



## Evening Telegram

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Thursday, December 16, 1920.

### The Value of The Dollar.

With Christmas but little over a week away, it is noticeable that a little more colour is being exhibited in the windows of the various shops of the city, true and sure sign that the feeling that the festive season should above all be cheerful has not entirely evaporated or become atrophied. There is always something joyous about the approach of Christmas. Depression seems to lift from the shoulders of all and faces appear more bright, and there is more of bustle and activity than usually exhibited at other seasons of celebration. The brilliant and kaleidoscopic color scheme of the decorations in the stores and shops, the cunning and beautiful effects shown by the arrangement of numerous lights, all assist in giving that sentimental touch to the advent of the day of the nativity, without which the world would not be nearly so pleasant a place in which to live as it is. Everybody buys something at Christmas, or to be exact during the days preceding Christmas, and be times never so bad or the outlook never so gloomy, the spirit of Christmas is abroad and is exemplified in the Santa Claus whom the children love so well and whose visits are eagerly anticipated in the homes of rich and poor alike.

There is something magical in the air at Christmas time. Maybe it is "that touch of nature which makes the whole the whole world kin" which after all is but the genuine spirit of Christmas entering into all and diffusing new warmth through bodies and minds cold with the thought that the times are not looking or appearing so prosperous as they should. But that is merely relative. The joys of Christmas are just what we make them and nothing more, excepting in so far as the season itself generates sensations of pleasure of buying something for some one else. For Christmas is essentially the season of buying and giving. No matter how unfortunate in business affairs people may be, they can nevertheless always find coins for the purchase of some little thing at Christmas for a friend. And the present Christmas will be no exception. True the times are not nearly so good as they were at previous Christmases, and labor is not so continuously or regularly employed. Still there have to be many purchases made. Business in the shops must be carried on. Without the circulation of money, premises would perforce have to be closed, with the consequence that many employees would be deprived of their positions. To prevent that one thing alone will avail. Those who have money must spend it in order that their fellow-citizens may be benefited. We do not mean that an orgy of extravagance or unnecessary expenditure should be indulged in, but a steady generous outlay. Money locked up means neither pleasure to its possessor nor advan-

tage to the community. To spend reasonably is to put a sufficiency of cash into circulation that will help all alike, because it goes from hand to hand and assists in increasing output no less than maintaining employment. The dollar in circulation does more work than the thousand stowed away uselessly. The former functions, and thereby creates trade, which in turn creates demand, and demand creates more labor, and increased labor and increased output mean the uplifting and future well-being of the land.

### Hon. John Anderson Lectures.

A stereoscopic lecture on Edinburgh will be delivered before the members of the Llewellyn Club to-night by the Hon. John Anderson. Rev. Dr. Jones, the president of the club, who visited Edinburgh during the summer will also say a few words about that delightful city. But Mr. Anderson knows the city well and this will be an hour teeming with interest for all who attend. No admission fee or collection. A cordial welcome will be given to any men who wish to pass a pleasant evening.

### Christmas Cheer.

Colonel T. Martin desires to acknowledge receipt of the following contributions towards the Christmas Appeal for the Poor:—  
\$20.00—A. H. Murray & Co.  
\$15.00—Archbishop Roche.  
\$10.00—Hon. R. A. Squires.  
\$5.00 each—S.H.P., J. A. Paddon, Esq., The Royal Stores, T. A. McNab, Esq., Newfoundland Clothing Co., J. E. Steer, Esq., A. W. Vedfield, Esq., J. R. Robertson, Esq., I. J. Perlin Q. Co., J. W. Morris, Esq., Hon. Tasker Cook.  
\$3.50—W. H. Hynes, Es.  
\$2.50—Capt. J. Hamilton.  
\$2.00 each—P. Brown, Esq., W. H. Crowley, Esq., Thos. Hillier, Esq., Elizabeth Pennock, Hon. J. D. Ryan, Esq., \$1.00 each—M. J. O'Mara, Esq., S. O. Steele & Son, A. S. Wadden, Esq., 1 Barrel Apples—Messrs. Ayre & Sons.

### B. I. S. Concert & Dance.

Last night the B.I.S. Ladies' Auxiliary held an enjoyable concert and dance in the Society's club rooms, some 300 persons attending. The concert was well arranged and under the chairmanship of Mr. P. F. Moore. The following programme was rendered:

Instrumental Duet—The Misses Channing.  
Solo—Miss Howlett.  
Dance—Miss McGrath.  
Trio—Messrs. Wallace, Hickey and Jardine.  
Solo—Mrs. E. J. Ring.  
Solo—Mr. J. Irvine.  
Violin Solo—Miss McGrath.  
Solo—Mr. Ralph Dwyer.  
Dance—Miss K. McGrath.  
Solo—Miss Mahar.  
Solo—A. Neary.  
Recitation—T. P. Halley.  
After the concert dancing was indulged in until 2 o'clock, when the singing of the National Anthem brought a most successful entertainment to a close.

A rather unusual method of selling is illustrated in Templeton's window. A Lady's handsome Black Fur Coat is shown with the following ticket: The original selling price was \$200.00. It must be disposed of, we will reduce the price \$5.00 each day until sold. It is cheap at price quoted. Don't wait too long and miss a bargain. To-day's price \$145.00. Who will be the lucky one, and at what price will it be sold? The coat is certainly cheap at the present price and it would not do to hold off too long and allow someone else to get the bargain.

### The Christmas Chronicle

The first of the local Christmas numbers to be received is the Christmas Chronicle, published by Mr. G. F. Morris, whose courtesy is acknowledged. It is quite an interesting publication replete with seasonal and topical articles, poetry and illustrations, and we bespeak for it a large clientele of purchasers.

### What is in the Air?

**Renewed Appointments.**  
It is rumored on the street to-day that Hon. W. W. Hallyday, Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, is at the end of the year taking a permanency in the Union Company, and that Hon. W. H. Cave, Minister of Shipping, is succeeding to the Postmaster Generalship and Hon. W. F. Penny taking the Ministry of Marine and Fisheries.

**GIFTS THAT ENDURE.**—Diamond Rings, Solitaire, 3 stone and 5 stone, Diamond and Emerald, Ruby, Sapphire and Amethyst combination, at LANGMEAD'S Jewellery Store. dec16, s.u., th, t

### Police Court.

Judge, Fines Rejected Lever Ten Cents.

An assault case which caused considerable amusement was heard to-day. A young man of the West End was charged by another young man of the same district with assault. It appears that both plaintiff and defendant were interested in the same girl, and plaintiff circulated reports about the young lady which defendant resented. The latter, therefore, told plaintiff to meet him on Tuesday night at the home of a mutual friend. When they met there defendant asked plaintiff if he were looking for trouble and received an answer in the negative. Defendant then threatened to hit plaintiff who replied that he would just as soon put a bullet through him as look at him. Defendant then seized him and hit him in the eye and then challenged him to come outside and fight it out. Plaintiff refused and both were ordered out by the owner of the house, defendant making good his escape. Commenting on the case His Honor, Judge Morris said that in the old days they would have fought a matter of this kind out with swords or pistols. He asked defendant who was in the witness box, if both he and plaintiff were interested in the same young lady.

Witness: "I go with her."  
His Honor: "Are you the best man now?"  
Witness: "I have poor hopes now, your honor."  
His Honor: "You ought to be the favored one now."  
His Honor said that as the defendant had committed an assault he would have to fine him ten cents and costs.

### Coastal Boats.

**CROSBIE & CO.**  
Susu left Westville at 7.40 a.m. yesterday, going north.

**GOVERNMENT.**  
S.S. Fortia left Fortunate at 11.15 a.m. yesterday, coming east.  
S.S. Prospero left Nipper's Harbor at 1.40 p.m. yesterday, coming south.

**GOVT. RAILWAY COMMISSION.**  
Argyle arrived at Placentia at 5.45 p.m. yesterday, leaving to-morrow for west.

Clyde left Port Union at 4.45 a.m. yesterday.

Benet arrived at Lewisporte at 4 p.m. yesterday.

Kyle arrived at North Sydney.  
Sagana left Humbermouth at 4.15 p.m. yesterday, going north.

Sebastopol arrived at Port aux Basques at 5.50 p.m. yesterday, on way to St. John's.

Watnall arrived at Port Blandford at 3.30 a.m. on way out.

**JUST IN TIME FOR XMAS.**  
Our stock of Hockey Skates just arrived, prices ranging from \$1.80 to \$8.00. BISHOP, SONS & CO., LTD. (Hardware Dept.) dec16, s.u., th, s.m., w, t

### Had Hand Injured.

Joseph Cheesman, of Brien Street, foreman of Brownings Box Factory, had his hand caught in a planing machine yesterday afternoon, and very nearly lost that member. He suffered much pain and had to be removed to Hospital for treatment.

**Guaranteed Lever Movements** in both Swiss and Waltham Wrist Watches are the kind you get at DULLEY'S. Have you seen our \$25.50 Special in 15 Jewel Lever with 20 year Gold Filled Case and Bracelet? dec15, 21

### KNOWLING'S China & Glass Dept.

#### Tea Cups, 12c, each.

Brown Teapots, 45c, 50c, 55c.  
Fancy Teapots, 50c, 60c, 70c, 80c.

Decorated Teapots, Gold Traced 90c, \$1.00, \$1.10.

#### Cups & Saucers, 23c.

Fancy Japanese Cups and Saucers, 50c.  
White and Gold Cups and Saucers, 80c.

Best White Vegetable Dishes, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.50.

Tea Sets, 21 pieces, typical Indian design, \$1.00.

English China Tea Sets, 21 pieces, \$2.00, \$1.50, \$1.00.

#### A BARGAIN IN 6 PIECE Toilet Sets.

GREEN OR BLUE SHADED. \$3.90 Set.

We have the largest and best assortment of FRENCH POTTS in the city. These make ideal Xmas Gifts. Prices range from 50c. 60c. 70c. \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 \$1.75 to \$4.00 each.

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### Supreme Court.

White Clothing Manufacturing Co., Ltd., Appellant, vs. Walter R. Smallwood, Respondent.

Mr. L. E. Emerson, for appellant, moves that the judgment of Hon. Mr. Justice Johnson herein be reversed and that judgment be entered for the plaintiff for \$8774.04 on the grounds:

(1) That the said judgment is contrary to evidence.

(2) That the said judgment is contrary to the weight of evidence.

(3) That the said judgment is contrary to law.

The court took recess until 3 p.m.

### Fire on Water Street.

Business Premises Badly Gutted.

The men of the Central and Western Fire Stations were called out at 11 o'clock last night to the shop on the corner of Water and Adelaide Streets, at present occupied by J. Deshowitz. Upon arriving at the scene the firemen discovered that the fire had gained considerable headway and the front part of the building, including the store, was ablaze and burning rapidly. The fire fighters quickly got down to business and soon had two streams of water playing on the blaze, which they contrived to extinguish after ten minutes' work. Whilst there was not a great deal of damage done by the actual fire, the entire stock carried by Deshowitz was ruined by smoke and water, and the building, too, was badly gutted. The upper part of the building, which is occupied by the Phelan family, was filled with smoke and the occupants had to leave it, some of them being only partly dressed. The stock in the store adjoining, which is owned by Mr. D. Galway, was also considerably damaged by smoke. We have been informed by Mr. Galway that he is covered by insurance. As regards the insurance on Deshowitz's stock, so far we only know of \$4,000, held by a company the agent of which is M. G. Winter. Up to press hour we could obtain no information as to the cause of the fire. The police are holding an investigation but are considerably hampered owing to the absence from town of Mr. Deshowitz, who is on a business visit to Conception Bay. The last person to leave the building before the fire was Mrs. Deshowitz, who says everything was alright when she left, and she cannot account for the origin.

Whilst backing up to the hydrant near Anderson's premises, the Western fire truck skidded and, the brakes failing to work, crashed into the hydrant, snapping it off. A stream of water shot up to a height of 12 feet, flooding the sidewalk. This proved a greater attraction than the fire and a large crowd soon assembled around it. After some little time the water was shut off. Employees of the City Council were at work repairing the hydrant this morning.

Don't worry about the high cost of living, take STEWART'S Hot Meat Pies, only Eight Cents each, or a basin of Soup with STEWART'S Home-made Bread, only 20 cents. It will make you as strong as Samson.—dec8, 121

### Do You Know Nancy?

This is a story about a little girl called "Nancy." Those people who live within the range of her naive stratagem are sometimes compelled to call her "Nancy Nan."

Of course, there are undoubtedly good reasons for her en-dowing her with such a name; and I don't believe it is entirely unmerited.

One glance at her face would convince anyone that Nancy is not a little cherub all the time. Perhaps—when she sleeps—yes—but Nancy never wants to go to sleep. And there are lots of other things Nancy never wants to do.

She never wants to apply the soap and water behind her pink little ears.

She never wants to sit quiet with her hands demurely folded and keep still as a mouse for just a minute.

She never wants to play childish little games that will keep her little dress spick and span, but rather—far rather—would she slide with the boys all over the hill at the back of the house. (Yes Nancy is a bit of a tomboy to be sure.)

She never wants to keep her hands out of the jam or her chubby little nose out of other people's affairs. (For Nancy knows that to acquire wisdom one must know the "whys and wherefores.")

Lots and lots of things there are that Nancy doesn't want to do—but there is one thing that she DOES want to do, with such vigor and preference that there is no denying her. Nancy does want to come to Toyland at the Royal Stores as often as she possibly can—every day in fact—and can you blame her for not tiring of the enthralling spectacle which greets her eyes on every visit?

Hundreds and hundreds of the newest and dandiest toys and games—the most entertaining picture books—the most bewitching dolls are here displayed in profusion. Scores of other little boys and girls also visit Toyland daily, many of them accompanied by their parents who thus get many a hint as to juvenile Christmas tastes.

THE GLEANER.

### TO-DAY'S MESSAGES.

R.E. STEEL MERGER ABANDONED.

MONTREAL, Dec. 16.  
The Dominion Steel Directors held meetings here yesterday, at which, according to the general accepted market belief, the British Empire Steel Corporation was the subject of discussion. The belief prevails in market circles that the British Empire Steel Consolidation has been definitely abandoned.

SENATORIAL IMPERTINENCE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.  
Ten members of the Senate in a joint letter, yesterday, urged the United States State Dept. to protest to the British Government against the recent refusal of the Embassy here to vize passports for members of a Committee appointed to make a first hand investigation of conditions in Ireland, by "the Committee of one hundred."

BIG CUT IN WAGES.

OTTAWA, Dec. 16.  
A cut of almost one hundred per cent. in woodmen's wages, formerly eighty-five to one hundred dollars a month, is announced by the local agent of the Abitibi Power and Pulp Co.

DIRECT RADIO SERVICE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.  
Direct radio communication between New York, Chicago, Cleveland and Detroit will be open to the public this afternoon.

FURTHER REDUCTIONS.

NORTHAMPTON, Mass., Dec. 16.  
West Boylston Mills here, have announced a reduction in wages affecting three thousand employees.

BUSINESS SUSPENDED.

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 16.  
The Jencks Spinning Company, said to be the world's largest producers of tire fabrics, announced a suspension of business in most departments yesterday.

WHY NOT?

LONDON, Dec. 16.  
A writer in the Evening Standard says he learns that Ramon de Valera is expected to land in England in a few days.

CALL TO REV. D. B. HEMMEON.

WOLFFVILLE, Dec. 16.  
At a meeting of the Methodist church to-night, it was unanimously decided to extend a call to Rev. Douglas Hemmeon, St. John's, Newfoundland, to become Pastor.

TWO CIVILIANS ALSO KILLED.

LONDON, Dec. 15.  
A late despatch to the Central News says that two civilians were killed when Canon Magnier was shot to-day.

SERIOUS LOSS.

MONTICTON, N.B., Dec. 15.  
A fire, which broke out in the basement of the Daily Times Office to-night, caused damage that will keep the newspaper from working in all departments for some days.

ALMOST GONE.

DOORN, Dec. 15.  
Former Empress Augusta Victoria is steadily becoming weaker, says a bulletin issued from Doorn House to-day. Her condition remains critical.

DEFINED AT LAST.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.  
The system of government, which Irish Republican leaders propose to set up in Ireland, was described as "an ideal co-operative Commonwealth," by Lawrence Ginnell, former member of the British Parliament, in his testimony to-day before the committee of One Hundred investigating the Irish question.

SUBLINE AUDAACITY.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.  
A cable message, protesting against the use of his spiritual authority, in British interests, was sent to Bishop Daniel Cohalan of Cork, to-day, by the American Association for the recognition of an Irish Republic, occasioned by a sermon he preached in the cathedral of Cork last Sunday.

IN FIGHTING MOOD.

LONDON, Dec. 15.  
The House of Lords is playing havoc with government bills. After the rejection of the Health Bill yesterday, the Lords to-night eliminated a clause in the Agricultural Bill, providing for state control of members of husbandry. This destroys the value of the measure from the government's viewpoint, and is considered serious.

CHINA TAKES BARK.

GENEVA, Dec. 16.  
China to-day took rank among the principal powers directing affairs of world, through its entry into the Council of the League of Nations in succession to Greece. The selection of China has been discounted largely, since the Assembly had previously adopted a recommendation that another elective member was to be allotted to Asia. It was doubted up to the last moment, however, whether the members, who for the past few days had been advocating a Slav or Scandinavian representation, would not succeed with their argument that Asiatic races could not expect two places on the Council, while two important European countries were not represented at all. A majority of the delegates have, however, held to their implied promise, but the success of

BRITAIN'S LABOR PROBLEM.

LONDON, Dec. 16.  
Unemployment in Great Britain, steadily growing, has created a serious problem, more especially with the advent of severe weather. Unemployment is common among clerks and middle class occupations, as well as manual labor. Official statistics show half a million out of work, but labor circles declare one million men are idle. With their dependents the

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China was largely due to the personal strength, Dr. Wellington Koo, of the Chinese delegation, has acquired in the Assembly.

SHOT BY POLICEMAN.

CORK, Dec. 15.  
Canon Magnier, Parish Priest of Dunnamway, County Cork, was killed to-day by a policeman. According to meagre details of the tragedy reaching here, while taking a walk, Canon Magnier came upon a bicyclist and a police officer engaged in an altercation. The policeman, it is alleged, was threatening the bicyclist, in whose behalf the Canon intervened, whereupon, it is asserted, the policeman shot him dead, the incident being witnessed by local resident Magistrate Brady. The policeman was arrested, and it is understood, will be court-martialed. The affair has caused an immense sensation here, and throughout the district. Canon Magnier, who was seventy years of age, and well known, served in several parishes of Cork Diocese. He was a moderate Nationalist of the Redmond school, but in recent years had avoided politics.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN CANADA.

OTTAWA, Dec. 16.  
Telegrams have been received by the Federal Government from various sources, asking that the starting of some public work be authorized to relieve unemployment. It is understood that the reply holds that the reduction of unemployment was a matter for Provinces and Municipalities to institute, but that the Federal Government would shortly announce what steps it would take to co-operate in such efforts.

GETTING THEM IN.

GENEVA, Dec. 16.  
Bulgaria, Costa Rica, Finland and Luxembourg were made members of the League of Nations by the Assembly here to-day. France and Australia refrained from voting on the admission of Bulgaria.

Books for Babies, Boys, Girls and Grown-ups; the largest stock in Nfld., at GARLAND'S

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City hills and inclines are in a slippery and dangerous condition frequently at this time of the year. We would recommend a good strong stick with a spear in the end of it to prevent broken limbs. BISHOP, SONS & CO., LTD., Men's Furnishing Dept. has a very large collection of Sticks at reasonable prices, with and without spears. For persons who will call now there are some good Sticks as low priced as one dollar each.

Smallwood's Big Stock of Local Made English and American Fine Boots and Shoes, offered to the public at 25 p.c. off regular prices.—dec18, 14

DIED.

On the 16th inst., at Larkins' Square, William Anthony, infant son of John and Mary Joseph Hickey, aged 6 months.

On December 13th, at Torbay, Bridget, relict of the late James Fitzpatrick, aged 90 years, leaving to mourn 4 sons and 3 daughters.—R.I.P.

In Fond and ever Devoted Memory of one dear to our hearts whom we loved and miss so deeply, Martin Kitchener, eldest son of Reuben and Rose R. Adey, 88 Merrymeeting Road, who died Dec. 16th, 1917, at the age of 17 years; a loving son, affectionate brother, kind and faithful to all. O how we miss him, but we shall meet again.

"Could we have kept you darling one On that Black December day, When all our hopes were blighted As we saw you pass away."

To leave behind your loved ones In this earthly home of ours To join your loving Saviour In that land of choicest flowers.

Heart-broken is your mother As she views your vacant place And mourns to think it's three years Since she saw your smiling face.—Mother.

LADIES!—Your Combing

made up into switches, Transformations and Puffs old hair dyed and made over; a visit to our Hair Parlor will convince you of the high class Hair Switches we carry at moderate prices. MISS MARION RUBY, 25 Patrick Street, St. John's, Nfld.

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