

THE EVENING TIMES, ST. JOHN, N. B., WEDNESDAY JANUARY 3, 1906

THE WEATHER

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

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Forecast—Eastern States and Northern N. B.—Rain and warm tonight. Thursday rain, followed by fair in the afternoon, colder, brisk south winds.

THIS EVENING

The Waste Comedy Co. in "The Road to the House," at the Opera House. The Empire Dramatic Club will meet at the Prince Royal Hotel at 7.45 o'clock. Union Lodge, No. 2 K. of P., meets in Castle Hall. Band at Victoria Rink. Assembly in York Theatre.

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 is being 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 in 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. Lobsters specially. 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. A 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.

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

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. Lablanc and Hon. P. J. Sweeney arrived from Fredericton on the noon train. Premier Tweedie said that only routine business was transacted at the meeting, and that as an adjournment had been made to Tuesday next in this city.

Aldermen Hamm, Prink, Macne 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 Comess, of the firm of McIntyre & Comess, Ltd., has sold out his interest in the company and will start a new business on Prince William St. in the Bander building. Mr. Comess 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 Comedy Co. 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 is 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:

	1904.	1905.
Customs	\$88,190.53	\$102,139.54
Sick M. Fund	30.00	155.00
Increase, \$14,655.45.		

INLAND REVENUE

Inland revenue receipts for the month of December—

	1904.	1905.
Spigita	\$14,822.20	\$14,775.14
Tobacco	8,822.00	8,222.00
Raw Lard	744.60	323.12
Cigars	1,121.00	1,121.00
Band Mfgs.	162.28	82.33
Other Receipts	2,358.00	2,463.31
Total	\$28,029.08	\$28,471.31
Increase		\$442.23

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 figures for the three previous years in round numbers are as follows:—

1904	\$91,000,000
1903	48,800,000
1902	42,800,000

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:

Montreal	\$1,314,418,138
Toronto	1,042,984,626
Winnipeg	392,289,229
Ottawa	21,875,531
Halifax	89,496,294
Vancouver	88,051,017
Quebec	86,865,250
Hamilton	82,261,678
London, Ont.	30,073,829
Victoria, B. C.	20,464,988

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 to the Robert A. Quinlan left by 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 & Electric Engine Company here, returned to the city on Wednesday after spending the Christmas with her parents in Yarmouth (N. S.).

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thomson and the Misses Thomson left last evening for Toronto, where Mrs. Thomson will preside at a meeting of the Women's National Council executive Jan. 4, at the Toronto party will proceed to New York.

Mrs. J. G. Murchie and Miss Carrie Murchie, of Canada, were registered at the Royal yesterday.

Mrs. George Hastings Palmer will receive on Thursday afternoon, 4th inst., at Lancaster Heights.

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

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.

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 at 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 reach any mail required provided the order is given early enough in the day.

This department is under control of a clerical staff of two or three for this day to the head stenographer over the whole of the business. Matter can be dictated to the head stenographer over the whole of the business. Matter can be dictated to the head stenographer over the whole of the business. Matter can be dictated to the head stenographer over the whole of the business.

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 Tuck appointed Mr. Harrison and Thomas Bell permanent liquidators. The assets amount to \$15,000.

In the matter of the winding up of the St. John Manufacturing Co. on motion of A. O. Earle K. C. counsel for the petitioners, Bowman & Cole, creditors of the company, Chief Justice Tuck granted a winding up order yesterday and appointed H. P. Puddington provisional liquidator. His report also set 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 Allen's, Ltd. Announcement of a definite nature will be made in the regular spaces Thursday night, and no thirty 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 advertisement. In the meantime a stirring sale of men's cloth remnants commences in the morning.

REPUTATES 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. Leland 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 investigation 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, Lancashire, 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 Theodoris 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 witnesses that Mrs. Hoyt's daughter was dying in the States and asked for the money deposited.

Mrs. Nixon refused, but gave him a debit slip for Mrs. Hoyt to 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."

"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 her board when he got away.

Her little daughter saw him go to the bureau when she was out yesterday. Close returned 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, said, about midday yesterday, and told him he had had some whiskey and cake for New Year, and had received a present. He produced a bottle of brandy, gave him a drink and sent him out for a twenty-five cent cake. 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. He informed the witness he was going away, but afterwards he took the grip to Mrs. Jones, where he formerly boarded. 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.

The prisoner was then remanded. Otty 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 Wharf, were also brought into court. Both lads admitted the charge and were remanded. The following articles, which were found on the prisoner, 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 thirteen cents.

One lad is the same who a few days ago, in company with another boy, rode on the tracks of the C. N. E. train but was captured at Petitcodiac.

His honor informed the lads that they were liable to be 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.

Roy 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 Boys' Industrial Home, he having become penitent. The other boy, Otty Stockford, did not show up on either 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.

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