

NEWS OF THE WORLD

THE HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK IN BRIEF

Despatches from points of interest in different parts of the World—Domestic and Foreign events—The Dark and Sunny Side of Life.

DOMESTIC

Washington, Jan. 10.—The president's improvement continued tonight. There are no complications and his temperature is normal.

Kingston, Jan. 10.—The militia department has forbidden the 14th P. W. O. bandmen to wear their uniforms which the men purchased at an outlay of \$300. The penalty is \$20 for each offence.

Philadelphia, Jan. 10.—John B. Garrett announces today that he will retire on Tuesday next from the vice-presidency of the Lehigh Valley Railroad company. He withdraws from railroad life and will devote his time to educational and philanthropic work.

Olesea, Jan. 10.—The police, firemen and physicians have received 470 passengers from five trains which have been snow-bound for several days, after enduring the greatest suffering. A force of 4,000 workmen is clearing the tracks to Olesea. Four days' mail has been stalled up.

Montreal, Jan. 9.—(Special)—Arrangements for the amalgamation of the Royal Electric Company and the Montreal Gas Company are said to be about completed. A number of industrial men, connected with the electrical company, have received large blocks of stock in the gas company, and important changes are expected to take place at the approaching annual meeting.

Chicago, Jan. 10.—A special to the Tribune, from Albuquerque, says: Eduardo Strauss, the musician, who is at a hotel here, suffering from bilious colic, is in a worse condition. The company went on by night train to Denver and Mr. Strauss thought he would be able to follow next morning but is now unable to leave his bed.

A New York lumber circular, dated Jan. 5, says "the recent arrivals of random spruce proved a bit too strong for the dealers, consequently some cargoes remain unsold. The demand for spruce is good, meaning a concession in prices will naturally follow, how much it is difficult to tell in all cases, but we call prices off at least \$1 per thousand all round. As business looks, it would be wise for shippers to hold back their spruce shipments until March 11."

Boston, Jan. 10.—The Kennecott Steamship Co., which operates a line between this port and Kennebec river points, has had plans drawn for a new steamer which will be 20 feet longer than the Kennecott. It will have 200 staterooms, and other improvements. The new boat will be a side wheeler and it is understood will be built on the same general lines of the steamer City of Portland, the new Bangor but now nearly completed at East Boston. The contract for the new boat will be awarded for several weeks.

Washington, Jan. 10.—The general debate on the river and harbor bill continued in the house today until 4 o'clock when the death of Representative Clarke of the Hampshire, was announced. The house adjourned out of respect to his memory. The features of the debate of Washington, and Mr. Hepburn of Iowa. The latter has a reputation for years and he attacked the bill all along the line in his usually vigorous fashion. Mr. Clarke was a member of the committee on the river and harbor bill and he was a glowing agent for justice to the Seattle project he got a stirring round of applause.

New York, Jan. 10.—The Allan the steamship California has been purchased by the New York and Porto Rico Steamship Company.

The California was wrecked in the harbor of Honolulu ten months ago. She was hoisted and brought to the Kilauea basin, where she was rebuilt. The repairs were said to have cost \$250,000. Since then she has been sailing under the American flag, having obtained her registry under the ordinary law applicable to foreign vessels wrecked in American waters and repaired in an American shipyard. The Porto Rico people are said to have paid \$200,000 for the ship.

Paris, Jan. 10.—In the chamber of deputies today M. Marcel Sembat, Radical Socialist, one of the deputies for the Seine department, introduced an interpellation on the influence of the Vatican upon the internal politics of France.

M. Waldeck-Rousseau asked that the interpellation be allowed to follow the order of the day. The chamber elected this suggestion, but agreed to a subsequent request by the premier that the discussion should take place next Monday before the debate on the law of associations.

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 10.—The annual popular fete of Tsah-Nulchi, in the Kamda district of British Columbia, was a terrible accident recently. Great crowds attended the festival and when the affair was at its height, a heavy rain began falling. A rush was made for shelter and a panic ensued. Twenty persons were crushed to death and 312 injured.

Some of the buildings were burned by the upsetting of kerosene lamps.

Boston, Jan. 10.—An upset in the directorate of the Erie Telephone and Telegraph Company, as agreed upon when the Old Colony Trust Company of this city undertook to finance the company's debt last week, occurred at today's meeting of the directors. No less than nine of the old members of the board retired, and their places were filled by representatives of the Old Colony Trust Company, Kidder Peabody & Co., and others who are interested in the financial plan that has been consummated. No changes were made in the executive officers, Charles J. Glavin, president, and Joseph W. Keenan, vice-president, with the likelihood of remaining as such for a time, although it has been asserted that he will retire at a future date. Just what action the Old Colony Trust Company will take towards the sub-companies is not yet known, suspension of construction work on the plant of the Michigan Telephone Company having been ordered last Saturday.

FOREIGN

Berlin, Jan. 9.—Kaiser William, who was indisposed, is very much improved today.

London, Jan. 9.—Mr. William Waldorf Astor has given £1,000 to the Prince of Wales' hospital fund.

New York, Jan. 10.—Dr. Thomas Brown Wheeler, a prominent physician of Montreal, dropped dead today in the Murray Hill hotel, this city.

London, Jan. 9.—The royal yacht Victoria and Albert must be rebuilt from the keel up, owing to defects. It has already cost \$3,750,000.

Constantinople, Jan. 9.—One death from bubonic plague is officially reported here. Precautions are being taken and all arrivals are radically examined.

London, Jan. 9.—(Special)—The Stevens Manufacturing Company, this city, have suspended payment. The liabilities are understood to be large, but it is expected arrangements will be made to continue the business.

New York, Jan. 9.—This morning about 1 o'clock fire broke out on one of the Coney Island excursion steamboats which was tied up in the Erie Basin, Brooklyn. At this hour the fire is confined to the steamboat. No estimate of the damage can be made.

London, Jan. 8.—Lepetit publishes the following despatch from Brussels: "In spite of denials, Queen Henrietta is in an extremely weak condition. She is suffering from the after results of a recent attack of pneumonia, and the slightest imprudence would be fatal."

London, Jan. 8.—The Board of Trade has appointed a committee to consider the complaints of the locomotive drivers regarding the vibration caused by the working of the Central London railway. It is claimed that the electric engines are three times heavier than those of the London and North Western railway.

London, Jan. 9.—Mr. Albert Vickers allows the inference to be drawn from a combination of the Vickers-Maxim Company with the Company of Philadelphia, will be effected. He says, however, that so far as the Vickers-Maxim Company is concerned the deal is not yet concluded, though he hopes it will be.

Albion, Pa., Jan. 9.—Immediately after the audience had been dismissed from the Academy of Music, where the David Hillman Company had just conducted a performance tonight, fire was discovered on the gallery stairs. The entire building was destroyed. The building was valued at \$400,000 and the loss is estimated at \$250,000, fully insured.

Olesea, Jan. 8.—Dozens of trains are ordered up on the southern railways and some are completely buried. Ten thousand laborers have been dispatched to clear the tracks. Several Russian steamers are missing. Sebastopol is full of vessels which have taken shelter in the harbor from the gales. The snow fall in the last three days has been so heavy that no mails have arrived here.

Reading, Pa., Jan. 8.—One hundred and fifty workmen employed by the United Traction Company, struck at noon today over the discharge of a half dozen men. A branch of the Street Railway Employees' Union was recently organized here and it is claimed by the strikers that the discharged men were conspired with the union. Saturday last the company made an advance of 15 per cent. in wages, but the union decided on a strike which the discharges were made.

Toulon, Jan. 8.—The recent experiments with wireless telegraphy in connection with the French fleet have been so satisfactory that it has been decided to provide the entire Mediterranean squadron with wireless apparatus, which will be subjected to destructive tests during the coming cruise of that squadron. The recent experiments showed that despatches could be read reliably at distances from 10 to 20 miles by the new system. New ligas also will be tried with the view of introducing reform in tactical manœuvring.

Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 8.—A special to the Times from Tacoma, Wash., says: Last week at Prescott, Walla Walla county, Frank Sloan killed Miss Ella Boone, who he had introduced. He pulled a hatchet from her hat and stabbed her in the leg. The pin was broken off and blood poisoning resulted. Sloan was taken to the hospital, grew worse and died. Miss Boone had remarked in Sloan's presence that she had never been kissed. This remark led to Sloan's death.

Quincy, Mass., Jan. 8.—The torpedo boat destroyer Lawrence, the product of the Fore River Engine Co., of this city, and named by a Massachusetts crew, was sent out on its maiden trip today preparatory to its official speed trials which will occur previous to its acceptance by the United States government. The trial today was in every way a satisfactory one and during the run over a measured course the vessel developed a speed of 20 1/2 knots.

Rome, Jan. 9.—The Liberal press continues to express its indignation at the address of the Duke of Norfolk to the pope, when presenting the English pilgrims yesterday to his holiness. Taking particular exception to the duke's declaration of a hope that the Vatican would one day regain temporal power.

Interpellations are announced on the subject for the re-opening of parliament and a hostile demonstration on the departure of the Duke is mooted.

New York, Jan. 9.—The first stage of the Heister murder trial, opened at 10 o'clock today at Paterson, N. J., when Walter McAllister, William Death, Andrew Campbell and George J. Kerr were brought into court to witness the drawing of the jury panels which will consider their cases. The Kerr panel was drawn first and the names of 48 men from which the 12 jurors will be drawn were announced. The McAllister jury, which will try Death and Campbell, as well as Kerr, will be selected from a different panel of 48. Judge Nixon notified the four prisoners to be ready for trial on Monday.

THE SEMI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, ST. JOHN, N.B., JANUARY 12, 1901.

IN COLCHESTER COUNTY

Mayor Stuart is Wanted for Truro's Mayor for a fifth term.

Truro, Jan. 8.—The old century passed away here with little ado and the new has opened with but apparently a passing notice. While all pastors in their churches, and the public press of the town, referred to the great era, the occasion did not generally create the expected fervor. In only one church in Truro was watch night service conducted, that being in Pleasant street Methodist church. The weather during the closing weeks of the old year was excellent for trade and the new has brought more good weather, fine sleighing, and profitable returns to tradesmen.

Civic elections are now taking the attention of citizens. There are three names mentioned for mayor. It is strongly urged that Mayor Stuart be returned for a fifth term in order that he may have the responsibility of finishing the first section of the new sewerage system now being installed. The names of Albert S. Black, of Black & Company, who is financial director in 1899, and Dr. H. V. Kemp, the town's present finance minister, are also talked of. There is every appearance that there will be no contest in the councillorship. Captain D. Murray and George Christie are out for nomination. Ward 11 is yet to be heard from. The elections will be on February 12th.

The Intercolonial Railway is determined not to give in the town of Truro in the water war, reported fully to the Telegraph a month or so ago. The department is now at work digging for water and at the time of writing is down 80 feet. The present demand is being supplied from Lepper Brook, but the brook is fast drying up. A flow of water has not yet been reached.

The January council of the municipal council for this county opened today. The warden made appropriate remarks in reference to the new century and marked the absence of an old councillor who has sat long at the board. Councillor John Decker, of Middle Street, councillor Decker, was an active public man and fought stoutly against the granting of a bonus to the Midland Railway a year or two ago. He is now in hospital at his home.

Many people along the South Shore are suffering on account of the wreck of the schooner, Minnie near Paspéguic, this city. The wreck carried a general cargo, including the winter supplies of a large number along the scattered settlements, and all was lost.

"End of the Century" concert was given at the thriving village of Upper Stewiacke on the evening of December 31. It was the best affair of the kind ever attempted in this county. There were papers on current events and summaries of the last 100 years. It is stated that the whole will be printed in pamphlet form for preservation.

P. F. Morarty, secretary of the Truro Y. M. C. A., was presented with a Hasling's Bible dictionary as a "New Century" present. Karl M. Creelman, who left Truro in April, 1899, to travel around the world, working his way, has been sick in India. He has recovered and expects to start soon for Mauritius and the Cape, whence he is expected to return in a few days. He is expected to spend four years in his travels.

McClure, ex-M. P., for this county, who has protested the election of S. E. Gourley, delivered a masterly address in the Y. M. C. A. last week on "Labor and Law." The lecture has been published.

During the year 1900 there have occurred 100 deaths in Truro. This is an average of about 12 per 1,000 of population. In 1899 there were 96 deaths.

The Boston Ladies' Symphony Orchestra, one of the finest musical organizations ever visiting Nova Scotia, is booked for Truro for February 1.

South Africa.

Cape Town, Jan. 9.—Later, it has been ascertained that the reports of an engagement between a cyclist corps and the Boers at Heikamer's Kloof, Sunday, were without foundation.

London, Jan. 9.—The British casualties in the fighting January 5, between Col. Robertson's forces and the Boers under General Delany and General Steynamp, at Xasutwop, when the Boers were forced to retire, were twelve men killed and thirty-three wounded.

Montreal, Jan. 9.—The Star's cable from London states that Trooper N. Hughes, who went to South Africa with the first battalion of the Canadian Mounted Rifles, died of enteric fever at Cape Town yesterday.

The dominion government has had under consideration the case of George West, alias Karl West, who was brought from Walla Walla county, Wash., where he was serving a term, to give evidence in a murder trial in Dawson City, Wash., after having taken to Dawson, was charged with being an accessory to the murder.

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THE DOMINION CAPITAL

Annual Report of the Postmaster General.

BUSINESS GROWN.

Considering the Fact of Reduction in the Rates the Financial Showing is Very Satisfactory—Minister of Justice Decides to Return a Prisoner to Tacoma.

Ottawa, Jan. 8.—(Special)—The annual report of the postmaster general for the year 1899-1900 has been printed and distributed. In the matter of postage revenue it should be remembered that the year was the first during the whole of which the reduction of domestic postage from three to two cents per ounce and of the interprovincial postage from five to two cents per half ounce had effect, the higher rates having prevailed during the first half of the previous year.

The revenue for the sale of postage stamps, cards, etc., for the past year, therefore, falls short by \$53,000 of the total amount derived in the previous year. The total net revenue of the post office from all sources except from the Yukon and Alaska exceeded that of the previous year by \$1,033 and the gross revenue increased by \$20,301. On the other hand the expenditures of the department, on the Yukon and Alaska districts, exceeded that of the previous year by \$63,797.

It appears, therefore, that a large volume of postal business was handled at an increased expense of slightly over one and a half per cent. The net revenue for the year was \$2,182,946 and the expenditures \$3,645,646, leaving a deficit of \$1,462,701. The deficit last year was \$308,417.

The total number of letters posted in Canada during the year was 178,292,000; post cards, 27,130,000; registered letters, 4,312,000; free letters, 6,318,000; newspapers (freighted), periodicals, etc., 72,972; packages, etc., 3,803,700; fourth class matter, 2,940,000, and closed parcels for Britain and elsewhere, 31,820. By provinces the total number of letters posted was as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Province and Number of letters posted. Includes Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, P. E. Island, British Columbia, Manitoba and N. W. T., and Total.

Henry Carisse was committed for trial today for the murder of Joseph Lorrain. At the assizes, the grand jury brought in a true bill against Chas. O'Reilly, three men.

The auditor's report on the Ottawa and Hull bill has been completed. The total amount of cash subscriptions was \$802,182. Interest credited by the bank was \$1,280,000, so that the total fund to be disbursed was \$956,962.77. Expenses were \$14,986.

The remainder of the fund, \$941,976.46, has been expended in relief of the sufferers. Of this, \$915,108, was paid in settlement of specific claims and \$26,868 in general relief. The number of claims formally presented was 3,225.

From examination of claim papers, the auditor is of the opinion that the principles on which distribution has been made are nearly equitable and that no claim can be decided. The total number of cheques issued was 5,929; two are still outstanding, amounting to \$129, to meet obligations of \$180,000 and interest which are the credit of the fund in the bank.

In the St. John city post office the gross revenue was \$33,131; amount of money received for postage was \$28,515. There was a net revenue of \$4,616 and the amount \$417,404. The total amount of postal notes paid was \$2,209.

The department of marine and fisheries received a telegram today from Capt. Behringer, of the government steamer Albatross, from St. John, N. B., stating that he had reached there safely with light-house and other supplies. There were no wrecks on the island this season. All were in good health.

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GREAT BRITAIN WILL AGREE

To the Proposed Conference to be Held in Washington.

London, Jan. 8.—Mr. Choate had an interview regarding the Chinese situation with Lord Lansdowne at the foreign office today, but little headway was made. The discussion was confined to the difficulties of the powers in agreeing to China's answer to their demands, which will necessitate further negotiations.

Great Britain has not yet replied to the circular of the United States government inviting the powers to confer in Washington. The Associated Press is authorized to say that she is willing to agree to the proposal if the other powers will also agree; but the impression prevails in London that the other European powers are not likely to accept Mr. Choate's suggestion.

British officials generally are disheartened over the latest middle in Peking and fear that a long time will elapse before matters are made straight. It is pointed out that a conference in Washington would be a concession of the triple alliance, which are now exchanging despatches on the subject. The indications are that they would only accept the proposal as a last resort.

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COLLISION AND EXPLOSION

On the Central Railway, New Jersey.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Jan. 8.—By a collision on the Central railway of New Jersey, near Laurel Run, this afternoon a car filled with black powder exploded with tremendous force. The car was attached to a freight train bound west. When near Laurel Run station an empty engine, following, crashed into the freight.

It ploughed through the caboose, a car filled with beer and went half way through the powder car. The lot cask falling from the firebox of the wrecked engine exploded the powder in the car. The locomotive was wrecked and five of the crew were crushed.

The crew of the empty engine, seeing that a collision was unavoidable, jumped after the engineer had reversed the locomotive. The concussion was partly felt at Scranton, 35 miles distant.

Putting China aside, the spoken languages in the world are as follows, in millions: English 120, German 70, Russian 68, Spanish 44, Portuguese 32. If we were to measure them in ratio on a two-foot rule, we should get the following results: Portuguese 4 inches, Spanish 5 1/2 inches, Russian 8 1/2 inches, German 8 1/2 inches, English 10 1/2 inches. This all refers to the present, but just a century ago English was spoken by only 20,000,000 people, less by a third than the number who speak Portuguese today.

90 Specialists on the Case.

In the ordinary run of medical practice a greater number than this have been consulted in getting married, would like to cure—but Dr. Von Stan's Painspiller Pills (60 in a box at 25 cents each) have made the necessary amount remains at his home.

A witty and cynical Frenchman advertises as follows in a Parisian paper: "A young man of agreeable presence and decided character, getting married, would like to see the acquaintance of an aged and experienced gentleman who could dissuade him from taking the fatal step."

After a cold drive a teaspoonful of Pain-Killer mixed with a glass of hot water and sugar will be found a better stimulant than whiskey. Avoid substitutes, there is but one Pain-Killer, Perry Davis' Pain-Killer.

A wedding at Tusculum, Ala., has been postponed for a second reason. The groom retired on the wedding eve and fell into a sound sleep, from which the most strenuous efforts failed to arouse him. One week has passed and young man still slumbers, while his bride to be is disconsolate.

Sleeping nights, caused by a persistent rheumatism, Perry's Balsam quickly cures the most severe cough. It soothes, heals, never fails to cure. Manufactured by the proprietors of Perry Davis' Pain-Killer.

Women in China have the privilege of fighting in the wars. In the rebellion of 1850 women did as much fighting as men. At Nanking, in 1853, 500,000 women from various parts of the country were formed into brigades of 13,000 each, under female officers. Of these soldiers 30,000 were picked women, drilled and garrisoned in the city.

The emphatic statement that The D. & L. Menfield Plaster is doing a great deal to alleviate neuralgia and rheumatism is based upon facts. The D. & L. Plaster never fails to soothe and quickly cure. Manufactured by the Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd.

Among the fossil animals that have recently figured in geological literature is a fossil camel from Hommanian which enjoys the unique distinction of being the only one so far known in Europe.

The D. & L. Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil will build you up, will make you fat and healthy. Especially beneficial to those who are "all run down." Manufactured by the Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd.

Forest experts in Germany admit that the empire will never be in a position financially to supply her own markets. In 1890 the imports of wood were 30,000,000 cubic feet.

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are sold everywhere. Always Fresh. Always Best. D. M. FERRY & CO., WINDSOR, ONT.

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Insist on having your Acme or Hockey Skates stamped STARR MFG. CO. Beware of imitations.

Whelpley Long Reach and Breen Racers.

W. H. THORNE & CO., Ltd.

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Head Quarters

Horse Blankets, Lap Rugs, Fur Collars, Harness, Robes, Cobs.



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WANTED FOR BIGAMY.

A Yarmouth Man Arrested at Boston.

ADMITS TWO WIVES.

Wanted by New York Police—He Was Found in a St. John Barkentine at the Hub—Saw His First Wife—Signed a Paper Before He Married Again.

Boston, Jan. 10.—Edward Harris, who is wanted by the New York police on the charge of bigamy, was arrested at 3 o'clock this morning by the harbor police and turned over to inspectors Rooney and Patterson.

He was found on board the barkentine Hector, of St. John, N. B., which was towed to this port by the Storm King from New York.

To the officers he admitted that he had been married previous to the last ceremony, but said that he had got his wife to sign a paper before he was married to his present wife. He took the child, a boy of seven, who still lives with him.

Two weeks after his first wife signed the paper he was married again. Harris is 43 years old and comes from Yarmouth, N. S.

Help the Overworked Heart.

Is the great engine which pumps life through your system hard pressed, overtaxed, groaning under its load, because disease has clogged it? Dr. Agnew's Care for the Heart is nature's lubricator and cleanser, and daily demonstrates to heart sufferers that it is the safest, surest, and most speedy remedy that medical science knows—67 Sold by E. C. Brown.

New York, Jan. 10.—Rear Admiral Thos. F. Phelps, of Washington, D. C., died at the New York hospital tonight of pneumonia. He was taken to the hospital only yesterday from the hotel where he was stopping. He had come to this city to be with Mrs. Phelps, who has been sick at the New York hospital for the past three weeks.

Little Braves.

Old time a quarter-size box "Purgers" are quelling the fight in whole battalions. Dr. Agnew's Little Pills at 10 cents a vial are driving them out at all points. Because they act gently, more effectively, never pain, and are easy to take. Sold Headache succumbs to one dose.—69 Sold by E. C. Brown.

Good Advice.—Short—Suppose you get flat broke, where would you go for money? Long—'I'd go to work.—Chicago News.

The best family remedy for Coughs, Colds, Croup, Hoarseness, and every form of Inflammation is Bentley's Liment. Sold by druggists and general dealers in two sizes. Price ten cents and twenty-five cents. Full directions on the wrapper.—Be sure you get Bentley's.

"What an abnormal thirst for knowledge your son seems to have." "Yes; every now and then he lets go of a good job just to see what will happen next."—Chicago Record.

Inhale Bentley's Liment for cold in the head. Price 10c.

"Your father kicked me out into the street last night." "Yes; that's just like pa. He always puts his whole soul into everything he undertakes."—Chicago Record.

Wanted—a case of headache that Knap's Headache Powders will cure in 10 minutes. Price 10 cents.

Table listing names and amounts, likely a list of donors or subscribers.