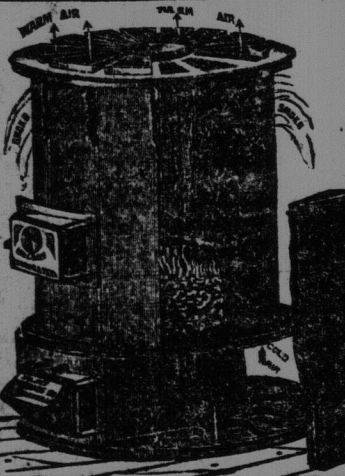


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PERSONALS.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Chapman and family returned to the city last evening from spending a very pleasant Christmas with Mr. Chapman's parents in Port Elgin.

Misses Addie M. Hartt and Myrtle Elayward, St. John teachers, are spending their vacation at Fredericton Junction.

Mrs. Joseph Ambury and children are visiting relatives in St. Martins.

Percy Stebbins, of New Brunswick, is visiting friends in the city.

John Mercevan spent a few days at Fredericton Junction with his parents, John Troy, who has been attending school at St. John, is spending his holidays in Newcastle.

E. A. Burns is here from Newcastle for the holidays.

Fred Dalton is spending his holidays in Newcastle.

Frank Campbell, of the Telephone Co. spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Campbell, Hartland.

Joseph B. Pauley, of St. Stephen spent Christmas with relatives here.

Walter Little spent Christmas with relatives in Apohaqui.

Miss Zeila Harrison, of Jerusalem, is visiting Mrs. Clarence Harrison.

Misses Margaret and Mildred Johnson spent Christmas with their parents, Rev. W. E. and Mrs. Johnson, Jerusalem.

Mrs. Norman Wyman, of Yarmouth, N. S., is on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Alfred Wells, King street east.

Miss Mary Beckwith is spending the Christmas holidays with Miss Annie Duggan, Moncton.

Misses Mabel and Maude Harper, of Chipman, are spending a few days in the city.

C. B. Foster has returned to Toronto after spending Christmas in New Brunswick.

Mrs. Guy Carr, of Compton, Que., is in St. John to spend New Year's with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Codner, Cranston avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Glynn, of Moncton, are visiting their aunt, Mrs. P. Brown, 92 Paradise Row.

William McMullin returned yesterday afternoon after a trip to Montreal.

Mrs. Harold Lawrence went to Wolfville yesterday.

Mrs. (Dr.) Gray, of Fairville, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Trueman, Point de Rite.

John H. Crowl, formerly captain of the schooner Empress, is here as a witness on a case before the admiralty court. Capt. Crowl belongs to Brooklyn, New York.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

Owing to the increased patronage which Advertisers are giving to the Star, we are compelled to request those who require changes in their Advertisements to have their Copy in the Star Office Before 9 o'clock in the Morning, to insure insertion Same Evening.

LOCAL NEWS

Waterproof shoe, 10c. Makes boots absolutely waterproof. John de Angelus, 169 Union street and 4 Water street. Gold or gold-dipped spectacles make a nice and useful Christmas present. Remember that each pair of glasses purchased during the Holiday Season carries with it the privilege of alterations having the eyes tested by Dr. Boyanah and the spectacles refitted. The service this year will take the form of a study of the life of Christ, illustrated by pictures and lantern slides as well as all members are invited. An enjoyable and profitable time is promised those who attend. A co-partnership under the name and style of the Gloucester Lumber and Trading Co., at which donations of money will be needed for the purchase of the company will be at Bathurst. The partners are Owen Stacey, Wm. G. Hall and George A. R. Rogers. Pearl Jordan and James Sears have had a building erected at Indiantown, back of the St. John's Hotel, which they intend to use for a henery. Their building will hold more than 300 hens.

The Police Committee met yesterday afternoon and considered several matters of business. It was decided to hold a meeting in January. A committee was appointed to interview the managers of the local rink in regard to the matter of the annual gathering of the Oddfellows of St. John will be held on New Year's Day, commencing at 10 o'clock. The meeting will be addressed by Grand Master C. N. Skinner, as well as by other members of the order. All visiting Oddfellows are invited to attend.

The marriage took place last evening at 6:30 at the residence of Rev. J. C. B. Appel of Thomas Henderson to Miss Lillian May Dodd. Mr. Henderson is an employee of the Penitentiary company. Miss Dodd was a gown of navy blue, with hat to match, and was attended by Miss Lillian Henderson, sister of the groom. Harmon Curran was groomsmen. During the winter Mr. Henderson will reside on Adelaide street. A number of handsome presents have been received by the happy couple from well wishing friends.

Some of the artillery stores placed in the exhibit building, which were now in danger of being destroyed by fire, are among the stores, and Sergt. Major Hughes has reported that the building is leaking badly. Colonel White has asked the master to the authorities at Ottawa, and no doubt this will be used to further strengthen the argument for a new drill hall. Col. White asks that a proper storehouse be provided for the stores. The last day of the feast will be entertained at the Congregational church, Union street, by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Seamen's Mission Society to-night. A good programme has been prepared by an energetic committee. It will be a well filled comfort bag, and a number of prizes will be given to the winners. An invitation is extended to all contributors to the society to be present. It is an interesting sight. The ladies intend providing refreshments for the guests.

According to word received here the W. S. Harkins company is now in the New Brunswick, after a very prosperous engagement in Halifax and other Nova Scotia cities. Mr. Harkins was called home to tend to the illness of his wife, but he has now rejoined the company on his way to the Island colony. Miss Ethel Davis, who was with the company when they appeared here, was taken ill at Halifax and was unable to go to Newfoundland with them. Miss Marie Furlong of this city left on Monday evening to join the company. Harry Stubbs, one of the members of the company, who has been acting as instructor for the St. Mary's Dramatic Club, was presented by them with a handsome watch box.

The wedding of Henry W. Robertson, the well known barrister of this city, to Miss Ursula J. Leighton, daughter of Isaac G. Leighton of Newcastle, Miramichi, took place at nine o'clock yesterday morning at Newcastle. Mr. Robertson reached St. John last evening. The newly wedded couple will have the best wishes of a host of friends in this city.

The Hebrews of this city are now observing the Feast of Chanukkah, also known as that of Chanukkah. The celebration of this feast began last Friday and ends on Saturday next. The feast is in commemoration of the victory of the Maccabees over the Greeks about 105 B. C. The celebration is sometimes known also as the Feast of Lights, so called because of the lighting of candles each day in synagogues and homes while the celebration continues. On Saturday last special services were held in the synagogue, when Rev. Dr. Rabbinowitz delivered an appropriate sermon. The last day of the feast will also be marked by similar services.

John Nolan, a prominent farmer, and Joseph Levesque, a blacksmith, both of Dalhousie, had a narrow escape from death yesterday. Several men are engaged at Stewart's quarry blasting for stone for the new wharf at Dalhousie. They use a quantity of dynamite, which they store there. A quantity of dynamite was blown to atoms. Two seconds later Nolan and Levesque would have been killed, as they were walking towards the shanty to secure some fuse and were only two feet from it when the accident occurred. The men escaped injury, but received a terrible shock. Nolan, who is a foreman, lost twenty-five dollars in cash, some tools and clothing, but fortunately saved the time book. Nolan had a few minutes previously paid out three hundred dollars to his men.

The stamp difficulty in the I. C. C. R. offices is arousing a good deal of comment here, and the Transcript tonight says editorially: "What is needed is reform in the method of distributing stamps to the different departments and accounting for the same. Hon. Mr. Emmerson, minister of railways and canals, as a result of the recent alleged abuses seems to have properly insisted upon reform. He has decided that a mail clerk shall be appointed from the personal staff and a common post office established for the whole of the departments. This clerk will be charged with all the stamps he receives and he will have to change his self with all letters sent out and the postage thereon. It is further probable that all stamps issued for the I. C. C. R. will be perforated with the letters I. C. R. This is permitted by the post office department."

The annual entertainment at which provisions and other good things are given for the deserving poor, was held in German street church last night. The contributions were large. A vocal and instrumental programme was given in which the following took part: Messrs. Oram, Ramsey, Gay, Lane, Free, Miss Daisy Oram and Charles R. Wasson. Kenneth Davis acted the part of Santa Claus and took most of the good things donated to the platform in a wheelbarrow.

The dredge Beaver resumed work yesterday afternoon after an interval of three weeks, owing to a broken pump. On account of the unusual conditions of the tides in the harbor, it was found necessary to erect a large permanent derrick on the dredge, by means of which two new spuds have been placed in position. The largest weighs nearly twenty-five tons and is about seventy-five feet long. The dredge is now working about eight hours a day.

A meeting of the council of the board of trade was held yesterday afternoon, and the usual routine business was transacted. An informal discussion took place on the suggestion that the government should be asked to have as much dredging as possible completed before next season, so that there might be facilities for the new C. P. R. boats to come here. No action was taken. The council will not take further steps in the matter of investigating the power at the falls until after the travel on account of the holiday season will be over. It is expected the recommendation of the treasury board to grant \$400 for the purpose will be confirmed.

Installation of officers took place in Carleton Union Lodge, F. and A. M., last night. A very large number of the lodge members were present. The following are the officers installed by Past Grand Master John V. Ellis, assisted by J. W. Carleton, director of ceremonies: W. G. P. Scovell—Master, P. W. Wetmore—S. W., E. R. W. Ingraham—J. W., Rev. H. R. Road—Chap., Uriah Drake—Treas., M. P. McLeod—Secretary, Jas. W. Carleton—S. D., Dr. F. L. Kenney—J. D., W. C. Standish Paynter—S. S., W. Wilson—J. S., Geo. Ballie—D. of G., Enoch Thompson—J. G., Samuel J. Taylor.

After the installation the members enjoyed a luncheon.

TWO HOTELS BURNED; GUESTS NARROWLY ESCAPE

\$140,000 Fire at Niagara Falls—Church, Electric Light Plant and Stores Also Suffer.

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., Dec. 23.—Fire started this morning in the basement of the old Porter Hotel, now a part of the Imperial Hotel, at Falls and Second streets, in the portion occupied by Faxon, Williams & Faxon, grocers. The occupants of the Porter Hotel were startled by a terrible explosion down stairs, and almost instantly the flames began to shoot up through the building. Fortunately the force of the explosion was sufficient to arouse all the occupants who were able to make their escape, but nearly all lost their clothing and personal effects.

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Explosions of barrels of whiskey in Faxon, Williams & Faxon's cellar during the progress of the fire scattered their contents in every direction and added to the fierceness of the blaze and the constant explosion of cartridges and other ammunition in the Rae store added another element of danger. The fire appeared to be beyond control an appeal for aid was sent to Buffalo, but before the engines arrived the local firemen had the situation well in hand.

The total loss is estimated at \$140,000. The Imperial Hotel building was damaged to the extent of \$15,000 and its contents, valued at \$20,000, are a total loss. Other losses were: Temperance Hotel, \$10,000; Buffalo, Niagara Falls Electric Light & Power Company, \$5,000; Presbyterian church and Luce's livery, \$2,000 each; Lehigh Valley Ticket office, \$1,000; adjoining stores damaged by smoke and water about \$35,000.

One of Fredericton's Most Honored Ladies—She Danced With King Edward—When He Visited Here.

(Special to the Star.)
FREDERICTON, Dec. 23.—Citizens of Fredericton were shocked this morning to learn of the very sudden death of Miss Frances Fisher, second surviving daughter of the late Hon. Chas. Fisher, and sister of Mrs. John James Fraser. The death was a most unexpected one and came as a great blow. Miss Fisher has all along been enjoying the best of health. For the past few weeks she has been visiting her sister at Parvillie Place. She attended the funeral of the late Mr. Fraser on Sunday and Christmas and last evening retired apparently in the best of health and spirits.

This morning when Mrs. Fraser went to awaken her guest there was no response and approaching the bed found that her sister had passed away during the night. Miss Fisher was among Fredericton's best known ladies, and her death was a great loss to her family and to the community. She was one of the few Canadian ladies that danced with King Edward on the visit of the latter to Fredericton as Prince of Wales in the sixties. The Fisher homestead, on the historic Row, has ever been noted for its hospitality. But one sister survives, Jane, the widow of the late Gov. F. Fisher, who has been noted for her sympathy of the entire community is extended. Heart disease was the cause of death, though the exact cause has never been known to have suffered from that trouble.

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CLERGYMAN'S WIFE ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.
(Special to the Star.)
KINGSTON, Ont., Dec. 23.—Mrs. Coleman, wife of Rev. Frank Coleman, of Gananoque, yesterday, for some unknown reason, attempted suicide. A neighbor who was calling found her lying on a couch with her head wrapped in a cloth saturated with chloroform. Mrs. Coleman is recovering. Her husband, who is in British Columbia, has been telegraphed for.

MAINE FEARS SMALLPOX FROM NEW BRUNSWICK.

(Bangor Commercial.)
Maine has thus far this fall been free from the dread scourge of smallpox, but of late there have been many cases across the border. It is, of course to be sincerely hoped that the authorities will not make its appearance on this side of the boundary and the authorities who are on guard along the frontier are very vigilant and are doing everything in their power to prevent any smallpox patients from coming into Maine, although this is no easy task.

At Fredericton Junction and Tracy there are many cases, and the disease seems to be working its way up toward Fredericton, and the presence of heavy travel on account of the holiday season will tax the vigilance of the officials to the utmost.

The fact that the United States public health and marine hospital service has assumed charge of the inspection service which was established by the state board of health, will relieve the state of the expense, and the excellent work which has therefore been conducted by the state board will no doubt continue.

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LATE SHIP NEWS.
PORT OF ST. JOHN, Arrived.
Dec. 23.—S. S. Montreal, 5,555, Evans, from London and Antwerp, C. P. R. Bark Spies, Lund, from Porsgrund, Coastwise—Sch. Eveline, Trahan, from Salmon River, Cleared.
Sch. Cora May, 117, Hogan, for Vineyard Haven.
Sch. R. Carson, 98, McLean, for Boston, Sailed.
Sch. Calvin Austin, 2,553, Pike, for Boston via Eastport.
S. S. Cape Breton, 1,109, McNeill, for Louisbourg, C. B.
Coastwise—Sch. Agnes May, Carrihan, for St. Martins; Sch. Alma, Tufts, for St. Martins; Arlaine, Outhouse, for Lord's Cove.

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