

**DOWLING BROS.,** The Largest Retail Distributors of Ladies' Coats, Jackets and House Waists in the Maritime Provinces.

# IMPORTANT SAVINGS

In Many Seasonable Lines.

**REDUCED PRICES ON GIRLS' COATS** to fit ages 6 to 10, \$1.00 to \$6.00.

**REDUCED PRICES ON LUSTRE BLOUSES**, \$1 each and upwards. Cream, Black and Dark Mixed Colors.

**REDUCED PRICES ON SILK SKIRTS**, Navy, Brown and Black, \$5.00.

**REDUCED PRICES ON SILK WAISTS**, \$2.00 upwards.

**REDUCED PRICES ON COLORED MOIRE SKIRTS.**

**REDUCED PRICES ON LADIES' BLACK CLOTH COATS.**

**DOWLING BROTHERS,**  
95 and 101 King Street.

## Women's \$2.00 Shoes

We have a Woman's Two Dollar Shoe that is a "satisfying" Shoe in every respect.

It's a Shoe that will please any Woman. **It's Excellently Made**

It has all the style of a higher priced Shoe.

The stock is good, and it's a splendid example of good Shoe making at a moderate price.

No woman need be afraid of our Two Dollar Shoe because it is not higher priced.

The Woman who wants to invest Two Dollars and no more, in a pair of Shoes, should give this Shoe a trial.

**Coady's Shoe Store**  
61 Charlotte Street

## BIG SALE OF SKIRTS,

At Greatly Reduced Prices.

This line of skirts embraces all the new materials, showing the latest styles, and a good range of colors.

We have reduced the prices in order to clear them out before stock taking.

Skirts that were \$4.50 now \$2.95.  
Skirts that were \$4.25 now \$2.95.  
Skirts that were \$3.65 now \$2.50.

Other skirts at \$1.95, \$2.40 and \$2.98  
COME AND GET A BARGAIN.

**S. W. McMACKIN,**  
335 Main Street, North End.

## Empress Broke Down

ALL RECORDS IN TRAVELLING ACCOMMODATION ON THE WATERS.

**ANDERSON & COMPANY**

Breaks all records on land, for up-to-date styles in all leading FURS.

Our holiday sets in Stone Marten, Mink, Alaska Sable, White Fox and Grey Squirrels are worth inspection before purchasing elsewhere.

Specials in Grey Lamb for Children.  
Specials in Grey Squirrel for Ladies.

**ANDERSON & CO., - 17 Charlotte Street.**

**Our Retail Stores**

ARE WELL STOCKED WITH

Fresh Poultry,  
Game and Meats  
OF ALL KINDS.

Fruits, Vegetables  
and Xmas Groceries.

GIVE US YOUR ORDER EARLY.

**F. E. WILLIAMS CO., Ltd**

**\$5.00.**

BEST VALUE EVER OFFERED.

We make the \$5.00 Gold Crown Best

with whitest porcelain .. . .. .

gold fillings from .. . . .

live and other filling from .. . . .

with Extracted Without Pain, Etc.

consultation .. . . . FREE

The Famous Hess Method.

**Boston Dental Parlors.**

**THIS EVENING**

Robinson Opera Co. in Carmen at the Opera House.

Lauderville Keith's Theatre.

Hand at Victoria Rink.

N. B. Temperance Federation meets at 8 p. m.

Christmas tree and entertainment to-night at Calvin church at 8 o'clock.

**THE WEATHER**

Thursday, Jan. 3.

Forecast—Fine and moderately cold today. Friday, fresh to strong easterly wind, milder, with sleet and rain.

Synopsis—The fine, cold weather now existing promises to give way to milder conditions with rain, due to banks and American ports, gradually shifting to easterly and becoming fresh to strong. Stable island, northwest wind, 20 miles, cloudy. Point Lepreau, east wind, 8 miles at 11 a. m.

**LOCAL WEATHER REPORT AT NOON.**

Highest temperature during last 24 hours 40 below.

Lowest temperature during last 24 hours 20 below.

Temperature at noon .. . . . 27

Stability at noon .. . . . 77

Barometer readings at noon sea level and 32 degrees .. . . . 30.1

Wind at noon—direction north, velocity 8 miles per hour.

Same date last year—Highest temperature 32, lowest 12, D. L. HUTCHINSON, Director.

**LATE LOCALS**

Christmas Tree and Entertainment to-night at Calvin church at 8 o'clock.

The monthly business meeting of the King's Daughters' Guild, will be held on Friday at 3.30 p. m.

A full attendance of the Artillery Band is requested this evening. Every member is expected to be on hand.

Thomas Morgan clothing buyer for M. E. A. Ltd. left last night for Boston, New York, Toronto and Montreal.

The Women's Bible Class of St. John's (Stone) church, will meet on Friday at 2.45 p. m. This will be the first meeting after the Christmas holidays.

A meeting of the common council has been called for tomorrow at three p. m., to receive the report of the treasury board on the new assessment law.

The Allan line steamship Pomerania, Capt. Harrison arrived from London and Havre via Halifax at noon today. She will be docked at the L. C. R. wharf. Her passengers were landed at Halifax.

A specially interesting meeting of Gurney Division, S. of T., will be held this evening. The officers will be installed and during the evening refreshments will be served.

The St. John tug Lord Wolesey, Capt. Wiley, arrived at Boston this morning from this port. She will tow the disabled bark Mary Barry to St. John.

The schooner Wandrain, Capt. Card, which arrived in port yesterday from Culler, Maine, went on Hilary's docks this morning, where further examination of her hull will be made after her cargo of fish is discharged.

S. J. Doherty and Wm. Baillie, returned this morning from Halifax, where they have been attending the special meeting of the maritime provinces Deaf Mute Association. All their resolutions and arrangements were perfected for the convention at Truro which is to be held on September 1st, 2nd and 3rd, 1907.

Yesterday afternoon a meeting of the United Baptist Foreign Mission board was held and arrangements were made by which T. S. Simms, who will leave here on the 8th inst. on a tour of the world, will visit the several stations in India, at which the United Baptist church have representatives.

**EVIDENCE OF PROSPERITY**

**St. John Bank Clearings Increased Over Seven Millions of Dollars During 1906.**

The St. John bank clearings for the year ending Dec. 31, 1906, amounted to \$89,029,789. For the year of 1905 the amount was \$82,838,333, showing a gain for 1906 over 1905 of \$7,191,456.

The clearings for the week ending Jan. 3, 1907, amounted to \$1,201,989, and the corresponding week a year ago was \$1,091,931, a gain of \$110,058.

**PERSONALS**

Miss Mary Hanlan, of Fairville, arrived home after spending Christmas with friends in Douglas town.

Wendell B. Harris returned last evening after spending his holidays at his home at White's Cove, Queens county.

Mrs. E. A. Peters and Miss Mollie Peters left by C. P. R. last evening for New York.

Mr. A. Jones and R. C. Elkin went to Boston yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hansard and child, who were in St. John for the Christmas holidays, left yesterday afternoon for Ottawa.

E. M. Shadbolt came in on the C. P. R. this afternoon.

Miss Annie Sprague and Harry Belyea returned to Mt. Allison University today.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Elkin came in on the C. P. R. today.

Harry Simmons went to Moncton this afternoon.

**PERFECT ICE AT THE VIC**

The ice is simply perfect in Victoria Rink. To make it so rink workmen this forenoon sent the sprinkler over the broad expanse three times, the water freezing almost immediately. This is cheerful news for skating enthusiasts and tonight's crowd will surely be a record-breaker. The rink has new popular music, including the up-to-date songs heard at Keith's. Doors open at 7 o'clock, hand at 8. Cars pass the rink every few minutes. Remember, good, hard, smooth ice, never was better.

**TA THE OPERA HOUSE**

The Opera House will be filled last night when Carmen was presented by the Robinson Opera Co. Carmen was an ideal role for Miss Mae Kiloyne, who was repeatedly encored as a recognition for her effective work. Miss Esther won the hearts of the audience as a peasant girl, and Messrs F. B. Nelson and Henderson left nothing to be desired in their portrayals of the parts of smugglers.

Carmen will be repeated this evening and anyone desiring to witness a good opera will do well to be present.

**THE BRITAIN REPORTED**

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 3.—(Special).—The C. P. R. liner Empress of Britain, from Liverpool for Halifax and St. John was reported by wireless this morning, 140 miles east of Sable Island at 8.30 o'clock.

**OUR EXPORTS TO UNITED STATES**

During 1906 They Showed a Gain of Over \$1,000,000

Through the courtesy of U. S. Consul Willrich, the Times is enabled to give a statement of the export trade of St. John with the United States for the month of December and for the whole year 1906. The trade for the year shows an increase of more than a million dollars over that of 1905.

The statement for the month of December follows:

Products of Canada:	
Bullion .. . . .	\$ 5,697.50
Chalfinans .. . . .	26,310.81
Effects .. . . .	75.00
Gold .. . . .	4,651.00
Iron Brick .. . . .	449.00
Fire Wood .. . . .	1,294.50
Fish .. . . .	67,444.75
Furs (raw) .. . . .	5,200.20
Gum (chicle) .. . . .	21,683.25
Hides (salted) .. . . .	54,128.71
Horses .. . . .	875.00
Junk .. . . .	31,868.78
Laths .. . . .	88,980.97
Lime .. . . .	5,994.30
Lumber .. . . .	51,212.11
Miscellaneous .. . . .	691.48
Molasses .. . . .	5,293.46
Piling .. . . .	906.40
Pulled Wool .. . . .	813.58
Pulp Wood .. . . .	97.50
Returned (Am) Goods .. . . .	11,622.55
Rough Buffins .. . . .	1,907.50
Salted Sheep .. . . .	\$ 13,622.98
Shanting paper .. . . .	494.43
Sheep skins .. . . .	2,854.40
Shingles .. . . .	13,849.21
Shoes .. . . .	2,471.92
Tin plates .. . . .	475.00
Turkeys, live .. . . .	613.00
Wood pulp .. . . .	172,800.94
Total .. . . .	\$532,528.92

**PRODUCTS OF AMERICAN LOGS.**

Laths .. . . .	\$ 24,028.51
Lumber .. . . .	153,040.31
Shingles .. . . .	19,070.45
Grand total for Dec., '06 .. . . .	\$731,305.39

Total exports for the month of December, 1905, \$639,663.32.

Increase, \$101,642.07.

**TOTAL EXPORTS FOR 1906:**

Quarter ending March .. . . .	\$9,522,526
Quarter ending June .. . . .	11,714,718
Quarter ending Sept. .. . . .	13,094,725
Quarter ending Dec. .. . . .	5,692,819
Total .. . . .	\$38,024,768

Grand total exports to United States, 1906, \$731,305.39.

Showing a gain in 1906 of .. . . . \$1,025,072.77.

**PILINGS ARE IN NEED OF REPAIR**

It Will Take \$5,000 to Put Pilings at Entrance to Ferry Slips in Proper Shape.

It is stated that the piling at the entrance to the ferry slips on both the east and west sides of the harbor is badly in need of repair. It is also contended that persons qualified to know about such things that the piling should be extended into the harbor further so that a quicker and safer entry into the slip could be made.

It is estimated that the repairs necessary to put the entrances to the docks in the condition they should be, would cost about \$5,000.

**Business Notices**

Buy your overcoat right. Attend the two-week overcoat sale now going on at the Union Clothing Co.'s, 28-28 Charlotte street, old Y. M. C. A. building. Union Clothing Co.

ONLY FOUR DAYS' TIME

All contracts must be closed not later than Monday next to secure the present prices at the Currie Business University, Limited. After that date, the prices will be advanced 33 1/3 per cent.

# MACAULAY BROS. & CO'Y

What 25c. Will Buy in Our Men's Department:

Extra Quality Black Cashmere Socks, - - -	25c. pair.
Fine All-wool Scotch Knit Socks, - - -	25c. pair.
Grey, Tan or Brown Cashmere Socks, - - -	25c. pair.
Men's Four-in-Hand Silk Ties, - - -	25c. each.
New Reversible Derby Ties, - - -	25c. each.
Bows and Ties for turnover collars, - - -	25c. each.
Men's Braces, Mohair Ends, - - -	25c. each.
Men's Initial White Silk Handkerchiefs, - - -	25c. each.
Men's Fine Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, - - -	25c. each.
Men's Hose Supporters, - - -	25c. pair.

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45 Cents a Pair.

Ten Different Styles, All Sizes, Colors: Drab and White.

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**I. CHESTER BROWN, 32-36 King Square.**

**WESTERN TAKES KEYSTONE OVER**

Policies of Local Fire Company Will in Future be Carried by Western Assurance Co.

The business of the Keystone Fire Insurance Company of St. John will in future be carried by the Western Assurance Co. The transfer was consummated this morning, though the Western Company has been carrying the Keystone's business since Dec. 1st.

As Western has assumed all liability, etc., of the Keystone, and in future the business will be conducted by R. W. W. Frink, branch manager of the Western at the Prince William street office. The policy-holders of the Keystone have been re-insured with the Western for the protection of the policy-holders.

The action of the Keystone Company in thus going out of business is a result of heavy losses in recent years. The big conflagrations at San Francisco, Baltimore and Toronto, having hit the local company pretty hard.

In assuming the liabilities by the Western Company, the Keystone is released from all indebtedness and cancellation of all contracts. A prominent feature of the arrangement is that the shareholders are removed from any possible future liability. A statement is to be issued to the shareholders at once.

The company was organized in 1889 by Thomas A. Temple & Son and has always paid its losses and conducted its business in an honorable and straightforward manner. The officers of the Keystone Co. were: President, Hon. J. V. Ellis; vice-president, Alfred Markham; secretary, A. Gordon Leavitt; directors, Hon. George A. Cox, J. J. Kenny, Alex. P. Barnhill, F. J. G. Knowlton and R. W. W. Frink.

It is understood that Mr. Leavitt has been offered a position in the head office of the Western at Toronto, but is not likely to accept.

**WE MUST HAVE ROOM FOR OUR COTTON GOODS, AND**

We have decided to sell all our SHAKER, FLANNELS, FLANNELETTES, VELOUR FLANNELS and CHALLETTES at a big reduction in prices.

SHAKER FLANNELS at 5c, 6c, 7c, 8c, 9c, 10c, 12c, all nice patterns and colors, and heavy quality.

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**ROBERT STRAIN & CO., 27 and 29 Charlotte St.**

## Madras Draperies in Fast Colors.

An Innovation in Decorative Materials.

IN ORDER TO SHARE IN THESE CHOICE PATTERNS an early call would be advisable, for we have no hesitancy in saying these draperies are the most luxurious ever shown in St. John. What's more they are absolutely proof against sun and soap, and throw cheap imitations far into the shade. Reliable, substantial and exclusive, veritably an art collection.

Exquisite Mantel Drapes.	Lovely Titian Colors.
Attractive Portieres.	Small Dresden Effects.
Window Curtains.	Large Designs as well.
For Dens, Boudoirs, Etc.	Two-tone Combinations.

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Delicately-tinted Materials in a Variety of Qualities.

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