

The Evening Times and Star

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WORK FOR THE WINTER There are several matters which should engage the attention of serious minded people in St. John during the winter months. One of them is the question of child protection. New Brunswick is still without a Child Protection Act and Children's Aid Societies. Such an act should have been adopted by the legislature at its last session, and the bill should be reintroduced and passed at the next session.

Parliament is called to assemble on Monday from today. This will make it possible to get through with a little of the business before the Christmas holidays. Hon. Mr. Nantel is still in doubt whether to resign with Mr. Monk or hold on to office with Mr. Pelland.

The Amherst News says:—"The technical schools in Amherst this winter promise to eclipse all former records. The attendance at the opening meeting was over two hundred and this number will be supplemented during the next two or three weeks. The young men of the town have splendid opportunity of improving their education at a very nominal cost."

Lord Brassey, comparing conditions in England with those in Germany, writes: "Our working people may with advantage compare their present conditions with those of the German worker. The Board of Trade report recently published shows that German workmen receive about seventeen per cent. less in money wages in return for a week's work of about ten per cent. longer duration than the corresponding English workmen. Their hourly rate of money remuneration is about three-quarters of the corresponding English rate, while the cost of food, rent and fuel is about one-fifth higher. As in wages, so in the hours of labor, the position of our working people is disadvantageous. The difference has been computed for twenty-nine days more in the year for the German than for the British worker. In the last five years a German workman has been able to purchase for 100 marks as much food of the kind to which he is accustomed as twenty years previously for 112 marks. The English workman has been able to make 100s. go as far in purchasing food as 140s. twenty years ago. The home supply of meat in Germany is insufficient. Imports are subject to heavy duties."

BITING SARCAASM. When Mr. Schmidt's house caught fire the first thing he did was to rush out to seek help from his neighbors. Already there were two men upon the scene. "If it is a fire," he cried excitedly to one of them, "will you rush to the corner and give the alarm?" "A fire?" was the reply, "my leg's very bad. Can't move."

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LIGHTER VEIN THE MARRIED COUPLE

When he proposed to gentle May Till death should part them, he vowed forever on life's way Linked arm in arm they'd wander. But now six years have they been wed, And this is how we find him. He sighs about ten steps ahead While she tags on behind him.

LOGICAL "Why do you like football so much better than your studies?" they asked the college man. "Perhaps it's because I'm so much better acquainted with football," he replied.

SIGN OF AGE. "He's beginning to get old." "What makes you think so?" "He's started to brag about the athletic stunts he could do in his youth."

NOT A RISK. "And what is your occupation?" asked the accident insurance agent. "I'm a woodsman. During the hunting season I act as a guide."

THE TROUBLE A lot of men may know enough to keep still, but the trouble is they don't know when to stop.

A PAST ONE. That's a fine watch you've got. Is it a good goer? "A good goer? Well, you bet your life it's a good goer. Why, it can do an hour in half the time!"—Milwaukee Sentinel.

HIS EPITAPH. "John Blank, born April 15, 1863, with weeping about the streets now lying Sept. 15, 1914." That's the way future tombstones inscriptions may read if something isn't done.

A FIXED HABIT. Smith—"Has your son any fixed habit that worries you as to his future?" Jones—"Yes. He fights about ten rounds every morning with the alarm clock."

JUST SHOPPING Dry Goods Clerk (after wearily turning over his entire stock)—"Can I show you anything else, madam?" Mrs. Sample—"No, thank you. I can find the door myself."

THE MIX! Gus—"If you don't give it to me at once I'll kiss you." Madge—"And if I do give it to you will you let me alone?" Gus—"Certainly." Madge—"Well, you can't have it."

TRIOUBLE IN PROSPECT. When first the shadows were falling And when the twilight fades away, To one unpleasant thought I'm thrall, For fixtured in my mind will stay; I know that I must meet my fate; But still that fate I frankly dread; And even when I sleep I'm not at ease, I do not like to go to bed.

It is not that my bed is rough Or noise keep me wide awake— That would not be excuse enough And such complaints I would not make. But still I wish I had no need, To lie upon the pillow there, And so I often sit and read Until there's little night to spare.

Of all the tasks that fall to me The worst is that I have to face Because I'm nodding drowsily. As I sit here I must try my place, So with regret to bed I go; Participation—'course of men! Repulse me, for I always know Next day I must get up again! —Chicago News.

BANK OF NEW BRUNSWICK

The following notice is being sent to the shareholders of the Bank of New Brunswick: St. John, 19th October, 1912. To the Shareholders: Your directors have for a long time been convinced that if the Bank of New Brunswick was to maintain its earning power, its capital would have to be very largely increased so that it could extend its branches and establish itself in the larger western cities. Recent experience has shown that it is difficult to secure new capital and it takes time and heavy initial expenses to place branches in cities on an earning basis. So many avenues available for investment, which though not so secure as bank stocks, and which have lost their old time popularity as an investment, have been opened up to the bank.

During the recent competition in bank capital and branches extending to the Pacific have invaded our territory, intensifying the bank's competition. Under these conditions your directors have found it increasingly difficult to maintain the bank's earnings. Thus while our percentage of profits in 1908 was 18.41 per cent., it gradually fell to 10.90 per cent. in 1911.

With these conditions before your directors they took into consideration a proposition made by the Bank of Nova Scotia to amalgamate the two institutions and have decided to recommend to the favorable consideration of the shareholders the enclosed draft agreement to attain that end. If you deem it wise to adopt this agreement each shareholder will receive one share of the capital stock of the Bank of Nova Scotia for each share now held in the Bank of New Brunswick, and a further sum of \$100,000 will be distributed pro rata among the shareholders of this bank. The capital stock of the Bank of Nova Scotia when the allotment of stock referred to is paid up will be \$5,000,000, and its reserve will then be \$8,000,000. It has branches in every important centre in Canada, in Newfoundland, the West Indies, and in a number of the cities of the United States, and is of undoubted strength and resources. For many years its shares have sold higher than those of any bank in Canada.

Your directors in recommending this amalgamation desire to say that they are impressed with the fact that the Bank of Nova Scotia is a maritime province bank, and as over 75 per cent. of its stock is held in the maritime provinces. Further, its traditions and methods have been similar to those followed by this bank and our shareholders, customers and staff would under these circumstances feel assured of a continuity of the policy of the bank. If the agreement with the Bank of Nova Scotia is adopted, the amalgamation it is expected will be consummated on the first day of February next. The Bank of New Brunswick will continue to pay its dividends at the rate of thirteen per cent. (13 per cent.) until the amalgamation is effected. Thereafter the shares of the Bank of Nova Scotia received in exchange for shares in the Bank of New Brunswick will carry a dividend at the rate of fourteen per cent. (14 per cent.)

The agreement in binding until approved by the shareholders at a special meeting called for its consideration. We enclose herewith copy of notice calling this special meeting and proxy for your signature. In case you are unable to attend the meeting personally, please sign and return the proxy at once to the bank. JAMES MANCHESTER, President.

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TONS OF POWDER FOR FRENCH NAVY. Buying it Abroad is Remarkable Change - Some Very Good Reasons for Course. Paris, Oct. 15.—The "Temps" announces that the ministry of marine has given orders to subject to exhaustive tests fifty tons of powder from Sweden and Italy, with the view of using it in the navy.

HOME TO FIND FIANCEE DEAD. Girl Had Been Drowned Trying To Save Life of Another. San Francisco, Oct. 21.—After crossing the Pacific, expecting to wed his fiancée, who he had not seen in many months, Dr. Philip Newton, lecturer in Georgetown University, Washington, D. C., learned on his arrival on the transport Sherman that the young woman he loved was dead. Officers of the Sixteenth Infantry met Dr. Newton on his arrival and informed him that his fiancée, Miss Alice Nixon of Colonial Beach, Md., had been drowned in September. Miss Nixon, daughter of Financial Clerk Nixon of the United States Senate, had been rowing with S. W. Wiseman, a senate employee, Wiseman, decided to dive from the boat and swim alongside. He was seized with cramps and the young woman jumped into the water to help him. She was dragged under and drowned. Dr. Newton had been in the Philippines for several months on a scientific mission for the Smithsonian Institution. To remove fruit stains from tablecloths, cover with powdered starch and leave this in the stain for a few hours. All the discoloration will then be absorbed by the starch.

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OUR NEW FACTORY. Amherst News.—A. A. Barker, pres of the Cumberland Automobile Association, recently received a letter from new motor works in St. John, asking space to exhibit a number of their cars at the Amherst Motor Show and for dates when the show will be held.