The Evening Times and Star

ST. JOHN, N. B., DECEMBER 27, 1913

The St John Evening Times is printed at 1/1112 Salter Jary Street every evening [Sunday accepted] by the St. John Times Frinting and Publishing Co., Ltd., a company incorporated under the John Stock Companies Act.

Telephones—Private branch exchange connecting all departments, Main 2117.

Telephones—Private branch exchange connecting all departments, Main 2117.

Subscription prices—Delivered by carrier \$3.00 per year, by mail \$2.00 per wear in advance.

The Times has the largest afternoon circulation in the Mariti ne Provinces,

Special Representatives—Frank R. Northrup, Brunswick Building, New York; Advertising Building

Enlish and Europeau representatives—The Clougher Publishing Syndicate. Grand Trunk Buil 1
ng, Trafalgar Square, England, where copies of this journs may be seen and to which subscribers
atending to visit England may have their mail addressed.
Authorized Agents—The following agents are authorized to cauvas and collect for The Evening
Times: H. Cecil Keirstead, S. K. Smith, Miss Helen W. Hallett, and J. E. Cogswell

CHRISTMAS AND AFTER | are hailed with satisfaction by the poor-CHRISTMAS AND AFTER

are hailed with satisfaction by the pooror classes throughout the country.

Let us contrast the conditions in these cities with those in the garden suburbs which have been built on the co-partners in St. John who were not in a position to provide themselves with a substantial to provide themselves with a substantial deviation of the conditions in these cities with those in the garden suburbs which have been built on the co-partnership plan. Mr. Henry Vivian, who is well known in St. John, said the other deviation of the country.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26.

in St. John who were not in a position to provide themselves with a substantial Christmas dinner. Of course every one of them would have had enough food of some sort to satisfy the cravings of hunger; but it is well to remember that there were hundreds of families who were regarded by churches and other benevolent agencies as being so poor that it was desirable to provide each of them with a substantial Christmas dinner.

Christmas is past and there will not be another for a year; but these hundreds of families have before them a severe winter, which will grow in severe fly for the next two or three months. In the case of many who may now be able to worry along, the conditions will become less favorable through sickness, unemployment or other cause, over which at the present time they have no control.

It will therefore be necessary to keep had a contract that it was desirable and the provided and for the crowded parts of the big cities it was about double 95.

The contrast presented by these figures carries its own lesson, which is not without its value to the people of Canadian cities.

The Standard reminds us that Sir Mackenzie Bowell, once premier of Canadian cities.

The Standard reminds us that Sir Mackenzie Bowell, once premier of Canadian cities.

The Standard reminds us that Sir Mackenzie Bowell who discovered the famous "nest of traitors" at Ottawa. Not one of them was a supporter of Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

Mr. J. L. Stewart, M. L. A., serves notice upon Mr. Hazen that the people of Canadian cities.

Mr. J. L. Stewart, M. L. A., serves notice upon Mr. Hazen that the people of Canadian cities.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25.

John Ross Robertson, proprietor of the Toronto Telegram and a well known through list head of the Case of the big cities is most work all his life. Perhaps he is most widely known through his work for the Sick Children's Hospital, to which he has contributed largely, though he has also sat in parliament and has almost at the province of Canadian cities.

The Rev. Herbert Symonds, vicar of Chr

control.

It will therefore be necessary to keep the Christmas spirit with us throughout the winter, for it will probably be found to the winter, with the

a month hence that there are more people in need of temporary assistance than there are at the present time.

Most important, however, is a study of the conditions with a view to their improvement. There can be no doubt at all that many families which are in want today are in that condition because of drunkenness, sheer idleness or want of ordinary thrift. Society should try of drunkenness, sheer idleness or want of ordinary thrift. Society should try to get at these causes and labor to remove them, because in so doing it would be removing a burden from its own shoulders. It is a great thing to get the inspiration of the Christmas spirit of giving, when that spirit is not yoked up with the spirit of receiving. But really, unless the spirit of inquiry also becomes active, the mere giving of gifts will have with the spirit of receiving. But really, unless the spirit of inquiry also becomes active, the mere giving of gifts will have no effect in making social conditions in any community better than they are today.

PROBLEMS OF THE CITY

An inquiry has lately been in progress in Dublin to learn the facts about housing conditions in that city. It has been shown that in 1911 there were 21,133 single room tenements in the city, considered against them in connection with the

shown that in 1911 there were 21,133 against them in connection with the single room tenements in the city, containing 79,000 persons, or a little over one-fifth of the population. Of these, however, 3,604 tenements were occupied by only one person each, 5,310 by two persons, and 8,893 by three persons. Thus in 60 per cent of the 21,133 tenements not more than three persons occupied one room. Sir Charles Cameron, medical health officer, says that in 8,914 of the single room tenements there is at least no over-crowding, and the one room tenements are not all in one section, but are scattered all over the city. When one of the counsel asked the medical health officer if Dublin were worse than other cities in this respect, he replied:—

The Stendard saves that the Borden in Chicago to care for the unemployed. It is estimated that there are fifteen thousand single men idle in that city, of whom a thousand have no roof to shelter them. The number of married men who are without employment is much larger. Complaint is made by the secretary of the bureau that the Y. M. C. A. and the churches, which promised aid, are not living up to their pledges. Let us hope this charge is not well founded.

The Stendard saves that the Borden Three-finger Sam to the legislature. He isn't so very popular."

What makes you so anxious to send Three-finger Sam to the legislature, He isn't so very popular."

No. We citizens of Crimson Gulch figured that it would be a great savin' to the general community to get a popular.

A Brute

Wife (at dinner)—"You don't seem to like rice."

Husband—"No; it's associated with one of the greatest mistakes of my life."

GUNDRY'S

The Stendard saves that the Borden is overy popular."

The Stendard saves that the Borden is overy popular."

The Stendard saves that the Borden is overy popular."

No. We citizens of Crimson Gulch figured that it would be a great savin' to the general community to get a popular."

The Stendard saves that the Borden is overy popular."

The Stendard saves that the Borden is overy single room tenements in the city, con-taining 79,000 persons, or a little over Grand Trunk Pacific by a scandal-hunt-

replied:—
"I could contrast the slums of London The Standard says that the Borden with those of Dublin very much to the disadvantage of London. I could show the cost of living is already at work. conditions which would not be allowed The statement shows that the Standard

in Dublin."

In replying to another question he said that there were at least 5,000 families, each living in one room, of whom he would say it would be desirable to improve their dwellings, he said that the commission is now at play. The purpose of this commission is not to perform any serious work, but to disperse their dwellings he said that the commission is not to perform any serious work, but to disperse their dwellings he said that the commission is not to perform any serious work, but to disperse the said that the commission is not to perform any serious work, but to disperse the said that the Standard misapprehends the purpose of the commission. Our contemporary should have would say it would be desirable to improve their dwellings by giving them at least two rooms. He suggested new houses, some in the heart of the city, but he would rather see them erected in the outskirts. The city already provides large numbers of corporation dwellings, and Sir Charles said that he had lately examined the sanitary appliances in 250 of these and only two were not clean. It is interesting to observe that, in spite of the deplorable conditions revealed by the figures quoted, the death rate in the figures quoted, the death rate in Dublin has diminished from 37.5 per thousand in 1879 to 21 per thousand, and the death rate is now about the same as in English towns. The improvement had been brought about by better attention to sanitary work, the water supply and drainage. Bad housing, high rants, and the low rate of wages, howrents, and the low rate of wages, how- be of a war with Mexico and though ever, still keep the death rate higher that the expense would not be less than

ever, still keep the death rate higher among the laboring classes.

Turning now to an English city, we find that, at a meeting of the Civic League of Help in Salford, it was stated that one-tenth of the people, or 25,000 in a total population of rather less than 250,000, were on the verge of destitution and were a grave social danger. The infant mortality of the borough was 128 per thousand. At five years of age four per cent of the children of the borough were suffering from tuberculosis. Four per cent of the children of twelve years of age were under-sized, and eight per cent were under nourished.

That the expense would not be less than a million a day for the next seven or eight years, a sum in its aggregate that should certainly give the jingoes pause."

The decreasing birth-rate in France causes the government of that country no little concern. An English paper says:—"The figures for France in 1911 are characterized by four serious facts. First, the birth-rate has diminished by 1 per 1,000 (18.7 per 1.000, instead of 19.7 in 1910), Second, the number of births has been reduced by 32,244 (742,-114, instead of 774,858). Thirdly, the deaths have increased by 78,206 (176,-988, instead of 708,777). Last, the excess of deaths over births has reached

one of the speakers referred also to conditions in Liverpool. He said:—
"Only a short time ago in Liverpool I investigated the circumstances of 150 conditions in Liverpool I investigated the circumstances of 150 conditions in Liverpool I investigated the circumstances of 150 conditions in Liverpool I investigated the circumstances of 150 conditions in Liverpool I conditions in Li families chosen haphazard, and found that the average amount they had to the equivalent of a good-sized town."

live upon was 1s. 01-2d. per person per It is not surprising that, with such conditions existing in cities in the United Kingdom, the reform measures introduced by the Asquith government

Misconstrued

Maud—Kitty says she's positive tha you wanted to kiss her last night.

Jack—Well, I like her cheek.

Maud—Oh, then you did want to.

BIRTHDAYS OF NOTABILITIES

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27. Hon. Sir Mackenzie Bowell, former premier of Canada, attains his ninetieth birthday today. He was born in Suffolk, England, and came to Canada as a boy. Starting as an apprentice in the office of the Belleville Intelligencer, he became its proprietor and still conducts the paper. Entering parliament in 1867 he sat for North Hastings until 1892, when he was called to the senate. He held office under Macdonald, Thompson and Abbott and in 1894 became premier.

Hon. F. E. Barker, chief justice of New Brunswick, was born in Sheffield, N. B., on December 27, 1888.

Vho borrows or who lends.

Hub—How could you go and order hat expensive necklace? Don't you know how I'm fixed?"

Wife—Yes, but I don't want other people to know how you're fixed.

Not Worrying Him Wife (studying vocalism) — I wish dear, you'd have double windows put on I'm afraid my practicing will disturb the neighbors.

Hub.—Well if it does it's up to them to put on double windows.

Not Flattering "What did Jobson say about my

THE HOUSE OF QUALITY

A BIG DIAMOND or A SMALL DIAMOND. One as good as the other.

Many think that a small stone at a low price must necessarily This is not so. A large stone costs relatively much more. It is

WE CARRY IN STOCK DIA-MONDS OF ALL SIZES.

in fact easier to get a very good small stone than a large one of

WE GIVE A WRITTEN DE-SCRIPTION WITH EACH STONE SOLD.

THIS IS OUR PERSONAL

FECT STONE YOU, OF COURSE, GET A LARGER DIAMOND FOR THE MONEY THAN IF YOU BOUGHT A PERFECT DIAMOND.

We have now in stock solitares from \$8.00 up to \$350.00.

We have also mounted in the best style of gold and platinum setting combinations in the fol-

Diamonds and Sapphires. Diamonds and Rubies. Diamonds and Emeralds. Diamonds and Pearls. Also a nice selection of Diamond Hoops and Diamond Clusters.

Allan Gundry

79 HING STREET NOTE-All goods of the value of \$2.00 Engraved Free-Open from 8.30 a.m. to 10 p.m.

"Victor 200"

Gun Metal Globe Valves

Copper-Asbestos Discs

Suitable for high or low pressure Steam, Gas or Air

T.M: AVITY & SONS,

TRY ONE IN YOUR WORST PLACE

Sleds, Framers, Toboggans



The best assortment we have ever shown. A comparison of value will show you our prices are right.

Emerson & Fisher Itd.



Fawcett Stoves And Ranges Are Fuel Savers and Every One We Sell is Guaranteed to Give SATISFACTION!

R. H. IRWIN 'Phone 1614 18-20 Haymarket Sq.

SOLD BY

Children's, Misses' and

Ladies' Wool Aviation Hats, Wool Toques,

Wool Caps

We are showing a great variety of these goods in different shapes, colors and finish. Just the thing for skating and outing hats-in reds, blues, white, browns

Warm and Comfortable

Prices 50c to \$2.50

F. S. THOMAS, 539 and 545 Main St.

Ye Old Time Yule-Tide Fruit Cake

Should grace YOUR tables on Christmas Day. This particular cake is one of our strongest holiday features. It is made from a "tried and true" recipe, from the best materials, with scrupulous care and cleanliness, and has the real good home-made taste. Three kinds—rich, "medium"

We have a nice line of CHRISTMAS CANDIES ROBINSON'S

USE THE WANT

Only This Evening and Tomorrow to do Your Shopping! Go To Wetmore's on Garden Street Big Variety of Useful Goods and Fancy Articles Suitable For Presents. LOW PRICES! SEE OUR WINDOW DISPLAY!

Nicely Assorted in 1-2, 1, 2 and 5 lb. Boxes containing many new pieces of delicious flavor. The coating is very smooth and pleasing to the taste. These goods are attractively packed in the latest style boxes. All Orders Filled EMERY BROS. Phone Main 1122, 82 Germain St.

REV. A. W. TEED IS NEW BURSAR OF KING'S COLLEGE

Rev. A. W. Teed, of Richmond, has been appointed to the bursarship of King's College, Windsor (N. S.), and will leave for his new field of work about January 12.

ity and energy.

Few graduates of the University of New Brunswick have a more enviable record than this popular minister. The work which will fall to the lot of Mr. Teed will have largely to do with the financial administration of King's Col-

lege, and the college is to be congratulated in getting such a man for the pos Sadder and Wiser Those who jump at conclusions us ually go limping back to the starting point.

> FIRE INSURANCE E. L. JARVIS

Get a Pair of Our Good

Fitted correctly and they will give you satisfaction.

All shapes and styles in the reliable brands.

Francis & Vaughan

19 KING STREET NEW YEAR GIFTS We have a large assortment of DOLLS,

TOYS, CHINA and nevelties suitable: tor New Year Gitts. ART CALENDARS plendid values at 5c, 10c, 15c, to 75c.

RNOLD'S DEPARTMENT STORE 83-85 Charlotte Street

COAL and WOOD Directory of the leading fuel Dealers in St. John

COAL

OLD MINES SYDNEY
especially adaped for grates,
PRINGHILL ROUND RESERVE SCREENED
gives excellent results for all household purposes.

All sizes of BEST HARD COAL

R.P. & W. F. STAR?, Ltd. 49 Smythe St. - - 226 Union St.

American Hard Coal Scotch Hard Coal

Broad Cove, Pictou, Old Mine Syd-ry and Winter Port Soft Coals. Sawed and Split Hard Wood and Get it before the fall rush.

GIBBON & CO. Union street, and 61/2 Charlotte street

EX SCHR. "LUCILLE", Old Company's Lehigh Coal

Geo. Dick, 48 Britain St.

Grant's Grocery 37 City Road - 'Phone 2232

Sage Summer Savory Thyme and Min Poultry Dressing in Bottles and Tin Oranges, Grapes, Figs, Dates, Applea Table Raisins and Sweet Cider.

JAS. COLLINS
210 Union Street
Opp. Opera House.



From \$12.00 to \$240.00 At Old
Time Prices
A. & J. HAY 76 KING STREET

USE THE WANT