

6 MORE SHOPPING DAYS BEFORE CHRISTMAS

THE WEATHER.

Maritime—Decreasing northerly to westerly winds, fair and decidedly cold.

AROUND THE CITY

Calendars. E. J. Hieatt, of the Hygienic Bakery, is distributing among his patrons very dainty monthly calendar cards.

Stores Open Tonight. Dating Christmas week the store of the McRobbie Shoe Co., Ltd., will be open every night to accommodate the shoppers.

Socialist Meeting. What Socialists Want, is the subject for Sunday at the Socialist hall, 141 Mill street. F. Hyatt will speak. All are invited and discussion and questions are encouraged.

High School Practice. The High school hockey team will meet for practice in the Queen's Rink tonight. The St. Johns will have a practice at 7.30 and the High school boys will go on just after that time.

Sterling Realty Co. Ltd. At a meeting of the Sterling Realty Co., Ltd., yesterday the following officers were elected: President, Dr. John R. McNeil; vice-president, W. Edward Earle; secretary, S. B. Boston; treasurer, G. N. Wilson.

Hattie LeBlanc Here. Hattie LeBlanc the young Cape Breton girl who was on Wednesday acquitted in the Cambridge court of the murder of Clarence Glover, passed through the city yesterday on the Boston train en route to her home in West Arichat, C. B.

Getting Better. A report from the General Public Hospital at an early hour this morning was to the effect that Jasper Warwick, the street railway conductor, who was badly injured by falling from the sweeper on Brussels street Thursday night, was improving.

Boston Train Late. The Boston express was about an hour late arriving last night. The delay was caused on the Maine Central road. The Halifax express was held over for the arrival as there was a large number of passengers to transfer for the east.

Steamer at Anchor. The Norwegian steamer, Captain Hansen arrived off Partridge Island yesterday and anchored. She is bound to Amherst, N. S., with a cargo of pitch pine lumber from the island via Norfolk, Va. The steamer was off the mouth of the Bay of Fundy during last Thursday night's storm.

Queens Rink Opens Today. The ice on the Queens rink made by the new process, is the greatest boom to the ice making business yet introduced. The ice not only presents a very smooth and glassy surface, but even the sharpest skates make but little impression on it. The ticket sale is the greatest yet. The opening is today.

Railway Order Meets. The St. John local of the Canadian order of railway employes held a meeting last evening in the Foresters' hall. A lengthy document was received from Grand President Mosher, showing the standing of every railway man in the Maritime Provinces connected with the order. A good deal of routine business was transacted.

No Frozen Hydrants. Although the temperature was below zero yesterday morning, the water department received no reports of hydrants freezing. An extra staff was put on to test the hydrants. In the morning some of the pipes on the West Side supplying the fire service in the warehouses were reported frozen, but they were put in condition again.

Rev. G. F. Scoville the Speaker. The regular weekly temperance meeting will be held Sunday evening in the Granite Rock Division Hall, West End, under the auspices of Granite Rock Division, Sons of Temperance. The chair will be taken at 8.15 and a temperance address will be delivered by Rev. G. F. Scoville, rector of St. Jude's church. These meetings are becoming more popular every week.

Dr. Melvin Home. Dr. G. G. Melvin, medical health officer, arrived home last evening from Montreal where he has been taking a course at McGill University in sanitary science. He will remain home until after the holidays. "Montreal is a great city," said the doctor, "and it is growing at an amazing rate. But in my humble opinion St. John has many points of superiority over it, and I am glad to get back."

Assistant Pastor. The official quarterly meeting of the Exmouth street Methodist church was held last evening. Rev. W. W. Brewer in the chair. After the transaction of routine business M. B. Tanner, a graduate of Cliff's College was unanimously recommended as a candidate for the Methodist ministry, and the board decided to engage Mr. Tanner, who has been living in the city for some time, as assistant to the pastor, Rev. Mr. Brewer. There was a full attendance of the board, and the various reports were of a satisfactory character.

Mr. Batty To Speak. Rev. Jas. L. Batty, of Moncton, who is well known as a strong, forceful and attractive preacher and lecturer will be the speaker at the Y. M. C. A. meeting for men in the Unique theatre on Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. There will be a solo by Willard A. Smith and hearty singing will be a feature of the meeting. The programme of this meeting has been arranged by the St. John county branch of the N. B. temperance federation, and all friends of temperance should be present to hear the address on Temperance, a subject on which Mr. Batty is especially well qualified to speak.

WINTER PORT SHIPMENTS ALREADY TOTAL \$1,517,975

Grain Shipments Not as Heavy as Last Year, but Increase is Anticipated--United States Exports Are Greater in Amount--Interesting Notes on Steamer Movements.

The following is a list of steamships that have made returns of their exports (outward cargoes) at the customs house up to date, showing the valuation of each cargo:

Table with 2 columns: Ship Name, Value. Includes entries for Athenian, Pomeranian, Kanawha, Empress of Ireland, Tunisian, etc.

Total value to date, \$1,517,975. Total value for the first 11 steamers last year was \$1,822,230. Nineteen steamships with a tonnage of 95,398 tons have arrived up to date. Three steamships left port for the United States in ballast.

The following are some of the products that have gone forward in the above steamships: Grain (bushels), 615,476; Flour (bags), 301,074; Cattle (head), 1,185; Furness Line steamship Shenandoah.

doah now on her way to London from this port took away 77,000 bushels of wheat, 165 casks extract, 259 barrels of apples, 417,350 feet spruce plank, valued at \$89,355. Steamship Manchester Shipper arrived last night from Manchester via Halifax. She was out in Thursday night's storm and this delayed her arrival.

Manifests for 12 cars of United States products were received at the customs house yesterday for shipment in the winter port steamers. About 200 cars have been manifested so far this season and it looks bright for a large export of United States goods from this port. From now on the steamships will probably take away larger cargoes. The grain growers at present are holding for better prices.

Allan Line steamship Gramplan, Captain William, went to sea yesterday morning bound to Liverpool direct. C. P. R. steamship Kumara, Captain Morton, left this port last night on her long voyage to Melbourne, Australia. This is the first steamer of the new Australian line. She is taking away a large amount of pulpwood, paper and other general cargo.

Captain Main, arrived at Halifax yesterday from Liverpool and will for this port at midnight. She is dock about noon today. She is bringing a few of her passengers around from Halifax.

Considerable interest is being taken in the complimentary benefit concert to be tendered by the newspaper men of the city to H. L. Spencer, the veteran poet and journalist. The concert will be held in the Opera House on Monday evening next and the following excellent programme has been prepared for the occasion:

- Part I. Overture, La Diademe, Hermann Every Day Club Orchestra. Solo, Son of the Desert am I, Evans Mr. M. T. Morris.

Painless Dentistry. Teeth filled or extracted free of pain by the celebrated "HALE METHOD." All branches of dental work done in the most skillful manner. Boston Dental Parlors, 527 Main St., Tel. 465. DR. J. D. MAHER, Proprietor.

OUR LAST CHRISTMAS At These Stores Here's a Christmas Bargain Present for our Customers APPLIQUE PULL SHAMS regular 35c. quality, Sale price - 17 1-2c. each. F. R. Patterson & Co. Cor Duke & Charlotte Sts.

Acceptable Christmas Gifts Useful, Sensible, Appropriate. Gaiters, Leggings, Slippers, Moccasins, Snowshoes, Overshoes, Dress Boots, Walking Boots, Waterproof Boots, Dancing Shoes.

SPLENDID PROGRAMME FOR SPENCER CONCERT Wealth of Entertainment in Offering for Monday Evening--Where Tickets May be Purchased Today. Mrs. Reveley... Miss Bessie A. Irvine. Enid Daintree... Miss Gladys Smith. Jimmy Ross... Mr. Ernest A. March.

WATERBURY & RISING, King Street, Mill Street, Union Street. Three Stores. Tickets (price 25 cents) are on sale at the Opera House, the newspaper offices and the following stores: Wm. Hawker, Prince William street; E. G. Nelson & Co., King street; D. McArthur, King street; Gray & Richey, King street; A. Chipman Smith & Co., Charlotte street; S. H. Hawker, corner Main and Paradise Row; Fred W. Munro, Main street, opposite Douglas Avenue; W. C. Wilson, and E. R. W. Ingraham, St. John, West.

Jamaica Oranges For Xmas Trade Unloading One Car Today. Choice Stock. Order Early From The Willett Fruit Co. Ltd. Wholesale Fruits, ST. JOHN, N. B.

ARMY POT STARTS BOILING MONDAY The Salvation Army officers in the city are busily engaged at present seeking for poor families in addition to the large number they are already in touch with, so that all deserving cases in the city will be sure of a good Christmas dinner. On Monday the officers of the Army will take their stand on the corners with their well known pot and tripod bearing the motto Keep the Pot Boiling, and will gladly receive donations of money or provisions to be devoted to the poor of the city. Already the Army has received a generous response to their appeal, but in order to meet the needs of all the poor families on the list much more is required. One officer notified the headquarters yesterday that in his district he would require 15 more Christmas baskets than he had last year, and this is expected to be the case all over the city. Gifts of money or provisions will be gratefully received and acknowledged by Brigadier Ady at the Metropole, 253 Prince William street. Lists will be published in the papers from time to time.

A Gillette Razor Will be a wonderfully acceptable present to any man who does not own one. Ordinary Sets, \$5.00. Special Pocket Editions, \$5.00, \$5.50, \$6.00, \$6.50. Special Cases, \$13.50, \$17.50. W. H. Thorne & Co. Limited Market Square and King Street, St. John, N. B.

Christmas Suggestions for Men and Boys If you are in doubt as to what you should buy for that particular boy or man, we can help you to decide the question by naming a few of the articles that will be very much appreciated by the lucky person who should happen to receive them. Men's and Boys' Overcoats, \$3.75 to \$18.00. Men's and Boys' Suits, 1.98 to 20.00. Men's and Boys' Reefers, 2.00 to 6.00. Men's Pants, in lots of good patterns, 1.00 to 5.00. Silk and Wool Mufflers, 39c to 1.44. Silk Handkerchiefs, in great variety, 25c to 1.00. Men's and Boys' Gloves and Mitts, 19c to 2.44. Men's and Boys' Shirts, 39c to 1.13. We are showing a real good line of Trunks, Bags and Suit Cases at right prices. HARRY N. DEMILLE, Successor to J. N. HARVEY, 199 to 207 Union Street.

Silver Hollowware Bake Dishes, Casseroles, Bread Trays, Butter Dishes, Tea and Coffee Sets, etc. These articles are useful and therefore make very acceptable Christmas Gifts. Our stock is all new and the patterns well selected. Don't fail to see these goods before making your purchases. EMERSON & FISHER, Ltd., 25 Germain St.

Continued Today--The Grand Clearance Sale of Christmas Millinery Offering Bargains of the most extraordinary kind. This is your chance to secure Millinery gifts at the lowest prices of the year. Come Promptly and Choose. All Trimmed and Untrimmed Felt Hats, black and colors. Two sale prices, 25c and 50c. Untrimmed Velvet and Beaver Hats, black and colors, each \$1.00. Trimmed Dress Hats, three sale prices, \$1.00, \$2.00 and \$3.00. Wings, Fancy Feathers, Hackle Feathers, Coque feathers, Osprey Effects, Birds, black, white and all colors. Three startling sale prices, 10c, 20c, 30c. No Appropriation. No Exchange. MILLINERY DEPARTMENT.

Smoking Jackets, Bath Robes, Dressing Gowns and Fancy Vests for Gifts Our exhibit of Smoking Jackets cannot be excelled anywhere. We offer a splendid lot of garments in a fine range of new fabrics in shades of green, brown, tan, grey and navy, reverse side in nobby stripe and check effects used to finish lapels, pockets and cuffs. Also a fine showing of the English style in soft Vicunas; a variety of neat designs. All of the above Jackets are trimmed with fancy cord. Prices are from \$3.50 to \$15.00. A splendid assortment at \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.00 and \$8.25. Dressing Gowns in heavy, soft Vicuna cloths; plain and fancy colors in greys, browns, reds, greens; check and stripe effects, fancy and cord trimmed, all with girdles. Prices from \$6.50 up. Also Jaeger Pure Wool garments.

Combination Bath Robes and Dressing Gowns in attractive Figured Velours, shades of grey, red, green, brown and blue, all the original new patterns. These garments button close to the neck. Prices \$3.50 to \$5.75. Fancy Vests in knitted styles, a number of fancy weaves and colorings, greys, browns, and greens in stripes and spots. Others in fancy cloths, new novelty effects, stripes and spots in greens, browns, tans, etc. Prices from \$2.00 up. CLOTHING DEPARTMENT. MANCHESTER ROBERTSON ALLISON, LTD.