

THE EMPRESS OF BRITAIN AWAY AT 0.45 O'CLOCK

Big C. P. R. Mail Steamer Carries About 1400 Passengers

Mails from China Arrived About 8 O'Clock After Good Run from Megantic.

A new chapter in the history of St. John as Canada's winter port was entered upon Friday when the big C. P. R. liner Empress of Britain left port with the over seas mails direct from the Orient...

HERE AFTER ROUGH, STORMY VOYAGE

Schooner Lord of Avon 22 Days on Passage from Brunswick

Capt. Verner Reports Unique Weather Conditions—Part of Deckload Lost, and Sails Torn in Storm in Gulf Stream—Schooner Cheslie, in Tow to St. John, Passed.

After rolling about in heavy seas, buffeted with gales and head winds for twenty-two days, and being lashed by a biting hail storm and losing her deckload in the Gulf stream the three masted schooner Lord of Avon tied up at Megantic...

LOCAL NEWS

There were fifteen marriages and eighteen births in the city last week.

M. G. Teo and C. S. Hasington are the new owners of the Clifton House.

Miss Stella M. Estabrook, governess of La Tour Section J. T. of H. and T. Carleton...

Eleven deaths occurred in the city last week, from the following causes: Consumption, three; carcinoma pneumonia, one; hemiplegia, pneumonia, heart failure, acute bronchitis, accident and chronic capillary bronchitis, one each.

At Chubb's Corner Saturday, Auctioneer T. T. Lantaulou sold the Joseph Mc Atee property in Paradise Row to F. S. Scovil for \$3,400...

An immigrant special from Halifax, ten cars, loaded with 300 immigrants, arrived in the city last week.

Walter R. Theal left Saturday evening for Montreal, where he will enter the employ of the Royal Bank.

The N. B. Southern line regular engine No. 6, which left St. John for St. Stephen Friday morning met with an accident while returning with a train to St. John.

There is a movement on foot in the Salvation Army to remove the tailoring branch from here to headquarters in Toronto.

Luxor Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, under the auspices of George Blake, president...

The death of Mrs. Emma Tucker, at Calgary on Thursday evening, will be regretted by friends she made in this city during her two years residence here.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Chapman, who are to leave soon for their new home in Winnipeg, called upon them Monday afternoon to express to their wishes for Mr. and Mrs. Chapman's success and happiness in the west.

Edward H. Smith, 14-Edward H. Smith passed peacefully away at his home Sunday, Dec. 14, at an illness of three months.

Reynolds Kindred, a well known Carlton carpenter, died yesterday after illness of some months.

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An ingenious inventor has just patented a folding bed that can be carried on a motor car.

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This Store Open Every Evening Until TEN O'CLOCK.

Do Your Christmas Shopping at Day or Night.

JUST THE GIFT HE WANTS IS HERE.

OUR CHRISTMAS DISPLAY is overflowing with dainty new designs, and all the latest fads and fashions in Neckties, Silk Handkerchiefs, Mufflers, Smoking Jackets, Bobes, Etc., Etc.

Umbrella Gifts make very handsome and acceptable ones. Our stock is large and our quality is of the finest.

Overcoats

Another new shipment of Overcoats arrived today. Our sales have been so great that we are even receiving more overcoats to comply with the big demand we are getting for Overcoats.

Prices \$5.99 to \$20.00.

You can save money by buying here. Handsome Fancy Boxes Given Away Free.

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NEARLY BAD ACCIDENT AT RAILWAY CROSSING

Pedestrian Raised Gate as Electric Car Came Along

Official Ordered Him to Desist and Gate Came Down on Car and Was Broken—Locomotive Crossing Street at the Time.

The Mill street railway crossing gates were struck and smashed in collision with an electric car Saturday night about 8 o'clock.

The other one was not broken clear off but it had been and had fallen in the same way as the other both Mr. Shaw and a lady who was standing on the sidewalk would probably have been injured.

Wolfville News.

Wolfville, N. S., Dec. 17.—P. C. Robinson, manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia at Canning, and wife leave shortly for a three weeks' vacation with Mr. Robinson's parents at St. John.

Passed Civil Service Exams.

Ottawa, Dec. 15.—The following candidates are gazetted as having passed the last civil service examination held in St. John.

Lemuel Barnes, N. J. Bourque, Howard W. Breen, Walter E. Brownell, Frank A. Casey, F. L. Conway, George M. Ferris, David C. Fisher, Leo J. Gallagher, Daniel Hagerty, Richard J. Keen, William MacDonald, Joseph F. McDermott, G. P. Thompson, Fred Watson and H. E. White.

Palermo exported to the United States last week 12,000 worth of lemons.

TENNYSON SMITH'S REPLY TO ATTACK OF MAGISTRATE KAY

Newcastle, N. B., Dec. 17.—Tennyson Smith, at his meeting in the Opera House, Newcastle, tonight, commenting upon the press reports of the attack made upon him by Magistrate Kay, of Moncton, delivered himself as follows:

"I must comment Magistrate Kay upon his discretion, although not upon his courage, in reserving his attack upon me until I had left the town and the district. It is the motto of professional lawyers, all the world over, if you have no case abuse the opposite side, and Magistrate Kay, in calling me an irresponsible little-brained tramping tramp, has done exactly what he is willing to substitute personal abuse for intelligent argument."

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THEODORE I. HAS "MESSAGE HABIT"

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"The other messages of the week include one accompanying the report of Secretary Metcalf on the Japanese incident, another to accompany Secretary Tat's report on Cuba, another on the Brownville incident, and still another on the question of public lands. There is a bare chance that the ship subsidy message may be sent in before the end of the week in order that the members may be kept posted during the recess how their constituents feel on the subject of the president's recommendations."

NINE MESSAGES IN SIXTEEN DAYS.

"Congress will have been in session less than three weeks when adjournment for the holidays comes. If the ship subsidy message be sent in this week, it will be the ninth message that Mr. Roosevelt has sent to the two houses in just sixteen working days."

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NATURAL DEDUCTION.

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Helpful Suggestions

"Jaeger" Slippers, House Slippers, Fancy Slippers, Skating Boots, Moccasins, Snowshoes

Rubber Boots, Waterproof Boots, Felt Shoes, Patent Leather Boots, Leggins, Gaiters

Overshoes

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to this city, but sank rapidly till her death.

One of her brothers, Dr. Robert McLeod Shaw, of Two Harbors, Minnesota, as soon as he heard of his sister's critical illness, hurried across the continent in hopes to be able to arrive in time to say farewell. He reached Montreal Saturday morning, arriving in this city yesterday noon.

While residing in this city, Miss Shaw made many friends, who will deeply regret her death, as she was of a most amiable disposition, and was popular with all who knew her.

The city council will be asked to guarantee the five per cent. mortgage bonds of the company for \$125,000, making a total paid up of \$375,000.

In order to secure the establishment of the enterprise in Halifax it was stipulated that the amount of stock mentioned should be taken in this city.

HAMBURG-AMERICAN LINER STRANDED, CAPTAIN SUICIDES

Kingston, Jan., Dec. 17.—The Hamburg-American line tourist steamer Prinzessin Victoria Luise, from New York Dec. 12, for Port Royal, went ashore last night off this port, while on her way back to New York.

The passengers on board were landed here safely today.

Captain Brunsvick, who was in charge of the steamer when she struck, committed suicide by blowing out his brains in his cabin.

The German cruiser Bremen has gone to the assistance of the stranded steamer, and the French transport Daguy-Trouin is preparing to leave port with the same object in view.

The Victoria Luise is pounding heavily and the seas are breaking over her, but hopes are still entertained that she will be saved. She is resting on a rocky ledge.

CASTORA For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of J. C. Fitcher