

GOOD THINGS COMING TO THEATRES OF ST. JOHN

IMPERIAL STARTS QUARTER TO SEVEN TONIGHT

Imperial Theatre's programme for tonight is so long and so good that it is necessary to start the show at a quarter to seven.

"DIAMOND FROM SKY" STAR THEATRE TONIGHT

Also Two-Part Drama and Bubbling Comedy—A Splendid Holiday Programme

At the Star Theatre tonight and tomorrow the engrossing serial story "The Diamond From the Sky" will receive its 11th presentation.

SOLDIERS' COMFORT ASSOCIATION IN SPECIAL APPEAL

Owing to the urgent and constant appeals from our overseas contingents now in the trenches for socks the above association has decided to hold a "special sock week" commencing January 8, 1916.

NURSE HERE ON FURLOUGH AFTER TIME SPENT IN FAR EAST

Invalided home after several months' illness, Miss Grace Kaye, nursing sister, is in the city, the guest of Miss Alice Stedman.

CONDUCTOR JAMES E. MELANSON OF I. C. R. DEAD

Moncton, Dec. 27.—James E. Melanson died at his home here this morning. He leaves a wife and five daughters all at home.

MISS IDA SPROULE WEDS IN WINNIPEG

A wedding of interest to friends in St. John was solemnized in Winnipeg on December 11, when Miss Ida Sproule, daughter of former Alderman James Sproule of this city, became the bride of Harry G. Burgett, active in railway circles there.

WIND AT 68 MILES AN HOUR PART OF TIME

Many a home was rocked last night during the violent wind storm which swept over the city. About ten o'clock a northwesterly gale sprang up and in a short while was blowing at forty-one miles an hour.

RUSSIANS WIN IN PERSIA; BEAT BACK GERMANS AT HOME

Petrograd, Dec. 27.—Russian troops' defeat of a formidable force in Persia, among which were several thousand Persian insurgents, is reported in an official statement today.

CAPTAIN MACKAY AND MISS CROSBY MARRIED

An interesting military wedding took place at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, when Captain Mackay, 104th Battalion, was united in marriage to Miss Daphne Crosby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Crosby.

MARRIAGES

BURGETT-SPROULE.—At Grace Church, Winnipeg, on Dec. 11, 1915, by Rev. J. A. McLaughlin, Captain Mackay and Miss Crosby were united in marriage.

PATRIOTIC FUND

Single: L. P. D. Major, \$2.50; Mrs. G. L. Barbour, \$5; John Roberts, New York, \$50; Mrs. John Roberts, New York, \$50; Chas. S. Christie, \$10.

IN TROUBLE ON WAY HERE WITH GOAL

Bridgeport, Mass., Dec. 27.—The British schooner Mayflower, abandoned off the mouth of the harbor, during the gale yesterday, rode out the storm and was re-manned today.

PERSONALS

W. J. Doherty of Montreal is visiting his home in Douglas avenue for Christmas. Rev. C. P. Carleton of Peterborough came to the city today.

HARKINS OPENS BRILLIANTLY

Great Audiences Enjoy Comedy and Are Stirred by Fine Patriotic Play—A Strong Company

When W. S. Harkins some time ago announced in a personal letter to a local friend that he was bringing to the city a capable company for the Christmas holidays, his words were relied upon, as always, and when the engagement opened with two excellent bills on Saturday, crowded houses knew that he had spoken the truth.

IS VERY BADLY HURT

Thomas Wilson, a sailor, who fell down the hold of the steamer Metagama yesterday afternoon and broke his back, is still lying in a report from the hospital this afternoon said that he was resting as comfortably as could be expected considering the seriousness of the injury.

NOT DECIDED

Coroner Roberts has not yet decided whether or not he will hold an inquest into the death of William Connell, who died suddenly yesterday in a home in Simonds street.

NEW DISCOVERY

Father Morticity's Remedy for Rheumatism and all Kidney troubles, purely vegetable. No Cure—No Pay. All drug stores. Price 50c.

DEATHS

HARPER.—In this city, on the 25th inst., William Harper, leaving his wife, one son and four daughters, aged 84 years (Boston and Lynn papers please copy).

WILSON.—On Dec. 26, after a lingering illness, Elizabeth Wilson, at the residence of her brother, James Wilson, 160 Leinster street.

ELLSWORTH.—In this city, on Dec. 26, James Ellsworth, in the 40th year of his age, leaving his wife, and six children to mourn.

McKINLAY.—In this city, on the 24th inst., James McKinlay, aged 81 years, leaving four daughters to mourn.

McKINNON.—In memory of Albert E. McKinnon, who died on Dec. 27, 1914, aged 74.

WIFE AND SONS

LOCAL NEWS

St. Andrew's cadets willing to turn out New Year's day will report at drill room tomorrow night, 7.45.

SNOW UP RIVER

Guy Morrison, who has been managing the lumber operations of his father, John A. Morrison on the upper St. John river says that there was between 12 and 10 inches of snow in the woods before Christmas.

Make it places for the old folks. We can make suitable arrangements to test their eyes carefully and have a scheme of spectacles can be presented as a gift.—K. W. Epstein & Co., Optometrist, 193 Union street. See ad, page 7, T. F.

HOLIDAY SEASON

The holiday season always brings more or less members of the family together. Wouldn't it be a good opportunity to have your family group picture taken—The Reid Studio, corner Charlotte and King.

Band Queen's rink tomorrow; excellent ice. Season tickets are an entire season's pleasure. Why not get one?

Quality first is the motto of Ugar's up-to-date laundry, and they employ St. John labor. Phone M. 28.

MARYSVILLE WEDDINGS

In the Methodist church, Marysville, last Thursday evening Miss Mary Payson Macpherson, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Macpherson, was united in marriage to William Caton Matthews of Wilson's Beach, Campbellton. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Thomas Sutherland, minister of the church.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Wilkinson, Marysville, the same evening their daughter Miss Alice was united in marriage to Lee Collins by Rev. Thomas Sutherland. Miss Wilkinson acted as bridesmaid, while Mr. Anson Armstrong supported the groom.

A county case. Harvey Boyce and Mildred Boyce were taken before Magistrate Adams of Colbrook.

NOTICES OF BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS, 50c.

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HAMILTON.—On Dec. 26th, to Mr. and Mrs. Bennett T. Hamilton—two daughters. (Moncton Transcript please copy.)

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