

Ladies' Jacket Prices Cut Severely.

Every Garment in Stock Has Come Under The Price Cleaver.

and from this large stock you can get any size coat from 30 inch to 44 at almost any price from \$1.50 to \$18.00.

A lot of good comfortable Winter Coats have been reduced to \$1.50 each.

A lot of \$5.00 coats have been reduced to \$3.50 each. A lot of \$8.00 coats reduced to \$5.00 each. A lot of \$15.00 coats reduced to \$9.95 each, and so on through the whole lot. Many visitors to the cloak department have told us that we have the best styles of coats being shown this season. Notwithstanding this, every coat must be cleared out before the end of the year, and we think at these prices it is quite possible. About three hundred coats to select from.

Cloths at Less Than Half-price.

A lot of good worthy coat and jacket cloths that are worth \$1.00 a yard are being sold at 50c. and 75c. a yard. They are 56 inches wide.

Curly Cloths for Children's Coats, in navy, green, gray, and black. The price is 80c. a yard. It was from \$2.00 to \$2.50. The width is 54 and 56 inches.

Excellent Values in Suitings, mixed tweed effects, 46 inches wide at 50c. a yard. Only about two hundred yards of this material left. It is the best cloth for the price we have ever offered.

F. A. DYKEMAN & CO.,
59 CHARLOTTE STREET.

When The Cold Winds Blow You Will Need One of Our OVERCOATS.

They combine Most Comfort, Best Styles.
Overcoats made to your order: \$15.00, \$16.50, \$17.50, \$18.50, \$20.00, \$21.50, \$22.50, \$23.50, \$25.00.
We have some Bonny Goods to show you.

C. B. PIDGEON, Corner Main and Bridge Sts. ST. JOHN, North End.

FURS EXHIBITION FURS
THORNE BROS. IN OUR STORE. THORNE BROS.
Ladies' Scarfs, Neck Pieces, Victorines, Muffs, Seal, Persian Lamb and Astrachan Jackets; also, Gents' and Children's Furs.
These goods are up to our usual standard of excellence both in style and workmanship.

INSPECTION INVITED.
THORNE BROS., Hatters and Furriers.
93 KING STREET.

IF THE FROST IS ON THE WINDOWS
You will find the BEEF STEAK 10 cents per pound inside all the same, with other cuts in proportion. Our SUGAR-CURED CORNED BEEF is a trade winner.
Opened Wednesday nights until 10 o'clock.

CARPENTER'S, 131 and 133 MILL STREET.

DOLLS.
Our stock of DOLLS is now complete and is without doubt the best assortment and best values in St. John.
Dressed Dolls, 10c. to 30c. each.
China Dolls, two for 10c. and up.
Bisque Dolls, 4c. to 10c. each.
Washable Dolls, 10c. up.
Rag Dolls, 5c. to 10c. each.
Kid Dolls, 10c. to \$2.00 each.
Jointed Dolls, 15c. to \$1.00 each.
Imitation Kid Dolls, 10c. each.
Rubber Dolls, 7c. to 50c. each.
Mechanical Dolls, 40c.

Don't fail to see our dolls and get our prices before buying. Our full line of TOYS will be ready in a few days.
Arnold's Department Store
11 and 15 Charlotte St.

THE "Maggie Miller."
will leave Millidgeville for Summerville, Kennebecasis Island and Baywater, daily (except Saturday and Sunday) at 9 a. m., 3.30 and 5.00 p. m. Returning from Baywater at 7 and 10 a. m., and 4.15 p. m.

SATURDAY leaves Millidgeville at 6.45 and 9 a. m., and 3.30 and 5 p. m. Returning at 6.30, 8 and 10 a. m., and 4.15 and 5.45 p. m.

SUNDAY leaves Millidgeville at 9 and 10.30 a. m., and 6 p. m. Returning at 9.45 a. m. and 5 p. m.

ROBINSON'S
Good Bread,
Fine Cakes and Pastry
Confectionery.

173 UNION ST.

9 1/2 c yard

Cor. Duke and Charlotte Streets.
Store Open Evenings.

Mr. Blair refused to talk for publication.

LOCAL NEWS.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

All changes of Ads Must be in Star Office, Not Later than 10 o'clock in the Morning, to insure insertion Same Evening.

A few nice rooms with first-class board at reasonable rates at the Ottawa hotel, King square.

Ten gentlemen who came out on the steamer Montcalm leave for Montreal today in charge of Foreman Maile.

Good heavy soft wood, \$1.20. Broad Caves coal, \$1.50 per load. Watter's, Walker's Wharf. Phone 512.

The Canadian Pacific steamer Empress of India, left for Vancouver on the 26th inst., for Vancouver.

No. 1 Company will fire a salute of 21 guns at noon tomorrow in celebration of the queen's birthday.

Complaint has been made against the captain of the S. S. Bavarian for allowing refuse matter to be dumped into the harbor.

The concert of the Scots Company Boys' Brigade, which was to have been held in St. Stephen's church school-room on Dec. 6, has been postponed till Tuesday evening, Dec. 13.

The Montreal Clothing Store, 207 Union street, will be closed tomorrow (Thursday) and Friday to enable them to get ready for their big clearance sale which will begin Saturday, Dec. 2. Watch for big advertisement in Friday's edition of this paper.

Joseph Mills, of the west side, has complained to Officer Lee that Roy Clark, James Keleker, Wm. Readson and John Pike assaulted him yesterday on Queen street, Carleton. The case will probably come up on Friday.

The adjourned session of the St. John county court will be resumed tomorrow at the court house at eleven o'clock. Judge Forbes presiding. The jury case of Peters vs. Nugent will come up and petit jurors are requested to attend.

The weekly meeting of "The Hillside Sewing Circle" was held at the home of Mrs. Wetmore, Spruce street, last evening, and was largely attended. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Harries, Goderich street, on Tuesday evening next, when a musical programme will be carried out.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cooper, 675 Main street, sympathize with them today in the loss of their little son, Francis Murray, who died last night of cerebral meningitis, aged one year and eight months. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon.

Messrs. J. F. Estabrooks & Son are landing today from Vinona, Ontario, one car extra fancy Canadian Spy apples. Also, ex schooner Temple Bar, from Nova Scotia, one hundred and fifty barrels No. 1 Bishop Pippins and King of Tomatoes. Messrs. Estabrooks & Son are in a condition to supply the trade with fancy stock.

The local assembly of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew is arranging for a meeting of all churches in St. John on Monday evening, December 5th, at 8 o'clock. Several speakers will give addresses on subjects bearing on church work, and the Churchmen's responsibility in regard thereto.

John McKinney, an old resident of St. John, died in New York, Saturday, Nov. 26th. He had resided in New York this last thirty years. He was an old member of No. 4 Fire Brigade when hand reels were in use. Deceased leaves one sister, Mrs. Carroll, of Erin street, and one brother, Patrick McKinney, of Haymarket square.

A grand concert will be given this evening in Carleton City Hall, under the auspices of the Carleton Baptist cadet corps. An excellent programme, consisting of instrumental and vocal music, readings, etc., will be presented. Among those who will take part are Miss Beattie Wetmore, J. A. Kelly, M. Gouldie and E. R. W. Ingraham.

William Priest was injured in one leg yesterday afternoon by being struck on the knee by the handle of a wheel while working on the steamer Alcides. He was obliged to go home and will be laid up for some days. His place has been taken by his brother, Frank Priest, who was sand-bagged over a week ago.

LOCAL SHIPPING.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Sch. Greta, 146. Buck, from Sackville, and cleared for New Haven, N. C.

Ship Savona, 153, Faulkner, from Shelburne, NS, ballast.

Costwise—Schs. Rolfe, from Windsor; Prescott, Benjamin, from Parrsboro; Ruby, Donnell, from Musquash; Green Bird, Ray, from Margareville; barge No. 7, Wadman, from Parrsboro.

Cleared.

Costwise—Schs. Murray B. Baker, for Margareville; Athol, Downey, for River Albert.

VICTORIAN ORDER OF NURSES.

H. D. McLeod, secretary-treasurer of the St. John branch Victorian Order of Nurses begs to acknowledge receipt of the following subscriptions:

Mrs. James Dever \$5.00
T. H. Bullock 5.00
Thomas Bell 10.00
Prof. A. Jones 10.00
Mrs. Jas. Miller 5.00
Miss Thorne 5.00
Mrs. R. Kettle Jones 5.00

MR. BLAIR IN TOWN.

Hon. A. G. Blair, ex-chairman of the railway commission, arrived in the city at noon on the Atlantic express, accompanied by Mrs. Blair. While in the city Mr. and Mrs. Blair are the guests of Geo. McAvity. This evening Mr. Blair will attend the St. Andrew's banquet. Tomorrow Mr. Blair will leave for Halifax.

Mr. Blair refused to talk for publication.

THE SCOTT ACT WON'T WORK.

Past G. W. P. Tilley Its Introduction.

Thinks an Amended License Law For St. John Under Present Conditions.

L. P. D. Tilley, a strong advocate of temperance principles, and one of the most active workers of the Sons of Temperance, of which society he was grand worthy patriarch last year, declared to a representative of the Star yesterday that under conditions as they exist in this community at the present time he did not believe that the Scott Act would be possible of effective enforcement. This declaration from one so actively identified with the cause of temperance will come with added importance in view of the recently avowed intention of some temperance people of this city to take steps to bring about the introduction of the Scott Act.

Mr. Tilley is the drafter of the proposed amendments to the Liquor License Act, which were rejected almost as a whole by Premier Tweedie and his government.

"I am very strongly in favor of temperance principles," said Mr. Tilley, "and, in fact, am a firm believer in both prohibition and the Scott Act, under conditions favorable for their effective enforcement, but I think sometimes we are compelled to shape our course along lines largely directed by past events. If regard is had to past events it seems to me that there are many who must believe that there is a better way to serve the cause of temperance in this city than by an attempt to introduce the Scott Act. I have read the reply of the local government to the petition of the temperance people asking for reform, and believe, despite the fact that the government refused to entertain some of the most important changes suggested, if the promises made to a temperance people were given the form of actual concessions, that, at least, would be a step in the right direction."

"What do you think of the present working of the Liquor License Act?" was asked.

"It seems to me, and I am not alone in the opinion, that the Liquor License Act is not effectively enforced as it should be. I do not wish to intimate that the inspector or any one is particularly to blame, but the fact is patent that the act lacks satisfactory enforcement. How many members of the Liquor License commission board of this city, I might ask, are temperance men or men favorable to the temperance cause? It seems to me that at least some of the members of the board should be a temperance man."

"Would you advocate," was asked, "the cutting down of the number of licenses in the city?"

"I assuredly would, as there are too many licenses for the size of the city. Comparing Toronto with St. John you will find proportionately fewer licensed taverns and hotels. There ought to be more than fifty licensed drinking places under the present act, which should contain a provision to the effect that should violate their licenses, and all rights to renewal. This would be an effective check to illicit selling. There are some sections of the city where there are as many as twelve or fourteen bars within three blocks. Such a condition of affairs should not be allowed to exist."

"What are your views on the Scott Act?"

"If it is decided by the temperance people to bring on the Scott Act, I will support them, but the success that attends this endeavor in this direction should not be overlooked. It is my personal opinion that we would do better by endeavoring to remain under an amended form of the Liquor License Act. There are a great many people who would vote for Scott Act, but who would never do anything to keep alive the spirit necessary to a proper enforcement of it. The Scott Act is more easily worked in rural districts where it is usually adopted by a large majority of residents."

"What might tend materially to ensure the enforcement of the Liquor License Act and assist largely in bringing about desired amendments would be the formation of a society of citizens for that purpose. A petition from such a society with a large membership could not be lightly ignored."

"Do you think that Intemperance in the city is on the increase?"

"I do, decidedly. I have had occasion to look over the police court records for the past three or four years, and have arrived at the conclusion that there is more drunkenness in the city today than there was years ago. I don't think that the winter port business is altogether to blame for this."

Mr. Tilley, in the course of his remarks said that he was in favor of the entire abolition of beer licenses. About 180 of such licenses are now issued in the city and he thought much drunkenness could be traced to them. Many licensed beer places he said, sell alcoholic liquors in place of the law.

NEW HOME FOR LADDER TRUCKS.

The wooden building on King street east between Wentworth and Carleton streets, that has been used for years by the street department is being fixed up for a home for the auxiliary fire truck now in No. 1 H. and L. station. During the winter season, or while the big truck is out of commission in consequence of snow, that place of apparatus will be housed there also.

To permit of the entrance of the two trucks, it was found necessary to greatly enlarge the doors. The move is considered a splendid one, as the three trucks will then be close together in case of sudden emergency and weather it will be easy to have the right piece of apparatus in commission.

THIS EVENING.

St. Andrew's Society dinner.

Concert at York Theatre.

Meeting of Carpenters' Union.

Entertainment by B. Y. P. U. of Main street church.

Concert at Seamen's Mission.

Cadet Corps of Carleton Baptist church entertainment in City Hall.

Concert in Glad Tidings Hall.

PERSONALS.

W. A. Simpson, station agent at Salsbury, passed through the city this morning on his way from Boston.

T. M. Burns, secretary of the board of health, returned yesterday from a trip to Boston.

E. P. McCafferty of the Globe staff arrived from Boston, New York and Washington yesterday by the Calvin Austin.

Martha Haley, of Carleton, who has been living in Baltimore for some years, arrived yesterday to spend some time with relatives here.

Miss McKelvey, of Elliott row, who after attending her brother's wedding in Portland, Me., spent some time in Boston and other parts of the United States, arrived home on the Calvin Austin yesterday.

J. K. Scumell, C. E., returned yesterday from Campbell.

A. W. Baird arrived home from Boston on the Calvin Austin yesterday.

Miss Nettie Murphy came home on the steamer Calvin Austin yesterday.

Miss Collins, daughter of James Collins, arrived home yesterday on the Calvin Austin after several months in the States.

St. McClelland, of Carleton, is going to England to spend the winter, and will sail Saturday on the Bohemian.

Rev. Dr. Raymond, ill with typhoid fever, is steadily improving.

Bertram H. Landels, of River Hebert, N. S., who has been spending the past few months in Manitoba, is visiting relatives on the West Side.

Miss Fannie Riddan, of Annapolis, who has been spending the last few weeks with Miss L. McDowd, of Rockland Road, returned home Monday.

AN UNFOUNDED COMPLAINT.

North End People Explain About Elm Street Dump.

The Star yesterday published a complaint from a correspondent who alleged that a man was paid all the year round for working on the Elm street dump, notwithstanding the fact that there was very little work to be done there, not over twenty-five loads being dumped there in the course of a year.

Today the Star has been informed by C. McBeath, of the American Dry Works, situated near the Elm street dump, and by other prominent North End citizens that the correspondent's complaint is without foundation. They state that the quantity of rubbish deposited on the dump would amount nearer to twenty-five loads a day, that the man in question has also the care of the Victoria street dump and that the work on the two of them keeps him busy practically all the time. For this the man receives only \$4 a week wages and it is the opinion of the Star's informants that he earns more than that.

THE FIRST SNOW STORM.

When it began moving yesterday the temperature was sufficiently low to give hopes of early clearing, but as night advanced the temperature rapidly moderated and by ten o'clock it was raining rain. The change in the thermometer was quite marked, the mercury rising from 12 to 40 above. The storm, while it lasted, was accompanied by strong gales, which registered in velocity as high as thirty miles. The total precipitation of snow and rain was 4.10 of an inch. The storm signals were lowered today.

ANOTHER CLAIMANT IN THE HAZEN WILL CASE.

J. D. Hazen, M. P. P., is at present in Burlington, New Jersey, taking evidence under a commission recently issued by the equity court in the administration estate case of Margaret Hazen. The evidence which he is taking relates to new claimants in the case. J. R. Armstrong, K. C., and J. Roy Campbell, are with him as counsel of interested parties. They are expected home on Friday.

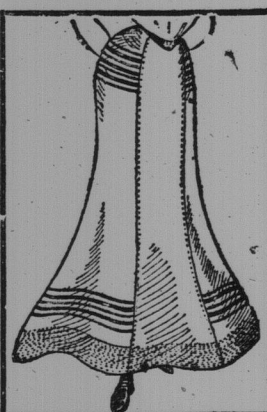
When one man has a house to rent, that fact interests at least ten men; but the ten are not known to the one. One of them lives, probably, on Union street, and another on Douglas avenue; but, like enough, ALL of them read the classified ads, every day.

TOMORROW WILL BE A GREAT DAY FOR SKIRT BARGAINS.

LADIES' \$5.00 to \$11.50
STYLISH SKIRTS FOR ... **\$3.95**

The Greatest Skirt Offer this Season.

Every Dress and Walking Skirt in the store marked more than \$5.00 (some as high as \$11.50) has been reduced to this ridiculously low price. There's about 70 in the lot, and every one of them is the personification of absolute stylishness. The choice of the choice is combined in these dainty skirts, along with such splendid savings that the march out will be in quick and lively fashion. The materials from which these exquisite skirts were made comprise the reliable cheviot, the elegant broadcloth, the distinctive tweeds, the desirable homespuns. The color tones are navy blue, green, grey, black and white, blue and white mixed tweeds, also black. Made up with that inimitable touch of style which ordinary makers have failed to grasp. The trimmings are taffeta silk cloth, strappings and buttons. The styles are beyond criticism for newness and originality. These Skirts will be displayed in our cloak department, and we bid you welcome.



\$3.95

Morrell & Sutherland,
27 and 29 Charlotte St., Oppo. Y.M.C.A.

Eaton-Hurlbut Stationery.

We have just opened a shipment of this superior line, including a beautiful assortment of PAPIERES for Christmas Presents.

H. G. NELSON & CO.,
Corner of King and Charlotte Streets.

Put Your Foot Down

Into a pair of Dolge Felt Shoes and you'll realize the acme of comfort in a warm house shoe. They come in flexible leather soles and in felt soles, some Juliet cut and fur trimmed and some plain, in drab, brown and black, at prices \$1.25 to \$2.00, and every pair a genuine comfort-giver.

Dolge is the most celebrated Felt Shoe in the world.

M. L. SAVAGE,

Fine American and Canadian Showwear,
Cor. King and Charlotte Sts.

POLICE REPORTS.

A parcel found this morning on King street awaits an owner at the North End police station.

Daniel Callahan, James Joyce and Cecil Bethell have been reported for working in the city without a license, they not being employers.

The following employees of the Allan Lane S. S. Company, who came here from Montreal for the winter season, were reported by the police for working in the city without licenses. They are: Harry Thompson, J. Carney, B. Garney, J. Molerson, J. McDermott, J. B.

HIGH TEA AND SALE.

The ladies of St. John Presbyterian Church will hold a sale of Fancy and Useful Articles and High Tea in the Schoolroom of the church on THURSDAY EVENING, Dec. 1. Tea from 6 to 8. Tickets 30c.

Three Great Toy Specialties!

A TIMELY HINT BEFORE THEY ARE ALL GONE.

HUMPTY-DUMPTY CIRCUS.

THE LADIES' HOME JOURNAL, in its last issue, tells about this wonderful new source of amusement for old and young. There are funny Donkeys, big Elephants, ludicrous Clowns, and other circus paraphernalia. The remarkable thing about these toys is that the whole outfit can be put through hundreds of distinctly different tricks. All the figures are jointed and will stand in any position in which they are placed. They are absolutely unbreakable.

Prices:--75c., \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.75.

THE "SIMPLEX" TYPEWRITER.

A TOY AND NOT A TOY would be one way of telling about these clever little machines. They have been on the market a long time and are therefore known to be reliable. They write 74 different characters and it is the easiest matter in the world to carry on your correspondence with one. An inkling outfit is included in the box which is a strongly made one. These typewriters come in two sizes. We have but a limited supply.

Prices: \$1.50, \$3.50.

BLOCKS THAT EDUCATE.

DETACHABLE TOY BLOCKS are new to the child's world. They are nothing more than tiny building materials all prepared for putting together, but out of which a great many structures may be erected. They are instructive and amusing and include the component parts of Log Cabins, Freight Cars, Stock Cars, Flat Cars, Trucks, Depots, Expresses, Merry-Go-Rounds, etc. Book of plans with each set. Limited supply.

Price: \$1.25.

ON VIEW IN THE CHRISTMAS GOODS DEPARTMENT.

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