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**FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL**

**MORNING COTTON LETTER.**  
New-York, Dec. 18.—It may be true that developments since the publication of the government report have been negatively rather than positively bullish. That is to say, offerings of futures have been absorbed without, however, such an aggressive demand as to create a bill movement. Southern spot markets have been firm, but more largely through the attitude of sellers than through a better demand from the trade. The amount of cotton gained to December 18th according to the National Ginners' Association, was hardly small enough to increase confidence in the bullish estimate, but was not large enough to foster belief in an under estimate by the bureau.

But at the same time the way in which the market is maintained illustrates the confidence of very strong interests in ultimately higher prices; the longer the mills delay buying the more they will be able to take advantage of a short interest had been created recently and is quite in the line of probability that the existing stocks will be used to cover before now and Christmas. The census report is due on Monday morning—W. W. Price.

**NEW YORK FINANCIAL BUREAU.**  
New York, Dec. 18.—Specialty bullism on any reductions in gold exports are likely to continue in a quiet operation or professional raiding we think very good buying opportunities will be presented. While the existing stocks may be specifically put up we continue to feel partial to the low priced list because of the greater security of the market.

The market is developing into a holiday affair, but we think it will emerge from such lethargy before the end of the year. Reports today to the effect that the interstate-commerce commission will make no objection to a uniform advance in freight rates by the railroad coincident with an advance with wages and it is now regarded as practically certain that these two things will take place next year.

The Times has a statement that the Pennsylvania has arrived at an agreement with its engineers on the dispute brought up and the inference is that the agreement will have a far-reaching beneficial effect because of the prominence of the Pennsylvania.

Press comment and market literature are taking on a mixed view of the immediate market movement.

**WALL STREET NOTES.**  
New York, Dec. 18.—Meeting of American Federation of Labor at St. Paul to consider ways of assisting switchmen's strike.

Pennsylvania makes wage settlement with its engineers.

Two per cent dividend expected of Kansas and Michigan early in year.

Standard Oil agrees to allow.

Dana's Review says volume of business back to more normal point with confidence fully restored.

Bradstreet's says approach of Christmas makes good comparison with preceding years.

Removed extra dividend on North American extra.

Hangs gained \$3,769,000 on week's currency movements—W. W. Price.

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**THE NEW ST. PATRICK'S SOCIETY OF ST. JOHN.**  
At a meeting in the Knights of Columbus' rooms, use of which was given for the occasion, last evening, the St. Patrick's Society of St. John was organized.

The society will be open to men of Irish race and ancestry, irrespective of religion. It will be conducted somewhat along the same lines as the existing societies in Montreal and Halifax.

D. Mullin, K. C., presided at the meeting last night and Mr. McGeer acted as secretary. After the decision to organize, some time was spent in discussing the constitution and the officers of the society were elected. The meeting will be held. The new national society starts with a charter membership of about fifty.

Several times the project of a St. Patrick's society has been started in St. John but did not materialize. The present success is greatly due to the work of Hon. R. J. Ritchie.

**SISTER OF ISAACH, NORTHRUP DEAD.**  
Miss Amelia A. Northrup, the youngest daughter of the late Daniel and Hannah Northrup, died this morning after a lengthy illness at her home in Kings County. She was well known in St. John in her youth and was the sister of the late Mrs. J. M. F. Whiting and Miss Ida A. of this city, and Mrs. W. H. Fiddling of East Sarnoverville, Mass.

**THE STEEL-COAL MERGER.**  
As the result of the steel and coal merger James Ross resigned from the presidency of the Dominion Coal Co. at a meeting of the company yesterday afternoon in Montreal and R. B. Angus and Graham Fraser also resigned from the board of directors. J. H. Plummer, president of the Dominion Iron & Steel Company, paid Mr. Ross up full for his 50,000 shares paying him \$5,000,000. Subsequently he loaned the coal company \$3,000,000 payable with interest over a period of thirty months.

**PERSONALS.**  
Hon. L. P. Farrar, chief commissioner of the G. T. P. Police, left for home this morning.

S. W. W. Pickup, M. P. of Annapolis, arrived in the city yesterday on his way home from Ottawa.

Hon. J. D. Hazen returned last evening from Fredericton.

Carl Shaefer, of Woodville & Shaefer, has left for New York on a business trip.

J. Milton Price, who removed to Bethel, Columbia, a few months ago, has been called to the bar of that province.

H. I. Coombes was a passenger to the city on today's Montreal train.

C. W. Stanfield came in on the Montreal train at noon.

F. A. Jones was a passenger to the city on today's Boston train.

Mrs. Edwin E. Wetmore, of Boston, is spending the week in St. John.

**JAMES MORGAN DIES IN HOSPITAL**  
Man Found Suffering in Brussels Street Succumbs—In Hard Luck of Late Years

James Morgan died in the General Public Hospital about 12:30 o'clock today. He was found on Thursday morning in an alley off Brussels street and taken to the hospital in an unconscious condition.

The unfortunate man was about sixty years of age and was a well known figure about town. In his younger days he succeeded as a clerk in a number of leading grocery stores. He had a fairly good education and was a man of intelligence. Of late years, however, luck seems to have deserted him, and he had little or no work. He resided in a small room off Brussels street, but as he had little or no work, it was very hard for him to get along and he was poor and shabby. Neighbors at times gave him a helping hand. He never asked charity, however. His death is thought to have been due to exhaustion and want of nourishment. A sister of his lived in the same street, Misericordiae Home. His funeral will take place today at the hospital.

**NEW TUG FOR ST. JOHN, IS AT HALIFAX TODAY**

The new tug Lord Bessford arrived today at Halifax from St. John for work in this harbor.

The Lord Bessford made the long voyage via the Azores in eight days and this speaks well for her seagoing qualities.

**FAILED TO FIND PROOF THAT COOK REACHED POLE**

Copenhagen, Dec. 18.—The Associated Press is informed by a high authority that the committee of the University of Copenhagen in its preliminary examination of the records, failed to discover proof that Dr. Cook reached the Pole.

**HOW THEY STAND IN THE COMMERCIAL BOWLING LEAGUE**

Team	W.	L.	P.C.
Pirates	15	5	750
Seawards	14	6	700
Insurance	13	7	650
Dunlops	12	8	600
Tigers	11	9	550
Accountants	10	10	500
Yanigans	10	10	500
Ramblers	9	11	450
St. John's	8	12	400
Electric	4	20	200

**SILVER JUBILEE OF REV. F. L. CARNEY**

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 18.—(Special)—There is an exceptionally large market here this morning and the demand for country produce was very large. Turkeys brought 25 cents a pound, chickens eighteen cents and eggs forty cents a dozen.

J. Howe Dickson, clerk of the executive council, is to lecture before the Canadian Club in Montreal next month on Port Beauséjour.

Rev. F. L. Carney, esteemed pastor of St. Dunin's church here, will, on Monday, complete twenty-five years in the priesthood.

The ice in the river is becoming quite solid and it is expected that teams will be crossing before Christmas. Contractor McVey has authority to close the highway bridge for traffic in January. He is making good progress with the work on the granite piers for the new steel spans brought 25 cents a pound, chickens eighteen cents and eggs forty cents a dozen.

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**REXTON NEWS**

Rexton, N. B., Dec. 18.—The funeral of Thomas F. Carney was held on Sunday afternoon, and was very largely attended, although the weather was very disagreeable.

William Stitt, general passenger agent of the C. P. R. is here today on his first official visit. He is accompanied by W. B. Howard.

**CONDENSED DESPATCHES**

New York, Dec. 18.—Mrs. Caroline B. Martin, mother of Oleg Stenard, created a scene in the Tomb's police court when she resigned today on a charge of murder. Denied permission to make a statement, Mrs. Martin, who was not represented by counsel, declared she meant to have her rights and raised the court officers' efforts to quiet her. She was led screaming out of the court room.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 18.—Colonel Zinovief and Satorio of the quartermaster department, were arrested today as a result of the recent investigation of the department when irregularities involving more than a million dollars were discovered.

**HIS CHANCE.**  
Ehbel-Ton won a lot getting with papa and papa told him he could have yesterday if he'd call it square.

Edward—Is your father home to-night?

**SEGEE LOSES AND IS FINED**

A decision was reached today in the land dispute between Burn's Estate (Company) and John A. Segee. A fine of \$20 was imposed on the defendant this morning by Judge Ritchie, but it was allowed to stand until Dr. Curry is spoken to in the matter; he not being present this morning, and the possibility is that the fine will be handed over to him.

Mr. Segee said that if he would remove the lumber from the property and pay the fine, he would not be prosecuted. Judge Ritchie said that the property by the defendant what they wanted principally was to have him kept from digging and trespassing on the land. He had interfered with the work of the defendant and had not been interfered with, but that a course was all that was necessary. He had not, however, and this seemed strange, since he had claim to the land. Judge Ritchie said that the defendant had no right to settle on the land, merely believing that because he had lived there for so long and had not been interfered with, that such a course was all that was necessary. He had not, however, and this seemed strange, since he had claim to the land. Judge Ritchie said that the defendant had no right to settle on the land, merely believing that because he had lived there for so long and had not been interfered with, that such a course was all that was necessary. He had not, however, and this seemed strange, since he had claim to the land.

**REV. MR. McMASTER ACCEPTS THE CALL TO WASHINGTON**

Rev. W. W. McMaster, who recently left the pastorate of German street Baptist church in this city, has accepted the call to the First Baptist church in Washington, D. C., and has accepted Mr. McMaster has been supplying at the Washington church for the past few Sundays.

Friends here will be pleased to learn of his acceptance of the new pastorate which will be a very gratifying church.

**BORDEN AND WHITNEY CONFERENCE**

A meeting of the members of the Temple of Honor who took part in the high school show, is called for on Monday night in Temple Hall, Main street.

The North End Every Day Club now has a lot of games, and next Thursday evening will hold a concert to raise funds for the club. There will be a grand concert on the 23rd.

**THIRTEEN DEATHS REPORTED**

Thirteen deaths were reported at the office of the board of health for the past week as follows:—Sentience, three; bronchopneumonia, two; influenza, pneumonia, hemiplegia, heart disease, heart failure, premature birth, senile gangrene and cerebral paralysis, one each.

**ST. JOHN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

St. John Presbyterian Church, King St., east—Rev. J. H. A. Anderson, B.D., minister—Sabbath services—public worship 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; sabbath school 2:30 p.m.; adult Bible class 2:45 p.m.; Y. P. C. E. Monday 8 p.m.; midweek service, Wednesday 8 p.m. A cordial welcome to all.

**CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS**

**FOR SALE**—Baby sleigh, in perfect condition. P. O. Box 228. 234-1.

**I AM** now landing for Christmas trade, all sizes Scotch Anthracite Coal, also Scotch and Sydney soft coals. James S. McEwen, Agent, 5 Mill street.

**WANTED**—A furnace man at the Victoria Hotel. 239-1.

**FOR SALE**—A six room self contained house, leasehold, situated between the One Mile House and Fernhill Cemetery gates. This is an excellent property, and is comparatively new. Owner is moving away and must sell. Price \$600.00. Address Purchaser, Times Office. 23-12-21.

**WANTED**—Ladies to do plain and light sewing at home, whole or spare time; good pay; work sent any distance, charged; send stamp for full particulars. National Manufacturing Company, Montreal. 223-6-3-241.

**AGENTS WANTED FOR A HIGH-CLASS**—A beautifully printed and illustrated dollar-a-year women's magazine. Commission fifty cents on each dollar subscription. Write for agent's free outfit. American Home Monthly, 27 Spruce Street, New York. 23-12-3-241.

**YOUNG MEN** with Small Capital—Good profits await you in a new, gold climate. Vancouver, Idaho, and other territories in business, professions, fruit-growing, poultry, farming, manufacturing, lands, timber, mining, etc. For authentic information, free booklet, write Vancouver Island Development League, room 103, Law Chambers Bldg., Victoria, B. C.

**TENDERS** wanted for stock in store of N. Berry Smith, druggist, 24 Dock street. Tenders will be placed on the Sheriff's Office, Court House, in the City of Saint John, up to Tuesday, the 23rd day of December instant, at 12 o'clock, power for above stock. An inventory may be seen on application to Mr. Thomas Gibbard, 70-72 Prince William street. St. John, N. B., Dec. 17th, 1930. ROBERT R. RITCHIE, Assignee. 2395-12-20

**ELECTRIFYING OF THE G. T. P.**

Hon. Mr. Maxwell, Home From Ottawa, Speaks of Conference

Hon. Mr. Maxwell, who was in Ottawa with reference to electrifying the G. T. P. through the province, returned today on the Atlantic express. He was accompanied by Hon. Messrs. McLeod and Gimmey, who went to their homes in Fredericton and St. Stephen.

At a Times reporter Hon. Mr. Maxwell said that there were about twenty-five in the delegation. They were received by Hon. Mr. Fisher and Hon. Wm. Pagsley representing the dominion government.

He said that the question of electrifying the G. T. P. is one of the most serious that had come before them for some time and it would have their very serious consideration.

Asked what he thought the outlook was for the electrifying of the road Hon. Mr. Maxwell said that he thought it was largely a question of economy. "We are able to show that there would be economy in operation, but construction would be more expensive. Meetings of the boards and committees will be held in the near future to decide whether the one will counteract the other." Also with the delegation were Hon. J. P. Burchill, M. P. for Northumberland, the mover of the resolution in the local house and its seconder, J. P. Byrne, M. P. for Gloucester.

**LOCAL NEWS**

Dolls, games, books and fancy china at less than wholesale prices at the 2 Barkers' Fancy goods store from 5c. to 25c. The 2 Barkers' Apply for \$1.00 barrel of The 2 Barkers' C. F. Angus & Co. are having a timely reduction of confectionery and fruit. See ad on page 7.

Oranges from the W. H. M. Flour and sugar at wholesale prices at the 2 Barkers, Ltd.

Your children's winter garments thoroughly cleaned and made new on Garret's Dye Works.

Your last chance to get a great clearance sale of coats, rubbers, overcoats and clothing at Garret's at midnight. "A word is worth a hundred." The last of the anti-Christmas turkeys supplied tonight at the late Portuguese Mack's Restaurant, 101 Charlotte street. 2395-12-18

On page nine you will find the Garret's Millinery Co. Ad. It will pay you to read it, and then go and take advantage of the bargains.

**TAX RATE IS NOT LIKELY TO GO DOWN ANY**

As under the new assessment act, the estimates for the year must be passed on or before January 15, there will likely be a busy period for the assessors after Christmas. Meetings of the boards and committees will be held in the near future to decide whether the one will counteract the other. Also with the delegation were Hon. J. P. Burchill, M. P. for Northumberland, the mover of the resolution in the local house and its seconder, J. P. Byrne, M. P. for Gloucester.

**PRINCESS THERESE DEAD**

London, Dec. 17.—Princess Therese of Braganza, widow of the late Portuguese king, died last night at Ryde, Isle of Wight. She was born in 1870 and married the pretender in 1890, being his second wife.

**MARRIAGES**

**ABELSON-HOOPS**—On Wednesday, Dec. 8, at the residence of the bride's mother, 138 Herkimer street, Hamilton, Ont., by the Rev. Canon Wade, Kathleen Alice, only daughter of the late George N. Hoops and Mrs. Hoops, to Edmund Kaye Allison, second son of the late Frank O. Allison, of St. John, N. B.

**DEATHS**

**KENNELLY**—In this city, on December 17, John Kennelly.

Funeral from his late residence, Reed's Point, at 8:30 o'clock on Sunday afternoon.

**NORTHROP**—At Kingston, Ont., on December 18, Amelia A., youngest daughter of the late Daniel and Hannah Northrup, to Edmund Kaye Allison, second son of the late Frank O. Allison, of St. John, N. B.

**GIGGLEY**—At Hampton, on December 17, Captain William J. Giggley, in the 64th year of his age, leaving a wife, two sons and one daughter, and a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

Funeral from his son's residence, at White Head, on Monday 20th inst, at 11 o'clock.

**QUIGLEY**—Suddenly, at Winnipeg, Dec. 17th, Audrey Harris Quigley, beloved daughter of Geo. R. and Maud Quigley, of St. John (N. B.), aged 7 months.

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**FERRY MEETING OFF TILL MONDAY**

Extension of Railway for Coal Handling is Asked—Meeting to Hear F. A. Barbour

The meeting of the ferry committee called for this afternoon to consider applications for the position of superintendent, has been postponed until Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The chairman, it is stated, is desirous that the appointment should go to a man who would be thoroughly familiar with the mechanical part of the work, as it is claimed that the defects in the department are largely due to lack of this source.

A meeting of the harbor board will be held on Monday at 11 a. m. to deal with an application from R. P. & W. F. Starr for the extension of the railway running to the coal sheds on Rodney wharf, so that coal could be unloaded directly into the cars from the fourth hatch of the barges.

A special meeting of the water and sewerage board will be held on Monday, Dec. 27 to hear F. A. Barbour, C. E. regarding his claim against the city for extras in connection with his work on the water extension. Some time ago Mr. Barbour presented a bill for \$2,700 for his services in the work of the distribution system and for visits he had made here for consultation about the work. The council refused to pay it and Mr. Barbour was asked to appear before the water board and explain the account. As he will be spending Christmas at his home here, he has asked to be heard by the board on the 27th, and a meeting has consequently been called.

**BRITISH PORTS**

Halifax, Dec. 18.—Arrd, tug Boreford from Glasgow, via the Azores for St. John.

Mulgrove, Dec. 16.—Strd, star Magdalen for Charlottetown.

At Port Hastings, Bertha, from Gaspe, Sydney, C. B. Dec. 16.—Strd, star Cape Breton for Prince Rupert, B. C.

**FOREIGN PORTS**

Vineyard Haven, Dec. 17.—Arrd and idd, star W. E. & W. L. Tuck, star Amy for Calais.

Ard-Sch Ida M. Barton, New Bedford for St. John.

New York, Dec. 17.—Bark Gladia (Nor), from Gulfport for Rio Janeiro, before reported ashore on Colorado, has been assisted off.

**RECENT CHARTERS**

British bark Athens, 683 tons, from Guipuzcoa to Kingston, Ja., lumber, \$8.20.

**MARINE NEWS**

Bark Valborg, 1375 tons, commanded by Capt. Kristiansen, arrived at Digby, Wednesday morning from Philadelphia via Delaware Breakwater for Annapolis to load lumber for Boston, N. Y.

Bay steamer Westport, Capt. Coggins, Yarmouth, arrived at St. John, Wednesday for repairs.

Until further notice tug George L. Capt. Morehouse will perform the St. Mary's Bay service, including the Yarmouth trip. The Meteghan trip will be made Saturdays.

The three-masted schooner Exilda, Capt. Towers, which arrived in port this week from Charlottetown, is a handsome vessel and has been greatly admired by visitors. She is a new vessel of about 350 tons and is owned by Mr. Newton Esgley of Parrsboro. She is fitted with all modern appliances, such as steam heating, steam windlass, etc., and was pronounced by a gentleman who caught to know the finest vessel ever at this port—Wolville, N. S. Acadia, Dec. 17.

The steamer Cape Breton, of Glasgow, called from Sydney last Thursday for Prince Rupert, with 6,800 tons of steel rails. Besides this cargo she has underfoot a large number of foreign ships will take cargo of rails from Sydney to Prince Rupert. The Dominion Iron and Steel Company have been for some time negotiating for a modification of the order-in-council prohibiting foreign vessels from engaging in the coasting trade, to enable these foreign ships to engage in the Sydney-Prince Rupert trade. To that extent a modification has been secured.

(For additional shipping see page 6.)

**THE QUEEN'S RINK**

One more day and then the big event of the Christmas season, the grand re-opening of the ever popular Queen's rink, the big uptown rink, bigger, brighter and better than ever in the past, will take place.

No efforts have been spared to make this the most memorable occasion in the history of skating in St. John and it is to be expected that the interest of the Charlotte street merchants from the head of King street to the rink, have been invited to cooperate by specially illuminating their places of business.

So as to avoid any delay at the door, tickets will be placed on sale at Hazen J. Dick's drug store, one block above the rink.

A large staff of attendants will be on duty to look after the comfort of the patrons, and seats will be specially reserved for ladies and their escorts who do not wish to skate.

The doors will be open at 7 o'clock sharp but the skaters will not be allowed on the floor until 7:30 p. m.

At 8 o'clock the grand formal opening by the Queen's Own Band will take place.

A good evidence of the Christmas rush for the post office employees is shown in the fact that the Allen Line Tunnison brought to Halifax yesterday more than 4,000 bags and parcels of Christmas mail from across the Atlantic. Some eight or ten years ago from 800 to 800 bags would be the complement. The Halifax to St. John mail clerks yesterday handled 240 western registers, besides local ones.

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