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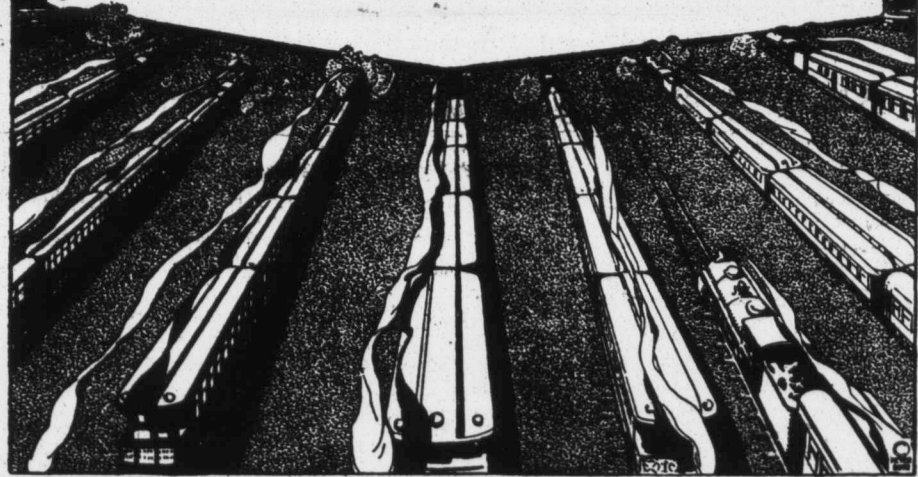
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## ORGAN RECITAL CHARMS AUDIENCE

To be Repeated Next Thursday Evening, Jan. 11th

Had there not been a raging snowstorm on Thursday last, St. James' Church would have been packed to its utmost capacity with a large audience to hear the Organ Recital and Concert given by Prof. F. J. Liscombe, assisted by his choir, an Orchestra and Miss D. Nicholson, Reader. As it was, a very respectable sized audience came out in the blinding snowstorm to hear the entertainment and they were well repaid for their attendance.

The program was selected with rare taste and the appreciative audience bespoke an intelligent understanding of what the audience heard. The selections, which were most appreciatively received, ranged from the very delicate airs to numbers which brought out the full volume of the organ. Strict attention was paid to the numbers and the rendering of the program by Prof. Liscombe, the Choir, Orchestra and Miss Nicholson was of a high order. Prof. Liscombe at the organ proved a big factor in its success. His organ solos were rendered with a fine technique, which portrayed his thorough knowledge of music. The work of the Choir and Orchestra was marvellous, showing to a marked degree what can be accomplished by local talent, when under an instructor of ability, such as Prof. Liscombe. The choir and orchestra blended perfectly and were a credit to the director.

Prof. Liscombe's fine execution, his quietness of posture in performing the most difficult compositions and pedalling that was intricate and rapid, called forth much praise, while the tonal quality of his work and the sympathetic interpretations that he so markedly displayed, made the audience bow in respectful deference to his skill.

Miss Dorothy Nicholson, gave several reading selections, which were appreciatively received. Miss Nicholson, who has often in the past delighted Newcastle audiences, lived up to her splendid reputation, and the audience enjoyed her readings most heartily.

Prof. Liscombe, Miss Nicholson and the members of the Choir and Orchestra are to be congratulated upon the excellent evening's entertainment.

The Church was beautifully decorated for the occasion by the Junior Women's Club of St. James' Church, and the work of the members of this organization in decorating the church with flowers and greens helped to make the evening's entertainment a most enjoyable one.

Because of the snowstorm, a large number of people who had purchased tickets were unable to attend, and so give all an opportunity of enjoying one of the best musical programs ever rendered in Newcastle, arrangements have been made to repeat the recital and concert in St. James' Church, on Thursday evening next at 8.30 o'clock. It is well worth any one's time and small admission fee to attend next Thursday evening and hear this most enjoyable and educational musical program.

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scription, \$145.00

## CHATHAM WON THE FIRST GAME

N. B. and P. E. I. Hockey League Opening Proved a Victory for Chatham

In Chatham's first game of the Northern Section of the N. B. and P. E. I. League Monday night at Chatham, the home team won easily by the score of nine to two. The play was mostly individual kind, but considering that Chatham's team is almost all new men, and their first game, their play was very good. The first period ended 2-1 in favor of Chatham, they not getting their stride and Shediac was playing hard and out to win. In the second period the Chatham team started a scoring spree with the period ending 3-2 in their favor.

The third period was fast and furious Chatham scoring once in this period and the game ending nine to two in favor of Chatham. For Chatham, Duncan, Keoughan and Currie, the old reliables were always on the job with Milton and Troy filling in the holes. The spares worked hard and showed that with a little more practise they are going to be heard from. For Shediac, Webster at cover point played a hard game but the team was handicapped in not having come of the older and more experienced players on the team.

The line-up was as follows:

Chatham	Shediac
Lobban	Goal
Currie	Point
Milton	Center
Duncan	Right Wing
Keoughan	Left Wing
Troy	Spares
Johnstone	A. Herbert
McMahon	Breaux
Veno	Ruddock
Fleiger	Cunningham

E. W. Walling handled the whistle in a very impartial manner.

## BATHURST RETAINS THE McLELLAN CUP

By Defeating Chatham Rinks By Score of 40-19

Bathurst, Jan. 3.—The local curlers successfully defended the McLennan Cup here tonight in the first challenge match of the season, when they defeated the Chatham rinks by the margin of twenty-one stones. The overwhelming defeat handed Skip Heckbert's rink by Skip Thibodeau rink decided the issue beyond all doubt. The match, which was for eighteen ends, was fairly even up to the tenth end but then the Bathurst curlers cut loose and rapidly drew away from the challengers.

The next challenge match for the cup is scheduled for next Wednesday night, when Fredericton is booked to curl. Both the Bathurst and Fredericton clubs have asked for a change of date, owing to the big bonspiel being held in St. John for the Blair Cup and also the test match of All New Brunswick versus Scotland, also in St. John. However, the trustees proved unwilling to postpone the contest and announced that the club that would not play would have to default the match.

The skips and scores of tonight's game were:

Bathurst	Chatham
Thibodeau, skip 27	Heckbert, skip 8
Stout, skip 13	Snowball, skip 11
Total 40	19

## TO REVISE LOBSTER

**CANNING REGULATIONS**  
Mr. Ward Fisher, of Halifax, Chief Inspector of the Maritime District, Department of Fisheries, was a visitor to Newcastle last week and other points on the North Shore on business in connection with his department.

Mr. Fisher stated that arrangements are now being made to hold a conference next summer to revise the regulations relating to the canned lobster industry which will prove of much material benefit to those in that great industry so valuable to the Maritime Provinces.

## France Will Make No Concessions

Paris, Jan. 3.—The cabinet council of French ministers this morning instructed Premier Poincare to move in the conference this afternoon the adoption of the French reparations plan as the minimum acceptable to France.

In the event the conference meeting does not accept that plan Premier Poincare was directed to ask the conference to register formally lack of agreement among the Allies.

The council which met under the chairmanship of President Millerand, decided that the British reparations plan was an abandonment of the Treaty of Versailles. Its action was unanimous.

Premier Poincare after the cabinet meeting, said the British displeased everybody, not only the French, but the Italian and the Belgians, and that the proposal that the Bank of England put its hands on the gold left there by allies as security for loans, was alarming.

The premier reiterated that the French plan was the minimum acceptable to France and represented the maximum of concessions France would make.

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