

Dowling Bros. Ladies' Coats, Skirts and Blouses. The Largest Retail Distributors of Waists in the Maritime Provinces.

THE BUSIEST DAY OF THE YEAR

Although the Christmas trade has gone vigorously ahead, this week, still daily arrivals of dainty new goods and stylish garments enable us to fully meet your requirements on the busiest day of the year at most reasonable prices.

Ladies' Kid Gloves, Ladies' Fancy Collars, Belts, Handkerchiefs, Hosiery, Frillings, Umbrellas, Blouse Waists (a new arrival just added to the stock) in Silk, Lace Net, Linen and Lawn, Muslin and Net Dresses, Black Silk Dresses, Some Brilliant Bargains in Ladies' Coats, Dress Skirts, and Underskirts, Silk Skirts, White Wear, Flannellette Wear, Corsets, Underwear, Aprons, Wool Clouds, Toques, etc., etc.

DOWLING BROTHERS 95 and 101 King St.

Christmas Greetings

to our many customers—who are also our FRIENDS. And to you who know us and our methods we extend this assurance—that GOOD HONEST VALUE and GENUINE WORTH shall continue to be the keynote of our dealings with you.

If you need an overcoat, a suit or perhaps a vest or pair of trousers at this holiday season, let us show you that the true spirit of Christmas permeates the atmosphere of our store. And that the values we now offer have not been surpassed.

Even if you need no new clothing now, spare a moment to step in as you pass our door and let us grasp your hand in friendly greeting and PERSONALLY wish you a Merry Christmas.

Overcoats of distinction, \$10.00 to \$25.00. Suits of rare merit, \$10.00 to \$25.00. Fancy and knitted vests (good Christmas gifts) \$2 to \$5.

GILMOUR'S 68 King Street Tailoring and Clothing "A GOOD PLACE TO BUY GOOD CLOTHES"

Stores open evenings until after Xmas.

Gift Umbrellas

ATTRACTIVE SHOWING OF THE FINEST QUALITY FOR GENTLEMAN AND LADIES. In Anderson's Window Direct From the Makers, in Silk and Linen, with neat covers and handles in Gold, Pearl, Gun Metal, and others \$2.00 up to \$15.00 INITIALS ENGRAVED FREE

ANDERSON & CO. Manufacturing Furriers. 55 Charlotte St. Store open evenings

WE WISH YOU ALL A Merry Christmas — AND A — Bright & Prosperous New Year.

S. W. McMACKIN 335 Main Street.

A SYSTEM

Controls our practice of dentistry. When a properly directed system—and skill—control practice—the result is perfection. It is in our case—in our work. Our practice is divided into departments—each in charge of experts in that work—and all equipped with the most perfect facilities—mechanical and operative. Our system enables us to do more work—better—and yet quicker—consequently cheaper, quality considered. Agents for the Famous Hale Method of Painless Dentistry.

BOSTON DENTAL PARLORS Dr. J. D. Maher, Prop. 527 Main Street.

CIRCULATION

Table showing circulation figures for the last eleven months: January 6,716; February 6,978; March 7,165; April 7,189; May 7,003; June 7,029; July 7,028; August 7,022; September 7,029; October 7,018; November 7,063.

The Times does not get its largest sale through newspapers. It is delivered at the homes. That is the kind of circulation which is of value to advertisers.

THIS EVENING

Santa Claus, moving pictures, Master Charles Packer and other features at the Nickel. Motion pictures and illustrated songs at the Star, north end. Skating at Victoria Rink. Skating at Queen's Rink. Good programme at the Orpheum. Moving pictures and special features at the Gem, Waterloo street.

LOCAL NEWS

Coal steamer Dominion, Captain Norcott, arrived in port this morning with a cargo from Sydney (C. B.).

The S. S. Lusitania English mails have left New York and are due here at noon tomorrow.

Head line steamer Glenam Head, Captain Orr, arrived in port this morning from Adrossan, to load an Ontario cargo for Belfast.

L. C. R. policeman Scovil Smith has reported Fred Watson for violating the rules governing coachmen in the Union depot yesterday morning.

A horse and wagon owned by Joseph Cunningham, was found in the street last night between 8 and 9 o'clock and placed by Sergt. Campbell in Watson's stable, where it was later got by the owner.

At the Sunday evening meeting of the North End Every Day Club, commencing at 8.30 o'clock, William Malouin, of Pine Hill College, will be the speaker. Special music will be provided.

The Rev. W. O. Raymond will be the speaker at the Thorne Lodge gospel temperance meeting Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. St. Mary's orchestra will assist in the special music.

N. W. Brown, government lecturer, will speak on Canada's system of old age annuities in the Every Day Club hall Monday evening at 8 o'clock. Ladies are especially invited to be present.

M. E. Agar will be the speaker at the Every Day Club on Sunday evening at 8.30 o'clock. An orchestra of fourteen pieces will begin an excellent musical programme at 7.45 o'clock. It will be the finest music ever heard in the club's hall.

T. Spencer Crisp, student at Mount Allison University, has come home for the holidays, and to spend Christmas and New Year's with his father, Rev. James Crisp. Mr. Crisp will preach in Zion church on Sunday morning.

Nickel Theatre opens at 10 Christmas day as it does on all holidays. This will allow the crowds to see this big show and still take in others during the day. See the advertisement with whole programme in the regular amusement columns.

The outward manifests for seventeen steamship cargoes, have been filed at the Customs House up to date. The valuation is as follows: Canadian goods, \$241,628; foreign goods, \$732,730; total, \$974,358. These steamers took away 1,061,429 bushels of grain.

John Granett, of Milltown, who was run over by the Boston train last night, near Vancouver, and with both hands and one foot cut off, died late last night in the hospital in St. Stephen, where he was taken for treatment. It is not yet known if an inquest will be held.

Elsworth Belyea, of Belyea's Point, who arrived in the city this morning. He said that the river was frozen over in a number of places, and that above Carter's Point a short distance up the Reach, teams were crossing quite frequently. The harbor at Indiantown this morning contained a great quantity of running ice.

Last Monday evening Miss Crisp and Miss Alice G. Crisp entertained their respective Sunday school classes at the Zion parsonage. They gathered in the afternoon, had tea at 6 o'clock, spent a pleasant time, and at 8 o'clock each, with a box of nuts and candy, returned merrily home.

Donaldson line steamship Athena, Captain McNeill, is scheduled to leave this port tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock for Glasgow direct, with passengers and a full freight. Among her cargo are 120,000 bushels of wheat and 698 head of cattle. Some of her passengers arrived by train this morning.

I. G. R. SPECIAL HOLIDAY SUBURBAN TRAINS ANNOUNCED

It has been decided by the Intercolonial Railway to run a special passenger train between Hampton Station and St. John for the accommodation of suburban patrons on the twenty-second, twenty-third, and twenty-fourth and thirty-first December as follows:—Leave Hampton 18.20 o'clock, arrive St. John 19.15 o'clock, returning leave St. John 22.50 o'clock, arrive Hampton 23.25.

TURKEYS TOOK DROP IN MARKET TODAY

As predicted in the Times yesterday as light decrease was made in the prices of turkeys, geese and chickens in the country market this morning. The slump was not very great, but it will be pleasing news to housekeepers and others who have not as yet purchased tomorrow's dinner. The birds may be still cheaper before night, as there is a large quantity of them on hand.

The price asked for turkeys this morning varied from 24 to 28 cents, and a fine large goose could be bought for \$1.00. The demand was not very brisk today.

XMAS DAY IN ST. JOHN; WHAT IS PROPOSED

A Good Programme — The Times Heartily Wishes All a Pleasant Christmas

Christmas day is a day for church and home but with these first requisites to a proper observance fulfilled, those who seek amusement will find plenty provided. The list includes, besides skating in the rinks in the morning, the following:—

AFTERNOON

Special features, moving pictures, etc., at the Nickel. Robinson Opera Co. present "Mikado" in the Opera House.

Skating in the Victoria Rink. Vandeville and pictures at the Orpheum. Skating in the Queen's Rink. Moving pictures and songs at the Star, north end.

Presidents vs Vice Presidents match in Thistle Curling Rink. Motion pictures and illustrated songs at the Gem, Waterloo street.

EVENING

The Show Girl at the Opera House by Robinson Opera Co. Skating in Queen's Rink.

Big holiday programme at the Nickel. Skating in Victoria Rink. Motion pictures and songs at the Gem, Waterloo street.

Arthur Furlong in Lauder imitations at the Orpheum.

Moving pictures and songs at the Star, north end.

There will be, as already announced in the Times, special good cheer for those who find themselves on Christmas day in any of the public institutions; and with the giving and receiving of Christmas remembrances, the family reunions and the joyous spirit of peace and good will prevailing and with St. John and its people enjoying a reasonable share of prosperity, tomorrow will be a pleasant Christmas day. That it will be so to all is the hearty wish of the Times.

MRS. CURREY'S APPEAL NOTICE FILED TODAY

Action Follows Decision in Separation Suits—Barton Girl Will Remain in Good Shepherd's Home

Charles S. Hamilton, acting for Mrs. L. A. Curry, plaintiff and respondent in the Curry separation suits, this morning filed with his honor Judge McKeown, a notice of appeal from the recent decision of the court.

The habeas corpus case of Ethel May Barton, vs. the Mother Superior of the Home of the Good Shepherd, was taken up before His Honor Mr. Justice MacKeown in separate court chambers this morning. Dr. G. A. Curry, S. C., who was acting for the mother of the girl in seeking to have her taken from the institution, sent word to the court that he would abandon the application and the case was, therefore, dismissed by his honor.

The girl was present in court, having been brought from the home in charge of Detective Killen. J. King Kelley, solicitor for the S. P. C. A., appeared in the interim, and the child having been sent to the home at the instance of Rev. B. Colpitts, agent of the society in Woodstock.

Mr. J. B. Woodburn and S. M. Westwood of the S. P. C. A. were also present, and J. D. Hazen appeared for the mother superior of the home.

The girl was returned to the institution.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PROTESTANT ORPHANS

The following subscriptions are gratefully acknowledged by the Board of Managers of the Home of the Saint John Protestant Orphan's Home: H. C. Rankine, treasurer:

- Mrs. L. MacLaren \$10; The Misses MacLaren \$10; In Memoriam F. J. M. M. \$10; Jas. E. White \$10; Dr. and Mrs. Thos. Walker \$10; A. W. Peters \$10; Mrs. G. Robertson \$10; Mrs. Hugh McLean \$10; John Russell \$10; Joseph Finley \$10; Geo. S. Cushing \$10; John City \$10; Cash \$10; Dr. A. F. Emery \$10; The Misses Keats \$10; J. R. Woodburn \$10; G. A. Horton \$10; T. H. Wilson (Fairville) \$10; Chas. A. McDonald \$10; S. S. deForest \$10; A. Rutherford Jack \$10; Friend \$10; Rev. G. Squires \$10; Miss Grace Fairweather \$10; J. S. Currie \$10; Mrs. John K. Schofield \$10; Old St. John Boy, Bignonfield, K. Co. \$10; J. D. Coes (West Side) \$10; Police Sergeant Baxter \$10; Geo. McAvity \$10; Mrs. Alex. Binning \$10; Mrs. J. A. Clarke \$50.

CASE DISMISSED

In the police court yesterday afternoon, Charles Kain, charged a young man named McNamara, with assaulting him. He claimed that he was annoyed with the defendant, and wanted a stop put to his grievances. He asked that a warrant be sworn out for his arrest, but Judge Ritchie allowed the information to be laid and McNamara called to court.

The plaintiff said that the young fellow had struck him in the face. McNamara, on hearing of the matter, the witness went to Kain and accused him of circulating damaging statements against his character. Kain denied this. The defendant struck him. His Honor dismissed the case.

The Star Theatre in North End will be open to the public at 10 o'clock tomorrow (Christmas) morning and also at 1 p. m. and 8.30 p. m., a rattling good holiday show for everybody.

Despite the advance in the use of steam vessels there are 68,000 sailing vessels still remaining in the world.

USEFUL XMAS GIFTS

- FOR THE BABIES WARM SLIPPERS... 48c.
FOR THE CHILDREN, WARM SLIPPERS... 48c. and 68c.
FOR BROTHER, SKATING BOOTS... \$1.68 to \$2.48
FOR MOTHER, WARM SLIPPERS... 48c. to \$1.18
FOR FATHER, WARM SLIPPERS... 98c. to \$1.38
OR AN OVERCOAT... \$3.98 to \$12.48
OR A NICE WARM, FANCY VEST, WITH KNITTED BACK, \$1.48, \$1.98, \$2.48
OR A COAT SWEATER... \$1.48, \$1.78, \$2.48
OR NICE SILK TIES IN GIFT BOXES AT... 35c., 35c., 50c.

Does the Boy Need an Overcoat? Here they are \$1.98, \$2.48, \$2.98 and \$3.98

Your friends will appreciate these useful gifts just as much at these prices and you will save the difference

C. B. PIDGEON, Cor. Main and Bridge Sts

For Those Who Are Still Wondering What They Will Buy, We Take the Liberty to Suggest.



We have nickel Kettles, \$1.25 to \$1.75; Nickel Tea and Coffee Pots from \$1.50 to \$4.00; 5 o'clock Tea Sets with tray, \$6.75; Plated Sad Irons from \$1.20 to \$2.00; Bread Mixers, \$2.25 to \$2.75; Bread and Cake Boxes from 75c to \$4.00; Wringers from \$3.50 to \$6.00; Glenwood Ranges from \$25.00 upwards. These all make suitable presents for Christmas and all useful ones too. Call and see our lines of Glenwood Ranges.

McLean, Holt & Co. Phone 1545. 155 Union St.

Open evenings till Christmas December 24, 1909

Sensible Gifts for Men That You Can Choose Quickly.

The Oak Hall Men's Store is in the most convenient shopping spot in town and it is piled high with just the things an up-to-date man wants.

Being the last shopping day before Christmas we know you have no time to read details so we print you a suggestive list with price range of some of the things which we have for your choosing.

- Fancy Cloth Vests, \$2.50 to \$5.00.
Winter Knitted Vests, \$2.50 to \$6.00.
Men's Trousers, \$1.25 to \$6.00.
All kinds of Neck Ties, 25c. to \$1.50.
Gift Boxes, in boxes, 50c. to \$2.00.
Purses, Bill-folds, Cigar Cases, etc.
Soft Leather Collar Bags, 75c. to \$2.50.
Men's Unlined Gloves, \$1.00 to \$2.00.
Men's Lined Gloves, \$1.00 to \$3.00.
Men's Woolen Gloves, 25c. to \$1.00.
Men's Linen Handkerchiefs, all prices.
Silk Initial Handkerchiefs, 25c., 50c.
Holiday Shirts, colored, 75c. to \$2.50.
Best Canadian Jackets, \$1.00 to \$3.00.
Fur Collars, various furs, \$3.50 to \$10.00.
Sweaters, Men's and Boys, 50c. to \$6.00.
Leather Valises, \$2.75 to \$20.00.
Suit Cases, all kinds.
Fitted Suit Cases and Bags, \$1.50 to \$25.00.
Fitted Dressing Cases, \$3.00 to \$15.00.
Purses, Bill-folds, Cigar Cases, etc.
Soft Leather Collar Bags, 75c. to \$2.50.
All kinds of Trunks, \$2.30 to \$35.00.
Military Hair Brushes, \$1.00 to \$5.50.
Smoking Sets, \$1.00 to \$5.00.
Pipe Racks, 75c. to \$2.50.
Vest Buttons and Cuff Links to match, \$2.75.
Sick Pins, 50c. to \$2.50.
Watch Fobs, 50c. to \$3.50.
Fancy Armlets, 25c. to \$1.50.
Umbrellas, \$1.00 to \$2.50.
Cases, all the newest ideas in wood, \$1.00 to \$3.00.

For our valued and countless friends we wish a Merry Christmas, with the hope that 1910 may be the best of all years for each and all of them.

King Street Cor. Germain GREATER OAK HALL SCOVIL BROS. LIMITED, St. John, N. B.



The Christmas Firelight Glows

But a few short hours, and then—Christmas Eve—when children's fingers stiff and tremble with excitement and anticipation will hang the little stockings; dear little, thin little stockings that lose their identity, and are glorified by the part they are to play in bringing joy to little hearts.

Have You Forgotten Anything? Even if your Christmas list is completely checked off don't you think of some other child whose heart will beat more happily if an unexpected gift makes bright the grey of Christmas morning?

The tiniest gift becomes beautiful and wonderful then. It need cost but a trifling sum—and today is the last day. Isn't there another friend whom you've forgotten—some one to whom a small gift will bring pleasant thought of days that are past? The gift need not be costly—and—today is the last day.

It Will Be Busy At This Store There are thousands of delightful "gift things" still awaiting your choosing—appropriate remembrances in abundance for all—and Christmas Eve is close at hand. We hope you'll come. OPEN AGAIN TONIGHT.

WE WISH ALL OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Manchester Robertson Allison, Ltd.