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Star Theatre.

Last night the Star Theatre was packed to the doors. "A Quiet Night's Rest" is a big drawing card, being the funniest act ever seen in St. John's. Then the splendid decorations are a big attraction in themselves. Jack Rossley deserves great credit for the manner in which he has carried out his management of the Star Theatre Those wishing to see the funniest act in vaudeville must see it to-night.

Trying to

One of His Former Counsel Now U.S. District Attorney.

The greatest interest is manifest in the report from Washington to the effect that United States District At torney Asa P. French has recommend ed a pardon for Thomas M. Bram, for merly mate on the bark Herbert Full er, now serving a life sentence United States penitentiary at Atlanta for the murder of Capt. Charles I Nash, his wife, Laura, and secon-

mate Bromberg. The bark arrived at Halifax in Jul ernment prosecutor.

to my obtaining a pardon for him. I and had to find a fresh identity. So lent Christmas or New Year's gift, away it would be advisable for him to Petersburg) and posed as M. B. Kunseek the help of some one in his im- itzky, a timber merchant doing busi- \$2.50.—advt mediate vicinity, with whom he could ness on a fast scale. Under this name confer from time to time. In my he insured his life for £3,500. He judgment other persons who were on picked up at St. Petersburg the actunity as Bram to commit the mur- ously ill, and whom, under pretext of ed west at 6.30 a.m. Bar. 29.15, Ehler, the mother of the young help- seems to be in pretty good form, sim-

Living Corpse

a Career.

A man named Poplavsky, the son of a lieutenant, has been arrested St. Petersburg for perpetrating a series of the most amazing frauds on insurance companies. His exploits consisted in assuming successive personalities, and for years Poplavsky made The details of his career are almost un recedented in criminal records. In 1898 Poplavsky first appeared at Free Bram st. Petersburg and changed his iden-In the house where he was staying there died a two year old boy named Fediunin, the child of a military officer. Poplavsky got possesamong the legal fraternity of Boston sion of the child's baptismal certificate, altered the age two to thirtytwo, and sending the certificate to the place of issue obtained a new passport in the name of Fediunin, thirtywo years of age.

As Poplavsky he insured his life for pany, and as Fediunin for £3,500 in man,-D. M. the New York Life Assurance Com-1896, with Bram in irons and the dead pany. A year later he went to Pskoff bodies in a boat towing astern. Bram (171 miles away) with an old schoolwas taken hence to Boston, and was fellow who was ill, and whom he intwice tried and on both occasions was scribed in the local registers as Popfound guilty. At both trials Bram lavsky. He himself masqueraded as teed Rubber Hot Water Bottles? They was defended by James E. Cotter and Fediunin. In a few days, "Poplavsky" are well worth examining, and at this Asa P. French, the latter now the gov- died and "Fediunin," armed with the season a hot water bottle is often a Bram is now assistant cook at the documents, obtained £1,500 from the presents the finest quality of bottle, Atlanta prison and is an excellent Urban Company. But he still had to and is warranted to stand full two prisoner. Since his incarceration, obtain the £3,500 from the New York years' steady use. Any that give out now covering thirteen years, he has Life Assurance Company. This he within that time are cheerfully exgrown stout and weighs about sev- succeeded in doing by getting hold of changed free of charge. Each bottle enty-five pounds more than he did the death certificate of the boy Fedi- is furnished with the Holdfast Stop-

"Bram wrote to me last year in regard | Fie was now dead in two characters | One of these bottles makes an excelinformed him that as he was so far be went to Narva (100 miles from St. because you can be quite sure of the board the vessel had as good oppor- quaintance of a man who was dangercharity, he took with him to Starya ther. 34.

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ed £3,500.

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> The prisoner made no attempt t the detective department asked him dolls, toys, candies, Santa Clauses,

Have you ever seen these guarandeath certificate and other necessary necessity. Our Guaranteed Bottle reunin and making a few "alterations" per, securely fastened to the bottle so that it cannot get lost or mislaid. quality. Two sizes, prices \$3 and

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CAPE RACE, To-Day,

SPECTATOR. - You do not give our name. This will be necessary efore we can publish your note. Don't forget that little 10 cent bottle of Stafford's Ess. of Ginger Wine for

New Year,-dec26,tf S. S. WOBUN HERE. The s.s. Wotons of North Sydney coal. One of the largest and best cargoes of coal Chinese lanterns and fans and the ef-

that ever came in the Narrows. Keeping a loaded pistol in a bureau drawer with her false hair proved to be a fatal mistake recently for Mrs. Celia Maslan, of Kansas City. The weapon became entangled with her switch and while trying to disengage the revolver it was discharged. She was shot in the head and almost in-

stantly killed.

the cheering information that in the o'clock. body of the average man is material for 13 pounds of tallow candles, one pound of nails, the carbon of 800 lead encils, 28 violin strings and bone for 500 knife handles, besides salt and sugar. The market price of the materials is figured to be \$4.50.

Foundered Shuster Has Been Dismissed

Shuster has been dismissed by the Cabinet in compliance with the Russian ultimatum. He sent reply to the Cabinet yesterday which stated his willingness to hand over the accounts when his successor has been named and added that his chief colicitude now was for the welfare of the fourteen American assistants concerning whom nothing yet has been decided. Telegram from Shiraz, where boycott has been instituted against Indian troops, report an other ttack on the Indians near Kazeroon. The situation there is regarded serious.

More Fighting. Declined to

pecial to Evening Telegram.

Further fighting is reported in the official despatches from Melilla, Morcco. Several engagements between Riff tribesmen and Spanish troops. Five Spanish columns attacked Riffins simultaneously, the tribesmen ere driven across the river leaving a arge number of dead on the field and uantities of arms and ammunition ere captured by the Spaniards, whose loss is reported two killed, forty

Gave Up Fishing.

Mr. Az. Martin, of Cabot Street, who nas demonstrated to his own satisfacion, at least, that a profitable winter fishery can be carried on from this Russa. He registered the patient as fish are as plentiful as ever there, but Laywer, member of Jap. parliament, Kunitzky and used the sick man's it was impossible to engage in catch- now at Ottawa enroute from Rome passport for himself. When Kunitzky ing it in an open boat as she became where he represented his parliament Amazing Insurance Prauds-Dying as died Poplavsky in due course receiv- quickly iced up. If he can secure the in the International Congress Memdesired aid he will next year fish all bers Parliament. winter with a decked boat of about 20 tons, and will transfer his present One Hundred When Poplavsky's funds were ex- Ferro motor, which can do 10 knots. to her using sail also as an auxiliary. He will fish all next winter and de-

Two Killed By Train.

Father of Seven Children and Youth

New York, Dec. 20.-The father of seven children and a youth, the only support of his widowed mother, were hurled to instant death by a Long Isdeny his guilt, and answered the land Railroad rain at Queens at 8 questions addressed to him in the o'clock last many the They were found Xmas Services at jauntiest manner. When the chief of dead amid a wealth of drums and what had led him to the paths of dresses and shoes, and a thousand crime, he replied that no other career other things. Christmas shoppers' pur £1,500 in the Urban Assurance Com- was open nowadays to any decent chases, from James McCreery & Co., of New York. The two horses of the delivery wagon were ground under into Jamaica.

The dead are William Volikommer, day evening. 5 years old, driver, Brooklyn; J. H. Ehler, 17, No. 3719 Jamaica Avenue, ed by the pastor of the congregation, the waggon squarely in the centre, impressive sermon from the text "Unsplitting it and hurling the two men to you a child is given." Four very far to one side, with a cloud of packages of every kind. The horses were whirled around against the locomotive

and were drawn under the wheels. There was nothing left in the wreck of the waggon or on the two dead men to indicate their identity. From the always instructive and interesting. number of the wrecked waggon and the fact that the wagon was deliver- vice and it was very pleasing to sit ing in Queens, as well as by comparison of the descriptions of the driver Xmas selections translated into exand helper, they were identified.

Investigation disclosed that Voli- voices that could not fail to lend a kommer has seven children, most of charm and inspiration to the large Wind W.N.W., blowing strong, wea- them small, and all looking forward congregation present on that occasther fine. An unknown steamer pass- to Christmas and the holiday. Mrs. ion. Mr. H. Courtenay, who always er, was reported to be dependent upon ply excelled on Sunday in rendering his earnings for her support.

While the Portia was coming down the coast this trip Chief Steward Crossman and aides decorated the saloon and other apartments of the and all who took part or assisted in ship in a very handsome manner for the Christmas season, to the delight of the passengers and the ship's combun arrived this morning with 2,157 pany. Festoons of evergreens predominated and these were hung with

fect was very pretty.

The Governor and Lady Williams will be at Home to receive visitors A newspaper in Kansas publishes on New Years Day, from 3 to 6

T. C. FITZHERBERT,

With All Hands.

Special Evening Telegram.

GLASGOW, Dec. 26. The British steamer Guillemont, from London to Genoa, foundered in the Bay of Biscay Dec. 21st. Her captain and fifteen of the crew were drowned. Seven survivors were picked up by the British steamer Lincairn and landed here to-day. Immediately after rescuing the survivors of the Guillemont, the Lincairn sighted a Spanish steamer, name not learned, showing distress signals, but before the Lincairn was able to proceed to her assistance the Spanish steamer foundered, taking all hands to bot

Attend Dinner

Special to Evening Telegram.

NEW YORK, To-Day. Ex-President Roosevelt has declin ed an invitation to attend the great Peace Dinner on Saturday next. In a letter declaring his sentiments h censures as traitors to their prince ples all who accepted invitations dinner without agreeing with its pur-Taft will be the principa speaker. There will be 1,800 guests.

Japanese Immigration.

Special Evening Telegram,

OTTAWA, Ont., To-Day. Japense emigration to Canada has been restricted by the Mikado's Govort, has given up the voyage for this erament for some time, but in future season, at least. He was on the will be absolutely stopped, was the ground yesterday and says that cod- statement made yesterday by Mikado

Killed in Persia

Special to Evening Telegram. ST. PETERSBURG, To-Day

A telegram from Tabriz says the total loss to the Russians in killed and wounded in the fighting in that city numbered one hundred. The Director of the Persian Department in Russian Foreign Office interview Buried Under Pile of Christmus said the Government was convinced the Persian Government were not conerned in anti-Russian outbreak in Tabriz and elsewhere. Those responsible were principally Armenians and

George Street Church.

The Xmas services at George Street Methodist Church were more than orwheels of the express train, which dinarily pleasing and satisfactory. The Art Journal Xmas Number. was making its west bound trip on Rev. Mr. Webber gave us an excellent the long level stretch through Queens sermon on Sunday morning, and Rev. Mr. Bartlett in his usual form on Sun

The Xmas Day service was conduct The pilot of the locomotive caught Rev. Mr. Bartlett, who preached an instructive lessons were drawn from the incident and manner of the birth of the Child Jesus, who of His own volition chose an humble form of entrance upon His divine mission to this world. Mr. Bartlett's discourses are

A full choir was present at the ser-

in calm repose and hear beautiful quisite musical harmony by cultured the solo part of an anthem by the choir. The decorations were very good indeed-very chaste, very becoming. There was nothing excessively gaudy or ill-paced about them, any way in connection with this service deserve the highest congratulason for the manner in which their services were performed. The decorations consisted of over 100 electric bulbs all aglow and a large bell suspended from the ceiling artistically done up with greenery. The work was done by Mr. Frank White of the Government Engineer's Office.-Com.

Special to Evening Telegram. BOSTON, To-Day. In connection with the Richeson trial for the murder of Miss Linnell, Needs but little cleaning and pressing a petition was filed yesterday for the on his CLOTHES for HIS business consideration of the incoming Legis- but in YOUR business it is different lature, asking for the new law per- as you probably wear little more mitting private trials in cases involv- clothes and should keep them in firs ing decency and morals of the com- class condition all the time. It is our Private Secretary. munity. As the Legislature meets on business to help you to do that if you DIPHTHERIA AND FEVER Yes the 3rd of January there would be will only PHONE 574, or let us know terday a case of diphtheria and one of time before the 15th to enact such at 365 Water Street, next door to scarlet fever were reported, and the legislation to conduct this celebrated Parker & Monroe,s. DO IT NOW patients are being nursed at home. I trial may be private.

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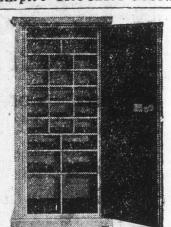
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clyde will leave their railway their last trips. The season just closing senger traffice also has greatl creased. The Clyde and Dundee h been filled with freight each trip sine Angust last.

Mummers About

In several of the settl mas was spent very pleasantly. mers were in all their glory and some of them had very fantastic costume creating much amusement. The pas two nights on the higher levels and in Georgestown mumming has bee noticed and the small boy has extract ed much amusement from

Icebergs Will Be Discovered

Experiments Will be Made Straits of Belle Isle Next Sumi

With New Detecting Machine, Barnes, of McGill Universi treal, for a series of extra the Straits of Belle Isle next Just Professor Barnes is the inv proach of icebergs. it is said, will indicate

of icebergs several miles av will also indicate the fac is being approached. The has been tried out to a li on the ice breakers on the rence River, and the experim be conducted next June it is ho will prove sufficiently good on the and if the hopes entertained for

gers of navigation. ARRESTED LAST NIGHT. police made nine arrests for di less last night.

prove true, will be of far-rea

character in decreasing present

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