

THE WEATHER

FORECAST—Fine and cold today and tonight. Thursday, wind moderate to gales easterly and westerly, snow and rain.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Forecast—Eastern States and Northern N. Y.—Rain and warm tonight. Thursday, rain, followed by ice in the afternoon, colder, brisk south winds.

THIS EVENING

The Waste Comedy Co. in "The Road to Frisco," at the Opera House. The Empire Dramatic Club will meet at the Prince Royal Hotel at 7:45 o'clock.

LOCAL NEWS

Band at the Victoria Rink tonight. Good ice. The condition of A. C. L. Tapley is reported as improved today.

The Furness line steamship Florence arrived at Halifax this morning from London and left for this port. The trial of Henry Close, who was remanded at the police court this morning, will be taken up on Friday.

A meeting of the commissioners of the Provincial Hospital for Nervous Diseases will be held this afternoon. The water and sewerage board is in session this afternoon to consider various matters pertaining to that department.

The Girls' Basketball team of St. Paul's Church would like to play any local team at the city championship. The semi-annual meeting of the Grand Temple of Honor will probably be held Friday night at Victoria Temple Hall.

Smith's fish market, 23 Sydney street, have all kinds of fish in stock. Lohr's specialty. Orders promptly delivered. Telephone 1704. P. A. Smith, manager.

An important meeting of the Empire Dramatic Club will be held at 7:45 o'clock this evening at the Prince Royal Hotel. Full attendance is particularly requested.

The steamer St. Croix, Captain Thompson, arrived last night from Boston, with 42 passengers and a large freight. She will sail on her return trip to-morrow morning.

Ensign Colin Campbell F. F. S. for the eastern provinces, will give a very interesting magic lantern service in the Army barracks, Mill street, tonight. Subject: "Wills' Wild Wings." Over sixty views will be shown.

Mr. and Mrs. A. McKenzie, who have been visiting Mr. McKenzie's parents in Fredericton, passed through St. John yesterday on their way to their home, West Boylston (Mass.).

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Wood, who have been visiting Mrs. Wood's mother, Mrs. W. P. Munford, Spring street, left for their home in Bangor on Monday.

Evening classes at the St. John Business College, Dalhousie Building, are conducted on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 7:30 to 9:30. The new term for the three months ending March 31 begins this evening.

Union Lodge No. 2, K. of P., will meet in Castle Hall this evening, when the Grand Chancellor will pay an official visit and install the officers for the ensuing year, after which will be tendered a supper at White's by the officers of the lodge.

Premier Tweedie, Hon. C. H. Labillion and Hon. P. J. Sweeney arrived in Fredericton on the noon train. Premier Tweedie said that only routine business was transacted at last evening's meeting and an adjournment had been made to Tuesday next in this city.

Aldermen Hamm, Frink, Macree and Bullock are spoken of as candidates for the mayoralty at the elections this year. It is also believed that Mayor White is not averse to the idea of serving again and breaking the record. Wm. Shaw is also spoken of as a possible candidate.

An open meeting of the C. M. B. A. is to be held to-morrow at Chatham, Rev. Father Burke of P. E. I. and Geo. V. McInerney, of this city, grand trustees, will be present at the meeting. Mr. Justice Landry, also an officer, left for Chatham today.

Louis Conroy, of the firm of McIntyre & Conroy, Ltd., has sold out his interest in the company and will start a new business on Prince William St. in the Sande's building. Mr. Conroy will have associated with him Humphrey J. Sheehan, who has been acting as secretary of the old firm. The premises which they will occupy are the ones recently vacated by Emerson & Fisher. They expect to have them ready for occupation by the 1st April.

Home Sweet Home was repeated at the Opera House last night by the Waste Company. This afternoon the company appeared in a rural comedy drama at the machine performance. This evening a new play, "The Road to Frisco," will be presented. This bill is on the sensational order and a story of western life. A change of play will occur at every performance given during the balance of the week as well as the engagement. Each of the specialties received their share of the applause last night, and the opera is sketch by Mr. Smith and Miss Carter scored heavily as usual.

CUSTOMS REVENUE The following is a comparative statement of customs revenue collected at the port of St. John, N. B., for the month of December 1904 and 1905:

Table with 2 columns: 1904, 1905. Rows: Customs, Sick M. Fund, Increase.

INLAND REVENUE Inland revenue receipts for the month of December—

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THE STAR COURSE The next attraction in the Star Course is the Boston Concert Co., next Wednesday, the 10th inst. The plan will open at the York Theatre box office Saturday morning for the sale to subscribers of the hundred and odd reserved seats still undisposed of.

QUEENS RINK OPEN Hundreds enjoyed the fine sheet of ice on the Queen's Rink this afternoon. There will be hockey practice tonight. Band tomorrow night and Saturday afternoon.

BANK CLEARINGS

St. John Had a Clearing House Business of Over a Million a Week During the Year.

The bank clearings for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1905, in St. John are \$92,836,333. This is an increase of over a million more than last year.

The following is the record of the bank clearings for the dominion. Excepting Montreal, the figures for the last week of the year are estimated. Montreal figures are complete up to Dec. 28:

Table with 2 columns: City, Amount. Rows: Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, Halifax, Vancouver, Hamilton, London, Victoria, St. C.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE

Miss Gertrude McDonald returned from Fredericton today. "Shorty" George Tritos, the well-known hockey player of Moncton, passed through on the noon train from Boston for a time.

Robert A. Quinlan left for the Boston express Monday for Barre, Vt., after spending Christmas with his family. R. J. Duffy, after being confined to his room for several days, is now convalescent.

Miss Maude W. Stewart, bookkeeper for the Toronto Gas & Fuel Company, returned to the city on Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. M. J. G. Murchie and Miss Carrie Murchie, of Canada, were registered at the Royal yesterday.

The Misses McNally, of Fairville, left yesterday on a visit to friends in Boston. Hon. W. P. Jones left for Fredericton last evening to attend a meeting of the provincial government.

Mrs. Wertebaker, wife of Surgeon C. P. Wertebaker, of the N. S. Marine Hospital service, will re-visit with Mrs. Rowland, on Thursday, Jan. 4, at the Clifton House, and on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays during the winter.

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NEW PUBLIC TYPE-WRITING BUREAU

The largest and best equipped stenographic department in the city is now ready for business. The business man who has not enough work to employ a stenographer and go to the expense of buying a typewriter can, nevertheless, have his correspondence typewritten for a reasonable price.

The management will undertake to send a stenographer to any address in the city, with instructions to take each day's correspondence, secure enough of the firm's letterheads and envelopes for transcribing same, and will also undertake to have the said correspondence returned for signature, with carbon copy for each, in time to catch any mail required provided the order is given early enough in the day.

This department is under control of a man who is too small or too large for this department to handle. Matter can be dictated to the head stenographer over the Currier Business University, Limited, and is situated at 128 Gormley street, opposite the Union Club. In telephone number is 1785 and none but first-class stenographers will be employed. No of telephone.

LIQUIDATORS CHOSEN

In the matter of the winding up of the J. W. Dunne Co. of Gloucester County, a meeting of the creditors was held yesterday afternoon. The report of the provisional liquidator, W. H. Harrison was read and Chief Justice Turle appointed Mr. Harrison and Thomas Bell permanent liquidators. The assets amount to about \$15,000.

In the matter of the winding up of the Skiff Lake Manufacturing Co. on motion of A. O. Earle K. C. creditor of the position, Bowman & Cole, creditors of the company, Chief Justice Turle granted a winding up order yesterday and appointed H. P. Paddington provisional liquidator. His report is to be made on Jan. 13 at 2:30 o'clock, as a time for the appointment of permanent liquidators.

GOOD NEWS COMING

Friday and Saturday of this week will be notable money-saving days for the household folk of this city at Manchester Robertson Allan's, Ltd. Announcements of a definite nature will be made in the regular papers Thursday night, and no charity person should miss reading them.

An M. R. A. bargain is indeed a bargain, as that power which lies in making big purchases at the right time makes it possible to apply the price knife with vigor. Watch for Thursday night's advertisements. In the meantime a stirring sale of men's cloth remnants commences in the morning.

REPUDIATES INTERVIEW

OGDEN, Utah, Jan. 2.—President David Starr Jordan, of Stanford Univ., passed through Ogden today, and in an interview made emphatic denial of the story that he charged the Honolulu officers with entering into a conspiracy to extort from the Stanford estate by circulating a report that Mrs. Leuluau Stanford died of strychnine poisoning. In a signed statement he says:

"The alleged interview with me is incorrect. No statement of new or sensational matters was made by myself." He says the result of his investigations at the time of the death was that Mrs. Stanford died of lesion of the heart, and that she was not poisoned.

HOTEL ARRIVALS

Aberdeen—A Tweed Liverpool Eng.; J. A. Latham, Lanashire, Eng.; Gerald Northrop, St. Mary's, N. B. The steamship Manchester Importer arrived this afternoon from Manchester via Halifax.

MAGISTRATE RITCHIE HAD HIS HANDS FULL

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liquor to Lyons. "For," said his honor, "we mean business this year." Henry Close (colored) was arrested last night at the instance of Theodosia Hoyt of Duke street on suspicion of stealing her bank book and drawing \$80.00.

Clarence P. Nixon, manager of the Union street branch of the Bank of British North America, was placed on the stand and swore that Close produced the savings bank book yesterday and told witness that Mrs. Hoyt's daughter was dying in the States and asked for the money deposited.

Mr. Nixon refused, but gave him a debit slip for Mrs. Hoyt's sign. This was returned by Close, bearing a signature and the money was paid to him. At this point the prisoner said there must be some mistake and denied all knowledge of the money.

"Come forward, Close, said his honor, Close obeyed. "Now, put on your cap," said the man all right," said the witness.

Mrs. Hoyt was next examined and testified that she had deposited one hundred dollars in the Bank of British North America in September last, and drew ten dollars in October. The prisoner, she said, had been staying with her for a time. He had paid no board and she took him for his board when he got well along.

Her little daughter saw him go to the returned when she was out yesterday. Close informed that evening with a new coat, shirt, some cigars and two watches. She signed her bank book. She said she did not sign any paper.

Henry Close, Jr., son of the prisoner, was sworn and testified that he lived at 291 Duke street. His father came in, he said, about midday yesterday, and told him he had had some whisky and cake for two years, who were arrested last night. He produced a bottle of brandy, gave him a drink and sent him out for a twenty-five cent drink. Witness had previously shown his father Mrs. Hoyt's bank book. After dinner he and his father went out. Witness accompanied him to a store where he procured the overcoat and a grip, after which he purchased some cigars.

Witness thought wrong. His father had been something wrong. His father had been in the penitentiary and was released in July on a ticket-of-leave.

Otto Stockford, aged 8, and Roy Kerr, aged 10 years, who were arrested last night for trying to force an entrance into the establishment of Northrup & Co., on the South West, were also brought into court. Both lads admitted the charge and were summarily fined.

The following articles, which were found on the prisoners, were produced in court and identified by the youthful prisoners: Package of tobacco, screw driver, lead pencil, pipe and box of metal polish. On the other were found a skate wrench metal polish, and fixtures.

One lad is the same who a few days ago, in company with another boy, rode on the tracks and was sent to the reformatory for four years. It was learned later that Stockford was allowed to go and Kerr's father will call at the police headquarters for him.

Mr. Carr, one of the boys arrested for attempting to break into Northrup & Co.'s establishment, was allowed to go this morning under suspended sentence of four years in the House of Correction, he having become penitent. The other boy, Otto Stockford, did not show any signs of penitence this morning and was remanded to jail. This afternoon, however, he expressed sorrow for his actions and was allowed his freedom with the same sentence standing over him.

N. Y. STOCK MARKET

Chicago Market Report and New York Stock Market. Furnished by W. D. Cline, Broker and Dealer.

Table with 2 columns: Stock Name, Price. Rows: Amalgam Copper, Am Sugar Refs, Am Sugar, Am Car Foundry, Am Cotton, Am Lumber, Am Oil, Am Paper, Am Rubber, Am Steel, Am Tobacco, Am Tea, Am Wine, Am Zinc, Am Glass, Am Iron, Am Coal, Am Petroleum, Am Cotton, Am Lumber, Am Oil, Am Paper, Am Rubber, Am Steel, Am Tobacco, Am Tea, Am Wine, Am Zinc, Am Glass, Am Iron, Am Coal, Am Petroleum.

KINTORE NOTES

Kintore, Jan. 1.—Mr. and Mrs. Lester Mavor gave a party on the 18th Dec. being the 25th anniversary of their marriage. Mr. and Mrs. George W. Barclay, of Upper Kings, gave a dinner party on Christmas day. Mrs. Mavor's guests at home for a time were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taylor and child and Mrs. Mavor's daughter, Miss Mavor.

The Christmas tree at Upper Kintore was the addition of Mrs. John Young and family. The tree was decorated with the prompt attention of Dr. Earle would have been a very successful one if it were not for the fact that it was in the process of being dismantled by the time it was being decorated.

Mrs. John Conroy, of Upper Kintore, has been in the city for a few days at Mrs. Charles Kilburn's. Many many are in the lumbering business here this winter.

QUEBEC, Jan. 2.—(Special)—John C. Kaine, M. L. A. for Quebec East was sworn in this morning in the presence of the lieutenant governor and ministers as minister without portfolio in the provincial cabinet. He is the representative of the Irish-Catholic in the cabinet.

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS

(Too late for classification.) WANTED—GENTLEMEN BOARDERS. Good table board, sunny rooms. Rent moderate. Apply 27 DORCHESTER STREET. 1-3-1 w.

WANTED—A GIRL FOR GENERAL HOUSEWORK. Apply 145 MARKET STREET. 1-3-1 w.

BOY WANTED—TO LEARN JOB PRINTING BUSINESS. PATRICK O'NEILL, Gormley St.

FOR SALE—ONE 2 H. P. TORONTO Gasoline Engine. Good machine engine. Never used. Batteries, shafting and pulley complete. Will sell at bargain. Apply "ENGINEER" care of Vines Office.

LOST—LADY'S GOLD WATCH. BEYOND 11 Waterloo and 27 King St. W. by way of Waterloo and Sydney Street. Old British. Return to 27 King Street or telephone 315 and be rewarded.

WANTED—A POSITION AS TRAVELER for who sells house-groceries preferred. Best of references. Address "TRAVELER" care of Times Office.

WANTED—A HOUSEMAID. REFERENCE REQUIRED. PERCY W. THOMSON, 70 Princess Street.

LOST—IN VICINITY OF GERMAIN OR Queen Street, small watch, metal case. Finder please return to 27 King Street or telephone 315 and be rewarded.

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KILLED BY BOMB

Boise, Idaho, Dec. 30.—Frank Stevenson, formerly governor of Idaho, was killed tonight by a bomb at his home in Caldwell. A dynamite bomb had been placed at his front gate with a contrivance that exploded the bomb as he entered. Both legs were blown off, and he lived but twenty minutes.

There is no known reason for the outrage, but it is charged to some members of the famous inner circle of the Cour de Alesis gang whom he prosecuted relentlessly in 1899 while he was governor. Governor Gooding is prepared to lend the full support of the state in running down the perpetrators of the crime. The state will offer a large reward.

Stevenson was governor of Idaho from 1897 to 1901, having been twice elected. He was born in Iowa. He leaves a widow and three children. Britain tried to legislate for her colonies.

Mr. Chamberlain said Great Britain had already almost hopelessly lost the trade lead and that her only hope now lay in colonial preference, but he feared that fiscal reform would be smothered under the minor issues during the campaign.

MUSHROOMS

(Bangor News.) Such of us as live at home, and not in a boarding house or hotel, and have had the experience of a cold, and have had seedling last spring, may at times think it is in our cellar and in the corners of our dark space. The rates printed in the catalogue are very low. You may get a box of mushrooms for 25 cents. You may get a box of mushrooms for 25 cents. You may get a box of mushrooms for 25 cents.

Only a few weeks ago the tenant of a room in the slumbers by strains of exquisite music, and the music was so beautiful that he could not resist the temptation to go to the door of the room. He opened the door and found a man seated at the piano and playing Handel's "The Lark" and the music was so beautiful that he could not resist the temptation to go to the door of the room.

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EDUCATED BURGLARS

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Sizes 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 year. Material English Wool Serge in Brown or Navy Blue, trimmed with pipings of very small Checked Silk or the Brown Serge and Silk Sailor Tie of the same small check. The Navy Sergis in the same style with small checked Blue and White Silk Piping and Sailor Tie. Skirt Wide Plaits, Waist regular Sailor Blouse with Sailor Collar, price \$4.00. At \$2.75 each plainer Braid Trimmed Suits in Brown or Navy Blue 4 to 10 years.

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The only Turn-down Collar that will permit the Necktie to slip through easily. You can put your collar on first, then the tie, and adjust with ease.

Pure Linen, Sizes 14 in. to 16 1-2 in. PRICE 15c. Each. I. CHESTER BROWN, 32 and 36 King Square.

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Ladies' and Children's Suspenders in Black, White and Colors, in different styles.

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Will offer this week the balance of our WINTER CLOTHING at the following prices: To Wit, Eight Suite of Tweed Cloth, all Wool, Regular Prices, \$8.00, now \$4.00. Thirty-four All-wool Cheviot Cloth Suits, Regular Prices all over \$12.00, now \$5.00. Twenty-five Worsted and Diagonal Suits our prices for these goods \$10.00 to \$14.00 per suit. Now your choice of the whole lot for \$8.00.

With eight overcoats, all in stock Your choice of the whole lot for \$8.00. Some of the coats were \$10.00. With about six youths' drawers at \$2.00 each. Regular Price of these Garments is \$8.00. Fleece-lined Shirts and Undershirts, 35c. each. Regular Price of these Garments is \$8.00. White Dress Shirts, 50c. each. \$1.00. Colored Shirts, from 30c. to \$1.00 each. All at the

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SKIRTS! WAISTS! Were \$2.05 ... now \$1.98 Were 3.75 ... now 2.88 Were 3.25 ... now 2.38 Were 4.00 ... now 2.98 Were 3.50 ... now 2.58 Were 4.25 ... now 2.98 Were 1.45 ... now 1.18 Were 3.65 ... now 2.68 Were 4.75 ... now 3.38

S. W. McMACKIN, Successor to SHARP & McMACKIN, 335 Main Street, North End. N. B.—January 1st to April 1st store will close at 7 o'clock every evening except Saturday.