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Playing Cards. We believe our stock to be the most complete in the city. Congress Reduced price 40c 50c Fancy Backs 20c, 25c, 30c, 35c In Leather Cases 65c to \$1.45 Bridge Sets \$1 to \$5.00 Whist Sets \$1.25 to \$4 Duplicate Whist Sets \$1.25 to \$5.75 Drawbridge \$2.50 and \$3.80 Patience Sets 65c to \$1 Poker Sets \$2, \$2.85, \$3 500 Sets \$1.25 to \$2.40 Poker Chips, per 100 25c to \$2.40 Bridge Chip Boxes \$4.80 and \$6.30 Bridge Scores 15c to 30c Card Dominos 15c to 25c Domino Sets 50c Checkers 20c, 15c, 40c Cribbage Boards 75c to \$4.50 Dice, Bone, each 5c Dice, Ivory, each 25c W. H. THORNE & CO., Ltd., Market Square St. John, N. B.

Wringer Sale We have just finished stock-taking and find we are over-stocked on certain lines of Wringers. To clear these out we are making the following prices: 10 inch BAYSIDE, former price \$3.65, now \$2.70 11 inch BAYSIDE, former price 4.00, now 3.00 10 inch FALCON, former price 3.85, now 2.90 11 inch FALCON, former price 4.25, now 3.20 11 inch ROYAL CANADIAN, former price 3.75, now 2.80 WASHINGTON MACHINES of all kinds. EMERSON & FISHER, Ltd. 25 Germain St.

OUR GREAT Mid-Winter Clearance Sale of Suits and Overcoats FOR MEN AND BOYS. Dollars do double duty. Every dollar you spend here buys two dollars worth of Clothing or Furnishings for men or boys. American Clothing House, 11-15 Charlotte St., St. John.

FUR SALE HAVE BEEN REMODELLED Cassandra and Athena Will Have Increased Accommodation - Will be Here Before Season Closes. F. S. THOMAS FASHIONABLE FURRIER 539 Main street, N. E. FATHER MORRISCY'S Catarrh Cure 50c; Lung Tonic 25c and 50c; Liniment 25c; Rheumatism and Kidney Cure 50c. THE DRUG STORE, 100 King St. CHAS. R. WASSON Stores closed at 6 p. m. St. John, Jan 13, 1909.

Mitts, Caps, Shirts etc. ALMOST GIVEN AWAY We have added to the midwinter sale all our winter mitts and caps as well as all stiff bosom colored shirts. These will go out quickly this weather at the prices we have marked them. 50c Leather Mitts, Wool Lined for 39c 75c Pig Skin Mitts, Wool Lined for 63c 75c Caps, Fur Bands for 49c 85c to \$1.00 Caps, Fur Bands for 69c STEFF BOSOM COLORED SHIRTS SLIGHTLY SOILED, PRICES ALMOST CUT IN TWO. J. N. HARVEY, Clothing & Tailoring Upora House Block

ANOTHER EARTHQUAKE SHOCK CAUSES A PANIC IN ITALY

It Was Only a Slight One Causing Little Damage, But the People are Very Nervous—Refugees Reach Naples. ROME, Jan. 12.—A slight earthquake was experienced early this morning throughout the country, Venetia and Tuscany. No damage was done and no one was injured, but owing to the general uneasiness resulting from the recent disastrous visitations the people for a moment were thrown into a panic. According to the records of the observatory the center of the disturbance was near Leimbach, Austria. The quake was strongest in Italy at Treviso, sixteen miles north of Venice. NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—Refugees from Messina, Reggio and other places in Italy that were devastated by earthquakes this morning, are on board the steamship Red D'Italia which anchored off Sandy Hook at one o'clock this morning. Captain Signoli, of the Italian liner, which comes from Naples, flashed a wireless dispatch today that he would dock between 8 and 9 a. m. The steamer brings 1,300 steerage and 35 cabin passengers, and it is stated that nearly half of them are earthquake refugees. REGGIO, Jan. 12.—An extraordinary dismemberment took place today, at three o'clock, a girl being taken from the ruins alive and unharmed, after six days. There have been a number of such cases in the eastern part of the peninsula. It is believed that part of the time she was in a cataleptic state. SAN SALVADOR, Jan. 12.—Several earthquake shocks were felt here last night. There have been a number of shocks in the eastern part of the peninsula. No loss of life has been reported. VENICE, Jan. 13.—Two earth shocks were experienced this morning. The people rushed out from their houses and gathered in the place of St. Mark and other open squares. There was much excited comment and questioning, but calm in general was maintained. No damage was done and this is thought to be due to the fact that houses of Venice are built on piles. The people congratulated themselves on this system of construction. MILAN, Jan. 12.—An earth shock was felt here this morning and caused considerable alarm. A number of people rushed from their houses and congregated in the cathedral square. There was no repetition of the quake, and calm was subsequently restored. No damage was done. FLORENCE, Jan. 13.—Several earth shocks were recorded here this morning at intervals of two seconds. The people rushed out from their houses in considerable trepidation, fearing a repetition of the Messina and Calabria disasters. No damage was done, and as the tremblings soon ceased calm was restored and the work of the day resumed.

BOARD OF ARBITRATION CONTINUES ITS WORK

The meeting of the board of arbitration to settle the differences between the New Brunswick Land and the International Railway was continued this morning in the Boarding building. The session was taken up with the examination of C. L. Tracey and Richard McFadden. Their witness related to the disputed district through which the railway runs and the timber growing there. This covered the quality and quantity of the logs, the size of the logs, the value of the logging stream and other similar matters. The same witnesses will be on the stand again this afternoon.

REPORT OF GLACE BAY ASSESSORS PUBLISHED

Coal Company's Property Forms More Than Half the Assessment. GLACE BAY, N. S., Jan. 12.—The report of the town assessors just rendered shows the assessment to be \$205,991, an increase of \$17,750 over that of last year. The Dominion Coal Co.'s assessment is \$178,491, which shows an increase of \$11,900 over last year. The company's whole estate is assessed at \$665,510, while its personality is assessed at \$1,150,121. Aside from the coal company the personal property within the town is assessed at \$213,305 and income at \$91,448. The assessment roll will not be adopted until the new council has been elected.

RIVAL ORGANIZATIONS BUSY IN SYDNEY

Officials of U. M. W. A. and P. W. A. Both Establishing New Lodges. SYDNEY, Jan. 12.—There is considerable activity at present among the officials of the P. W. A. and the new organization, the U. M. W. A. Peter Paterson, the grand organizer of the U. M. W. A., arrived in town last week and has already commenced the organization of the local lodges at the various collieries. Lodges have been organized at Dominion No. 4, Glace Bay, and also at Dominion No. 6, with a fairly large membership. Other lodges will be organized this week. "Progress" Lodge, P. W. A., has been organized by Grand Master S. B. McNeil at Dominion No. 4 with a large enrollment. The police failed to arrest any person last night. There was a clear sheet in the court this morning, and a large number of spectators who were present were disappointed.

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NEGLECTED FURNACE CAUSES TRAGEDY IN NEW YORK HOME

Residence of Railway Manager Higgins Burned—His Mother Perished and Others of the Family Sustained Very Severe Injuries. NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan. 13.—In a fire that destroyed the residence of Samuel Higgins, general manager of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad here early today, his mother, Mrs. Higgins, lost her life, his daughter, Isabel, his young son, and Mr. Higgins himself barely escaped death in the flames by jumping from a second story window. It was as a result of the jump that Mrs. Corbin was fatally hurt. Mrs. and Miss Higgins suffered broken legs and Mr. Higgins was badly bruised. The young son Harold escaped without injury. A colored cook jumped from a third story window and probably escaped serious injury by reason of two police officers interposing their bodies and breaking the fall. As quickly as possible the injured persons were removed to a nearby residence and medical aid summoned. The cause of the fire, it is stated, was an overheated furnace. When Mr. Higgins was awakened he rushed from his room to that of his mother and endeavored to rouse her by pounding on the door, but owing to her deafness, he thinks, she did not hear him. Mr. Higgins groping through the smoke and flames, pushed to each room arousing all the members of the family. He had hoped that his mother was on. He tried to get back to her room but the fire cut off his way. It was then that the rest of the family gathered at a window and jumped for their lives. Stronans Terrace, on which the residence stood, is very high ground, and owing to poor water pressure the streams from the firemen's hose did not rise much above the first story. The residence of Benjamin Campbell, Vice-President of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railway, also took fire, the flames being extinguished with some difficulty. Two of Mr. Campbell's sons, it is said, are ill with pneumonia. When the firemen were able to get into the room on the third floor occupied by Mrs. Higgins, mother of Mr. Higgins, there was only a small heap of charred bones. The loss is estimated at about \$75,000.

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NEW YORK HOTEL MEN HOLD ANNUAL DINNER

Big Bill Taft and Directors Gown the Subjects Under Consideration. NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—The thirtieth annual dinner of the Hotel Association of New York, New York and Hartford Railroad here early today, was a record breaker for attendance, with a hundred partaking of the banquet. Chairman Boldt, of the association, also proprietor of the Waldorf, presided. He showed by figures that nearly 19,000 persons by actual count entered the Waldorf during its hours on one day last April. Simeon Ford, proprietor of the Grand Union Hotel, who was the humorist of the evening, poked fun at everything from President-elect Taft to Director Gowans. "The last time I made my appearance as an orator was about a year ago at a banquet in Boston," began Mr. Ford, who is very long and lean. "Mr. William Howard Taft also spoke. We made a fine cross matched team. He weighed considerably more on the hoof than I, but I made up in grace what I lacked in grease. We both sat on swimmingly but I discovered that when it came to swimming Mr. Taft drew more water than I did, owing possibly to the depth of his center-board. Indeed, when the dinner was over I was able, owing to my light draught, to sail into my hotel quite easily, while Bill could not get across the lake but I like Big Bill. All hotel keepers like Big Bill. I voted for him and I got my friends to do so, and we elected him." And as to the woman with the director's gown habit, the speaker added: "But our wives and daughters. Note how limited their wardrobes are this winter. They make Salome look undressed and Mary Garden looks like an union suit. See how they go shivering down the avenue, reeled down to bare poles. Heretofore when it was necessary to flag a train, she saved hundreds of lives by waving her red petticoat. This year truly 'Bill' will have to perish. But with all their faults we love them still, and only hope we will have a mild winter so they will not all freeze to death."

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