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Penne Cloth is a lovely material for shirt waists to be worn at this season. It comes in all widths, and has a sheen like that of panne velvet, but with the warmth of flannel. Big gold buttons are generally used on shirtwaists made of panne cloth.
The stores are showing many pretty designs in foulard and India silk for summer wear. Pastel shades are popular in these silks. Soft mauves, tans and pinks lead a pleasing variety to the conventional blue and white. Red foulard, with white furrows, is something new and striking.
Gold tags for finishing neck ribbons or steamers increase in popularity. The spikes are varied in style, and many new shapes are shown in the first days. Some are pointed, others square, and a few have decorations of colored beads or bits of enamel.
Collars and revers of lace are sold to a great extent. They form a very pretty finish to a silk waist, and are picked up just now at low figure. White lace, Venise or Renaissance, is used, but Arab or black with threads of gold make very effective decoration.
Costs are low and loose, with indications of this fashion remaining for some time. Empire coats, trimmed with stitched straps on the seams, and around the neck, rather bust, are very stylish. Stitched revers and high collars usually finish these coats, which, by the way, may be bought now at considerable reduction in price.
Dainty little handkerchiefs have colored insertion and embroidery in the corners, making quite an elaborate pattern.
The newest veils have a tiny dot by the side of the forehead.
New stocks of satin or velvet have a narrow fold of gold tissue at the top.
SHE WEIGHED 400 POUNDS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Mrs. Martha Bolden, fifty-two years old, said to be the largest colored woman in all New York, is dead. Death was due to natural causes. Mrs. Bolden was 6 feet 4½ inches tall. She weighed 400 pounds. Her burial is a specially constructed coffin was prepared. It is six feet nine inches long and nearly five feet in width. Five men were required to carry the coffin from the house and place it in the vehicle in which it was taken to the Sharon Baptist church at Park avenue.

SOVIA, Feb. 12.—The election to the Russian senate resulted in the return of fifty-eight supporters of the government; 77 followers of the Rev. C. O'Brien as monarchists; twenty-three followers of M. Stierlin and thirteen agrarians.

ROME, Feb. 12.—The propaganda film at a meeting yesterday reconsidered the appointment of the Rev. C. O'Brien as Bishop of Portland, Maine. The decision arrived at has not yet been divulged.

MRS. F. G. HARRISON ILL.
Mrs. F. G. Harrison, mother of Morton L. and Edward Harrison, of Harrison's Orchestra, is dangerously ill at her son's home, Celebration street. Mrs. Harrison has been ill about a week, but last night was taken suddenly worse. Dr. Holden was hastily summoned and also Messrs. Harrison, who were just through playing at the "Nell Gwynne" performance. Mrs. Harrison is 53 years old.

WANT ADS.

In order to be of as much service as possible to the working people of St. John, the STAR will insert FREE all advertisements of Situations Wanted. For any other Want Ads. there will be a small charge.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Weather permitting the Prince Rupert will make a special trip to Digby and return tomorrow, 14 Feb.

Gideon Loyal Orange lodge will hold a prize contest and entertainment in the Orange hall tomorrow evening.

The latest novelty in toilet soaps is the "Longest Reign" soap—a cake in the shape of the late queen's head.

Manifests were received today for seven cars of meat and one of provisions over the C. P. R. for export.

A presentation will be made this evening to Pte. J. Johnston in Glad's hall, by a number of his friends.

An Ottawa despatch says that Hon. Geo. E. Foster has returned from England in splendid health. His trip was one of private business.

Strawberries can now be had in the big grocery stores. The Star staff is thinking of buying one. They are seventy-five cents a box.

The Mission band of the Leinster street Baptist church will hold a supper in the vestry of the church tomorrow evening from five to seven.

Thomas Davis accidentally fell through James Seargeant's shoemaking shop window on Main street last evening. The damage was made good.

For several days the large guard room of the police court, adjoining halls and smaller rooms, have been raided, and large seizures of dust and dirt made.

Messrs. Burrill and Pearson, belonging to Yarmouth and Halifax, respectively, are expected here today to hold a conference with the civic authorities in regard to steel shipbuilding.

Singing Evangelist McLean is assisting Rev. A. T. Dykeman in his revival services in the Fairview Baptist church. The services are being largely attended and are quite successful.

Coaching Trips in England, Wales and Belgium is the subject of Mrs. J. Calhoun's lecture before the Ladies Association of the Natural History Association tomorrow afternoon at four o'clock.

An effort is being made to have all the churches of this city hold their week night services on Monday and Friday nights, so that if at any time a special or united service is held it will not clash with the regular week services of any church.

A. E. Barton, clerk, I. C. R., Moncton, who has been confined to his home for the past few days, is able to be out again. Mr. Barton was recently formally appointed to the position in the general manager's office formerly held by W. Rippey.

Officer Crawford did a little bit of house missionary work down around the Brindley Salvation army street barracks last evening. A crowd of unruly young men were disturbing the meeting and he made use of a little muscular Christianity, backed up by the law of the realm.

Saturday night last Capt. Jenkins, Inspector Jones and Sergt. Hargrave, some liquor at Elizabeth Mallman's place on Kimball street, off Haymarket square. Mrs. Mallman did not appear at the police court today to answer to the charge laid against her. She may have skipped.

The opera Nell Gwynne was put on in the Opera house last night before a large audience. The leading parts were taken by Mrs. Shepard Griggs, Miss Margaret Patton, Miss Vail, Miss Francis Rainnie, Miss Daisy Sears, David Pidgeon, J. Kelley, J. W. Fraser, C. D. Shaw and G. C. Jordan.

In Union hall, north end, this evening the young men of Indian town will formally welcome their friend, Allan Leavitt back from the war. The grand regiment band will play, and Rev. David Long, on behalf of the friends of Mr. Leavitt, will present the returned hero with a purse. Then there will be a musical programme and a few social hours.

With the thermometer hovering a few notches above zero last night Officer James Corvay, of the north end police division, discovered a beautiful feather fan on Harrison street. The inappropriateness of the article struck the officer as funny, until he remembered there was an amateur production being put on in the Opera house. The fan is at Capt. Hastings' office.

Fred. W. McNicol is home from Boston, where he had been studying for two years in the New England Conservatory of Music. Mr. McNicol's studies were chiefly those which pertained to composition, he being particularly gifted in that direction. He is now a full-fledged musician, but will continue to study his chosen profession. At present Mr. McNicol is with Emerson & Fisher.

Tomorrow is St. Valentine's day, but the postal staff is not worrying. Dainty letters, they state, the custom of sending love-letters and caricatures has fallen off greatly. It is now but a passing amusement for children and "fool" people. Not a thousand valentines of all kinds will pass through the post office, and as one letter carrier put it, "the only thing we mind is the big upper Canadian papers."

POLICE COURT.

At the police court this morning Charles Long, for assaulting Gilbert Brown, was fined \$5 and costs. Long was fined \$5 and costs for assaulting Gilbert Brown. Long was fined \$5 and costs for assaulting Gilbert Brown.

Bridget Beers, an elderly woman, was given in charge by Lizzie Lyons for being drunk and disorderly on her premises on Meadow street. Mrs. Beers' daughter called at the court and took her mother home with her, promising to influence her for the better in the future. Mrs. Beers promised to do better.

An assault case, in which a youth and two boys figured, occupied considerable time, and after hearing the various witnesses the magistrate dismissed the case.

LOYALIST SOCIETY.

At a meeting of the Loyalist society last evening a resolution referring to the death of Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, was passed and the resolution was ordered to be engraved, signed by the president and forwarded to King Edward through the governor general.

There was also passed a resolution referring to the death of A. Chipman Smith. This resolution was ordered to be sent to Mrs. Smith.

A very interesting paper on John Califf was read by D. R. Jack.

A handsome gravel was presented to the society by Miss Mabel Peters on behalf of her father, A. N. Peters. The gravel is of interesting association, as it was made from a chair brought by James Tilley from Hampstead, Long Island, N. Y., in 1783.

On either side it bears a silver shield with these inscriptions: "Made from a chair brought by James Tilley, Esq., grantee of Partown, from Hampstead, Long Island, N. Y., 1783."

"Presented by his grandson, Alex. Nevers Peters, to the N. B. Loyalist Society, St. John, N. B., 1901."

C. OF E. S. S. TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Church of England Sunday School Teachers' association of the deanery of St. John was held last evening in the vestry of Trinity church, with Rev. A. D. Dewdney, the retiring president, in the chair. Reports from the different schools were submitted and the roll called. From Trinity church 12 teachers were present; St. John's, 4; St. Paul's, 8; St. Mary's, 9; St. Jude's, 3; St. John Baptist, 3.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President—Rev. A. G. H. Dicker. Lay vice-president—H. C. Tilley, C. H. Klinebar.

Elective members of the executive committee—Miss Hanington, Wm. Jarvis, Mrs. L. Patton, Thos. Patton Mrs. Hay, Miss F. Murray, Miss J. R. Barlow, Miss Symons, Miss H. Peters, Mrs. Howard.

Secretary-treasurer—S. G. Olive.

APPROACHING WEDDING.

The nuptials of Miss Lillian, only daughter of George Kitchen, the well known contractor, and Rupert Lee, of Boston, formerly of Woodstock, are to be celebrated at the home of the bride's parents on Thursday afternoon of this week. The young couple are to take up their residence in Boston. The prospective bridegroom arrived in the city yesterday.—Frederick Gleaner.

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TEDDY'S AMAZING EXPLOITS.

Teddy Roosevelt's exploits assume a wild and woolly flavor by the time they are received and served up to the English people. A press despatch from New York to the London Telegraph says: "Colonel Roosevelt, the Governor of New York State, who is now hunting mountain lions in Colorado, is having some lively experiences according to Press despatches received here. On the first day he killed a lion, on the next he narrowly escaped being killed by a grizzly, which sprang at him. The latest news is that a pack of wolves has kept him up a tree for four hours; he had killed six and lost his cartridge-belt before being forced to take refuge in the tree."

A LITTLE ENGLISH YANKEE.

Prof. C. E. Williams, the veteran bandmaster and conductor, received intelligence from Memphis, Tenn., yesterday, which makes him a grandfather. Baby Victoria Williams is the daughter of the professor's son, Dr. Arthur Williams, well-known in St. John musical circles a few years, but who is now enjoying a remunerative professional practice in the sunny south.

TONIGHT.

Nell Gwynne by amateurs at Opera house, 8 p. m.

Meeting of firemen in No. 2 engine house to benefit poor.

Reception to Allan Leavitt, Union hall, 8 p. m.

Reception to James Johnston, Glad Tidings hall.

The remains of Mrs. Arthur H. Howe will arrive on the delayed C. P. R. express and will be buried from the depot in the Church of England burying ground. Mrs. Howe was daughter-in-law of the late Postmaster Howe. She had been living with her husband in Montreal during the last three months.

Second Edition.

MISS. FRANCES E. MURRAY.

A Gifted Lady Suddenly Called from Life While Conversing With Friends.

Mrs. Frances E. Murray, one of the most prominent women in St. John, died at 12.30 today very suddenly. She was conversing with some members of the household at Miss Wright's, Wright street, where she boarded, when she was seized with the death spasm. Miss Murray was a daughter of the late Thomas Murray of this city, and has no relatives here. Mrs. Ruggles, in Millin, Mass., and Miss Ellen Murray, now in the southern states, are sisters.

Mrs. Murray spent a great many years with her uncle, the late Dr. Le Baron Botsford, of this city. For years she had been one of the most prominent charitable workers in St. John. She was vice-president of the Woman's Council and president of the Ladies Auxiliary of the S. P. C. A. In Trinity church, she has been a leader for years. Last summer Miss Murray visited the Canadian convention of the Woman's Council at Victoria, B. C., as a representative of the St. John council. She was a woman of great literary ability, and among her writings are the Lives of Dr. Botsford and Ven. Archdeacon Brigstocke, the latter publication being off the press but a few months. She has written very many highly interesting papers on a wide range of subjects, read before the societies with which she was connected.

She was one of the contributors to the publication of the Women of Canada, prepared for the Paris exposition by direction of the minister of agriculture.

Her father, John Thomas Murray, married in 1827, at Halifax, a daughter of Col. Wm. Despard, of the Royal Fusiliers. He held some office under the provincial government, and died in 1834, at the early age of 37.

Mrs. Murray was highly educated, and at one time had classes in German. She spent some time in the south, where she died at that time. She had charge of an institution in connection with the church. She was also a clever writer of verse, including some patriotic poems of merit.

METHODISTS SMASH A JOINT.

WITCHKA, Tex. Feb. 12.—A crowd of men, women and boys smashed a "joint" at Winfield, Kansas, today. The boys are mostly students from the Methodist College at Winfield. The saloon was completely wrecked. Charles Schmidt, proprietor, was cut on the head with a hatchet and severely injured. It is said one of the women was seriously hurt with flying glass. Last evening Ernest Hahn, a temperance advocate, was attacked by a "joint keeper." The prohibition element was greatly angered and today's raid resulted.

FORTY-TWO RUSSIANS KILLED.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—A special despatch from Shan Hai Kuan, dated Feb. 12, says the Russians lost forty-two men killed in an engagement at Kao Chiao, and that they refused the assistance of the allies. It is hoped that the arrival at Pekin of Sir Walter Hillyer, adviser to the British military authority in China, will expedite the negotiations with the Chinese court.

"JIMMY" McLEOD'S NARROW ESCAPE.

Mrs. McLeod, of Rockland Road, telegraphed to Calgary, N. W. T., yesterday to find out if her son James, the ex-baseballist of the Rockies team, was among the party who were frozen in the big storm on the plains a few days ago. She received an answer that two of McLeod's companions were thought to be dead, but her son the redoubtable "Jimmy" is still alive, though badly frost bitten.

THE FORWARD MOVEMENT.

The forward movement to raise funds for the purpose of making the Y. M. C. A. building a modern structure is going on steadily. For several seasons it was decided that it was better to again lease the stores in connection with the building and make no beginning in regard to the building this spring. The illness of the chairman of the board and of the secretary was again immediate operations. It was also expected that the international committee would send down one of its men to aid in the financial work. Up to the present it was found impossible to do this, but assistance from this quarter is expected later in the year. Up to the present some \$14,000 have been raised. There will be a meeting of the general committee held next Tuesday night, when plans for the rest of the year will be made.

CHARITABLE FIRE FIGHTERS.

Foreman John Bond, of No. 4 Hose company, who is largely instrumental in securing the success of the firemen's concert in the Institute Friday week, for the aid of the poor of St. John, says the proceeds of the entertainment will be handed over to Rev. Thomas Deinstadt of Exmouth street church, who, with a committee of two firemen, will use it to the best advantage among the poor people of the east end of town. The City Cornet band, printers, newspapers, performers and everybody are assisting the fire fighters in their commendable effort.

Frank Burton, of St. John, who went to Dawson at the same time as Martin G. B. Henderson, has been appointed principal of the academy in that town.

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MRS. NATION AT CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—Mrs. Carrie Nation arrived in Chicago at 8.40 to-night, coming over the Rock Island road, and within fifteen minutes after reaching the city, she was facing a somewhat diminutive audience, gathered under the auspices of local members of the W. C. T. U. in Willard hall.

On her trip toward Chicago she delivered a number of short addresses from the rear end of the car, speaking at nearly every station where a stop was made. Her coming was marked by no special incident contrary to the expectation of the ladies who had invited her to visit Chicago.

CHICAGO, Feb. 13.—At 12.30 this morning, attended by a few friends, Mrs. Nation went on a tour of the levees. Her first call was made at a saloon at 29 State street, where the proprietor had hung across the doorway a banner bearing the inscription: "Welcome to Mrs. Nation." Underneath the inscription was drawn a large hatchet dripping with blood. Mrs. Nation entered the place and was politely greeted by the owner. The two then sat down for a social talk. A throng of people stood outside waiting for the trouble to begin. Mrs. Nation, however, made no effort to break anything. She said she was going to get the saloonkeepers to come to her lecture.

OUR OWN PORTS.

The Canadian Manufacturers' association has taken up the question of rail and seaport terminals and proposes to use its influence in favor of the Canadian ports.

At a meeting of the association's executive today, W. K. McNaught, a prominent manufacturer, gave notice of motion to urge upon the government an amendment of the preferential tariff so that only British goods imported direct from the mother country to a Canadian seaport should have the benefit of 31.5 per cent. preferential tariff.

This would divert a great volume which is now entered at New York, Boston and Portland, to Montreal in summer and to Halifax and St. John in winter.

Mrs. McNaught says that double tracking the Intercolonial would be one of the first results of his proposed change in tariff.

MR. COX TO LECTURE.

The members of Victoria Lodge, I. O. O. F., have secured the consent of Sgt.-Major W. J. Cox, the Sunbury man, to deliver a lecture at the opera house on Thursday evening, February 15th, on the South African war. The proceeds of the affair are to go to the Victoria Hospital fund. Frederick Gleaner.

FREDERICTON.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Feb. 12.—John Kilburn, the well known lumberman, is in the city today, having returned from the scene of his lumbering operations on the Upper St. John. He states that this far the season has been most favorable for lumbering, and that work is going along in great shape. About 10,000,000 feet will be the limit of his operations this year. This includes 2,000,000 bng hung up in the yards from last season. The total cut on the St. John above Grand Falls, estimates at between 90,000,000 and 95,000,000 feet. The cost of getting lumber out this winter is much greater than for several years past, owing to the high wages and high cost of provisions.

Margaret, widow of the late John Hand, died at her home, this city, this morning, from pneumonia, aged 77 years.

BOARD OF WORKS.

At the meeting of the board of works yesterday afternoon the committee appointed to arrange with Cushing & Co. for the storage of sulphur, reported the four Riley sheds to be the only ones available. The committee decided to give them a lease, giving the city all the improvements put upon these sheds by the Messrs. Cushing, for a nominal rental of \$100. If the firm wished the sheds after May 1st the rent would be \$15 per month for each shed. Another lease, signed by the firm, made no mention of the improvements. The committee moved through its chairman, Ald. Armstrong, that the company be called upon to execute the lease prepared by the city. The report was adopted.

It was decided to enter into contract with Mr. Hilyard for timber for the Red's Point wharf, and Ald. Christie, McMillin and Jordan were appointed to look after the rebuilding of the wharf.

DEATH ROLL IN YORK COUNTY.

Hedley, the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Brewer, of St. Mary's, York County, died Monday from typhoid fever.

Margaret, widow of the late John Hand, died yesterday morning at Fredericton, aged seventy-seven years. Two sons, residing in the west, and two daughters, Mrs. James Bagley and Mrs. Rankine Bolter, both of Fredericton, survive.

Miss Frances Wheary, aged thirty-eight years, Typhoid fever was the cause of her death.

"It's no use to feel me wrist, doctor," said Pat, when the physician began to feel his pulse; "the pain is not there sure—it's in me stomach."