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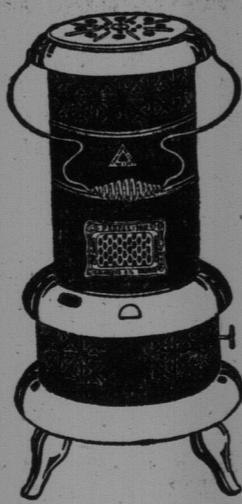
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NO TIMES TOMORROW

The Times will not be published tomorrow, Christmas day.

LOCAL NEWS

TWO ST JOHN MEN.

Today's military list from Ottawa includes the names of H. Coyle, East St. John; C. H. Miles, Ardoise, N. S., and E. F. Hamilton, St. John, all prisoners repatriated.

NO POLICE COURT.

There was no police court session this morning, as the magistrates went to St. Stephen to spend the holiday. Eight prisoners are under arrest.

FOR BELGIAN RELIEF

Mayor Hayes received two \$5 contributions this morning for the Belgian Relief Fund, one from F. Patterson and the other from L. J. D.

THE NOMINATIONS

Urban J. Sweeney informs the Times that it was not his name which was attached to the nomination paper of John B. Jones and quoted in this paper yesterday.

FROM VLADIVOSTOK

Mayor Hayes received a Christmas card this morning from Vladivostok, H. Powell, who is at Vladivostok, Russia, wishing him and the other commissioners a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

INQUEST BEING HELD

An inquest into the circumstances surrounding the death of Joseph Baxter, who died at Minto, N. B., early yesterday morning from a gunshot wound in the abdomen, is being held at Minto today.

TO MEET BROTHER

Charles Larabee, a former lieutenant in the United States field artillery at Louisville, Kentucky, is in the city to meet his brother, Edward P. Larabee, due to arrive today on the C. P. O. S. liner Grampian. Edward was a prisoner in Germany and will go from here to his home in Billingham, Washington.

NO BOUT

Boxing enthusiasts throughout the city, who have been looking forward to an exhibition scheduled to take place tomorrow evening between Albe Lynch of Montreal and Jack Sullivan, a local boy, will be disappointed for the authorities have refused to sanction the meet and it had to be called off.

K—Add Wilson

SANTA CLAUS HAS GOOD IDEA

St. Nicholas has been especially bright in buying up season tickets for the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. M. C. I. this Christmas. There will be hundreds of youths and boys made glad tomorrow with visions of swimming tanks, bowling alleys, running tracks, recreation rooms, study classes, etc. The large increases over former seasons in membership gifts.

THE BOYS' CLUB

After the new year the St. John Boys' Club, which has been going along quietly with a large nightly attendance, will have a busy season. There will be first a treat for the members with a display of the club's completed honor roll, which is a long one. Arrangements are being made for physical culture two evenings each week, and talks or bits of entertainment two other nights. It will perhaps surprise many citizens to know that the names of several hundred boys have been on the membership of this club in the last few years. A number of interesting entertainments for the winter are being planned for the balance of the winter.

NOTES ABOUT THE ELECTION

Interest in the coming election is beginning to be manifest throughout the city and there is considerable speculation as to the outcome. Several fairly large wagers have been made on the result.

One hundred and thirty-six soldiers have placed their names on record at city hall in order that they will have an opportunity of exercising their franchise at the election.

The list of returning officers was not ready today as there are still a few vacancies. Mr. Wardroper, common clerk, said that the men are not satisfied with the day offered by the city. He said the amount has remained the same for the last forty years and that the men today have to work harder and the hours are much longer than they were then. During that period the constables and clerks at the booths have received only a fifty cent increase and are getting \$3 a day now.

THE FOG LAST NIGHT.

It was not a St. John fog that enveloped the city for an hour or two last evening. It must have come from Halifax. It was the kind that wipes out the landmarks and isolates you, and the surrounding gloom with all sorts of imaginary terrors. At twenty minutes past eight a Times man stood at the fountain in King square and could not see a light anywhere except that which lit the space around his feet. The huge blazing sign of the Imperial to the south, the clustered arch at the head of King street, the illuminated signs on the north side of the square and the street lamps to the east were utterly blotted out. It was necessary to walk some distance toward them to see them first dimly appear and then gradually grow to their full radiance. At the fountain one seemed as completely alone as in the heart of the wilderness. It was not a wet fog, but a blanket of dry mist that rose and fell and wavered, now thick, now thin, until at last it was completely dissipated and the stars shone in a cloudless sky. It reminded one of what we read of the fog that sometimes envelops London.

WHY THE HERO WEPT.

A returned soldier was discovered this morning leaning against the customs house, weeping. A citizen asked the cause of his sorrow. "This street," sobbed the soldier, indicating Prince William street, from Princess street to St. James, "reminds me so much of the trenches and No Man's Land that whenever I see it I break down. Don't!" he cried, laying a detaining hand on the citizen, "don't try to cross. You'll get bogged, and there's no relief party in sight. Wait for an airplane." It was good advice, but no airplane came and the citizen wallowed through. He is now praying for cold weather and next year's paving programme.

GIVES \$30,000 FOR TREAT FOR CHILDREN FOR ALL THE YEARS

J. D. O'Connell insures Christmas joy for Orphans of Maritime Provinces

Interest to be Used Each Yule-tide—Sends \$10,000 Each to St. John and Halifax; \$5,000 Each to Charlottetown and Sussex—No Distinction as to Religion

J. D. O'Connell has made provision that the Christmas treats for orphans in several maritime province centres shall be continued for all years. For that purpose, he has given \$10,000 to St. John, \$10,000 to Halifax, \$5,000 to Charlottetown and \$5,000 to Sussex, the interest only to be used each year, the principal to remain invested, the mayor of each of the places named to be one of the trustees.

Mr. O'Connell has written to friends here making it known that he never has drawn any distinction between Catholic and Protestant orphans; he has treated both alike on every occasion. This year he has sent funds and instructions to Judge J. B. Armstrong asking him to give a new twenty-five cent script and five new pennies to each child in all the orphanages and homes in St. John where orphans are housed. Mr. O'Connell has done this in other years in addition to the pennies he has given here and in other cities.

Mr. O'Connell's generous benefaction will give pleasure and comfort to the orphan year after year for all time, and it is but just to him to make it clear that he has drawn no religious distinctions in distributing the gifts which come from a kindly heart.

SIXTY FIVE CENTS FOR YOUR TURKEY

That's What They Were Asking in the Market Today

It matters but little to the pocketbook this year whether or not the Christmas dinner consists of turkey, goose, or chicken, as the prices in the market are so low. The price of turkey have been soaring during the last few days until this morning, in the city market, it had struck the fifty-cent price of sixty-five cents a pound. The price of geese was not much lower, considering the difference in the size. Some of the merchants were asking fifty-five cents a pound while others were asking a flat rate. Chicken was selling at fifty cents a pound.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS FROM THE RED CROSS

Lady Tilley received this morning the following telegram from Col. Noel Marshall, chairman of the Red Cross executive, Toronto, conveying the greetings of the society to all workers.

Lady Tilley, Canadian Red Cross Society, St. John, N. B. Headquarters of Canadian Red Cross Society extend all officers, branches and auxiliaries of the society their cordial wishes for a Christmas gladdened by the thought of good work done and of suffering relieved. For a New Year's motto we will take the words of our chief commissioner in a report just received, "Until the last Canadian soldier who offered himself as a barrier between us and destruction is discharged from hospital we must march forward steadily under the banner of the Red Cross!" NOEL MARSHALL.

BOYS' PARLIAMENT OFF PROBABLY UNTIL EASTER

The boys' parliament, which it was intended to hold under Y. M. C. A. auspices during the first weeks in the new year, has been postponed possibly until Easter. The reason for the delay is attributed to the late influenza epidemic by which delegates were prevented from coming from various sections of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. These delegates were in October to have made all the arrangements for the parliament slated for next week or somewhat later.

The boys' parliament idea has for its object a thorough discussion of boys' work problems and advancements in connection with Y. M. C. A. programme. In the past these questions have been left largely if not entirely to grown-ups and experience has quite frequently proven that the nail has not always been hit upon the head in certain particulars. With the boys themselves holding discussions on the outline of work—boys from all sections of the maritime provinces—it is felt the leaders will get valuable and first-hand information.

There is another good point in a boys' parliament plan. It gives lads confidence in debate, makes them think clearly and connectedly, gives them practice in translating their thoughts into terse language and thus the better element of lads are unconsciously trained for perhaps a real parliament of their country in later years.

MRS. JAMES W. MCKENZIE. A wide circle of friends will hear with deep regret the death of Mrs. James W. McKenzie, who passed away at her home, 7 Hospital street, this morning, after a short illness, of pneumonia. She is survived by her husband (with the McClary Manufacturing Company), by three children, by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Thompson; by two sisters, Mrs. A. R. Covey of Boston and Mrs. W. L. Stewart of this city, and by one brother, Charles J. Thompson. The funeral, which will be private, is to be held this afternoon.

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Waistcoats	3.75 to 5.50	Camisoles	1.25 to 4.50
Trunks	2.50 to 7.50	Handkerchiefs	.25 to 2.00
House Coats	6.50 to 11.00	Umbrellas	2.00 to 10.00
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MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

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