

Many Fires Last Night

The city firemen yesterday and last night experienced a very trying time, and no less than five alarms called them to action. With the greatest hurricane of the year raging yesterday, and last night, the prevalence of five was made very dangerous.

At five o'clock yesterday afternoon the Central Fire Company was called to a house on Duckworth St. occupied by Miss English where a fire was in progress caused by ignition of soot behind a fire place. Considerable damage was done by the fire and chemical. The house and furniture were insured.

At 10.30 an alarm from Box 43 summoned the firemen to a house in Ellis's range, Southside where a chimney was ablaze. The application of the chemical extinguished the fire before much damage was done.

At 12.10 this morning a call from Box 26 brought the apparatus to the house of Edward Kavanagh, Dicks Square, where a slight blaze was in progress caused by a part of the floor under the fire place igniting. After cutting away the floor the seat of the fire was discovered and a few buckets of water extinguished it.

About 12.30 a. m. an alarm was rang in from Box 221 and brought the fire fighters to Barnes Place where a chimney in the house of R. M. C. Cahill was on fire. Their services were not needed and the all-out sound a few minutes later.

C. W. A. Report, December, 1923

House visits, including newly borns 433
Special nursing treatments 33
Total attendance at Clinic during month 49
No. of children on clinic books 4
No. of clinics held during month 8
Total No. operations performed in McNaughton (to date) 69
No. of cases recommended for relief 4
We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of parcels of cast-off clothing from—Mrs. Hickman, Mrs. Church, Mrs. L. Outerbridge, Mrs. L. Mews, Mrs. Baird, Mrs. A. Hayward, Mrs. K. Day, Mrs. A. Reid; also the receipt of 2 gal. milk from Mrs. Clouston, and Mr. Ross, 2 gal. milk.

St. Bon's Alumni Dinner

To-night the St. Bon's Alumni are holding their Reunion Dinner at the College, when a large number of the expulsi will renew old acquaintances and honour their Alma Mater, of which they are justly proud. Many have already signified their intentions of being present and it is expected that the affair will exceed all other reunions of the Alumni both in attendance and ultimate enjoyment. The idea of changing the annual breakfast to the more convenient hour of an evening dinner will no doubt make the reunion more popular with the old college boys, and consequently the success of to-night's function is already assured.

Oporto Stocks

	Dec. 31	Dec. 24
Stocks (Nfld.)	35,000	17,714
Consump "	2514	1200
Stocks (Norg.)	8887	5772
Consump "	1486	972
Entered:—	Poseidon, Lady St. John, Edith Cavell, David Morris, Donald II, Reginald Moulton.	

Marriage

LEE—LAURIE—At the Roman Catholic Cathedral, Dec. 2nd, by the Rev. Monsignor McDermott, Florence Lee, Riverhead, St. Mary's, to Edward Laurie, this city.

Methodist College Scholarships For 1923

Macpherson A. A.—Scholarship—\$120.00, Jean Horwood.
Macpherson, A. A. Scholarship—\$60.00, Anna Wilson, (debarred from cheque by rule 4.)
Macpherson Special A.A. Scholarship—\$50, J. Harrington.
Macpherson Intermediate Scholarship, \$60, Allan Gillingham.
Macpherson Intermediate Scholarship, \$60, Muriel Small.
Arthur Pitts Intermediate Scholarship, \$18—Jean Hayward.
Holloway Science Prize, \$20—Roy Clarke.
Boyd Preliminary Scholarship, \$12—Cyril Barnes.
Ethel Leamon Scholarship, Intermediate, girls, \$50—Marie Eriksen.
John B. Mitchell Scholarship, \$25—Wilfred Templeman.
Milligan Scholarship, for Minister's son, \$40—Carl House.
Milligan Scholarship, for minister's daughter, \$40—Muriel Morris.
Marshall Scholarship, Intermediate, minister's child, \$65—Not qualified for.
Marshall Scholarship, \$65—Not qualified for.
Mrs. Margaret Hudson Fenwick Scholarship, Intermediate, \$33—Clare Parsons.
Mrs. Margaret Hudson Fenwick Scholarship, Intermediate, \$33—Madeline Sparkes.
Methodist College Literary Institute Scholarship, Intermediate, \$65—Allan Gillingham.
The Bradbury Prize, Primary, girls \$10—Amy Taylor.
The Bradbury Prize, Primary, boys, \$10—James Horwood.
Don Wyatt Scholarship, Preliminary, \$25—Max Kennedy.
The Jean Crosbie Scholarship, \$27—Alma Kennedy.
The Sir John Crosbie Scholarship, Primary, \$25—Amy Taylor.
The Sir John Crosbie Scholarship, Preliminary, \$25—Cyril Barnes.
The Sir John Crosbie Scholarship, Primary, \$25—Allan Gillingham, (disqualified under rule 2), Muriel Small.
The Sir John Crosbie Scholarship, Junior A. A. \$25—Jean Horwood.
The Sir John Crosbie Prize, Senior A.A. \$25—Minnie Faulkner.
Mrs. Bell Scholarship, Primary—Amy Taylor, Gordon Cowan.
Mrs. Bell Scholarship, Preliminary, girls—Sadie Butt, Phyllis Cousens.
Mrs. Bell Scholarship, Prelim. boys—Allan Ellis, Cecil Baggs.

Silvia Has Stormy Trip

Captain Mitchell of the Silvia reports that the trip from Halifax was the stormiest in his experience. Yesterday afternoon and last night, the ship ran into a regular blizzard, which continued until port was reached at 6.30 this morning. Capt. Mitchell says the seas were breaking on St. Pierre Banks, and the Silvia received a terrific drubbing, part of her port rail being carried away and other damage sustained. When the steamer entered the harbor this morning she appeared a veritable iceberg. The captain reports that the ship behaved splendidly all thru and very little delay was caused. Asked if he had seen the Yankton, which is on her way to Halifax, the Silvia's commander said he had not and he was of the opinion that the ship must have had a trying time of it if she got west of Cape Race.

Thirteen Fire Alarms

No less than thirteen calls were sent in to the Central Fire Hall last night and were necessitated by soot igniting. Most of them were by phoning in chimneys in private residences. No great damage resulted in any of these cases.

ADVERTISE IN THE EVENING ADVOCATE Jan. 31

HAPPY HOUSEWIVES

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PERSONAL

Hon. R. E. Finn, of the Nova Scotia Legislature, arrived here this morning from Halifax, on business.

Mr. Charles Peddle of the Besco Cost Dept., Bell Island, returns home to-day. Mr. Peddle has been spending the Christmas holidays with his city friends.

The Advocate learns that Mr. N. M. Burke, brother of Dr. and J. P. Burke, who was employed in the purchasing office of Besco, New Glasgow, for a number of years, has recently been promoted to the head office of the company at Sydney. It will be remembered that Mr. Burke was transferred from the accounting department at Bell Island, to New Glasgow, some years ago. Mrs. N. M. Burke is at present visiting her father, Mr. W. B. Fitzgerald of this city, having arrived here by the express on New Year's Day.

Mr. Hollis Walker Arrived By Silvia

Mr. T. Hollis Walker, K. C., who will conduct the enquiry to be opened in the Legislative Council Chamber on Monday, arrived this morning by the Silvia. He is accompanied by Mrs. Walker, and is staying at the Crosbie.

Wires Down

Portion of the City Left in Utter Darkness

At two o'clock this morning, the street lights in a section of the West End of the city went out as a result of the wires being blown down. There were many live wires strewn about the streets and police officers were kept busy repairing the breaks and otherwise attending to the danger spots.

NOTICE

Colonial Lodge, 135, I.O.O.F.

Every member of the above Lodge is earnestly requested to attend the Installation of Officers, which takes place in the Odd Fellow's Hall, McBride's Hill, on Friday, January 4 at 8 p.m.

A banquet will be held in the Lodge room after the ceremony. Members of the Atlantic Lodge and visiting brethren will be given a cordial welcome.

By Order
N.G.
ARTHUR M. WATERFIELD,
Rec. Secretary

SECLUDED IN SEALED ROOM FOR 5 YEARS

Bertha Potter, Who Disappeared Five Years Ago, Found Alive In Heart of Her Home Town, Digby County.

PRINCIPAL IN PLOT IS UNDER ARREST.

HALIFAX, Jan. 3.—Bertha Potter, a servant girl, aged twenty-two, was found yesterday in the house of William Lent, 62, in the heart of the town of Bear River, Digby County, N.S., where she declared that she had been living in a sealed room five years, during which time she had not been out of the house, nor had she spoken to any person but Lent, the man with whom she lived. A letter, received in Bear River, two weeks ago, from an American who said he saw the girl in Lent's house in 1917, when she told him she was a prisoner there, was passed to the Attorney General of Nova Scotia, who sent a man to Bear River with the result that the girl was discovered and the man placed under arrest, charged with sedition. The girl had lived with Lent, whose wife lives in the United States since 1914; but was seen frequently up to 1918, when she passed from the village life. It was finally believed that she had gone out of the country, and no person but Lent had had knowledge of her whereabouts since that time. Until the investigation by the Attorney General as to why the girl permitted herself to be so detailed and why the American waited so long before advising authorities of his knowledge form the most puzzling aspect of the case. There is a belief in some quarters that the girl was mesmerized. She was apparently in the best of health when taken in charge by a police woman and is described as an attractive appearing girl.

Interest In Boxing Sweeps Over Brazil

RIO DE JANEIRO, Dec. 29 (AP).—The Brazilian has taken up boxing. Not only has he enjoyed all the great fights of recent times by motion picture and cable report, but now he is learning the game himself. He has donned the four ounce gloves with an enthusiasm never displayed toward any other new sport, and it is all because Luiz Angelo Filho almost—an impressive "almost"—took the world championship from Jack Dempsey.

Every section of this city has its athletic club, which is actively promoting the game among its constantly growing membership. Every city town and village is producing its champions. Boxing has become the "back lots game" of Brazil. Inter-city and inter-state tournaments are being carried on with increasing frequency, accompanied by eager public interest.

The youthful imitation of the glared hair movie hero no longer occupies the centre of the stage. It is he with the prominent chest and bulging biceps who attracts the soft glance of the senhora on the Avenida. It is the day of the "rough neck." Let it not be understood, however, that the local ring hero assumes a "tough" pose. He believes that elegance is not out of keeping with strength and agility, which, of course, is not disapproved by the senhora.

A curious feature of the growing popularity of boxing in Brazil is that while the Brazilian boxers follow the American school in the science and practice of the game, the French are furnishing the language. This is due to the fact that the sporting vernacular of the American "fans" is a language apart. It cannot be translated, while French is easily understood by the Brazilians. The French sport magazines, therefore, furnish the boxing vocabulary in this country.

Do you want to tell the Fishermen what you have for sale? Well, then, put your ad in THE FISHERMEN'S PAPER.

Ex-Kaiser's Collection of Stamps Brings High Prices

BERLIN, Dec. 29 (AP).—Fabulous prices have been realized from some of the rare stamps in the collection, which formerly belonged to Emperor William II, which is being sold in Paris. A stamp of the Grand Duchy of Baden, only three specimens of which are in existence, brought 120,000 francs and a Spanish stamp from the middle of the last century brought almost as much. Already more than 12,000,000 francs have been realized from the sale.

This famous collection of stamps was given to the ex-kaiser in the will of a son of the late Duchess of Galliera who had taken Austrian citizen ship under the name of Count de la Renotiere. William II had instituted the sale of this stamp collection in France before the war began and the remainder of the collection was seized by the entente powers.

Press Welcomes Prince Back To German Soil

OELS, Silesia, Dec. 8 (AP).—While William, the former crown prince of Germany, who returned recently to his castle at Oels, perhaps is not the most popular person in the world with the press and the public of these parts which he calls home, any proposal that he be not allowed to remain here meets with immediate resentment. The public generally has taken this attitude, it is quite evident, because protests against William's return emanate from France. Local papers declare that the prince has the sympathy of all true Germans; that Germans generally are pleased at his return, and that he should remain in the country and share the burdens of the people.

"We have his promise to refrain from political activity," says the Schlesische Volkszeitung, "and we believe he will keep his word. He comes back to us not as a prince, but as a private citizen."

The Fishermen's Protective Union



By FISHERMAN

The New Year brings the thought of new resolutions. It impresses the need for the maintenance of all good resolutions adhered to in the old year as well as the need to turn over a new leaf in our attitude towards other matters, in which we may be delinquent.

The New Year appears a peak in which we should look back over the wastes of time, through which we have come and face resolutely the future.

It is in this spirit, I think, all Union members should regard the coming of the New Year. They know the road they have travelled and the difficulties through which they have come.

The know, too, the noble purpose of their uniting; and having placed their hands to the plough it is not fisherman-like that they will turn back, or desert themselves in their fight for justice and a square deal.

Therefore, will they on this New Year, make resolutions that will be not mere empty words, but mean firm, unflinching, undoubting loyalty to Newfoundland and Newfoundland's best interests. It is a safe assertion that when "Union men" stand by Newfoundland's best interests, they will stand by their own Fishermen's Protective Union. For I know of no principle or policy of F. P. Unionism that is not consistent with the best interests of our country. The carrying out of any principle or policy that will protect or further the interests of the fishermen or workmen will certainly help the country. It is reasonable that more patriotic attitude towards all public matters and commendable policies will weld the F. P. U. even into a stronger position than it hitherto held. Fishermen, who are anxious to help their island home can find no better way to do so than by joining, supporting and defending the Fishermen's Union—that is the Union which, being composed of fishermen, deals with all matters pertaining to their interests and the country's.

Now, we face 1924, a new chapter in the country's history. Grave problems must be faced. They can no longer be sidetracked.

There is one outstanding essential apparent from the general imbroglio of commercial and political problems. The fishermen and toilers must stand together. They must not be submerged. They must assert themselves and their policies as against the policies of those classes who will not be conciliatory and who are organized to assert their overlordship. The lesson of May 3rd should not be forgotten by fishermen.

Unite then, and keep united. Stand by the Union. It is the fishermen's sheet anchor in time of storm.

The Rosalind leaves New York on Saturday for here.

Well-Known Citizen Dies Suddenly

Mr. John Flynn, for many years accountant with the Newfoundland Brewery, passed suddenly away at his home at 11 o'clock last night. Mr. Flynn had been at work as usual during the day, and had gone home apparently in the best of health at 6 o'clock. Deceased was widely known and highly respected, and deep regret is expressed for his untimely demise.

I HAVE IN MY POSSESSION TWO TWO SHEEP. Owner can have same by proving property.
J. J. CARROLL,
Holyrood.

Wrecked Crew Arrives

The crew of the schooner Little Princess, which was abandoned in mid-ocean on Dec. 31st arrived here by the Sable I. yesterday. The Princess left Quirpon on the 9th of Oct. with a cargo of fish for Seville, Spain and arrived at her destination on the 27th of October, after a good run across. After discharging she loaded a cargo of 270 tons of salt for this port and left on November 21st. Fair weather was experienced for 21 days and good progress was made, but at this stage of the voyage heavy weather was met and for two days the vessel was buffeted badly. On the 23rd day, about 2 a.m. she sprang a leak, and whilst the exact location of the leak could not be learned and the ship made much water. Pumping was immediately started.

At this time the vessel was 90 miles west of Cape St. Vincent and it was decided to run for land; however, after changing her course the wind also shifted to an easterly direction driving the vessel seaward. The crew kept at the pumps all that day and night, and at three o'clock the next morning they were taken off by the S.S. West Lashaway. Before leaving the crew set fire to the ship. At that time they were about 23 miles off Cape St. Vincent and the wind had dropped considerably. A heavy swell was running, however, which made the rescue steamer roll and much care had to be exercised in boarding her.

Landing at Genoa, Italy, on November 27th, the crew went from there to Boulogne, France, crossed the English Channel to Folkestone and thence to Liverpool, where they remained for fourteen days, after which they took passage on the C.P.R. liner Montclair to St. John, N.B., where they arrived on December 22nd; from there they proceeded to Halifax whence passage was taken for here on the Sable I.

The Little Princess was a vessel of 200 tons and was owned by Captain Abram Kean. She was built at Dayspring, N.S., in 1919, and was registered at this port. The crew are as follows:—Captain, Eugene Burden; Mate, John Soper; Bosun, Max Burden; Cook, Charles White; Seaman Reuben Butt, Thomas Fraize. They all belong to Carbonear and will leave for their homes to-day. The West Lashaway, which steamer rescued the crew, is a ship of 6,000 tons. She was built in 1918 by the Skinner & Eddy Corporation of Seattle, Washington, for the United States Shipping Board.

Laid To Rest

All that was mortal of the late Mrs. Louise Udle, beloved wife of Walter T. Udle, Esq., was tenderly laid to rest on New Year's Eve in the C. of E. Cemetery. The funeral was very largely attended showing the general esteem in which the deceased lady had been held. The service at the Mortuary Chapel was conducted by the Rector of St. Thomas's Church, Rev. Canon E. C. Earp, assisted by Rev. G. J. Lightbourne.

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Board of Trade Nominations

The following have been nominated for the different offices of the Board of Trade for 1924—
President—Hon. F. H. Steer.
2nd. Vice President—Joseph J. Long, Reginald C. Harvey.
Councillors four of whom will be elected. John F. Meehan, Capt. A. Kean, C. J. Stuart, C. C. Pratt, Jas. D. Lockyer, D. R. Thistle.



ST. JOHN'S

Municipal Council

NOTICE

All persons having claims against the St. John's Municipal Council to December 31st last, are requested to furnish same on or before the 15th instant.

J. J. MAHONY,
City Clerk.

City Hall, Duckworth St.,
January 2nd, 1924.

Earn \$10-\$20 a week, spare time, home, representing music publisher; addressing, mailing music orders, circulars. Send 10c. for music information. AMERICAN MUSIC CO., 1658 Broadway, Dept. B-25, N.Y. 12 61

Newfoundland Government Railway.

S. S. ARGYLE

PLACENTIA BAY STEAMSHIP SERVICE

Passengers leaving St. John's on 8.45 a.m. train, Friday, Jan. 4th, will connect with S. S. Argyle, at Argentia, for usual ports in Placentia Bay, on Mersheen Route.

NOTICE.

Weather conditions permitting, the following trips of the railway, namely:—
Bonavista Branch, Bay de Verde Branch, Trepassay Branch
will be operated up to January 15th, 1924, and on and after that date said branch lines will be closed to traffic. Due notification of reopening will be given.

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