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SPORTING MATTERS. CURLING. ST. STEPHEN AFTER CUP. The challenge of St. Stephen for the McLean cup now held by the Thistles has been accepted, and an effort will be made to have the tournament take place on Thursday of next week.

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Wallace.....L. wing.....Stuart In the second game Sackville defeated Dorchester 8 to 5. These teams put up the best article of hockey and the combination work was much better than shown by the league teams. In the first half Dorchester had the better of the game, but in the second half seemed to tire and Sackville was too strong for them.

PLAYED IN NEWFOUNDLAND. CHARLOTTETOWN, Feb. 19.—The Abegweit hockey team leave St. John's Nfld. tomorrow. They defeated the Newfoundlandians in two games 12 to 2, and 6 to 3 and lost one game 3 to 0.

ON THE ALLEYS BEAVERS AND ELECTRICS TIED. By defeating the Beavers last evening the North Stars are now tied with the Beavers and Electrics in Black's alleys. Campbell of the North Stars was in fine shape last evening, making an average of 107. The score was as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Name, Score. Includes North Stars, Beavers, and Electrics.

THE RING MIKE TWIN SH. OLD WIN. If Mike (Twin) Sullivan does not whip Harry Lewis when they meet in Denver next Thursday night, the New England boxing followers will be surprised, for though Lewis is considered in line for the world's light-welter championship of the world, they feel that the Cambridge man should win.

WHILE SULLIVAN is not as clever a boxer as Lewis, he is every bit as fast, and just as hard a hitter, and has the advantage of having met better men, which gives him greater experience. As a ring general, Mike has much in his favor, and is the more foxy boxer of the two.

WHEN SULLIVAN left Boston for Denver to prepare for the fight he was confident. He had little weight to take off and was as strong as an ox. But Sullivan has always been a careful fighter, one who wears his man to a stage of helplessness before trying to win decisively. Lewis likes to win quickly.

THE BATTLE should prove one of the best between lightweights since Gans and Young, at Denver; Joe Elliott and Patrick McFarland, at Davenport, Ia.; Johnnie Morrison v. Tommie Ferguson, at Kalamazoo; amateur boxing at Boston Athletic Association.

THURSDAY—Mike (Twin) Sullivan v. Young Daily, at Baltimore; Jack Blackburn v. George Cole, at Lancaster, Pa.; Kid Brock v. Joe Cherry, at Flint, Mich.; Walter Little v. Mike Brasley (Joe Gans and Adam Ryan, exhibition), at Fort Wayne; Al Lynch v. Johnnie Dunn, at Montreal; Tommy Feltz v. Leo Houch, at Lancaster, Pa.

FRIDAY—Frank Mantel v. Kid Williams, at Lynnville, R. I.; Gus Bezenah v. Jack Santoro, at New Orleans; Eddie Carter, at Port Wayne; Arthur Cole v. Charles Dwyer, at Saco, Me.; Joe Thompson v. Eddie Chambers, at Philadelphia.

SATURDAY—Finals in the amateur tournament at the Boston Athletic Association. HERMAN-CORBETT MATCH OFF. CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—The Kid Heron-Young Corbett bout, scheduled for Reno, Nev., in March, is off. Ghetto champion at the request of his intended bride and relatives, wired Kohl and Johnston promoters of the Reno Athletic Association informing them that he could not accept the match date, and unless they saw fit to postpone the battle until some time in April they would be obliged to consider the bout off.

HERMAN and his manager, Nate Lewis feel they realize that \$10,000 purses nowadays are few and are over-anxious to accept, but the outside influence has been so great that the Kid has been forced to concede.

I believe the people are but just waking up to the value of advertising—Fred J. Macey, Grand Rapids.

LONDON, Feb. 17.—Cardiff telegraph that steamer Heliopolis (Br) collided Saturday midnight with steamer Orlanda (Sp), outward bound from Penarth. The Orlanda sank and 14 persons including her captain, were drowned. The Heliopolis put into Cardiff with her bows damaged.

GILLESPIE-GILLIES. A pretty wedding took place at Bellevue yesterday morning, when Alexander A. Gillespie, formerly in the employ of Oak Hall, was united in marriage to Miss Emeline Gillies of Bellevue. Mr. Gillespie left last night occupied with a situation. The employes of Waterbury and Rising, where the bride was employed, remembered her handsomely with a set of cut glass.

The employes of Oak Hall gave Mr. and Mrs. Gillespie a dozen silver knives, forks and spoons. Mr. Gillespie, it will be remembered, was presented with a beautiful Pythian watch charm on Wednesday evening last, by members of Union Lodge, No. 8, K. of P., of which he is a member. The newly married couple will have the best wishes of a host of friends.

Advertisement for Laxative Bromo Quinine, featuring a cartoon illustration of a man and a woman.

THE LAZIEST MAN WHO EVER LIVED Stayed in Bed from 1877 Till Two Weeks Ago.

FORCED TO RISE WHEN HIS MOTHER WENT TO HOSPITAL—Is Between Sheets Again. LONDON, Feb. 19.—The Board of Guardians of Lurgan, Ireland, assert that a man named Thompson is the laziest man on earth.

THOMPSON went to bed in 1877 and did not leave it until two weeks ago and then only on compulsion. His aged mother, with whom he lived alone, was taken ill and had to be removed to an infirmary, and Thompson was then compelled to get up. The effort rendered him too tired to walk and he was taken to the workhouse in an ambulance, where he remained till his mother returned home.

THOMPSON followed her immediately, but he was compelled to walk this time, the poor guardians refusing to furnish an ambulance. He is now comfortably in bed again. He is supported by his old mother, who receives occasional help from her energetic sons in Australia and eight pence a week from the guardians.

THE DOCTORS tried irritating plasters and electric currents on Thompson to make him get up, but they had no effect. He is quite healthy, but suffers from acute, chronic laziness.

SHIPPING. Domestic Ports. HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 19.—Ard, str. Beta, from Jamaica, Turks Island and Bermuda; St. Pierre, Miquelon, from St. Pierre, Miq.

BRITISH PORTS. LIVERPOOL, Feb. 19.—Sia, str. Uru, from St. John's, N.F., and Halifax. Foreign Ports. PORTLAND, Me., Feb. 19.—Ard, str. Hungarian, Wallace, from Glasgow; Othello, Cox, from Louisa, C. B. Of Beale Is., N.F., via Lunenburg, N.S. Sailed, str. Hector, for Louisa, C. B. Of Beale Is., N.F., via Lunenburg, N.S. Sailed, str. Victoria, for La Have, N.S.

BOSTON, Feb. 19.—Ard, str. Canopic, from Louisa, C. B.; bktn Addie Merrill, from Charleston; str. Coronation, from Beale Is., N.F., via Lunenburg, N.S.; Ingomar, from Bay of Islands via Gloucester. Below, str. supposed Hannah M Bell, from Charleston.

Sailed, str. Saxonia, for Liverpool; Boston, for Yarmouth, N. S. CHATHAM, Mass., Feb. 19.—Ard, schrs. Manuel R. Cusa, from Port Reading for Stonington, Me.; John G. Walker, from Port Reading, N.S. PORTSMOUTH, N.H., Feb. 19.—Ard, schrs. M. D. S., from Halifax, N.S., for New York. In port, str. Iria, from Barcelona, Spain, via Havana, for Portland (coaling); schrs. R. Carson, from St. Martins, N.B., for New York.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Feb. 19.—In port, schrs. Emly Anderson, from New York for Barrington, N.S.

Shipping Notes. BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 17.—Steamer Taurus (Nor), Edvardsen, Philadelphia for Norfolk and South American ports, was in collision Saturday with Rev. Neil McLaughlin, from Charleston for New York, off Cape Charles lightship. The schooner was badly damaged, having her bowsprit and part of her stem cut off. The Taurus towed her to Hampton Roads.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass., Feb. 17.—Schrs. Katherine D. Perry, Baltimore for Portland, before reported damaged by collision with barge Ardmore, has been patched up and is now leaving but slightly. She will be towed to destination by tug Tacony as soon as the weather permits.

Cape Charles, Va., Feb. 17.—Ard, schrs. Hedges Fence Shoal, has been abandoned, as all efforts to float her have proven unsuccessful.

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LOCAL NEWS. Carnival on the Carleton Open Air Rink tonight, Band in attendance. The C. P. R. steamer Lake Michigan arrived from Antwerp yesterday afternoon and docked at five o'clock. She brought out a large general cargo and 194 immigrants.

Bankrupt sale. The complete stock of Mrs. J. E. Cox, 308 Brussels street. Dry goods, fancy goods, crockeryware, linens, to be sold on Wednesday morning, Feb. 20. Free lessons in art needle work at the Corticeil Silk Company at Forsters' Hall, 23 Charlotte street, Hours, 10-12 and 2-4. Children's class Saturday morning.

The engagement is announced of Miss Roberta Murchie, only daughter of ex-Mayor Frederick M. Murchie of St. Stephen, to Edgar George Beer of Charlottetown.

There will be a double header in the city hockey league this evening at the Marlborough rink. The first game will be between the Marathons and the Beavers. Both should be interesting.

At the first meeting of the new board of management of the Seaman's Institute held yesterday afternoon, three members were elected auditors for the coming year. H. J. Smith was also elected fourth vice-president.

In St. Luke's church at a quarter to eight o'clock tonight Miss H. D. McKim, who has been residing for the past four years in Persia, will give an address illustrated by lantern views on missionary work in Persia.

Mr. Gorbell manager of the Seaman's Institute wishes to acknowledge a donation of thirty dollars from Capt. J. B. Forster of the Empress of Ireland, made through the Rev. J. M. Hinet. This sum is the proceeds of a concert recently held on board the Empress.

Whiteware sale at People's Department store, 142 Mill street, Ladies fine cotton lace insertion covers, for 25c; ladies' cotton hemstitched Drawers, worth 40c, on sale for 25c.

West Indian liner Olenda sailed this morning from Bermuda for St. Kitts. TO LET.—Front parlour, three pleasant rooms, suitable for light housekeeping. Apply 250 Waterloo St. 1 week.

Shepherd Mayes, of Manchester, Eng. bugler belonging to the crew of the S. S. Empress of Ireland fell down the hold of the vessel yesterday afternoon. He was picked up and carried to the Emergency Hospital where it was found that his nose had been broken. He was sent back to the ship later in the day, after the damaged procebs had been patched up.

Men who are looking for genuine values in new spring shirts, in soft and stiff bosom, latest spring patterns, will find it to their advantage to call at the Union Clothing Co.'s, 25-28 Charlotte street, old Y. M. C. A. building, their stock being entirely new and up-to-date, prices 50c. to \$2. Union Clothing Co.

Tonight the first of the public temperance meetings under the auspices of the temperance and moral reform committee of the United Methodist Churches of the city, will be held in Carmarthen street church. J. Hunter White, J. R. Woodbury, Rev. Neil McLaughlin and others will address the meeting.

The St. John W. C. T. U. yesterday celebrated the Francis E. Willard memorial day. The seventeenth of February is the anniversary of the death of Mr. Willard's death, but owing to the day being Sunday the nearest convenient day was taken. A paper was read by Mrs. C. H. Hearn, and an address by Rev. Neil McLaughlin in Boston given by Mrs. C. H. Hearn.

The members of the Lumbermen and Timber Limit Holders Association held a meeting in the Royal Hotel yesterday, and decided to hold meetings daily in Fredericton during the sessions of the forestry convention, the meeting being held in the afternoon of each day. Mr. Allen, in his day's session, and any matters touching upon the association will be dealt with. Several of the members of the association, W. B. Smith and James Beveridge will deliver addresses before the convention.

It is understood in railway circles that there will be an important change next season in the train service between Boston and St. John. The different railway companies interested in the matter have under consideration a proposal to put on a fast express which will leave Boston late in the afternoon and arrive at St. John at nine o'clock the next morning, or about three hours earlier than at present. The train will pay very little attention to local traffic and will therefore only stop at the most important stations.

JACKSONVILLE, Feb. 15.—The funeral service of the late Thomas Johnson was conducted by Revs. E. C. Turner and C. T. Phillips in the Methodist church. Thomas Johnson was born in Ireland in 1824 and went to St. John in 1848, where he held the office of secretary of the school board. He was an unworldly man and leaves two sisters to mourn their loss.

A Few Smokers Have not yet tried THE BEST 50 Cigar Ever Sold, the PIXIE. Those who buy once buy it again. MADE BY NEW BRUNSWICK CIGAR CO., 507 MAIN ST.

Advertisement for Paterson's Cough Drops, featuring a cartoon illustration of a man coughing.

Magnificent Dining Chairs! We have a Pretty Display of Fashionable Dining Chairs in Quartered Oak, Highly Polished, Leather Seats, Etc. Let Us Furnish Your Home! We will be glad to see you come in and inspect our vast stock of Furniture, Carpets, Etc., any time. We carry an immense stock of fashionable Furniture, Carpets, Squares, Curtains, Blinds, etc. Mail orders promptly attended to.

Look Below for Prices: Handsome Dining Chairs, Quartered Oak, Piano Polished Leather Seats, etc., per set—five chairs and arm chair—now \$48.50. Pretty Solid Oak Dining Chairs, Leather Seats, etc., per set—five chairs and arm chair—now \$40. Dining Chairs, per set, from \$11.75, \$15, \$17, \$21, \$23, \$28, \$30 and upwards to \$48.50.

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AMUSEMENTS. OPERA HOUSE. 1,000 seats at ten cents. Annual engagement of JERE McAULIFFE. And his big stock company in the following strong list of plays. Today—FAIRIES' WELLS. Thursday—FOR HER HUSBAND'S SAKE. Friday—HEARTS ADRIPT. Saturday—OUTCASTS OF A GREAT CITY.

Matinee—Tuesday, Dens and Palaces; Wednesday, Shamus O'Brien; Thursday, Why Women Sin; Friday, The Voice of Nature; Saturday, Fairies' Well. Mr. Polite Vaudeville at Every Performance. Jere in a Hundred New Parodies. Franklyn & Hatt, Character Changes Songs and Dances, Phinar & White, Comedy Musical Experts. Madam Flower, the Bronze Melba. Night Prices, 15c, 25c, 35c. Matinee Every Day, 1,000 Seats at 10c.

BRISTON, N. B., Feb. 19.—Word has been received of the death of James N. Farley, at Fortuna, California, on the 8th inst., at the home of his daughter, Mrs. R. D. Pearson, with whom he has resided for the past four years. Mr. Farley was in his 84th year and is survived by four daughters, Mrs. R. D. Pearson, and Mrs. John Pearson, in California; Mrs. S. J. Rogers and Mrs. Amers Gibeon, of Bristol, N. B., and two sons, Shepard and John, of Bristol. The deceased was well and favorably known in this country, having been for a number of years a county councillor, representing Aberdeen, and afterwards Peel. He was also a captain in the militia, and always took a lively interest in the success of the Liberal party. In religion he was a member of the Baptist church.

I believe very fully in the advantages that good advertising can bring to a good business backed up with proper management.—J. O. Powers in the Ad. Book.

RECENT DEATHS. The death of John Wright occurred yesterday at his home, Pleasant Point. Mr. Wright was in his 70th year. He leaves a widow, three sons and four daughters. The sons are John W. Frank and Lee, all of whom live in St. John. Two of the daughters, Mrs. Wm. King and Mrs. Harding Waters are married in St. John. The other daughters are Mrs. Stevens of Grand Bay and Mrs. Rider of Washademoak. The funeral will be held on Thursday at 1:30.

VAUDEVILLE. ALL FEATURE ACTS. Twice daily at 2:30 and 8:15. (Except Saturday Evening). TRAVEL VIEW—on the Stereophon HOLMEN BROS.—Horizontal bars, etc. NOLAN & LAWSON—Comedy tramp, bag punching, bicycle riding, etc. M. L. MONTELO—Queen of the light wire. Prettiest innovation on a live ever enacted. MARVIN & RIDGEWAY—English Burlesque. MR. & MRS. W. O'BRIEN—in "The Bachelor and the Maid." ED. & JOSIE EVANS—in "The Playmate." The finest Burles in vaudeville.

BIOSCOPE—With an entirely new set of animated pictures. PRICES—Matinee, 10c and 20c. (unreserved) Evenings, 10c, 20c, 25c. Box office open from 9 a.m. till 10 p.m. Phone, 1282. Seats held until 7:30 p.m. on day of performance.

POLICE! POLICE! BIG SPORTS Victoria Rink, Thursday, Feb. 21. SEE THE LIST OF EVENTS. Boys' race, one mile. Junior Boys' Race, half mile. 200 Yards, 440 Yards, 880 Yards, One Mile, Half Mile Hurdles, Snow Shoe Race (Police), Snow Shoe Race (Open), Police Race, Class I, Police Race, Class II, Firemen's Race, St. Railway Men's Race. Elegant prizes for each event. Entries received at office of rink and to F. W. Jenkins, secretary to committee.

EVERYBODY SKATES. Everybody skates but mother; She sits around all day. Looking very cross at father, Who skates old age away. Brother he does likewise; So does sister Ann. Everybody skates but mother. Even our old man.

And they all skate at the Queen's Rollaway. The management reserves the right to refuse admission, or the use of skates to objectionable persons. Admission, 10 cents. Skates, 15 cents.

"Absent minded," would be the mild-est term we could use to apply to the man who put all the fuel in his furnace and neglected to apply the match. The merchant who fills his store with goods and does not advertise has the disease in a more dangerous form.—Prosperity.

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