all walks of life, the remains of the late Dr. William Bayard were laid at rest in Fernhill cemetery this afternoon. At 2.45 o'clock the body was removed from the venerable physician's late residence on Germain street to Trinity church, where a very impressive service was conducted by the rector, Rev. R. A. Armstrong, assisted by Rev. Gustave A. Kuhring, of St. John's Stone church.

At the conclusion of the service the cortege was formed and proceeded to Fernhill, via Charlotte, Union and Waterloo streets. The pall-bearers were: His Honor Mr. Justice Barker, G. Sydney Smith, Thomas Gilbert, William M. Jarvis, James F. Robertson, J. deWolf Spurr, Dr. A. F. McAvenny and Dr. Murray McLaren.

In the cortege were representatives from the St. John Medical Society, the Historical Society, the Loyalist Society, executive of Canadian Club, the common council, hospital commissioners and Col. McLean, representing the Lieutenant-Governor, who was unable to be present, as well as a very large number of private citizens.

A number of beautiful floral tributes from friends were laid on the casket.

At a special meeting of the common council held this afternoon at 2 o'clock, the following resolution was adopted:—

Whereas, through the demise of Dr. William Bayard, who entered into his rest on Monday evening last, at the ripe age of ninety-three years, the citizens realize they have met with an almost irreparable loss.

Resolved, That the common council of the City of Saint John feel impelled to place on record this expression of the spontaneous and universal sentiment of the people regarding his life, and his place in their esteem and affections.

His years was a text book "that those who run may read." Descended from ancestors who had consecrated themselves to principle—a Loyalist by inheritance and through conviction, his ideals were inspiring and always led him along the straight and narrow path, and gave to his private and professional career a degree of integrity and moral strength that elicited the consideration and respect even from those who differed frim him in his conclusions.

During seventy years of his career he was very nearly as much a public man as if he had been an elected respesentative under our political institutions.

Dedicating himself at an early age to the practice of medicine—in association with his father, who died in 1868—he worthily upheld the reputation of his alma mater the Edinburgh University, and was easily recognized as the leader of his profession here during the past half century, which was reflected by the university conferring upon him last summer the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws "in Absentia."

His patients first, the public next, the Ego last, was the motto engraved upon his heart, and up to the requirements of that motto he went about the performance of his duty.

Forceful, denominating at the head of the column he called by his example to others to follow, never fearing to enter the battle against difficulty or those opposing him in his public work, anxious only to make beter, stronger and more useful the people of the country he so much loved.

Disease and death he fought to the utmost limit of his power. He early saw the necessity of a public hospital in this city to meet the requirements of the people of this province and this necessity aroused him to action and he triumphed in the struggle.

The existence of the great white plague that has been smiting our people as no other disease has ever done called out the latent strength of his mature years, he longed to mitigate the terror, anguish and indescribable sorrow that had appeared and was still remaining in so great a number of his country's homes and he entered the last battle of his life, his last fight for the benefit of humanity.

The death of such a man is a great public bereavement and the city of Saint John on behalf of its people hereby declares its loss to be irreparable and expresses the hope that the lesson of the life now gone will not be allowed to perish but that others following in his foot steps will bring to a triumph and conclusion the work that his death left unperforme

And further Resolved, that the foregoing resolution under the seal of the city and the signatures of his worship the mayor and the common clerk be forwarded to the surviving relatives of Dr. Bayard and be so published that the people of this country may know how high is the position that Dr. Bayard acquired in the city where he performed his life work and where his memory will be cherished for generations to come.

A TOBOGGAN SLIDE IN ROCKWOOD PARK

Horticultural Society Considers the Application of the White Catering Co.

A special meeting of the St. John Horticultural Society was held at noon today in the Board of Trade rooms to deal with the question of the White Catering Co. being allowed to use the lake in connection with a toboggan slide this winter and also to allow the St. John Ice Co. to have permission to leave their staging for harvesting ice, erected all the year round instead of removing it in the summer months as is now done.

A committee consisting of George S. Fisher, Col. J. R. Armstrong and Mayor Sears were appointed to call upon Mr. White and the Ice Company to see what arrangements could be made. It is understood that the ice company object to Mr. White having the use of the ice, especially as they have been compelled to remove their trestle during the summer months.

The committee was given power to effect a settlement.

BANK OF ENGLAND

LONDON Dec. 19—The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes:—

Total reserve decreased.. ..	£1,275,000
Circulation increased, ...	188,000
Bullion decreased,..	1,068,925
Other securities decreased,....	322,000
Other deposits decreased,.. ..	1,053,000
Public deposits decreased, ...	98,000
Notes reserve decreased,.. ..	1,179,000

Government securities unchanged.

The proportion of the bank's reserve to liability this week is 45.90 per cent. Last week it was 46.25 per cent.

DID NOT PAY FOR QUEEN'S PICTURE

Consequently Mary Bowes Sues Charles Harrington for $3.

Judge Ritchie was called upon to pass judgment in an amusing city court case this morning when Mary Bowes appeared against Charles Harrington to recover $3.00 for a picture of the late Queen Victoria, which the plaintiff claimed had been purchased from her by Mrs. Harrington.

The picture referred to is described as a splendid representation of the late queen in the full robes of state. It measures about three feet in length and is very nicely framed.

It appears that Mrs. Harrington took a fancy to the picture and offered to purchase it from the plaintiff for $3.00 which was to be paid in installments of $1.00 each. This was agreed upon and the coveted picture handed over to Mrs. Harrington. After rendering a bill no less than four times, however, Mrs. Bowes became weary of waiting and brought Mr. Harrington into court, with the result that he paid the claim, at the same time intimating that he understood that the picture was a birthday present.

His honor remarked that if the picture was the one that he thought it was, it was in great demand, and if Mr. Harrington did not want it that he would like to see it on the wall behind the bench of justice in the police court. Mr. Harrington did not seem anxious to retain possession of it but no definite arrangement was arrived at just then.

PLANS FOR BAY SERVICE

A survey will be held tomorrow on the steamer Yarmouth which went aground at Mispec recently and it will be determined whether or not the steamer will be taken to New York for repairs. No arrangements have yet been made for a regular boat for the St. John-Digby route, but the Rupert will remain on until after the first of the year at any rate.

BRILLIANT SCENE AT VATICAN TODAY

Pope Pius X. Holds a Public Consistory.

Immense Halls Crowded---The New Cardinals Are Introduced To the Pontiff and Receive the Apostolic Blessing.

ROME, Dec. 19—The Pope this morning personally conducted the ceremony of the public consistory which was attended by thousands of invited persons, especially foreigners. Thousands of tickets had been distributed for this ceremony, and a dense crowd packed the corridor, hall and tribune and reached almost to the foot of the throne itself, while the plaza of St. Peters was a moving mass of women in black with bare heads, men in dress clothes, priests, monks, soldiers, carbineers, nuns, spectators and cardinals, some on foot, others in cabs, many in more or less gorgeous private carriages, all with eyes fixed on the great bronzed doors which were the portals to the promised spectacle. Those extraneous to the ceremony gathered in special places inside the Vatican, while the cardinals, prelates and court personages assembled in another hall to await the Pontiff. At one end of the Sala Regia stood the papal throne, flanked by the cardinals' stalls and at the right were places for the bishops.

The procession was headed by the Swiss guards followed by many personages. The Pope was dressed in complete pontifical robes and with raised hand he gave his blessing as he went. The Pope mounted the throne amidst a profound silence. The new cardinals were then introduced and while they were kneeling one by one at the pontiff's feet he repeated the formula Accipe Galerum Rubrum and a master of ceremonies held a red hat over their heads. They then separated, after the papal embrace, went to each of the cardinals and received a fraternal salute.

The ceremony over Pius X rose and after bestowing the Apostolic blessing, slowly withdrew, the procession reforming as an escort. After having returned thanks before the altar of the Sistine Chapel, the new cardinals joined the others in the hall of the consistory where Pius X held a short supplementary consistory.

ROME, Dec. 19—At this morning's consistory the Pope officially announced the appointment of the Rev. D. F. Feehan, formerly pastor of St. Bernard's church, Fitchburg, as Bishop of Fall River, Mass.

A DIAMOND WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. George Gordon, of Aylmer, Ont., Have Been Married Sixty Years.

AYLMER, Ont., Dec. 19 (Special)—Mr. and Mrs. George Gordon, of this town, celebrated yesterday the diamond anniversary of their wedding, they having been married by Rev. Wm. Proudfoot, of London, sixty years ago. Mr. Gordon is 84 years of age, and came to this country in 1844, from Bampshire, Scotland, settling in London. He was engaged on the survey of the first railway line between Toronto and Hamilton. In 1847 Mr. Gordon married, at London, Miss Jessie Cameron, who had just come to this country from Argyle, Scotland. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon lived in Strathroy for 39 years, and came to Aylmer two years ago.

A NEW POLICEMAN

James H. Pitt Succeeds George W. London Who Was Dismissed Yesterday.

James H. Pitt was today sworn in as a regular member of the local police force in succession to George W. London, who was yesterday dismissed by Chief of Police Clark.

The new patrolman, who goes on duty tonight, is a strapping fellow, 28 years of age, stands five feet eleven inches in height, and tips the scales at 170 pounds. He is admirably adapted for police duty and looks as though he would be able to give a husky offender an ugly tussle.

Patrolman Pitt was for five or six years in the employ of the York Cotton Mill of this city.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

NOT WORK, BUT A JOB.

A thoroughly exhausted man was overtaken by the Times new reporter on Mill street this morning. He seemed to be suffering with sore feet. The new reporter's sympathy was aroused. He knew that there were stranded immigrants going about looking for work and unable to find it, and assumed that this footsore pilgrim was one of them. Several of them had "touched" him during the past week or so, but he was not less sympathetic on that account. He pictured homes among the English hedgerows, or in the crowded cities, mourning the absence of those lured to Canada by visions of wealth, conjured up by the agents of heartless contractors. Beside him, no doubt, was one of these unfortunates. Accommodating his pace to that of the footsore traveller, the new reporter said:—

"I suppose you find it very tiresome travelling around a strange city looking for work."

"Me!" said the weary pedestrian. "Me lookin' for work?"

"Oh!" said the new reporter. "Then you are not looking for work?"

"Sure not," repiled the other. "I'm after a job."

"Same thing—isn't it?" said the surprised new reporter.

"Not on your life," was the prompt reply. "But what do you mean by talkin' about a strange city. Wasn't I born here?"

"Oh!" said the new reporter again. "I beg your pardon. You seemed so tired looking that I thought you were one of those immigrants looking for work."

"I'm not an immigrant and I'm not lookin' for work," rejoined the man who was born here. "I'm after a job. But before I can get it I have to see all the members of the patronage committee, and it means a lot of trampin' around. I've been out two days now, and there's three of them I haven't found yet. Gee! But my feet's sore. I guess I'll send Pugsley a bill for a pair of over-socks."

At this juncture a prominent north end politician was seen to turn down a side street.

"There's one now!" shouted the man in search of a job. And with a speed that amazed the new reporter he picked up his blistered feet and raced after the member of the patronage committee.

WANTS ARTIFICIAL CHRISTMAS TREES TO SAVE REAL ONES

New York State Forestry Official Complains That the Cutting of Young Trees for Christmas Purposes Will Seriously Interfere With Future of Timber Lands.

ALBANY, N. Y. Dec. 19—Commissioner James S. Whipple, of the State Forest Fish and Game Cmmission in a statement explains why he believes young evergreen trees ought not to be cut for Christmas trees, but that artificial trees be used as a substitute.

"My suggestion," says Commissioner Whipple, "that young evergreen trees ought not to be cut for Christmas trees seems to be a proper suggestion along the line of the preservation of forest trees. The average Christmas trees has a gr wth of about seven or eight years. At that The average Christmas tree has a growth that in the next 10 years makes it a very valuable tree. To destroy millions of these trees every year when we are in such need of more timber in this state and especially of the soft wood variety, seems very wasteful. In a few years, if the amount of timber cut continues as large as at present, and there is no evidence of diminution, as long as there is any left tocut, we will not have any considerable timber for commercial purposes in the state except that on state land. To keep pace with the cutting many hundred million trees should be planted every year. These Christmas trees are of the species and kind that should be planted, and to destroy millions of them every year is wanton waste. They are worth much more standing than when cut and used as Christmas trees. The suggestion that artificial trees, nearly as handsome and quite as useful, could be made, and which would take the place of these very valuable young trees that would then be left to develop into more valuable ones, is a good one, because it woul furnish a large business and result in the employment of labor and capital. Substantially the only difference would be the lack of odor that is found in the natural trees. Every effort possible is being put forth to get people to plant trees, then why not try to save those we have?"

KINDERGARTEN SCHOOLS CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS

Appropriate Exercises In Free Kindergartens, and In Miss Allen's Private Kindergarten School.

The Christmas closing exercises of Miss Allen's private kindergarten were held this morning in one of the class rooms of Leinster street church. The apartment was very nicely adorned with evergreen, large festoons of which extended from between the windows to the corners and walls of the room. The large Christmas tree which stood in one corner was decorated with red and white paper chains made by the children, paper bells and Union Jacks and ensigns. The little ones went through their drills and marches in a very creditable manner and the songs and recitations were rendered in a way that would do credit to much older pupils.

There was a very large attendance of parents and friends of the pupils and the tots were heartily applauded by the visitors all of whom had a good word for the splendid work accomplished by Miss Allen.

The exercises included an instructive talk on Christmas, its meaning and the manner in which it is observed, and at the close a decided novelty was introduced in the burning of "electric sparks" suspended from the chandelier, much to the surprise and amusement of the children.

Miss Allen was the recipient of a number of dainty holiday gifts from her wee pupils all of whom are very fond of their teacher.

Miss Allen is assisted by Miss Valee Sandall and her school numbers twenty-four children—an equal number of boys and girls,—with an average attendance of twenty.

During the past week the class-room was converted into a veritable Santa Claus workshop and the little ones worked away industriously making Christmas gifts for their friends.

The closing of Miss Hutt's free kindergarten, was held yesterday afternoon in the school-room of Carmarthen street Methodist church. The attendance numbered about two hundred and the room was a veritable bower of scarlet and white. A large bell was suspended from the centre of the room and from this long festoons of paper chains extended to the corners and walls. These with the green walls decked with Christmas pictures, and a huge Christmas tree made an exceedingly pretty effect. There was a general talk on Yuletide its meaning and how it is observed in different lands.

On the tree were over 150 articles made by the children and when these had been removed the tots knelt in a circle by their chairs, closed their eyes, and when they again beheld the tree it was laden with presents for each of them.

A new feature of the season's work and one never before introduced here is the "pea basket," a very effective creation of peas and paper.

The marches, games and songs were very effectively carried out, and much appreciated by the visitors.

Miss Hutt, who is assisted by Miss Constance Sturdee, has forty-six children, seventeen boys, the remainder girls—with an average attendance of thirty-seven.

In North End

The closing exercises for the Christmas holidays of the Portland street (N. E.) Free Kindergarten took place this afternoon, commencing at 1.30. Mrs. W. C. Mathews, who is in charge, said today that a gloom had been cast over the occasion by the death of Mrs. Eliza Robinson, mother of Miss Nina Robinson, Mrs. Mathews' efficient and popular assistant. Mrs. Mathews referred to Miss Robinson as a faithful and painstaking teacher. A visit to the school this morning by a Times reporter showed that no effort has been spared towards making happy the little ones this afternoon and supplying them with some of the good cheer of the joyous season. In one corner of the room is a fine large Christmas tree, blazing with a mass of tinsel and various colored papers. The decorations and trimmings are the work of the little ones, and reflect the greatest amount of credit on them and their teacher.

On the tree the children have placed presents for their parents, work done in the school, such as calendars, blotters, picture frames, etc. After these were presented the scholars retired to an adjoining room while the teachers and others placed for them, on the tree, Christmas gifts. Returning, the merry chatter and the beaming countenances of all told of the happiness. The programme consisted of Christmas carols and hymns and some recitations by the children. There were a large number present, which included the parents, and addresses were delivered by Rev. Neil McLaughlin and others.

Mrs. Mathews told the Times that the attendance now is 45, with an average of about 36 in daily attendance, a considerable increase over last year. It is noticeable that the attendance is more from the poorer classes now, which is very gratifying to the teacher. Mrs. Mathews says that the general appearance of the children is an immense improvement over last year, or within the past few months. More care is now taken toward cleanliness. Few realize, Mrs. Mathews says, the work of the Free Kindergarten. It is in a measure deaconess work, as the teachers visit the homes to care for the children were ill, and have the parents in the school rooms to counsel them.

FUNERAL OF KING OSCAR

Sweden's Late Monarch Was Laid at Rest This Morning.

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 19—The body of the late King Oscar of Sweden, who died Dec. 8, was interred at noon today in the Riddarholm church, the burial place of Swedish Kings and heroes, with a ceremony, the simple impressiveness of which was accentuated by the widespread evidence of popular sorrow. Along the snow-covered route the funeral procession proceeded, while thousands of people gathered and stood bareheaded in the biting cold during the passage of the hearse and the mourners. Every bell in the city tolled throughout the progress of the funeral. Black draperies and other emblems of mourning hung from the front of the buildings facing the street down which the funeral cortege passed and both sides of the route of march were hedged with lines of troops. Immediately following the hearse walked Gustave, the new King of Sweden, the King of Denmark, and the Princes of the Swedish Royal house. They were followed by the special foreign embassies representing states in all parts of the world. The Queen of Sweden, widow of King Oscar, was prevented by illness from attending the funeral. The Archbishop of Stockholm officiated at the ceremony. The conclusion of the service was marked by a salute of forty-two guns and volley firing by a party of infantry.

MONTREAL STOCKS

MONTREAL, Dec. 19—(Special)—Dominion Steel bonds showed strength today, moving up to 72. Soo, common, was strong at 80, and Mackay was firm at 53; other features were Detroit at 34 7-8; Rio, 33 7-8 and Toronto Railway at 94.

The members of B. company, 62nd Regiment, Capt. Frost, will meet this evening to return uniforms and receive pay. The drum corps will meet on Friday evening at 7.30 o'clock for the same purpose.

MARRIAGES

TRECARTIN-CATER—In St. John west, on December 18th, by the Rev. G. F. Scovil, William John Trecartin and Ethel May Cater, both of Carleton.

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS

(Too late for classification.)

FOR SALE—GOOD WORKING HORSE, eleven years old. Apply MRS. BONNELL, Ketepec Station. 2064-12-27.

WANTED—MAID FOR GENERAL Housework; family of three; no washing or ironing; high wages. Apply 104 Carmarthen street. 2066-tf.